

TABLE 12
RELIGIOUS QUESTIONS: COMPARISON OF THE THREE SUB-GROUPS
WITH THE 2003 SURVEY TOTAL GROUP

QUESTION				
1976	N= 85			
1985	N= 133			
2003 only	N= 450			
2003 total	N= 603			
Taught Zoroastrian religion at school	yes	no	no response	
	59%(50)	38%(32)	3%(3)	
1976	56%(74)	42%(56)	2%(3)	
1985	45%(204)	52%(234)	3%(12)	
2003 only	48%(290)	49%(297)	3%(16)	
2003 total				
Do you pray at home	daily	sometimes	rarely	never
	68%(58)	13%(11)	5%(4)	11%(9)
1976	67%(89)	15%(20)	8%(11)	8%(11)
1985	63%(285)	18%(79)	7%(32)	10%(43)
2003 only	64%(386)	17%(102)	7%(42)	9%(54)
2003 total				
Do you wear Sedreh/ Sudre	always	sometimes	rarely	never
	76%(65)	5%(4)	11%(9)	7%(4)
1976	70%(93)	8%(11)	13%(17)	9%(12)
1985	62%(280)	9%(40)	12%(55)	13%(60)
2003 only	64%(387)	9%(52)	12%(75)	12%(73)
2003 total				
Do you wear Pushi/ Kusti	always	sometimes	rarely	never
	73%(62)	3%(3)	9%(7)	7%(6)
1976	66%(88)	4%(6)	14%(19)	9%(12)
1985	54%(243)	10%(44)	13%(60)	14%(65)
2003 only	57%(344)	8%(51)	13%(81)	13%(78)
2003 total				
Children under 18 years do you teach them to pray	yes	no	no response	
	14%(12)	3%(3)	82%(70)	
1976	20%(27)	7%(9)	73%(97)	
1985	17%(77)	11%(55)	72%(322)	
2003 only	18%(108)	10%(60)	72%(434)	
2003 total				

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Children under 18 years Naujote performed	yes	no	no response	
1976	13%(11)	5%(4)	82%(70)	
1985	22%(29)	5%(7)	73%(97)	
2003 only	20%(89)	9%(41)	71%(320)	
2003 total	20%(121)	8%(48)	72%(434)	
Preferred funeral practices	Dokhma	cremation	burial	do not mind
1976	9%(7)	67%(57)	13%(11)	8%(7)
1985	9%(12)	72%(96)	10%(14)	7%(7)
2003 only	12%(52)	65%(291)	10%(43)	12%(52)
2003 total	11%(66)	67%(404)	10%(60)	11%(66)
Believe in immortality of the soul	yes	no	no response	
1976	61%(72)	18%(15)	11%(9)	
1985	68%(91)	19%(25)	13%(16)	
2003 only	62%(280)	22%(97)	16%(73)	
2003 total	65%(392)	20%(121)	15%(90)	
Believe in reincarnation	yes	no	no response	
1976	34%(29)	39%(49)	20%(17)	
1985	23%(39)	54%(72)	16%(22)	
2003 only	30%(137)	48%(214)	22%(99)	
2003 total	30%(181)	48%(239)	22%(109)	
Believe in resurrection of the body	yes	no	no response	
1976	28%(24)	32%(38)	34%(29)	
1985	22%(29)	45%(60)	33%(44)	
2003 only	16%(72)	42%(187)	42%(187)	
2003 total	8%(107)	42%(252)	40%(244)	
Believe in heaven and hell	yes	no	no response	
1976	48%(41)	35%(30)	16%(14)	
1985	51%(68)	36%(48)	13%(17)	
2003 only	46%(208)	34%(151)	20%(91)	
2003 total	47%(284)	34%(205)	19%(114)	

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Prayers for the dead necessary	yes	no	no response
1976	53%(62)	15%(12)	22%(19)
1985	58%(77)	16%(22)	26%(34)
2003 only	45%(201)	21%(96)	34%(153)
2003 total	48%(289)	20%(121)	32%(193)
Prayers for the dead for the dead	yes	no	no response
1976	69%(59)	14%(12)	16%(14)
1985	65%(87)	14%(19)	20%(27)
2003 only	60%(265)	14%(63)	27%(122)
2003 total	61%(368)	14%(84)	26%(157)
Prayers for the dead for the living	yes	no	no response
1976	73%(62)	7%(6)	20%(17)
1985	72%(96)	10%(14)	17%(23)
2003 only	66%(297)	9%(39)	25%(114)
2003 total	68%(410)	9%(54)	23%(139)
Prayers for the dead meaningless	yes	no	no response
1976	8%(7)	40%(34)	52%(44)
1985	12%(16)	34%(45)	54%(72)
2003 only	8%(34)	34%(155)	58%(261)
2003 total	8%(48)	35%(211)	57%(344)
Children of intermarriages undergo Naujote either parent Zoroastrian	yes	no	no response
1976	68%(58)	19%(16)	13%(11)
1985	74%(99)	18%(24)	7%(10)
2003 only	79%(355)	11%(50)	10%(45)
2003 total	77%(466)	13%(78)	10%(59)

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Regarding intermarriage	accept	object	no response
1976	75%(64)	21%(18)	3%(3)
1985	74%(98)	25%(33)	1%(2)
2003 only	82%(367)	16%(70)	3%(13)
2003 total	80%(482)	17%(102)	3%(18)
Conversion of any non-Zoroastrian	yes	no	no response
1976	49%(42)	43%(37)	7%(6)
1985	58%(77)	38%(50)	4%(6)
2003 only	62%(279)	35%(154)	4%(17)
2003 total	61%(368)	35%(211)	4%(24)
Non-Zoroastrians enter prayer room at any time	yes	no	no response
1976	47%(40)	25%(21)	28%(24)
1985	54%(72)	20%(27)	26%(34)
2003 only	48%(218)	16%(71)	36%(161)
2003 total	49%(295)	17%(102)	34%(205)