

1. Church Favorability

Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the Catholic Church?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Very favorable	14%	14%	13%	12%	14%	12%	19%	11%	12%	25%	19%
Somewhat favorable	30%	27%	32%	18%	27%	37%	36%	33%	33%	21%	20%
Somewhat unfavorable	29%	29%	29%	26%	31%	29%	28%	32%	11%	31%	28%
Very unfavorable	15%	17%	13%	21%	16%	13%	9%	13%	21%	14%	18%
Not sure	13%	12%	13%	23%	11%	10%	8%	11%	22%	10%	15%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (997)	100% (484)	100% (513)	100% (220)	100% (265)	100% (364)	100% (148)	100% (662)	100% (118)	100% (138)	100% (79)

	Party ID (3 category)				Family Income (3 category)				Census Region			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Under \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K or more	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Very favorable	14%	16%	11%	16%	15%	13%	12%	10%	17%	12%	12%	15%
Somewhat favorable	30%	29%	25%	40%	28%	34%	38%	22%	29%	30%	33%	25%
Somewhat unfavorable	29%	30%	30%	26%	26%	31%	33%	30%	28%	31%	24%	37%
Very unfavorable	15%	13%	19%	10%	15%	12%	11%	21%	13%	14%	18%	12%
Not sure	13%	13%	16%	8%	14%	10%	6%	17%	13%	14%	13%	11%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (997)	100% (378)	100% (361)	100% (258)	100% (498)	100% (241)	100% (116)	100% (142)	100% (187)	100% (233)	100% (349)	100% (228)

2. Priestly Forgiveness

Do you support or oppose the Pope's decision to allow priests to hear the confessions of women who have had abortions and forgive them?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Support	62%	63%	61%	54%	61%	68%	63%	65%	52%	61%	56%
Oppose	13%	13%	14%	23%	11%	11%	9%	12%	20%	15%	13%
Not sure	25%	24%	25%	23%	28%	21%	28%	23%	28%	24%	31%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(998)	(485)	(513)	(220)	(264)	(365)	(149)	(662)	(118)	(138)	(80)

	Party ID (3 category)				Family Income (3 category)				Census Region			
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Under \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K or more	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Support	62%	75%	56%	56%	60%	64%	82%	51%	64%	65%	58%	67%
Oppose	13%	9%	13%	19%	17%	9%	4%	14%	8%	14%	15%	14%
Not sure	25%	16%	31%	25%	23%	27%	14%	35%	29%	21%	28%	19%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(998)	(379)	(360)	(259)	(498)	(241)	(117)	(142)	(187)	(233)	(349)	(229)

3. Past Sexual Abuse

In the past, do you think the Vatican mainly tried to prevent sexual abuse of children by priests or cover up the problem?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Prevent abuse	8%	9%	7%	5%	11%	8%	4%	5%	13%	16%	9%
Cover up abuse	59%	58%	60%	52%	57%	61%	67%	64%	50%	47%	54%
Both equally	19%	21%	18%	19%	18%	19%	22%	19%	17%	20%	25%
Not sure	14%	12%	16%	23%	14%	11%	7%	12%	20%	17%	12%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(997)	(485)	(512)	(221)	(264)	(364)	(148)	(661)	(118)	(138)	(80)

	Party ID (3 category)			Family Income (3 category)				Census Region				
	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Under \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K or more	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Prevent abuse	8%	7%	5%	12%	9%	8%	10%	3%	8%	6%	8%	8%
Cover up abuse	59%	59%	60%	58%	55%	59%	69%	63%	58%	59%	59%	59%
Both equally	19%	21%	18%	20%	21%	22%	16%	14%	19%	20%	18%	21%
Not sure	14%	13%	17%	10%	15%	11%	6%	20%	14%	14%	15%	12%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(997)	(378)	(361)	(258)	(495)	(242)	(117)	(143)	(186)	(232)	(349)	(230)

4. Cover Up

Currently do you think the Vatican mainly tries to prevent sexual abuse of children by priests or cover up the problem?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Prevent abuse	30%	35%	26%	20%	32%	33%	34%	31%	24%	31%	29%
Cover up abuse	28%	24%	31%	29%	28%	26%	28%	26%	32%	29%	28%
Both equally	20%	21%	20%	14%	23%	22%	21%	20%	21%	23%	19%
Not sure	22%	21%	23%	37%	17%	18%	17%	22%	23%	17%	25%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(996)	(485)	(511)	(220)	(263)	(365)	(148)	(662)	(118)	(137)	(79)

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Prevent abuse	30%	33%	21%	41%	29%	34%	38%	20%	33%	37%	27%	27%
Cover up abuse	28%	26%	31%	24%	27%	26%	29%	32%	20%	25%	30%	31%
Both equally	20%	21%	23%	16%	22%	21%	17%	14%	20%	17%	21%	22%
Not sure	22%	20%	25%	19%	22%	19%	15%	34%	27%	21%	22%	19%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(996)	(379)	(361)	(256)	(498)	(239)	(117)	(142)	(186)	(232)	(349)	(229)

Interviewing Dates	February 12 - 15, 2016
Target population	U.S. adults, aged 18 and over.
Sampling method	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in Internet panel using sample matching. A random sample (stratified by age, gender, race, education, and region) was selected from the 2010 American Community Study. Voter registration was imputed from the November 2010 Current Population Survey Registration and Voting Supplement. Religion, minor party identification, and non-placement on an ideology scale, were imputed from the 2008 Pew Religion in American Life Survey.
Weighting	The sample was weighted using propensity scores based on age, gender, race, education, voter registration, and non-placement on an ideology scale. The weights range from 0.029 to 4.191, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.863.
Number of respondents	1000
Margin of error	± 4.1% (adjusted for weighting)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	20 questions not reported.