

France: Young Muslims are becoming increasingly radical, 57% prioritize the rules of Islam over French laws and 21% support Sharia law ‘fully applied’

Polling shows that conservative Islam is growing, integration worsening, science concepts being sidelined, and French law taking a backseat to Islamic law for an extremely high number of Muslims



— Muslims gather to perform Eid al-Adha prayers on July 09, 2022 in Arles, France. (Photo by Hesham Elsherif/Getty Images)

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A detailed study by the prestigious polling service Ifop shows that hardline views are growing amongst Muslims in France, including an emphasis on the laws of Islam being placed over those of the state, particularly among young Muslims. At the same time, Christianity is collapsing in France.

Among Muslims in general, 44 percent polled say they “respect the rules of Islam” as being more important “than respect for French laws.” For those aged 15-24, 57 percent believe the rules of Islam are more important than “respect for French laws.”

These numbers are truly astounding, and show that despite claims from the left, there are millions of Muslims in France who do not respect the laws of the country and have a more hardline vision of Islam.



Nearly half of French Muslims label Hamas' Oct. 7 attack 'opposition to colonialism'

Almost half of French Muslims believe that the Oct. 7 Hamas surprise attack that killed 1,200 Israelis was “an act of resistance against oppression,” while almost one in five expressed sympathy for the atrocities, according to a new poll by leading French pollster Ifop. The survey compared French Muslims' views on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict with ... [Continue reading](#)



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When it comes to Sharia law, fewer Muslims are supportive of this concept, but the overall numbers are still concerning.

Slightly less than one in six Muslims (15%) interviewed in France are convinced that “Sharia law must be applied in its entirety, regardless of the country in which one lives.” Considering there are approximately 6 million Muslims in France, that amounts to 1 million people.

Once again, 15-24 year olds are more radical than average, with 21 percent agreeing that Sharia law should be applied in France.



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At the same time, Catholics are disappearing from the country. The poll shows the proportion of respondents who identify as Catholic has collapsed from 83 percent in 1985 to 43 percent today. They are falling into the category of those “without religion,” which increased from 13 percent in 1985 to 37 percent in 2025.

Compared to the entire French population, the proportion of respondents who declared themselves Muslim increased sevenfold between 1985 and 2025, from 1 percent to 7 percent, confirming that “Islam remains in the minority in our country.”

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Question : Pour chacune des opinions suivantes, pouvez-vous me dire si vous êtes tout à fait d'accord, plutôt d'accord, plutôt pas d'accord ou pas du tout d'accord ?



53% of French believe 'France is a nation of the White race and Christian religion'

More than half of French people believe that France is a country of the White race and the Christian religion, a new survey from the prestigious IFOP has revealed. According to the survey, 53 percent of those asked either strongly or somewhat agreed with the statement that "France is a nation of people of White ... [Continue reading](#)

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As **Le Point** writes while reporting on the polling results, the data "provides an inventory of the relationship French residents have with religion and Muslims. The findings confirm trends from previous surveys: The Muslim community is living its beliefs with increasing intensity, particularly among young people. In the event of a conflict between faith and law, young Muslims would mainly prioritize Islam over the laws of the Republic and over science."

France, which styles itself as a secular country, also features a growing religious fundamentalist group. The 15-24 age group for Muslims is particularly concerning, with 81 percent placing the Quran above science in explaining the origins of the world, according to Ifop. Overall, 65 percent of Muslims hold this view compared to only 19 percent for followers of other religions, who

believe their religions better explain the origins of the world than science.



After Michel Houellebecq says native French people ‘do not wish Muslims to assimilate’ but to instead leave the country, the Great Mosque of Paris files complaint

The Great Mosque of Paris has filed a complaint against Michel Houellebecq, considered France’s greatest living author, after he said that the native French population does not wish for Muslims to assimilate but to “stop stealing from them and attacking them” or, if the Muslim population cannot manage that, then they should simply leave France. ... [Continue reading](#)

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In many ways, the polling shows that Muslims in France are even becoming more conservative, despite claims that integration would only improve with time.

The study resonates as an observation of “painful integration failure.” Muslims whose fathers were born in France are much more often Islamist sympathizers on at least part of the program (51

percent) than those whose father was born in the Maghreb (32 percent). Similarly, French people by birth adhere to the Brotherhood twice as much as French people by acquisition, amounting to 35 percent compared to 18 percent.

Some 38 percent of French Muslims approve of all or part of Islamist positions, doubling the figure of 19 percent in 1998, underlines Ifop.



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Correspondingly, the share of Muslims who want Islam to modernize has fallen from 48 percent in 1998 to 21 percent today. When Ifop requested respondents to choose between the Civil Code and Sharia law on “an important subject in your family, such as ritual slaughter, marriage or inheritance,” 49 percent of Muslims chose to respect French laws, down from 62 percent in 1995. The consumption of alcohol among Muslim men has also fallen sharply, from 46 percent in 1989 to

only 26 percent today.

Today, 33 percent of Muslims residing in France — French citizens or foreign nationals — feel sympathy for one of the Islamist movements, a figure that rises to 42 percent among young people. Within this population, 3 percent have sympathy for the most radical and bloody ideology, jihadism.

There are two ways of looking at this result, with Le Point noting that optimists will say this only represents 0.21 percent of the French population, while pessimists will say this represents a recruiting pool of 142,000 supporters in France.



Islam accounts for 81% of religious incidents in French workplaces, new report finds

Religious tensions in French workplaces have reached their highest level since records began in 2013, with Islam taking center stage in a growing number of incidents, a new study has found. According to the 2024 Baromètre du Fait Religieux en Entreprise by Institut Montaigne, over 70 percent of companies are now experiencing incidents fuelled by ... [Continue reading](#)



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Notably, given the potential security concerns around jihadism, it is also possible this result is underreported, due to the “shy polling” effect, where polling respondents are afraid to voice support or opposition to different polling questions out of fear.

When it comes to groups like the Muslim Brotherhood, 23 percent of French Muslims voice sympathy for the group.

The Ifop study for the journal Screen Saver was carried out by telephone from Aug. 8 to Sept. 2, 2025, using a sample of 1,005 people of the Muslim religion, drawn from a nationally

representative sample of 14,244 people aged 15 and over residing in mainland France.

China's export restrictions slam car and computer chip production as prices skyrocket

With many critical industries dependent on this one element, China's export restrictions on rare earth metals are causing serious concerns



— Chinese President Xi Jinping raises his glass to toast after speaking at the National Day Reception at the Great Hall of the People on the eve of the 76th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China in Beijing, Tuesday, Sept. 30, 2025. (AP Photo/Ng Han Guan)

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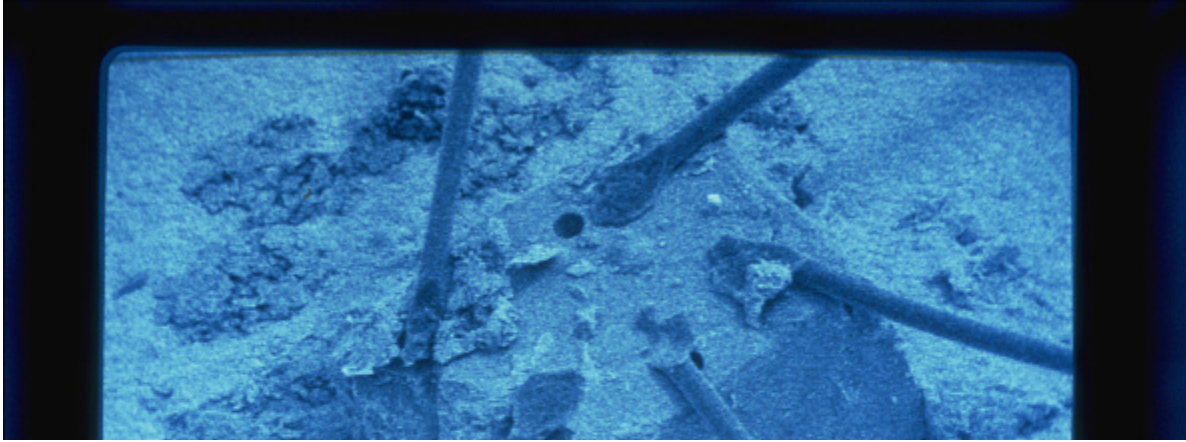
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Global supplies of yttrium are starting to run low, and with China restricting its own exports, prices are skyrocketing for key rare earths like yttrium oxide.

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