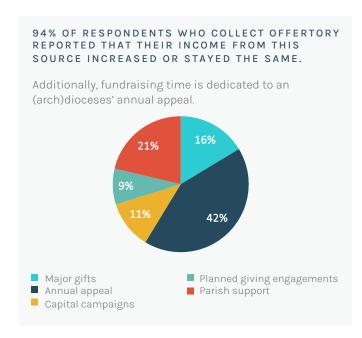
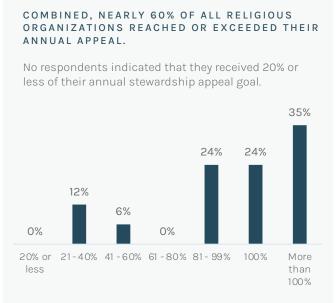
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Ninety-six (96) responding religious institutions were comprised of congregations or houses of worship (44%), (arch)dioceses (25%), and other (31%) types of religious organizations. Nearly three quarters (72%) of respondents indicated that their revenue increased or stayed the same compared to the previous year.

Religious organizations received gifts and/or pledges from a variety of gift vehicles, notably donor advised funds (76%), bequests (70%), qualified retirement plans (66%), and family foundations (62%). However, 90% of organizations sourced 40% or less of their donations from these, and other, non-cash sources.

Two-thirds of all religious respondents noted that their organization's reporting and analytics capabilities were at expert or leading level. However, 70% also reported that data is inconsistent, inaccurate, or incomplete, while 43% say that their CRM is dated or not user-friendly. For information about maximizing your donor database, read here.

Approximately 60% of religious institutions indicated that <u>donor acquisition and donor retention</u> were among the top 3 challenges facing their organization. The sector sees notable success in donor acquisition, with over 50% of respondents reporting that their number of new donors has increased in the past 12 months. Nearly 60% of all respondents reported that they retained 51% or more of the donors gained in 2020 and 2021.

