



Survey Responses Based on Age of Worshipers (Q-28)

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Number of surveys completed	14	208	179	78

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You and Your Parish

1. How often do you go to Mass at this parish?

This is my first time	0%	1%	1%	0%
Hardly ever or special occasions only	0%	1%	1%	1%
Less than once a month	0%	3%	0%	0%
Once a month	0%	2%	0%	0%
Two or three times a month	0%	17%	6%	1%
Usually every week	100%	74%	86%	85%
More than once a week	0%	2%	7%	13%

2. How long have you been going to church at this parish?

Less than 1 year	21%	15%	13%	13%
1-2 years	29%	30%	30%	14%
3-5 years	29%	47%	38%	46%
6-10 years	21%	7%	17%	23%
11-20 years	0%	0%	0%	1%
More than 20 years	0%	0%	1%	0%
I am visiting from another parish or church	0%	<1%	1%	3%
I am visiting and do not regularly go anywhere else	0%	0%	0%	0%

3. Are you currently a member of this parish?

Yes	86%	87%	87%	91%
No, but I'm in the process of becoming a member	7%	1%	2%	1%
No, but I regularly participate here	7%	6%	10%	4%
No	0%	5%	2%	4%

4. Are you regularly involved in any group activities here? (Mark all that apply.)

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Yes, in adult faith formation programs or CCD classes	14%	23%	13%	10%
Yes, in other prayer, discussion, or Bible study groups	0%	9%	10%	16%
Yes, in clubs, social groups, or other types of groups	14%	22%	21%	43%
No, we have no group activities	0%	15%	12%	13%
No, I am not regularly involved in group activities	71%	47%	53%	39%



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5. Do you regularly take part in any activities of this parish that reach out to the wider community (community service, social justice, advocacy, outreach, evangelization)? (Mark all that apply.)

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Yes, in outreach or evangelization activities	0%	16%	15%	21%
Yes, in community service, social justice, or advocacy activities of this parish	0%	5%	8%	16%
No, we don't have such activities	7%	7%	7%	8%
No, I am not regularly involved	93%	75%	73%	57%

6. Do you currently have any of the following roles here? (Mark all that apply.)

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Liturgical (Reader, Eucharistic minister, music minister, liturgy planning)	29%	9%	17%	21%
Sacramental (preparing children or adults for sacraments)	7%	6%	5%	5%
Education (teacher in parish programs or parish school)	14%	8%	6%	4%
Member of a leadership group (Parish Pastoral Council or Finance Council; parish fund-raising)	0%	5%	6%	11%
Leader of a group (prayer, discussion, Bible study, youth)	0%	5%	5%	5%
Other role not listed here	14%	6%	13%	27%
None	64%	75%	65%	49%

7. To what extent do the worship services or activities of this parish help you with everyday living?

A great extent	50%	57%	65%	68%
Some extent	29%	33%	28%	26%
A small extent	7%	9%	5%	5%
Not at all	14%	2%	2%	1%



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About Your Faith

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8. How often do you spend time in private devotional activities (such as prayer, meditation, reading the Bible alone)?				
Every day or most days	50%	50%	53%	53%
A few times a week	7%	19%	23%	23%
Once a week	14%	5%	4%	4%
Occasionally	14%	20%	15%	17%
Hardly ever	7%	4%	5%	3%
Never	7%	1%	1%	1%
9. Over the last year, how much have you grown in your faith? (Mark only one.)				
No real growth	7%	8%	8%	5%
Some growth	36%	49%	46%	58%
Much growth, mainly through this parish	29%	28%	27%	30%
Much growth, mainly through other groups or churches	0%	3%	6%	1%
Much growth, mainly through my own private activities	29%	12%	14%	5%
10. Which statement comes closest to your view of the Bible? (Mark only one.)				
The Bible is the word of God, to be taken literally word for word	7%	8%	13%	12%
The Bible is the word of God, to be interpreted in the light of its historical context and the Church's teachings	57%	71%	70%	69%
The Bible is the word of God, to be interpreted in the light of its historical and cultural context	14%	15%	11%	18%
The Bible is not the word of God, but contains God's word to us	7%	1%	4%	0%
The Bible is not the word of God, but is a valuable book	0%	2%	0%	0%
The Bible is an ancient book with little value today	0%	0%	0%	0%
Don't know	14%	3%	2%	1%
11. Do you agree or disagree with this statement: "All the different religions are equally good ways of helping a person find ultimate truth"?				
Strongly agree	21%	8%	6%	10%
Agree	14%	26%	29%	45%
Neutral or unsure	29%	28%	26%	15%
Disagree	21%	26%	28%	19%
Strongly disagree	14%	11%	10%	10%



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12. Do you agree or disagree: "My spiritual needs are being met in this parish"?				
Strongly agree	36%	33%	35%	30%
Agree	21%	53%	51%	56%
Neutral or unsure	21%	10%	12%	12%
Disagree	21%	3%	1%	3%
Strongly disagree	0%	1%	1%	0%
13. Which one of the following best describes your readiness to talk to others about your faith? (Mark only one.)				
I do not have faith, so the question is not applicable	7%	0%	0%	0%
I do not talk about my faith; my life and actions are sufficient	14%	9%	9%	5%
I find it hard to talk about my faith in ordinary language	0%	11%	12%	5%
I mostly feel at ease talking about my faith and do so if it comes up	64%	66%	66%	78%
I feel at ease talking about my faith and seek opportunities to do so	14%	14%	14%	12%
14. Have you ever had a conversion experience or a moment of decisive faith commitment?				
Yes	29%	44%	47%	40%
No	43%	31%	37%	33%
Not sure	29%	25%	17%	27%



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About Your Involvement

15. Are you involved in any community service, social service, or advocacy groups not connected to this parish? (Mark all that apply.)

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Yes, social service or charity groups	14%	23%	24%	33%
Yes, advocacy, justice, or lobbying groups	7%	1%	3%	3%
No, I'm not involved with such groups	86%	76%	75%	64%

16. Would you be prepared to invite to a Mass here any of your friends and relatives who do not now go to church?

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Yes, and I have done so in the past 12 months	21%	50%	47%	41%
Yes, but I have not done so in the past 12 months	43%	42%	41%	40%
No, probably not	14%	7%	8%	8%
No, definitely not	7%	<1%	1%	0%
Don't know	14%	1%	2%	11%

17. In the past 12 months, have you done any of the following? (Mark all that apply.)

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Loaned money to someone outside your family	36%	28%	25%	21%
Cared for someone outside your family who was very sick	18%	17%	19%	23%
Helped someone outside your family find a job	18%	26%	25%	8%
Donated or prepared food for someone outside your family or parish	27%	53%	48%	44%
Will vote or did vote in the 2008 presidential election	45%	90%	89%	96%
Donated money to a charitable organization (other than this parish)	55%	78%	82%	79%
Worked with others to try to solve a community problem	18%	17%	16%	12%
Contacted an elected official about a public issue	0%	13%	15%	12%
Contributed money to a political party or candidate	0%	9%	13%	22%
Spoke at a decision-making meeting of this parish	0%	2%	6%	6%
Went on a mission or service trip	9%	2%	2%	1%

18. How satisfied are you with what is offered here for children and youth (less than 19 years of age)?

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Very satisfied	14%	24%	16%	16%
Satisfied	21%	37%	31%	28%
Mixed feelings	21%	16%	11%	5%
Dissatisfied	21%	3%	1%	1%
Very dissatisfied	0%	<1%	1%	1%
Not sure or not applicable	21%	19%	40%	49%

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19. Do you have any close friends in this parish?				
No, I have little contact with others from this parish outside of activities here	43%	21%	29%	25%
No, I have some friends in this parish, but my closest friends are not involved here	21%	26%	19%	22%
Yes, I have some close friends here as well as other close friends who are not part of this parish	36%	46%	45%	42%
Yes, most of my closest friends are part of this parish	0%	6%	7%	11%
20. Does this parish have a clear vision, goals, or direction for its ministry and mission?				
I am not aware of such a vision, goals, or direction	14%	13%	7%	10%
There are ideas but no clear vision, goals, or direction	0%	3%	13%	5%
Yes, and I am strongly committed to them	29%	46%	52%	47%
Yes, and I am partly committed to them	43%	33%	24%	32%
Yes, but I am not committed to them	14%	6%	4%	7%
21. Which one statement best describes your involvement in the making of important decisions in this parish?				
I have been given the opportunity and often participate in decision-making	8%	4%	6%	6%
I have been given the opportunity and occasionally get involved in decision-making	0%	12%	11%	11%
I have been given the opportunity but don't usually get involved in decision-making	42%	52%	55%	42%
I have not been given an opportunity to be involved and this is fine with me	50%	29%	24%	32%
I have not been given an opportunity to be involved and I am not happy about this	0%	3%	4%	8%
22. Do you have a strong sense of belonging to this parish?				
Yes, a strong sense of belonging that is growing	36%	46%	44%	50%
Yes, a strong sense--about the same as last year	21%	27%	25%	23%
Yes, but perhaps not as strong as in the past	7%	4%	7%	5%
No, but I am new here	7%	10%	10%	8%
No, and I wish I did by now	7%	3%	7%	4%
No, but I am happy as I am	14%	7%	5%	5%
Not applicable	7%	2%	2%	5%

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23. While you may value many different styles of music, which two of the following do you prefer at the Masses you attend? (Mark up to two.)

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Traditional hymns	21%	45%	46%	54%
Choruses or praise music	21%	20%	25%	21%
Contemporary hymns	36%	46%	46%	40%
Other contemporary music or songs (not hymns)	36%	25%	23%	10%
Sung responsorial psalms and other parts of the Mass	7%	13%	15%	21%
Classical music or chorales	0%	4%	3%	6%
Contemplative chants (Taizé, Iona)	0%	2%	0%	3%
Music or songs from a variety of cultures	7%	8%	7%	6%
Gospel music	7%	6%	5%	9%
No music or songs	0%	2%	0%	1%
Don't know	14%	5%	2%	1%

24. Do you agree or disagree: "In general, there is a good match between our parish and our pastor or pastoral leader"?

Strongly agree	64%	68%	73%	72%
Agree	21%	24%	22%	24%
Neutral or unsure	14%	7%	6%	4%
Disagree	0%	<1%	0%	0%
Strongly disagree	0%	0%	0%	0%
There is currently no leader here	0%	0%	0%	0%



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25. Which of the following aspects of this parish do you personally most value? (Mark up to three.)

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Wider community care or social justice emphasis	8%	12%	11%	17%
Reaching those who do not attend church	8%	6%	6%	9%
Traditional style of worship or music	23%	17%	26%	27%
Contemporary style of worship or music	31%	24%	32%	31%
Celebrating the Eucharist or receiving Holy Communion	69%	64%	71%	76%
Social activities or meeting new people	8%	18%	17%	21%
Sermons or homilies	38%	47%	57%	39%
Bible study or prayer groups, other discussion groups	0%	4%	6%	8%
Ministry for children or youth	23%	38%	20%	3%
Prayer ministry for one another	0%	4%	1%	4%
Practical care for one another in times of need	8%	8%	8%	15%
The parish school or pre-school	0%	5%	1%	3%
Openness to social diversity	23%	11%	6%	5%
Adult faith education	8%	2%	2%	1%

26. Before you started coming to this parish, were you going to church anywhere else?

No, I've come here for most or all of my life	0%	0%	1%	0%
No, before coming here I had not been going to church for several years	0%	8%	3%	1%
No, before coming here I had never regularly attended	7%	6%	1%	1%
Yes, immediately prior to coming here, I was going to church somewhere else	93%	85%	96%	97%



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27. Before you started coming here, what type of church did you attend? (Mark only one.)

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Another Catholic parish	93%	94%	98%	96%
Assembly of God	0%	0%	0%	0%
Baptist	0%	1%	0%	0%
Episcopal	0%	0%	0%	0%
Lutheran	7%	1%	0%	0%
Methodist	0%	0%	0%	0%
Nazarene	0%	0%	0%	0%
Non-denominational	0%	<1%	1%	0%
Pentecostal	0%	0%	0%	0%
Presbyterian	0%	0%	0%	0%
Seventh-day Adventist	0%	0%	0%	0%
United Church of Christ	0%	0%	1%	0%
Other	0%	1%	0%	4%
I did not attend another church before coming here	0%	3%	1%	0%



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About You

29. Gender of worshipers:

Female	79%	67%	63%	68%
Male	21%	33%	37%	32%

30. What is your employment status? (Mark all that apply.)

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Employed or self-employed full-time	14%	67%	60%	4%
Employed or self-employed part-time	7%	13%	14%	9%
Unemployed	14%	1%	2%	0%
Retired	0%	<1%	16%	87%
Full-time homemaker	7%	19%	13%	4%
Student	64%	2%	1%	0%
Other	0%	2%	1%	1%

31. What is the highest educational level you have completed? (reported for worshipers age 25 and older)

No formal schooling	0%	0%	0%	0%
Primary school through 8th grade (K-8)	0%	0%	0%	0%
Some high school	0%	0%	1%	4%
Completed high school	0%	15%	24%	36%
Trade certificate	0%	6%	11%	14%
Associate degree	0%	16%	17%	13%
Bachelor's degree from a university or college	0%	41%	29%	22%
Master's, Doctorate, or other graduate degree	0%	21%	17%	10%

32. What is your present marital status?

Never married	85%	4%	4%	3%
In first marriage	15%	87%	59%	58%
Remarried after divorce	0%	5%	24%	14%
Remarried after death of spouse	0%	0%	2%	1%
Living in a committed relationship	0%	2%	2%	0%
Separated	0%	0%	0%	0%
Divorced	0%	1%	6%	9%
Widowed	0%	0%	4%	15%

33. Do you have a spouse or partner who is also completing a survey here?

Yes	7%	48%	45%	52%
No	93%	52%	55%	48%



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34. What is your race or origin? (Mark all that apply.)

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Asian or Pacific Islander	7%	6%	3%	0%
Black or African American	0%	1%	1%	1%
Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin	7%	14%	14%	1%
Indian (American) or Alaska Native	0%	<1%	1%	0%
White or Caucasian	86%	78%	83%	97%
Some other race	0%	2%	1%	0%

35. Where were you born?

In the United States	93%	91%	94%	99%
In another English-speaking country	0%	3%	2%	1%
In a non-English-speaking country	7%	6%	4%	0%

36. Where were your parents born?

Both born in the United States	93%	84%	87%	81%
Only father born in the United States	0%	3%	2%	5%
Only mother born in the United States	0%	2%	2%	5%
Both father and mother born in another country	7%	11%	9%	9%

37. Where did you live when you were 5 years old?

In the United States	93%	92%	95%	99%
In another country	7%	8%	5%	1%

38. When you were 5 years old, was English your primary language?

Yes	93%	91%	94%	95%
No	7%	9%	6%	5%

39. Which statement best describes the people who currently live in your household?

I live alone	0%	2%	8%	23%
A couple without children	7%	12%	39%	60%
One adult with child/children	7%	3%	4%	1%
Two or more adults with child/children	79%	79%	42%	4%
Some adults living in the same household	7%	3%	7%	12%



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40. Most often reported ZIP codes of worshipers:				
85295	21%	26%	20%	6%
85298	14%	12%	15%	32%
85297	7%	19%	16%	3%
85242	7%	11%	7%	4%
85234	14%	7%	11%	4%
41. About how much do you give financially to this parish (not including school tuition)?				
I give 10% or more of net income regularly	8%	7%	13%	19%
I give about 5% to 9% of net income regularly	15%	28%	33%	48%
I give less than 5% of net income regularly	0%	35%	37%	23%
I give a small amount whenever I am here	38%	27%	15%	10%
I do not contribute financially here	38%	2%	2%	0%
42. Which of the following describes your total annual household income before taxes?				
Less than \$10,000	11%	0%	1%	2%
\$10,000 to \$24,999	22%	1%	5%	26%
\$25,000 to \$49,999	0%	11%	11%	37%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	0%	21%	21%	22%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	33%	27%	25%	11%
\$100,000 to \$124,999	22%	19%	19%	3%
\$125,000 to \$149,999	0%	10%	7%	0%
\$150,000 or more	11%	10%	10%	0%
43. Respondents with at least one household member: (adjusted for multiple responses per household)				
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Less than 6 years old	29%	48%	6%	0%
6 to 12 years old	29%	62%	21%	0%
13 to 18 years old	71%	20%	29%	0%
19 to 24 years old	43%	4%	11%	0%
25 years old or older	93%	99%	99%	100%



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44. Respondents with at least one household member participating here: (adjusted for multiple responses per household)

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Less than 6 years old	21%	43%	5%	2%
6 to 12 years old	29%	59%	19%	0%
13 to 18 years old	71%	17%	27%	0%
19 to 24 years old	36%	3%	5%	0%
25 years old or older	93%	98%	99%	98%

45. How many children of any age do you have, whether they live at home or elsewhere? (adjusted for multiple responses per household)

None	100%	16%	9%	8%
One	0%	21%	9%	8%
Two	0%	29%	36%	27%
Three	0%	21%	26%	12%
Four or more	0%	12%	21%	44%

46. How many of your children of any age live at home with you? (adjusted for multiple responses per household)

None	75%	14%	53%	93%
One	17%	20%	19%	7%
Two	8%	35%	14%	0%
Three	0%	20%	11%	0%
Four or more	0%	11%	2%	0%



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Some Final Questions

47. Do you agree or disagree: "In the past year we have grown in unity and strength as a parish community"?

Strongly agree	33%	28%	38%	38%
Agree	17%	52%	45%	47%
Neutral or unsure	42%	19%	17%	15%
Disagree	8%	1%	1%	0%
Strongly disagree	0%	0%	0%	0%

48. Compared to 2 years ago, do you think you participate in activities of this parish more, less, or about the same amount as you did then?

Participate more	42%	36%	26%	24%
About the same participation	8%	36%	47%	46%
Participate less	25%	6%	12%	6%
Not applicable (been coming less than 2 years)	25%	22%	15%	24%

49. Have this parish's leaders encouraged you to find and use your gifts and skills here?

Yes, to a great extent	8%	17%	29%	17%
Yes, to some extent	17%	37%	35%	34%
Yes, to a small extent	33%	21%	18%	25%
Not at all	17%	12%	9%	15%
Don't know	25%	13%	9%	9%

50. How often do you experience the following during worship services at this congregation? (Always or Usually)

A sense of God's presence	67%	87%	90%	96%
Inspiration	58%	82%	82%	72%
Boredom	50%	8%	2%	5%
Awe or mystery	25%	36%	38%	33%
Joy	67%	82%	85%	76%
Frustration	8%	7%	4%	6%
Spontaneity	25%	19%	33%	40%
A sense of fulfilling my obligation	58%	86%	90%	92%

51. Do you agree or disagree: "Only followers of Jesus Christ can be saved"?

Strongly agree	17%	20%	25%	17%
Agree	17%	19%	19%	39%
Neutral or unsure	33%	25%	17%	19%
Disagree	8%	26%	32%	19%
Strongly disagree	25%	9%	7%	7%



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52. Of the following, which one best describes your opinion of the future directions of this parish?				
We need to get back to the way we did things in the past	0%	4%	3%	9%
We are faithfully maintaining past directions	17%	25%	19%	13%
We are currently deciding on new directions	25%	13%	20%	20%
We are currently moving in new directions	42%	33%	39%	35%
We need to rethink where we are heading	0%	4%	4%	7%
Our future is very unclear or doubtful	0%	1%	1%	2%
Don't know	17%	20%	14%	15%
53. How long does it usually take you to get here?				
1-5 minutes	17%	16%	11%	2%
6-10 minutes	50%	34%	28%	21%
11-15 minutes	17%	29%	35%	43%
16-20 minutes	8%	14%	14%	29%
21-30 minutes	8%	5%	11%	4%
More than 30 minutes	0%	2%	1%	2%
54. Over the last two years, has there been any conflict in this parish? (Mark only one.)				
No conflict that I am aware of	58%	65%	67%	58%
Some minor conflict	17%	11%	10%	11%
Major conflict	0%	1%	1%	2%
Major conflict, with leaders or people leaving	0%	1%	0%	0%
Don't know	25%	23%	21%	29%
55. How important is this parish community in your life?				
Extremely important	9%	30%	36%	28%
Very important	27%	34%	31%	35%
Quite important	27%	22%	26%	15%
A little important	27%	14%	6%	19%
Not at all important	9%	0%	1%	4%
56. To what extent does the pastor or pastoral leader here take into account the ideas of those who worship here?				
A great extent	33%	43%	54%	46%
Some extent	25%	20%	17%	26%
A small extent	0%	2%	3%	0%
Not at all	0%	1%	1%	0%
Don't know	42%	36%	26%	28%
There is currently no leader here	0%	0%	0%	0%

^= For questions with multiple responses possible, percentages usually total well over 100. On other questions, totals may not equal 100 due to rounding.



Survey Responses Based on Age of Worshipers (Q-28)

15-24 25-44 45-64 65 or Older

57. Which of the following is the best description of the style of leadership of your pastor, minister, or priest?

Leadership that tends to take charge	8%	11%	10%	15%
Leadership that inspires people to take action	50%	54%	56%	62%
Leadership that acts on goals that people here have been involved in setting	8%	15%	22%	9%
Leadership where the people start most things	0%	2%	2%	0%
There is currently no leader here	0%	1%	0%	0%
Don't know	33%	17%	10%	13%

58. Do you agree or disagree: "God is directly involved in worldly affairs"?

Strongly agree	50%	34%	43%	35%
Agree	8%	40%	35%	45%
Neutral or unsure	25%	21%	17%	16%
Disagree	8%	2%	5%	2%
Strongly disagree	8%	2%	1%	2%
I don't believe in God	0%	0%	0%	0%

59. Do you agree or disagree: "God is angered by human sin"?

Strongly agree	0%	21%	33%	27%
Agree	17%	38%	40%	55%
Neutral or unsure	42%	18%	12%	5%
Disagree	33%	19%	14%	9%
Strongly disagree	8%	4%	1%	4%
I don't believe in God	0%	1%	0%	0%

60. Which of the following terms best describes your current stand on theological issues?

Very conservative	8%	11%	12%	7%
Conservative	25%	38%	54%	54%
Right in the middle	50%	38%	26%	31%
Liberal	0%	10%	6%	7%
Very liberal	17%	2%	3%	0%