2026 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S NATIONAL PUBLIC OPINION REFERENCE SURVEY (NPORS)
Topline Survey Results - Religion Questions
January 30-June 18, 2026

N=5,511

Note: All numbers are percentages unless otherwise noted. Percentages less than 0.5% are replaced by an asterisk (*). Rows/columns may not total 100% due to rounding. The questions presented below are part of a larger survey; other questions were previously released or held for future release.

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This survey was conducted by paper, online, and over the phone. This topline shows the programming language for online administration. For details on how questions were asked for paper and phone administration, visit the paper and the web/phone questionnaires.

In addition to the 2026 NPORS, this topline also includes data from previous surveys. Most of the previous surveys were conducted using similar methods. However, the 2014 and 2007 Religious Landscape Studies (RLS) were conducted entirely by telephone. For an analysis of the impact of this "mode switch" (from telephone to mainly online/paper), refer to "Comparing Results Across Religious Landscape Studies."

PN = Programming note

	Sample size	Margin of error at 95% confidence level
U.S. adults	5,511	+/- 1.8 percentage points

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED OR HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

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[ASK ALL]
[PN: SOFT PROMPT IF SELECT CODE 11 AND LEFT BLANK: "You did not provide a response in the text box. If you would like to skip, click Next." **ALLOW TO CONTINUE IF SKIP AGAIN WITHOUT ENTERING TEXT]**
RELIG. On another topic…

What is your present religion, if any?

Jan 30-Jun 18, 2026		Jul 9-Dec 5, 2025	Feb 5-Jun 18, 2025	Feb 1-Jun 10, 2024	Jul 17, 2023-Mar 4, 2024[1]	May 19-Sep 5, 2023	May 23-Sep 6, 2022	May 29-Aug 25, 2021	Jun 1-Aug 11, 2020	Jun 4-Sep 30, 2014	May 8-Aug 13, 2007
40	Protestant (for example, Baptist, Methodist, non-denominational, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Pentecostal, Episcopalian, Reformed, Church of Christ, etc.)	39	41	41	40	40	41	40	41	47	52
21	Roman Catholic	19	19	20	19	20	18	21	21	21	24
1	Mormon (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints or LDS)	2	1	1	2	1	2	2	1	2	2
<1	Orthodox (for example, Greek, Russian, or some other Orthodox church)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	*	*	1
2	Jewish	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	2	2	2
1	Muslim	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	*
1	Buddhist	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	Hindu	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	*
4	Atheist	5	4	5	5	4	5	4	4	3	2
5	Agnostic	6	6	5	6	6	5	5	5	4	2
3	Something else (please specify): **[PN: INSERT TEXT BOX]**	4	4	2	3	3	3	2	3	2	2
20	Nothing in particular	20	18	19	19	19	21	20	19	16	12
2	No answer	2	2	2	1	2	2	2	1	1	1

[1] Estimates from the 2023-24, 2014 and 2007 RLS data may differ slightly compared with estimates in the RLS reports because of small differences in the way responses are coded to match the approach used in the NPORS surveys.

INTERVENING QUESTION HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

[ASK ALL]
ATTENDPER Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services in person?[2]

	More than once a week	Once a week	Once or twice a month	A few times a year	Seldom	Never	No answer
Jan 30-Jun 18, 2026	9	17	8	15	22	28	1
Jul 9-Dec 5, 2025	7	17	7	16	23	29	1
Feb 5-Jun 18,2025	8	18	8	16	24	26	1
Feb 1-Jun 10, 2024	8	17	8	16	24	27	1
Jul 17, 2023-Mar 4, 2024	8	17	8	18	25	24	1
May 19-Sep 5, 2023	7	17	8	15	23	29	1
May 23-Sep 6, 2022	7	16	7	17	23	29	1
May 29-Aug 25, 2021	7	17	7	15	26	27	1
Jun 1-Aug 11, 2020	7	19	7	19	23	24	1

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[ASK ALL]
RELIMP How important is religion in your life?

	Very important	Somewhat important	Not too important	Not at all important	No answer
Jan 30-Jun 18, 2026	44	23	15	17	1
Jul 9-Dec 5, 2025	42	23	16	18	1
Feb 5-Jun 18,2025	43	25	16	16	1
Feb 1-Jun 10, 2024	42	24	15	18	1
Jul 17, 2023-Mar 4, 2024	38	26	17	18	1
May 19-Sep 5, 2023	42	25	15	18	1
May 23-Sep 6, 2022	41	24	15	19	1
May 29-Aug 25, 2021	41	25	16	17	1
Jun 1-Aug 11, 2020	45	26	15	14	*
Jun 4-Sep 30, 2014	53	24	11	11	1
May 8-Aug 13, 2007	56	26	9	7	1

[2] The phrase "in person" was added in 2023. Before that, the question did not include "in person." Estimates from the 2014 and 2007 RLS cannot be directly compared with the newer results because of changes in how the surveys were conducted. For details, refer to "Comparing Results Across Religious Landscape Studies."

[ASK ALL]
PRAY Outside of attending religious services, how often do you pray?

	Several times a day	Once a day	A few times a week	Once a week	A few times a month	Seldom	Never	No answer
Jan 30-Jun 18, 2026	30	17	11	3	7	15	17	1
Jul 9-Dec 5, 2025	28	16	13	2	7	16	16	1
Feb 5-Jun 18,2025	29	17	12	2	7	16	15	1
Feb 1-Jun 10, 2024	29	17	13	2	7	14	17	1
Jul 17, 2023-Mar 4, 2024	28	16	13	3	8	16	16	1
May 19-Sep 5, 2023	30	16	12	2	7	15	16	1
May 23-Sep 6, 2022	30	15	13	2	8	16	16	1
May 29-Aug 25, 2021	30	15	13	2	7	17	15	1
Jun 1-Aug 11, 2020	30	18	12	2	7	15	14	1
Jun 4-Sep 30, 2014	38	17	13	2	6	12	11	1
May 8-Aug 13, 2007	38	20	14	3	6	11	7	2

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED OR HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

2026 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL
Wave 194: Religion Questions
May 26-June 1, 2026

TOPLINE
N=9,750

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This survey was conducted primarily online, with some interviews conducted by live telephone. This topline shows the programming language for online administration. For details on how questions were slightly modified for phone administration, visit the questionnaire.

American Trends Panel surveys conducted between October 2016 and June 2024 were conducted fully online (with tablets and data plans provided to adults without home internet). American Trends Panel surveys conducted prior to October 2016 were conducted primarily online, with some respondents completing by mail. For additional details, visit the methodology.

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	Sample size	Margin of error at 95% confidence level
U.S. adults	9,750	+/- 1.4 percentage points

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[PN: SHOW ATTENDMONTH AND ATTENDONLINE ON SAME SCREEN; DO NOT RANDOMIZE ORDER]

[ASK ALL]
ATTENDMONTH

In the last month, did you attend religious services in person at a church, synagogue, mosque or other house of worship?

	Yes, attended religious services in person in the last month	No, did not attend religious services in person in the last month	No answer
May 26-Jun 1, 2026	34	65	*
Oct 21-27, 2024	32	68	*
Nov 16-27, 2022	28	71	1
Mar 7-13, 2022	27	71	2
Sep 20-26, 2021	26	74	1
Mar 1-7, 2021[3]	17	82	1
Jul 13-19, 2020[4]	13	86	*

[ASK ALL]
ATTENDONLINE

In the last month, have you watched religious services online or on TV?

	Yes, have watched religious services online or on TV in the last month	No, have not watched religious services online or on TV in the last month	No answer
May 26-Jun 1, 2026	26	74	*
Oct 21-27, 2024	27	72	1
Nov 16-27, 2022	24	75	1
Mar 7-13, 2022	30	69	2
Sep 20-26, 2021	28	71	1
Mar 1-7, 2021[5]	33	66	1
Jul 13-19, 2020[6]	36	63	*

[3] Estimates based on respondents who participated in both the March 1-7, 2021 survey and the July 13-19, 2020 survey.
[4] Estimates based on respondents who participated in both the March 1-7, 2021 survey and the July 13-19, 2020 survey.
[5] Estimates based on respondents who participated in both the March 1-7, 2021 survey and the July 13-19, 2020 survey.
[6] Estimates based on respondents who participated in both the March 1-7, 2021 survey and the July 13-19, 2020 survey.