

**2019 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL
WAVE 44 February
FINAL TOPLINE
February 4-19, 2019
TOTAL N=10,971¹**

NOTE: SOME QUESTIONS ARE FILTERED BASED ON RESPONDENTS' RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION. AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL RESPONDENTS WERE ASKED ABOUT THEIR RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION ON A PREVIOUS WAVE OF THE ATP, CONDUCTED AUG. 8-OCT. 31, 2018. MEMBERS OF IPSOS' KNOWLEDGEPANEL WERE ASKED ABOUT THEIR RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION IN THIS CURRENT SURVEY.

PRECEDING QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED OR HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

ASK ALL:

REL3 We'd like to get your feelings toward a number of groups on a "feeling thermometer." A rating of zero degrees means you feel as cold and negative as possible. A rating of 100 degrees means you feel as warm and positive as possible. You would rate the group at 50 degrees if you don't feel particularly positive or negative toward the group. **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

[Enter the number in the box between 0 and 100 that reflects your feelings]

	<u>Rating of 67 to 100</u>	<u>Rating of 34 to 66</u>	<u>Rating of 0 to 33</u>	<u>No answer</u>	<u>Mean rating</u>
a. Evangelical Christians Feb 4-19, 2019	34	44	21	2	56
b. Catholics Feb 4-19, 2019	38	47	13	2	60
c. Mormons Feb 4-19, 2019	23	55	20	2	51
d. Jews Feb 4-19, 2019	41	49	8	2	63
e. Muslims Feb 4-19, 2019	22	51	25	2	49
f. Atheists Feb 4-19, 2019	26	46	27	2	49
g. Buddhists Feb 4-19, 2019	31	53	13	2	57
h. Hindus Feb 4-19, 2019	27	58	14	2	55

¹ 10,429 respondents are members of the American Trends Panel. The remaining 542 respondents are members of the Ipsos KnowledgePanel who were surveyed because they identified as Jewish, Mormon or Hispanic Protestants. These groups were oversampled to provide more reliable estimates of their religious knowledge. Though these groups were oversampled, they are not overrepresented in the nationally representative estimates reported here because the oversampling was accounted for in the weighting of the data. See Methodology for details.

REL3 CONTINUED...	Rating of <u>67 to 100</u>	Rating of <u>34 to 66</u>	Rating of <u>0 to 33</u>	No <u>answer</u>	Mean <u>rating</u>
i. Mainline Protestants (such as United Methodists, Episcopalians, etc.) Feb 4-19, 2019	36	51	11	2	60

ASK ALL:

WRLDRELCLASS

Have you ever taken a class, for example in high school or college, about world religions?

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35	Yes, have taken a class
65	No, have not taken a class
<1	No answer

ASK ALL:

RELTEACH

How much do you personally know about each of the following?

[SPLIT OVER THREE SCREENS; DISPLAY IN SAME ORDER AS REL3]

	<u>A lot</u>	<u>Some</u>	<u>Not much</u>	<u>Nothing at all</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a. Evangelical Christianity Feb 4-19, 2019	27	42	20	10	<1
b. Catholicism Feb 4-19, 2019	37	45	13	5	<1
c. Mormonism Feb 4-19, 2019	9	45	30	15	<1
d. Judaism Feb 4-19, 2019	12	44	27	16	<1
e. Islam Feb 4-19, 2019	7	40	34	18	1
f. Atheism Feb 4-19, 2019	24	44	21	11	<1
g. Buddhism Feb 4-19, 2019	6	36	38	20	<1
h. Hinduism Feb 4-19, 2019	3	29	44	23	<1
i. Mainline Protestantism (such as United Methodists, Episcopalians, etc.) Feb 4-19, 2019	21	39	24	16	<1

RANDOMIZE BIBFIG1/BIBFIG2, DISPLAY INTRO TEXT AT FIRST QUESTION SHOWN

Now we have some questions about topics you may have learned about in school or from other sources. You may find some easy and others difficult. We are interested in what people know off the top of their head, and we understand you may not get all of them right. The correct answers will be available at the end of the survey.

ASK ALL:

BIBFIG1 Which Bible figure is most closely associated with leading the Exodus from Egypt?

[RANDOMIZE 1-4, "NOT SURE" ALWAYS APPEARS LAST]

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79	Moses (Correct)
21	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
1	Daniel
2	Elijah
2	Joseph
16	Not sure
<1	No answer

ASK ALL:

BIBGFIG2 Which Bible figure is most closely associated with killing an enemy by slinging a stone?

[RANDOMIZE 1-4, "NOT SURE" ALWAYS APPEARS LAST]

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2019

78	David (Correct)
22	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
1	Isaiah
1	Joshua
4	Solomon
16	Not sure
<1	No answer

ASK ALL:

SERMON According to the Christian Gospels, who delivered the Sermon on the Mount?

[RANDOMIZE 1-4, "NOT SURE" ALWAYS APPEARS LAST]

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51	Jesus (Correct)
49	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
7	Peter
6	Paul
7	John
28	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

ATHKNW

What is an atheist?

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87	Someone who does NOT believe in God (Correct)
13	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
1	Someone who believes in God
4	Someone who is unsure whether God exists
1	Someone who believes in multiple gods
7	Not sure
<1	No answer

ASK ALL:

AGKNW

What is an agnostic?

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61	Someone who is unsure whether God exists (Correct)
39	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
2	Someone who believes in God
7	Someone who does NOT believe in God
3	Someone who believes in multiple gods
27	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

COMMAND

Which of the following is NOT one of the Ten Commandments:

[RANDOMIZE 1-4, "NOT SURE" ALWAYS APPEARS LAST]

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58	Do unto others as you would have them do unto you (Correct)
42	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
1	Do not commit adultery
29	Keep the Sabbath holy
3	Do not steal
8	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

JNEWYR

Which of the following best describes the Jewish holiday of Rosh Hashana?

[RANDOMIZE 1-4, "NOT SURE" ALWAYS APPEARS LAST]

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24	New Year (Correct)
76	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
14	Day of Atonement for one's sins
7	Festival during which candles are lit for eight nights
6	Celebration of the end of the Torah reading cycle
49	Not sure
<1	No answer

ASK ALL:

PLGRMG

In the Muslim tradition, believers have a religious obligation to make a pilgrimage to Islam's holiest city at least once during their lifetime, if they are able. Which city is that?

[RANDOMIZE 1-4, "NOT SURE" ALWAYS APPEARS LAST]

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62	Mecca (Correct)
38	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
14	Jerusalem
1	Medina
1	Cairo
21	Not sure
<1	No answer

ASK ALL:

RELCOUNTRY

What is the religion of MOST people in each of the following countries?

[RANDOMIZE ITEMS A, B AND C]**RANDOMIZE RESPONSE CATEGORIES 1-5 BUT KEEP IN SAME ORDER FOR EACH STATEMENT, "NOT SURE" ALWAYS APPEARS LAST**

a. Thailand

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45	Buddhism (Correct)
55	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
7	Hinduism
2	Islam
3	Christianity
1	Sikhism
41	Not sure
1	No answer

b. Indonesia

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26	Islam (Correct)
74	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
11	Buddhism
16	Hinduism
2	Christianity
2	Sikhism
43	Not sure
1	No answer

c. Ethiopia

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19	Christianity (Correct)
81	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
2	Buddhism
3	Hinduism
20	Islam
3	Sikhism
51	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

READREL1

How often do you do things to help you learn about your own religion (for example, by **[IF CHRISTIAN INSERT** "reading the Bible, visiting websites, listening to podcasts, reading books or magazines, watching television, etc.)?"; **IF JEWISH INSERT** "reading the Torah, visiting websites, listening to podcasts, reading books or magazines, watching television, etc.)?"; **IF MUSLIM INSERT** "reading the Quran, visiting websites, listening to podcasts, reading books or magazines, watching television, etc.)?"; **IF OTHER NON-CHRISTIAN AFFILIATIONS INSERT** "reading scripture, visiting websites, listening to podcasts, reading books or magazines, watching television, etc.)?"²

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21	More than once a week
10	Once a week
10	Once or twice a month
12	A few times a year
25	Seldom
22	Never
<1	No answer

ASK ALL:

READREL2

How often do you do things to help you learn about other religions besides your own (for example, by reading scripture, visiting websites, listening to podcasts, reading books or magazines, watching television, etc.)?

Feb 4-19

2019

6	More than once a week
5	Once a week
12	Once or twice a month
21	A few times a year
35	Seldom
21	Never
<1	No answer

INTERVENING QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

² All American Trends Panel respondents were filtered based on their religious affiliation. However, members of Ipsos' KnowledgePanel were not filtered; all were asked, "How often do you do things to help you learn about your own religion (for example, by reading scripture, visiting websites, listening to podcasts, reading books or magazines, watching television, etc.)?"

ASK ALL:

EASTER

In the Christian tradition, which of the following is commemorated on Easter Sunday?

[RANDOMIZE 1-4, "NOT SURE" ALWAYS APPEARS LAST]

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81	Resurrection of Jesus (Correct)
19	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
7	Ascension of Jesus into heaven
3	Crucifixion of Jesus
2	Last Supper of Jesus and his apostles
7	Not sure
<1	No answer

RANDOMIZE BIBFIG3/BIBFIG4**ASK ALL:**

BIBFIG3

Which Bible figure is most closely associated with willingness to sacrifice his son in obedience to God?

[RANDOMIZE 1-4, "NOT SURE" ALWAYS APPEARS LAST]

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69	Abraham (Correct)
31	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
6	Jacob
3	Cain
1	Levi
19	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

BIBFIG4

Which Biblical figure is most closely associated with saving Jews from murder by appealing to the king?

[RANDOMIZE 1-4, "NOT SURE" ALWAYS APPEARS LAST]

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28	Esther (Correct)
72	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
7	Ruth
5	Sarah
3	Rebecca
56	Not sure
1	No answer

RANDOMIZE COMMUNA/PRGTRY:**ASK ALL:**

COMMUNA

Which of the following best describes Catholic teaching about the bread and wine used for Communion? The bread and wine...

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34	Actually become the body and blood of Jesus Christ (Correct)
66	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
55	Are symbols of the body and blood of Jesus Christ
10	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

PRGTRY

According to the Catholic tradition, what is purgatory?

[RANDOMIZE 1-4, "NOT SURE" ALWAYS APPEARS LAST]

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54	Where the souls of those who have died undergo purification before they enter heaven (Correct)
46	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
1	An offering that Catholics make during the sacrament of confession
2	The purification process Catholics undertake during seasons of self-reflection, such as Advent and Lent
23	Where the souls of evildoers go for eternal punishment after they die
19	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

RELMATCH1 Which religious tradition is most closely associated with...

[RANDOMIZE ITEMS A AND B]**RANDOMIZE RESPONSE CATEGORIES 1-4 BUT KEEP IN SAME ORDER FOR EACH STATEMENT, "NOT SURE" ALWAYS APPEARS LAST**

a. Yoga

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50	Hinduism (Correct)
50	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
2	Judaism
1	Islam
3	Zoroastrianism
43	Not sure
1	No answer

b. Kabbalah

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27	Judaism (Correct)
73	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
3	Hinduism
9	Islam
2	Zoroastrianism
58	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

NBLTRTH Which of the following is one of Buddhism's four "noble truths"?

[RANDOMIZE 1-4, "NOT SURE" ALWAYS APPEARS LAST]

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18	The truth of suffering (Correct)
82	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
22	The truth that every living being has an immortal soul
5	The truth that the Buddha was perfect and free from sin
1	The truth of monotheism
53	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

RELMATCH2 What was the religion of each person?

[RANDOMIZE ITEMS A AND B]**RANDOMIZE RESPONSE CATEGORIES 1-5 BUT KEEP IN SAME ORDER FOR EACH STATEMENT, "NOT SURE" ALWAYS APPEARS LAST**

a. Joseph Smith

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58	Mormon (Correct)
42	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
4	Catholic
2	Jewish
<1	Buddhist
<1	Hindu
35	Not sure
1	No answer

b. Maimonides

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13	Jewish (Correct)
87	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
1	Catholic
1	Buddhist
3	Mormon
4	Hindu
77	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

TURBAN

In which religious tradition are men generally required to wear a turban, like the one pictured below, in public and to carry a ceremonial sword or small dagger? ³



[RANDOMIZE 1-4, "NOT SURE" ALWAYS APPEARS LAST]

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42	Sikhism (Correct)
58	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
18	Islam
17	Hinduism
3	Buddhism
20	Not sure
<1	No answer

ASK ALL:

HINDUTEXT

Which of the following texts is most closely associated with the Hindu tradition?

[RANDOMIZE 1-4, "NOT SURE" ALWAYS APPEARS LAST]

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15	Vedas (Correct)
85	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
3	Tao Te Ching
8	Quran
20	Mahayana sutras
53	Not sure
1	No answer

³ Image from <http://clipart-library.com/sikh-turban-png.html>.

ASK ALL:JSBBTH On which day of the week does the Jewish Sabbath begin?

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29	Friday (Correct)
71	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
2	Thursday
33	Saturday
7	Sunday
28	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

REL4. Do you, personally, happen to know anyone who is...

*[Please do not count yourself]***[SPLIT OVER TWO SCREENS; DISPLAY IN SAME ORDER AS REL3]**

	Yes, know <u>someone</u>	No, do not know <u>someone/No answer</u>
a. An evangelical Christian Feb 4-19, 2019	65	35
b. Catholic Feb 4-19, 2019	91	9
c. Mormon Feb 4-19, 2019	47	53
d. Jewish Feb 4-19, 2019	68	32
e. Muslim Feb 4-19, 2019	47	53
f. An atheist Feb 4-19, 2019	65	35
g. Buddhist Feb 4-19, 2019	26	74
h. Hindu Feb 4-19, 2019	24	76
i. A mainline Protestant (such as United Methodist, Episcopalian, etc.) Feb 4-19, 2019	64	36

INTERVENING QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**ASK ALL:**

CHIMPREL When you were growing up, how important was religion to...

	<u>Very important</u>	<u>Somewhat important</u>	<u>Not too important</u>	<u>Not at all important</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a. You personally Feb 4-19, 2019	31	34	22	13	1
b. Your family Feb 4-19, 2019	47	30	15	7	1

ASK IF CATHOLIC [N=1,835]:

COMMUNB Regardless of the official teaching of the Catholic Church, what do you personally believe about the bread and wine used for Communion? During Catholic Mass, the bread and wine...

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31	Actually become the body and blood of Jesus Christ
69	Are symbols of the body and blood of Jesus Christ
<1	No answer

ASK ALL:SCHLTYPE1 Which of the following best describes the type of school you attended from kindergarten up through the 12th grade?

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77	Public school
21	NET Private
7	Private School
12	Mix of public and private school
1	Mix of private and home school
1	Public, private and home school
<1	Home school
1	Mix of public and home school
<1	No answer

ASK IF ATTENDED PRIVATE SCHOOL:

SCHLTYPE2 And was that a religious private school or not a religious private school?

BASED ON TOTAL:

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15	Religious
3	Not religious
3	Both religious and not religious
<1	No answer
79	Did not attend private school

ASK IF ATTENDED PRIVATE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL:

RELSCHL1 How many years did you attend a private religious school?

BASED ON TOTAL:

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4	1-3 years
4	4-6 years
10	7 years or more
<1	No answer
82	Did not attend private religious school

ASK ALL:

RELSCHL2 How many years, if any, did you attend Sunday school, CCD, or some other form of religious education?

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24	None
24	1-3 years
14	4-6 years
37	7 years or more
1	No answer

Now here is our last set of questions about topics you may have learned about in school or somewhere else.

ASK ALL:

TRINITY Which of the following best describes the Christian doctrine of the Trinity?

[RANDOMIZE 1-4, "NOT SURE" ALWAYS APPEARS LAST]

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79	There is one God in three persons (Father, Son and Holy Spirit) (Correct)
21	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
1	There are three patriarchs (Abraham, Isaac and Jacob)
1	The coming of Christ was foretold by three prophets (Elijah, Ezekiel and Zechariah)
1	There are three Gods (Father, Mother and Son)
17	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

JESNAZ

According to the Bible, where did Jesus live during much of his childhood and young adulthood?

[RANDOMIZE 1-4, "NOT SURE" ALWAYS APPEARS LAST]

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56	Nazareth (Correct)
44	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
12	Bethlehem
17	Jerusalem
1	Jericho
14	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

KFAITHMOD

Which of these religious groups traditionally teaches that salvation comes through faith alone?

[RANDOMIZE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, OPTIONS 3-4 ALWAYS FOLLOW 1 OR 2, "NOT SURE" ALWAYS APPEARS LAST]

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20	Protestantism (Correct)
80	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
11	Catholicism
23	Both Protestantism and Catholicism
8	Neither
37	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

CONREL

What does the Constitution of the United States say about religion as it relates to federal officeholders?

[RANDOMIZE 1-4, "NOT SURE" ALWAYS APPEARS LAST]

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27	No religious test or requirement to adhere to any particular religion shall be necessary for holding office (Correct)
73	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
12	They shall be sworn in using the Holy Bible
15	They shall affirm that all men are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights
13	The Constitution does not say anything one way or the other about this
31	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

NUMREL How many adults in the U.S. are...

[RANDOMIZE ITEMS A AND B]

a. Jewish

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19	Less than 5% (fewer than one-in-twenty U.S. adults) (Correct)
81	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
17	About one-in-ten
6	About one-in-four
2	Half or more
55	Not sure
1	No answer

b. Muslim

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2019

26	Less than 5% (fewer than one-in-twenty U.S. adults) (Correct)
74	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
12	About one-in-ten
3	About one-in-four
1	Half or more
57	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

RMDN What is Ramadan?

[RANDOMIZE 1-4, "NOT SURE" ALWAYS APPEARS LAST]

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2019

60	An Islamic holy month (Correct)
40	NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer
3	A Hindu festival of lights
5	A Jewish prayer for the dead
1	A festival celebrating Buddha's birth
30	Not sure
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

PROSGOSP

Which of the following best describes the teaching of the prosperity gospel?

[RANDOMIZE 1-4, "NOT SURE" ALWAYS APPEARS LAST]

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22

Those of strong faith will be blessed by God with financial success and good health
(Correct)

78

NET Incorrect/Not sure/No answer

12

It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to
enter the kingdom of God

7

To whom much is given, much is expected

8

Heaven

49

Not sure

1

No answer

QUESTIONS ASKED ONLY OF IPSOS' KNOWLEDGEPANEL NOT SHOWN.