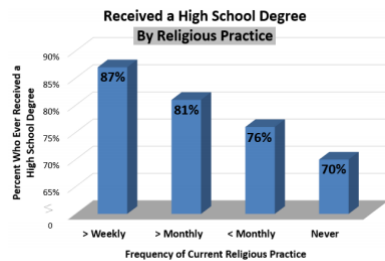


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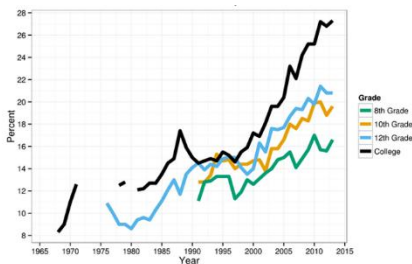
## RELIGIOUS PRACTICE AND EDUCATION



Source: National Longitudinal Survey of Youth (1997)

Frequency of religious practice is linked to education achievement, at the high school, college and graduate levels, as this [education sampler](#) illustrates. This holds true repeatedly and across different measures.

## ADOLESCENT CHURCH ATTENDANCE



Attendance at religious services has been dropping significantly for adolescents (above) and steadily, though less precipitously, for the population at large. For the population at large, between 2007 and 2014 there was a drop of 3% for those who worship weekly and an addition of 3% for those who never worship, as reported in this [Pew Research publication](#).

## BLOG: THE GREAT IRONY OF STEPHEN HAWKING



Though Stephen Hawking made wonderful contributions to humankind and is rightfully lauded across the globe, scant attention has been paid to the harm he has done to belief in God, probably influencing many to drift further away from Him. Some will not call that harm; many might even call it a contribution. However, both Dr. Hawking and those who agree with him are not paying attention to the data of a different branch of the sciences: the human sciences.

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