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## THE CULT ISSUE

Singer estimates that three million young adults between the ages of 18 and 25 are affiliated with these movements. There are at least 250 different cults, she says, and, depending on the definition you use, as many as 2,500 cults can be identified. According to Singer, these groups fall into ten classes: neo-Christian-based cults; Hindu- and eastern - based groups; occult, satanic, and witchcraft movements; spiritualistic-based groups; Zen-based assemblies; race-based cults; flying saucer-based cliques; psychological movements; political cults; and communal-living groups.