On April 19, 1995, Timothy McVeigh drove a rental truck packed with a massive explosive device and parked it in front of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City. At 9:02 a.m., the truck exploded, killing 168 people, among them 19 children and a rescue worker. More than 650 were injured.

🔲 Broken glass 📕 Structural damage 📕 Severe damage

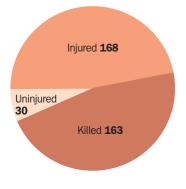
The blast damaged 324 buildings within a 16-block radius and destroyed 86 vehicles.

2 9:01 a.m. McVeigh parks truck on the sidewalk next to the building and walks off.

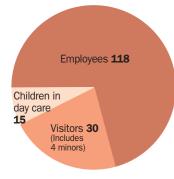
3 9:02 a.m. McVeigh's location when truck explodes. McVeigh continues to a parked getaway car. About 90 miles outside of the city, McVeigh is stopped for not having a license plate on the car.

THE VICTIMS

There were 361 occupants of the Murrah Building when the bomb went off. Here is what happened to them:



Of the 163 in the building who were killed:



Of the people in the second-floor day care center, 15 children and four adults were killed. Six people survived.

THE BLAST

The explosion was estimated to have caused at least \$652 million worth of damage.

The explosion was heard 55 miles away. Seismometers recorded the blast at about 3.0 on the Richter scale.

The truck contained

13 barrels and more

pounds of TNT.

than 6,000 pounds of

ammonium nitrate fertilizer.

nitromethane, explosives and

diesel fuel. The blast was the

equivalent of more than 5,000

WHERE THEY DIED

9TH FLOOR 11 dead Drug Enforcement Agency 5 U.S. Secret Service 6

8TH FLOOR 15 dead Housing & Urban Development 15

7TH FLOOR 19 dead Housing & Urban Development 19

 6TH FLOOR 2 dead Marine Corps Recruiting 2

5TH FLOOR 10 dead Department of Agriculture 7 Housing & Urban Development 1 Customs Office 2

4TH FLOOR 19 dead Federal Highway Administration 11 Army Recruiting 8

3RD FLOOR 26 dead Defense Security Service 5 Federal Credit Union 21

2ND FLOOR 19 dead Child Development Center 19

1ST FLOOR 42 dead Social Security Administration 40 General Services 2

OUTSIDE THE BUILDING 5 dead (Including a rescue worker)

Explosion created a 30-foot-wide by 8-foot-deep crater.

RESCUE EFFORT

Hundreds of rescue personnel immediately searched the rubble for victims. Within the first hour, about

THE TERRORISTS

Timothy McVeigh: He built and detonated the bomb. He was convicted and executed by lethal injection in 2001.

Terry Nichols: He built the bomb with McVeigh. He was convicted of murder and is serving 161 life sentences in isolation at a Supermax prison.

Michael and Lori Fortier: They were accomplices in the attack. Michael pleaded guilty and testified against McVeigh and Nichols in exchange for a 12-year sentence and immunity for his wife.

NATIONAL MEMORIAL AND MUSEUM

Dedicated on April 19, 2000

Gates of Time: Matching gates frame the time of detonation — 9:02 a.m. The 9:01 gate represents the last moments of peace, while 9:03 is the first moments of recovery.

Field of Chairs: Sitting on the building's footprint, the 168 bronze, glass and stone chairs — one for each person killed — are arranged by the floor the victims were on.

Reflecting Pool: Shallow water on top of polished black granite creates reflections, allowing visitors to see how the memorial has changed them.

Rescuers' Orchard: Representing the responders who came to help the survivors.

The Survivor Tree: The 100-year-old tree barely survived the blast. Its bark was embedded with debris and its branches blown away. Many thought the tree would not survive. But after a year, the tree began to grow again. It is a prominent feature of the memorial and symbolizes the city's spirit of survival.

Memorial Museum: It provides many elaborate exhibits and artifacts detailing the conspiracy to blow up the building. It also houses the National Memorial Institute for the Prevention of Terrorism.

Five chairs on side are for those who died outside Murrah Building.

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1 8:57 a.m. Timothy

and lights fuses.

McVeigh stops truck

Alfred P. Murrah

Federal Building

50 people were rescued from the collapsed building. More than 10 hours after the explosion, a 15-year-old girl was found alive near the bottom of the building. She was the last survivor rescued.

At 7:02 a.m. on May 23, 34 days after the bombing, the remaining building was demolished.

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