

**2026 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL**  
**Wave 191: Religion & Public Life**  
**April 6 – 12, 2026**

**QUESTIONNAIRE**

**Note: The questions presented below are part of a larger survey conducted on the American Trends Panel. For all questions, the 98 ("don't know" in phone mode) and 99 (refusal in phone mode and no answer in web mode) codes are combined in the data for analytical purposes.**

**PN = Programming note**

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**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED OR HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**  
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**BAT: CLERGTOPIC**

**ASK IF ATTENDS RELIGIOUS SERVICES AT LEAST ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH**

**(X\_ATTENDPER=1,2,3):**

**[ PN: RANDOMIZE ITEMS; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION IN DATA FILE ]**

**[ PN: IF WEB: ]** In the past few months, have clergy at your place of worship spoken out about...

**[ PN: IF CATI: READ FOR FIRST ITEM: ]** In the past few months, have clergy at your place of worship spoken out about **(INSERT ITEM)? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)**

**[ PN: IF CATI: READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS: ]** What about **(INSERT ITEM)? (READ AS NECESSARY: In the past few months, have clergy at your place of worship spoken out about this? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY))**

**BATTERY ITEMS:**

ABORT	Abortion
IMMIG	Immigration
ENVIR	The environment
GL	Homosexuality
TRANS	People who are transgender
ISRAEL	Israel
IRAN	<b>[ PN: IF WEB: ]</b> U.S. military action in Iran <b>[ PN: IF CATI: ]</b> U.S. military action in Iran <b>(PRONO: ee-RON)</b>

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

1	Yes
2	No
98	<b>[ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ)</b> Don't know
99	<b>[ PN: IF WEB: ]</b> Web blank / <b>[ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ)</b> Refused

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[ PN: RANDOMIZE CLERGSPOKE\_ABORT, CLERGSPOKE\_IMMIG, CLERGSPOKE\_ENVIR, CLERGSPOKE\_GL, CLERGSPOKE\_TRANS, CLERGSPOKE\_ISRAEL, AND CLERGSPOKE\_IRAN IN SAME ORDER AS THE ITEMS APPEAR IN CLERGTOPIC; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION IN DATA FILE ]

**QUE: CLERGSPOKE\_ABORT**

**ASK IF CLERGY HAS SPOKEN ABOUT ABORTION (CLERGTOPIC\_ABORT=1):**

[ PN: ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-2/2-1, HOLDING 3, 4, 98, AND 99 LAST; INCLUDE ROTATION IN DATA FILE ]

When clergy at your place of worship spoke about abortion, did they speak out...

[ PN: IF CATI: ] (READ LIST)

- 1 Against abortion
- 2 In support of abortion rights
- 3 Both
- 4 Neither
- 98 [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- 99 [ PN: IF WEB: ] Web blank / [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Refused

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**QUE: CLERGSPOKE\_IMMIG**

**ASK IF CLERGY HAS SPOKEN ABOUT IMMIGRATION (CLERGTOPIC\_IMMIG=1):**

[ PN: ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-2/2-1, HOLDING 3, 4, 98, AND 99 LAST; INCLUDE ROTATION IN DATA FILE ]

When clergy at your place of worship spoke about immigration, did they speak out...

[ PN: IF CATI: ] (READ LIST)

- 1 About the need to be welcoming and supportive of immigrants
- 2 About the need for stricter immigration enforcement
- 3 Both
- 4 Neither
- 98 [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- 99 [ PN: IF WEB: ] Web blank / [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Refused

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**QUE: CLERG\_SPOKE\_ENVIR**

**ASK IF CLERGY HAS SPOKEN ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT (CLERGTOPIC\_ENVIR=1):**

[ PN: ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-2/2-1, HOLDING 3, 4, 98, AND 99 LAST; INCLUDE ROTATION IN DATA FILE ]

When clergy at your place of worship spoke about the environment, did they speak out...

[ PN: IF CATI: ] (READ LIST)

- 1 About the need to protect the environment
- 2 Against environmental regulations
- 3 Both
- 4 Neither
- 98 [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- 99 [ PN: IF WEB: ] Web blank / [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Refused

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**QUE: CLERG\_SPOKE\_GL**

**ASK IF CLERGY HAS SPOKEN ABOUT HOMOSEXUALITY (CLERGTOPIC\_GL=1):**

[ PN: ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-2/2-1, HOLDING 3, 4, 98, AND 99 LAST; INCLUDE ROTATION IN DATA FILE ]

When clergy at your place of worship spoke about homosexuality, did they speak out...

[ PN: IF CATI: ] (READ LIST)

- 1 Against homosexuality
- 2 To encourage acceptance of people who are gay or lesbian
- 3 Both
- 4 Neither
- 98 [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- 99 [ PN: IF WEB: ] Web blank / [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Refused

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**QUE: CLERG\_SPOKE\_TRANS**

ASK IF CLERGY HAS SPOKEN ABOUT PEOPLE WHO ARE TRANSGENDER

(CLERGTOPIC\_TRANS=1):

[ PN: ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-2/2-1, HOLDING 3, 4, 98, AND 99 LAST; INCLUDE ROTATION IN DATA FILE ]

When clergy at your place of worship spoke about people who are transgender, did they speak out...

[ PN: IF CATI: ] (READ LIST)

- 1 Against transgender identity
- 2 To encourage acceptance of people who are transgender
- 3 Both
- 4 Neither
- 98 [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- 99 [ PN: IF WEB: ] Web blank / [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Refused

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**QUE: CLERG\_SPOKE\_ISRAEL**

ASK IF CLERGY HAS SPOKEN ABOUT ISRAEL (CLERGTOPIC\_ISRAEL=1):

[ PN: ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-2/2-1, HOLDING 3, 4, 98, AND 99 LAST; INCLUDE ROTATION IN DATA FILE ]

When clergy at your place of worship spoke about Israel, did they speak out...

[ PN: IF CATI: ] (READ LIST)

- 1 To criticize Israel
- 2 To support Israel
- 3 Both
- 4 Neither
- 98 [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- 99 [ PN: IF WEB: ] Web blank / [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Refused

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**QUE: CLERG\_SPOKE\_IRAN**

**ASK IF CLERGY HAS SPOKEN ABOUT U.S. MILITARY ACTION IN IRAN (CLERGTOPIC\_IRAN=1):**

[ PN: ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-2/2-1, HOLDING 3, 4, 98, AND 99 LAST; INCLUDE ROTATION IN DATA FILE ]

When clergy at your place of worship spoke about U.S. military action in Iran, did they speak out...

[ PN: IF CATI: ] (READ LIST)

- 1 In support of U.S. military action in Iran
- 2 In opposition to U.S. military action in Iran
- 3 Both
- 4 Neither
- 98 [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- 99 [ PN: IF WEB: ] Web blank / [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Refused

**QUE: CLERGY\_PARTY**

**ASK IF ATTENDS RELIGIOUS SERVICES AT LEAST ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH (X\_ATTENDPER=1,2,3):**

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As far as you know, are the clergy or other religious leaders at your congregation or place of worship mostly...

[ PN: IF CATI: ] (READ LIST)

- 1 Republicans
- 2 Democrats
- 3 A mix of both
- 4 [ PN: IF WEB: ] Not sure [ PN: IF CATI: ] Or are you not sure?
- 99 [ PN: IF WEB: ] Web blank / [ PN: IF CATI: ] (DO NOT READ) Refused

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