

**PRRI May 2014 Survey**  
**May 14 – 18, 2014**  
**N = 1,011**

Q.1 In America today, do you believe that the right of religious liberty is being threatened, or not?

54	Yes
41	No
<u>5</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.2 Thinking about the role of religion in American society, what do you think is the MOST serious problem today? That... **[RANDOMIZE OPTIONS]**

30	Religion is being removed from public places
25	The government is interfering with the ability of people to freely practice their religion
24	Religious groups are trying to pass laws to force their beliefs on others
9	The rights of smaller religious groups are not being protected
3	Other [VOL.--SPECIFY]
8	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.3 There is currently a debate over what kinds of health care plans employers, including religiously affiliated employers, should be required to provide. Do you think **[INSERT; RANDOMIZE]** should be required to provide their employees with health care plans that cover contraception or birth control at no cost, or not? What about **[INSERT; RANDOMIZE]**?

**IF NECESSARY REPEAT:** Do you think **[INSERT; RANDOMIZE]** should be required to provide their employees with health care plans that cover contraception or birth control at no cost, or not?

a. Religiously affiliated colleges and universities

52	Yes
44	No
<u>4</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

## b. Religiously affiliated hospitals

56	Yes
41	No
<u>3</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

## c. Churches and other places of worship

42	Yes
53	No
<u>5</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

## d. Privately owned small businesses

51	Yes
46	No
<u>3</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

## e. Privately owned corporations

57	Yes
40	No
<u>3</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

## f. Publicly held corporations

61	Yes
35	No
<u>4</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.4 Do you support allowing public officials to open meetings, such as a town hall meeting, with a prayer, or do you not support this?

77	Yes, support it
20	No, do not support it
<u>3</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.5 Do you think that a small business owner in your state should be allowed to refuse to provide products or services to individuals because they are **[INSERT; RANDOMIZE]**, if it violates their religious beliefs? And should a small business owner in your state be allowed to refuse to provide products or services to individuals because they are **[INSERT; NEXT]**, if it violates their religious beliefs?

a. Gay or lesbian

16	Yes
80	No
<u>4</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

b. Black

10	Yes
87	No
<u>2</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

c. Atheist

15	Yes
81	No
<u>5</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

d. Jewish

12	Yes
85	No
<u>3</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

## Survey Methodology

The survey was designed and conducted by Public Religion Research Institute. Results of the survey were based on bilingual (Spanish and English) RDD telephone interviews conducted between May 14, 2014 and May 18, 2014 by professional interviewers under the direction of Social Science Research Solutions (SSRS). Interviews were conducted among a random sample of 1,011 adults 18 years of age or older in the continental United States (511 respondents were interviewed on a cell phone).

The final sample was weighted to six different parameters—age, sex, geographic region, race, education and telephone usage<sup>1</sup>—to ensure reliable and accurate representation of the total adult population.

The margin of error for the survey is +/- 3.1 percentage points at the 95% level of confidence. In addition to sampling error, surveys may also be subject to error or bias due to question wording, context and order effects.

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<sup>1</sup> Telephone usage refers to whether respondents have only a landline telephone, only a cell phone or both types and the frequency with which they use each type.