

## 21st Century Evangelicals

## A snapshot of the beliefs and habits of evangelical Christians in the UK

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## More information about the survey

The survey was carried out in November 2014

- 1,853 people responded to our survey:
  - an overall response rate of 36% of the 4,167 who were invited by email (71% for those who had done the previous survey)
  - 355 people responded for the first time through the open web link
- 99% defined themselves as committed Christians, and 89% (1,607) self-defined as evangelicals. Our data analysis in the report is based on the 1,607 evangelicals.
- More men (54.6%) took part than women (45.4%).
- There was a wide age range, with a bias towards those aged over 50:

Decade born:	1920s	1930s	1940s	1950s	1960s	1970s	1980s	1990s
Percentage:	0.6%	5%	22%	28%	22%	13%	7%	3%

- Men significantly outnumbered women among the over-60s, while women were a substantial majority among the under-35s.
- A wide spread of denominations were represented, with Anglicans (30%), Baptists (20%) and Charismatics (16%) being the largest categories.
- People living in London, East Anglia, South-east and South-west England were strongly represented, with relatively few respondents from North-east England, Wales and Northern Ireland.
- 93% described themselves as white British.

As this is an opportunity sample we need to be very cautious in extrapolating from it – we cannot claim that it is statistically representative of the evangelical Christian community across the UK (which in any case has never been well-defined or enumerated).

Although we suspect the age and gender breakdown may not be a good representation of the demographics of the church as a whole, it would be difficult to find evidence on which to base weighting formulae to counteract the possible biases. Therefore, the results presented in the report are based on unweighted data.

If you have specific questions or would like to see the original data tables or the full data report please contact our research manager Greg Smith at g.smith@eauk.org

