

Index of religiosity, by state

	Low	Medium	High
Total United States	19	26	55=100
Alabama	7	16	77
Alaska	28	27	45
Arizona	21	26	53
Arkansas	12	19	70
California	24	27	49
Colorado	24	29	47
Connecticut	25	32	43
Delaware	22	27	52
District of Columbia	25	22	53
Florida	19	27	54
Georgia	13	21	66
Hawaii	25	28	47
Idaho	25	23	51
Illinois	19	30	51
Indiana	18	28	54
Iowa	19	26	55
Kansas	18	27	55
Kentucky	13	24	63
Louisiana	9	20	71
Maine	34	32	34
Maryland	22	23	54
Massachusetts	38	29	33
Michigan	20	27	53
Minnesota	25	27	49
Mississippi	7	16	77
Missouri	14	25	60
Montana	22	31	48
Nebraska	17	29	54
Nevada	23	28	49
New Hampshire	36	31	33
New Jersey	18	26	55
New Mexico	21	22	57
New York	24	30	46
North Carolina	14	21	65
North Dakota	20	27	53
Ohio	15	27	58
Oklahoma	11	23	66
Oregon	29	23	48
Pennsylvania	20	27	53
Rhode Island	21	30	49
South Carolina	12	18	70
South Dakota	15	27	59
Tennessee	9	18	73
Texas	13	23	64
Utah	24	12	64
Vermont	41	26	34
Virginia	16	23	61
Washington	30	25	45
West Virginia	12	19	69
Wisconsin	22	33	45
Wyoming	20	27	54

Source: 2014 Religious Landscape Study, conducted June 4-Sept. 30, 2014. Figures may not add to 100% due to rounding. The index is created by combining four individual measures of religious observance - self-assessment of religion's importance in one's life, religious attendance, frequency of prayer, and belief in God. Respondents are assigned a score of 1 on each of the four measures on which they exhibit a high level of religious observance, a score of 0 on each of the measures on which they exhibit a medium level of religious observance, and a score of -1 on each measure on which they exhibit a low level of religious observance. High religious observance is defined as saying religion is very important in one's life, attending religious services at least once a week, praying at least once a day, and believing in God with absolute certainty. Medium religious observance is defined as saying religion is somewhat important in one's life, attending religious services once or twice a month or a few times a year, praying between a few times a week and a few times a month, and believing in God with less than absolute certainty. Respondents are also assigned a medium score on any questions they declined to answer. Low religious observance is defined as saying that religion is "not too" or "not at all" important in one's life, seldom or never attending religious services, seldom or never praying, and saying that one does not believe in God. The scores for each of these four individual items are then summed; respondents who score a 2 or higher are categorized as "high" on the scale (i.e. they are "highly religious"), those who score between -1 and 1 are categorized as "medium" on the scale, and those scoring -2 and below are categorized as "low" on the scale. Cronbach's alpha for the scale is .851 and is not improved if any variable is deleted from the scale.

Attendance at religious services by state

% who say they attend religious services...

	Weekly or more	Monthly/ yearly	Seldom/ never	Don't know
Total United States	36	33	30	1=100
Alabama	51	33	16	1
Alaska	30	34	36	*
Arizona	34	32	33	1
Arkansas	41	32	26	*
California	31	35	34	*
Colorado	30	31	38	*
Connecticut	28	37	35	*
Delaware	34	31	34	2
District of Columbia	28	33	37	1
Florida	35	33	31	1
Georgia	42	34	24	1
Hawaii	28	38	34	*
Idaho	35	28	37	1
Illinois	34	33	32	1
Indiana	37	32	30	1
Iowa	36	33	30	*
Kansas	37	35	28	0
Kentucky	39	31	29	1
Louisiana	46	33	21	*
Maine	22	30	47	1
Maryland	31	36	32	*
Massachusetts	23	33	45	*
Michigan	33	35	32	*
Minnesota	34	36	29	*
Mississippi	49	33	18	1
Missouri	37	34	28	1
Montana	31	31	38	0
Nebraska	39	32	29	*
Nevada	31	35	33	*
New Hampshire	22	26	51	1
New Jersey	35	38	27	1
New Mexico	36	31	33	*
New York	29	34	36	1
North Carolina	39	36	24	1
North Dakota	33	33	33	*
Ohio	38	32	30	*
Oklahoma	43	32	25	0
Oregon	29	33	37	1
Pennsylvania	34	35	31	1
Rhode Island	36	28	35	2
South Carolina	47	31	21	1
South Dakota	36	37	27	*
Tennessee	51	24	24	1
Texas	42	33	25	1
Utah	53	19	28	1
Vermont	21	32	47	*
Virginia	44	32	24	*
Washington	30	32	38	1
West Virginia	46	31	22	1
Wisconsin	27	41	31	1
Wyoming	38	28	32	1

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Frequency of prayer by state

% who say they pray...

	Daily	Weekly/ monthly	Seldom/ never	Don't know
Total United States	55	21	23	1=100
Alabama	73	15	11	1
Alaska	49	20	30	1
Arizona	55	21	23	*
Arkansas	65	20	14	2
California	51	20	28	1
Colorado	50	20	28	2
Connecticut	47	26	26	1
Delaware	49	23	26	3
District of Columbia	51	23	25	1
Florida	56	20	22	1
Georgia	64	18	16	1
Hawaii	52	17	29	1
Idaho	50	19	30	1
Illinois	51	25	23	1
Indiana	52	25	22	1
Iowa	50	27	23	1
Kansas	53	27	19	*
Kentucky	63	17	20	*
Louisiana	68	17	15	*
Maine	35	23	40	1
Maryland	51	23	25	1
Massachusetts	37	22	40	1
Michigan	53	23	23	1
Minnesota	47	24	29	*
Mississippi	75	15	8	1
Missouri	59	21	19	1
Montana	51	26	22	1
Nebraska	52	29	18	1
Nevada	48	22	29	*
New Hampshire	36	26	36	2
New Jersey	53	23	22	1
New Mexico	55	19	25	1
New York	48	22	29	1
North Carolina	66	18	15	1
North Dakota	51	27	22	*
Ohio	57	23	19	1
Oklahoma	65	20	14	*
Oregon	45	21	33	*
Pennsylvania	54	22	23	*
Rhode Island	48	26	26	*
South Carolina	66	19	14	2
South Dakota	56	26	18	*
Tennessee	70	19	10	1
Texas	63	20	17	1
Utah	61	15	23	1
Vermont	33	23	44	1
Virginia	60	20	19	1
Washington	46	21	32	1
West Virginia	68	17	15	*
Wisconsin	46	27	25	2
Wyoming	53	26	20	1

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Importance of religion by state

% who say religion is _____ in their lives

	Very important	Somewhat important	Not too/not at all important	Don't know
Total United States	53	24	22	1=100
Alabama	77	13	10	*
Alaska	41	29	30	1
Arizona	51	24	24	1
Arkansas	70	16	13	1
California	47	26	27	1
Colorado	47	28	25	1
Connecticut	42	27	31	*
Delaware	46	31	21	1
District of Columbia	50	21	29	1
Florida	53	25	22	1
Georgia	64	20	15	1
Hawaii	44	32	24	1
Idaho	51	25	25	0
Illinois	50	27	23	*
Indiana	53	25	21	1
Iowa	53	26	21	*
Kansas	50	29	21	1
Kentucky	63	23	14	*
Louisiana	71	19	10	*
Maine	34	29	36	1
Maryland	50	25	24	1
Massachusetts	33	30	36	1
Michigan	50	27	22	1
Minnesota	46	28	26	1
Mississippi	74	15	10	1
Missouri	56	26	17	1
Montana	44	25	30	1
Nebraska	54	25	20	1
Nevada	44	29	26	1
New Hampshire	33	27	39	1
New Jersey	50	28	21	1
New Mexico	59	20	20	1
New York	45	27	27	1
North Carolina	62	22	16	1
North Dakota	53	23	24	*
Ohio	56	25	19	1
Oklahoma	64	23	13	1
Oregon	45	25	29	1
Pennsylvania	51	26	23	1
Rhode Island	48	25	27	0
South Carolina	69	16	14	1
South Dakota	57	24	18	*
Tennessee	71	18	11	1
Texas	63	23	14	*
Utah	58	15	24	2
Vermont	32	25	43	1
Virginia	60	21	18	1
Washington	44	23	33	1
West Virginia	64	22	12	2
Wisconsin	44	31	24	1
Wyoming	49	28	22	*

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Belief in God by state

% who...

	Believe in God, absolutely certain	Believe in God, less certain	Don't believe in God	Other/don't know
Total United States	63	26	9	2=100
Alabama	82	14	2	2
Alaska	55	31	12	3
Arizona	62	26	10	2
Arkansas	77	17	4	1
California	54	32	12	2
Colorado	55	31	10	3
Connecticut	54	31	12	3
Delaware	61	30	7	2
District of Columbia	55	28	14	3
Florida	64	24	10	2
Georgia	74	18	6	2
Hawaii	62	27	9	2
Idaho	62	24	11	3
Illinois	61	28	9	3
Indiana	63	25	10	2
Iowa	66	23	9	2
Kansas	66	25	7	2
Kentucky	75	15	8	2
Louisiana	75	17	6	1
Maine	48	34	16	2
Maryland	64	22	10	4
Massachusetts	40	38	18	4
Michigan	63	26	9	2
Minnesota	56	31	9	4
Mississippi	82	13	4	1
Missouri	70	23	6	1
Montana	64	27	8	1
Nebraska	66	23	9	2
Nevada	59	26	12	2
New Hampshire	43	35	16	6
New Jersey	60	30	8	2
New Mexico	63	25	11	2
New York	56	29	12	3
North Carolina	73	18	7	1
North Dakota	64	26	8	2
Ohio	67	24	7	2
Oklahoma	71	21	6	1
Oregon	57	26	13	4
Pennsylvania	61	27	10	2
Rhode Island	60	23	11	5
South Carolina	74	19	5	2
South Dakota	69	23	7	*
Tennessee	78	18	3	1
Texas	69	24	6	1
Utah	61	29	8	2
Vermont	41	32	21	6
Virginia	67	23	8	2
Washington	55	30	13	2
West Virginia	77	16	5	2
Wisconsin	56	30	12	2
Wyoming	66	24	6	4

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Sample sizes and margins of error for each state

	Sample size	Margin of error
Total United States	35,071	+/-0.6 percentage points
Alabama	511	+/-5.4 percentage points
Alaska	310	+/-6.9 percentage points
Arizona	653	+/-4.7 percentage points
Arkansas	311	+/-6.6 percentage points
California	3,697	+/-2.0 percentage points
Colorado	504	+/-5.2 percentage points
Connecticut	377	+/-6.1 percentage points
Delaware	301	+/-7.3 percentage points
District of Columbia	303	+/-7.2 percentage points
Florida	2,020	+/-2.5 percentage points
Georgia	968	+/-3.6 percentage points
Hawaii	312	+/-7.4 percentage points
Idaho	320	+/-6.6 percentage points
Illinois	1,326	+/-3.1 percentage points
Indiana	654	+/-4.6 percentage points
Iowa	330	+/-6.4 percentage points
Kansas	307	+/-6.7 percentage points
Kentucky	439	+/-5.7 percentage points
Louisiana	465	+/-5.3 percentage points
Maine	303	+/-7.0 percentage points
Maryland	644	+/-4.9 percentage points
Massachusetts	704	+/-4.5 percentage points
Michigan	982	+/-3.6 percentage points
Minnesota	563	+/-4.9 percentage points
Mississippi	309	+/-6.3 percentage points
Missouri	642	+/-4.4 percentage points
Montana	312	+/-6.9 percentage points
Nebraska	312	+/-6.5 percentage points
Nevada	314	+/-6.7 percentage points
New Hampshire	303	+/-7.1 percentage points
New Jersey	886	+/-4.0 percentage points
New Mexico	312	+/-7.2 percentage points
New York	1,966	+/-2.6 percentage points
North Carolina	1,022	+/-3.7 percentage points
North Dakota	338	+/-6.6 percentage points
Ohio	1,132	+/-3.4 percentage points
Oklahoma	391	+/-5.9 percentage points
Oregon	419	+/-5.8 percentage points
Pennsylvania	1,366	+/-3.1 percentage points
Rhode Island	305	+/-8.5 percentage points
South Carolina	495	+/-5.1 percentage points
South Dakota	305	+/-7.1 percentage points
Tennessee	661	+/-4.8 percentage points
Texas	2,535	+/-2.2 percentage points
Utah	315	+/-7.1 percentage points
Vermont	306	+/-6.8 percentage points
Virginia	882	+/-4.1 percentage points
Washington	714	+/-4.3 percentage points
West Virginia	309	+/-6.7 percentage points
Wisconsin	600	+/-4.7 percentage points
Wyoming	316	+/-6.9 percentage points