PEW RESEARCH CENTER 2019 SURVEY OF U.S. TEENS AGES 13-17, AND ONE OF THEIR PARENTS BACKGROUND AND CODEBOOK

Background

This document provides important information for those wishing to analyze the dataset from Pew Research Center's 2019 survey of U.S. teens and their parents. The data in this nationally representative sample was gathered using a self-administered web survey, and conducted among 1,811 dyads, with each dyad – or pair – comprised of one U.S. adolescent ages 13 to 17 and one parent per adolescent.

The findings from this survey are detailed in the following reports, available on the Pew Research Center website:

https://www.pewforum.org/2019/10/03/for-a-lot-of-american-teens-religion-is-a-regular-part-of-the-public-school-day/

https://www.pewforum.org/2020/09/10/u-s-teens-take-after-their-parents-religiously-attend-services-together-and-enjoy-family-rituals/

In addition to questions on religious practices, beliefs, and identity, this survey also asked teens a series of knowledge questions about the Holocaust, in order to compare adolescents and adults on knowledge of these topics. That report can also be found on the Pew Research Center website:

https://www.pewforum.org/2020/01/22/what-americans-know-about-the-holocaust/

The survey was conducted from March 29 to April 14, 2019. The margin of sampling error for the full sample of 1,811 teens is plus or minus 3.1 percentage points. The margin of sampling error for the full sample of 1,811 parents also is plus or minus 3.1 percentage points. The survey was conducted by Ipsos Public Affairs in English and Spanish using KnowledgePanel, its nationally representative online research panel.

KnowledgePanel members are recruited through probability sampling methods and include both those with internet access and those who did not have internet access at the time of their recruitment. KnowledgePanel provides internet access for those who do not have it and, if needed, a device to access the internet when they join the panel. KnowledgePanel's recruitment process was originally based exclusively on a national random-digit dialing (RDD) sampling methodology. In 2009, Ipsos migrated to an address-based sampling (ABS) recruitment methodology via the U.S. Postal Service's Delivery Sequence File (DSF). The Delivery Sequence

File has been estimated to cover as much as 98% of the population, although some studies suggest that the coverage could be in the low 90% range.¹

The panel includes households with landlines and cellular phones, including those with only cellphones, as well as households without phones. Both the RDD and ABS samples were provided by Marketing Systems Group. KnowledgePanel continually recruits new panel members throughout the year to offset people who leave the panel.

Panelists were eligible for participation in this survey if they indicated on an earlier profile survey that they were the parent of a teen ages 13 to 17. A random sample of 4,588 eligible panel members were invited to participate in the study. Responding parents were screened and considered qualified for the study if they reconfirmed that they were the parent of at least one child ages 13 to 17 and granted permission for their child to participate in the study. In households with more than one eligible teen, parents were asked to refer to the child with the next birthday. A survey was considered complete if both the parent and sampled child completed their portions of the questionnaire or if the parent did not qualify during the initial screening.

Of the sampled panelists, 2,176 responded to the invitation and 1,819 qualified and completed both the parent and child portions of the survey, yielding a completion rate of 47% and a qualification rate of 84%. The cumulative response rate accounting for nonresponse to the recruitment surveys and attrition is 3.3%. The break-off rate among panelists who logged on to the survey (regardless of whether they completed any items) is 19%.

¹ AAPOR Task Force on Address-based Sampling. 2016. "AAPOR Report: Address-based Sampling."

² Eight of the qualified and completed interviews were excluded because respondents did not answer more than a third of the substantive survey questions.

Weighting

The analysis in the reports based on this data was performed using separate weights for parents and teens. The parent weight was created in a multistep process that begins with a base design weight for the parent, which was computed to reflect their selection probabilities. Next, an iterative technique was used to align the parent design weights to population benchmarks for parents of teens ages 13 to 17 on the dimensions identified in the accompanying table.

To create the teen weight, an adjustment factor was applied to the final parent weight to reflect each teen's probability of selection out of all eligible teens in their household. Finally, the teen weights were further raked to match the demographic distribution for all teens ages 13 to 17. The teen weights were adjusted on the same dimensions as parents with the exception of education, which was not used in the teen weighting.

Weighting di Variable	Benchmark				
Age by gender Race/Hispanic origin Region by metropolitan status Household income Household size	source 2018 March Supplement of the Current Population Survey (CPS)				
Education (parents only)					
Language proficiency	2017 American Community Survey (ACS)				
Note: Estimates from the ACS are based on non-institutionalized adults and teens. PEW RESEARCH CENTER					

Sampling errors and tests of statistical significance conducted as part of Pew Research Center's reporting on the survey's findings take into account the effect of weighting. Interviews were conducted in both English and Spanish. In addition to sampling error, one should bear in mind that question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of opinion polls.

The following tables show the unweighted sample sizes and the error attributable to sampling that would be expected at the 95% level of confidence for different groups in the survey:

Teen group Total teen sample	Unweighted sample size 1,811	Plus or minus 3.1 percentage points
All religiously affiliated teens	1,246	3.7 percentage points
Christian	1,179	3.9 percentage points
Protestant	680	5.2 percentage points
Evangelical	407	6.6 percentage points
Mainline	208	9.0 percentage points
Catholic	428	6.4 percentage points
Unaffiliated	555	5.7 percentage points

Teen group Boys	Unweig sample 912	size	Plus or minus 4.4 percentage points	
Girls	888		4.5 percentage points	
Ages 13-14	701		5.0 percentage points	
15-17	1,101		4.0 percentage points	
White, non-Hispanic	1,02	22	4.1 percentage points	
NET Non-White	777	7	4.8 percentage points	
Current grade level				
8th grade or lower	562	2	5.7 percentage points	
9th-10th grade	713	3	5.0 percentage points	
11th-12th grade	515		5.8 percentage points	
Attendance				
Monthly or more often	798	3	4.7 percentage points	
A few times a year or less	1,00	00	4.2 percentage points	
Importance of religion				
Very	446	3	6.3 percentage points	
Somewhat	662		5.2 percentage points	
Not too/not at all	693		5.1 percentage points	
Northeast	289		7.7 percentage points	
Midwest	454		6.3 percentage points	
South	606		5.4 percentage points	
West	462		6.2 percentage points	
	Unweighted sample size	Weighted %	Plus or minus	
Republican/lean Rep.	776	42	4.8 percentage points	
Democrat/lean Dem.	903	51	4.4 percentage points	

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Responding parent group Total parent sample	Unwei sampl 1,8	e size	Plus or minus 3.1 percentage points	
All religiously affiliated parents	1,4	00	3.5 percentage points	
Christian	1,3		3.6 percentage points	
Protestant	75		4.8 percentage points	
Evangelical	44	_	6.4 percentage points	
Mainline	24	_	8.1 percentage points	
Catholic	49)8	5.8 percentage points	
Unaffiliated	404		6.5 percentage points	
Attendance				
Monthly or more often	79	3	4.7 percentage points	
A few times a year or less	1,0	09	4.1 percentage points	
Importance of religion				
Very	82	24	4.6 percentage points	
Somewhat	525		5.6 percentage points	
Not too/not at all	455		6.2 percentage points	
Married/living with a	1.4	69	2.4 novembers a nainte	
partner	1,468 343		3.4 percentage points	
Not married	34	13	7.2 percentage points	
	Unweighted sample size	Weighted %	Plus or minus	
Republican/lean Rep.	870	46	4.5 percentage points	
Democrat/lean Dem.	855	49	4.5 percentage points	

Codebook

This section describes the variables included in the public dataset. The variables listed here are the final cleaned and backcoded variables used in Pew Research Center reports. They do not all reflect the order, exact question wording, or filtering from the interview. Analysts should consult the topline published on Pew Research Center's website for details on question wording and order.

Many questions in the survey are filtered based on responses to previous questions; system missing data indicate respondents who were not asked a question because of the skip patterns in the questionnaire. Analysts should note, however, that in some questions asked of a subset of eligible respondents and filtered on previous questions subject to backcoding, the term "undesignated" is used to denote those respondents (and differentiate them from those whose values are system missing) who did not receive the question even though they should have received it. Furthermore, respondents were able to skip or refuse to answer questions; if they opted to not answer then their value on the given question is 99. This value label exists in the dataset, but is not listed in every question in the codebook.

Variables designated as "sample variable" were provided by the vendor based on information obtained in previous surveys. The designation "REC," when appended to variable names (e.g. PPINCIMPREC), designates variables that have been recoded either to facilitate analysis or to protect respondent confidentiality.

CREATED VARIABLE

CaseID Unique identifier

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parent_wt

Weight variable recommended for analysis of parent data to yield nationally representative results for parents of teens ages 13 to 17. See methodology section above for additional detail on how weights were constructed.

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teen_wt

Weight variable recommended for analysis of teen data to yield nationally representative results for teens ages 13 to 17. See methodology section above for additional detail on how weights were constructed.

CREATED VARIABLE

XSPANISH Language of interview for participating parent

- 1 English
- 2 Spanish

SAMPLE VARIABLE

XPPRACEM Detailed race variable for participating parent

- 1 White
- 2 Black or African American
- 3 American Indian or Alaska Native
- 4 Asian
- 5 Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander
- 6 2+ races

SAMPLE VARIABLE

PPETHM Variable combining race and ethnicity for participating parent

- 1 White, non-Hispanic
- 2 Black, non-Hispanic
- 3 Other, non-Hispanic
- 4 Hispanic
- 5 2+ races, non-Hispanic

SAMPLE VARIABLE

PPAGEREC Age of participating parent, recoded into categories

- 1 18-29
- 2 30-49
- 3 50-64
- 4 65 or older

SAMPLE VARIABLE

PPEDUCAT Sample variable showing responses to education level, collapsed into categories, for participating parents

- 1 Less than high school
- 2 High school
- 3 Some college
- 4 Bachelor's degree or higher

SAMPLE VARIABLE

PPGENDER Gender of participating parent

- 1 Male
- 2 Female

SAMPLE VARIABLE

PPINCIMPREC Annual household income of participating parent

- 1 Less than \$30,000
- 2 \$30,000 to less than \$75,000
- 3 \$75,000 or more

SAMPLE VARIABLE

PPMARIT Current marital status of participating parent

- 1 Married
- 2 Widowed
- 3 Divorced
- 4 Separated
- 5 Never married
- 6 Living with partner

SAMPLE VARIABLE

PPHHSIZEREC Household size based on information from participating parent

- 1 2 people or fewer
- 2 3 people
- 3 4 people
- 4 5 people or more

SAMPLE VARIABLE

PPMSACAT Sample variable to indicate whether the participating parent lives in a metropolitan

area

- 0 Non-Metro
- 1 Metro

SAMPLE VARIABLE

PPREG4 U.S. Census region based on state of residence of participating parent

- 1 Northeast
- 2 Midwest
- 3 South
- 4 West

SAMPLE VARIABLE

DOV_ACSLANG Language proficiency for participating parent

- 1 English proficient
- 2 Bilingual
- 3 Spanish proficient
- 4 Hispanics who have missing data [Note: no cases like this in the dataset]
- 5 Non-Hispanics, not asked

SAMPLE VARIABLE

DOV_TACSLANG Language proficiency for participating teen

- 1 English proficient
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- 3 Spanish proficient
- 4 Hispanics who have missing data [Note: no cases like this in the dataset]
- 5 Non-Hispanics, not asked

- Are you the parent, step-parent or foster parent of a child age 13-17 years living in your household?
 - 1 Yes
 - 2 No [Note: no cases like this in the dataset]

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING PARENTS:

How many <u>children ages 13-17</u> are in your household for which you are the parent, stepparent or foster parent?

[RANGE 0-12]

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING PARENTS:

PTIME Thinking about the time you spend with your child who will be completing the survey...Do you think you spend too much time with your child, too little time or about the right amount of time?

- 1 Too much
- 2 Too little
- 3 Right amount

ASK IF PARTICIPATING PARENT IS FEMALE (PPGENDER=2):

PMOTHER What best describes your relationship to the child who will be completing the survey?

- 1 Biological mother
- 2 Adoptive mother
- 3 Step-mother
- 4 Foster mother
- 5 Partner of biological or adopted parent
- 6 Grandmother
- 7 Other

ASK IF PARTICIPATING PARENT IS MALE (PPGENDER=1):

PFATHER What best describes your relationship to the child who will be completing the survey?

- 1 Biological father
- 2 Adoptive father
- 3 Step-father
- 4 Foster father
- 5 Partner of biological or adopted parent
- 6 Grandfather
- 7 Other

ASK IF PARTICIPATING PARENT IS MARRIED (PPMARIT=1):

PSPRELAT1 What best describes your spouse's relationship to the child who will be completing the survey?

- 1 Biological parent
- 2 Adoptive parent
- 3 Step-parent
- 4 Foster parent
- 5 Grandparent
- 6 Other

ASK IF PARTICIPATING PARENT IS LIVING WITH A PARTNER (PPMARIT=6):

PSPRELAT2 What best describes your partner's relationship to the child who will be completing the survey?

- 1 Biological parent
- 2 Adoptive parent
- 3 Step-parent
- 4 Foster parent
- 5 Grandparent
- 6 Other

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING PARENTS:

PTACTV In the past 12 months, which of the following activities has this child done when they're not in school, that is after school or on weekends?

- a. Taken lessons in things like music, dance or art
- b. Participated in any kind of sports or athletic activities
- c. Participated in an organization like the scouts
- d. Done volunteer work
- e. Had a part-time job
 - 1 Yes, in the past 12 months
 - 2 No, not in the past 12 months

PRELIGREC What is your present religion, if any?

- 1 Protestant
- 2 Roman Catholic
- 3 Mormon (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints or LDS)
- 4 Orthodox (such as Greek, Russian, or some other Orthodox church)
- 5 Jewish (Judaism)
- 6 Muslim (Islam)
- 7 Buddhist
- 8 Hindu
- 9 Atheist (do not believe in God)
- 10 Agnostic (not sure if there is a God)
- 12 Nothing in particular
- 13 Other Christian
- 14 Other non-Christian
- 99 Don't know/refused

ASK IF PARTICIPATING PARENT IS CHRISTIAN (PRELIGREC=1-4, 13):

PBORN Would you describe yourself as a born-again or evangelical Christian, or not?

- 1 Yes, born-again or evangelical Christian
- 2 No, not born-again or evangelical Christian

CREATED VARIABLE

PRELTRAD

Created variable showing participating parent's religious tradition, based on analysis of responses to the following questions:

What is your present religion, if any?

As far as your present religion, what denomination or church, if any, do you identify with most closely?

Would you describe yourself as a born-again or evangelical Christian, or not?

See here for more details about religion coding.

- 1100 Theologically Evangelical Protestant Churches
- 1200 Historic Mainline Protestant Churches
- 1300 Historically Black Protestant Churches
- 10000 Catholic
- 20000 Mormon
- 30000 Orthodox Christian
- 40001 Jehovah's Witness
- 40002 Other Christian
- 50000 Jewish
- 60000 Muslim
- 70000 Buddhist
- 80000 Hindu
- 90001 Other World Religions
- 90002 Other Faiths
- 100000 Unaffiliated
- 900000 Don't know/refused

ASK IF PARTICIPATING PARENT IS MARRIED OR LIVING WITH A PARTNER (PPMARIT=1,6):

SPRELIGREC What is your spouse's/partner's present religion, if any?

- 1 Protestant
- 2 Roman Catholic
- 3 Mormon (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints or LDS)
- 4 Orthodox (such as Greek, Russian, or some other Orthodox church)
- 5 Jewish (Judaism)
- 6 Muslim (Islam)
- 7 Buddhist
- 8 Hindu
- 9 Atheist (do not believe in God)
- 10 Agnostic (not sure if there is a God)
- 12 Nothing in particular
- 13 Other Christian
- 14 Other non-Christian
- 99 Don't know/refused

ASK IF PARTICIPATING PARENT IS MARRIED OR LIVING WITH A PARTNER (PPMARIT=1,6):

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

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

ASK IF PARTICIPATING PARENT IS MARRIED OR LIVING WITH A PARTNER (PPMARIT=1,6):

SPRACECMB Backcoded race variable based on responses to the following question: What is your spouse's/partner's race or origin?

- 1 White
- 2 Black or African American
- 3 Asian or Asian American
- 4 Mixed Race
- 5 Or some other race
- 9 Refused

CREATED VARIABLE

SPRACETHN Backcoded race variable combining race and ethnicity for participating parents' spouse/partner, based on responses to SPHISP and SPRACECMB.

- 1 White, non-Hispanic
- 2 Black, non-Hispanic
- 3 Hispanic
- 4 Other
- 9 Don't know/refused

ASK IF PARTICIPATING PARENT SAID THEIR SPOUSE/PARTNER IS CHRISTIAN (SPRELIGREC=1-4,13):

SPBORN Would your spouse/partner describe themself as a born-again or evangelical Christian, or not?

- 1 Yes, born-again or evangelical Christian
- 2 No, not born-again or evangelical Christian

CREATED VARIABLE

SPRELTRAD

Created variable showing religious tradition of participating parent's spouse/partner, based on analysis of responses to the following questions:

What is your spouse's/partner's present religion, if any?

As far as your spouse's/partner's present religion, what denomination or church, if any, do they identify with most closely?

Would your spouse/partner describe themself as a born-again or evangelical Christian, or not?

See here for more details about religion coding.

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1300 Historically Black Protestant Churches

10000 Catholic

20000 Mormon

30000 Orthodox Christian

40001 Jehovah's Witness

40002 Other Christian

50000 Jewish

60000 Muslim

70000 Buddhist

80000 Hindu

90001 Other World Religions

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ASK ALL PARTICIPATING PARENTS:

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

- 1 More than once a week
- 2 Once a week
- 3 Once or twice a month
- 4 A few times a year
- 5 Seldom
- 6 Never

PRELIMP How important is religion in your life?

- 1 Very important
- 2 Somewhat important
- 3 Not too important
- 4 Not at all important

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING PARENTS:

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

- 1 Several times a day
- 2 Once a day
- 3 A few times a week
- 4 Once a week
- 5 A few times a month
- 6 Seldom
- 7 Never

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING PARENTS:

PGOD1 Do you believe in God or a universal spirit?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

ASK IF PARTICIPATING PARENT GAVE A RESPONSE TO PGOD1 (PGOD1=1,2):

PGOD2 How certain are you about this belief?

- 1 Absolutely certain
- 2 Fairly certain
- 3 Not too certain
- 4 Not at all certain

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING PARENTS:

PEXCLUS Which of the following statements comes closest to your own views about religion?

- 1 Only one religion is true
- 2 Many religions may be true
- 3 There is little truth in any religion
- 4 There is no truth in any religion

KIDTRAIT1 How important is it to you that this child...

- a. Go to college
- b. Is financially successful

ASK ITEM c IF PARTICIPATING PARENT IS AFFILIATED WITH A RELIGION (PRELTRAD<100000):

c. Marries someone who shares your religion

ASK ITEM d IF PARTICIPATING PARENT IS NOT AFFILIATED WITH A RELIGION (PRELTRAD=100000,900000):

- d. Marries someone who shares your views on religion
- 1 Very important
- 2 Somewhat important
- 3 Not too important
- 4 Not at all important
- 8888 Undesignated

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING PARENTS:

- PTEENRELIG2 Do you think you and the child who will be taking the survey after you share all the same religious beliefs, some of the same religious beliefs, or do you have quite different religious beliefs?
 - 1 All the same religious beliefs
 - 2 Some of the same religious beliefs
 - 3 Quite different religious beliefs

CREATED VARIABLE

PTEENRELIG30E

Based on participating parents who said they have some of the same beliefs or quite different beliefs from their teen (PTEENRELIG2=2,3). Backcoded responses to: How are your religious beliefs different from your child's?

- 1 Teen doesn't follow rules; doesn't pray or pray enough
- 2 Teen questions beliefs; doesn't believe (general); has doubts
- 3 Teen is atheist or agnostic; doesn't believe in God
- 4 Teen opposes religion or organized religion
- Teen doesn't like to go to church or participate in religious activities
- 7 Teen doesn't care or is uninterested; thinks religion is unimportant; is less committed to faith
- Teen leans more liberal on social or political issues (abortion, same-sex marriage, evolution, divorce)
- 9 Parent is more conservative; less scientific; more religious (general)
- Teen attends church more; has stronger beliefs; is more traditional
- Teen has different beliefs or views; everyone has different beliefs
- 40 Teen has different religion or denomination
- 50 Letting teen choose; teen is exploring
- Teen is too young, doesn't have life experience; parent's beliefs are more developed
- 70 Don't know what teen believes; don't talk to teen about religion
- 90 Teen raised in different or multiple religion(s); raised with no religion; not raised as strict
- 97 Don't know/refused
- They are the same beliefs; not much difference
- 99 Other/unclear answer

PTEENIMP How important do you think religion is in this child's life?

- 1 Very important
- 2 Somewhat important
- 3 Not too important
- 4 Not at all important

ASK IF PARTICIPATING PARENT IS AFFILIATED WITH A RELIGION (PRELTRAD<100000):

PSHARE1 How important is it to you to raise this child in your religion?

- 1 Very important
- 2 Somewhat important
- 3 Not too important
- 4 Not at all important
- 8888 Undesignated [Note: no cases like this in the dataset]

ASK IF PARTICIPATING PARENT IS NOT AFFILIATED WITH A RELIGION (PRELTRAD=100000,900000):

PSHARE2 How important is it to you to raise this child with your views on religion?

- 1 Very important
- 2 Somewhat important
- 3 Not too important
- 4 Not at all important
- 8888 Undesignated

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING PARENTS:

PGODMORAL Which of these statements comes closer to your view, even if neither is exactly right?

- 1 It is NOT necessary to believe in God in order to be moral and have good values
- 2 It is necessary to believe in God in order to be moral and have good values

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING PARENTS:

KIDTRAIT2 How important is it to you that the child taking this survey after you...

- a. Be independent
- b. Work hard
- c. Be creative
- d. Help others
- e. Be persistent
- f. Be obedient
 - 1 Very important
 - 2 Somewhat important
 - 3 Not too important
 - 4 Not at all important

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

- 1 Republican
- 2 Democrat
- 3 Independent
- 4 Something else

ASK IF PARTICIPATING PARENT SAID INDEPENDENT OR SOMETHING ELSE (PPARTY=3,4) OR REFUSED:

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

- 1 The Republican Party
- 2 The Democratic Party

CREATED VARIABLE

PPARTYSUM Created variable combining PPARTY and PPARTYLN

- 1 Republican/lean Republican
- 2 Democrat/lean Democrat
- 9 Other/independent/no lean

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING PARENTS:

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

- 1 Very conservative
- 2 Conservative
- 3 Moderate
- 4 Liberal
- 5 Very liberal

CREATED VARIABLE

HOUSEEDUCREC

What is the highest degree or level of school that anyone in your household, overall, has completed, even if it was by someone other than yourself? Recoded into categories.

- 1 Less than high school
- 2 High school
- 3 Some college
- 4 Bachelor's degree or higher
- 99 No answer

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING PARENTS:

- S4 Is the teenage child you have been asked about so far currently available to take the survey?
 - 1 Yes
 - 2 No [Note: no cases like this in the dataset]

Teen_lang Do you prefer to do surveys in English or Spanish? ¿Prefiere llenar sus encuestas en inglés o en español?

- 1 English
- 2 Español

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

TAGE What is your age?

- 1 13
- 2 14
- 3 15
- 4 16
- 5 17

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

TSATISFY Overall, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in your life today?

- 1 Very satisfied
- 2 Mostly satisfied
- 3 Mostly dissatisfied
- 4 Very dissatisfied

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

TFITIN In general, which of the following statements comes closest to describing how you see yourself compared with other people your age where you live?

- 1 I tend to fit in pretty easily
- 2 I don't fit in very easily

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

TGUIDE1 How much, if at all, do you look to each of the following to help you make decisions about what is right and wrong?

- a. Religious teachings and beliefs
- b. Practical experience and common sense
 - 1 A lot
 - 2 Some
 - 3 Not much
 - 4 Not at all

TGUIDE2 How much, if at all, do you look to each of the following to help you make decisions about what is right and wrong?

- a. Parents and other members of your family
- b. Friends
- c. Teachers
- d. Pastors, priests or other religious leaders
 - 1 A lot
 - 2 Some
 - 3 Not much
 - 4 Not at all

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

TSCHOOL Thinking about school, are you currently...

- 1 Attending a public school
- 2 Attending a charter or magnet school
- 3 Attending a religious private school
- 4 Attending a nonreligious private school
- 5 Home-schooled
- 6 Not in school
- 7 Other

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN IS IN SCHOOL OR DID NOT RESPOND TO TSCHOOL (TSCHOOL=1-5, 7 OR REFUSED):

TGRADEREC What is your current grade in school?

- 1 8th grade or lower
- 2 9th grade
- 3 10th grade
- 4 11th grade
- 5 12th grade
- 99 In college/no answer

TEXP Now, thinking about some different kinds of experiences, how often would you say you do each of the following?

- a. Feel a deep sense of spiritual peace and well-being
- b. Feel a deep sense of wonder about the universe
- c. Feel a strong sense of gratitude or thankfulness
- d. Think about the meaning and purpose of life
- e. Feel a strong sense of worry or anxiety
- f. Feel a strong sense of guilt
 - 1 At least once a week
 - 2 Once or twice a month
 - 3 Several times a year
 - 4 Seldom
 - 5 Never

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ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN IS CHRISTIAN (TRELIGREC=1-4,13):

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- 5 Seldom
- 6 Never

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN ATTENDS SERVICES (TATTEND=1-5):

TATTDWTH And when you attend religious services, who do you usually attend with?

- 1 Mother
- 2 Father
- 3 Both parents
- 4 I attend alone
- 5 Other, please specify

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN ATTENDS SERVICES (TATTEND=1-5):

TATTDRSN Which statement comes closer to your view, even if neither is exactly right?

- I mainly attend religious services because I want to
- 2 I mainly attend religious services because my parents want me to

TRELIMP How important is religion in your life?

- 1 Very important
- 2 Somewhat important
- 3 Not too important
- 4 Not at all important

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

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

- 1 Several times a day
- 2 Once a day
- 3 A few times a week
- 4 Once a week
- 5 A few times a month
- 6 Seldom
- 7 Never

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

TGOD1 Do you believe in God or a universal spirit?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN GAVE A RESPONSE TO TGOD1 (TGOD1=1,2):

TGOD2 How certain are you about this belief?

- 1 Absolutely certain
- 2 Fairly certain
- 3 Not too certain
- 4 Not at all certain

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

TEXCLUS Which of the following statements comes closest to your own views about religion?

- 1 Only one religion is true
- 2 Many religions may be true
- 3 There is little truth in any religion
- 4 There is no truth in any religion

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

TPRACTICES1 Have you ever been in a religious education program, such as Sunday school, CCD or Hebrew school?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN SAID YES TO TPRACTICES1 (TPRACTICES1=1):

TPRACTICES2 How often do you attend such religious education programs?

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Rarely
- 4 No longer attend but I used to

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

TPRACTICES3 Have you ever participated in a religious youth group?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN SAID YES TO TPRACTICES3 (TPRACTICES3=1):

TPRACTICES4 How often do you participate in a religious youth group?

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Rarely
- 4 No longer participate but I used to

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

TOBSERV1 Do you, as a family, ever say grace or a prayer before family meals?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN SAID YES TO TOBSERV1 (TOBSERV1=1):

TOBSERV2 How often does your family say grace or a prayer before family meals?

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Rarely

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

TOBSERV3 Do you, as a family, ever read religious scriptures such as the Bible, Torah or Quran together?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN SAID YES TO TOBSERV3 (TOBSERV3=1):

TOBSERV4 How often does your family read religious scriptures such as the Bible, Torah or Quran together?

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Rarely

TOBSERV5 Aside from saying grace and reading scriptures, do you ever do any other religious things with your family?

- 1 Yes
- 1 No

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN DOES RELIGIOUS THINGS WITH FAMILY (TOBSERV1=1 or TOBSERV3=1):

TENJOY How much do you enjoy doing religious things with your family?

- 1 A lot
- 2 Some
- 3 Not much
- 4 Not at all

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN DOES RELIGIOUS THINGS WITH FAMILY (TOBSERV1=1 or TOBSERV3=1):

TOBLIG How much do you do religious things mainly because your parents want you to?

- 1 A lot
- 2 Some
- 3 Not much
- 4 Not at all

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

TFAMTALK How often, if ever, does your family talk about religion together?

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Rarely
- 4 Never

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

TRACESURV21 How often, if ever, does your family talk to you about CHALLENGES you might face because of your race or ethnicity?

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Rarely
- 4 Never

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

TRACESURV22 How often, if ever, does your family talk to you about ADVANTAGES you might have because of your race or ethnicity?

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Rarely
- 4 Never

- TPARRELIG1 Thinking about the parent who took the survey before you, do you think you two share all the same religious beliefs, some of the same religious beliefs, or do you have quite different religious beliefs?
 - 1 All the same religious beliefs
 - 2 Some of the same religious beliefs
 - 3 Quite different religious beliefs

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN SAID THEY HAVE SOME OF THE SAME BELIEFS OR QUITE DIFFERENT BELIEFS FROM THEIR PARENT (TPARRELIG1=2,3):

TPARRELIG2 Does your parent know you have different religious beliefs from them?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN SAID THEY HAVE SOME OF THE SAME BELIEFS OR QUITE DIFFERENT BELIEFS FROM THEIR PARENT (TPARRELIG1=2,3):

TPARRELIG3 How much conflict, if any, does having different religious beliefs from your parent cause?

- 1 A lot
- 2 Some
- None at all, though they know we have different religious beliefs
- 4 My parent does not know that my religious beliefs are different from theirs

CREATED VARIABLE

TSIMPAR2OE Based on participating teens who said they have some of the same beliefs or quite different beliefs from their parent (TPARRELIG1=2,3). Backcoded responses to: How are your religious beliefs different from your parent who took the survey before you?

- 1 Teen is atheist or agnostic; doesn't believe in God
- 2 Teen is uncertain about beliefs; doubts or questions beliefs; doesn't believe (general)
- Teen prays less than parent; doesn't like to pray
- Teen leans more liberal on social, political or scientific issues (abortion, same-sex marriage, evolution, divorce)
- 5 Teen doesn't think or care about religion; religion is less important to them
- Teen doesn't go or like to go to church; attends less often than parent
- 7 Teen sees religion as unnecessary, bad or irrelevant
- 8 Teen is open to mixing religions, to different perspectives, to different conceptions of god(s)
- 9 Teen is less strict; less conservative; less devout; less religious (general)
- 20 Teen attends church more; is stricter in religion; is more religious (general)
- 30 Don't know what parent believes; don't talk to parent about religion
- 40 Teen and parent have different beliefs or views
- Teen and parent have different religion or denomination
- Teen was raised in a different religion than parent; raised differently
- 70 Teen is similar to one parent but not the other; parents are different from each other
- Teen is still learning or figuring things out; parent knows more
- 97 Don't know/refused
- They are the same beliefs; not much difference
- 99 Other/unclear answer

TPARIMP Thinking about the parent who participated in this survey before you, how important do you think religion is in their life?

- 1 Very important
- 2 Somewhat important
- 3 Not too important
- 4 Not at all important

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

TFRTALK How often, if ever, do you talk to your friends about religion?

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Rarely
- 4 Never

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN IS AFFILIATED WITH A RELIGION (TRELTRAD<100000) OR REFUSED (TRELTRAD=900000):

TFRSIM How many of your close friends share your religion?

- 1 All of them
- 2 Most of them
- 3 Some of them
- 4 Hardly any of them
- 5 None of them

8888 Undesignated [Note: no cases like this in the dataset]

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN IS UNAFFILIATED (TRELTRAD=100000):

TFRSECHow many of your close friends are also atheist, agnostic or of no particular religion?

- 1 All of them
- 2 Most of them
- 3 Some of them
- 4 Hardly any of them
- 5 None of them
- 8888 Undesignated

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN ATTENDS SCHOOL, IS NOT HOME-SCHOOLED (TSCHOOL=1-4,7):

TBULLY1 How often do you see students in your school being teased or made fun of?

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Rarely
- 4 Never

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN ATTENDS SCHOOL, IS NOT HOME-SCHOOLED (TSCHOOL=1-4,7):

TBULLY1A How often do you see students in your school being teased or made fun of **because of their religion**?

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Rarely
- 4 Never

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN ATTENDS SCHOOL, IS NOT HOME-SCHOOLED, AND IS RELIGIOUSLY AFFILIATED OR DID NOT ANSWER RELIGION ((TRELTRAD<100000 OR TRELTRAD=900000) AND TSCHOOL=1-4,7):

TBULLY2A Have you ever been teased or made fun of in school because of your religion?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

8888 Undesignated [Note: no cases like this in the dataset]

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN SAID YES TO TBULLY2A (TBULLY2A=1):

TBULLY2B How often have you been teased or made fun of in school because of your religion?

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Rarely

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN ATTENDS SCHOOL, IS NOT HOME-SCHOOLED, AND IS RELIGIOUSLY UNAFFILIATED (TRELTRAD=100000 AND TSCHOOL=1-4,7):

TBULLY3A Have you ever been teased or made fun of in school because of your lack of religion?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN SAID YES TO TBULLY3A (TBULLY3A=1):

TBULLY3B How often have you been teased or made fun of in school because of your lack of religion?

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Rarely

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN ATTENDS SCHOOL, IS NOT HOME-SCHOOLED (TSCHOOL=1-4,7):

THOSTILE1 Has a teacher ever been unfriendly to your religious or spiritual views?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

CREATED VARIABLE

THOSTILE1BOE Based on participating teens who attend school and are not home-schooled.

Backcoded responses to: In what ways have teachers been unfriendly to your religious or spiritual views?

- 1 Teachers challenge students' religious beliefs (including questioning intelligence, making fun)
- 2 Students feel judged/dismissed/threatened for religious beliefs
- Teachers challenge students' lack of religious beliefs (including questioning intelligence, making fun)
- 7 Students feel judged/dismissed/threatened for lack of religious beliefs
- General feelings of being judged/dismissed/mocked
- 16 Teachers show favoritism toward students who share their beliefs
- 17 Teachers promote own beliefs in classroom
- 18 Students feel teachers are unfair in work assignments/grades due to different beliefs
- 19 Teachers don't allow certain religious conversations/practices/expressions
- 20 Hold different social views, political or religious beliefs
- 96 Teachers haven't been unfriendly
- 97 Other
- 98 Not interpretable
- 99 No answer
- 998 No in THOSTILE1, teachers have not been unfriendly to religious or spiritual views
- 999 No answer to whether teachers have been unfriendly to religious or spiritual views

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN ATTENDS SCHOOL, IS NOT HOME-SCHOOLED (TSCHOOL=1-4,7):

THOSTILE2 Has another student in your school ever been unfriendly to your religious or spiritual views?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

CREATED VARIABLE

THOSTILE2BOE Based on participating teens who attend school and are not home-schooled.

Backcoded responses to: In what ways have other students been unfriendly to your religious or spiritual views?

- 1 Called wrong/challenged on truth of religious beliefs
- 2 Bullied for religious beliefs
- 6 Called wrong/challenged on truth of irreligious beliefs
- 7 Bullied for lack of religious beliefs
- 11 Being mean or made fun of in general (includes offensive/insensitive comments)
- 12 Negative or inaccurate comments made about beliefs
- No longer friends/distancing/left out due to different beliefs
- Other students try to force their views/feel preached to
- 96 Other students haven't been unfriendly [Note: no cases like this in the dataset]
- 97 Other
- 98 Not interpretable
- 99 No answer
- 998 No in THOSTILE2, other students have not been unfriendly to religious or spiritual views
- 999 No answer to whether students have been unfriendly to religious or spiritual views

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN ATTENDS SCHOOL, IS NOT HOME-SCHOOLED (TSCHOOL=1-4,7):

THOSTLE3 Has a teacher ever said anything about religion that made you feel uncomfortable?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

CREATED VARIABLE

THOSTILE3BOE Based on participating teens who attend school and are not home-schooled.

Backcoded responses to: Can you tell us more about what a teacher said about religion that made you feel uncomfortable?

- 1 Teachers challenge irreligious beliefs, including making fun
- 2 Teachers promote own religious beliefs
- 3 Teachers promote religious worldview in context of science, social or political issues
- 6 Teachers challenge religious beliefs, including making fun
- 7 Teachers promote own irreligious beliefs
- 8 Teachers promote secular worldview in context of science, social or political issues
- 11 Teachers discuss their own beliefs (religious or irreligious) in general, engage in debates with students
- 12 Forced religion (e.g. prayer, music)
- 96 Teachers haven't made me uncomfortable [Note: no cases like this in the dataset]
- 97 Other
- 98 Not interpretable
- 99 No answer
- 998 No in THOSTLE3, a teacher has not said something about religion made me feel uncomfortable
- No answer to whether a teacher has said something about religion that made me feel uncomfortable

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN ATTENDS SCHOOL, IS NOT HOME-SCHOOLED (TSCHOOL=1-4,7):

TINSCHOOL1 Now thinking about religious practices in your school, how often do you see other students...

- a. Praying before eating lunch?
- b. Wearing clothing or jewelry with religious symbols?
- c. Praying before a sporting event?
- d. Reading a Bible, or other religious scriptures, not as part of a class?
- e. Inviting someone to their religious youth group or to attend religious services with them?
 - 1 Often
 - 2 Sometimes
 - 3 Rarely
 - 4 Never

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN ATTENDS SCHOOL, IS NOT HOME-SCHOOLED, AND IS RELIGIOUSLY AFFILIATED OR DID NOT ANSWER RELIGION ((TRELTRAD<100000 OR TRELTRAD=900000) AND TSCHOOL=1-4,7):

TINSCHOOL2 Now thinking about your religious practices in school, how often do you...

- a. Pray before eating lunch?
- b. Wear clothing or jewelry with religious symbols?
- c. Leave school during the school day to participate in religious activities or programs?
- d. Invite another student to your religious youth group or to attend religious services with you?
 - 1 Often
 - 2 Sometimes
 - 3 Rarely
 - 4 Never

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN ATTENDS SCHOOL, IS NOT HOME-SCHOOLED (TSCHOOL=1-4,7):

TSCHOOLCLUB As far as you know, [IF ATTENDS RELIGIOUS SCHOOL (TSCHOOL=3) INSERT

"not including required school chapel services or meetings," do religious support or prayer groups, such as the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, the Muslim Youth of North America, or the Secular Student Association, meet in your school building?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN SAID YES IN TSCHOOLCLUB (TSCHOOLCLUB=1):

TSCHOOLCLUB_B In the last year, [IF ATTENDS RELIGIOUS SCHOOL (TSCHOOL=3)

INSERT "not including required school chapel services or meetings"] have you been a part of a religious support or prayer group that meets at school?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN ATTENDS SCHOOL, IS NOT HOME-SCHOOLED (TSCHOOL=1-4,7):

TAMNDSEE Have you ever had a teacher do any of the following?

- a. Lead a class in prayer
- b. Read from the Bible as an example of literature
 - 1 Yes
 - 2 No

TAMNDAPP [IF TSCHOOL=1-4 OR 7 INSERT "And"] Do you, personally, feel that it is appropriate or inappropriate for a teacher [IF TSCHOOL=1-4 OR 7 INSERT "in your school"] to do each of the following?

- a. Lead a class in prayer
- b. Read from the Bible as an example of literature
 - 1 Appropriate
 - 2 Inappropriate

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

TAMNDKNOW And according to rulings by the U.S. Supreme Court, is a public school teacher permitted to do each of the following, or not?

- a. Lead a class in prayer
- b. Read from the Bible as an example of literature
 - 1 Yes, permitted
 - 2 No, not permitted

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

TINSTRUCT Have you ever had a teacher give a lesson on facts about different world religions?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

THOLKNOW2 When did the Holocaust happen? Between...

- 1 1890 and 1910
- 2 1910 and 1930
- 3 1930 and 1950
- 4 1950 and 1970
- 98 Not sure

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

THOLKNOW3 In total, about how many Jews were killed in the Holocaust?

- 1 Less than 1 million
- 2 Approximately 3 million
- 3 Approximately 6 million
- 4 More than 12 million
- 98 Not sure

THOLKNOW4 What were Nazi-created ghettos?

- 1 Places where Jews were killed in gas chambers
- 2 Factories where Nazis forced their political opponents to work
- 3 Parts of a city or a town where Jews were forced to live
- 4 Housing developments for poor Nazis
- 98 Not sure

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

HOLKNOW5 Which of the following statements best describes how Adolf Hitler became chancellor of Germany?

- 1 By violently overthrowing the German government
- 2 By hereditary succession
- 3 By agreements with neighboring countries
- 4 By a democratic political process
- 98 Not sure

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

TPARSAME1 As far as you know, do your parents have the same religion as each other, or do they have different religions from each other?

- 1 My parents both have the same religion
- 2 My parents have different religions
- 3 I don't know if my parents have the same or different religions from each other

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

TPARSAME2 Do you have the same religion as at least one of your parents?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

CREATED VARIABLE

TPARSAME30E Based on teens who said their parents have different religions and that they have the same religion as at least one parent (TPARSAME1=2 and TPARSAME2=1). Backcoded responses to: You told us that your parents have different religions; how did you choose what religion to follow?

- 1 Teen lives with one parent; was raised by or spent more time with one parent
- One parent is religious or cares more (e.g. believes, attends church), one isn't or doesn't care as much
- 3 Parents chose what teen would believe; teen was raised in religion
- 4 Teen made own decision based on what felt right or made sense
- 5 Teen follows both religions; is open to either
- 6 Teen hasn't decided yet
- 7 Teen chose to follow one parent, no specific reason given
- 97 Don't know/refused
- 99 Other/unclear answer

TGODMORAL Which of these statements comes closer to your view, even if neither is exactly right?

- 1 It is NOT necessary to believe in God in order to be moral and have good values
- 2 It is necessary to believe in God in order to be moral and have good values

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

TSEXASK Are you male or female?

- 1 Male
- 2 Female

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

THISP Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican or Cuban?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

TRACECMB Backcoded race variable based on responses to the following question: What is your spouse's/partner's race or origin?

- 1 White
- 2 Black or African American
- 3 Asian or Asian American
- 4 Mixed Race
- 5 Or some other race
- 9 Refused

CREATED VARIABLE

TRACETHN Backcoded race variable combining race and ethnicity for all participating teens, based on THISP and TRACECMB

- 1 White, non-Hispanic
- 2 Black, non-Hispanic
- 3 Hispanic
- 4 Other
- 9 Don't know/refused

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

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

- 1 Republican
- 2 Democrat
- 3 Independent
- 4 Something else

ASK IF PARTICIPATING TEEN SAID INDEPENDENT OR SOMETHING ELSE (TPARTY=3,4) OR REFUSED:

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

- 1 The Republican Party
- 2 The Democratic Party

CREATED VARIABLE

TPARTYSUM Created variable combining TPARTY and TPARTYLN

- 1 Republican/lean Republican
- 2 Democrat/lean Democrat
- 9 Other/independent/no lean

ASK ALL PARTICIPATING TEENS:

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

- 1 Very conservative
- 2 Conservative
- 3 Moderate
- 4 Liberal
- 5 Very liberal