Kenya Summary

ABOUT THIS COUNTRY SUMMARY

Due to the rise of social media and globalization, life is moving fast for many in Africa. Cultures are shifting, and African teens are faced with unprecedented challenges. Those tasked with guiding teens safely into young adulthood find themselves struggling to define and comprehend these emerging issues.

Kenya in particular has seen a dramatic cultural shift among young people in the last few years. Digital connectivity in Kenya is among the best in the continent. Urbanization is growing fast. Parents are busier and spending less time with their children. Things are evolving quickly, yet the Church has been slow to respond and grow with the times.

This research is a great opportunity for the Kenyan Church and all of its members to get a clear picture of where our teenagers are engaging. This report also serves as a window into what teens are experiencing globally. We pray this data will ignite conversation and call the Church to act. We need to hear and understand our teenagers. Only then can we help them confidently walk in their purpose and navigate their struggles.



ABOUT THE GLOBAL STUDY

ABOUT THE KENYA DATA





20 COUNTRIES



14 LANGUAGES

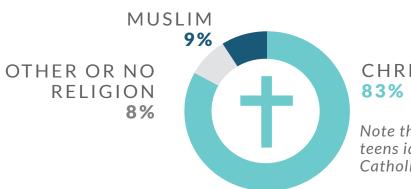


435 TEENS SURVEYED



72 ITEM SURVEY

RELIGIOUS GROUPS



CHRISTIAN 83%

Note that 44% of teens identified as Catholic.

30% of teens in Kenya were discovered to be Committed Christians.*

54% are nominal Christians.

6 TRAITS OF COMMITTED CHRISTIANS

- Believe God exists and they can have a personal relationship with Him
- Pray at least weekly
- Read Scripture on their own at least weekly



- Believe Jesus is the Son of God
- Believe that forgiveness of sins is only possible through faith in Jesus Christ
- Believe the Bible is the Word of God

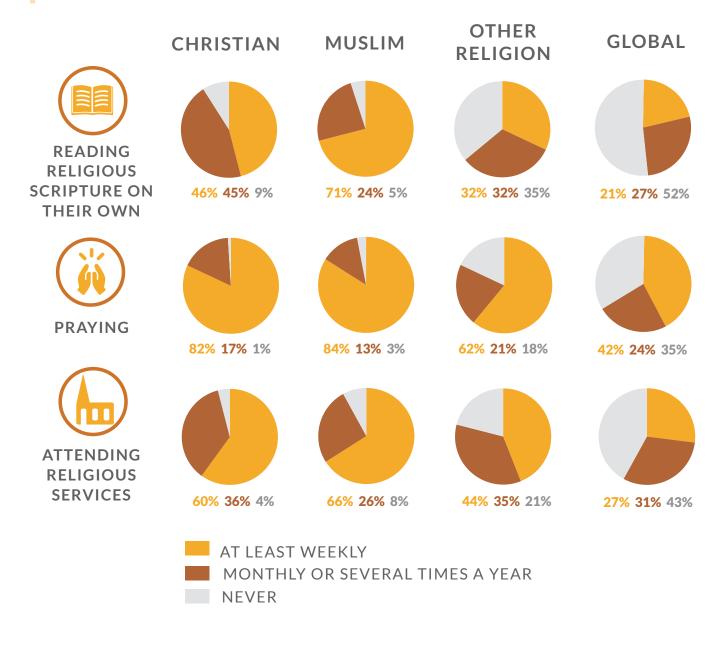
^{*} Note that these teens self-identified as Christian, but not as Jehovah's Witness or Mormon. Committed Christians may be Catholic, Seventh Day Adventist, Orthodox, or a number of other denominations. Any teen who did not display one or more of these six traits was considered to be a nominal Christian.

Religious Attitudes and Behaviors

"My faith beliefs or spiritual journey are an important part of my identity."



RELIGIOUS HABITS



CHRISTIAN RELIGIOUS HABITS







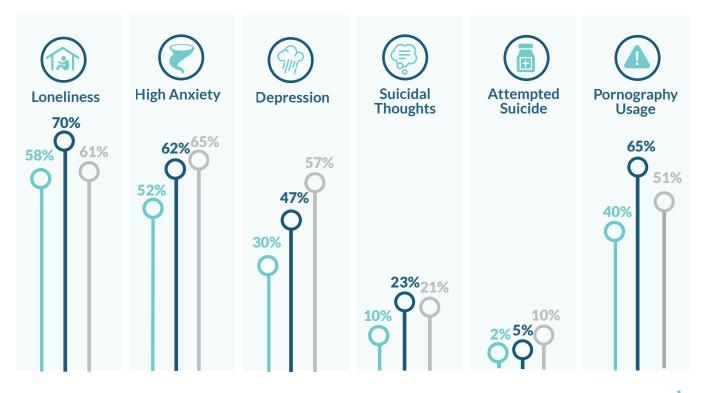
HALF OF TEENS IN KENYA BELIEVE ALL RELIGIONS TEACH EQUALLY VALID TRUTHS.



"I believe all religions teach equally valid truths"

Personal Struggles and Experiences

COMMITTED CHRISTIANS NOMINAL CHRISTIAN NON-CHRISTIAN



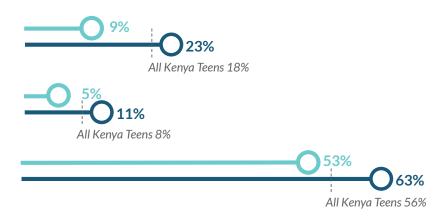
GENDER AND SEXUALITY



Felt sexually attracted to someone of the same gender recently

Experienced gender identity confusion recently

Been sexually active recently (excluding married)

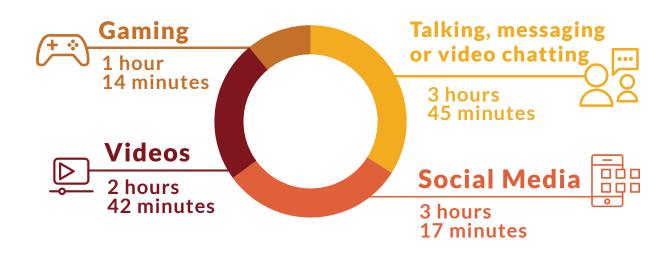


Digital Connectedness and Impact

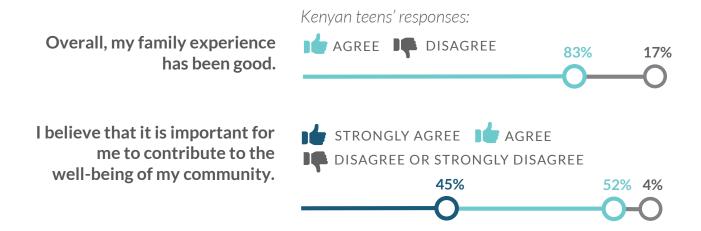


Kenyan teens spend an average of 7 hours and 40 minutes online every day, compared to 7 hours and 23 minutes globally.

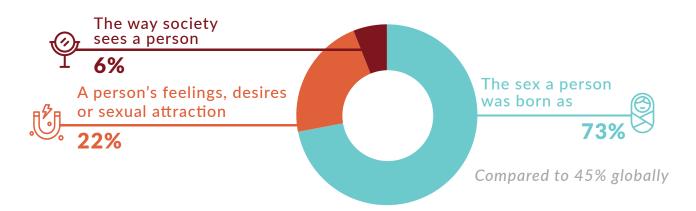
DAILY ONLINE ACTIVITIES

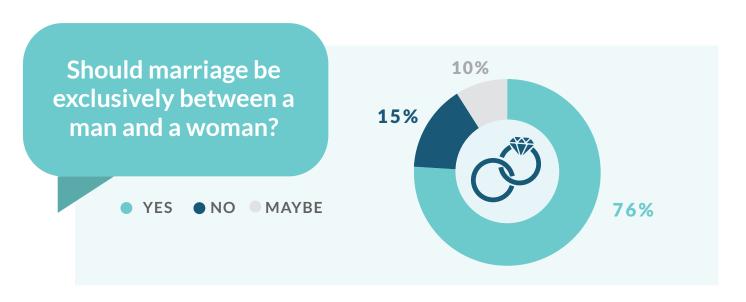


Identity and Relationships



WHAT DO YOU THINK GENDER IS PRIMARILY BASED ON?





Influences and Guiding Voices

MEANING OF LIFE

Where do you go most often for information or guidance about the meaning of life?

- 1 FAMILY MEMBERS 37%
- 2 SOCIAL MEDIA/ONLINE 20%
- 3 FRIENDS/PEERS 14%

- 4 TEACHERS/COUNSELORS 11%
- 5 RELIGIOUS LEADERS/TEXTS 11%
- 6 OFFLINE MEDIA 8%

RIGHT AND WRONG

Where do you go most often for information or guidance about what is right and wrong?

- 1 FAMILY MEMBERS 42%
- 2 RELIGIOUS LEADERS/TEXTS 17% 5
- 3 FRIENDS/PEERS 14%

- 4 SOCIAL MEDIA/ONLINE 13%
- 5 TEACHERS/COUNSELORS 11%
- 6 OFFLINE MEDIA 3%

GENDER & SEXUALITY

Where do you go most often for information or guidance about gender, sexuality, or other sexual issues?

- 1 FRIENDS/PEERS 25%
- 2 SOCIAL MEDIA/ONLINE 25%
- 3 FAMILY MEMBERS 18%
- 4 TEACHERS/COUNSELORS 18%
- 5 RELIGIOUS LEADERS/TEXTS 8%
- 6 OFFLINE MEDIA 7%

