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On the eve of a forthcoming encyclical by Pope Francis on the environment and climate change, a new Pew Research Center survey finds that U.S. Catholics' views on global warming are broadly reflective of American public opinion writ large; a solid majority believe that Earth is warming, but there is much more division over the cause and seriousness of climate change. Moreover, the poll shows that climate change is a highly politicized issue that sharply divides American Catholics, like the U.S. public as a whole, mainly along political party lines.

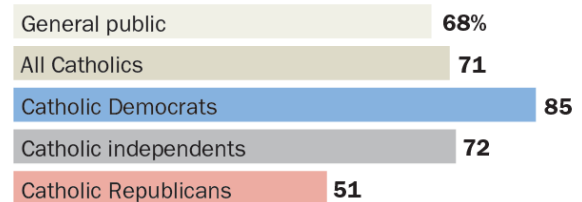
About seven-in-ten U.S. Catholics (71%) believe the planet is getting warmer. Nearly half of Catholic adults (47%) attribute global warming to human causes, and a similar share (48%) view it as a very serious problem.

But more than eight-in-ten Catholic Democrats say there is solid evidence that Earth is warming, compared with just half of Catholic Republicans.¹ And while six-in-ten Catholic Democrats say global warming is a man-made phenomenon and that it poses a very serious problem, only about a quarter of Catholic Republicans agree.

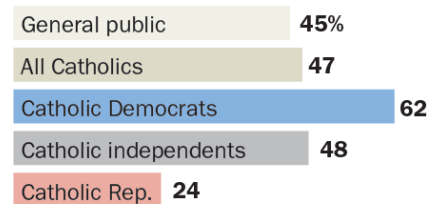
Among the U.S. public as a whole, belief that global warming is occurring is nearly twice as common among Democrats as Republicans (86% vs. 45%). The view that global warming is caused by human activity is roughly three times as common among Democrats as among members of the GOP (64% vs. 22%), as is the view that it represents a very serious problem (67% vs. 21%).

Deep Partisan Divisions in Catholics' Views on Global Warming

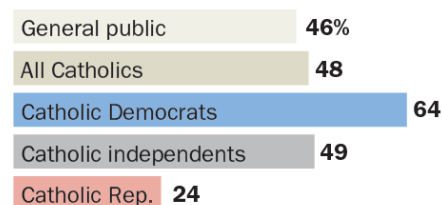
% who believe that Earth is warming



% who believe that warming is caused by human activity



% who believe that warming is a very serious problem



Source: Pew Research Center survey, May 5-June 7, 2015

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¹ In the current survey, 34% of Catholics describe themselves as Democrats, 24% describe themselves as Republicans and 31% describe themselves as political independents.

The survey also finds large differences in views on global warming between Hispanic Catholics and white, non-Hispanic Catholics. Hispanic Catholics are much more inclined than white Catholics to say that global warming is occurring, is mostly a consequence of human activity and is a very serious problem. Here again, these patterns mirror differences by race and ethnicity seen among the general public.

Generally speaking, Catholics express higher levels of belief in global warming and concern about its effects than do Protestants, but lower levels than people who are religiously unaffiliated (atheists, agnostics and those whose religion is “nothing in particular”). However, analysis of the survey findings shows that political party identification and race/ethnicity are much better predictors of environmental attitudes than are religious identity or observance.

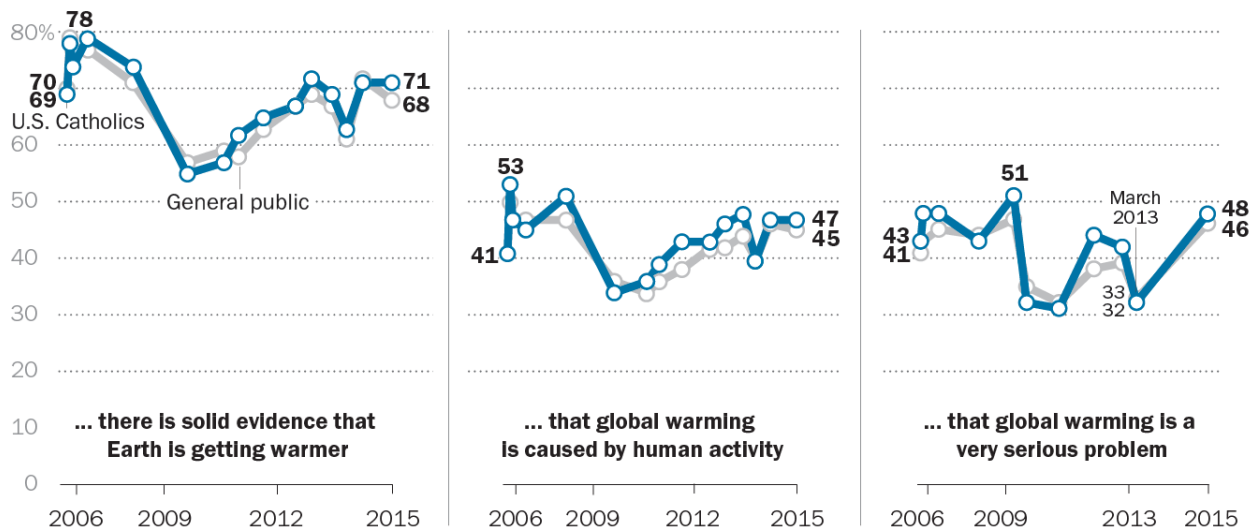
These are among the key findings of a new Pew Research Center survey, conducted May 5-June 7, 2015, on landlines and cellphones among a national sample of 5,122 adults, including 1,016 self-identified Catholics.

The survey also shows that, aside from a brief dip in early 2014, the share of Americans who believe there is solid evidence that the planet is getting warmer and that warming is mainly caused by human activity has remained relatively steady between 2013 and today.

However, more people now view global warming as a very serious problem than in 2013, when the question was last asked in a nationwide Pew Research Center telephone survey. Nearly half of U.S. adults (46%) now hold this view, up from a third in 2013 (but on par with the share who expressed such concern in 2007 and 2008).

Trends in U.S. Views on Global Warming

% of U.S. adults who say ...



Source: Pew Research Center survey, May 5-June 7, 2015

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This shift has occurred among most major religious groups in the U.S., including Catholics. Among the public as a whole, the view that global warming represents a very serious problem has grown much more among Democrats (from 48% to 67%) than among the GOP (from 14% to 21%) between 2013 and 2015.

The new poll finds that roughly two years into his papacy, Pope Francis remains very popular among U.S. Catholics. Fully 86% of Catholics say they view Francis favorably, and nearly seven-in-ten (69%) say he represents a major change for the better for the Catholic Church – the same share who said this a year after his election.

In addition, the survey sought to explore what Catholics like – or don't like – about the pope by asking whether Francis exhibits three positive and three negative qualities. Roughly nine-in-ten or more say they think Francis is "compassionate," "humble" and "open-minded." About one-in-five Catholics (19%) describe him as "too liberal," while one-in-seven (15%) consider him "naïve" and one-in-ten (11%) think he is "out of touch."

U.S. Catholics' Views of Pope Francis

	Among U.S. Catholics
	%
<i>View of Pope Francis</i>	
Favorable	86
Unfavorable	4
Can't rate/refused	<u>10</u>
	100
<i>Pope Francis represents...</i>	
Major change in direction	74
For the better	69
For the worse	3
Neither/don't know	2
Not a major change	17
Don't know	<u>9</u>
	100
<i>% saying __ describes Pope Francis</i>	
Compassionate	94
Humble	91
Open-minded	89
Too liberal	19
Naïve	15
Out of touch	11

Source: Pew Research Center survey, May 5-June 7, 2015. Figures may not add to 100% due to rounding.

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Pope Francis also gets high marks for his handling of specific tasks, with most Catholics giving him either “excellent” or “good” ratings on a wide range of responsibilities, from promoting good relations between major religions to addressing the sex abuse scandal. He earns the highest praise for spreading the Catholic faith and for addressing the needs and concerns of the poor, with about four-in-ten giving him an “excellent” rating in each of these areas (41% and 42%, respectively).

Somewhat fewer Catholics give Francis an excellent rating for addressing the needs and concerns of families. A few months before the pope’s scheduled trip to the U.S. in September to participate in the World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia, 35% of Catholics give Francis an “excellent” rating for his work so far on behalf of families, while 44% say he has done a “good” job in this area.

While just over half of U.S. Catholics say Francis is doing an excellent or good job addressing the sex abuse scandal (55%), about one-in-ten (12%) say he is doing a poor job dealing with this matter, 22% say he has done only a fair job and 11% express no opinion.

In advance of the encyclical on climate change, just 53% of Catholics give the pope a favorable rating for his work addressing environmental issues. The survey, conducted in May and early June before the publication of the encyclical, finds that 18% of Catholics think Francis has done an “excellent” job on environmental issues so far. An additional 35% of Catholics say Francis has done a “good” job in this area, while the remainder rate his performance “only fair” (25%) or “poor” (4%), or express no opinion (18%). Catholic Democrats give Francis slightly more positive marks on this issue than Catholic Republicans; 21% of Catholic Democrats say Francis has done an excellent job addressing environmental issues, compared with 13% of Catholic Republicans.

Pope Francis Rated Most Positively for Addressing Concerns of Poor, Spreading Faith

<i>Catholics' rating of pope's job of ...</i>	Excellent	Good	NET excellent /good
... addressing needs/concerns of poor	42%	37%	79%
... spreading Catholic faith	41	43	84
... addressing needs/concerns of families	35	44	79
... promoting good relations between religions	34	44	78
... standing up for traditional values	33	47	80
... reforming Vatican bureaucracy	25	38	63
... addressing needs/concerns of women	22	43	65
... addressing sex abuse scandal	19	36	55
... addressing environmental issues	18	35	53

Source: Pew Research Center survey, May 5-June 7, 2015. Figures may not add to subtotals due to rounding.

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Many Catholics See Global Warming as a Serious Problem

Overall, about seven-in-ten Catholics (71%) believe there is solid evidence that the average temperature on Earth has been getting warmer over the past few decades, and nearly half (47%) believe this change is due to human activity, such as burning fossil fuels. Roughly one-fifth of Catholics (22%) say there is no solid evidence that the Earth is getting warmer. This latter group is divided between those who assert that we just do not know enough yet to be sure that the planet is getting warmer (12%) and those who say Earth is not warming (10%).

Roughly three-quarters of Catholics say that global warming is a problem, with about half saying it is a “very” serious problem (48%) and a quarter saying it is “somewhat” serious (26%).

Overall, Catholics’ views on global warming line up very closely with the views of the general public. And among both the general public and Catholics, views on whether global warming is occurring and whether it is caused by human activity have remained relatively steady in recent years. Among Catholics, the same shares now say global warming is occurring (71%) and that it is caused mainly by human activity (47%)

as said this in an August 2014 Pew Research survey. But the share of Americans, including Catholics, who say global warming is a very serious problem has grown since that question was last asked in 2013.

Catholics’ Views on Global Warming Track General Public

	U.S. general public	U.S. Catholics
Solid evidence that Earth is warming?	%	%
Yes	68	71
Mostly due to human activity	45	47
Natural patterns	18	20
Don’t know	5	4
No solid evidence	25	22
Don’t know enough yet	11	12
Just not happening	12	10
Don’t know	2	1
Mixed evidence (vol.)/don’t know	7	7
	100	100
Global warming is ...		
Very serious problem	46	48
Somewhat serious	23	26
Not too serious	13	12
Not a problem	16	12
Don’t know	2	2
	100	100

Source: Pew Research Center survey, May 5-June 7, 2015. Figures may not add to 100% due to rounding.

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In 2013, one-third of Americans said global warming was a very serious problem, compared with 46% who now hold this view. Catholics' views on this question have moved in the same direction, rising from 32% who said global warming was a very serious problem in 2013 to 48% who hold that view today.

Americans who identify as Democrats or political independents are more likely than Republicans to say global warming is a very serious problem (67% of Democrats and 45% of independents, compared with 21% of Republicans). While growing shares of all three groups express this view, recent change has been more pronounced among Democrats and independents than among Republicans.

The share saying that global warming is a very serious problem has grown by 20 percentage points among Catholic Democrats (from 44% in 2013 to 64% today) and 10 points among Catholic Republicans (from 14% to 24%).

Growing Share of Americans Say Global Warming Is a Very Serious Problem

% who say global warming is a very serious problem

	2013	2015	Change
	%	%	%
Total	33	46	+13
Republican	14	21	+7
Democrat	48	67	+19
Independent	31	45	+14
Catholic	32	48	+16
Protestant	29	39	+10
White evangelical	17	24	+7
White mainline	32	41	+9
Black Protestant	35	55	+20
Unaffiliated	42	56	+14
<i>Among Catholics</i>			
Republican	14	24	+10
Democrat	44	64	+20
Independent	n/a	49	--

Source: Pew Research Center survey, May 5-June 7, 2015. Bold figures in the "change" column indicate statistically significant change between 2013 and 2015. Catholic independents in 2013 are not shown due to insufficient sample size.

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Catholics are somewhat more concerned about global warming than are Protestants, and somewhat less concerned than the religiously unaffiliated. In general, Catholics' views on global warming tend to resemble the views of the public as a whole, both in their overall level of concern and in the sharp differences of opinion between political and demographic subgroups.

Catholic Democrats are far more likely than Catholic Republicans to believe global warming is occurring (85% vs. 51%), to say it is caused by human activity (62% vs. 24%) and to view it as a serious problem (64% vs. 24%). Similar gaps are seen between Democrats and Republicans in the population as a whole.

Similarly, Hispanic Catholics are significantly more likely than white Catholics to say they believe Earth is getting warmer (82% of Hispanic Catholics vs. 64% of white Catholics), to say it is mostly due to human activity (60% vs. 39%) and to say global

Large Partisan, Racial/Ethnic Divisions in Views of Global Warming

	% of all U.S. adults who say global warming is ...			% of Catholics who say global warming is ...		
	Occur- ing	Caused by humans	Very serious problem	Occur- ing	Caused by humans	Very serious problem
	%	%	%	%	%	%
Total	68	45	46	71	47	48
Protestant	62	37	39	-	-	-
White evangelical	50	25	24	-	-	-
White mainline	63	42	41	-	-	-
Black Protestant	78	43	55	-	-	-
Unaffiliated	77	57	56	-	-	-
Men	64	43	42	69	46	43
Women	73	48	50	73	48	52
White	63	41	39	64	39	39
Black	78	44	54	n/a	n/a	n/a
Hispanic	83	62	65	82	60	63
Ages 18-29	74	54	51	73	54	52
30-49	68	47	47	74	54	54
50-64	66	43	44	71	46	46
65+	65	36	41	66	34	40
<i>Attend religious services...</i>						
Weekly or more	63	38	39	71	45	45
Monthly/yearly	71	47	48	74	51	53
Seldom/never	73	52	53	64	44	43
Republican	45	22	21	51	24	24
Democrat	86	64	67	85	62	64
Independent	70	46	45	72	48	49
Conservative	51	28	29	56	31	35
Moderate	74	48	47	75	53	49
Liberal	88	69	70	88	64	67

Source: Pew Research Center survey, May 5-June 7, 2015

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warming is a very serious problem (63% vs. 39%). These differences closely match those found between whites and Hispanics in the overall population.

Analysis of the survey findings shows that political party identification and race and ethnicity are far more closely linked with views on global warming than religious affiliation. Statistical modeling, called regression analysis, that simultaneously examines correlations between a variety of demographic factors and views of global warming shows that Catholics are more likely than evangelical Protestants to say global warming is occurring, even taking into account the partisan and racial/ethnic differences between Catholics and evangelical Protestants. And Catholics are slightly less likely than the religiously unaffiliated to say global warming is caused by human activity. But the modeling confirms that the differences between Republicans and Democrats and between whites and Hispanics are far more important for understanding views of global warming than are the differences between Catholics and people of other religious faiths.

Pope Francis Viewed Positively by the U.S. Public and Catholics

Among U.S. adults overall, more than six-in-ten (64%) express a favorable view of Pope Francis. While this is lower than the high of 70% who gave Francis a favorable rating in February of this year, the share of Americans expressing an unfavorable view of Francis also has ticked down (10% now, compared with 15% in February). Making up for these differences: The share of people who say they cannot rate the pope has increased from 15% earlier this year to 27% now.

U.S. General Public Continues to View Pope Francis Favorably

% of U.S. general public with a ... view of Francis

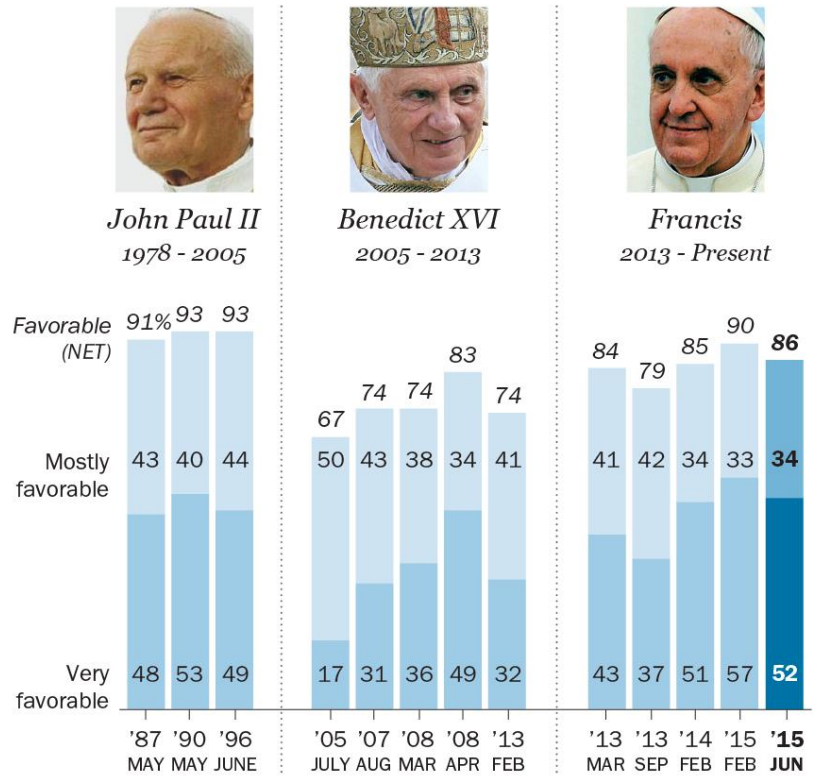
	March 2013	Sept. 2013	Feb. 2014	Feb. 2015	June 2015
	%	%	%	%	%
Favorable	57	58	66	70	64
Unfavorable	14	12	11	15	10
Can't rate	<u>29</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>27</u>
	100	100	100	100	100

Source: Pew Research Center survey, May 5-June 7, 2015. Figures may not add to 100% due to rounding.

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A large majority of U.S. Catholics (86%) say they have a favorable view of Pope Francis, comparable to the 90% registered in a Pew Research Center poll earlier this year. Throughout his two-year papacy, Francis' favorability ratings among Catholics have tended to be higher than those of his immediate predecessor Pope Benedict XVI, and they have approached the very high ratings given to Pope John Paul II in the late 1980s and early 1990s.

Trends in Papal Favorability Among U.S. Catholics



Source: Pew Research Center survey, May 5-June 7, 2015. Figures may not add to 100% due to rounding. Wikimedia Commons (images).

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While Catholics in general express highly favorable views of Pope Francis, some subgroups are even more enthusiastic than others. For example, more Catholic women than men say they view the pontiff very favorably (57% vs. 46%). And Catholics who report attending Mass at least once a week are more likely than those who attend less regularly to hold a very favorable view.

Catholic Republicans and Democrats are about equally likely to express positive views of the pope, as are both conservative and liberal Catholics.

Francis Widely Popular Among Catholics

% of Catholics with a ... view of Francis

	NET Favorable	Very	Mostly	NET Unfavorable	Can't rate/ref
All U.S. Catholics	86	52	34	4	10=100
Men	82	46	36	6	13=100
Women	90	57	33	3	7=100
White	89	55	34	4	7=100
Hispanic	81	50	31	3	15=100
Ages 18-29	75	43	33	4	21=100
30-49	90	50	40	3	7=100
50-64	87	56	31	4	9=100
65+	87	56	31	6	7=100
<i>Attend religious services...</i>					
Weekly or more	92	63	29	3	6=100
Monthly or yearly	85	49	36	6	9=100
Seldom or never	77	35	42	3	19=100
Republican	90	55	35	4	6=100
Democrat	89	57	32	2	9=100
Independent	85	48	38	6	9=100
Conservative	87	51	36	3	10=100
Moderate	92	56	36	2	6=100
Liberal	83	49	34	7	10=100

Source: Pew Research Center survey, May 5-June 7, 2015. Figures may not add to 100% due to rounding.

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Non-Catholic Americans also give Pope Francis largely positive ratings. Seven-in-ten white mainline Protestants have a favorable view of Francis (69%), as do majorities of black Protestants (59%) and those with no religious affiliation (58%). White evangelical Protestants express a somewhat less positive view, with roughly half (51%) saying they have a favorable view of the pope, down from 60% in February of this year. But the share of white evangelicals who express an *unfavorable* view of Francis also has dropped by eight percentage points since February, while the share of evangelicals who offer no opinion of the pontiff has grown by 16 points.

Most Non-Catholic Religious Groups Rate Pope Francis Favorably

	White evangelical Protestant			White mainline Protestant			Black Protestant			Unaffiliated		
	Fav	Unfav	Can't rate	Fav	Unfav	Can't rate	Fav	Unfav	Can't rate	Fav	Unfav	Can't rate
Pope Francis	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
June 2015	51	15	35=100	69	6	25=100	59	13	28=100	58	10	33=100
February 2015	60	22	18=100	74	7	19=100	n/a	n/a	n/a	68	16	16=100
February 2014	56	14	30=100	66	9	26=100	46	24	30=100	64	11	25=100
September 2013	47	17	36=100	60	8	32=100	47	15	21=100	54	15	32=100
March 2013	59	9	32=100	65	7	28=100	n/a	n/a	n/a	39	27	34=100

Source: Pew Research Center survey, May 5-June 7, 2015. Figures for black Protestants in March 2013 and February 2015 are not shown due to insufficient sample sizes. Figures may not add to 100% due to rounding.

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A large majority of Catholics (74%) continue to view Pope Francis as representing a major change for the Catholic Church. And most who hold this view also say that Francis represents a change for the better. Indeed, about seven-in-ten Catholics (69%) say the pope represents a major, positive change. Only 3% of Catholics see Francis as a change for the worse. About one-in-six Catholics (17%) say Francis does not represent a major change for the Catholic Church.

Among the U.S. public overall, 56% say Pope Francis represents a major change in direction for the Catholic Church, including 48% who see it as a change for the better.

Most Catholics See Francis as Positive Change for the Church

% of U.S. Catholics who think Pope Francis represents ... for the Catholic Church

	2014	2015
	%	%
Major change in direction	71	74
For the better	68	69
For the worse	2	3
Neither/don't know	1	1
Not a major change	23	17
Don't know	<u>6</u>	<u>9</u>
	100	100

Source: Pew Research Center survey, May 5-June 7, 2015. Figures may not add to 100% due to rounding.

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When Catholics are asked whether a series of words or phrases describe Francis, about nine-in-ten or more say the terms “compassionate,” “humble” and “open-minded” describe him.

Far fewer ascribe negative traits to the pope. Roughly one-in-five Catholics say Pope Francis is “too liberal” (19%), while 15% say he is “naïve” and 11% say he is “out of touch.”

Catholics who describe themselves as conservative are more likely than liberal Catholics to say Pope Francis is “too liberal” (25% vs. 16%). And Hispanic Catholics are twice as likely as white Catholics to say Pope Francis is “out of touch” (17% vs. 8%). Still, large majorities in all groups say these negative terms do *not* describe the pontiff.

Overall, about two-thirds of Catholics (65%) say only positive terms describe Pope Francis – saying he is compassionate, humble or open-minded (or some combination of the three) and

not saying he is naïve, out of touch or too liberal. Roughly one-third of Catholics (35%) express mixed views of the pope, saying that he is naïve, out of touch or too liberal (or some combination) but that he is *also* compassionate, humble or open-minded. Fewer than 1% of Catholics say that only negative terms describe Francis.

Nine-in-Ten Catholics Call Francis Compassionate, Humble, Open-Minded

% of Catholics saying ... describes Pope Francis

	Compassionate	Humble	Open-minded	Too liberal	Naïve	Out of touch
	%	%	%	%	%	%
U.S. Catholics	94	91	89	19	15	11
Men	92	89	87	24	17	14
Women	95	93	91	15	14	9
White	96	93	90	15	11	8
Hispanic	91	89	87	26	23	17
Ages 18-29	85	83	81	12	18	13
30-49	95	91	91	21	16	11
50-64	95	93	90	21	13	10
65+	95	93	90	20	17	13
<i>Attend religious services ...</i>						
Weekly or more	97	94	94	19	15	9
Monthly or yearly	91	89	86	20	16	14
Seldom or never	91	89	85	19	16	11
Republican	95	93	92	20	14	9
Democrat	94	93	91	15	14	9
Independent	95	91	87	24	18	12
Conservative	94	92	90	25	19	12
Moderate	98	93	91	16	11	10
Liberal	91	91	89	16	16	11

Source: Pew Research Center survey, May 5-June 7, 2015

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Pope Francis continues to receive positive ratings from Catholics on a variety of papal responsibilities. Fully 84% of Catholics give the pope a high rating for spreading the Catholic faith, including 41% who say Francis is doing an excellent job and 43% who say he is doing a good job. Roughly eight-in-ten also say Francis is doing a good or excellent job standing up for traditional moral values (80%), addressing the needs and concerns of the poor (79%), addressing the needs and concerns of families (79%) and promoting good relations between the Catholic Church and other major religions (78%).

On other issues, however, more Catholics appear to see room for improvement. Smaller majorities say Pope Francis is doing a good or excellent job addressing the needs and concerns of women (65%), reforming the Vatican bureaucracy (63%) and addressing the sex abuse scandal in the church (55%). About half (53%) say he is doing a good or excellent job addressing environmental issues.

Across the board, Catholics who say they attend Mass at least once a week give Francis more positive job performance ratings than do Catholics who report attending Mass less often.

Catholics Who Attend Mass Weekly Are Particularly Positive About How Francis Is Spreading Catholic Faith, Standing Up for Moral Values, Handling Other Tasks

% who say Pope Francis is doing a "good" or "excellent" job ...

	Spreading Catholic faith	Standing up for traditional moral values	Addressing needs/concerns of families	Addressing needs/concerns of poor	Promoting good relations w/other major religions	Addressing needs/concerns of women	Reforming Vatican bureaucracy	Addressing sex abuse scandal	Addressing environmental issues
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
U.S. Catholics	84	80	79	79	78	65	63	55	53
Men	78	76	76	74	74	62	60	51	49
Women	89	84	82	84	81	68	66	59	56
White	87	82	83	84	81	66	66	57	52
Hispanic	80	79	75	72	74	66	59	53	53
Ages 18-29	78	75	78	70	71	64	56	44	48
30-49	85	80	79	80	73	64	62	57	52
50-64	86	83	78	78	81	64	63	56	51
65+	82	81	81	86	84	72	69	60	61
<i>Attend religious services ...</i>									
Weekly or more	91	87	88	88	85	76	74	67	60
Monthly or yearly	82	76	74	74	74	59	55	48	49
Seldom or never	71	75	73	72	71	56	59	48	43
Republican	88	83	86	87	81	72	68	58	51
Democrat	86	84	82	82	81	65	68	56	58
Independent	81	79	74	75	74	63	57	53	50
Conservative	82	80	80	80	78	68	63	57	52
Moderate	90	85	83	85	79	68	66	60	56
Liberal	84	79	78	75	79	60	66	50	50

Source: Pew Research Center survey, May 5-June 7, 2015

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About the Survey

The analysis in this report is based on telephone interviews conducted May 5-June 7, 2015 among a national sample of 5,122 adults, 18 years of age or older, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia (1,800 respondents were interviewed on a landline telephone, and 3,322 were interviewed on a cellphone, including 1,945 who had no landline telephone). The survey was conducted by interviewers at Princeton Data Source under the direction of Princeton Survey Research Associates International. A combination of landline and cellphone random digit dial samples were used; both samples were provided by Survey Sampling International. Interviews were conducted in English and Spanish. Respondents in the landline sample were selected by randomly asking for the youngest adult male or female who is now at home. Interviews in the cell sample were conducted with the person who answered the phone, if that person was an adult 18 years of age or older. For detailed information about our survey methodology, see <http://www.pewresearch.org/methodology/u-s-survey-research/>.

The combined landline and cellphone sample is weighted using an iterative technique that matches gender, age, education, race, Hispanic origin and nativity and region to parameters from the 2013 Census Bureau's American Community Survey and population density to parameters from the decennial census. The sample also is weighted to match current patterns of telephone status (landline only, cellphone only or both landline and cellphone), based on extrapolations from the 2014 National Health Interview Survey. The weighting procedure also accounts for the fact that respondents with both a landline and a cellphone have a greater probability of being included in the combined sample and adjusts for household size among respondents with a landline phone. The margins of error reported and statistical tests of significance are adjusted to account for the survey's design effect, a measure of how much efficiency is lost from the weighting procedures.

The following table shows 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:

Group	General public		Catholics	
	Unweighted sample size	Plus or minus ...	Unweighted sample size	Plus or minus ...
Total sample	5,122	1.6 percentage points	1,016	3.5 percentage points
Protestant	2,475	2.3 percentage points	-	-
White evangelical	974	3.6 percentage points	-	-
White mainline	724	4.2 percentage points	-	-
Black Protestant	421	5.5 percentage points	-	-
Unaffiliated	1,107	3.4 percentage points	-	-
Men	2,665	2.2 percentage points	489	5.1 percentage points
Women	2,457	2.3 percentage points	527	4.9 percentage points
White, non-Hispanic	3,463	1.9 percentage points	662	4.4 percentage points
Black, non-Hispanic	566	4.7 percentage points	20	<i>Not reported on</i>
Hispanic	621	4.5 percentage points	277	6.8 percentage points
Ages 18-29	813	3.9 percentage points	120	10.3 percentage points
30-49	1,466	2.9 percentage points	278	6.7 percentage points
50-64	1,437	3.0 percentage points	299	6.5 percentage points
65+	1,329	3.1 percentage points	305	6.4 percentage points
<i>Attend religious services ...</i>				
Weekly or more	1,916	2.6 percentage points	431	5.4 percentage points
Monthly/yearly	1,624	2.8 percentage points	433	5.4 percentage points
Seldom/never	1,551	2.9 percentage points	151	9.1 percentage points
Republican	1,265	3.2 percentage points	280	6.7 percentage points
Democrat	1,612	2.8 percentage points	331	6.2 percentage points
Independent	1,757	2.7 percentage points	308	6.4 percentage points
Conservative	1,898	2.6 percentage points	389	5.7 percentage points
Moderate	1,615	2.8 percentage points	351	6.0 percentage points
Liberal	1,282	3.1 percentage points	226	7.5 percentage points
College grad+	2,108	2.4 percentage points	409	5.6 percentage points
Some college	1,378	3.0 percentage points	242	7.2 percentage points
High school or less	1,602	2.8 percentage points	356	6.0 percentage points

Sample sizes and sampling errors for other subgroups are available upon request.

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.

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Detailed Tables: Papal Favorability

% with a...view of Pope Francis

	U.S. adults							Catholics						
	NET Favorable	Very favorable	Mostly favorable	NET Unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Mostly unfavorable	Never heard of/can't rate/Ref	NET Favorable	Very favorable	Mostly favorable	NET Unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Mostly unfavorable	Never heard of/can't rate/Ref
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Total	64	29	35	10	4	5	27=100	86	52	34	4	2	2	10=100
Protestant	57	23	33	12	5	7	31=100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
White evangelical	51	19	32	15	6	9	35=100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
White mainline	69	29	40	6	2	4	25=100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Black Protestant	59	26	33	13	5	7	28=100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unaffiliated	58	22	36	10	4	5	33=100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Men	62	25	37	11	4	6	27=100	82	46	36	6	2	4	13=100
Women	65	32	33	8	4	5	26=100	90	57	33	3	1	2	7=100
White	65	29	36	9	3	5	26=100	89	55	34	4	1	3	7=100
Black	60	27	33	12	6	6	28=100	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Hispanic	66	36	30	11	6	4	24=100	81	50	31	3	2	1	15=100
Ages 18-29	58	20	39	9	4	5	32=100	75	43	33	4	3	1	21=100
30-49	62	26	35	11	5	6	28=100	90	50	40	3	1	2	7=100
50-64	68	34	34	9	3	6	23=100	87	56	31	4	1	3	9=100
65+	67	37	30	9	3	5	24=100	87	56	31	6	3	4	7=100
Attend religious services...														
Weekly or more	62	32	31	12	5	7	26=100	92	63	29	3	1	2	6=100
NET Less than weekly	64	27	37	8	3	5	27=100	83	45	38	5	2	3	12=100
Monthly/yearly	69	32	37	8	3	5	23=100	85	49	36	6	3	3	9=100
Seldom/never	60	22	37	8	3	5	32=100	77	35	42	3	*	3	19=100
Republican	61	26	36	11	4	6	28=100	90	55	35	4	1	2	6=100
Democrat	71	36	35	8	3	4	21=100	89	57	32	2	1	1	9=100
Independent	63	26	37	11	4	6	26=100	85	48	38	6	1	4	9=100
Conservative	59	25	34	13	5	8	28=100	87	51	36	3	1	2	10=100
Moderate	69	32	37	7	3	4	24=100	92	56	36	2	*	2	6=100
Liberal	71	33	37	8	4	4	21=100	83	49	34	7	3	4	10=100
College grad+	73	32	41	7	3	5	20=100	93	57	35	3	1	2	4=100
Some college	63	28	35	10	4	6	28=100	89	52	38	4	*	3	7=100
High school or less	58	27	31	11	6	5	31=100	81	49	32	5	3	2	14=100
Less than \$30,000	62	29	33	11	6	5	27=100	86	55	31	3	2	2	11=100
\$30,000-\$74,999	64	29	35	10	4	6	26=100	89	56	33	3	2	2	8=100
\$75,000+	71	31	40	8	2	6	21=100	89	49	41	4	1	3	7=100

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Detailed Tables: Does Pope Francis Represent Major Change in Direction for Catholic Church?

% who say Pope Francis represents...

	U.S. adults							Catholics						
	Yes, major change	Change for the better	Change for the worse	Neither	DK/Ref	No, don't think so	DK/Ref	Yes, major change	Change for the better	Change for the worse	Neither	DK/Ref	No, don't think so	DK/Ref
Total	56	48	5	1	2	18	26=100	74	69	3	*	1	17	9=100
Protestant	51	40	8	1	3	17	32=100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
White evangelical	50	35	10	1	4	17	33=100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
White mainline	55	47	5	1	2	12	33=100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Black Protestant	49	42	5	1	1	19	32=100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unaffiliated	53	49	3	1	1	19	28=100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Men	53	44	6	1	2	21	26=100	67	60	5	*	1	22	11=100
Women	59	52	4	1	2	15	26=100	80	77	2	*	1	13	7=100
White	56	48	6	1	2	16	27=100	72	67	4	*	1	19	8=100
Black	49	43	4	1	1	21	30=100	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Hispanic	64	58	3	*	2	19	17=100	79	75	3	*	1	11	10=100
Ages 18-29	50	45	4	1	1	20	30=100	69	66	2	1	1	15	15=100
30-49	57	48	6	1	2	18	25=100	78	73	2	*	2	16	7=100
50-64	59	52	5	1	1	18	23=100	76	71	4	*	*	18	6=100
65+	57	48	6	1	3	16	27=100	71	64	5	*	2	19	10=100
Attend religious services...														
Weekly or more	57	45	8	1	3	18	25=100	75	71	3	1	1	18	6=100
NET Less than weekly	56	50	4	1	1	18	26=100	73	68	4	*	1	16	11=100
Monthly/yearly	59	54	4	*	1	17	24=100	75	71	3	*	1	16	9=100
Seldom/never	52	46	4	1	2	19	29=100	68	61	6	0	2	15	17=100
Republican	53	41	8	*	3	19	28=100	69	62	4	1	2	25	6=100
Democrat	64	60	2	1	1	16	20=100	80	78	1	1	*	9	11=100
Independent	56	47	6	1	2	19	25=100	75	67	6	*	2	18	6=100
Conservative	52	39	10	1	3	20	28=100	71	63	5	1	1	19	11=100
Moderate	60	54	4	1	2	17	24=100	79	76	3	0	1	16	5=100
Liberal	63	59	2	1	1	18	20=100	77	73	2	1	1	14	9=100
College grad+	63	56	5	1	2	17	20=100	73	70	3	*	*	20	7=100
Some college	55	46	6	1	2	18	27=100	75	67	5	1	3	19	6=100
High school or less	52	45	5	*	2	18	30=100	74	71	2	*	1	14	12=100
Less than \$30,000	55	48	5	1	2	19	27=100	79	76	3	0	*	10	11=100
\$30,000-\$74,999	56	47	6	1	2	17	27=100	73	67	3	1	2	16	11=100
\$75,000+	62	54	5	*	2	18	20=100	72	68	4	0	1	22	6=100

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Detailed Tables: Views on Global Warming

% who say...

	U.S. adults										Catholics									
	Yes, solid evidence of warming	Because of human activity	Because of natural patterns	DK/Ref	No solid evidence	Just don't know enough yet	Just not happening	DK/Ref	Mixed/some evidence	DK/Ref	Yes, solid evidence of warming	Because of human activity	Because of natural patterns	DK/Ref	No solid evidence	Just don't know enough yet	Just not happening	DK/Ref	Mixed/some evidence	DK/Ref
Total	68	45	18	5	25	11	12	2	2	5=100	71	47	20	4	22	12	10	1	2	5=100
Protestant	62	37	20	5	31	13	16	2	2	5=100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
White evangelical	50	25	20	4	43	16	24	3	2	5=100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
White mainline	63	42	15	6	28	13	13	2	3	6=100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Black Protestant	78	43	29	7	16	9	5	2	1	5=100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unaffiliated	77	57	14	6	16	8	7	1	1	5=100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Men	64	43	17	4	29	12	15	2	2	4=100	69	46	20	3	24	11	12	1	3	4=100
Women	73	48	19	6	20	10	9	1	1	6=100	73	48	20	5	21	12	8	1	1	6=100
White	63	41	17	5	30	13	15	2	2	5=100	64	39	22	4	29	14	14	1	2	5=100
Black	78	44	28	6	15	8	5	2	1	5=100	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Hispanic	83	62	17	4	12	6	5	1	1	4=100	82	60	18	4	10	6	3	1	2	5=100
Ages 18-29	74	54	16	4	17	8	7	1	2	7=100	73	54	19	1	18	9	8	1	2	7=100
30-49	68	47	17	4	26	12	13	1	1	5=100	74	54	17	4	21	12	8	*	1	4=100
50-64	66	43	19	5	27	12	14	2	2	5=100	71	46	21	4	23	11	10	2	2	5=100
65+	65	36	21	8	28	12	14	2	2	5=100	66	34	26	6	27	13	12	2	3	4=100
Attend religious services...																				
Weekly or more	63	38	20	4	31	13	15	2	2	5=100	71	45	22	4	23	12	10	2	2	4=100
NET Less than weekly	72	50	17	5	21	10	10	1	2	5=110	72	49	19	4	21	11	9	1	2	5=100
Monthly/yearly	71	47	19	5	23	11	10	1	1	5=100	74	51	20	3	20	13	7	*	1	5=100
Seldom/never	73	52	14	6	20	8	10	1	2	5=100	64	44	15	6	25	7	17	1	5	6=100
Republican	45	22	21	3	48	20	25	3	2	5=100	51	24	24	3	43	21	20	2	2	4=100
Democrat	86	64	17	5	9	4	4	1	1	4=100	85	62	19	4	9	5	3	1	1	5=100
Independent	70	46	18	6	24	11	11	1	1	5=100	72	48	19	5	21	12	9	*	2	5=100
Conservative	51	28	20	3	42	16	24	2	2	5=100	56	31	22	3	36	15	19	2	2	6=100
Moderate	74	48	20	6	20	12	8	1	2	5=100	75	53	18	4	20	13	7	*	2	3=100
Liberal	88	69	14	5	8	4	3	1	1	4=100	88	64	20	4	6	4	1	1	1	5=100
College grad+	72	54	13	5	23	12	9	2	2	4=100	68	47	15	5	27	14	10	2	2	4=100
Some college	65	43	19	4	27	13	13	1	2	5=100	67	45	20	2	25	14	10	*	2	6=100
High school or less	69	42	21	6	24	9	13	2	1	6=100	76	49	23	4	18	8	9	1	1	5=100
Less than \$30,000	76	47	23	6	17	8	8	1	2	5=100	80	51	24	4	14	7	6	1	1	5=100
\$30,000-\$74,999	67	46	16	4	27	12	14	1	2	5=100	69	52	15	2	25	13	12	1	1	5=100
\$75,000+	65	47	14	4	30	14	15	2	1	4=100	66	44	18	4	28	14	12	2	2	5=100

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Detailed Tables: Is Global Warming a Serious Problem?

% who say global warming is...

	U.S. adults							Catholics						
	NET Very/somewhat serious	Very serious	Somewhat serious	NET Not too serious/not a problem	Not too serious	Not a problem	DK/Ref	NET Very/somewhat serious	Very serious	Somewhat serious	NET Not too serious/not a problem	Not too serious	Not a problem	DK/Ref
Total	69	46	23	29	13	16	2=100	74	48	26	24	12	12	2=100
Protestant	61	39	22	36	15	22	3=100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
White evangelical	47	24	24	51	19	32	2=100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
White mainline	65	41	25	32	15	17	3=100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Black Protestant	75	55	20	22	10	12	3=100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unaffiliated	77	56	21	20	9	11	2=100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Men	63	42	22	34	14	20	2=100	68	43	25	30	15	16	1=100
Women	74	50	23	24	11	13	2=100	79	52	27	19	10	9	2=100
White	63	39	24	34	15	20	2=100	68	39	29	31	15	16	1=100
Black	75	54	21	22	9	13	3=100	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Hispanic	83	65	18	15	8	7	2=100	85	63	22	13	8	5	2=100
Ages 18-29	76	51	25	23	12	10	2=100	77	52	25	23	13	10	0=100
30-49	70	47	23	28	12	16	2=100	82	54	27	17	11	6	1=100
50-64	66	44	22	32	13	18	2=100	71	46	25	28	12	16	2=100
65+	61	41	20	35	13	22	4=100	65	40	25	32	13	19	2=100
Attend religious services...														
Weekly or more	61	39	22	37	15	22	2=100	70	45	25	28	13	15	2=100
NET Less than weekly	73	50	23	25	11	14	2=100	77	50	26	22	11	11	1=100
Monthly/yearly	72	48	24	26	12	14	2=100	78	53	25	21	10	11	1=100
Seldom/never	74	53	21	24	10	13	2=100	74	43	31	24	15	9	2=100
Republican	44	21	23	55	21	34	1=100	52	24	28	48	22	26	1=100
Democrat	87	67	20	11	5	6	2=100	88	64	24	10	4	6	2=100
Independent	69	45	24	28	14	14	2=100	76	49	26	23	13	10	1=100
Conservative	49	29	20	49	19	30	2=100	58	35	22	41	20	21	2=100
Moderate	77	47	30	21	12	9	2=100	81	49	32	18	10	8	1=100
Liberal	87	70	17	11	5	7	1=100	90	67	22	9	3	6	1=100
College grad+	74	51	24	24	12	13	2=100	72	47	25	27	14	13	1=100
Some college	68	44	24	30	13	17	2=100	74	45	29	25	12	14	1=100
High school or less	66	45	21	31	13	18	3=100	76	51	25	22	11	11	2=100
Less than \$30,000	73	51	22	24	11	13	3=100	82	56	26	17	9	7	2=100
\$30,000-\$74,999	67	45	22	31	13	17	2=100	75	50	25	24	14	10	2=100
\$75,000+	68	45	23	31	13	18	1=100	69	43	26	31	13	17	*=100

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Detailed Tables: Ratings of Pope's Performance Among Catholics

% saying Pope Francis is doing a _____ job...

	Spreading the Catholic faith							Addressing the sex abuse scandal in the Catholic Church							Reforming the Vatican bureaucracy						
	NET Excellent/good	Excellent	Good	NET Only fair/poor	Only fair	Poor	DK/Ref	NET Excellent/good	Excellent	Good	NET Only fair/poor	Only fair	Poor	DK/Ref	NET Excellent/good	Excellent	Good	NET Only fair/poor	Only fair	Poor	DK/Ref
Total Catholics	84	41	43	10	8	2	6=100	55	19	36	34	22	12	11=100	63	25	38	22	18	4	15=100
Men	78	33	45	13	11	2	9=100	51	16	35	38	25	13	11=100	60	25	35	25	20	5	15=100
Women	89	48	41	7	6	1	4=100	59	22	37	31	19	11	10=100	66	26	40	19	17	2	15=100
White	87	42	45	9	8	1	4=100	57	17	40	32	21	11	11=100	66	26	40	19	15	4	15=100
Hispanic	80	40	39	12	10	2	8=100	53	23	30	37	22	15	10=100	59	25	34	25	23	3	16=100
Ages 18-29	78	33	45	8	5	3	14=100	44	10	34	41	26	14	15=100	56	18	38	25	19	5	19=100
30-49	85	44	41	10	9	2	5=100	57	20	37	30	19	11	13=100	62	29	33	23	20	3	14=100
50-64	86	41	45	10	9	1	3=100	56	20	36	38	23	15	6=100	63	26	37	23	19	4	15=100
65+	82	41	42	12	9	3	6=100	60	23	37	30	21	9	10=100	69	27	42	17	15	2	14=100
Attend religious services...																					
Weekly or more	91	53	38	7	6	1	2=100	67	26	41	24	16	8	9=100	74	31	43	12	10	2	14=100
NET Less than weekly	79	34	46	12	10	2	8=100	48	14	34	40	26	15	12=100	56	22	34	28	23	4	16=100
Monthly/yearly	82	38	45	10	7	3	8=100	48	15	33	40	27	13	12=100	55	23	33	30	25	5	15=100
Seldom/never	71	22	49	19	18	2	10=100	48	13	35	41	21	20	11=100	59	19	40	23	20	3	18=100
Republican	88	40	49	9	7	2	3=100	58	17	41	33	25	8	10=100	68	24	45	18	14	5	14=100
Democrat	86	47	39	8	7	1	6=100	56	19	37	33	24	9	10=100	68	27	40	20	17	3	12=100
Independent	81	36	45	13	11	2	6=100	53	18	35	38	20	17	9=100	57	24	33	27	23	4	16=100
Conservative	82	39	42	13	10	3	6=100	57	21	36	34	23	10	9=100	63	24	39	19	17	2	18=100
Moderate	90	45	46	7	6	1	2=100	60	20	40	33	21	12	7=100	66	27	39	24	21	4	10=100
Liberal	84	41	43	9	9	0	7=100	50	15	35	38	24	14	12=100	66	28	39	21	17	4	13=100
College grad+	86	48	38	9	7	2	5=100	58	18	39	30	24	7	12=100	70	28	42	18	14	4	12=100
Some college	87	40	47	10	9	1	3=100	50	19	31	40	23	17	10=100	62	27	35	25	20	4	14=100
High school or less	81	37	44	11	9	2	8=100	57	20	37	33	21	13	9=100	60	23	37	23	20	3	17=100
Less than \$30,000	85	41	44	10	8	1	5=100	59	24	34	33	17	16	9=100	66	29	37	22	19	2	12=100
\$30,000-\$74,999	84	42	42	12	9	2	5=100	60	18	42	31	24	7	9=100	65	28	37	20	17	4	14=100
\$75,000+	85	42	43	10	8	2	5=100	49	13	36	40	28	12	12=100	63	22	41	24	19	5	14=100

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Detailed Tables: Ratings of Pope's Performance Among Catholics, continued

% saying Pope Francis is doing a _____ job...

	Standing up for traditional moral values							Addressing the needs and concerns of the poor						Addressing the needs and concerns of families							
	NET Excellent/good	Excellent	Good	NET Only fair/poor	Only fair	Poor	DK/Ref	NET Excellent/good	Excellent	Good	NET Only fair/poor	Only fair	Poor	DK/Ref	NET Excellent/good	Excellent	Good	NET Only fair/poor	Only fair	Poor	DK/Ref
Total Catholics	80	33	47	13	10	2	7=100	79	42	37	14	11	3	6=100	79	35	44	14	13	1	7=100
Men	76	27	48	17	13	4	7=100	74	36	37	18	14	4	8=100	76	30	46	16	14	3	8=100
Women	84	38	46	9	8	1	7=100	84	47	37	11	9	2	5=100	82	39	43	12	12	1	6=100
White	82	34	49	12	10	2	5=100	84	44	40	11	9	3	5=100	83	36	46	12	11	1	5=100
Hispanic	79	34	46	12	10	2	9=100	72	40	32	20	17	3	8=100	75	32	43	16	14	2	9=100
Ages 18-29	75	25	50	14	12	3	11=100	70	33	37	18	14	3	12=100	78	32	47	10	9	1	12=100
30-49	80	34	46	13	11	2	7=100	80	44	37	14	11	3	6=100	79	37	42	15	13	2	6=100
50-64	83	33	50	14	11	3	3=100	78	40	38	17	13	4	5=100	78	36	43	18	17	1	4=100
65+	81	41	40	11	8	3	8=100	86	48	38	9	8	1	6=100	81	34	46	11	9	2	9=100
Attend religious services...																					
Weekly or more	87	42	45	9	7	1	4=100	88	54	35	7	5	2	5=100	88	47	41	8	7	1	4=100
NET Less than weekly	76	28	48	15	12	3	9=100	74	35	39	19	16	3	8=100	74	28	46	18	16	2	8=100
Monthly/yearly	76	30	46	15	12	3	8=100	74	36	38	19	16	3	7=100	74	30	44	18	17	1	8=100
Seldom/never	75	21	54	16	13	3	10=100	72	31	42	19	14	5	9=100	73	22	51	17	14	3	10=100
Republican	83	33	49	13	10	3	5=100	87	43	44	10	9	1	3=100	86	39	48	10	10	0	4=100
Democrat	84	38	47	9	8	*	7=100	82	45	36	12	10	2	6=100	82	39	44	12	11	*	6=100
Independent	79	30	49	16	12	3	6=100	75	41	34	19	15	4	6=100	74	30	44	19	16	3	8=100
Conservative	80	35	45	15	12	4	4=100	80	40	41	14	11	3	6=100	80	36	44	15	12	3	5=100
Moderate	85	34	52	10	9	1	4=100	85	49	36	11	11	1	4=100	83	37	45	13	13	1	4=100
Liberal	79	32	46	12	10	2	10=100	75	40	35	17	13	4	8=100	78	33	45	14	14	*	8=100
College grad+	83	38	44	12	10	2	5=100	87	52	35	8	7	2	5=100	82	41	41	13	11	2	6=100
Some college	79	29	50	15	13	2	6=100	76	38	37	18	14	4	7=100	76	34	43	18	18	0	6=100
High school or less	80	33	47	12	9	3	8=100	77	38	40	16	13	3	7=100	80	32	47	13	10	2	8=100
Less than \$30,000	83	35	49	12	10	2	4=100	78	41	37	18	14	4	4=100	82	37	46	13	12	2	4=100
\$30,000-\$74,999	81	41	40	13	10	3	6=100	79	43	36	14	11	4	7=100	78	37	41	15	13	2	7=100
\$75,000+	81	28	53	12	10	3	7=100	82	44	38	11	10	1	6=100	80	35	45	14	13	1	7=100

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Detailed Tables: Ratings of Pope's Performance Among Catholics, continued

% saying Pope Francis is doing a _____ job...

	Addressing the needs and concerns of women							Promoting good relations between the Catholic Church and other major religions							Addressing environmental issues						
	NET Excellent/good	Excellent	Good	NET Only fair/poor	Only fair	Poor	DK/Ref	NET Excellent/good	Excellent	Good	NET Only fair/poor	Only fair	Poor	DK/Ref	NET Excellent/good	Excellent	Good	NET Only fair/poor	Only fair	Poor	DK/Ref
Total Catholics	65	22	43	24	20	4	11=100	78	34	44	15	13	2	7=100	53	18	35	29	25	4	18=100
Men	62	20	42	27	22	5	11=100	74	30	44	19	15	4	7=100	49	17	32	35	29	6	17=100
Women	68	25	43	22	19	3	10=100	81	37	44	12	11	1	7=100	56	19	37	25	23	2	19=100
White	66	22	44	24	20	4	10=100	81	36	45	13	12	2	6=100	52	16	36	28	24	4	20=100
Hispanic	66	26	39	24	20	4	11=100	74	31	44	18	14	4	8=100	53	21	32	32	28	4	15=100
Ages 18-29	64	17	47	22	19	4	14=100	71	28	42	17	15	2	12=100	48	12	36	39	31	7	14=100
30-49	64	26	37	25	21	4	12=100	73	32	42	18	15	3	8=100	52	19	33	29	25	4	19=100
50-64	64	23	41	28	22	6	8=100	81	35	46	14	13	1	4=100	51	18	33	33	29	3	16=100
65+	72	20	51	18	16	2	10=100	84	39	45	10	8	2	6=100	61	20	41	19	17	2	20=100
Attend religious services...																					
Weekly or more	76	28	49	15	12	4	8=100	85	42	43	11	9	1	4=100	60	23	38	23	20	4	16=100
NET Less than weekly	58	19	39	30	25	4	12=100	73	29	45	18	15	3	9=100	48	15	33	33	29	4	19=100
Monthly/yearly	59	20	38	30	25	5	11=100	74	31	43	17	14	2	9=100	49	16	33	33	30	4	18=100
Seldom/never	56	16	41	30	28	2	14=100	71	23	48	21	16	5	8=100	43	13	31	32	27	5	24=100
Republican	72	26	46	20	18	2	8=100	81	34	47	13	11	2	6=100	51	13	38	28	24	3	22=100
Democrat	65	23	42	25	22	3	10=100	81	38	43	12	11	1	7=100	58	21	36	28	24	3	15=100
Independent	63	20	43	28	22	6	9=100	74	28	46	20	16	3	7=100	50	17	33	34	29	5	16=100
Conservative	68	25	43	22	19	3	10=100	78	32	46	16	12	3	6=100	52	19	33	27	23	5	21=100
Moderate	68	23	45	24	20	4	8=100	79	36	43	17	17	1	3=100	56	16	40	27	24	3	16=100
Liberal	60	20	40	28	23	5	12=100	79	36	43	13	9	3	9=100	50	20	30	36	32	4	14=100
College grad+	64	22	42	24	18	6	11=100	82	42	40	12	10	2	6=100	53	18	35	25	21	4	22=100
Some college	60	23	37	29	24	5	11=100	76	31	45	16	15	1	7=100	47	15	31	34	30	4	20=100
High school or less	70	22	47	21	19	2	9=100	76	30	46	16	13	3	7=100	56	19	37	29	26	4	15=100
Less than \$30,000	71	27	44	21	18	4	7=100	79	32	47	15	12	3	6=100	60	25	35	29	23	5	11=100
\$30,000-\$74,999	70	25	45	21	16	4	9=100	78	34	44	16	14	1	6=100	53	16	37	30	27	3	17=100
\$75,000+	60	19	41	29	24	5	11=100	79	36	43	15	13	1	6=100	48	13	35	30	26	4	22=100

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FINAL TOPLINE
May 5-June 7, 2015
N=5,122**

QUESTIONS A1 AND A2 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**ASK ALL:**

Q.A3 Next, is your overall opinion of **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]** very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? How about **[NEXT NAME]? [IF NECESSARY: Just in general, is your overall opinion of [NAME] very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable?]** **[INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN'T RATE."]**

	-----Favorable-----			-----Unfavorable-----			(VOL.)	(VOL.)
	Total	Very	Mostly	Total	Very	Mostly	Never heard of	Can't rate/Ref
a. Pope Francis								
May 5-Jun 7, 2015	64	29	35	10	4	5	8	19
Feb 18-22, 2015	70	29	40	15	5	10	5	11
Feb 14-23, 2014	66	30	36	11	4	7	7	16
Sep 4-8, 2013	58	21	37	12	4	7	10	20
Mar 28-31, 2013	57	22	35	14	6	9	6	22
Feb 14-17, 2013 (Benedict XVI)	49	14	34	27	12	16	4	20
April, 2008 (Benedict XVI)	61	22	39	17	8	9	4	18
March, 2008 (Benedict XVI)	52	18	34	18	6	12	7	23
August, 2007 (Benedict XVI)	50	14	36	18	6	12	8	24
July, 2005 (Benedict XVI)	44	10	34	11	4	7	4	41
June, 1996 (John Paul II)	76	28	48	13	4	9	1	10
May, 1990 (John Paul II)	79	31	48	11	4	7	1	9
May, 1987 (John Paul II)	76	28	48	14	4	10	1	9

QUESTIONS A3b AND A3c HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**ASK ALL:**

Q.A15 Do you think Pope Francis represents a major change in direction for the Catholic Church, or don't you think so?**[INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: IF RESPONDENT SAYS "DON'T KNOW" OR THAT THEY HAVE NO OPINION, RECORD AS "9" AND DO NOT PROBE FURTHER]**

ASK IF "MAJOR CHANGE" (Q.A15=1):

Q.A16 And do you see this as **[READ AND RANDOMIZE: mainly a change for the better [OR] mainly a change for the worse]**?

May 5-Jun 7 <u>2015</u>		Feb 14-23 <u>2014</u>
56	Yes, represents a major change in direction	59
48	Mainly a change for the better [OR]	55
5	Mainly a change for the worse	3
1	Neither (VOL.)	*
2	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	1
18	No, don't think so	21
26	Don't know/refused (VOL.)	20

QUESTIONS B12a-B12e AND B15a-B15c HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

ASK ALL:

On another subject,

Q.D27 From what you've read and heard, is there solid evidence that the average temperature on earth has been getting warmer over the past few decades, or not?

ASK IF EARTH IS GETTING WARMER (Q.D27=1):

Q.D28a Do you believe that the earth is getting warmer [**READ AND RANDOMIZE:** mostly because of human activity such as burning fossil fuels [OR] mostly because of natural patterns in the earth's environment]?

-----Yes, solid evidence-----

	Total	Mostly b/c of human activity such as burning fossil fuels	Mostly b/c of natural patterns in the earth's environment	(VOL.) DK/Ref	No	(VOL.) Mixed/ some evidence	(VOL.) Don't know/ Refused
May 5-Jun 7, 2015	68	45	18	5	25	2	5
Aug 15-25, 2014	72	46	22	3	25	1	2
Feb 27-Mar 16, 2014	61	40	18	3	35	1	3
Oct 9-13, 2013	67	44	18	4	26	2	5
Mar 13-17, 2013	69	42	23	4	27	1	4
Oct 4-7, 2012	67	42	19	6	26	1	6
Nov 9-14, 2011	63	38	18	6	28	1	8
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	58	36	18	5	34	2	5
Oct 13-18, 2010	59	34	18	6	32	1	8
Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	57	36	16	6	33	2	8
April, 2008	71	47	18	6	21	3	5
January, 2007	77	47	20	10	16	1	6
August, 2006	77	47	20	10	17	1	5
July, 2006	79	50	23	6	17	1	3
June, 2006	70	41	21	8	20	1	9

ASK IF EARTH IS NOT GETTING WARMER (Q.D27=2):

Q.D28b Do you think that we just don't know enough yet about whether the Earth is getting warmer or do you think it's just not happening?

May 5-Jun 7 <u>2015</u>		Aug 15-25, <u>2014</u>	Feb 27-Mar 16 <u>2014</u>	Oct 9-13 <u>2013</u> ¹
25	NET No solid evidence	25	35	26
11	Just don't know enough yet	11	17	12
12	Just not happening	13	17	13
2	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	1	1	1
75	Solid evidence/Some evidence (VOL.) /Don't know (VOL.)	75	65	74

¹ Prior to October 2013, follow-up question was not asked of those who said there was no solid evidence.

ASK ALL:

Q.D30 In your view, is global warming a very serious problem, somewhat serious, not too serious, or not a problem?

	<u>Very serious</u>	Somewhat <u>serious</u>	<u>Not too serious</u>	<u>Not a problem</u>	(VOL.) Don't know/ <u>Refused</u>
May 5-Jun 7, 2015	46	23	13	16	2
Mar 13-17, 2013	33	32	13	20	2
Oct 4-7, 2012	39	25	14	19	3
Nov 9-14, 2011	38	27	16	17	2
Oct 13-18, 2010	32	31	16	18	3
Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	35	30	15	17	3
Apr 28-May 12, 2009	47	26	11	13	2
April, 2008	44	29	13	11	3
January, 2007	45	32	12	8	3
July, 2006	43	36	11	9	1
June, 2006	41	33	13	11	2

QUESTIONS F2-J9 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**BASED ON CATHOLIC (RELIG=2) [N=1,016]:**

Q.J22 As I read some phrases, please tell me whether you think each one describes Pope Francis. First, **[INSERT FIRST ITEM;RANDOMIZE, BUT ALWAYS ASK ITEM a,b, or c FIRST]**. Does this describe Pope Francis, or not? Next, **[INSERT NEXT ITEM]**. **[REPEAT IF NECESSARY: Does this describe Pope Francis, or not?]**

	Yes, describes <u>Pope Francis</u>	No, does not describe Pope <u>Francis</u>	(VOL.) Don't know/ <u>Refused</u>
May 5-Jun 7, 2015			
a. Humble	91	4	6
b. Compassionate	94	1	5
c. Open-minded	89	5	6
d. Too liberal	19	70	10
e. Naïve	15	76	9
f. Out of touch	11	80	8

BASED ON CATHOLIC (RELIG=2) [N=1,016]

Q.J29 How would you rate the job the pope is doing in **[INSERT; RANDOMIZE]**? Is he doing an excellent, good, only fair, or a poor job? How would you rate the job the pope is doing in **[INSERT NEXT ITEM]**? Is he doing an excellent, good, only fair, or a poor job? How about **[INSERT NEXT ITEM]**? **[READ AS NECESSARY: Is the pope doing an excellent, good, only fair, or a poor job [REPEAT ITEM]?**

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Only fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
a. Spreading the Catholic faith					
May 5-Jun 7, 2015	41	43	8	2	6
Feb 14-23, 2014	34	47	12	2	5
b. Addressing the sex abuse scandal in the Catholic Church					
May 5-Jun 7, 2015	19	36	22	12	11
Feb 14-23, 2014	18	36	24	15	8
NO ITEM c.					
d. Reforming the Vatican bureaucracy					
May 5-Jun 7, 2015	25	38	18	4	15
Feb 14-23, 2014	20	42	20	4	14
e. Standing up for traditional moral values					
May 5-Jun 7, 2015	33	47	10	2	7
Feb 14-23, 2014	29	51	14	2	4
f. Addressing the needs and concerns of the poor					
May 5-Jun 7, 2015	42	37	11	3	6
Feb 14-23, 2014	39	38	14	4	5
g. Addressing the needs and concerns of families					
May 5-Jun 7, 2015	35	44	13	1	7
h. Addressing the needs and concerns of women					
May 5-Jun 7, 2015	22	43	20	4	11
i. Promoting good relations between the Catholic church and other major religions					
May 5-Jun 7, 2015	34	44	13	2	7
j. Addressing environmental issues					
May 5-Jun 7, 2015	18	35	25	4	18

QUESTIONS J31-U3 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE