

**Table 8.1
Terrorist Attacks at a Glance**

Chemical Attack	Biological Attack
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Victims in a concentrated area • Symptoms immediate (seconds to hours after exposure) • Symptoms very similar (SLUDGEM) • May have observable features such as chemical residue, dead foliage, dead animals/insects, and pungent odor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Victims dispersed over a wide area • Symptoms delayed (days — weeks after exposure) • Symptoms most likely vague and flu-like • No observable features
Explosive Attack	Radiological Attack
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explosion self-evident (debris field, fire, etc.) • Victims in a concentrated area • Mechanical and thermal injuries • Potential radiation and chemical agent risk — monitoring for both is necessary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explosion self-evident (debris field, fire, etc.) • Victims in a concentrated area • Mechanical and thermal injuries initially, radiological symptoms (if any) will likely be delayed • Radiation detected through monitoring