

Detailed tables: Familiarity with sexual abuse within Catholic Church, other religious traditions

How much, if anything, have you heard about recent reports of sexual abuse and misconduct by Catholic priests and bishops?

How much, if anything, have you heard about recent reports of sexual abuse and misconduct by religious leaders OUTSIDE of the Catholic Church?

	NET A lot/ a little						NET A lot/ a little				
	%	%	%	%	%		%	%	%	%	%
All U.S. adults	92	58	34	8	1=100		71	21	51	28	1=100
Christian	93	59	34	7	1		71	19	52	28	1
Protestant	92	57	35	8	1		68	17	51	32	1
Evangelical	92	54	38	7	1		67	15	52	32	1
Mainline	94	62	32	6	1		67	15	52	32	1
Historically black	85	56	29	14	<1		72	26	46	27	1
Catholic	95	62	32	5	1		77	25	52	22	1
White Catholic	98	68	30	2	0		76	22	54	24	<1
Hispanic Catholic	90	53	37	9	1		79	30	49	20	2
Jewish	91	71	20	9	<1		65	14	51	34	1
Unaffiliated	91	56	35	8	1		73	24	49	27	1
Atheist	96	65	31	4	0		78	29	50	22	0
Agnostic	96	70	26	3	<1		79	24	54	21	0
Nothing in particular	88	49	39	11	1		69	22	47	30	1
Attend religious services ...											
Weekly+	93	58	35	7	<1		73	18	55	26	1
Less often	92	58	34	8	1		71	21	50	28	1
Men	92	59	33	7	<1		73	21	52	27	<1
Women	91	57	35	8	1		70	21	50	29	1
Ages 18-29	84	41	43	15	1		65	21	44	34	1
30-49	90	50	40	9	1		72	22	51	27	1
50-64	95	65	30	4	<1		71	22	50	28	1
65+	98	78	19	2	<1		76	17	59	24	<1
White	94	60	34	6	<1		70	18	52	30	<1
Black	88	55	32	11	1		75	28	47	24	1
Hispanic	89	54	35	10	1		76	27	48	24	1
H.S. or less	88	53	35	11	1		69	21	47	30	1
Some college	93	59	33	7	1		73	22	51	27	<1
College graduate	96	63	33	4	<1		73	18	54	27	<1
Republican/lean Republican	93	58	35	7	<1		68	16	52	32	<1
Democrat/lean Democratic	92	60	32	7	1		74	24	50	25	1

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Detailed tables: Opinions about clergy sexual abuse and misconduct

	Do you think the recent reports of sexual abuse and misconduct by Catholic priests and bishops ...					Generally speaking, do you think sexual abuse and misconduct is ____ among Catholic priests than it is among leaders in other religious traditions?				Generally speaking, do you think sexual abuse of children is ____ among clergy and other religious leaders than it is among other adults who work with children?			
	NET Heard a lot/ a little about recent reports of sexual abuse by Catholic priests and bishops	Reflect things that happened in the past and mostly don't happen anymore	Reflect ongoing problems that are still happening	No answer	Have heard nothing at all about recent reports/ no answer	More common	Less common	Equally as common	No answer	More common	Less common	Equally as common	No answer
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
All U.S. adults	92	12	79	1	8=100	48	3	47	2=100	34	6	57	3=100
Christian	93	14	77	1	7	49	3	46	2	30	7	60	3
Protestant	92	11	80	1	8	56	3	39	2	34	7	57	3
Evangelical	92	10	81	2	8	59	2	37	2	35	6	55	4
Mainline	94	11	82	1	6	55	1	42	2	32	4	61	3
Historically black	85	12	73	1	15	48	9	39	4	33	14	50	3
Catholic	95	24	69	2	5	33	4	61	2	22	7	68	4
White Catholic	98	29	67	2	2	39	3	56	1	24	6	68	2
Hispanic Catholic	90	15	73	2	10	22	6	69	3	18	8	68	6
Jewish	91	7	83	1	9	72	1	25	2	53	2	43	2
Unaffiliated	91	7	83	<1	9	45	4	50	1	39	6	53	2
Atheist	96	3	93	0	4	49	3	47	1	51	2	47	1
Agnostic	96	10	86	1	4	50	3	46	1	46	5	47	2
Nothing in particular	88	8	79	<1	12	42	4	52	2	34	7	57	2
Attend religious services ...													
Weekly+	93	15	76	1	7	50	3	44	2	31	7	59	3
Less often	92	11	80	1	8	47	3	48	2	35	6	57	3
Men	92	12	80	<1	8	49	4	46	1	39	6	53	2
Women	91	12	78	1	9	47	3	48	2	29	6	61	3
Ages 18-29	84	12	71	1	16	39	8	52	2	36	10	51	3
30-49	90	11	78	1	10	44	3	51	2	34	5	58	3
50-64	95	12	82	1	5	52	2	44	2	31	5	61	3
65+	98	13	84	1	2	58	1	39	2	36	4	58	2
White	94	12	81	1	6	52	2	44	2	35	5	58	2
Black	88	11	76	1	12	45	7	45	3	33	10	54	2
Hispanic	89	10	77	2	11	38	5	55	2	28	7	61	4
H.S. or less	88	11	76	1	12	46	4	47	3	32	7	57	4
Some college	93	13	79	1	7	48	4	47	1	32	7	59	2
College graduate	96	12	83	1	4	50	2	46	2	38	5	56	2
Republican/lean Republican	93	16	76	1	7	50	3	45	2	31	7	60	3
Democrat/lean Democratic	92	9	82	1	8	48	3	48	1	37	5	56	2

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Detailed tables: Familiarity with sexual abuse within Catholic Church, other religious traditions, among Catholics

	How much, if anything, have you heard about recent reports of sexual abuse and misconduct by Catholic priests and bishops?					How much, if anything, have you heard about recent reports of sexual abuse and misconduct by religious leaders OUTSIDE of the Catholic Church?				
	NET A lot/					NET A lot/				
	a little	A lot	A little	Nothing at all	No answer	a little	A lot	A little	Nothing at all	No answer
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
U.S. Catholics	95	62	32	5	1=100	77	25	52	22	1=100
Attend religious services ...										
Weekly+	98	68	30	2	0	83	18	65	16	<1
Less often	93	60	33	6	1	75	28	47	24	1
Men	93	62	32	6	<1	78	21	57	21	<1
Women	96	63	33	3	1	76	28	48	23	1
Ages 18-49	91	50	40	9	1	77	25	53	22	1
50+	98	73	25	2	<1	77	25	52	22	1
White	98	68	30	2	0	76	22	54	24	<1
Hispanic	90	53	37	9	1	79	30	49	20	2
H.S. or less	90	52	38	8	2	76	28	48	23	2
Some college	98	65	33	2	0	80	25	55	20	<1
College graduate	98	74	24	2	0	77	21	56	23	1
Republican/lean Republican	97	68	29	3	0	79	21	58	21	0
Democrat/lean Democratic	93	59	34	6	1	74	27	46	24	2

Note: Based on U.S. Catholics. Figures may not add to 100% or to subtotals indicated due to rounding. Whites include only non-Hispanics. Hispanics can be of any race.

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Detailed tables: Opinions about Catholic leaders' response to reports of clergy sexual abuse, among Catholics

For each of the following, how would you rate the job they have done responding to the recent reports of sexual abuse and misconduct by Catholic priests and bishops?

	Pope Francis								Your bishop								Catholic bishops in the U.S.							
	-----Heard about recent reports of sexual abuse/misconduct-----							Have heard nothing at all about recent reports/ no answer	-----Heard about recent reports of sexual abuse/misconduct-----							Have heard nothing at all about recent reports/ no answer	-----Heard about recent reports of sexual abuse/misconduct-----							Have heard nothing at all about recent reports/ no answer
	NET		NET Only			No answer	NET		NET Only			No answer	NET		NET Only			No answer						
	Excellent/ good	Excellent	Good	fair/poor	Only fair		Poor		Excellent/ good	Excellent	Good		fair/poor	Only fair	Poor		Excellent/ good		Excellent	Good	fair/poor	Only fair	Poor	
	%	%	%	%	%		%		%	%	%		%	%	%		%		%	%	%	%	%	
U.S. Catholics	55	18	37	38	25	13	2	5=100	49	12	38	39	25	14	7	5=100	36	6	30	56	33	22	2	5=100
Attend religious services ...																								
Weekly+	64	24	40	33	20	14	1	2	66	22	44	30	18	11	2	2	51	13	38	45	26	20	1	2
Less often	51	16	35	39	27	13	3	7	42	7	35	42	28	15	9	7	30	4	27	60	37	24	3	7
Men	52	16	36	41	26	15	1	7	50	13	38	40	25	15	3	7	36	6	31	56	31	25	1	7
Women	57	20	38	35	24	11	4	4	48	11	38	38	25	13	10	4	36	7	29	56	35	20	4	4
Ages 18-49	51	16	35	36	23	13	3	9	47	11	36	39	24	15	5	9	36	6	30	51	26	24	3	9
50+	58	20	38	39	26	12	1	2	51	12	39	39	26	13	8	2	36	6	30	60	39	21	2	2
White	55	18	37	41	30	12	2	2	50	13	37	41	31	11	7	2	35	7	28	61	38	23	2	2
Hispanic	55	19	36	32	17	16	3	10	47	10	38	36	18	19	6	10	37	5	32	50	27	23	3	10
H.S. or less	51	18	33	35	21	14	4	10	45	10	35	39	22	16	7	10	35	7	28	52	30	21	4	10
Some college	66	21	45	32	22	10	<1	2	57	13	44	35	26	9	5	2	44	7	38	53	35	17	<1	2
College graduate	49	16	33	46	33	13	2	2	47	11	36	42	28	14	8	2	31	5	26	64	36	28	3	2
Republican/lean Republican	53	21	32	42	29	13	2	3	55	16	39	36	26	10	6	3	42	9	34	53	36	17	2	3
Democrat/lean Democratic	56	14	41	34	23	12	3	7	44	7	37	42	26	16	7	7	30	3	26	60	33	26	3	7

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Detailed tables: Actions taken in response to sexual abuse by priests and bishops, among Catholics

Which of the following, if any, have you personally done as a result of the recent reports of sexual abuse and misconduct by Catholic priests and bishops?

	Gone to Mass less often				Reduced the amount of money you donate to your parish or your diocese				Expressed support or encouragement to the priests at your parish			
	-----Heard about recent reports of sexual abuse/misconduct-----				-----Heard about recent reports of sexual abuse/misconduct-----				-----Heard about recent reports of sexual abuse/misconduct-----			
	Yes, have done this	No, have not done this	No answer	Have heard nothing at all about recent reports/ no answer	Yes, have done this	No, have not done this	No answer	Have heard nothing at all about recent reports/ no answer	Yes, have done this	No, have not done this	No answer	Have heard nothing at all about recent reports/ no answer
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
U.S. Catholics	27	64	3	5=100	26	65	4	5=100	18	73	3	5=100
Attend religious services ...												
Weekly+	15	83	<1	2	20	77	1	2	35	61	1	2
Less often	32	57	5	7	28	61	5	7	12	78	4	7
Men	24	66	4	7	26	64	3	7	17	74	3	7
Women	30	63	3	4	25	67	4	4	20	72	4	4
Ages 18-49	29	58	3	9	25	62	3	9	17	71	2	9
50+	25	69	4	2	27	68	4	2	19	75	4	2
White	28	66	4	2	27	67	4	2	19	75	4	2
Hispanic	27	61	2	10	25	62	3	10	18	70	2	10
H.S. or less	22	65	3	10	21	66	3	10	16	71	3	10
Some college	30	65	2	2	28	67	2	2	19	76	3	2
College graduate	31	63	5	2	30	62	5	2	20	73	4	2
Republican/lean Republican	22	71	4	3	23	71	4	3	22	71	4	3
Democrat/lean Democratic	29	61	3	7	27	62	3	7	15	74	3	7

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Detailed tables: Frequency that Catholics have talked with others about sexual abuse in Catholic Church

How much, if at all, have you talked with family, friends or acquaintances about the recent reports of sexual abuse and misconduct by Catholic priests and bishops?

	-----Heard about recent reports of sexual abuse/misconduct-----							Have heard nothing at all about recent reports/ no answer
	NET A lot/some	A lot	Some	NET Not much/not at all	Not much	Not at all	No answer	
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
U.S. Catholics	46	10	37	47	27	20	1	5=100
Attend religious services ...								
Weekly+	58	18	40	40	27	13	<1	2
Less often	42	6	35	50	27	23	1	7
Gender								
Men	41	8	33	52	31	21	<1	7
Women	51	11	40	44	24	19	2	4
Ages								
Ages 18-49	43	10	33	46	27	19	2	9
50+	49	10	39	49	27	21	<1	2
Race								
White	49	10	39	49	28	21	<1	2
Hispanic	42	10	33	45	25	20	2	10
Education								
H.S. or less	40	8	32	48	28	20	2	10
Some college	48	9	39	49	25	24	1	2
College graduate	53	12	40	45	29	16	0	2
Political affiliation								
Republican/lean Republican	50	11	38	47	27	20	<1	3
Democrat/lean Democratic	45	7	37	47	28	19	1	7

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U.S. Catholics	95	24	69	2	5=100	33	4	61	2=100	22	7	68	4=100
Attend religious services ...													
Weekly+	98	34	63	1	2	23	6	68	3	15	10	73	3
Less often	93	20	71	2	7	37	3	58	2	24	6	66	4
Men	93	25	68	<1	7	31	5	61	2	22	7	68	4
Women	96	24	70	3	4	34	3	61	2	22	7	68	3
Ages 18-49	91	23	65	2	9	28	6	63	3	24	8	62	6
50+	98	25	72	1	2	37	2	59	2	19	7	72	2
White	98	29	67	2	2	39	3	56	1	24	6	68	2
Hispanic	90	15	73	2	10	22	6	69	3	18	8	68	6
H.S. or less	90	19	69	3	10	32	3	62	3	21	6	68	6
Some college	98	29	68	1	2	33	5	60	2	23	8	68	2
College graduate	98	27	69	1	2	32	5	62	1	22	8	68	2
Republican/lean Republican	97	33	63	1	3	36	5	58	1	20	9	69	2
Democrat/lean Democratic	93	18	73	2	7	31	4	63	2	24	6	67	3

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