

## Christmas 2014

We're nearing December 25<sup>th</sup> and the holiday Season. Which of the following names do you prefer for this time of year?

Christmas  
Holiday Season

Do you expect to attend a special Christmas service in December?

Yes  
No

Most Canadians report that spending Christmas/the holiday season with family and friends makes it an important time of the year. What do you personally find makes these gatherings so special?

The opportunity to be with family and friends  
Sharing in a happy and enjoyable atmosphere  
Reliving a valued family tradition  
A unique time when people are particularly positive to one another  
The giving and receiving of gifts  
Christmas dinner  
It provides a breather from everyday life  
Offers the opportunity to celebrate the birth of Christ with loved ones  
Provides a unique opportunity for spiritual nourishment  
It gives me a chance to emerge refreshed  
Christmas spent with loved ones simply adds much to my life

Very special  
Somewhat special  
Not very special  
Not special at all

To what extent do you expect that, during Christmas/holiday seasons like this one, you yourself will reflect on...

Christmases past  
People who are no longer part of your life  
Things that are bringing you joy  
Things that are bringing you strain  
Where your life is now  
Some things you might want to do differently  
The role that faith – or the lack of faith – plays in your life

A great deal  
Quite a bit  
Some  
Little or none

All in all, as you enter this Christmas/holiday season, would you describe yourself as:

Very happy  
Pretty happy  
Not very happy  
Not happy at all

Which one of the following best describes your religious identity?

Atheist  
Agnostic  
Buddhist  
Roman Catholic  
United Church  
Anglican  
Lutheran  
Presbyterian  
Evangelical Christian  
Other Christian  
Hindu  
Jewish  
Muslim  
Sikh  
Spiritual  
No religious identity  
Other (specify:)

Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services?

More than once a week  
Once a week  
Once or twice a month  
About few times a year  
Seldom  
Never