

Appendix III. Data Tables

Hindu Nationalism in America:
**Assessing the Influence of
Hindutva Ideology in the U.S.**



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Table 1. What is your age? (%)

Group	18-29	30-49	50+	Total
Hindu	29%	55%	16%	100%
General public	31%	38%	31%	100%

Table 2. What is your gender? (%)

Group	Male	Female	Neither	Total
Hindu	50%	49%	1%	100%
General public	48%	52%	*	100%

Table 3. What is the last grade of school you completed? (%)

Group	< HS	HS graduate	Some college/Technical school	Graduated college or higher	Total
Hindu	1%	9%	22%	68%	100%
General public	3%	23%	34%	40%	100%

Table 4. What is your current field of study or employment, if any? If you are not currently employed, what was your field of work last you were employed, if any? (%)

Group	Public policy	Public interest law	Journalism /media	Film	STEM fields	Medicine/healthcare	Other	No current field of study	Total
Hindu	5%	14%	10%	6%	34%	12%	9%	8%	98%
General public	5%	3%	4%	2%	12%	12%	32%	31%	101%

Table 5. What is your total annual household income from all sources and before taxes?

Group	<\$15K	\$15-\$25K	\$25-\$30K	\$30-\$40K	\$40-\$50K	\$50-75K	\$75-\$100K	\$100K+	Total
Hindu	2%	1%	2%	5%	8%	19%	40%	24%	101%
General public	9%	12%	7%	9%	10%	19%	15%	19%	100%

Table 6. What languages, other than English, do you speak? (Mark all that apply)

Language	Hindu	General public
Hindi	81%	n/a
Bengali	16%	n/a
Urdu	11%	n/a
Punjabi	10%	n/a
Marathi	11%	n/a
Telugu	12%	n/a
Tamil	10%	n/a
Gujrati	10%	n/a
Kannada	5%	n/a
Odia	5%	n/a
Malayalam	3%	n/a
Assamese	3%	n/a
Santali	1%	n/a
Meitei (Manipuri)	1%	n/a
Sanskrit	4%	n/a
Other	3%	n/a

Table 7. What is your caste?

Caste	Hindu	General public
I do not associate with a caste	15%	n/a
Bhramin	36%	n/a
Kshatryia	24%	n/a
Viasya	10%	n/a
Sudra	7%	n/a
Dalit	2%	n/a
Don't know	3%	n/a
Other	3%	n/a
Total	100%	n/a

Table 8. Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as:

Political party	Hindu	General public
A Republican	22%	28%
A Democrat	49%	42%
An Independent	26%	23%
Other	1%	2%
Don't know	3%	5%
Total	101%	100%

Table 9. Generally speaking, would you describe your political views at:

Political views	Hindu	General public
Very conservative	7%	15%
Somewhat conservative	17%	20%
Moderate	20%	33%
Somewhat liberal	30%	17%
Very liberal	25%	14%
Total	99%	99%

Table 10. Do you think of yourself as:

Sexual orientation	Hindu	General public
Straight, that is no lesbian or gay	84%	87%
Gay or lesbian	8%	4%
Bisexual	7%	7%
Something else	1%	2%
Total	100%	100%

Table 11. Which of these describes your dietary restrictions, if any:

Dietary restrictions	Hindu	General public
Full vegetarian	24%	n/a
Chicken only	12%	n/a
Halal meat only	9%	n/a
No restrictions	35%	n/a
Vegetarian and no onion and garlic	5%	n/a
Vegetarian and no egg	10%	n/a
Pure vegan	3%	n/a
Other	2%	n/a
Total	100%	n/a

Table 12. What is your immigrant generation?

Generation	Hindu	General public
First generation	45%	n/a
Second generation	34%	n/a
Third or greater generation	22%	n/a
Total	101%	n/a

Table 13. Which of the following are true (mark all that apply):

Indian ancestry	Hindu	General public
At least two of my grandparents were born in India	37%	n/a
At least one of my parents were born in India	29%	n/a
Both my parents were born in India	32%	n/a
I was born in India	43%	n/a
No one in my ancestry or myself was born in India	3%	n/a

Table 14. Are you of Hispanic origin or background?

Hispanic origin	Hindu	General public
Yes	4%	18%
No	96%	82%
Total	100%	100%

Table 15. Do you consider yourself white, black or African American, Asian, Arab, Native American, Pacific Islander, mixed race or some other race?

Race	Hindu	General public
White	27%	76%
Black or African American	8%	13%
Asian	56%	5%
Native American / American Indian / Alaska Native	3%	*
Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander	1%	1%
Mixed	4%	3%
Arab	*	*
Other	1%	2%
Total	100%	100%

Table 16. On a scale from 1 to 4, how important is being an American to the way you think of yourself?

Importance of American identity	Hindu	General public
Very important	36%	51%
Somewhat important	52%	33%
Somewhat unimportant	10%	7%
Not at all important	3%	9%
Total	101%	100%

Table 17. On a scale from 1 to 4, how important is being Indian to the way you think of yourself?

Importance of Indian identity	Hindu	General public
Very important	37%	n/a
Somewhat important	48%	n/a
Somewhat unimportant	10%	n/a
Not at all important	2%	n/a
I am not Indian	2%	n/a
Total	99%	n/a

Table 18. On a scale from 1 to 4, how important is your religion to the way you think of yourself?

Importance of Indian identity	Hindu	General public
Very important	46%	39%
Somewhat important	41%	29%
Somewhat unimportant	11%	11%
Not at all important	2%	21%
Total	100%	100%

Table 19. On a scale from 1 to 4, how important is your caste to the way you think of yourself?

Importance of caste identity	Hindu	General public
Very important	31%	n/a
Somewhat important	41%	n/a
Somewhat unimportant	16%	n/a
Not at all important	11%	n/a
Total	99%	n/a

Table 20. Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services?

Religious service attendance	Hindu	General public
More than once a week	10%	10%
Once a week	38%	21%
Once or twice a month	26%	11%
A few times a year	17%	16%
Seldom/less often than a few times a year	8%	21%
Never	2%	22%
Total	101%	101%

Table 21. Some people say that the following things are important to be truly Indian. Others say that they are not important. How important do you think the following are to be truly Indian:
To be Hindu

Importance of being Hindu to be truly Indian	Hindu	General public
Very important	34%	n/a
Somewhat important	38%	n/a
Neutral	20%	n/a
Somewhat unimportant	3%	n/a
Not at all important	4%	n/a
Total	99%	n/a

Table 22. Some people say that the following things are important to be truly Indian. Others say that they are not important. How important do you think the following are to be truly Indian:
To speak Hindi

Importance of being speaking Hindi to be truly Indian	Hindu	General public
Very important	25%	n/a
Somewhat important	41%	n/a
Neutral	20%	n/a
Somewhat unimportant	6%	n/a
Not at all important	9%	n/a
Total	101%	n/a

Table 23. Some people say that the following things are important to be truly Indian. Others say that they are not important. How important do you think the following are to be truly Indian:
To support the Modi government

Importance of supporting the Modi government to be truly Indian	Hindu	General public
Very important	22%	n/a
Somewhat important	33%	n/a
Neutral	29%	n/a
Somewhat unimportant	5%	n/a
Not at all important	10%	n/a
Total	99%	n/a

Table 24. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements: Most Muslims living in the United States are more prone to violence than other people.

Level of agreement	Hindu	General public
Strongly disagree	15%	33%
Somewhat disagree	31%	18%
Neither agree nor disagree	23%	23%
Somewhat agree	20%	13%
Strongly agree	10%	13%
Don't know	1%	3%
Total	100%	103%

Table 25. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements: Most Muslims living in the United States discriminate against women.

Level of agreement	Hindu	General public
Strongly disagree	17%	15%
Somewhat disagree	26%	21%
Neither agree nor disagree	23%	27%
Somewhat agree	22%	20%
Strongly agree	10%	11%
Don't know	2%	6%
Total	100%	100%

Table 26. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements: Most Muslims living in the United States are hostile to the United States.

Level of agreement	Hindu	General public
Strongly disagree	19%	32%
Somewhat disagree	29%	24%
Neither agree nor disagree	22%	20%
Somewhat agree	19%	12%
Strongly agree	9%	9%
Don't know	2%	3%
Total	100%	100%

Table 27. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements: Most Muslims living in the United States are less civilized than other people.

Level of agreement	Hindu	General public
Strongly disagree	26%	43%
Somewhat disagree	27%	19%
Neither agree nor disagree	17%	19%
Somewhat agree	19%	10%
Strongly agree	9%	6%
Don't know	1%	2%
Total	99%	99%

Table 28. Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following statements: Most Muslims living in the United States are partially responsible for acts of violence carried out by other Muslims.

Level of agreement	Hindu	General public
Strongly disagree	19%	45%
Somewhat disagree	22%	16%
Neither agree nor disagree	22%	20%
Somewhat agree	27%	11%
Strongly agree	9%	6%
Don't know	1%	3%
Total	100%	101%

Table 29. Which of the following actions have you taken in the past 12 months. Have you: Attended a U.S town hall meeting?

Action taken?	Hindu	General public
Yes	23%	15%
No	75%	84%
Don't know	1%	1%
Total	99%	100%

Table 30. Which of the following actions have you taken in the past 12 months. Have you: Volunteered for a U.S political campaign?

Action taken?	Hindu	General public
Yes	41%	14%
No	57%	86%
Don't know	2%	1%
Total	100%	101%

Table 31. Which of the following actions have you taken in the past 12 months. Have you: Contributed money to a U.S political campaign?

Action taken?	Hindu	General public
Yes	39%	21%
No	57%	78%
Don't know	3%	1%
Total	99%	100%

Table 32. How do you view Modi's Bharat Janata Party (BJP)?

View of BJP	Hindu	General public
Very favorable	19%	n/a
Somewhat favorable	46%	n/a
Neutral	24%	n/a
Somewhat unfavorable	5%	n/a
Very unfavorable	4%	n/a
Total	98%	n/a

Table 33. How often, if at all, have you personally experienced discrimination in the past year because of your **religion**?

Experience with discrimination	Hindu	General public
Never	28%	53%
Rarely	44%	22%
Occasionally	22%	15%
Regularly	5%	7%
Don't know	1%	4%
Total	100%	101%

Table 34. How often, if at all, have you personally experienced discrimination in the past year because of your **caste**?

Experience with discrimination	Hindu	General public
Never	37%	n/a
Rarely	35%	n/a
Occasionally	22%	n/a
Regularly	4%	n/a
Don't know	2%	n/a
Total	100%	n/a

Table 35. To what extent do you think discrimination against **Muslims** is a problem **in the US**?

Extent of discrimination as a problem	Hindu	General public
Major problem	16%	24%
Regular problem	51%	47%
Small problem	24%	17%
Not a problem	9%	13%
Total	100%	101%

Table 36. To what extent do you think discrimination against **Hindus** is a problem **in the US**?

Extent of discrimination as a problem	Hindu	General public
Major problem	13%	12%
Regular problem	43%	46%
Small problem	27%	24%
Not a problem	16%	18%
Total	99%	100%

Table 37. Do you believe Muslims face religious discrimination in India?

Extent of discrimination as a problem	Hindu	General public
Yes	34%	n/a
No	48%	n/a
Neutral	19%	n/a
Total	101%	n/a

Table 38. To what extent do you agree with the statement, “Public schools and universities in the **U.S.** should ban the hijab.”

Level of agreement	Hindu	General public
Strongly agree	14%	12%
Somewhat agree	24%	10%
Neither agree nor disagree	20%	21%
Somewhat disagree	23%	14%
Strongly disagree	19%	42%
Total	100%	99%

Table 39. To what extent do you agree with the statement, “Public schools and universities in **India** should ban the hijab.”

Level of agreement	Hindu	General public
Strongly agree	14%	10%
Somewhat agree	25%	8%
Neither agree nor disagree	18%	28%
Somewhat disagree	26%	13%
Strongly disagree	17%	41%
Total	100%	100%

Table 40. To what extent do you agree with the statement, “hatred towards the current Indian government (BJP - Modi) is equivalent to hatred towards India.”

Level of agreement	Hindu	General public
Strongly agree	15%	n/a
Somewhat agree	25%	n/a
Neither agree nor disagree	25%	n/a
Somewhat disagree	21%	n/a
Strongly disagree	14%	n/a
Total	100%	n/a

Table 41. Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose each of the following: A ban on visas to Muslims wanting to enter the United States.

Level of agreement	Hindu	General public
Strongly support	14%	13%
Somewhat support	27%	17%
Somewhat oppose	30%	27%
Strongly oppose	29%	43%
Total	100%	100%

Table 42. Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose each of the following: A surveillance program targeting mosques in the US.

Level of agreement	Hindu	General public
Strongly support	11%	9%
Somewhat support	27%	16%
Somewhat oppose	30%	22%
Strongly oppose	25%	38%
Don't know	6%	15%
Total	99%	100%

Table 43. Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose each of the following: Banning the building of mosques in the US.

Level of agreement	Hindu	General public
Strongly support	9%	11%
Somewhat support	29%	13%
Somewhat oppose	35%	23%
Strongly oppose	27%	53%
Total	100%	100%

Table 44. Please indicate how much you agree with the following statement: “I want to live in a county where no one is targeted for their religious identity.”

Level of agreement	Hindu	General public
Strongly agree	47%	67%
Somewhat agree	31%	16%
Neither agree nor disagree	13%	8%
Somewhat disagree	6%	3%
Strongly disagree	2%	3%
Don't know	1%	4%
Total	100%	101%

Table 45. To what extent do you support the “Citizenship Amendment Bill” in India, which offers amnesty to illegal immigrants from neighboring countries, and **excludes** Muslims?

Level of agreement	Hindu	General public
Strongly agree	17%	n/a
Somewhat agree	33%	n/a
Neither agree nor disagree	22%	n/a
Somewhat disagree	16%	n/a
Strongly disagree	7%	n/a
Don't know	5%	n/a
Total	100%	n/a

Table 46. To what extent do you agree with the following statement “the demolition of illegal churches and mosques in India is lawful and important”.

Level of agreement	Hindu	General public
Strongly agree	12%	n/a
Somewhat agree	38%	n/a
Neither agree nor disagree	21%	n/a
Somewhat disagree	13%	n/a
Strongly disagree	14%	n/a
Don't know	3%	n/a
Total	101%	n/a

Table 47. What sentiment does the slogan “jai shri Ram” evoke in you?

Level of agreement	Hindu	General public
Fear	6%	n/a
Nationalism	36%	n/a
Spiritually	38%	n/a
Neutral	18%	n/a
I don't know what that means	3%	n/a
Total	101%	n/a

Table 48. A close relationship between Modi and Trump makes me feel:

Level of agreement	Hindu	General public
Pleased	24%	n/a
Worried	24%	n/a
Disappointed	20%	n/a
Empowered	12%	n/a
No feelings	19%	n/a
Don't know	2%	
Total	101%	n/a

Table 49. To what extent do you agree with the statement, “Academics who are speaking negatively about Modi, Hindu nationalism, or Hindutva ideology should not be allowed to speak on college campuses in the U.S.”

Level of agreement	Hindu	General public
Strongly agree	16%	n/a
Somewhat agree	38%	n/a
Neither agree nor disagree	23%	n/a
Somewhat disagree	11%	n/a
Strongly disagree	10%	n/a
Don't know	2%	n/a
Total	100%	n/a

Table 50. Are there any Muslims you are close enough friends with that you would call them if you needed help?

Close Muslims friends?	Hindu	General public
Yes	64%	28%
No	36%	72%
Total	100%	100%

Table 51. In the past year, have you contributed money to a group that supports the Modi government **in India**?

Contributed?	Hindu	General public
Yes	37%	n/a
No	63%	n/a
Total	100%	n/a

Table 52. In the past year, have you contributed money to a group or one that supports the Modi government **in the U.S.**?

Contributed?	Hindu	General public
Yes	41%	n/a
No	59%	n/a
Total	100%	n/a

Table 53. How often do you listen to or read about Indian politics?

Frequency	Hindu	General public
Often	36%	n/a
Sometimes	57%	n/a
Never	7%	n/a
Total	100%	n/a

Table 54. To what extent do you think Hollywood contains or promotes stereotypes against Muslims?

Frequency	Hindu	General public
A great deal	19%	24%
Limited	45%	28%
Small	23%	20%
Not at all	7%	10%
Don't know	5%	19%
Total	99%	101%

Table 55. To what extent do you think Bollywood contains or promotes stereotypes against Muslims?

Frequency	Hindu	General public
A great deal	19%	n/a
Limited	36%	n/a
Small	27%	n/a
Not at all	13%	n/a
Don't know	4%	n/a
Total	99%	n/a

Table 56. What is your main news source about Modi's politics?

Source	Hindu	General public
Whatsapp	14%	n/a
Social media such as Facebook, TikTok and others	36%	n/a
Satellite TV	22%	n/a
YouTube	16%	n/a
I don't follow news about Modi	8%	n/a
Other	3%	n/a
Don't know	1%	n/a
Total	100%	n/a

Table 57. Which of the following do you believe to be the least trustworthy news source about Modi's politics?

Source	Hindu	General public
Whatsapp	23%	n/a
Social media such as Facebook, TikTok and others	45%	n/a
Satellite TV	12%	n/a
YouTube	19%	n/a
Total	100%	n/a

Table 58. Which of the following do you believe to be the most trustworthy news source about Modi's politics?

Source	Hindu	General public
Whatsapp	19%	n/a
Social media such as Facebook, TikTok and others	24%	n/a
Satellite TV	43%	n/a
YouTube	14%	n/a
Total	100%	n/a