MODULE 8

Religious Life histories

Preload needed: None

Other section variables needed: A019 (R Age, calculated)

Fills:

Variables in this module: V351 – V367

Sample: no issues

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V351_RELIGRAISED
CHILDHOOD – RELIGION RAISED IN -- MULTIPLE MENTION

These questions are about religious and spiritual experiences that you may have had during childhood, before you were 16 years old. In what religion were you raised, if any? Was it Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, some other religion, or no religion?

Iwer: If R says Baptist, Methodist, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Pentecostal, Episcopal or Anglican, code as 1. Protestant.
"If R mentions more than one religion, record the one that was mentioned first."

1. Protestant
2. Catholic
3. Jewish
4. Mormon
5. Islam (or Muslim)
6. Other – Specify – V352
7. None → GO TO V355
8. DK → GO TO V355
9. RF → GO TO V355

V352 BRANCHPOINT: IF V351 EQ 6 THEN CONTINUE ELSE GO TO V353 BRANCHPOINT
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V352_RELIGOTHER
CHILDHOOD – RELIGION RAISED IN – OTHER SPECIFY

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Other religion

1. Continue

V353_BRANCHPOINT: IF V351 EQ 1 THEN CONTINUE ELSE GO TO V355

V353_DENOMINATION
PROTESTANT DENOMINATION

What (Protestant) denomination was that?

1. Baptist
2. Methodist
3. Lutheran
4. Presbyterian
5. Pentecostal, Assembly of God
6. Episcopal, Anglican
7. Other – specify

8. DK
9. RF

V354_BRANCHPOINT: IF V353 EQ 7 THEN CONTINUE ELSE GO TO V355

V354_DENOMOTHER
PROTESTANT DENOMINATION -- OTHER SPECIFY

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Other denomination

1. Continue
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V355_HOWOFTENCHLD
HOW OFTEN ATTENDED SERVICES DURING CHILDHOOD

On average, about how often did you attend religious services during your childhood? Would you say more than once a week, once a week, two or three times a month, one or more times a year, less than once a year, or never?

1. More than once a week
2. Once a week
3. Two or three times a month
4. One or more times a year
5. Less than once a year
6. Never

8. DK
9. RF

V356_RELIGSCHILD
CONSIDER SELF RELIGIOUS PERSON DURING CHILDHOOD

During your childhood, to what extent did you consider yourself a religious person? Would you say you were very religious, moderately religious, slightly religious or not religious at all?

1. Very religious
2. Moderately religious
3. Slightly religious
4. Not religious at all

8. DK
9. RF

V357_SPIRITLCHILD
CONSIDER SELF SPIRITUAL PERSON DURING CHILDHOOD

During your childhood, to what extent did you consider yourself a spiritual person? (Would you say you were very spiritual, moderately spiritual, slightly spiritual or not spiritual at all?)

1. Very spiritual
2. Moderately spiritual
3. Slightly spiritual
4. Not spiritual at all

8. DK
9. RF

V358 BRANCHPOINT: IF A019 GE 30 THEN CONTINUE ELSE GO TO V360
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V358_1629SERVICE
HOW OFTEN ATTEND RELIGIOUS SERVICES AGE 16-29

The next questions are about your religious experiences during adulthood. On average, about how often did you attend religious services as a young adult, say between the ages of 16 and 29? (Would you say more than once a week, once a week, two or three times a month, one or more times a year, less than once a year, or never?)

1. More than once a week
2. Once a week
3. Two or three times a month
4. One or more times a year
5. Less than once a year
6. Never
8. DK
9. RF

V359 BRANCHPOINT: IF A019 GE 40 THEN CONTINUE ELSE GO TO V360

V359_3049SERVICE
HOW OFTEN ATTEND RELIGIOUS SERVICES AGE 30-49

How about between the ages of 30 and [FL_AGE]. (Would you say more than once a week, once a week, two or three times a month, one or more times a year, less than once a year, or never?)

1. More than once a week
2. Once a week
3. Two or three times a month
4. One or more times a year
5. Less than once a year
6. Never
8. DK
9. RF

V360_LIFECHANGE
EVER HAD LIFE CHANGING RELIGIOUS OR SPIRITUAL EXPERIENCE

Have you ever had a religious or spiritual experience that changed your life?

1. Yes
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5. No → GO TO V362

8. DK → GO TO V362
9. RF → GO TO V362

V361_LIFECCHNGAGE
AGE LIFE CHANGING EXPERIENCE OCCURRED

About how old were you when this experience occurred?

_______ Range: 1 – 97
Age
Infer: If R had more than one experience, probe for the age of the earliest one.

V362_FAITHGAIN
EVER HAD SIGNIFICANT GAIN IN FAITH

Have you ever had a significant gain in your faith?

1. Yes
5. No

8. DK
9. RF → GO TO V364

V363_FAITHLOSS
EVER HAD SIGNIFICANT LOSS IN FAITH

Have you ever had a significant loss in your faith?

1. Yes
5. No

8. DK
9. RF

V364_NOWHOWRELIGS
HOW RELIGIOUS NOW

Lastly we have a few questions about your current religious and spiritual experiences and beliefs. To what extent do you consider yourself a religious person now? Would you say you are very religious, moderately religious, slightly religious or not religious at all?

1. Very religious
2. Moderately religious
3. Slightly religious
4. Not religious at all

8. DK
9. RF
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V365_NOWHOSPIRIT
HOW SPIRITUAL NOW

To what extent do you consider yourself a spiritual person now? Would you say you are very spiritual, moderately spiritual, slightly spiritual or not spiritual at all?

1. Very spiritual
2. Moderately spiritual
3. Slightly spiritual
4. Not spiritual at all

8. DK
9. RF

V366_HOWOFTENPRAY
HOW OFTEN PRAY NOT IN CHURCH-SYNAGOGUE

How often do you pray privately in places other than at church or synagogue? Would you say more than once a day, once a day, a few times a week, once a week, a few times a month, once a month, less than once a month, or never?

01. More than once a day
02. Once a day
03. A few times a week
04. Once a week
05. A few times a month
06. Once a month
07. Less than once a month
08. Never

98. DK
99. RF

V367_OFTENMEDITAT
HOW OFTEN MEDITATE OR PERSONAL CONTEMPLATION

How often do you meditate or take time for personal contemplation? (Would you say more than once a day, once a day, a few times a week, once a week, a few times a month, once a month, less than once a month, or never?)

01. More than once a day
02. Once a day
03. A few times a week
04. Once a week
05. A few times a month
06. Once a month
07. Less than once a month
08. Never

98. DK