

Views on globalisation and faith

Latest findings from the Ipsos Global @dvisor survey

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About Ipsos' Global @dvisor survey

- This pack presents the findings of several questions regarding globalisation, the economy, religion and faith, placed on Global @dvisor, an Ipsos survey conducted between 6th and 21st April 2011.
- The survey is conducted monthly in 24 countries via the Ipsos Online Panel system.
- An international sample of 18,473 adults, aged 18-64 in the US and Canada, and aged 16-64 in all other countries, was interviewed. Approximately 1000+ individuals participated in each country, with the exception of Argentina, Belgium, Indonesia, Mexico, Poland, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, South Korea, Sweden and Turkey, where 500+ adults were interviewed.
- In Saudi Arabia, respondents were given the opportunity to opt out of answering the questions on religion given the potential sensitivity of some of the questions, and 354 respondents opted to complete the survey. This means that the findings for Saudi Arabia must be treated with caution as they are based on a smaller sample size of respondents who have actively opted into completing the survey.
- Weighting was applied to balance demographics and ensure that the sample's composition reflects that of the adult population according to the most recent country Census data.
- In developed countries these findings can be viewed as representative of the wider population. In developing countries, where access to the internet is less widespread, the results should be viewed as representative of a more affluent, connected, opinion leader population.



Challenges

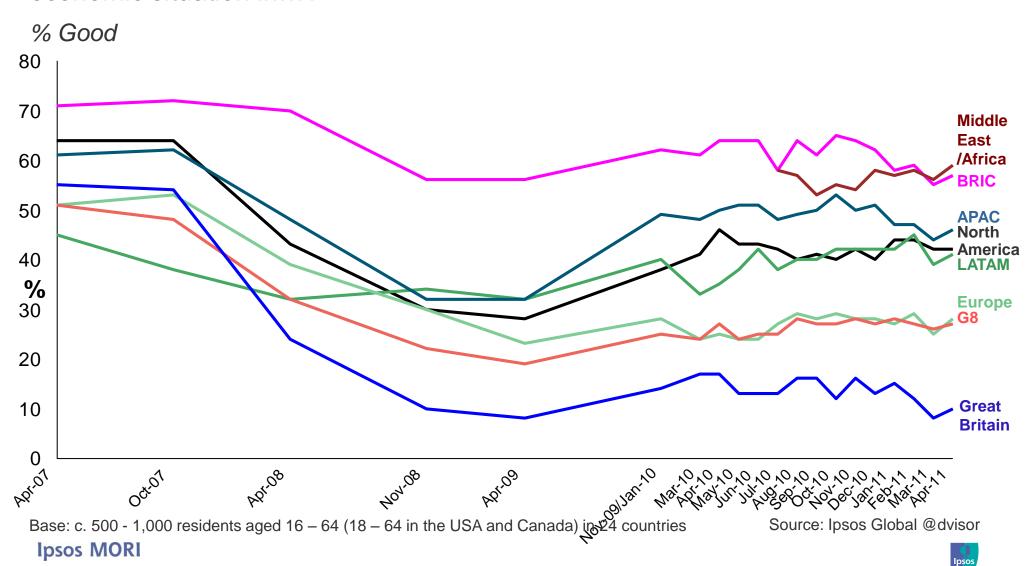
The world is divided over...

- The benefits of globalisation
- Interfaith tolerance and understanding
- What governments should do



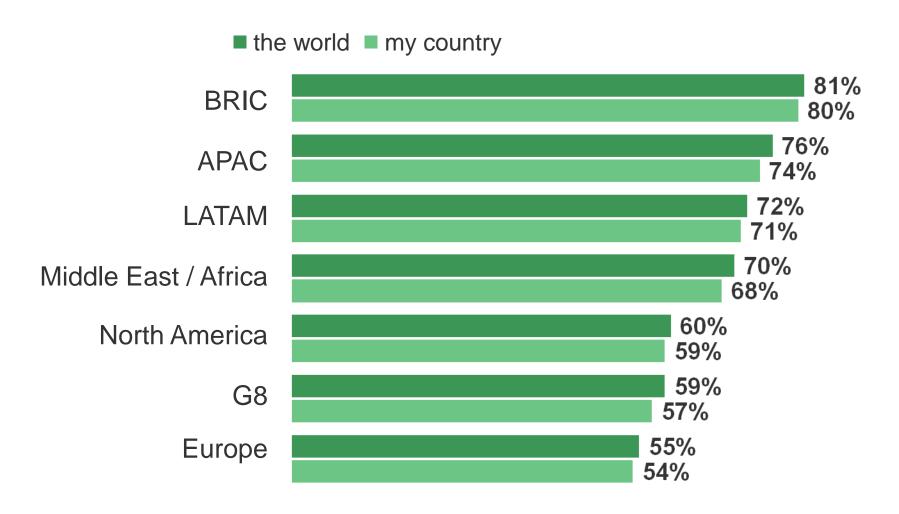
Views on economy vary dramatically

Now thinking about our economic situation, how would you describe the current economic situation in...?



Most support globalisation, but...

Overall, globalisation is a good thing for the world / my country

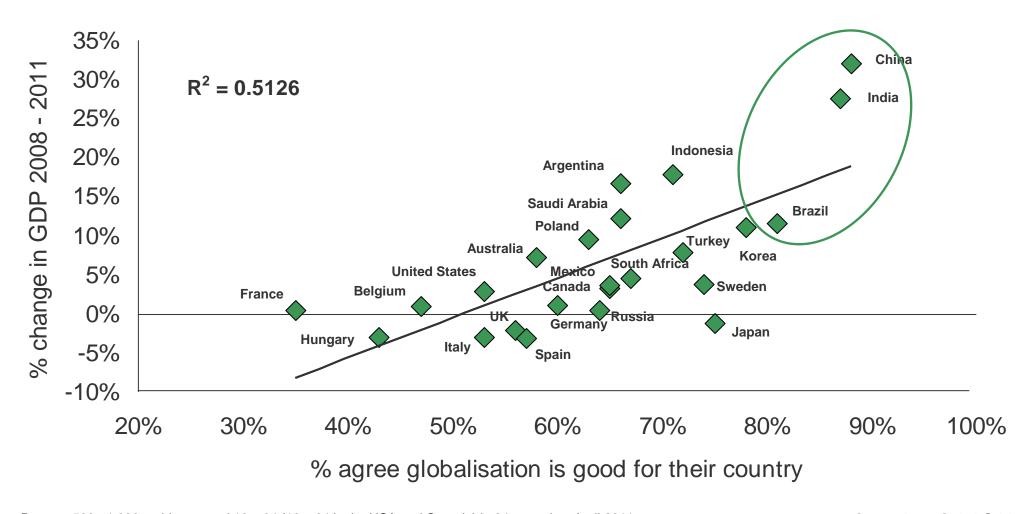


Base: c. 500 - 1,000 residents aged 16 - 64 (18 - 64 in the USA and Canada) in 24 countries, April 2011

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Views on globalisation reflect economic growth rate

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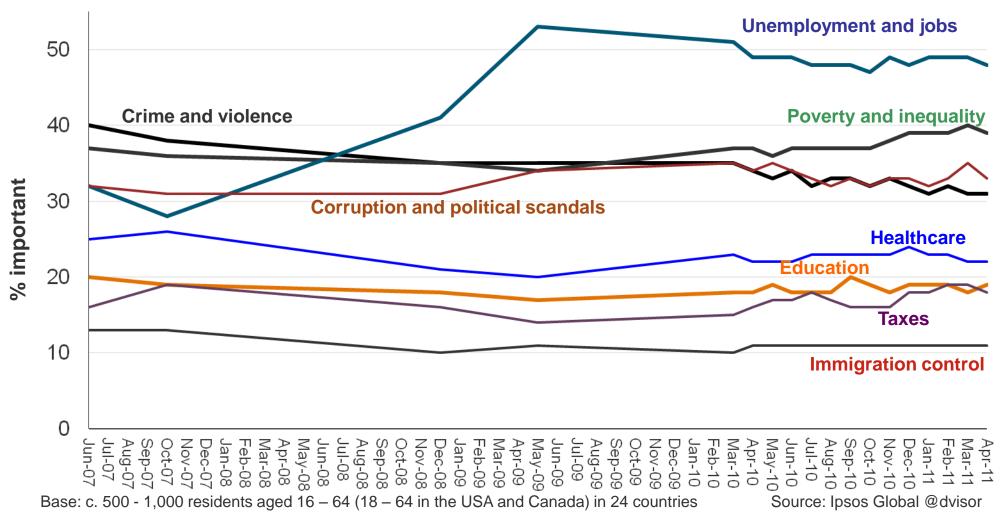
Base: c. 500 - 1,000 residents aged 16 – 64 (18 – 64 in the USA and Canada) in 24 countries, April 2011 Gross domestic product based on constant prices using national currency

Source: Ipsos Global @dvisor International Monetary Fund, World Economic Outlook, April 2011

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Overall economy dominates current concerns

Which three of the following topics do you find the most worrying in your country?



Europeans united in worry about jobs – but divided on poverty/inequality

Sweden

Unemployment/jobs 52 Poverty/inequality 36

Crime/violence 36

GB

Unemployment/jobs 54

Immigration control 34

Crime/violence 27

Germany

Poverty/inequality 50

Unemployment/jobs 31

Healthcare 30

France

Unemployment/jobs 54

Poverty/inequality 51

Crime/violence 31

Spain

Unemployment/jobs 83

Corruption/scandals 41

Poverty/inequality 25

Poland

Unemployment/jobs 66

Poverty/inequality 50

Healthcare 46

Hungary

Unemployment/jobs 75

Poverty/inequality 64

Corruption/scandals 48

Italy

Unemployment/jobs 77

Corruption/scandals 42

Poverty/inequality 28

Russia

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Corruption/scandals 46
Unemployment/jobs 39

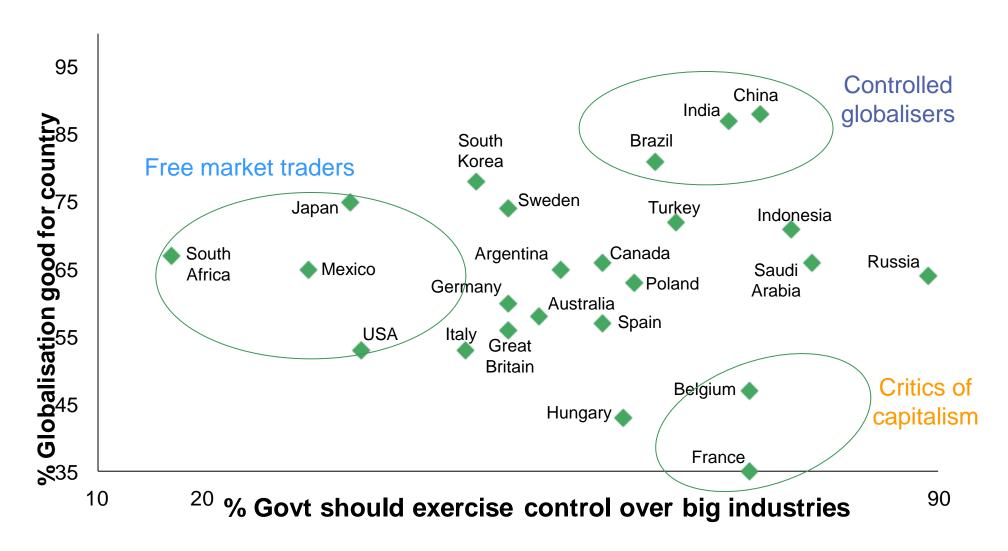
Base: c. 500 - 1,000 residents aged 16 - 64 (18 - 64 in the USA and Canada) in 9 countries, April 2011

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Supporters of globalisation and regulation



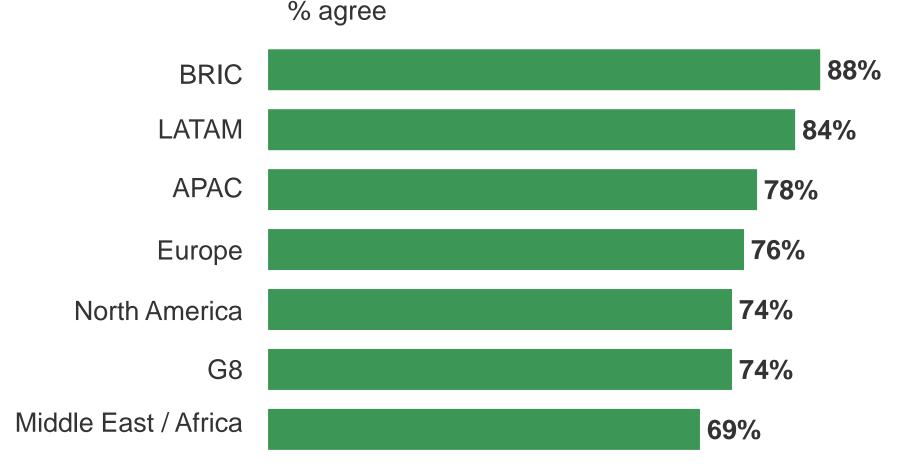
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Good business - bad business?



Most say they want more control of business

The government of [COUNTRY] should be more aggressive in regulating the activities of national and multinational corporations

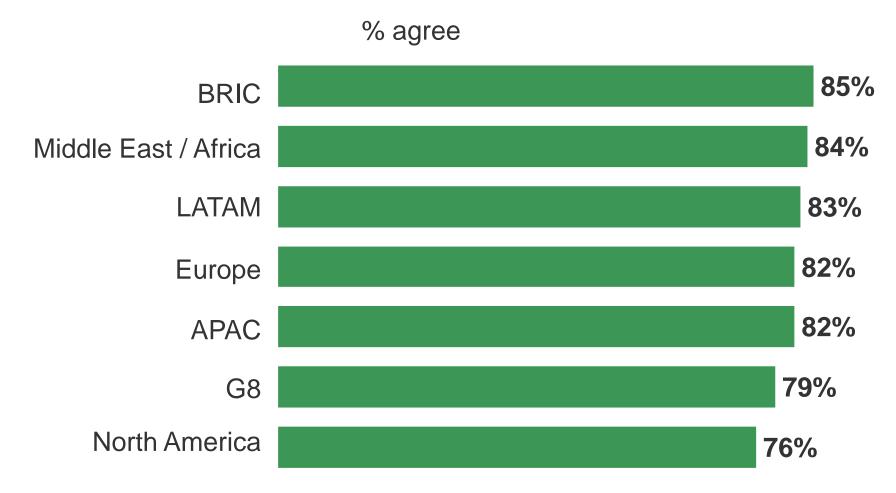


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They also want more inward investment!

Investment by global companies in [COUNTRY] is essential for our growth and expansion

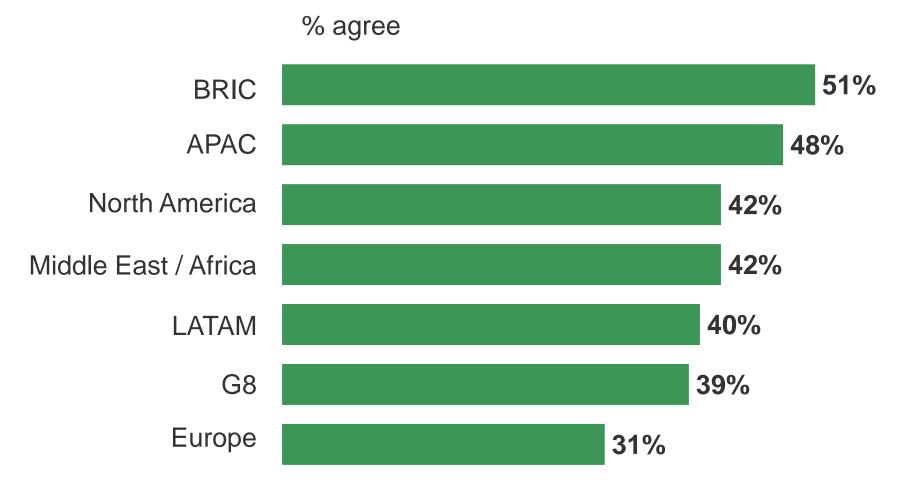


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Lower support in Europe for restricting foreign investment – reflects worry about jobs

We should restrict investment by foreign companies in [COUNTRY], even if it means fewer jobs will be created

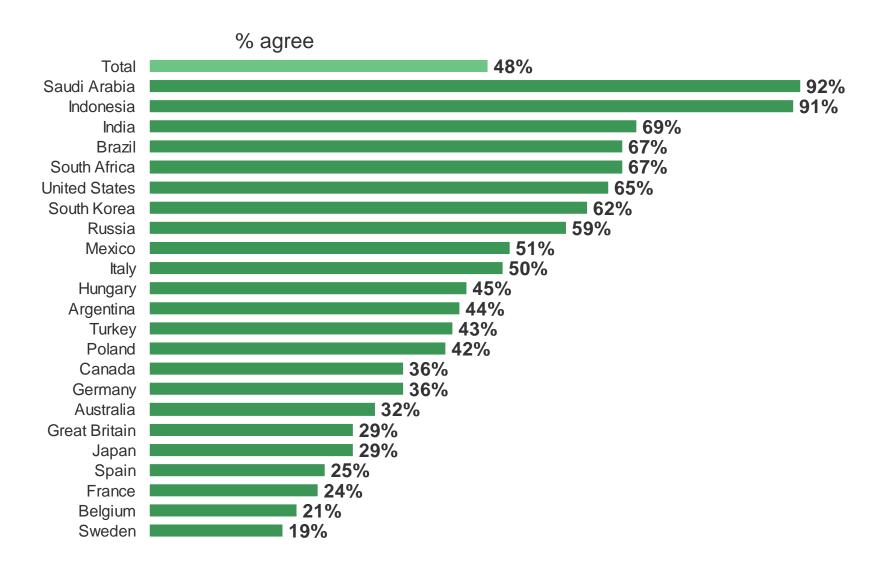


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Religion – force for good or not?



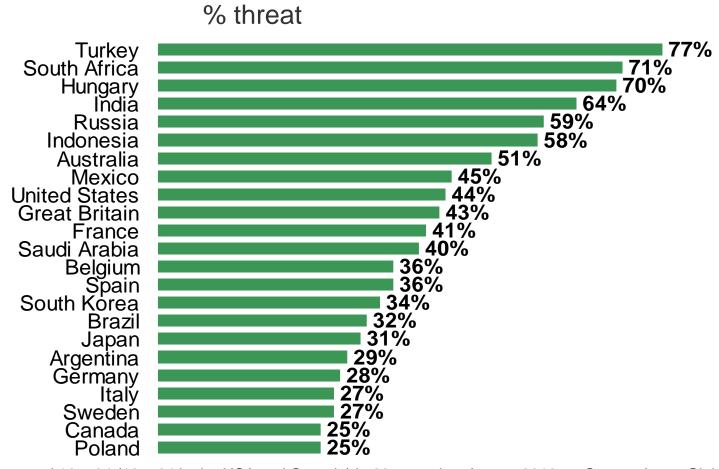
Does religion provide the common values and ethical foundations that diverse societies need to thrive in the 21st century?



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Real anxieties about conflict between ethnic groups/ minorities...

How real do you feel the threat is of a violent conflict breaking out between ethnic or minority groups in your country happening in the next twelve months: a very real threat, a somewhat real threat, not much of a real threat or not a real threat at all?

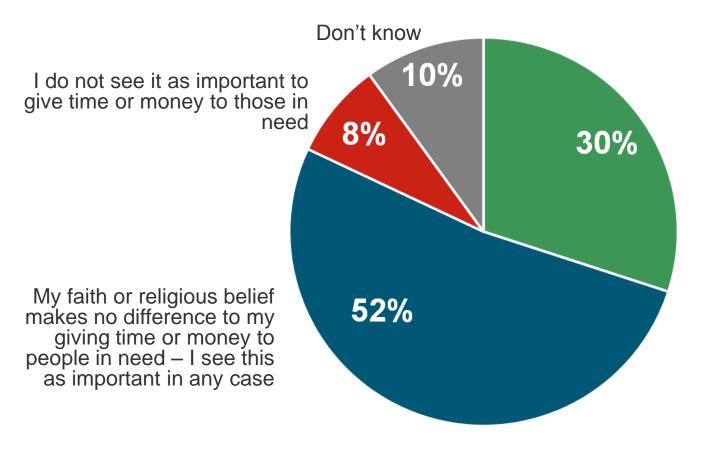


Base: c. 500 - 1,000 residents aged 16 – 64 (18 – 64 in the USA and Canada) in 23 countries, August 2010



Religion as a force for good?

Which one of the following statements comes CLOSEST to your own personal view?



My faith or religious belief is an important motivation in my giving time or money to people in need

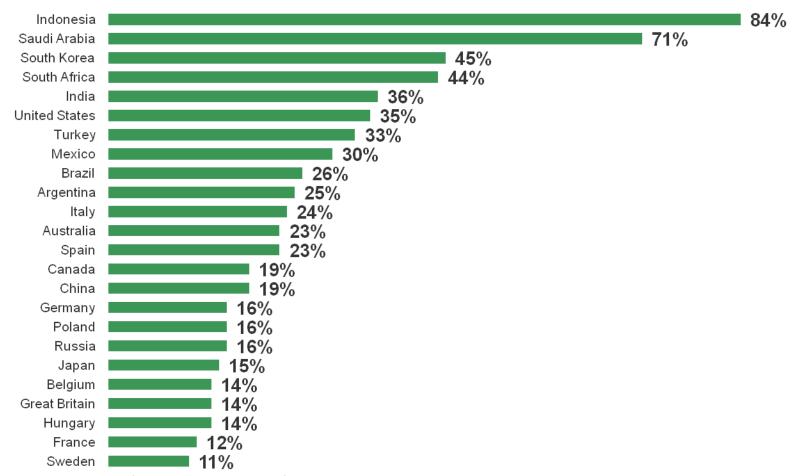
Source: Ipsos Global @dvisor

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Varies considerably across countries – lowest in Western Europe...

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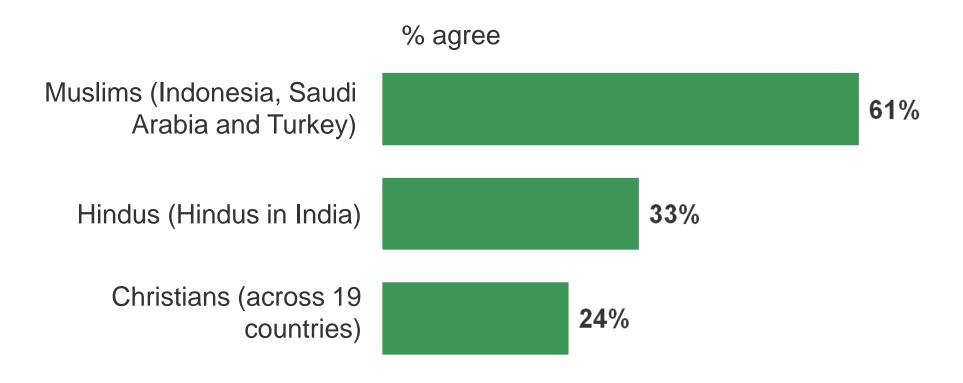
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Faith is a motivator for Muslims – one of five pillars of Islam

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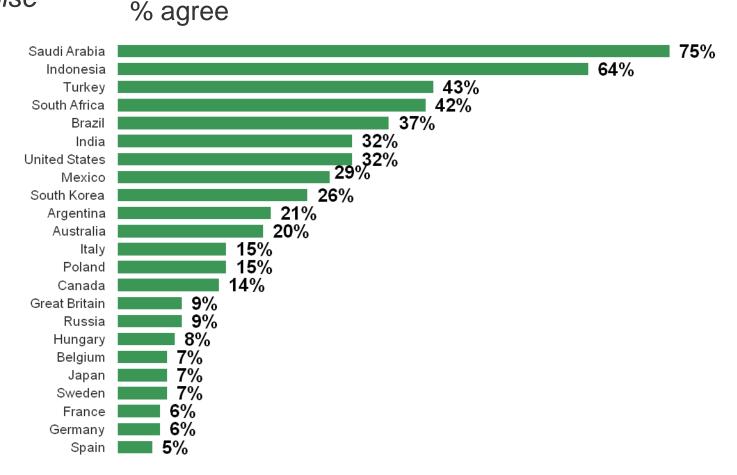


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Religious exclusivity – own faith/ religion the only true path?

Which one of the following statements comes closest to your own personal view? My faith or religion is the only true path to salvation, liberation or paradise

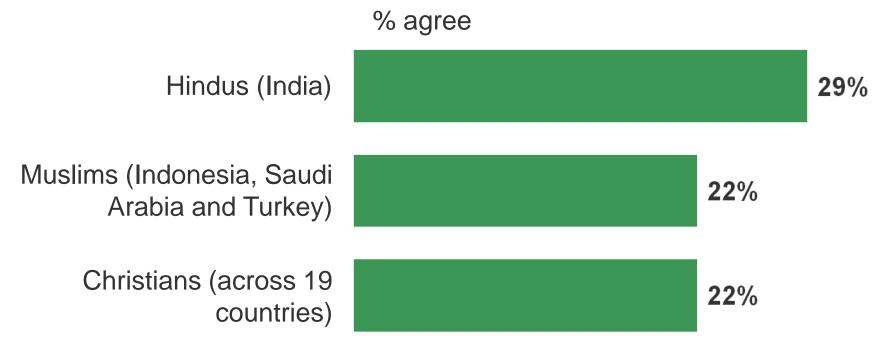


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Views on whether those of other religions may also be saved, find liberation or reach paradise

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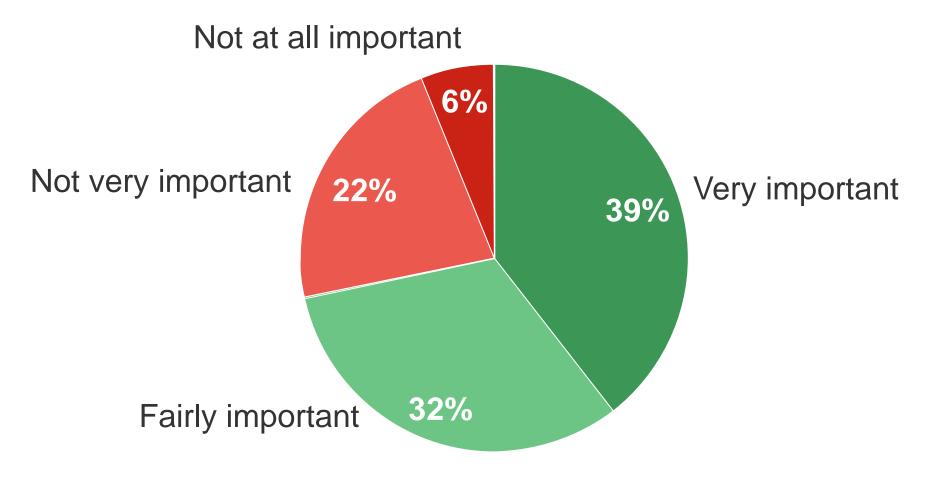


Importance of faith/ religious belief in people's lives



Seven in ten of those with a faith/ religion say it is important in their life

How important, if at all, is your faith or your religion in your life?



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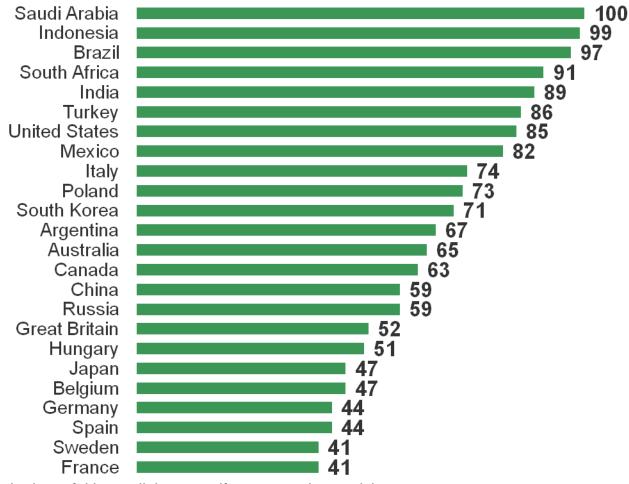
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Importance of faith/ religion in own life varies by country

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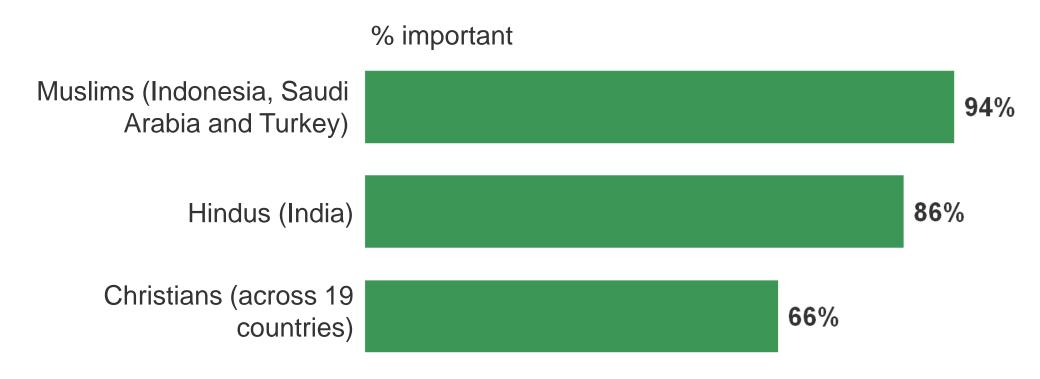
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Majority Muslim populations especially likely to see faith/ religion as important

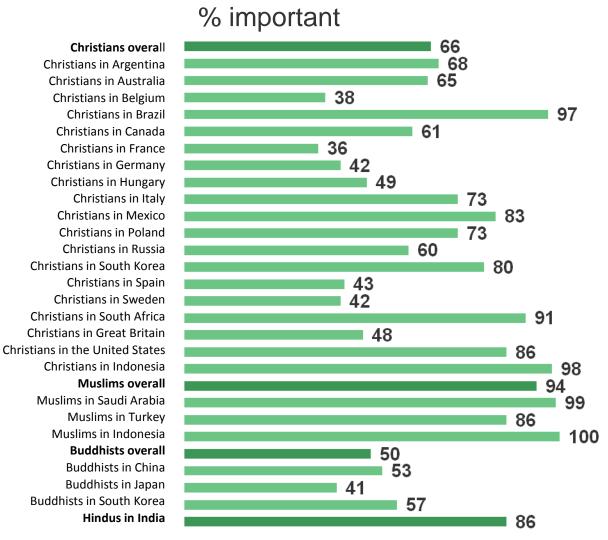
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Importance of faith/ religion in own life – by religious group within country



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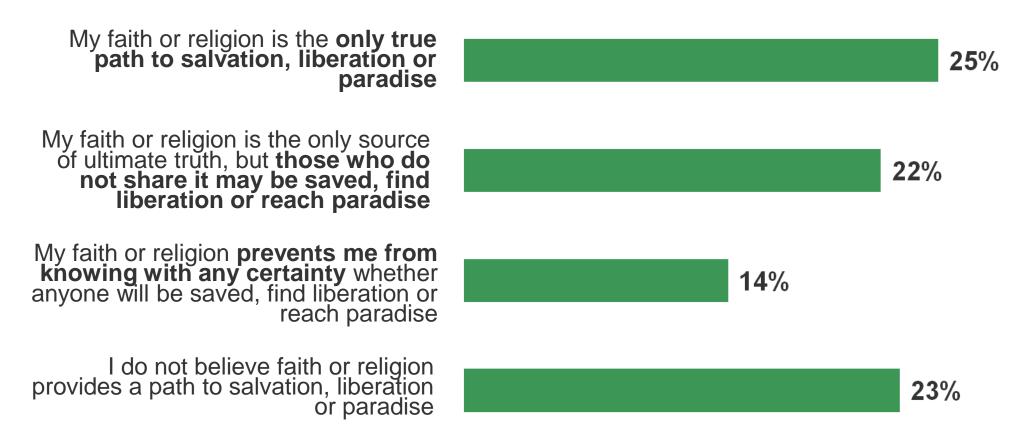


Own faith/ religion the only true path to salvation/ liberation/ paradise?



A quarter of those with a faith/religion say their own faith/religion is the only true path...

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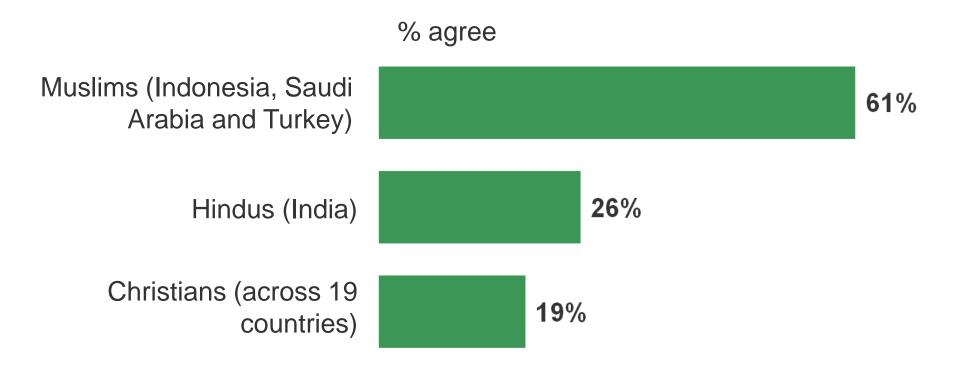


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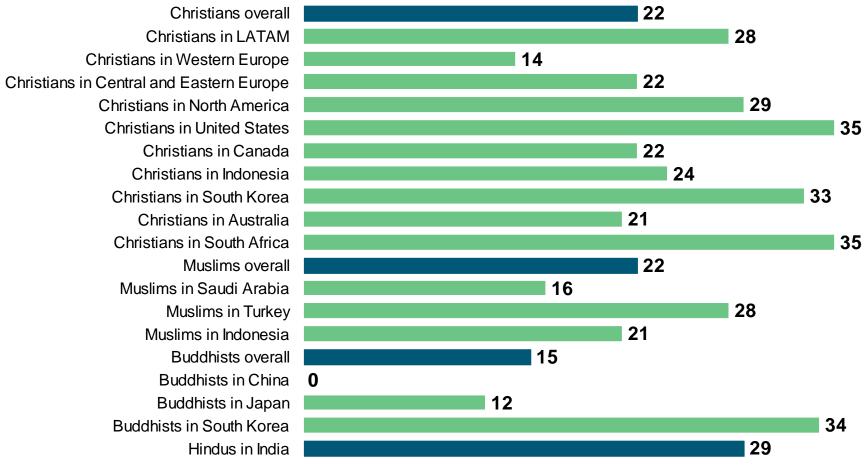
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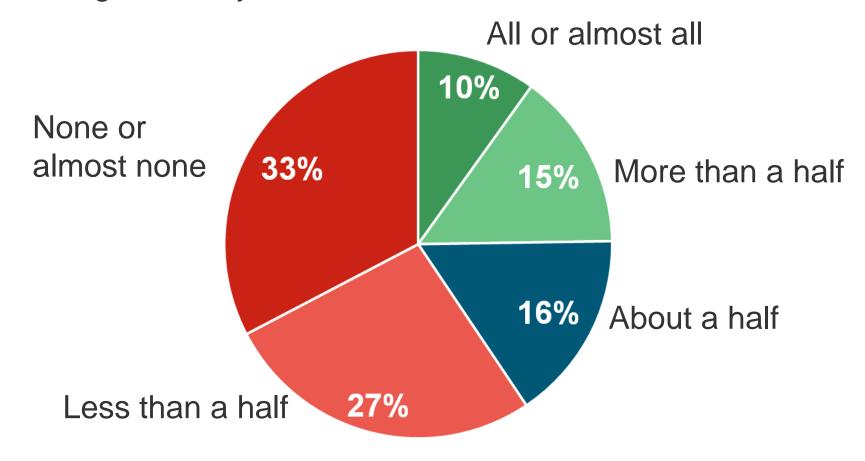


Mixing between those of different religions or faiths



Extent of mixing between different faiths

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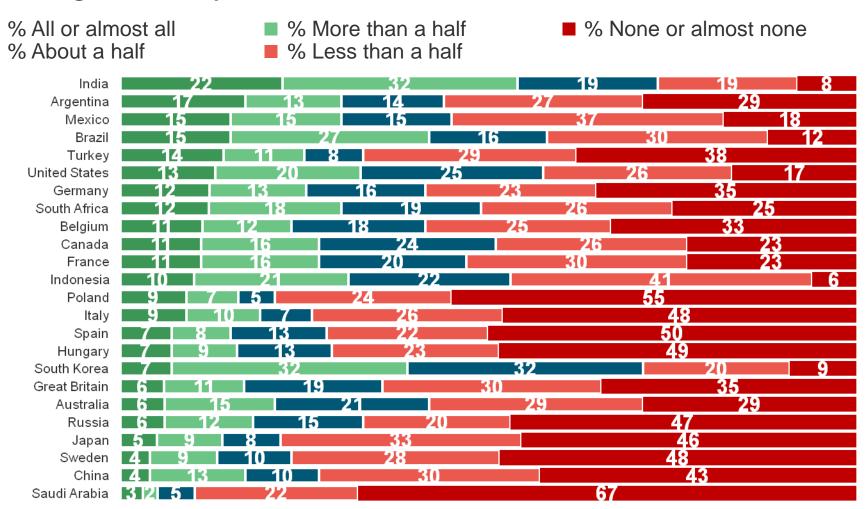


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Extent of mixing between different faiths – by country

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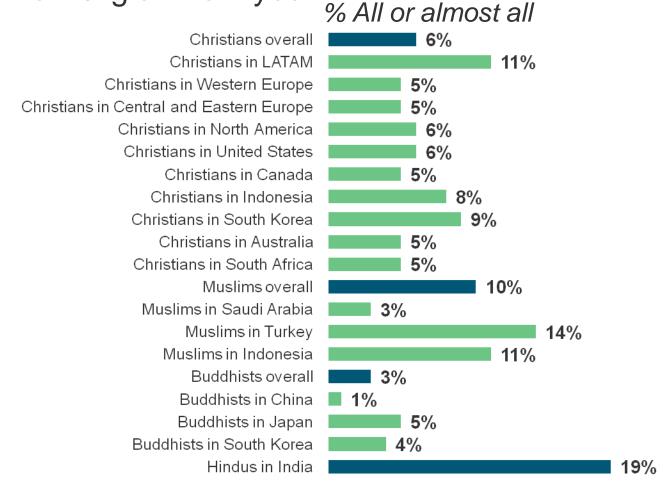
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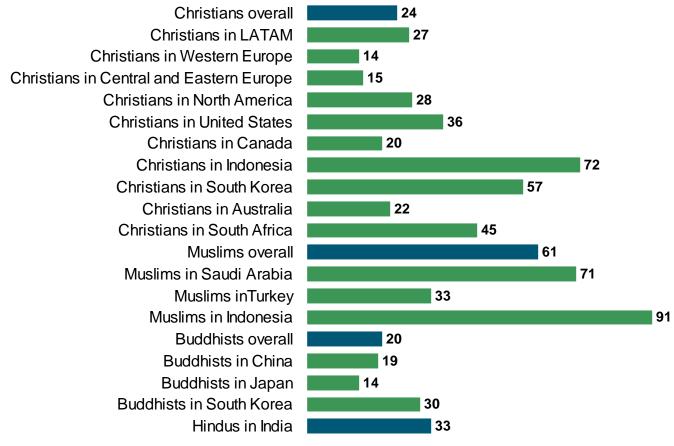
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Religion as a motivator to social action



Faith as motivator to giving – by religious group

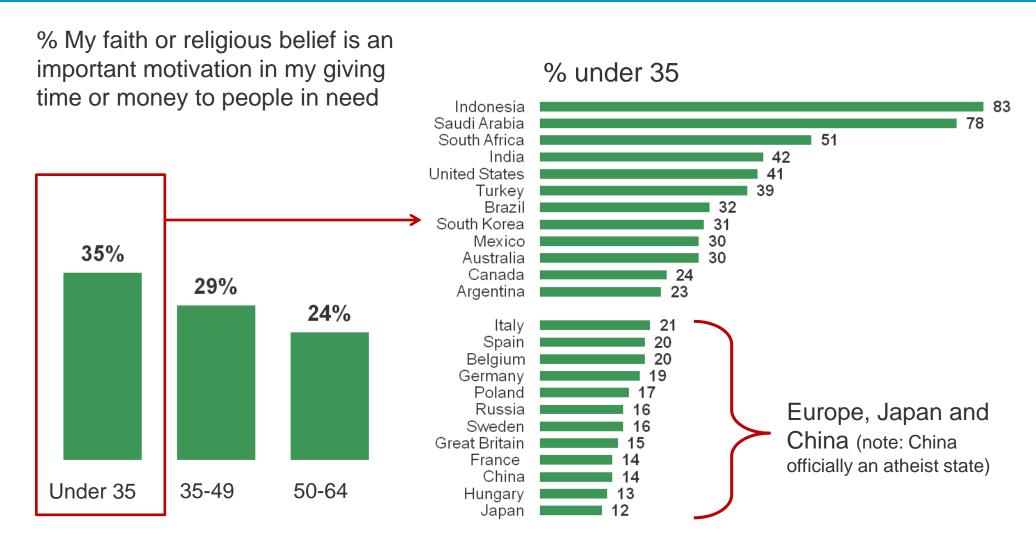
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Religion a bigger motivator to giving among young people...



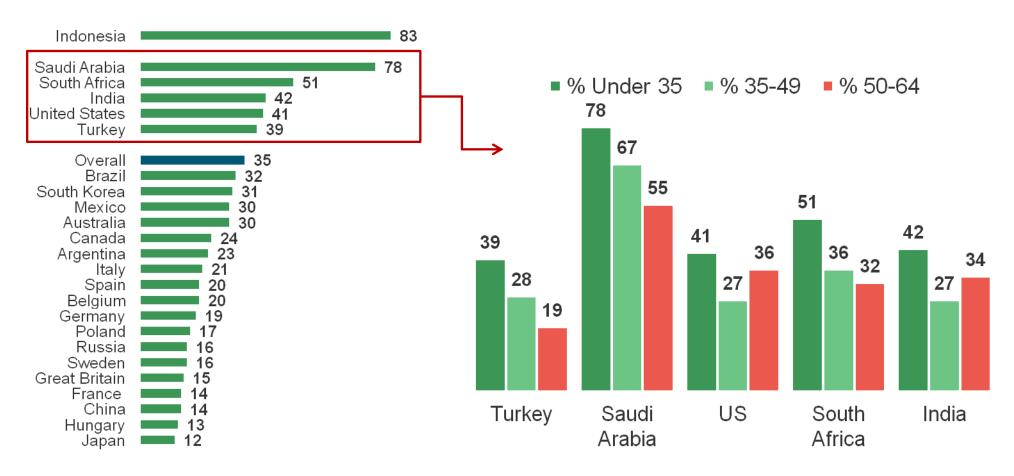
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...although this is driven by a handful of countries

% My faith or religious belief is an important motivation in my giving time or money to people in need (among under 35s)



Base: All respondents aged under 35 and who have a faith or religion, even if not currently practising (4,825 respondents across 24 countries, April 2011)

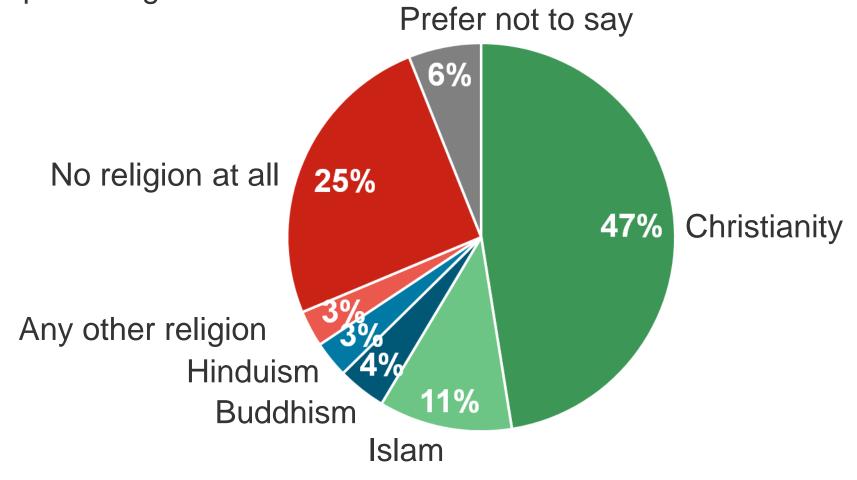


Religious belief – profile of survey respondents



Profile

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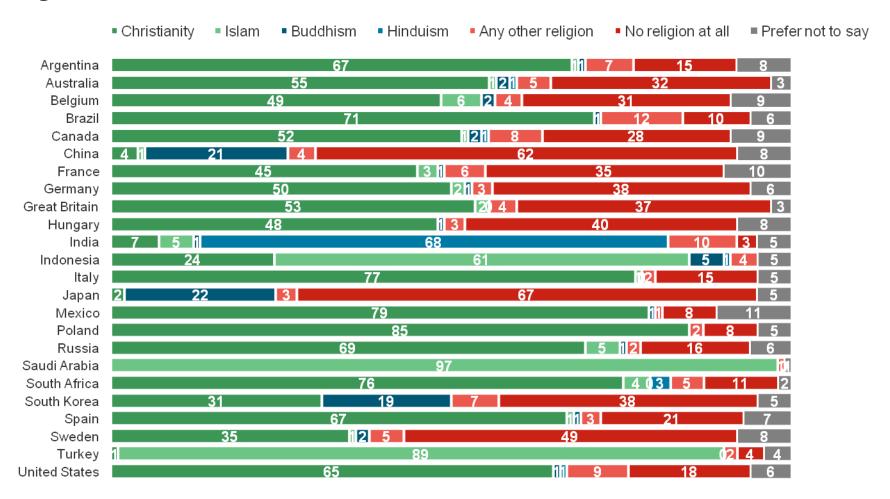


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Profile – by country

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