PEW RESEARCH CENTER 2019-2020 SURVEY OF RELIGION AMONG BLACK AMERICANS November 19, 2019-June 3, 2020 BLACK AMERICANS TOTAL N=8,660 GENERAL PUBLIC TOTAL N=13,234

NOTE: THIS TOPLINE SHOWS AGGREGATED DATA FOR RESPONDENTS FROM DIFFERENT SAMPLES. RESPONSES TO SOME QUESTIONS WERE COLLECTED IN PREVIOUS SURVEYS. FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE DIFFERENT SAMPLES, SEE THE METHODOLOGY. FOR MORE INFORMATION ON EXACT QUESTION WORDING, ORDER, AND FILTERING, SEE THE QUESTIONNAIRE.

ASK ALL:

SATISFPERSMOD Overall, how would you rate the way things are going in your life today?

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		June 3, 2020
70	NET Excellent/good	78
12	Excellent	18
58	Good	60
30	NET Only fair/poor	22
24	Only fair	17
6	Poor	4
<1	No answer	<1

ASK ALL:

LOCALRATING Overall, how would you rate your community as a place to live?

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		June 3, 2020
69	NET Excellent/good	79
13	Excellent	23
56	Good	56
29	NET Only fair/poor	19
23	Only fair	16
7	Poor	3
2	No answer	2

ASK ALL:

VOL1_CPS In the past 12 months, did you spend any time volunteering for any organization or association?

ASK IF NO OR DID NOT ANSWER VOL1:

VOL2_CPS Some people don't think of activities they do infrequently or for children's schools or youth organizations as volunteer activities. In the past 12 months have you done any of these types

of activities?

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		<u>June 3, 2020</u>
32	Yes	33
67	No	67
1	No answer	<1

ASK ALL:

LOCALACTIVITY

Here are some ways people can participate in what is happening in their local area.

Please indicate if you have done any of the following in the past year. [RANDOMIZE]

	Yes, in the past year	No, not in the past year	No answer
f. Contacted elected officials, either offline or online Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	18	81	1
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	25	74	<1
g. Attended public hearings, neighborhood meetings, or town or city council meetings			
Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	21	78	<1
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	19	80	<1
c. Organized or participated in rallies or protests Black Americans			
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	7	92	1
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	7	92	<1

ASK ALL:

QB1mod When you make major life decisions, how much do you rely on each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE]**

b. Advice from professionals	A lot	<u>A little</u>	Not at all	No answer
 Advice from professionals Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020 	27	51	20	2
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	28	55	16	1
d. Advice from religious leaders Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	18	38	42	2
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	11	30	58	1
e. Your own research Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	72	20	6	2
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	79	18	2	1

QB1mod CONTINUED...

	A lot	<u>A little</u>	Not at all	No answer
c. Prayer and personal religious reflection				
Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	56	27	16	1
140V. 13, 2013 Julie 3, 2020	30	27	10	1
General public				
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	36	31	33	1

[RANDOMIZE GENDRESP1 AND GENDRESP2]

ASK ALL:

GENDRESP1

Who do you think should be mostly responsible for providing for the family financially in households where there's a mother and a father?

[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH 3 ALWAYS LAST; SHOW RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS GENDRESP2]

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		<u>June 3, 2020</u>
2	Mother	1
25	Father	27
73	Both equally	71
1	No answer	1

ASK ALL:

GENDRESP2

Who do you think should be mostly responsible for taking care of the children in households where there's a mother and a father?

[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH 3 ALWAYS LAST; SHOW RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS GENDRESP1]

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		<u>June 3, 2020</u>
12	Mother	15
1	Father	1
86	Both equally	84
1	No answer	1

ASK ALL:

Please choose the statement that comes closer to your own views – even if neither is exactly right.

ASK ALL: [RANDOMIZE ORDER OF PAIRS AND RANDOMIZE STATEMENTS WITHIN PAIRS]

[Please select one item from each pair]

IMMBURDN Black Americans	Immigrants today strengthen our country because of their hard work and talents	Immigrants today are a burden on our country because they take our jobs, housing and healthcare	No answer
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	79	18	4
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	67	30	3
DISCRIM Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	Racial discrimination is the main reason why many Black people can't get ahead these days	Black people who can't get ahead in this country are mostly responsible for their own condition	No <u>answer</u> 4
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	45	52	3
ACCEPTLG Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	Homosexuality should be accepted by society 62	Homosexuality should be discouraged by society 32	No <u>answer</u> 6
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	69	29	3
NECCGOD Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	It IS NOT necessary to believe in God in order to be moral and have good values	It IS necessary to believe in God in order to be moral and have good values	No <u>answer</u> 2
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	67	32	1

ASK ALL:

CRIM Thinking about the criminal justice system in our country, would you say that the criminal justice system... [RANDOMIZE DISPLAY OF OPTIONS 1-4 and 4-1]

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		June 3, 2020
2	Does not need any changes	2
9	Needs minor changes	24
53	Needs major changes	55
36	Needs to be completely rebuilt	18
1	No answer	1
88	NET Maior+	73

ASK ALL:

ABORTLGL Do you think abortion should be... [RANDOMIZE DISPLAY OF OPTIONS 1-4 and 4-1]

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		June 3, 2020
68	NET Legal in all/most cases	59
30	Legal in all cases	24
38	Legal in most cases	35
29	NET Illegal in all/most cases	39
18	Illegal in most cases	28
11	Illegal in all cases	12
3	No answer	2

On a different topic...

ASK ALL:

BLKEQL1 How much do you think each of the following groups or organizations have done to help Black people move toward equality in the U.S.? [SHOW ITEMS IN ORDER]

Civil sights averagingtions	A great deal	<u>Some</u>	Not much	Nothing at all	No answer
 a. Civil rights organizations Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020 	60	29	7	3	2
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	52	36	9	3	2
b. The federal government Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	11	44	34	9	2
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	17	50	26	5	2
c. Predominantly Black churches Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	29	48	16	5	3
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	28	49	15	5	3

BLKEQL1 CONTINUED...

	A great deal	<u>Some</u>	Not much	Nothing at all	No answer
 d. Predominantly White churches Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020 	7	32	38	21	3
NOV. 19, 2019-Julie 3, 2020	,	32	36	21	3
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	6	37	41	13	3
e. Predominantly Black Muslim organizations, such as the Nation of Islam					
Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	12	42	27	15	4
General public					
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	7	34	33	22	4

ASK ALL:

BLKEQL2 Which of the following groups or organizations do you think has done the MOST to help Black people move toward equality in the U.S.?

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		June 3, 2020
74	Civil rights organizations	70
7	The federal government	14
10	Predominantly Black churches	9
1	Predominantly White churches	1
3	Predominantly Black Muslim organizations, such as the Nation of Islam	1
6	No answer	4

And now thinking about your race or ethnicity...

ASK ALL:

IDIMPORTMOD How important is **[IF WHITE:** being White; **IF BLACK:** being Black; **IF ASIAN:** being Asian; **IF OTHER RACE OR MULTIPLE RESPONSES OR REFUSED:** your racial background] to how you think about yourself?

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		<u>June 3, 2020</u>
84	NET Very/somewhat important	44
67	Very important	21
17	Somewhat important	23
14	NET Not too/not at all important	55
8	Not too important	28
6	Not at all important	27
1	No answer	1

DISPLAY FOR ALL:

The next set of questions is about religious beliefs and practices. We are interested in the views and beliefs of religious people, as well as those of people who are not religious.

ASK ALL:

RELIGMOD What is your present religion, if any?

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		<u>June 3, 2020</u>
66	Protestant	42
6	Catholic	21
3	Other Christians	3
3	Non-Christian faiths	6
21	Unaffiliated	27
<1	No answer	<1

ASK IF NOT MUSLIM:

RELCONSIDERd ASIDE from religion, do you consider yourself to be Muslim in any way (for example ethnically, culturally or because of your family's background)?¹

Black Americans	
[N=7,401]	
Nov. 19, 2019-	
June 3, 2020	
1	Yes, consider myself Muslim
96	No, do not consider myself Muslim
3	No answer

ASK ALL:

ATTEND Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services?

1	No answer	1
16	Never	26
22	Seldom	24
38	NET Seldom/never	50
18	A few times a year	17
10	Once or twice a month	8
28	NET Monthly/yearly	25
19	Once a week	17
14	More than once a week	7
33	NET Weekly or more	24
<u>June 3, 2020</u>		<u>June 3, 2020</u>
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
Black Americans		General public

¹ Respondents who were part of the ATP sample did not receive this question. Respondents who were part of the Westat sample had an additional filter and did not receive this question if they identified as Jewish or as Muslim. See questionnaire for more details.

RELIMP How important is religion in your life?

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		<u>June 3, 2020</u>
59	Very important	40
40	NET Less Important	59
21	Somewhat important	24
9	Not too important	18
9	Not at all important	17
1	No answer	1

ASK ALL:

PRAY Outside of attending religious services, how often do you pray?

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		<u>June 3, 2020</u>
75	NET More than weekly	57
45	Several times a day	28
17	Once a day	16
12	A few times a week	14
	NET Weekly/a few times a	10
8	month	10
2	Once a week	2
6	A few times a month	8
9	Seldom	16
6	Never	16
1	No answer	1

ASK ALL:

LITERAL Which comes closest to your own views, even if none is exactly right?

NOTE: In place of [HOLYBOOK], if Christian or no religion insert "Bible"; if Jewish insert "Torah"; if Muslim insert, "Quran"; for all others insert "holy scripture."

Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-		General public Nov. 19, 2019-
<u>June 3, 2020</u>		<u>June 3, 2020</u>
	The [HOLYBOOK] is the word of God and should be	
44	taken literally, word for word	25
	The [HOLYBOOK] is the word of God, but not	
38	everything in it should be taken literally, word for word	44
	The [HOLYBOOK] is a book written by people and is not	
16	the word of God	29
	the word or dod	23
2	No answer	1

ASK ALL:
PERSDO1 How often, if at all, do you personally do each of the following? [RANDOMIZE]

	Several times a <u>day</u>	Once a day	A few times a <u>week</u>	Once a <u>week</u>	A few times a <u>month</u>	<u>Seldom</u>	<u>Never</u>	No <u>answer</u>
a. Meditate Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	14	10	12	4	9	23	27	2
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	7	8	10	3	10	27	33	1
 Read scripture outside of religious services Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020 	11	14	13	4	11	24	22	1
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	5	9	9	3	10	26	38	1
c. Burn candles, incense or sage for spiritual or religious reasons Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	2	2	4	2	4	13	72	2
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	1	1	3	1	5	17	71	1
 d. Pray at an altar or shrine in your home Black Americans 								
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	6	5	4	2	3	9	68	2
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	4	4	3	2	4	10	73	1
e. Consult a diviner or reader <i>Black Americans</i> Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	2	2	3	2	3	12	73	2
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	1	1	2	1	2	11	81	1

ASK ALL: TYPEGODSUM

SUMMARY TABLE SHOWING RESPONSES TO A SERIES OF QUESTIONS ON BELIEF IN GOD. SEE QUESTIONNAIRE FOR MORE DETAILS.

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		June 3, 2020
74	Believe in the God of the Bible	59
	Don't believe in the God of the Bible, but do believe in	
	some other higher power or spiritual force in the	
21	universe	31
1	Believe in God – unclear if biblical God or higher power	1
	Don't believe there is any higher power or spiritual	
2	force in the universe	9
1	Unclear/no answer to any questions on belief in God	1

ASK IF BELIEVES IN GOD OR HIGHER POWER:

GODBELIEFSMOD Which of the following, if any, do you believe about [IF BELIEVES IN GOD OF THE BIBLE INSERT: God; IF DOESN'T BELIEVE IN GOD OF THE BIBLE BUT BELIEVES IN SOMETHING ELSE INSERT: the higher power or spiritual force in the universe]?

BASED ON TOTAL:

b.	that goes on in the world	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	No <u>answer</u>	NET Does not believe in anything/ unclear/no answer
Е	Black Americans				
	Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	81	14	2	3
Ċ	General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	62	27	1	10
	Will judge all people on what they have done Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	74	21	2	3
Ċ	General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	63	26	1	10
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ASK IF BELIEVES IN GOD OR HIGHER POWER:

GODRESPONDMOD Does [IF BELIEVES IN GOD OF THE BIBLE INSERT: God; IF DOESN'T BELIEVE IN GOD OF THE BIBLE BUT BELIEVES IN SOMETHING ELSE

INSERT: the higher power or spiritual force in the universe] ever talk directly with you, or not?

BASED ON TOTAL:

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		June 3, 2020
48	Yes	30
46	No	59
3	No answer	2
3	NET Does not believe in anything/unclear/no answer	10

ASK IF BELIEVES IN GOD OR HIGHER POWER:

GODDTRMNMOD Do you think [IF BELIEVES IN GOD OF THE BIBLE INSERT: God; IF DOESN'T

BELIEVE IN GOD OF THE BIBLE BUT BELIEVES IN SOMETHING ELSE INSERT: the higher power or spiritual force in the universe] directly determines

what happens in your life...

BASED ON TOTAL:

Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019- June 3, 2020		General public Nov. 19, 2019- June 3, 2020
44	All of the time	25
24	Most of the time	21
17	Just some of the time	22
4	Hardly ever	11
6	Never	11
2	No answer	1
3	NET Does not believe in anything/unclear/no answer	10

ASK ALL:
PERSBLV Please indicate whether you personally believe each of the following. [RANDOMIZE a-d; e always last]

	Yes, believe <u>this</u>	No, don't <u>believe this</u>	No answer
a. Prayer can heal physical illness and injury	<u> </u>		
Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	78	19	2
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	65	34	1
 Prayers to ancestors can protect you from bad things happening Black Americans 			
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	33	64	3
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	24	75	2
c. Evil spirits can cause problems in a person's life Black Americans			
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	73	24	2
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	54	45	1
 d. In reincarnation (people will be reborn again and again in this world Black Americans 			
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	39	57	4
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	31	67	2
e. People of faith have a religious duty to try to convert nonbelievers			
Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	51	46	3
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	34	64	2

PERSDO2 How often, if at all, do you personally do each of the following? [RANDOMIZE]

	More than once a week	Once a week	Once or twice a month	A few times a <u>year</u>	<u>Seldom</u>	Never	No answer
a. Participate in prayer groups, scripture study groups or religious education programs Black Americans	<u></u>			,			<u> </u>
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	9	13	6	8	22	40	2
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	7	9	4	7	19	53	1
b. Listen to or watch sermons online, on television or on the radio Black Americans							
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	17	14	11	11	19	27	1
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	8	7	7	9	20	49	1

ASK ALL:

CLERGYSSM Do you think religious leaders [IF AFFILATED WITH A RELIGION INSERT: of your faith] should perform marriage ceremonies for same-sex couples?

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		<u>June 3, 2020</u>
44	Yes	52
51	No	46
5	No answer	3

ASK ALL:

ESSENT How important is each of the following to what being **[FAITHFUL]** means to you?

[PROGRAMMING INSTRUCTION: [FAITHFUL: If respondent is Christian insert "Christian"; If Jewish insert "Jewish"; If Muslim insert "Muslim"; If no religion insert "a moral person"; For all others insert "faithful to your religious tradition"]

a. Believing in God	<u>Essential</u>	NET Not essential	Important, but not <u>essential</u>	Not <u>important</u>	No <u>answer</u>
Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	73	26	16	10	1
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	58	41	19	22	1
 Attending religious services regularly Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020 	32	66	41	26	1
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	19	80	39	41	1
c. Opposing abortion Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	20	76	33	43	3
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	24	75	27	47	2
 d. Opposing racism or racial discrimination Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020 	75	23	16	6	2
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	68	30	22	9	1
e. Opposing sexism or discrimination against women Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	71	27	19	7	3
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	66	32	23	9	2
f. Avoiding sex before marriage Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	25	72	41	31	2
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	18	81	33	48	1

15PEW RESEARCH CENTER

ASK ALL: ESSENTCHURCH

How important is it for churches and other houses of worship to do each of the following? [SPLIT ITEMS OVER TWO SCREENS, WITH a-d ON FIRST SCREEN AND e-g ON SECOND SCREEN; DO NOT RANDOMIZE]

o Offer moral quidance	<u>Essential</u>	NET Not essential	Important, but NOT <u>essential</u>	Not <u>important</u>	Should not be done by houses of worship	No answer
a. Offer moral guidanceBlack AmericansNov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	66	29	24	5	4	2
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	56	39	33	6	4	1
b. Offer spiritual comfort Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	72	24	20	4	2	2
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	66	30	26	5	2	1
c. Teach practical job and life skills Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	44	47	38	9	7	2
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	27	61	42	20	10	1
d. Help the needy with bills, housing and food Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	55	41	37	4	3	2
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	42	53	47	6	4	1
e. Offer a sense of community or fellowship Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	71	24	21	3	2	3
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	66	31	27	4	2	1
f. Offer a sense of racial affirmation or pride Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	43	43	32	12	10	3
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	26	50	31	19	22	2

ESSENTCHURCH CONTINUED...

	<u>Essential</u>	NET Not essential	Important, but NOT <u>essential</u>	Not <u>important</u>	Should not be done by houses of worship	No answer
g. Offer sermons that address political topics, such as immigration and race relations Black Americans						
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	24	54	38	16	19	3
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	13	50	30	20	35	2

ASK ALL:

SERV1 Have you ever turned to a church or other religious congregation for help with bills, housing or food?

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		<u>June 3, 2020</u>
29	Yes	17
70	No	82
1	No answer	1

ASK ALL:

CHURCHLOOK Imagine now that you were looking for a new congregation or house of worship. How important, if at all, would each of the following be in your choice? [SHOW ITEMS IN ORDER]

	Very important	Somewhat important	Not too important	Not at all important	No
a. The congregation is welcoming Black Americans	important	important	important	important	<u>answer</u>
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	80	12	3	3	2
General public			_	_	
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	74	19	3	3	1
b. The sermons are inspiring Black Americans					
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	77	14	3	3	2
General public	6 E	0.5	_		•
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	65	25	5	4	2
c. The congregation belongs to your denomination Black Americans					
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	30	31	20	16	3
General public	20	21	22	17	2
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	28	31	22	17	2

CHURCHLOOK CONTINUED...

	Very important	Somewhat important	Not too important	Not at all important	No answer
d. The senior religious leaders share your race or ethnicity		· · ·			
Black Americans					
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	14	21	28	34	2
General public					
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	6	11	24	58	2
e. Most of the other people attending share your race or ethnicity					
Black Americans					
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	13	22	29	35	2
General public					
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	5	13	27	53	1

ASK ALL:

WOMLEAD Do you think women should be allowed to serve as the senior religious leader of a congregation?

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		June 3, 2020
85	Yes, women should be allowed to do this	84
12	No, women should NOT be allowed to do this	14
2	No answer	2

DISPLAY IF ATTEND AT LEAST A FEW TIMES A YEAR:

The next set of questions is about the church or house of worship you attend most frequently.

ASK IF ATTEND AT LEAST A FEW TIMES A YEAR:

LEADER Do you personally play any formal or informal leadership role in your religious congregation?

Black Americans		General public
[N=5,553]		[N=7,755]
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
<u>June 3, 2020</u>		<u>June 3, 2020</u>
24	Yes	18
75	No	81
1	No answer	1

ASK IF PLAYS LEADERSHIP ROLE:

LEADER2 What role is that?

NOTE: RESULTS DO NOT SUM TO 100% BECAUSE MULTIPLE RESPONSES WERE PERMITTED

Black Americans		General public
[N=1,593]		[N=2,012]
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020	NET Formal vala	June 3, 2020
79	NET Formal role	76
16	Pastoral assistant (deacon, mothers' board, minister)	13
13	Usher, greeter, welcoming committee, etc.	8
12	Worship leader, member of choir, praise team, etc.	13
11	Teacher or other religious education (Sunday School, VBS, Bible study)	19
8	Administrative oversight (board of directors, trustees, vestry)	10
7	Pastoral leader (pastor, elder, preacher)	8
6	Leader in children, youth or young adult ministry	8
4	Community outreach (nurse, sick and shut in, missionary)	3
3	Administrative (clerk, secretary, general administration)	2
2	Church maintenance (groundskeeper, maintenance, kitchen committee)	2
2	Prayer leader, prayer, intercession	2
2	Technical assistant (A/V, social media, website)	3
2	Pastor's personal staff (pastor's aide, armorbearer, pastor relations)	1
1	Leader in women's ministry	1
	Worship ceremony assistant (altar guild, Eucharistic minister, funeral	
1	ministry)	4
1	Leader in men's ministry	1
1	First lady, pastor's wife	1
1	Membership relations (small group, new memberships, discipleship)	2
<1	Leader in relationships ministry (marriage, couples, singles)	<1
	Other or unclear formal leader ("multiple roles," "staff," "serve on	
6	committees")	6
5	NET Informal role	7
2	Engaged member (church member, "participant," group member)	3
2	Mentor (church mother, adviser, "guidance")	3
1	General volunteer ("volunteer," "helper," "lay servant")	3
<1	Other informal leader	<1
3	NET Other/unclear	5
1	No current role (former leader, leader in training)	3
2	Other or unclear	3
13	No answer	13

LENGTH1 On average, how long is the religious service you typically attend at your church or house of worship?

Black Americans		General public
[N=5,553]		[N=7,755]
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		June 3, 2020
3	Less than one hour	6
20	About one hour	46
33	About one and a half hours	25
28	About two hours	15
9	About two and a half hours	4
6	More than two and a half hours	2
1	No answer	1

ASK IF ATTEND AT LEAST A FEW TIMES A YEAR:

DIST1 Thinking of the house of worship you attend most frequently, how long does it typically take you to get there?

Black Americans		General public
[N=5,553]		[N=7,755]
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		June 3, 2020
52	15 minutes or less	62
35	Between 16 and 30 minutes	29
9	Between 31 and 60 minutes	6
2	Longer than 60 minutes	1
1	No answer	2

ASK IF ATTEND AT LEAST A FEW TIMES A YEAR:

CONGSIZE Thinking only about the religious service you attend most often (not the total of all the services offered at your house of worship), about how many people are in attendance?

Black Americans		General public
[N=5,553]		[N=7,755]
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		<u>June 3, 2020</u>
32	50 or fewer	23
47	51-250	54
15	251-1,000	17
5	More than 1,000	3
2	No answer	2

ATTEND1 Still thinking about the religious service you attend most often, how often does it include each of the following? [RANDOMIZE a TO c; d and e always last]

a. Adults jumping, shouting or dancing	All the <u>time</u>	Most of the <u>time</u>	Sometimes	<u>Rarely</u>	<u>Never</u>	No <u>answer</u>
spontaneously during the service Black Americans [N=5,553] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	17	16	30	16	20	1
General public [N=7,755] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	5	5	14	18	57	1
b. People speaking or praying in tonguesBlack Americans [N=5,553]						
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	14	11	24	21	29	2
General public [N=7,755] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	7	6	13	14	59	2
c. People calling out "amen" or other expressions of approval						
Black Americans [N=5,553] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	54	21	14	4	5	1
General public [N=7,755] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	25	16	25	13	19	1
d. Music or musical instruments Black Americans [N=5,553] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	73	14	7	1	4	1
General public [N=7,755] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	63	18	11	3	5	1
e. A gospel choir Black Americans [N=5,553] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	59	15	10	4	11	2
General public [N=7,755] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	26	16	21	12	23	1

SERPOOR

During the past year, have you heard a sermon, lecture or group discussion at your church or house of worship that dealt with any of the following? [SPLIT ITEMS OVER TWO SCREENS, WITH a-c ON FIRST SCREEN AND d-f ON SECOND SCREEN; RANDOMIZE ITEMS ON EACH PAGE]

	Yes, heard this at my house of <u>worship</u>	No, did not hear this at my house of <u>worship</u>	No answer
a. Abortion Black Americans [N=5,553] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	22	75	3
General public [N=7,755] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	34	64	2
b. Immigration Black Americans [N=5,553] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	26	71	3
General public [N=7,755] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	26	72	2
c. Criminal justice reform Black Americans [N=5,553] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	31	66	3
General public [N=7,755] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	16	81	2
d. Discrimination against women or sexism Black Americans [N=5,553] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	28	68	3
General public [N=7,755] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	20	77	2
e. Race relations or racial inequality Black Americans [N=5,553] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	42	54	3
General public [N=7,755] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	28	70	3
f. Voting, protesting or other forms of political engagement			
Black Americans [N=5,553] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	39	58	3
General public [N=7,755] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	24	73	2

LEADRACE Thinking about the place where you attend religious services most often, what is the race or ethnicity of the senior religious leaders?

Black Americans		General public
[N=5,553]		[N=7,755]
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		June 3, 2020
65	All or most are Black or African American	12
14	All or most are White	60
1	All or most are Asian or Asian American	2
1	All or most are Hispanic or Latino	8
1	All or most are some other race or ethnicity	1
15	No one racial group makes up a majority	15
2	No answer	2

ASK IF ATTEND AT LEAST A FEW TIMES A YEAR:

CONGRACE Typically when you attend religious services, what is the race or ethnicity of most of the other people attending?

Black Americans		General public
[N=5,553]		[N=7,755]
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		June 3, 2020
62	All or most are Black or African American	11
12	All or most are White	56
1	All or most are Asian or Asian American	2
2	All or most are Hispanic or Latino	10
2	All or most are some other race or ethnicity	1
19	No one racial group makes up a majority	17
2	No answer	2

ASK IF BLACK [N=8660]:

COMMINFL1 Thinking about the influence of predominantly Black churches in Black communities today, do you think they have...

[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 & 2, WITH 3 ALWAYS LAST; SHOW REPSONSE OPTIONS in SAME ORDER as COMMINFL2]:

Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-	
June 3, 2020	
10	Too much influence
41	Too little influence
45	About the right amount of influence
4	No answer
<1	Undesignated ²

² The undesignated category includes those who should have received the question but did not.

ASK IF BLACK [N=8660]:

COMMINFL2 Compared with 50 years ago, do you think predominantly Black churches have...

[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 & 2, WITH 3 ALWAYS LAST; SHOW REPSONSE OPTIONS in SAME ORDER as COMMINFL1]:

Black Americans	
Nov. 19, 2019-	
June 3, 2020	
30	More influence today
47	Less influence today
19	About as much influence today as 50 years ago
3	No answer
<1	Undesignated ³

ASK IF BLACK [N=8660]:

CONGCHAR Which statement comes closer to your own views – even if neither is exactly right?

Congregations that historically have been mostly Black should try to... $\label{eq:congregation}$

[RANDOMIZE]

Black Americans	
Nov. 19, 2019-	
June 3, 2020	
33	Preserve their traditional racial character
61	Become more racially and ethnically diverse
6	No answer
<1	Undesignated ⁴

ASK ALL:

DISCRIM2

In the past 12 months, has anyone $\underline{\text{called you racist names or insulted you}}$ because of your race...

	Yes, has happened <u>to me</u>	No, has not happened to me	No answer
 At a church, mosque or in another religious setting? This could be one you attend regularly or one you were visiting. Black Americans 			
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	6	92	2
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	3	96	1
 b. Done this in a nonreligious setting Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020 	20	78	2
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	12	87	1

³ The undesignated category includes those who should have received the question but did not.

⁴ The undesignated category includes those who should have received the question but did not.

DISCRIM3 In the past 12 months, has anyone <u>snubbed you or left you out of activities</u> because of your race...

	Yes, has happened <u>to me</u>	No, has not happened to me	No answer
 a. At a church, mosque or in another religious setting? This could be one you attend regularly or one you were visiting. Black Americans 			
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	5	92	3
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	2	95	3
b. Done this in a nonreligious setting Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	16	80	3
General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	8	90	3

ASK ALL:

DISCRIM4 In the past 12 months, has anyone <u>acted as if they were suspicious of you</u> because of your race...

Yes, has happened No, has not happened to me to me No answer a. At a church, mosque or in another religious setting? This could be one you attend regularly or one you were visiting. Black Americans 7 3 Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020 91 General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020 2 96 2 b. Done this in a nonreligious setting Black Americans Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020 31 66 3 General public Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020 12 86 2

DISCRIM5 In the past 12 months, has anyone acted as if they are better than you because of your race...

At a church, mosque or in another religious setting? This could be one you attend regularly or one you were visiting.	Yes, has happened to me	No, has not happened to me	No answer
Black Americans			
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	11	87	2
General public			
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	5	93	2
b. Done this in a nonreligious setting Black Americans			
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	35	62	3
General public			
Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	18	80	2

ASK IF ANY HAVE HAPPENED IN RELIGIOUS SETTING:

DISCRIM6 Thinking about any of these experiences that you've had *in a religious setting*, were they...

Black Americans		General public
[N=1,350]		[N=1,624]
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		June 3, 2020
23	At your OWN church or house of worship	27
30	In another religious setting (such as a church you were visiting)	36
31	Both	28
16	No answer	10

ASK ALL:

DISCRIM7 Thinking more broadly, have you EVER personally experienced discrimination or been treated unfairly because of your race or ethnicity *in a church, mosque or in another religious setting*?

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		June 3, 2020
12	Yes, has happened to me in a religious setting	6
86	No, has not ever happened to me in a religious setting	93
2	No answer	1

[RANDOMIZE EMPH1 AND EMPH2] ASK IF ATTEND AT LEAST A FEW TIMES A YEAR:

EMPH1

How much, if at all, does your congregation emphasize that MEN should do each of the following? [RANDOMIZE ITEMS; DISPLAY IN SAME ORDER AS EMPH2]

	<u>A lot</u>	<u>Some</u>	Not much	Not at all	No answer
a. Be involved parents Black Americans [N=5,553] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	71	17	5	4	3
General public [N=7,755] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	65	21	5	6	2
b. Support their families financially Black Americans [N=5,553] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	64	20	7	6	3
General public [N=7,755] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	49	27	10	12	3
c. Be role models [IF BLACK INSERT: in Black communities; IF NOT BLACK INSERT: in the community] Black Americans [N=5,553] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	61	20	6	9	3
General public [N=7,755] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	57	26	7	8	2
d. Be involved in the congregation Black Americans [N=5,553] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	63	24	6	4	3
General public [N=7,755] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	55	29	7	7	2

EMPH2 How much, if at all, does your congregation emphasize that WOMEN should do each of the following? [RANDOMIZE ITEMS; DISPLAY IN SAME ORDER AS EMPH1]

a. Be involved parents	A lot	<u>Some</u>	Not much	Not at all	No answer
Black Americans [N=5,553] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	69	16	5	6	3
General public [N=7,755] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	67	20	5	7	2
b. Support their families financially Black Americans [N=5,553] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	35	29	17	15	3
General public [N=7,755] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	20	30	25	22	3
c. Be role models [IF BLACK INSERT: in Black communities; IF NOT BLACK INSERT: in the community] Black Americans [N=5,553] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	52	25	9	11	3
General public [N=7,755] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	49	30	9	9	2
d. Be involved in the congregation Black Americans [N=5,553] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	57	28	7	6	3
General public [N=7,755] Nov. 19, 2019-June 3, 2020	50	33	8	7	2

ASK ALL:

CHRELIGMOD Thinking about when you were a child, in what religion were you raised, if any?

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		<u>June 3, 2020</u>
73	Protestant	49
10	Catholic	31
3	Other Christians	3
2	Non-Christian faiths	4
11	Unaffiliated	11
2	No answer	2

CHRACE

Thinking about the place where you most often attended religious services as a child, what was the race or ethnicity of most of the other people attending?

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		June 3, 2020
76	All or most were Black or African American	11
7	All or most were White	61
1	All or most were Asian or Asian American	2
2	All or most were Hispanic or Latino	9
1	All or most were some other race or ethnicity	<1
7	No one racial group made up a majority	7
5	Did not attend religious services as a child	8
2	No answer	1

ASK ALL:

MARITAL Which of these best describes you?

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		<u>June 3, 2020</u>
30	Married	48
9	Living with a partner	9
14	Divorced	12
4	Separated	2
6	Widowed	6
37	Never been married	22
2	No answer	1

ASK IF MARRIED OR LIVING WITH A PARTNER:

SPHISP Is your spouse or partner of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban or Argentinian?

Black Americans		General public
[N=3,444]		[N=6,224]
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		<u>June 3, 2020</u>
7	Yes	16
92	No	84
1	No answer	1

ASK IF MARRIED OR LIVING WITH A PARTNER:

SPRACE What is your spouse or partner's race or origin?

Black Americans		General public
[N=3,444]		[N=6,224]
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		<u>June 3, 2020</u>
15	White	73
76	Black or African American	8
2	Asian or Asian American	5
4	Mixed race	4
3	Some other race or origin	8
1	No answer	2

ASK IF MARRIED OR LIVING WITH A PARTNER:

SPRELIG What is your spouse or partner's religion, if any?⁵

Black Americans		General public
[N=1,928]		[N=4,572]
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		<u>June 3, 2020</u>
64	Protestant	42
8	Catholic	24
3	Other Christians	4
4	Non-Christian faiths	5
20	Unaffiliated	23
1	No answer	1

ASK ALL:

INCOME Last year what was your total family income from all sources, before taxes?

BASED ON TOTAL ANSWERING; RESULTS REPERCENTAGED TO EXCLUDE NONRESPONSE

Black Americans		General public
[N=8,244]		[N=12,595]
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		<u>June 3, 2020</u>
17	Less than \$10,000	9
14	\$10,000 to less than \$20,000	10
13	\$20,000 to less than \$30,000	11
11	\$30,000 to less than \$40,000	10
9	\$40,000 to less than \$50,000	10
15	\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	16
9	\$75,000 to less than \$100,000	13
7	\$100,000 to less than \$150,000	12
4	\$150,000 or more	10

ASK ALL:

BIRTH In what country were you born?

NOTE: COUNTRIES HAVE BEEN RECODED INTO MAJOR GEOGRAPHIC REGIONS

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		June 3, 2020
89	United States	85
4	Caribbean	1
1	Americas (excluding U.S. and Caribbean)	7
<1	Asia/Pacific	3
<1	Europe	2
<1	Middle East/North Africa	<1
4	Sub-Saharan Africa	<1
<1	Other/Outside United States	1
1	No answer	<1

⁵ Respondents who were part of the Westat sample did not receive this question. See questionnaire for more details.

ASK IF RESPONDENT BORN IN THE U.S.:

FATHERBIRTH In what country was your father born?

NOTE: COUNTRIES HAVE BEEN RECODED INTO MAJOR GEOGRAPHIC REGIONS

Black Americans		General public
[N=7,811]		[N=11,635]
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		June 3, 2020
94	United States	91
2	Caribbean	<1
1	Americas (excluding U.S. and Caribbean)	4
<1	Asia/Pacific	1
<1	Europe	2
<1	Middle East/North Africa	<1
1	Sub-Saharan Africa	<1
<1	Other/outside United States	1
<1	Undesignated ⁶	<1
1	No answer	1

ASK IF RESPONDENT BORN IN THE U.S.:

MOTHERBIRTH In what country was your mother born?

NOTE: COUNTRIES HAVE BEEN RECODED INTO MAJOR GEOGRAPHIC REGIONS

Black Americans		General public
[N=7,811]		[N=11,635]
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		June 3, 2020
95	United States	90
2	Caribbean	<1
1	Americas (excluding U.S. and Caribbean)	4
<1	Asia/Pacific	1
<1	Europe	2
<1	Middle East/North Africa	<1
1	Sub-Saharan Africa	<1
<1	Other/outside United States	<1
<1	Undesignated ⁷	<1
1	No answer	2

ASK ALL:

PARTY In politics today, do you consider yourself a...

ASK IF INDEP/SOMETHING ELSE OR REFUSED:

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to...

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		<u>June 3, 2020</u>
10	Republican/lean Republican	44
84	Democrat/lean Democrat	51
5	Independent/other/no answer	4

⁶ The undesignated category includes those who should have received the question but did not.

⁷ The undesignated category includes those who should have received the question but did not.

IDEO In general, would you describe your political views as...

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		<u>June 3, 2020</u>
6	Very conservative	8
12	Conservative	24
48	Moderate	40
20	Liberal	17
9	Very liberal	8
5	No answer	3

ASK ALL:

CITIZEN Are you a citizen of the United States, or not?

Black Americans		General public
Nov. 19, 2019-		Nov. 19, 2019-
June 3, 2020		<u>June 3, 2020</u>
97	Yes	93
2	No	6
1	No answer	<1