

Westminster Faith Debates

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Is it Right for Religions to Treat Men and Women Differently?

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YouGov survey for Westminster Faith Debates, 2013

- Online survey
- Total sample size 4,437 adults.
- Fieldwork undertaken 25th - 30th January 2013.
- The figures have been weighted and are representative of all GB adults (aged 18+).

Approval of the CofE's current policies towards women

16% of practising Anglicans

11% of nominal Anglicans

8% of the general population

Approval of the CofE's current policies towards women

3% of those of 'no religion'

26% of Muslims

Only 20% of Anglicans approve of how women are treated at parish level

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Approval of RC Church's current policies towards women

31% practising Catholics

22% Catholics

6% of the general population

Would religions be better if women held senior positions?

Answering “no” :

2% of ‘nones’

2% of Hindus

5% of Anglicans

10% of Catholics

11% of Jewish respondents

18% of Muslims

Who are the 5% of the population who say religions would be worse off with women leaders?

The salient factors:

- * Being male (3% of women and 6% of men think things would be worse)
- * Drawing most guidance from religious leaders and teachings

But in every identifiable group in our survey, those that thought major religions would be better with women's leadership clearly outnumbered those who thought they would be worse.

YouGov
April 2012

Thinking about whether or not people should have the right to wear religious symbols when they are at work, which of the following best reflects your view?

All people should have a right to wear religious symbols at work

56

Employers should be able to set rules on whether or not their workers can wear religious symbols to work

24

Wearing religious symbols at work should not be allowed

11

Don't know

10

Populus (May 2008)	All	Christian	None
<i>When you last thought about the concept of God, did you consider God as ...</i>			
Male	62	73	48
Neither male nor female	18	15	18
Both male and female	3	4	2
Female	1	1	0
None of the above	16	7	32

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