Americans Use of Church-run Food Pantries

Survey of 1,158 Americans
September 2014



Methodology

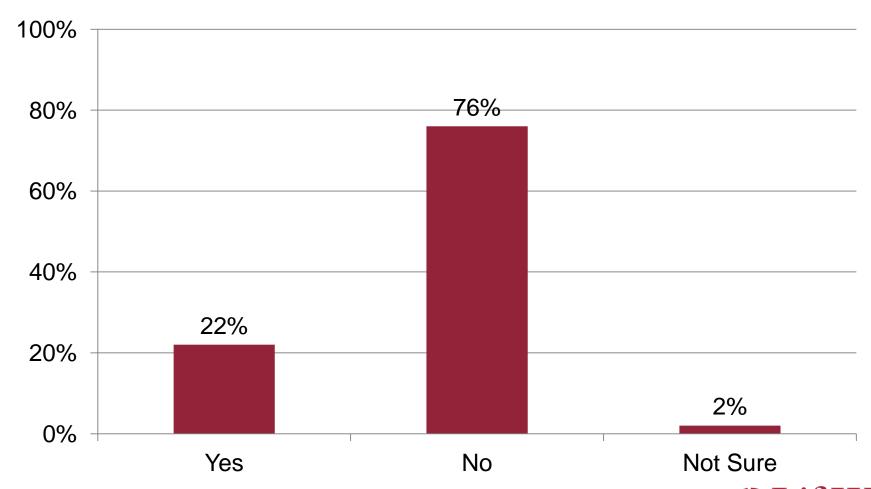
- The online survey of adult Americans was conducted September 17-18, 2014
- A sample of an online panel demographically reflecting the adult population of the US was invited to participate
- Responses were weighted by region, age, ethnicity, gender and income to more accurately reflect the population
- The completed sample is 1,158 online surveys
- The sample provides 95% confidence that the sampling error from this panel does not exceed ±2.9%
- Margins of error are higher in sub-groups



Survey Responses



22% of American adults are in families who have received food from a church-run food pantry in the past



Significant Differences

Region
Age
Gender
Education Level
Ethnicity
Frequency of Religious Service Attendance
Religious Preference
Self-Identified Evangelical Christian



Significant Statistical Differences

Comparisons were made to determine if there are any significant statistical differences among region of the country, age, gender, and education level.

Region	Age	Gender	Education Level
Northeast	18-29	Male	No College Degree
Midwest	30-44	Female	College Degree
South	45-54		
West	55-64		
	65+		

Note: Region is defined by US Census locations



Significant Statistical Differences

Comparisons were made to determine if there are any significant statistical differences among ethnicity, religious service attendance, religious preference, and whether they consider themselves an evangelical Christian.

Ethnicity	Religious Service Attendance	Religious Preference	Evangelical Christian
African American	More than once a week, About once a week	Catholic	Yes
Hispanic	Only on religious holidays	Protestant, Non- denominational	No, Don't Know
White	Rarely	Other Religions	
	Never	Atheist/Agnostic/ No Preference	



"My family has received food from a churchrun food pantry in the past."

- Americans in the West (28%) are more likely to answer "Yes" than those in the Northeast (17%) and South (20%)
- Americans 65+ are the least likely to answer "Yes" (11%)
- African-Americans (37%) are more likely to answer "Yes" than Whites (19%) and Hispanics (25%)
- Americans with no college degree (28%) are more likely to answer "Yes" than those with a college degree (13%)
- Self-identified evangelical Christians (35%) are more likely to answer "Yes" than those who are not (19%)
- Americans who attend Once or twice a month (26%) are more likely to answer "Yes" than those who Never attend (18%)



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