

Views About Homosexuality

U.S. Religious Traditions	Homosexuality should be accepted by society	Homosexuality should be discouraged by society	Neither/ both equally	Don't know/ refused	Sample Size
National Total:	50%	40%	5%	5%	35556
Evangelical Churches	26%	64%	5%	5%	9472
Mainline Churches	56%	34%	6%	5%	7470
Historically Black Churches	39%	46%	6%	8%	1995
Catholics	58%	30%	5%	7%	8054
Mormons	24%	68%	5%	3%	581
Orthodox	48%	37%	7%	8%	363
Jehovah's Witnesses	12%	76%	6%	5%	215
Other Christians	69%	20%	6%	5%	129
Jews	79%	15%	3%	3%	682
Muslims	27%	61%	5%	7%	1050
Buddhists	82%	12%	2%	4%	411
Hindus	48%	37%	3%	11%	257
Other Faiths	84%	8%	4%	3%	449
Unaffiliated	71%	20%	5%	5%	5048

Question wording: Now I'm going to read you a few pairs of statements. For each pair, tell me whether the FIRST statement or the SECOND statement comes closer to your own views -- even if neither is exactly right. 1 - Homosexuality is a way of life that should be accepted by society, OR 2 - Homosexuality is a way of life that should be discouraged by society.

Data for Muslims from "Muslim Americans: Middle Class and Mostly Mainstream," Pew Research Center, 2007.