

2017 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL
WAVE 27.5 NEW MEMBER - MEMBER ENGAGEMENT
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FINAL QUESTIONNAIRE

SOME QUESTIONS HAVE BEEN HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE.

ASK ALL:

RELIG What is your present religion, if any?

- 1 Protestant (for example, Baptist, Methodist, Non-denominational, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Pentecostal, Episcopalian, Reformed, Church of Christ, etc.)
- 2 Roman Catholic
- 3 Mormon (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints or LDS)
- 4 Orthodox (such as Greek, Russian, or some other Orthodox church)
- 5 Jewish
- 6 Muslim
- 7 Buddhist
- 8 Hindu
- 9 Atheist
- 10 Agnostic
- 11 Something else, Specify: _____
- 12 Nothing in particular

Prompt: You did not specify a response for "Something else". If you are sure you want to skip, click Next.

ASK IF SOMETHING ELSE OR NO RESPONSE TO RELIG (RELIG=11 or MISSING)

CHR Do you think of yourself as a Christian or not?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

ASK IF CHRISTIAN (RELIG =1-4 OR CHR=1):

BORN Would you describe yourself as a born-again or evangelical Christian, or not?

- 1 Yes, born-again or evangelical Christian
- 2 No, not born-again or evangelical Christian

ASK ALL:

ATTEND. Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services?

- 1 More than once a week
 - 2 Once a week
 - 3 Once or twice a month
 - 4 A few times a year
 - 5 Seldom
 - 6 Never
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ASK ALL:

RELIMP How important is religion in your life?

- 1 Very important
- 2 Somewhat important
- 3 Not too important
- 4 Not at all important

ASK FORM 1 ONLY:

KNOWPROTA Are you familiar with the term "Protestant," or not?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

ASK IF FAMILIAR WITH PROTESTANT (KNOWPROTA=1):

KNOWPROTB Just in your own words, what does the term "Protestant" mean?

[TEXT BOX]

ASK FORM 1 ONLY AND IF CHRISTIAN (RELIG =1-4 OR CHR=1):SOLAFIDES Which statement comes closer to your view, even if neither is exactly right?
[RANDOMIZE]

- 1 Both good deeds and faith in God are necessary to get into heaven
- 2 Faith in God is the only thing that gets people into heaven

ASK FORM 1 ONLY AND IF CHRISTIAN (RELIG =1-4 OR CHR=1):

SOLASCRIP Which statement comes closer to your view, even if neither is exactly right?

- 1 The Bible provides all the religious guidance Christians need
- 2 In addition to the Bible, Christians also need religious guidance from church teachings and traditions

ASK FORM 2 ONLY:

KLUTHER As far as you know...What was the name of the person whose writings and actions inspired the Protestant Reformation? [RANDOMIZE ITEMS 1-3 WITH 8 ALWAYS LAST]

- 1 Martin Luther
- 2 Thomas Aquinas
- 3 John Wesley
- 8 Not sure

[PROGRAMMING NOTE: ONLY DISPLAY CHOICE 8 NOT SURE IF THE QUESTION IS SKIPPED AND LEFT BLANK]

Soft prompt: "If you do not know the answer, please select answer choice Not sure. If you would like to skip, click Next."

ASK FORM 1 ONLY:

CATHPROTA When you think of Catholics and Protestants ***TODAY***, are they religiously more similar than they are different, or are they religiously more different than they are similar?

- 1 Religiously more similar than they are different
- 2 Religiously more different than they are similar

ASK IF MORE SIMILAR (CATHPROTA=1):

CATHPROTB1 Just in your own words, what is the most important way in which Catholics and Protestants today are religiously similar?

[TEXT BOX]

ASK IF MORE DIFFERENT (CATHPROTA=2):

CATHPROTB2 Just in your own words, what is the most important difference between Catholics and Protestants today?

[TEXT BOX]

ASK FORM 2 ONLY:

BELIEVE Which of the following, if any, do you believe in?

- a. Heaven
- b. Hell
- c. Purgatory (where people are cleansed of their sins before they enter heaven)

RESPONSE CATEGORIES:

- 1 Yes, believe in
- 2 No, don't believe

ASK FORM 2 ONLY:

ETERNAL And just in your own words, what do you think determines whether a person will gain eternal life **[IF CHRISTIAN (RELIG =1-4 OR CHR=1) INSERT: in heaven]**?

[TEXT BOX]

ASK FORM 1 ONLY:

KFAITH As far as you know...Which of these religious groups traditionally teaches that salvation comes through faith alone?

[RANDOMIZE ITEMS 1 AND 2]

- 1 Only Protestants
- 2 Only Catholics
- 3 Both
- 4 Neither

ASK FORM 1 ONLY:

KREFORM What is the term commonly used to refer to the historical period in which Protestants broke away from the Catholic Church? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS 1-4 WITH 8 ALWAYS LAST]**

- 1 The Reformation
- 2 The Great Schism
- 3 The Great Crusade
- 4 The French Revolution
- 8 Not sure

[PROGRAMMING NOTE: ONLY DISPLAY CHOICE 8 NOT SURE IF THE QUESTION IS SKIPPED AND LEFT BLANK]

Soft prompt: "If you do not know the answer, please select answer choice Not sure. If you would like to skip, click Next."

ASK FORM 2 ONLY AND IF AFFILIATED WITH A RELIGION (RELIG=1-8, OR 11):

COMPRELIG From what you know, please tell us whether each of the following religions and your own religion are very similar, somewhat similar, somewhat different, or very different? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS, DISPLAY CHOICES IN FORWARD/REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE]**

ASK IF AFFILIATED AND NOT CATHOLIC (RELIG≠2):

a. The Catholic religion

ASK IF AFFILIATED AND NOT PROTESTANT/OTHER CHRISTIAN (RELIG≠1):

b. The Protestant religion

ASK IF AFFILIATED AND NOT MORMON (RELIG≠3):

c. The Mormon religion

ASK IF AFFILIATED AND NOT JEWISH (RELIG≠5):

d. The Jewish religion

ASK IF AFFILIATED AND NOT MUSLIM (RELIG≠6):

e. The Muslim religion

ASK IF AFFILIATED AND NOT BUDDHIST (RELIG≠7)

f. The Buddhist religion

ASK IF AFFILIATED AND NOT HINDU (RELIG≠8)

g. The Hindu religion

RESPONSE CATEGORIES:

- 1 Very similar
- 2 Somewhat similar
- 3 Somewhat different
- 4 Very different

ASK FORM 2 ONLY AND IF R IS ATHEIST, AGNOSTIC, NOTHING IN PARTICULAR OR UNKNOWN & NOT CHRISTIAN (RELIG=9, 10, 12 OR 99), ASK:

COMPBELIEF From what you know, please tell us whether each of the following religions and your own beliefs are very similar, somewhat similar, somewhat different, or very different?

[RANDOMIZE ITEMS, DISPLAY CHOICES IN FORWARD/REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE]

- a. The Catholic religion
- b. The Protestant religion
- c. The Mormon religion
- d. The Jewish religion
- e. The Muslim religion
- f. The Buddhist religion
- g. The Hindu religion

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