

PEW RESEARCH CENTER FOR THE PEOPLE & THE PRESS
PEW FORUM ON RELIGION & PUBLIC LIFE
JULY 2012 RELIGION & POLITICS SURVEY
 June 28 – July 9, 2012
 N=2,973

QUESTIONS 1-3, 10, 12-13, 18-26, 30-32, 34-35, 40-50, 75-78, 95-96 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

NO QUESTIONS 4-9, 11, 14-17, 27-29, 33, 36-39, 54-69, 74, 79, 84-94

51-54, 70-73 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

ASK a-b IF CATHOLIC (RELIG=2); ASK c-e IF CATHOLIC OR RAISED CATHOLIC (RELIG=2 OR Q.70=2):

Thinking about the Catholic Church...

Q.80 How satisfied are you with the leadership provided by [INSERT; RANDOMIZE]? Very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied? How satisfied are you with the leadership provided by [INSERT NEXT ITEM]? Very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied? How about [INSERT NEXT ITEM]? [READ AS NECESSARY: "Very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?"]

		Very	Somewhat	Somewhat	Very	(VOL.)	(VOL.)
		satisfied	satisfied	dissatisfied	dissatisfied	Don't go	DK/Ref
						to church	
BASED ON CATHOLIC [N=619]:							
a.	Your parish priest or priests						
	Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	49	33	7	6	1	3
	<i>Wash Post</i> : June, 2002	56	25	3	8	4	4
	<i>Wash Post</i> : March, 2002	57	29	5	3	5	1
	<i>Time/CNN</i> : July, 2001	56	31	5	2	--	6
	<i>Time/CNN</i> : September, 1995	48	32	7	4	--	9
	<i>Time/CNN</i> : August, 1993	44	34	9	5	--	8
	<i>Time/CNN</i> : June, 1992	53	27	7	4	--	9
b.	Your bishop						
	Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	36	39	11	6	--	8
	<i>Wash Post</i> : June, 2002	32	33	11	15	--	9
	<i>Wash Post</i> : March, 2002	40	36	11	6	--	7
	<i>Time/CNN</i> : July, 2001	42	39	5	1	--	13
	<i>Time/CNN</i> : September, 1995	35	38	8	4	--	15
	<i>Time/CNN</i> : August, 1993	30	45	8	3	--	14
	<i>Time/CNN</i> : June, 1992	45	29	5	4	--	17
c.	American bishops in general						
	Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	24	46	13	12	--	5
	<i>Wash Post</i> : June, 2002	12	39	15	27	--	7
d.	The Pope						
	Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	34	40	13	8	--	5
	<i>Wash Post</i> : June, 2002	32	40	8	17	--	3
	<i>Wash Post</i> : March, 2002	41	38	13	4	--	3
	<i>Time/CNN</i> : July, 2001	59	25	10	2	--	4
	<i>Time/CNN</i> : September, 1995	48	35	7	4	--	6
	<i>Time/CNN</i> : August, 1993	32	49	13	2	--	4
	<i>Time/CNN</i> : June, 1992	57	29	3	4	--	7
e.	Catholic nuns and sisters in the U.S.						
	Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	50	33	6	4	--	6

ASK ALL:

Q.81 How much, if anything, have you heard about the Catholic bishops in the U.S. protesting government policies that they believe are restricting religious liberty? Have you heard **[READ]**

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19	A lot
40	A little
40	Nothing at all
1	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

ASK IF HEARD A LOT OR A LITTLE (Q.81=1,2):

Q.82 Do you completely agree, mostly agree, mostly disagree or completely disagree with the concerns raised by the bishops?

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Based on total	Based on heard a lot or a little	
24	41	Agree
8	14	Completely agree
16	27	Mostly agree
28	47	Disagree
17	29	Mostly disagree
10	17	Completely disagree
7	12	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
41	--	<i>Have not heard about the bishops protest</i>
[2973]	[1861]	

ASK IF ATTEND SERVICES AT LEAST MONTHLY (ATTEND 1-3) [N=1710]:

Q.83 Have clergy at your church or place of worship spoken out about government policies that they believe are restricting religious liberty, or not?

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25	Yes
72	No
3	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

ASK ALL:

PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or independent?

ASK IF INDEP/NO PREF/OTHER/DK/REF (PARTY=3,4,5,9):

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to the Republican Party or more to the Democratic Party?

	Republican	Democrat	Independent	(VOL.) No preference	(VOL.) Other party	(VOL.) DK/Ref	Lean Rep	Lean Dem
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	24	33	37	3	*	3	15	17
Jun 7-17, 2012	24	33	39	2	*	2	17	17
May 9-Jun 3, 2012	24	32	36	4	*	4	13	14
Apr 4-15, 2012	24	31	39	3	*	2	15	15
Mar 7-11, 2012	24	34	36	3	1	2	16	17
Feb 8-12, 2012	26	32	36	4	1	2	13	17
Jan 11-16, 2012	22	31	42	3	*	2	17	16
Jan 4-8, 2012	26	31	35	4	*	4	14	14
Dec 7-11, 2011	23	33	38	3	*	2	12	17
Nov 9-14, 2011	24	33	38	3	1	2	16	15
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	23	33	38	2	1	3	18	16
Aug 17-21, 2011	24	30	40	3	*	3	17	18
Jul 20-24, 2011	24	32	38	4	*	2	16	14
Yearly Totals								
2011	24.3	32.3	37.4	3.1	.4	2.5	15.7	15.6
2010	25.2	32.7	35.2	3.6	.4	2.8	14.5	14.1

PARTY/PARTYLN CONTINUED...

				(VOL.)	(VOL.)	(VOL.)	Lean	Lean
	Republican	Democrat	Independent	No preference	Other party	DK/Ref	Rep	Dem
2009	23.9	34.4	35.1	3.4	.4	2.8	13.1	15.7
2008	25.7	36.0	31.5	3.6	.3	3.0	10.6	15.2
2007	25.3	32.9	34.1	4.3	.4	2.9	10.9	17.0
2006	27.8	33.1	30.9	4.4	.3	3.4	10.5	15.1
2005	29.3	32.8	30.2	4.5	.3	2.8	10.3	14.9
2004	30.0	33.5	29.5	3.8	.4	3.0	11.7	13.4
2003	30.3	31.5	30.5	4.8	.5	2.5	12.0	12.6
2002	30.4	31.4	29.8	5.0	.7	2.7	12.4	11.6
2001	29.0	33.2	29.5	5.2	.6	2.6	11.9	11.6
2001 Post-Sept 11	30.9	31.8	27.9	5.2	.6	3.6	11.7	9.4
2001 Pre-Sept 11	27.3	34.4	30.9	5.1	.6	1.7	12.1	13.5
2000	28.0	33.4	29.1	5.5	.5	3.6	11.6	11.7
1999	26.6	33.5	33.7	3.9	.5	1.9	13.0	14.5
1998	27.9	33.7	31.1	4.6	.4	2.3	11.6	13.1
1997	28.0	33.4	32.0	4.0	.4	2.3	12.2	14.1
1996	28.9	33.9	31.8	3.0	.4	2.0	12.1	14.9
1995	31.6	30.0	33.7	2.4	.6	1.3	15.1	13.5
1994	30.1	31.5	33.5	1.3	--	3.6	13.7	12.2
1993	27.4	33.6	34.2	4.4	1.5	2.9	11.5	14.9
1992	27.6	33.7	34.7	1.5	0	2.5	12.6	16.5
1991	30.9	31.4	33.2	0	1.4	3.0	14.7	10.8
1990	30.9	33.2	29.3	1.2	1.9	3.4	12.4	11.3
1989	33	33	34	--	--	--	--	--
1987	26	35	39	--	--	--	--	--

ASK ALL:

TEAPARTY2 From what you know, do you agree or disagree with the Tea Party movement, or don't you have an opinion either way?

	Agree	Disagree	No opinion either way	(VOL.) Haven't heard of	(VOL.) Refused	Not heard of/DK
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	19	27	49	3	2	--
Jun 7-17, 2012	21	25	52	2	1	--
May 9-Jun 3, 2012	16	25	54	2	3	--
Apr 4-15, 2012	20	26	50	3	2	--
Mar 7-11, 2012	19	29	48	2	2	--
Feb 8-12, 2012	18	25	53	2	2	--
Jan 11-16, 2012	20	24	52	2	2	--
Jan 4-8, 2012	18	25	52	2	3	--
Dec 7-11, 2011	19	27	50	2	2	--
Nov 9-14, 2011	20	27	51	1	1	--
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	19	27	51	2	1	--
Aug 17-21, 2011	20	27	50	1	1	--
Jul 20-24, 2011	20	24	53	1	1	--
Jun 15-19, 2011	20	26	50	3	2	--
May 25-30, 2011	18	23	54	2	2	--
Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	22	29	47	1	1	--
Mar 8-14, 2011	19	25	54	1	1	--
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	20	25	52	2	2	--
Feb 2-7, 2011 ¹	22	22	53	2	2	--
Jan 5-9, 2011	24	22	50	2	1	--
Dec 1-5, 2010	22	26	49	2	2	--
Nov 4-7, 2010	27	22	49	1	1	--

¹ In the February 2-7, 2011 survey and before, question read "...do you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with the Tea Party movement..." In October 2010 and earlier, question was asked only of those who had heard or read a lot or a little about the Tea Party. In May 2010 through October 2010, it was described as: "the Tea Party movement that has been involved in campaigns and protests in the U.S. over the past year." In March 2010 it was described as "the Tea Party protests that have taken place in the U.S. over the past year."

TEAPARTY2 CONTINUED...

	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>No opinion either way</u>	(VOL.) <u>Haven't heard of</u>	(VOL.) <u>Refused</u>	<i>Not heard of/ <u>DK</u></i>
Oct 27-30, 2010 (RVs)	29	25	32	--	1	13
Oct 13-18, 2010 (RVs)	28	24	30	--	1	16
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 (RVs)	29	26	32	--	1	13
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	22	18	37	--	1	21
Jun 16-20, 2010	24	18	30	--	*	27
May 20-23, 2010	25	18	31	--	1	25
Mar 11-21, 2010	24	14	29	--	1	31