

**Pew Forum on Religion & Public Life
2008 Religious Landscape Survey (RLS) – Conversion Recontact Survey
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Final Topline**

FRMREL=Former (Childhood) Religion (See Appendix for complete list of inserts)

CURREL=Current Religion (See Appendix for complete list of inserts)

CONVERTS=All those whose current religion is different than their childhood religion

NON-CONVERTS=All those whose current religion is the same as their childhood religion

INTRODUCTORY MODULE

GENERAL INTRODUCTION: Hello, I am _____ calling for Princeton Survey Research. In the summer of 2007, we conducted a telephone opinion survey for leading newspapers and TV stations around the country, and we spoke with a (INSERT SEX AND AGE) in your household. I'd like to ask (HIM/HER) a few additional questions to follow up on that previous interview. Is (HE/SHE) available?

PROMPT IF HESITANT: This is much shorter than our last interview, and should take less than 10 minutes. This survey is for research purposes ONLY – we're not selling anything.

I.1 INTERVIEWER: INDICATE STATUS OF TARGET RESPONDENT

- 1 Person who answered phone is target respondent (**GO TO VERIFICATION QUESTIONS – V.1**)
- 2 Other person is target respondent, now available (**READ TARGET RESPONDENT INTRODUCTION BELOW WHEN TARGET R COMES TO PHONE AND INDICATE STATUS IN I.2**)
- 3 Other person is target respondent, not home/unavailable (**SCHEDULE A CALLBACK FOR CONVENIENT DAY AND TIME**)
- 4 Target respondent does not live here/No one fits age/gender description (**THANK AND TERMINATE**)
- 5 Refused (**RECLASSIFY FOR POSSIBLE REFUSAL CONVERSION**)

INTRODUCTION FOR TARGET RESPONDENT: Hello, I am _____ calling for Princeton Survey Research Associates in Princeton, New Jersey. In the summer of 2007 you participated in a telephone opinion survey we were conducting for leading newspapers and TV stations around the country. I'd like to ask you a few additional questions to follow up on that previous interview.

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I.2 INTERVIEWER: INDICATE STATUS OF TARGET RESPONDENT

- 1 Target respondent available and cooperative (**GO TO VERIFICATION QUESTIONS – V.1**)
- 2 Not a good time/Not available (**SCHEDULE A CALLBACK FOR CONVENIENT DAY AND TIME**)
- 3 Not the right person/Wasn't interviewed in summer of 2007 (**THANK AND TERMINATE**)
- 4 Refused (**RECLASSIFY FOR POSSIBLE REFUSAL CONVERSION**)

VERIFICATION MODULE

ASK ALL:

V.1 During our conversation last year, our interviewer recorded that when it comes to religion, you are (**CURREL**). Is that still how you would describe your religion today?

- 1 Yes (**PROCEED TO V.3**)
- 2 No (**PROCEED TO V.2**)
- 9 Don't know/refused (**VOL**) (**THANK AND TERMINATE**)

IF V.1=2, ASK:

V.2 And have you changed religions since we spoke in the summer of 2007, or not?

- 1 Yes (**THANK AND TERMINATE**)
- 2 No (**THANK AND TERMINATE**)
- 9 Don't know/refused (**VOL**) (**THANK AND TERMINATE**)

IF R IS A CONVERT (CON11=1) AND V.1=1, ASK:

V.3 And our interviewer also recorded that when you were a child, you were raised (**FRMREL**). Is that right?

IF FRMREL2=100003 USE ALTERNATE WORDING:

And our interviewer also recorded that when you were a child, you were not raised in any particular religion. Is that right?

- 1 Yes (**PROCEED TO Q.1**)
- 2 No (**THANK AND TERMINATE**)
- 9 Don't know/refused (**VOL**) (**THANK AND TERMINATE**)

MAIN QUESTIONNAIRE

ASK ALL CONVERTS:

Now, I'd like to ask you some questions about why you are no longer (FRMREL). First,

Q.1 About how old were you when you stopped being (FRMREL)? [INTERVIEWER: IF R SAYS THEY HAVE STOPPED BEING FRMREL MORE THAN ONCE, SPECIFY THAT THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS APPLY TO THE FIRST TIME THAT THEY STOPPED BEING FRMREL]

IF FRMREL=UNAFFILIATED WITH ANY PARTICULAR RELIGION, USE ALTERNATE WORDING:

Now, I'd like to ask you some questions about why you FIRST started identifying with a religion. About how old were you when you FIRST started identifying with a religion, even if your first religion is not your current religion? [INTERVIEWER: IF R SAYS THEY HAVE BEEN AFFILIATED WITH MULTIPLE RELIGIONS, SPECIFY THAT THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS APPLY TO THE FIRST RELIGION WITH WHICH THEY BECAME ASSOCIATED]

IF DON'T KNOW/REFUSED ASK:

Q.1a Just thinking in general terms, would you say you were under the age of 13, between the ages of 13 and 17, between 18 and 23, between 24 and 35, between 36 and 50, between 51 and 65, or were you older than 65?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now new Prot <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now affil <u>now affil</u>
Under age 13	17	11	22	15	36
Between 13 and 17	31	23	35	17	16
Between 18 and 23	31	32	28	24	20
Between 24 and 35	18	25	11	29	19
Between 36 and 50	3	8	3	12	7
Between 51 and 65	1	1	1	3	1
Older than 65	*	*	*	*	*
	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>100</u>
(N)	(396)	(340)	(349)	(285)	(344)

Results repercentaged to exclude non-response to q1a.

IF STOPPED BEING (FRMREL) YOUNGER THAN AGE 18, ASK:

Q.2 And would you say that the decision to stop being (FRMREL) was mostly your own decision, or was it mostly decided by your parents or family?

IF FRMREL=UNAFFILIATED WITH ANY PARTICULAR RELIGION, USE ALTERNATE WORDING:

And would you say that the decision to start identifying with a religion was mostly your own decision, or was it mostly decided by your parents or family?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now new Prot <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now affil
Converted as a minor	47	33	55	31	52
<i>Mostly own decision</i>	37	22	42	18	34
<i>Mostly decided by parents or family</i>	8	10	8	13	16
<i>Both/neither (VOL)</i>	2	1	4	1	2
<i>Don't know/refused (VOL)</i>	1	0	1	0	0
Did not convert as a minor	<u>53</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>48</u>
	100	100	100	100	100
(N)	(401)	(343)	(360)	(292)	(350)

NOTE: ALL RESULTS IN Q.3-Q.6b ARE BASED ON QUALIFIED CONVERTS. THIS INCLUDES ALL RESPONDENTS WHO CURRENTLY HAVE A RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION DIFFERENT THAN THAT IN WHICH THEY WERE RAISED, EXCEPT THOSE WHO LEFT THEIR FORMER RELIGION AS A MINOR AND INDICATED IN Q.2 THAT IT WAS MOSTLY THEIR PARENTS' OR FAMILY'S DECISION TO DO SO.

ASK ALL QUALIFIED CONVERTS:

Q.3 And just in your own words, what is the main reason that you are no longer (FRMREL)?

IF FRMREL=UNAFFILIATED WITH ANY PARTICULAR RELIGION, USE ALTERNATE WORDING:

And just in your own words, what is the main reason that you started identifying with a religion?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now new <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now <u>affil</u>
Religious and moral beliefs	54	47	42	18	19
Religious teachings	44	46	40	16	19
<i>Do not believe in former religion/any religion</i>	21	16	14	6	*
<i>Do not believe in God/Jesus</i>	4	*	2	0	0
<i>Religion/former religion not logical</i>	6	0	7	0	0
<i>Stopped believing/lost faith/became skeptical</i>	3	1	6	*	0
<i>Liked beliefs of current religion</i>	0	1	*	4	12
<i>Biblical or scriptural reason</i>	2	18	4	2	5
Moral/social teachings	11	1	2	2	0
Religious institutions, practices and people	42	32	22	36	24
Organized religion	15	6	8	2	0
<i>Pedophilia scandal/molestation</i>	2	3	0	0	0
Religion's rules, rigidity	14	6	7	7	1
<i>Former relig/members hypocritical, intolerant</i>	7	2	6	2	1
Particular churches/leaders/members	10	17	4	14	9
Spiritual/social connectedness	2	3	3	13	14
Personal spirituality	6	9	9	6	26
<i>Looking for answers/something deeper</i>	0	*	*	1	12
<i>Saved/accepted Jesus/born again</i>	0	5	0	2	5
Lifecycle changes	5	18	4	30	20
Marriage and family	4	18	2	22	16
<i>Marriage/because of spouse</i>	1	12	1	17	8
New circumstances	1	1	2	8	3
Other reasons	10	7	22	16	9
<i>Just drifted away/fell away/don't go to church</i>	4	1	13	4	*
Don't know/refused (VOL)	4	3	10	5	9
(N)	(379)	(320)	(338)	(265)	(313)

Cell entries are percentages. Totals do not sum to 100 because respondents were allowed to give more than one response. Up to three responses were coded. Only the most common responses are displayed here. Nested figures do not sum to subtotals indicated because not all responses are shown.

ASK ALL QUALIFIED CONVERTS:

Q.4 There are many reasons people have given us for why they are no longer (FRMREL). As I read a list of possible reasons, please tell me whether or not each one is an important reason for why you are no longer (FRMREL). First, what about this...(INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE IN BLOCKS; FIRST a-d.3, THEN e-i, THEN k-s). Is this an important reason you are no longer (FRMREL), or not? What about (INSERT NEXT ITEM). (READ FOR FIRST SEVERAL ITEMS, THEN AS NECESSARY AND AT LEAST EVERY THREE OR FOUR ITEMS, AND EVERY TIME AFTER READING Q.5: Is this an important reason you are no longer (FRMREL), or not?)

IF FRMREL=UNAFFILIATED WITH ANY PARTICULAR RELIGION, USE ALTERNATE WORDING:

There are many reasons people have given us for why they started identifying with their first religious group after having not been raised in any particular religion. As I read a list of possible reasons, please tell me if each one is an important reason for why you started identifying with your first religion, even if your first religion is different than your current religion. First, what about this...(INSERT; RANDOMIZE a-d.3). Is this an important reason you started identifying with your first religion, or not? What about (INSERT NEXT ITEM). (READ FOR FIRST SEVERAL ITEMS, THEN AS NECESSARY AND AT LEAST EVERY THREE OR FOUR ITEMS: Is this an important reason you started identifying with your first religion, or not?)

[PROGRAMMING INSTRUCTION: IF Q.4j-Q.4s=1, IMMEDIATELY READ CORRESPONDING ITEM IN Q.5]

ASK ALL QUALIFIED CONVERTS:

Q.4a You married someone who is not (FRMREL)

IF FRMREL=UNAFFILIATED WITH ANY PARTICULAR RELIGION, USE ALTERNATE WORDING:

you married someone who identifies with a religion

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now new Prot <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now affil <u>now affil</u>
Yes, important reason	13	29	4	33	23
No, not important reason	86	71	95	66	77
Don't know/refused (VOL)	*	*	1	1	0
	100	100	100	100	100
(N)	(379)	(320)	(338)	(265)	(313)

ASK ALL QUALIFIED CONVERTS:

Q.4b Your spiritual needs were not being met

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now new Prot <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now affil <u>now affil</u>
Yes, important reason	43	71	39	51	51
No, not important reason	55	28	58	45	46
Don't know/refused (VOL)	2	1	3	4	3
	100	100	100	100	100
(N)	(379)	(320)	(338)	(265)	(313)

ASK ALL QUALIFIED CONVERTS:

Q.4c You moved to a new community

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now new Prot <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now affil
Yes, important reason	10	14	10	37	15
No, not important reason	90	86	90	63	82
Don't know/refused (VOL)	<u>*</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>
(N)	100 (379)	100 (320)	100 (338)	100 (265)	100 (313)

ASK ALL QUALIFIED CONVERTS:

Q.4d You found a religion that you liked more than being (FRMREL)

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now new Prot <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now affil
Yes, important reason	10	70	11	58	46
No, not important reason	89	27	87	39	52
Don't know/refused (VOL)	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>
(N)	100 (379)	100 (320)	100 (338)	100 (265)	100 (313)

ASK ALL QUALIFIED CONVERTS:

Q.4d.2 You became separated or divorced

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now new Prot <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now affil
Yes, important reason	5	3	2	4	6
No, not important reason	95	96	98	96	94
Don't know/refused (VOL)	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>*</u>
(N)	100 (379)	100 (320)	100 (338)	100 (265)	100 (313)

ASK ALL QUALIFIED CONVERTS:

Q.4d.3 Someone you were close to passed away

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now new Prot <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now affil
Yes, important reason	7	8	9	6	10
No, not important reason	93	92	89	94	90
Don't know/refused (VOL)	*	*	2	*	*
	100	100	100	100	100
(N)	(379)	(320)	(338)	(265)	(313)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT RAISED IN A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.4e You weren't satisfied with the [IF RAISED CATHOLIC, INSERT: priests at your parish; FOR ALL OTHERS, INSERT: clergy at your local congregation]

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now new Prot <u>faith</u>
Yes, important reason	18	27	25	36
No, not important reason	82	72	73	63
Don't know/refused (VOL)	*	2	2	1
	100	100	100	100
(N)	(379)	(320)	(338)	(265)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT RAISED IN A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.4f You just gradually drifted away from the religion

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now new Prot <u>faith</u>
Yes, important reason	71	54	71	40
No, not important reason	28	45	27	59
Don't know/refused (VOL)	*	*	1	1
	100	100	100	100
(N)	(379)	(320)	(338)	(265)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT RAISED CATHOLIC, ASK:

Q.4g You were unhappy about the Church’s rule that priests can’t get married

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>
Yes, important reason	24	21
No, not important reason	75	77
Don’t know/refused (VOL)	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	100	100
(N)	(379)	(320)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT RAISED CATHOLIC, ASK:

Q.4h The clergy sexual-abuse scandal

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>
Yes, important reason	27	21
No, not important reason	73	78
Don’t know/refused (VOL)	<u>*</u>	<u>1</u>
	100	100
(N)	(379)	(320)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT RAISED CATHOLIC, ASK:

Q.4i The Church drifted too far away from its traditional practices and teachings, like Latin Mass and not eating meat on Fridays all year long

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>
Yes, important reason	8	11
No, not important reason	91	88
Don’t know/refused (VOL)	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	100	100
(N)	(379)	(320)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT RAISED IN A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.4k You were unhappy about the way the religion treated women

ASK IF RESPONDENT SAYS YES, IMPORTANT REASON IN Q.4k:

Q.5k And would you say that the religion treated men better than women, or the religion treated women better than men?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now new Prot <u>faith</u>
Yes, important reason for leaving	39	16	18	14
Treated men better than women	36	13	16	10
Treated women better than men	*	0	0	1
Neither/both equally/other (VOL)	2	3	1	1
Don't know/refused (VOL)	1	*	1	2
No, not an important reason	60	82	79	85
DK/Ref (VOL)	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>*</u>
	100	100	100	100
(N)	(379)	(320)	(338)	(265)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT RAISED IN A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.4l You were unhappy about the religion's teachings about divorce and re-marriage

ASK IF RESPONDENT SAYS YES, IMPORTANT REASON IN Q.4l:

Q.5l And would you say that the religion was too strict and conservative about divorce and remarriage, or the religion was too relaxed and liberal about divorce and remarriage?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now new Prot <u>faith</u>
Yes, important reason for leaving	33	23	9	8
Too strict/conservative about divorce/remarriage	32	16	8	4
Too relaxed/liberal about divorce/remarriage	1	5	1	4
Neither/both equally/other (VOL)	1	*	0	0
Don't know/refused (VOL)	*	1	0	0
No, not an important reason	65	75	88	90
DK/Ref (VOL)	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>
	100	100	100	100
(N)	(379)	(320)	(338)	(265)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT RAISED IN A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.4m You weren't satisfied with the atmosphere at [IF RAISED CATHOLIC, INSERT: Mass; FOR ALL OTHERS, INSERT: worship services]

ASK IF RESPONDENT SAYS YES, IMPORTANT REASON IN Q.4m:

Q.5m And would you say that [IF RAISED CATHOLIC, INSERT: Mass was; FOR ALL OTHERS, INSERT: worship services were] too boring and uninspiring, or [IF RAISED CATHOLIC, INSERT: Mass was; FOR ALL OTHERS, INSERT: worship services were] too emotional and exuberant?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now new Prot <u>faith</u>
Yes, important reason for leaving	26	32	29	39
Mass/services were too boring and uninspiring	20	28	18	23
Mass/services were too emotional and exuberant	1	3	3	3
Neither/both equally/other (VOL)	5	1	7	11
Don't know/refused (VOL)	1	0	*	2
No, not an important reason	73	68	69	60
DK/Ref (VOL)	<u>1</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>
	100	100	100	100
(N)	(379)	(320)	(338)	(265)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT RAISED IN A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.4n You weren't comfortable with the feeling of community at [IF RAISED CATHOLIC, INSERT: your parish; FOR ALL OTHERS, INSERT: your local congregation]

ASK IF RESPONDENT SAYS YES, IMPORTANT REASON IN Q.4n:

Q.5n And would you say that there wasn't enough of a sense of community at [IF RAISED CATHOLIC, INSERT: your parish; FOR ALL OTHERS, INSERT: your local congregation], or the community at [IF RAISED CATHOLIC, INSERT: your parish; FOR ALL OTHERS, INSERT: your local congregation] was too CLOSE, with too many people trying to be involved in other people's private lives?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now new Prot <u>faith</u>
Yes, important reason for leaving	19	20	20	22
Not enough sense of community	10	10	4	6
Community was too close	5	7	13	7
Neither/both equally/other (VOL)	2	3	3	8
Don't know/refused (VOL)	2	1	1	1
No, not an important reason	80	78	77	77
DK/Ref (VOL)	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>
	100	100	100	100
(N)	(379)	(320)	(338)	(265)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT RAISED IN A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.4o You stopped believing in the religion’s teachings

ASK IF RESPONDENT SAYS YES, IMPORTANT REASON IN Q.4o:

Q.5o And would you say that this was mostly because of your education, or this was mostly because of some other reason?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now new Prot <u>faith</u>
Yes, important reason for leaving	65	50	50	15
Mostly because of your education	30	17	22	7
Mostly because of some other reason	31	31	22	6
Neither/both equally/other (VOL)	3	2	5	2
Don’t know/refused (VOL)	1	1	1	*
No, not an important reason	34	50	49	83
DK/Ref (VOL)	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	100	100	100	100
(N)	(379)	(320)	(338)	(265)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT RAISED IN A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.4p You were unhappy about the religion’s teachings about things like abortion and homosexuality

ASK IF RESPONDENT SAYS YES, IMPORTANT REASON IN Q.4p:

Q.5p And would you say that the religion was too strict and conservative about things like abortion and homosexuality, or the religion was too relaxed and liberal about things like abortion and homosexuality?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now new Prot <u>faith</u>
Yes, important reason for leaving	56	23	23	14
Too strict/conservative on abortion/homosexuality	54	14	20	7
Too relaxed/liberal on abortion/homosexuality	1	4	1	7
Neither/both equally/other (VOL)	*	2	*	0
Don’t know/refused (VOL)	*	3	2	1
No, not an important reason	42	75	74	84
DK/Ref (VOL)	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
	100	100	100	100
(N)	(379)	(320)	(338)	(265)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT RAISED IN A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.4q You were unhappy about the religion’s teachings about things like poverty or social justice, war and peace, and the death penalty

ASK IF RESPONDENT SAYS YES, IMPORTANT REASON IN Q.4q:

Q.5q And would you say that the religion was too CONSERVATIVE about things like poverty or social justice, war and peace, and the death penalty, or the religion was too LIBERAL about things like poverty or social justice, war and peace and the death penalty?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>faith</u>
Yes, important reason for leaving	24	11	15	12
Too conservative on poverty, war, death penalty	17	6	12	6
Too liberal on poverty, war, death penalty	3	4	1	5
Neither/both equally/other (VOL)	2	1	1	*
Don’t know/refused (VOL)	2	1	1	*
No, not an important reason	73	86	81	86
DK/Ref (VOL)	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>
	100	100	100	100
(N)	(379)	(320)	(338)	(265)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT RAISED CHRISTIAN, ASK:

Q.4r You were unhappy about the religion’s teachings about the Bible

ASK IF RESPONDENT SAYS YES, IMPORTANT REASON IN Q.4r:

Q.5r And would you say that the religion viewed the Bible too literally, or the religion didn’t view the Bible literally enough?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>faith</u>
Yes, important reason for leaving	29	43	36	23
Viewed Bible too literally	20	3	22	7
Did not view Bible literally enough	4	35	5	12
Neither/both equally/other (VOL)	4	2	5	*
Don’t know/refused (VOL)	1	4	3	3
No, not an important reason	68	56	62	77
DK/Ref.	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>
	100	100	100	100
(N)	(379)	(320)	(338)	(265)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT RAISED CATHOLIC, ASK:

Q.4s You were unhappy about the Church’s teachings about birth control

ASK IF RESPONDENT SAYS YES, IMPORTANT REASON IN Q.4s:

Q.5s And would you say that the Church was too strict and conservative about birth control, or the church was too relaxed and liberal about birth control?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>
Yes, important reason for leaving	48	16
Too strict and conservative about birth control	46	13
Too relaxed and liberal about birth control	1	3
Neither/both equally/other (VOL)	1	0
Don’t know/refused (VOL)	1	0
No, not an important reason	51	80
DK/Ref. (VOL)	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>
	100	100
(N)	(379)	(320)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT RAISED IN A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.6 And when you stopped being (FRMREL), would you say it was more because you wanted to LEAVE the (FRMREL) religion or more because you wanted to JOIN another religion?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now new Prot <u>faith</u>
More because wanted to leave the religion	67	32	47	12
More because wanted to join another religion	5	47	5	49
Neither/Both/Other (VOL)	26	18	45	35
Don’t know/refused (VOL)	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>
	100	100	100	100
(N)	(379)	(320)	(338)	(265)

ASK ALL QUALIFIED CONVERTS:

Q.6b And thinking about the year or two right before you stopped being (FRMREL), about how strong was your religious faith? Was it very strong, somewhat strong, not too strong, or not strong at all?

IF FRMREL=UNAFFILIATED WITH ANY PARTICULAR RELIGION, USE ALTERNATE WORDING:

And thinking about the year or two right before you started identifying with your first religion, about how strong was your religious faith? Was it very strong, somewhat strong, not too strong, or not strong at all?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now new Prot <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now affil
Very strong	10	23	11	30	13
Somewhat strong	34	38	38	39	25
Not too strong	31	21	26	16	27
Not strong at all	24	17	21	12	31
Didn't have religious faith (VOL)	*	0	1	*	1
Don't know/refused (VOL)	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
	100	100	100	100	100
(N)	(379)	(320)	(338)	(265)	(313)

ASK ALL:

Q.7 Now thinking back to when you were a child, that is BEFORE you became a teenager, about how often did you attend religious services? Would you say (READ IN ORDER)

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now new Prot <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now <u>affil</u>	Raised affil, still same <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, still <u>unaffil</u>
More than once a week	26	30	21	26	7	24	2
Once a week	47	49	43	52	16	53	8
Once or twice a month	10	12	16	14	9	11	7
A few times a year	7	5	7	3	14	5	20
Seldom, or	7	3	9	4	29	4	34
Never	2	*	3	*	24	1	28
Don't know/refused (VOL)	<u>*</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>
	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
(N)	(401)	(343)	(360)	(292)	(350)	(772)	(201)

ASK ALL:

Q.8 And when you were a child, about how often did you attend religious education classes, including programs like Sunday School (**IF RAISED CATHOLIC, INSERT: “or CCD”**), or as a part of the curriculum if you attended a religious school? Would you say (**READ IN ORDER**)

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now <u>affil</u>	Raised affil, still same <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, still <u>unaffil</u>
Frequently	68	68	51	66	18	66	9
Occasionally	13	14	22	23	13	16	15
Rarely, or Never	10	7	14	7	24	7	28
Don't know/refused (VOL)	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	*	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>
(N)	100 (401)	100 (343)	100 (360)	100 (292)	100 (350)	100 (772)	100 (201)

ASK ALL:

Q.9 And as a child, about how strong was your religious faith? Was it very strong, somewhat strong, not too strong, or not strong at all?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now <u>affil</u>	Raised affil, still same <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, still <u>unaffil</u>
Very strong	30	35	18	35	10	43	10
Somewhat strong	35	43	46	42	26	45	12
Not too strong	17	12	20	15	21	9	32
Not strong at all	17	9	15	6	38	1	42
Didn't have religious faith (VOL)	*	0	*	0	2	0	1
Don't know/refused (VOL)	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
(N)	100 (401)	100 (343)	100 (360)	100 (292)	100 (350)	100 (772)	100 (201)

ASK ALL:

Q.10 And thinking now about when you were a TEENAGER, roughly between the ages of 13 and 18, about how often did you attend religious services then? Would you say **(READ IN ORDER)**

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now <u>affil</u>	Raised affil, still same <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, still <u>unaffil</u>
More than once a week	9	13	10	28	13	18	3
Once a week	35	47	18	36	10	45	3
Once or twice a month	15	16	17	16	13	17	4
A few times a year	15	9	18	6	15	11	14
Seldom, or	13	12	17	8	21	6	36
Never	13	2	17	5	27	3	40
Don't know/refused (VOL)	*	*	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	*	*	<u>0</u>
(N)	100 (401)	100 (343)	100 (360)	100 (292)	100 (350)	100 (772)	100 (201)

IF ATTENDED AT LEAST MONTHLY AS TEENAGER AND RAISED IN A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.10a Were the religious services you attended mostly **(FRMREL)** services, or not?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>faith</u>	Raised affil, still same <u>faith</u>
Attended at least monthly	59	76	46	80	80
Yes	54	62	40	64	75
No	4	12	5	15	3
Mixed/interfaith/multiple (VOL)	1	2	*	1	1
Don't know/refused (VOL)	0	0	0	*	*
Attended less/Don't know/refused (VOL)	<u>41</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>20</u>
(N)	100 (401)	100 (343)	100 (360)	100 (292)	100 (772)

IF RAISED CATHOLIC, ASK:

Q.10b Did you attend a Catholic high school, or not?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Cath, still <u>Cath</u>
Yes	20	16	25
No	80	83	73
Yes, but only for part of high school (VOL)	*	1	2
Don't know/refused (VOL)	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	100	100	100
(N)	(401)	(343)	(287)

ASK ALL:

Q.11 And when you were a teenager, did you participate in any religious youth groups, Bible study groups, prayer groups, or other religious groups for young people?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, new Prot <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now <u>affil</u>	Raised affil, still same <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, still <u>unaffil</u>
Yes	40	44	43	65	39	49	14
No	60	56	57	34	61	50	86
Don't know/refused (VOL)	*	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	*
	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
(N)	(401)	(343)	(360)	(292)	(350)	(772)	(201)

IF PARTICIPATED IN YOUTH GROUPS AND RAISED IN A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.11a Were the group or groups you participated in mostly (FRMREL) groups, or not?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now Prot <u>faith</u>	Raised affil, still same <u>faith</u>
Participated	40	44	43	65	49
Yes	32	29	36	47	44
No	6	13	4	15	3
Mixed/interfaith/multiple (VOL)	*	1	3	3	1
Don't know/refused (VOL)	1	*	*	1	*
Did not participate	60	56	57	34	50
Don't know/refused (VOL)	*	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	100	100	100	100	100
(N)	(401)	(343)	(360)	(292)	(772)

ASK ALL:

Q.12 And as a teenager, about how strong was your religious faith? Was it very strong, somewhat strong, not too strong, or not strong at all?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now <u>affil</u>	Raised affil, still same <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, still <u>unaffil</u>
Very strong	12	22	12	32	16	37	9
Somewhat strong	32	49	30	44	36	46	17
Not too strong	25	18	33	13	18	12	27
Not strong at all	31	10	25	9	27	4	44
Didn't have relig faith (VOL)	*	0	*	0	1	0	2
Don't know/refused (VOL)	<u>*</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>*</u>
(N)	100 (401)	100 (343)	100 (360)	100 (292)	100 (350)	100 (772)	100 (201)

ASK ALL:

Q.13 And about how strong would you say your religious faith is NOW? Is it very strong, somewhat strong, not too strong, or not strong at all?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now <u>affil</u>	Raised affil, still same <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, still <u>unaffil</u>
Very strong	12	71	18	69	63	55	16
Somewhat strong	20	26	25	26	29	29	24
Not too strong	17	1	17	2	6	10	27
Not strong at all	46	1	34	2	1	4	30
Don't have religious faith (VOL)	3	0	4	*	1	0	2
Don't know/refused (VOL)	<u>2</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
(N)	100 (401)	100 (343)	100 (360)	100 (292)	100 (350)	100 (772)	100 (201)

Moving on...

ASK ALL CONVERTS:

Q.14 About how old were you when you became (CURREL)? [INTERVIEWER: IF R SAYS THEY HAVE BECOME CURREL MORE THAN ONCE, SPECIFY THAT THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS APPLY TO THE MOST RECENT TIME THAT THEY BECAME CURREL]

IF DON'T KNOW/REFUSED, ASK:

Q.14a Just thinking in general terms, would you say you were under the age of 13, between the ages of 13 and 17, between 18 and 23, between 24 and 35, between 36 and 50, between 51 and 65, or were you older than 65?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now <u>affil</u>
Under age 13	10	5	10	4	19
Between 13 and 17	26	10	32	8	13
Between 18 and 23	35	24	33	23	24
Between 24 and 35	21	41	18	42	30
Between 36 and 50	7	16	5	18	10
Between 51 and 65	1	2	1	4	4
Older than 65	*	*	*	*	1
	100	100	100	100	100
(N)	(396)	(343)	(351)	(284)	(349)

Results repercentaged to exclude non-response to q14a.

IF BECAME (CURREL) YOUNGER THAN AGE 18, ASK:

Q.15 And would you say that the decision to become (CURREL) was mostly your own decision, or was it mostly decided by your parents or family?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now new Prot <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now affil
Converted as a minor	35	15	41	12	32
<i>Mostly own decision</i>	33	10	35	10	22
<i>Mostly decided by parents or family</i>	1	6	5	2	10
<i>Both/neither (VOL)</i>	*	0	1	*	0
<i>Don't know/refused (VOL)</i>	*	0	1	0	*
Did not convert as a minor	65	85	59	88	68
	100	100	100	100	100
(N)	(401)	(343)	(360)	(292)	(350)

NOTE: ALL RESULTS IN Q.16-Q.20e ARE BASED ON QUALIFIED CONVERTS. THIS INCLUDES ALL RESPONDENTS WHO CURRENTLY HAVE A RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION DIFFERENT THAN THAT IN WHICH THEY WERE RAISED, EXCEPT THOSE WHO JOINED THEIR CURRENT RELIGION AS A MINOR AND INDICATED IN Q.15 THAT IT WAS MOSTLY THEIR PARENTS' OR FAMILY'S DECISION TO DO SO.

ASK ALL QUALIFIED CONVERTS:

Q.16 And just in your own words, what would you say is the main reason that you became (CURREL)?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>new Prot faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now <u>affil</u>
Religious and moral beliefs	49	49	45	17	26
Religious teachings	44	45	42	16	25
<i>Do not believe in former religion/any religion</i>	20	2	12	*	0
<i>Do not believe in God/Jesus</i>	3	0	2	0	0
<i>Religion/former religion not logical</i>	6	0	5	0	*
<i>Stopped believing/lost faith/became skeptical</i>	2	1	5	0	0
<i>Liked beliefs of current religion</i>	3	17	1	10	17
<i>Biblical or scriptural reason</i>	2	21	5	5	7
Moral/social teachings	4	4	3	1	1
Religious institutions, practices and people	33	35	27	45	33
Organized religion	15	3	9	0	*
<i>Pedophilia scandal/molestation</i>	1	1	*	0	0
Religion's rules, rigidity	10	4	8	4	1
<i>Former relig/members hypocritical, intolerant</i>	5	1	5	1	0
Particular churches/leaders/members	6	12	8	22	14
Spiritual/social connectedness	2	15	2	19	19
Personal spirituality	13	16	16	13	20
<i>Looking for answers/something deeper</i>	1	2	*	5	3
<i>Saved/accepted Jesus/born again</i>	0	4	0	1	4
Lifecycle changes	4	19	6	33	24
Marriage and family	3	19	2	27	21
<i>Marriage/because of spouse</i>	2	15	1	17	13
New circumstances	1	*	4	6	3
Other reasons	12	2	19	7	11
<i>Just drifted away/fell away/don't go to church</i>	3	1	6	1	0
Don't know/refused (VOL)	7	1	6	3	2
(N)	(393)	(334)	(346)	(285)	(327)

Cell entries are percentages. Totals do not sum to 100 because respondents were allowed to give more than one response. Up to three responses were coded. Only the most common responses are displayed here. Nested figures do not sum to subtotals indicated because not all responses are shown.

ASK ALL QUALIFIED CONVERTS:

Q.17 As I read a list of possible reasons, please tell me whether or not each one is an important reason for why you became (CURREL). First, what about this...(INSERT; RANDOMIZE). Is this an important reason you became (CURREL), or not? What about (INSERT NEXT ITEM).
(READ FOR FIRST SEVERAL ITEMS, THEN AS NECESSARY AND AT LEAST EVERY THREE OR FOUR ITEMS AND AFTER READING Q.18: Is this an important reason you became (CURREL), or not?)

ASK ALL QUALIFIED CONVERTS:

Q.17a You married someone who is (CURREL)

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now Prot <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now <u>affil</u>
Yes, important reason	10	28	3	28	25
No, not important reason	90	71	96	72	74
Don't know/refused (VOL)	*	*	1	0	1
(N)	100 (393)	100 (334)	100 (346)	100 (285)	100 (327)

ASK ALL QUALIFIED CONVERTS:

Q.17b You moved to a new community

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now Prot <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now <u>affil</u>
Yes, important reason	9	19	11	38	17
No, not important reason	90	81	88	62	82
Don't know/refused (VOL)	1	*	1	1	*
(N)	100 (393)	100 (334)	100 (346)	100 (285)	100 (327)

ASK ALL QUALIFIED CONVERTS:

Q.17c You became separated or divorced

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now <u>affil</u>
Yes, important reason	3	2	3	4	6
No, not important reason	97	97	96	96	93
Don't know/refused (VOL)	*	*	<u>1</u>	*	<u>1</u>
(N)	100 (393)	100 (334)	100 (346)	100 (285)	100 (327)

ASK ALL QUALIFIED CONVERTS:

Q.17d Someone you were close to passed away

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now <u>affil</u>
Yes, important reason	7	6	7	9	6
No, not important reason	93	94	92	91	94
Don't know/refused (VOL)	*	*	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	*
(N)	100 (393)	100 (334)	100 (346)	100 (285)	100 (327)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT NOW AFFILIATED WITH A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.17e You were attracted by a particular minister or pastor

	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now <u>affil</u>
Yes, important reason	30	36	29
No, not important reason	70	64	70
Don't know/refused (VOL)	*	*	*
(N)	100 (334)	100 (285)	100 (327)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT NOW AFFILIATED WITH A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.17f You enjoy the religious services and style of worship

	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, new Prot <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now <u>affil</u>
Yes, important reason	81	85	74
No, not important reason	18	15	24
Don't know/refused (VOL)	<u>1</u>	*	<u>1</u>
(N)	100 (334)	100 (285)	100 (327)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT NOW AFFILIATED WITH A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.17g You felt called by God

	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, new Prot <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now <u>affil</u>
Yes, important reason	62	50	55
No, not important reason	37	49	42
Don't know/refused (VOL)	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>
(N)	100 (334)	100 (285)	100 (327)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT NOW AFFILIATED WITH A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.17h You were asked to join by a member of the religion

IF YES, IMPORTANT REASON, ASK:

Q.18 And was this a friend or relative of yours, or not?

	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, new Prot <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now <u>affil</u>
Yes, important reason	30	30	29
Yes, was friend or relative	25	26	20
No, was not	5	4	8
Both/other	*	*	*
Don't know/refused (VOL)	*	*	*
No, not important reason	70	69	71
Don't know/refused (VOL)	<u>*</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
(N)	100 (334)	100 (285)	100 (327)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT NOW UNAFFILIATED WITH A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.17i You just haven't yet found the right religion for you

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>
Yes, important reason	33	38
No, not important reason	65	59
Don't know/refused (VOL)	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
	100	100
(N)	(393)	(346)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT NOW UNAFFILIATED WITH A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.17j You just don't believe in God or the teachings of most religions

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>
Yes, important reason	42	39
No, not important reason	56	57
Don't know/refused (VOL)	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>
	100	100
(N)	(393)	(346)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT NOW UNAFFILIATED WITH A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.19 As I read a short list of statements, please tell me if you agree or DISagree with each one. First, **[INSERT; RANDOMIZE; IMMEDIATELY ASK CORRESPONDING ITEM Q.20 SERIES EACH TIME RESPONDENT AGREES WITH AN ITEM]**. Do you agree or DISagree? Next, **[INSERT NEXT ITEM]**. Do you agree or DISagree?

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT NOW UNAFFILIATED WITH A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.19a Religious organizations tend to focus too much on rules and not enough on spirituality

IF AGREE, ASK:

Q.20a And is this an important reason that you became (CURREL), or not?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>
Agree	73	71
Important reason for becoming (CURREL)	46	49
Not an important reason for becoming (CURREL)	26	21
Don't know/refused (VOL)	1	2
Disagree	20	20
Don't know/refused (VOL)	<u>7</u>	<u>9</u>
	100	100
(N)	(393)	(346)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT NOW UNAFFILIATED WITH A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.19b Many religions are *partly* true, but no religion is *completely* true

IF AGREE, ASK:

Q.20b And is this an important reason that you became (CURREL), or not?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>
Agree	75	76
Important reason for becoming (CURREL)	48	43
Not an important reason for becoming (CURREL)	27	31
Don't know/refused (VOL)	0	1
Disagree	21	19
Don't know/refused (VOL)	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
	100	100
(N)	(393)	(346)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT NOW UNAFFILIATED WITH A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.19c Religious leaders are more concerned with money and power than with truth and spirituality

IF AGREE, ASK:

Q.20c And is this an important reason that you became (CURREL), or not?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>
Agree	66	64
Important reason for becoming (CURREL)	43	38
Not an important reason for becoming (CURREL)	23	26
Don't know/refused (VOL)	0	*
Disagree	30	27
Don't know/refused (VOL)	<u>4</u>	<u>9</u>
	100	100
(N)	(393)	(346)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT NOW UNAFFILIATED WITH A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.19d Members of religious groups tend to be hypocritical and judgmental rather than sincere and forgiving

IF AGREE, ASK:

Q.20d And is this an important reason that you became (CURREL), or not?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>
Agree	74	76
Important reason for becoming (CURREL)	55	53
Not an important reason for becoming (CURREL)	19	22
Don't know/refused (VOL)	*	1
Disagree	21	18
Don't know/refused (VOL)	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
	100	100
(N)	(393)	(346)

IF QUALIFIED CONVERT NOW UNAFFILIATED WITH A RELIGION, ASK:

Q.19e Modern science proves that religion is just superstition

IF AGREE, ASK:

Q.20e And is this an important reason that you became (CURREL), or not?

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>
Agree	32	32
Important reason for becoming (CURREL)	23	24
Not an important reason for becoming (CURREL)	8	8
Don't know/refused (VOL)	*	0
Disagree	62	59
Don't know/refused (VOL)	<u>7</u>	<u>9</u>
	100	100
(N)	(393)	(346)

IF NON-CONVERT (CHILDHOOD RELIGION IS SAME AS CURRENT RELIGION), ASK:

Q.21 Would you say there was ever a time in your life when you didn't consider yourself (CURREL)?

	All still same faith group	Raised affil, still same faith	Raised unaffil, still <u>unaffil</u>
Yes	16	16	20
No	83	83	78
Don't know/refused (VOL)	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	100	100	100
(N)	(973)	(772)	(201)

IF CONVERT OR Q.21=YES, ASK:

Q.22 And finally, as I read a short list of some different religions and churches, please tell me which, if any, you have ever identified with at any point in your life? Have you ever been **(READ IN ORDER; DO NOT READ RESPONDENT’S FRMREL OR CURREL)**

- a. Baptist?
- b. Methodist?
- c. a nondenominational Christian?
- d. Lutheran?
- e. part of any other Protestant church or denomination I haven’t mentioned? **(SPECIFY)**
- f. Catholic?
- g. Mormon?
- h. Jewish?
- h.2 just nothing in particular?
- i. an Atheist?
- j. an Agnostic?
- l. a part of any other religion I haven’t mentioned? **(SPECIFY)**

	Raised Cath, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Cath, now <u>Prot</u>	Raised Prot, now <u>unaffil</u>	Raised Prot, now new <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, now <u>affil</u>	Raised affil, still same <u>faith</u>	Raised unaffil, still <u>unaffil</u>
<i>Total number of known religious affiliations:*</i>							
One	-	-	-	-	-	89	85
Two	38	46	30	49	47	6	10
Three	36	33	38	28	32	3	4
Four	18	14	19	15	15	1	1
Five or more	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
(N)	100 (401)	100 (343)	100 (360)	100 (292)	100 (350)	100 (772)	100 (201)

*Includes current and former affiliations. “Just nothing in particular,” “an atheist” and “an agnostic” are classified as affiliations. Items e and l are excluded from this analysis (i.e., they do not count as a known religious affiliation).

APPENDIX:
Complete List of Inserts for CURREL and FRMREL

INSERTS FOR CURREL:

IF CURREL=1 CURREL=BAPTIST
IF CURREL=2 CURREL=METHODIST
IF CURREL=3 CURREL=NONDENOMINATIONAL CHRISTIAN
IF CURREL=4 CURREL=LUTHERAN
IF CURREL=5 CURREL=PRESBYTERIAN
IF CURREL=6 CURREL=PENTECOSTAL
IF CURREL=7 CURREL=EPISCOPALIAN
IF CURREL=8 CURREL=CHURCH OF CHRIST OR DISCIPLES OF CHRIST
IF CURREL=9 CURREL=CONGREGATIONALIST OR UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
IF CURREL=10 CURREL=HOLINESS CHRISTIAN
IF CURREL=11 CURREL=REFORMED CHRISTIAN
IF CURREL=12 CURREL=ADVENTIST
IF CURREL=13 CURREL=ANABAPTIST
IF CURREL=14 CURREL=PIETIST
IF CURREL=15 CURREL=QUAKER OR FRIENDS
IF CURREL=16 CURREL=EVANGELICAL OR FUNDAMENTALIST CHRISTIAN
IF CURREL=18 CURREL=JUST PROTESTANT (**INTERVIEWER – FOR FIRST INSERT AND
WHENEVER NECESSARY, SPECIFY: THAT IS, PROTESTANT BUT NOT REALLY A
PART OF ANY PARTICULAR DENOMINATION**)
IF CURREL=10000 CURREL=CATHOLIC
IF CURREL=20000 CURREL=MORMON
IF CURREL=30000 CURREL=ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN
IF CURREL=40001 CURREL=JEHOVAH'S WITNESS
IF CURREL=50000 CURREL=JEWISH
IF CURREL=60000 CURREL=MUSLIM
IF CURREL=70000 CURREL=BUDDHIST
IF CURREL=80000 CURREL=HINDU
IF CURREL=100001 CURREL=ATHEIST
IF CURREL=100002 CURREL=AGNOSTIC
IF CURREL=100003 CURREL=UNAFFILIATED WITH ANY PARTICULAR RELIGION

INSERTS FOR FRMREL:

IF FRMREL=1 FRMREL=BAPTIST
IF FRMREL=2 FRMREL=METHODIST
IF FRMREL=3 FRMREL=NONDENOMINATIONAL CHRISTIAN
IF FRMREL=4 FRMREL=LUTHERAN
IF FRMREL=5 FRMREL=PRESBYTERIAN
IF FRMREL=6 FRMREL=PENTECOSTAL
IF FRMREL=7 FRMREL=EPISCOPALIAN
IF FRMREL=8 FRMREL=CHURCH OF CHRIST OR DISCIPLES OF CHRIST
IF FRMREL=9 FRMREL=CONGREGATIONALIST OR UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
IF FRMREL=10 FRMREL=HOLINESS CHRISTIAN
IF FRMREL=11 FRMREL=REFORMED CHRISTIAN
IF FRMREL=12 FRMREL=ADVENTIST
IF FRMREL=13 FRMREL=ANABAPTIST
IF FRMREL=14 FRMREL=PIETIST
IF FRMREL=15 FRMREL=QUAKER OR FRIENDS
IF FRMREL=16 FRMREL=EVANGELICAL OR FUNDAMENTALIST CHRISTIAN
IF FRMREL=18 FRMREL=JUST PROTESTANT (**INTERVIEWER – FOR FIRST INSERT AND
WHENEVER NECESSARY, SPECIFY: THAT IS, PROTESTANT BUT NOT REALLY A
PART OF ANY PARTICULAR DENOMINATION**)
IF FRMREL=10000 FRMREL=CATHOLIC
IF FRMREL=20000 FRMREL=MORMON
IF FRMREL=30000 FRMREL=ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN
IF FRMREL=40001 FRMREL=JEHOVAH’S WITNESS
IF FRMREL=50000 FRMREL=JEWISH
IF FRMREL=60000 FRMREL=MUSLIM
IF FRMREL=70000 FRMREL=BUDDHIST
IF FRMREL=80000 FRMREL=HINDU
IF FRMREL=100001 FRMREL=ATHEIST
IF FRMREL=100002 FRMREL=AGNOSTIC
IF FRMREL=100003 FRMREL=UNAFFILIATED WITH ANY PARTICULAR RELIGION