

Hispanic Churches in American Public Life Survey Instrument Questions

Hello, my name is _____. I am calling on behalf of The Tomás Rivera Policy Institute. This is not a sales call. We are conducting a survey of faith and religion in America.

SCREENING QUESTIONNAIRE

- S1. May I speak with the person in the household age 18 or older who most recently celebrated a birthday?

RESPONDENT AVAILABLE CONTINUE 1
RESPONDENT IS NOT AVAILABLE CALL-BACK SCHEDULED 2
DON'T KNOW (DK)/ REFUSED TO ANSWER (RF) TERMINATE 9

- S2. [ASK ONLY IF NECESSARY] Would you prefer that I speak in English or Spanish?

English 1
Spanish 2

- S3. Do you consider yourself Hispanic or Latino?

Yes CONTINUE 1
No TERMINATE 2
DK/RF TERMINATE 9

- S4. Regardless of whether you now attend any religious services, do you consider yourself closest to Catholic, Protestant, or something else? [IF SOMETHING ELSE, PROBE: how would you think of yourself in terms of religious preference?]

Catholic 1
Protestant 2
Just Christian 3
Other religious tradition or denomination SPECIFY 4
No religious preference 5
Atheist (Do not believe in God) 6
Agnostic (Not sure about God) 7
DK/RF 9

We are conducting a 16-minute survey on religious matters in people's daily lives. And we would like to include your opinions.

MAIN QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Hispanics, or Latinos, include people from different countries. To what country do you trace your ancestry? [DO NOT READ RESPONSE CATEGORIES]

Mexico 1
Puerto Rico 2
Cuba 3
Colombia 4
Dominican Republic 5
El Salvador 6
Guatemala 7
Other Latin America 8
Other part of the world 9
More than one ancestry 10
DK/RF 99

2. During the past 6 months, on average how often have you watched any religious programming on TV? Have you watched it at least once a week, 1 to 3 times a month, seldom, or have you never watched it?

At least once a week 1
1 to 3 times a month 2
Seldom 3
Never 4
Not sure/DK 8
RF 9

3. During the past 6 months, on average how often have you listened to religious preaching or music on the radio? Have you listened to it at least once a week, 1 to 3 times a month, seldom, or have you never listened to it?

At least once a week 1
1 to 3 times a month 2
Seldom 3
Never 4
Not sure/DK 8
RF 9

4. How interested are you in politics and public affairs? Is it very interested, somewhat interested, not very interested, or not at all interested?

Very interested 1
Somewhat interested 2
Not very interested 3
Not at all interested 4
Not sure/DK 8
RF 9

5. How much influence do you think someone like you can have over government decisions? Is it a lot, some, very little, or none at all?

A lot 1
Some 2
Very little 3
None at all 4
Not sure/DK 8
RF 9

6. In the past twelve months, have you contacted public officials—either in person or by phone or in writing—to address issues or problems you were concerned with?

Yes 1
No 2
DK/RF 9

7. Which of the following organizations have you ever heard of? [MULTIPLE RESPONSES; READ AND ROTATE RESPONSE CATEGORIES]

League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) 1
The Congressional Hispanic Caucus 2
The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) 3
The National Organization of Women (NOW) 4
Pat Robertson and the Christian Coalition 5
James Dobson's Focus on the Family Ministry 6
Jerry Falwell's Moral Majority 7
Promise Keeper's Men's Movement 8
Sanctuary Movement 9
Cursillo Movement 10
HAVE NOT HEARD OF ANY/DK 98
RF 99

8. [DO NOT ASK IF Q7=98 OR 99] You mentioned you are aware of [READ THE ORGANIZATIONS RESPONDENTS HAVE SELECTED FOR Q7] Of those , which organizations do you sympathize with? If you do not sympathize with any of the organizations, please feel free to tell me so. [MULTIPLE RESPONSES]

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The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU)	3
The National Organization of Women (NOW)	4
Pat Robertson and the Christian Coalition	5
James Dobson's Focus on the Family Ministry	6
Jerry Falwell's Moral Majority	7
Promise Keeper's Men's Movement	8
Sanctuary Movement	9
Cursillo Movement	10
DO NOT SYMPATHIZE WITH ANY OF THE ORGANIZATIONS	98
DK/RF	99

Now we would like to know your reaction to several statements about politics. After I read each statement, please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with the statement.

9. "Religious leaders should try to influence public affairs." [READ ONLY IF NECESSARY: Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with this statement?]

Strongly agree	1
Agree	2
Disagree	3
Strongly disagree	4
NEITHER AGREE NOR DISAGREE/HAVEN'T THOUGHT MUCH ABOUT IT/DK	8
RF	9

10. "The government should provide parents with funding to send their child to a private school, including a religious school." [READ ONLY IF NECESSARY: Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with this statement?]

Strongly agree	1
Agree	2
Disagree	3
Strongly disagree	4
NEITHER AGREE NOR DISAGREE/HAVEN'T THOUGHT MUCH ABOUT IT/DK	8
RF	9

11. "People who have immigrated to this country illegally should be eligible for government assistance, such as Medicaid or welfare." [READ ONLY IF

NECESSARY: Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with this statement?]

Strongly agree 1
Agree 2
Disagree 3
Strongly disagree 4
NEITHER AGREE NOR DISAGREE/HAVEN'T THOUGHT MUCH ABOUT IT/DK
..... 8
RF 9

12. "Churches or religious leaders should provide assistance to illegal immigrants even when providing such help is illegal." [READ ONLY IF NECESSARY: Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with this statement?]

Strongly agree 1
Agree 2
Disagree 3
Strongly disagree 4
NEITHER AGREE NOR DISAGREE/HAVEN'T THOUGHT MUCH ABOUT IT/DK
..... 8
RF 9

13. Do you favor or oppose the death penalty for persons convicted of murder?

Favor 1
Oppose 2
NEITHER FAVOR NOR OPPOSE/NOT SURE/DK 8
RF 9

14. Do you approve or disapprove of having organized prayers in public schools?

Approve 1
Disapprove 2
NEITHER APPROVE NOR DISAPPROVE/NOT SURE/DK 8
RF 9

15. There is currently a debate about how to teach human origins in biology and science. Some say it should be taught according to the Creation story in the Bible. Others say it should be taught according to the evolutionary theory or scientific principles. Still others say that both sides should be taught. What do you think?

According to the Creation story in the Bible 1
According to the evolutionary theory or scientific principles 2
Both sides should be taught 3
DK/RF 9

16. Some people believe in practices such as 'espiritismo,' 'curanderismo,' and 'brujeria,' while others do not. How about you? Do you believe in the practice of 'espiritismo,' 'curanderismo,' or 'brujeria'?

- Espiritismo 1
- Curanderismo 2
- Brujeria 3
- ALL OF THE ABOVE 4
- NO, I DON'T BELIEVE IN THE PRACTICE OF ESPIRITISMO,
CURANDERISMO, OR BRUJERIA 5
- I AM NOT AWARE OF SUCH PRACTICES 6
- DK/NOT SURE 8
- RF 9

Now, I'd like to ask what you think about some controversial issues. I'd like to emphasize that your opinions on such issues are confidential and very important to our research.

17. Which one of the statements on the issue of abortion best matches with your view?

- An abortion should never be permitted 1
- An abortion should be permitted only in case of rape, incest or when the
woman's life is in danger 2
- An abortion should be permitted for reasons other than rape, incest or danger
to the woman's life, but only after the need for the abortion has been clearly
established 3
- A woman should always be able to obtain an abortion as a matter of
personal choice 4
- OTHER SPECIFY 7
- DK 8
- RF 9

18. What is your opinion about sexual relations between two adults of the same sex—do you think it is always wrong, almost always wrong, wrong only sometimes, or not wrong at all?

- Always wrong 1
- Almost always wrong 2
- Wrong only sometimes 3
- Not wrong at all 4
- OTHER SPECIFY 7
- DK/NOT SURE 8
- RF 9

19. How strongly do you agree or disagree with the view that the church should accept homosexuals as priests or ministers? Would it be strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree?

- Strongly agree 1
- Agree 2
- Disagree 3
- Strongly disagree 4
- Neither agree or disagree 5
- Not sure/DK 8
- RF 9

20. In the past two years, have you ever taken part in a protest, march, or demonstration on some national or local issues other than a strike against your employer?

- Yes 1
- No 2
- DK/RF 9

ASK ONLY IF S4=1, 2, 3, OR 4; SKIP TO Q37 IF S4=5, 6, 7, OR 9

21. Would you say religion provides a great deal, quite a bit, some, or no guidance at all in your day-to-day living?

- A great deal 1
- Quite a bit 2
- Some ... 3
- No guidance at all 4
- DK/RF 9

22. Apart from occasional weddings, baptisms, or funerals, how often do you attend church or religious services? Is it once a week or more, almost every week, once or twice a month, a few times a year, once a year or less, or never?

- Once a week or more 1
- Almost every week 2
- Once or twice a month 3
- A few times a year 4
- Once a year or less 5
- Never 6
- DK/RF 9

23. [ASK IF S4=2, 3, OR 4; OTHERWISE SKIP TO Q24] Which of the following denominations or religious affiliations do you mostly identify with? Just stop me when I read your religious denomination or affiliation.

- American Baptist CONTINUE TO Q24 1
- Southern Baptist CONTINUE TO Q24 2
- Assembly of Christian Churches CONTINUE TO Q24 3
- Assemblies of God CONTINUE TO Q24 4
- Disciples of Christ CONTINUE TO Q24 5
- Episcopalian CONTINUE TO Q24 6
- Evangelical CONTINUE TO Q24 7
- Jehovah's Witness CONTINUE TO Q24 8
- Lutheran CONTINUE TO Q24 9
- Methodist CONTINUE TO Q24 10
- Mormon CONTINUE TO Q24 11
- Pentecostal Church of God CONTINUE TO Q24 12
- Apostolic Assembly or Oneness Pentecostal CONTINUE TO Q24 13
- Other Pentecostal or Charismatic CONTINUE TO Q24 14
- Presbyterian CONTINUE TO Q24 15
- Seventh Day Adventist CONTINUE TO Q24 16
- Independent/ Non-denominational Protestant CONTINUE TO Q24 17
- Other Christian..... SPECIFY AND CONTINUE TO Q24 18
- Other religion SPECIFY AND SKIP TO Q25 19
- Something else SPECIFY AND SKIP TO Q25 20
- DK/RF CONTINUE TO Q24 99

24. Do you consider yourself a Pentecostal Christian, Charismatic Christian, or spirit-filled Catholic?

- Yes 1
- No 2
- DK/RF 9

25. From what religious tradition or denomination have you most recently converted, if any?

- I have always remained a member of my religious tradition 1
 - Converted from Roman Catholic 2
 - Converted from American Baptist 3
 - Converted from Southern Baptist 4
 - Converted from Assembly of Christian Churches 5
 - Converted from Assemblies of God 6
 - Converted from Disciples of Christ 7
 - Converted from Episcopalian 8
 - Converted from Evangelical 9
 - Converted from Jehovah's Witness 10
 - Converted from Lutheran 11
 - Converted from Methodist 12
 - Converted from Mormon 13
 - Converted from Pentecostal Church of God 14
 - Converted from Apostolic Assembly or Oneness Pentecostal 15
 - Converted from other Pentecostal or Charismatic 16
 - Converted from Presbyterian 17
 - Converted from Seventh Day Adventist 18
 - Converted from Independent/ Non-denominational Protestant 19
 - Converted from other Christian 20
 - Converted from other religion SPECIFY 21
 - Converted from Atheist (Do not believe in God) 22
 - Converted from Agnostic (Not sure about God) 23
 - DK/RF 99

ASK ONLY IF Q22=1, 2, 3, 4, OR 5; SKIP TO Q35 IF Q22=6 OR 9

26. Are the religious services you attend primarily in Spanish, bilingual in Spanish and English, or primarily in English?

- Primarily in Spanish 1
- Bilingual in Spanish and English 2
- Primarily in English 3
- DK/RF 9

27. How often do religious leaders at your local church or place of worship talk about the pressing social or political issues of the day? Is it very often, fairly often, not very often, or not often at all?

- Very often 1
- Fairly often 2
- Not very often 3
- Not often at all 4
- DK/RF 9

28A. Aside from attending religious services, in the past two years, have you led a Bible study in your church or religious organization?

- Yes 1

No 2
DK/RF 9

28B. Have you served on a board or committee in your church or religious organization?

Yes 1
No 2
DK/RF 9

28C. Have you helped organize meetings [READ ONLY IF NECESSARY: in your church or religious organization]?

Yes 1
No 2
DK/RF 9

28D. Have you held an official position [READ ONLY IF NECESSARY: in your church or religious organization]?

Yes 1
No 2
DK/RF 9

29. During the past two years, have you taken part regularly in a prayer group, Bible study group, cell group, or faith sharing group?

Yes 1
No 2
DK/RF 9

30. During the past two years, have you ever been asked by your church or religious organization, or one of its leaders to engage in activities on behalf of specific social, educational, or political issues, such as calling or writing to public officials, coming to a meeting, or signing a petition?

Yes 1
No 2
NOT SURE/DK 8
RF 9

31. Would you like your church or religious organization to become more involved than it is now with social, educational, or political issues?

Yes 1
No 2

NOT SURE/DK 8
RF 9

32. During the last five years, which of the following activities has your church or religious organization been involved with? [READ AND ROTATE RESPONSE CATEGORIES; MULTIPLE RESPONSES; ROTATE RESPONSES]

Helped in voter registration 1
Given people a ride to the polls on election day 2
Handed out campaign materials 3
Advocated on behalf of a specific ballot issue, proposition, or referendum 4
Asked people to support certain political candidates 5
Organized and/or participated in protests or rallies 6
DK/RF 9

33. During the last five years, which of the following activities has your church or religious organization been involved with? [READ AND ROTATE RESPONSE CATEGORIES; MULTIPLE RESPONSES]

Reached out to gangs in an effort to reduce community violence 1
Helped members of your community secure jobs, better wages, or better working conditions 2
Helped newly arrived immigrants establish themselves 3
Started drug or alcoholic rehabilitation programs 4
Started English or citizenship classes 5
Started day-cares, food co-ops, or child care centers 6
Started after school youth programs for teenagers 7
DK/RF 9

34. Do you believe that both men and women are treated equally in your church or religious organization?

Yes 1
No 2
NOT SURE/DK 8
RF 9

35. Some people read the Bible, while others do not. Other than when you attend religious services, how often do you read the Bible? Do you read it almost everyday, a few times a week, a few times a month, once a month or less, or you never read it?

Almost everyday 1
A few times a week 2

A few times a month 3
Once a month or less 4
Never read it 5
DK/RF 9

36. Do you consider yourself a born-again Christian, that is, have you personally had a conversion experience related to Jesus Christ?

Yes 1
No 2
Not sure/DK 3
RF 9

37. There have been disagreements over women in ministry. We would like to know which of the following four statements comes closest to your view about this issue. [ROTATE THE STATEMENTS] First, women should not be ordained or allowed to pastor churches. Second, women should be licensed but not ordained. Third, women should be allowed to serve in the lay ministry only. Finally, women should be ordained and allowed to pastor churches. Which of these statements do you think best describes your view about women in ministry?

Women should not be ordained or allowed to pastor churches 1
Women should be licensed but not ordained 2
Women should be allowed to serve in the lay ministry only 3
Women should be ordained and allowed to pastor churches 4
No opinion/DK 8
RF 9

38. Were you born in the continental United States, Puerto Rico, or in another country?
[IF ANOTHER COUNTRY, PROBE: Which country were you born?]

United States SKIP TO Q42 1
Puerto Rico, the Island CONTINUE TO Q39 2
Mexico CONTINUE TO Q39 3
Cuba CONTINUE TO Q39 4
Colombia CONTINUE TO Q39 5
Dominican Republic CONTINUE TO Q39 6
El Salvador CONTINUE TO Q39 7
Guatemala CONTINUE TO Q39 8
Other Latin America CONTINUE TO Q39 9
Other part of the world CONTINUE TO Q39 10
DK CONTINUE TO Q39 888
RFCONTINUE TO Q39 999

39. How many years have you lived in the continental United States?

___ ___ ___ [RECORD YEARS]
DK/RF 999

40. Are you now a U.S. citizen, permanent resident, or something else?

Citizen 1

Permanent resident 2
Something else DO NOT SPECIFY 3
DK/RF 9

41. [DO NOT ASK THIS TO PUERTO RICANS LIVING ON THE ISLAND] Since arriving in the United States, do you attend church or participate in organized religious activities more often or less often, or about the same as in your home country?

More often 1
Less often 2
About the same 3
DK/RF 9

42. Was your mother or father born in the continental United States?

Father only 1
Mother only 2
Both parents 3
Neither parent 4
DK/RF 9

ASK Q43 THROUGH Q45 IF Q38=1 OR IF Q40=1

43. If this year's presidential election were held today, would you be more likely to vote for Texas Governor George W. Bush, Vice President Al Gore, someone else or you do not intend to vote?

George W. Bush 1
Al Gore 2
Someone else 3
Do not intend to vote 4
Undecided/DK 8
RF 9

44. In talking to people about elections, we often find that a lot of people were not able to vote because they weren't registered, they were sick, or they just didn't have time. How about you--did you vote in the 1996 presidential election?

Yes, I voted 1
No, I did not vote 2
Ineligible 3
DK/RF 9

45. [ASK ONLY IF Q44=1] In the 1996 presidential election, did you vote for Bob Dole, Bill Clinton, or Ross Perot?

Bob Dole 1
Bill Clinton 2
Ross Perot 3
Someone else 4
DK/RF 9

ASK Q46 THROUGH Q48 IF RESPONDENT IS A PUERTO RICAN LIVING ON THE ISLAND

46. Do you generally consider yourself part of the Partido Nuevo Progresista, the Partido Popular Democrático, the Partido Independentista Puertorriqueño, or something else?

The Partido Nuevo Progresista (PNP) 1
The Partido Popular Democrático (PPD) 2
The Partido Independentista Puertorriqueño (PIP) 3
Something else SPECIFY 7
DK/RF 9

47. Do you consider Puerto Rico to be more closely linked to Latin America or the United States?

More closely linked to Latin America 1
More closely linked to the United States 2
Equally linked to both 3
DK/RF 9

48. In terms of the future, do you support Puerto Rico maintaining its commonwealth status, becoming a state, or becoming independent?

Maintaining its commonwealth status 1
Becoming a state 2
Becoming independent 3
DK/RF 9

49. [DO NOT ASK PUERTO RICANS ON THE ISLAND] In terms of the future, do you support Puerto Rico maintaining its commonwealth status, becoming a state, becoming independent, or should that decision be left to the Puerto Ricans?

Maintaining its commonwealth status 1
Becoming a state 2
Becoming independent 3
That decision should be left to the Puerto Ricans 4
DK/RF 9

RESUME ALL

50. How relevant would you say a political candidate's personal faith or morals are to your decision to vote for him or her? Is it very relevant, somewhat relevant, not very relevant, or not relevant at all?

Very relevant 1
Somewhat relevant 2
Not very relevant 3
Not relevant at all 4
DK/RF 9

51. During the past year, have you attended a city, state, or national political organization, meeting, or rally in either a paid or volunteer capacity?

Yes 1
No 2
DK/RF 9

52. Do you generally consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, or an independent?

Democrat 1
Republican 2
Independent 3
Something else 4
DK/RF 9

53. In what year were you born?

DON'T KNOW 8888
REFUSED TO ANSWER 9999

54. What is the last grade of school you completed? [IF NECESSARY, READ RESPONSE CATEGORIES]

Grade school or less (No schooling or Grade 1 through 8) 1
Some high school (Grade 9 through 12) 2
High school graduate 3
Some college/Vocational (technical) school 4
College graduate (BA, BS) 5
Graduate (MA, MS, MBA, MPA, MD, M.Div., M.Ed., JD, Ed.D., Ph.D.etc.) 6
DK/RF 9

55. How many years, if any, did you attend a religious school?

__ [RECORD THE NUMBER OF YEARS]
Did not attend 0
DK/RF 999

56. Are you married, do you have a domestic partner, are you single, separated, divorced, or widowed?

Married 1
Have a domestic partner 2
Single 3
Separated 4
Divorced 5
Widowed 6
DK/RF 9

57. What is your occupation?

_____ [RECORD RESPONSE VERBATIM]
DK/RF 99

58. What was your total household income last year before taxes? Just stop me when read the correct category.

Up to \$15,000 1
\$15,000 to \$24,999 2
\$25,000 to \$34,999 3
\$35,000 to \$49,999 4
\$50,000 to \$64,999 5
\$65,000 to \$79,999 6
\$80,000 to \$99,999 7
\$100,000 and above 8
DK/RF 9

59. Gender [DO NOT ASK]

Male 1
Female 2

Thanks!