



Topline Questionnaire

Total N=2,560 adults. | Interview dates: March 26-30, 2020.

Note: All results shown are percentages. An asterisk (*) replaces percentages greater than zero but less than 0.5 percent. Responses may not total to 100 percent due to rounding.

ASK ALL:

Q.1 How worried, if at all, are you about the possibility that you or someone in your immediate family might catch the Coronavirus (COVID-19)?

29	Very worried
41	Somewhat worried
21	Not too worried
9	Not worried at all

Q.2 How worried, if at all, are you about not being able to pay your rent, mortgage or other housing costs?

21	Very worried
27	Somewhat worried
25	Not too worried
28	Not worried at all

Q.3 Which ONE of the following do you think the government should do?

78	Take all necessary steps to ensure the public is safe even if it means keeping businesses closed longer and hurting the economy
22	Allow businesses to open back up even if it means putting some people at risk

Q.4 How well, if at all, do you think each of the following are handling the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak?

A.	The federal government
25	Very well
35	Somewhat well
21	Not too well
19	Not well at all

B. Your state government

34 Very well
43 Somewhat well
16 Not too well
8 Not well at all

C. Donald Trump

32 Very well
20 Somewhat well
13 Not too well
35 Not well at all

D. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC)

36 Very well
42 Somewhat well
15 Not too well
7 Not well at all

Q.5 Have you personally stockpiled extra supplies, such as food, toilet paper or medicine, because of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak?

35 Yes, I have
65 No, I have not

Q.6 How long do you think it will take for life in the U.S. to mostly return to normal due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak?

15 By the end of April 2020
20 By the end of May 2020
17 By the end of June 2020
13 By the end of July 2020
18 By the end of the year 2020
17 Will take longer than by the end of the year 2020

RELIG What is your present religion, if any?

30	Protestant (Baptist, Methodist, Non-denominational, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Pentecostal, Episcopalian, Reformed, Church of Christ, Jehovah's Witness, etc.)
20	Roman Catholic (Catholic)
2	Mormon (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints/LDS)
*	Orthodox (Greek, Russian, or some other orthodox church)
2	Jewish (Judaism)
1	Muslim (Islam)
1	Buddhist
*	Hindu
7	Atheist (do not believe in God)
5	Agnostic (not sure if there is a God)
14	Nothing in particular
16	Just Christian
2	Something else [SPECIFY]

ASK IF PROTESTANT, JUST CHRISTIAN, OR SOMETHING ELSE [N=1,124]:

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

53	Yes
47	No

ASK ALL:

Q. 7 Which of the following best describes your views about the existence of God?

54	I believe in God, and never have doubts
26	I believe in God, but sometimes have doubts
8	I do NOT believe in God, but sometimes have doubts
12	I do NOT believe in God, and never have doubts

ASK IF BELIEVE IN GOD AND NEVER HAVE DOUBTS OR SOMETIMES HAVE DOUBTS [N=1,959]:

Q. 8 Has the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak made you feel closer to God, less close or has it not made any difference?

37	Feel closer
4	Feel less close
59	Not made any difference

ASK ALL:

ATTEND Aside from weddings and funerals and not counting the last couple of weeks, how often do you attend religious services?

- 9 More than once a week
- 18 Once a week
- 6 Once or twice a month
- 12 A few times a year
- 21 Seldom
- 34 Never

Q. 9 Even if you do not attend religious services regularly, are you personally a member of a local church, synagogue, mosque, temple or other house of worship, or not?

- 40 Yes, I am
- 60 No, I am not

ASK IF MEMBER OF RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATION [N=1,005]:

Q. 10 Is your congregation or place of worship currently offering religious services as usual, offering services online only or is it not currently offering any formal religious services?

- 12 Offering services as usual
- 57 Offering services online only
- 30 Not currently offering any services

ASK ALL:

Q. 11 To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements? Please select one option on each row. [**Randomize statements**]

A. The Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak is an act of God

- 10 Completely agree
- 15 Somewhat agree
- 18 Somewhat disagree
- 57 Completely disagree

B. The severity of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak is evidence that we are in what the Bible calls "the end of times"

- 14 Completely agree
- 20 Somewhat agree
- 19 Somewhat disagree
- 47 Completely disagree

C. Churches and places of worship should be allowed to hold services even if the government has banned other large gatherings

10 Completely agree
13 Somewhat agree
20 Somewhat disagree
56 Completely disagree

Q. 12 Which, if any, of the following have you done in the past week? Please select one option on each row. **[Randomize statements]**

A. Prayed about Coronavirus

51 Yes, I have done this
49 No, I haven't done this

B. Attended an online worship services or watched a sermon online

28 Yes, I have done this
72 No, I haven't done this

C. Meditated to cope with stress

28 Yes, I have done this
72 No, I haven't done this

D. Talked to a friend or relative that you haven't talked to in a while

47 Yes, I have done this
53 No, I haven't done this

Q. 13 In the last seven days, how often, if at all, did you feel lonely or isolated?

13 Every day or nearly every day
22 A few times
18 Just once or twice
47 Never

Q. 14 Do you personally know someone who has been infected with the Coronavirus (COVID-19)?

13 Yes, I do
87 No, I do not

Survey Methodology

The March 2019 American Perspectives Survey was designed and conducted by the American Enterprise Institute. Interviews were conducted among a sample of 2,560 adults (age 18 and older) living in the United States. Interviews were conducted online using a self-administered design. All interviews were conducted among participants in YouGov's opt-in online panel that includes adults in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. Interviewing was conducted between March 26, 2020 and March 30, 2020.

Study respondents were drawn from YouGov's panel through a process of purposive sampling whereby panelists are selected to match certain demographic criteria. Panelists are stratified by a combination of age, gender, race, and education, and each stratum is sampled to reflect the overall demographic distribution of the US population. Each sampling component is matched to an artificial sampling frame developed using the US Census Bureau's American Community Survey, the Current Population Survey Voting and Registration Supplement, and other databases. This method of respondent selection is designed to reduce selection bias and noncoverage issues associated with opt-in panels. It also minimizes the need for weighting.

The sample weighting was accomplished by using the joint distribution of demographic and non-demographic variables including gender, age, race, education, religion, voter registration status and 2016 presidential vote (or non-vote). Voter registration was imputed from the Current Population Survey Registration and Voting Supplement. Demographic weighting parameters were derived from the American Community Survey; the parameter for religious affiliation was computed using aggregated survey data collected in 2018–19 by the Pew Research Center. Weights were trimmed to prevent individual interviews from having too much influence on the final results.

Using survey weights in statistical analyses ensures that the demographic characteristics of the sample closely approximate the demographic characteristics of the target population. The margin of error for the survey is ± 1.94 percentage points.