

Sikhism in the United States: WHAT AMERICANS KNOW & NEED TO KNOW

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Officially the world's fifth largest organized religion, Sikhs began immigrating to the United States 150 years ago to build better lives for themselves and their families. Despite successful leadership in diverse fields—from farming to medicine to business—and efforts to integrate in communities across the United States, Sikhs continue to experience discrimination and prejudice from their fellow Americans.

RAISING AWARENESS & CHANGING PERSPECTIVES



A description of Sikh religion, beliefs, and history in America evokes a strongly positive reaction among adults. Nearly **two in three (65%)** adults rate their feelings as highly favorable to the descriptions once they are given

THE FACTS.

KEY TENETS OF SIKHISM

that Resonate with Americans:

“They’re proud to call themselves Americans; they came here to be Americans. They didn’t come here just for what this country offers, but they wanted to be part of the work in progress.”

- Chicago Focus Group Participant

IMMIGRATING TO AMERICA
and becoming regular, hardworking members of communities

SYMBOLISM OF THE TURBAN
to signal their readiness to protect all people against injustice

PARALLEL WITH U.S. HISTORY
with a focus on “life, liberty, & the pursuit of happiness”

RELIGIOUS EQUALITY FOR ALL

GENDER EQUALITY