# "Christian Denominations by Population"

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SAN FRANCISCO, Calif.—This is a list of Christian denominations by number of members. It is inevitably partial and generally based on claims by the denominations themselves. The numbers should therefore be considered approximate and the article is an ongoing work-in-progress.

Christianity—2.3 to 2.6 billion
Catholicism—1.278—1.390 billion
Latin Church—1.327—1.372 billion
Eastern Catholic Churches—18 million

- Byzantine Rite—8.7 million Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church—5.5 million Melkite Greek Catholic Church—1.6 million Romanian Greek Catholic Church—0.5 million Ruthenian Greek Catholic Church—0.4 million Hungarian Greek Catholic Church—0.3 million Slovak Greek Catholic Church—0.3 million Belarusian Greek Catholic Church—0.1 million Italo-Albanian Catholic Church—0.01 million Greek Catholic Church of Croatia and Serbia—0.01 million Georgian Byzantine Catholic Church (not sui iuris)—0.01 million Albanian Greek Catholic Church—0.01 million Russian Greek Catholic Church—0.01 million Greek Byzantine Catholic Church—0.006 million Macedonian Greek Catholic Church—0.001 million Bulgarian Greek Catholic Church—0.001 million
- East Syriac Rite—4.9 million
   Syro-Malabar Church—4.3 million
   Chaldean Catholic Church—0.6 million
- West Syriac Rite—4.2 million
   Maronite Church—3.5 million
   Syro-Malankara Catholic Church—0.5 million

Syriac Catholic Church—0.2 million

Armenian Rite—0.8 million

Armenian Catholic Church—0.8 million

Alexandrian Rite—0.5 million

Coptic Catholic Church—0.2 million

Eritrean Catholic Church—0.2 million

Ethiopian Catholic Church—0.07 million

# **Canonically irregular groups**

Society of Saint Pius X—1 million

Protestantism—0.8—1.05 billion

Historical Protestantism—300—600 million

Anglicanism—110 million

Anglican Communion—85 million

Church of England—25.0 million

Church of Nigeria—20.1 million

Church of Uganda—8.1 million

Anglican Church of Kenya—5.0 million

Church of South India—3.8 million

Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan—3.5 million

Anglican Church of Australia—3.1 million

Anglican Church of Southern Africa—3 million

Anglican Church of Tanzania—2.0 million

Episcopal Church in the United States—1.6 million

Church of North India—1.5 million

Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan—1.1 million

Anglican Church of Rwanda—1.0 million

Church of the Province of Central Africa—0.9 million

Anglican Church of Burundi—0.8 million

Church in the Province of the West Indies—0.8 million

Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand & Polynesia—0.6 million

Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean—0.5 million

Church of Christ in the Congo—0.5 million

Church of Pakistan—0.5 million

Province of the Anglican Church of the Congo—0.5 million

Anglican Church of Mozambique and Angola—0.5 million

Church of the Province of West Africa—0.3 million

Church of Ireland—0.3 million

Anglican Church of Canada—0.3 million

Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea—0.2 million

Anglican Church of Melanesia—0.2 million

Episcopal Church in the Philippines—0.1 million

Anglican Episcopal Church of Brazil—0.1 million

Anglican Church of Mexico—0.1 million

Church of the Province of South East Asia—0.1 million

Anglican Church of Korea—0.1 million

Spanish Reformed Episcopal Church—0.005 million

Lusitanian Catholic Apostolic Evangelical Church—0.005 million

Continuing Anglican movement & independent churches—0.7 million
 Traditional Anglican Church—0.4 million
 Anglican Church in North America—0.1 million

Reformed Evangelical Anglican Church of South Africa—0.1 million

# Baptist churches—100 million

- Southern Baptist Convention—13.2 million
- National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc.—8.4 million
- Nigerian Baptist Convention—6.5 million
- National Missionary Baptist Convention of America—3.1 million
- National Baptist Convention of America—3.1 million
- Baptist Union of Uganda—2.5 million
- Baptist Community of Congo—2.1 million
- Baptist Convention of Tanzania—2.0 million
- Brazilian Baptist Convention—1.8 million
- Baptist General Convention of Texas—1.7 million
- Progressive National Baptist Convention—1.5 million
- Council of Baptist Churches in Northeast India—1.3 million
- American Baptist Churches USA—1.2 million
- Baptist Bible Fellowship International—1.2 million
- Lott Carey Foreign Mission Convention—1.1 million
- Baptist Community of the Congo River—1.1 million
- National Primitive Baptist Convention of the U.S.A.—1.0 million
- Myanmar Baptist Convention—1.0 million
- Cooperative Baptist Fellowship—0.8 million
- Baptist General Association of Virginia—0.6 million
- Baptist Convention of Kenya—0.6 million
- Nagaland Baptist Church Council—0.6 million
- Korea Baptist Convention—0.5 million
- Samavesam of Telugu Baptist Churches—0.5 million
- Orissa Evangelical Baptist Crusade—0.5 million
- National Baptist Convention (Brazil)—0.4 million
- Baptist Convention of Malawi—0.3 million
- Garo Baptist Convention—0.3 million

- Convention of Philippine Baptist Churches—0.3 million
- Ghana Baptist Convention—0.3 million
- Union of Baptist Churches in Rwanda—0.3 million
- Venture Church Network—0.2 million
- National Association of Free Will Baptists—0.2 million
- Convention of Visayas & Mindanao of Southern Baptist—0.2 million
- Manipur Baptist Convention—0.2 million
- Evangelical Baptist Church of Central African Republic—0.2 million
- Converge—0.2 million
- Seventh Day Baptists—0.05 million

### Lutheranism—70-90 million

- Evangelical Church in Germany—10.8 million
- Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus—10.4 million
- Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania—7.9 million
- Church of Sweden—5.5 million
- United Evangelical Lutheran Churches in India—4.5 million
- Church of Denmark—4.2 million
- Batak Christian Protestant Church—4.1 million
- Malagasy Lutheran Church—4.0 million
- Church of Norway—3.7 million
- Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland—3.5 million
- Evangelical Lutheran Church in America—2.9 million
- Lutheran Church of Christ in Nigeria—2.2 million
- Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod—1.8 million
- Evangelical Lutheran Church of Papua New Guinea—1.8 million
- Evangelical Lutheran Church in Namibia—0.9 million
- Evangelical Lutheran Church in Southern Africa—0.6 million
- Evangelical Church of Lutheran Confession in Brazil—0.6 million
- The Protestant Christian Church—0.5 million
- Evangelical Lutheran Church in Republic of Namibia—0.4 million
- Evangelical Free Church of America—0.4 million
- The Indonesian Christian Church—0.3 million
- Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ—0.3 million
- Evangelical Lutheran Church of Cameroon—0.3 million
- Protestant Church of Augsburg Confession in Austria—0.3 million
- Evangelical Lutheran Church in Zimbabwe—0.3 million
- Evangelical Lutheran Church of Latvia—0.3 million
- Christian Protestant Church in Indonesia—0.3 million
- Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod—0.3 million
- Church of Iceland—0.2 million

- Simalungun Protestant Christian Church—0.2 million
- Evangelical Lutheran Church of Brazil—0.2 million
- Protestant Church of Augsburg Conf. of Alsace & Lorraine—0.2 million
- Evangelical Church of Augsburg Confession in Slovakia—0.2 million
- Evangelical-Lutheran Church in Hungary—0.2 million
- Estonian Evangelical Lutheran Church—0.2 million
- Laestadianism (various denominations)—0.2 million

#### Calvinism / Reformed churches—70—80 million

Presbyterianism—40 million

Presbyterian Church of East Africa—4.0 million

Presbyterian Church of Nigeria—3.8 million

Presbyterian Church of Africa—3.4 million

National Presbyterian Church in Mexico—2.8 million

Church of Central Africa Presbyterian—2.5 million

Church of Christ in Congo—Presbyterian Comm. of Congo—2.5 million

Presbyterian Church of Korea (TongHap)—2.4 million

Presbyterian Church in Korea (HapDong)—2.4 million

Presbyterian Church in Cameroon—2.0 million

Presbyterian Church of Cameroon—1.8 million

Presbyterian Church of India—1.5 million

Presbyterian Church in Korea (BaekSeok)—1.5 million

Presbyterian Church (USA)—1.1 million

Presbyterian Church in Sudan—1.0 million

Presbyterian Church of Ghana—1.0 million

Presbyterian Church of Brazil—0.7 million

Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Ghana—0.6 million

United Church of Christ in the Philippines—0.5 million

Uniting Presbyterian Church in Southern Africa—0.5 million

United Church of Canada—0.4 million

Presbyterian Church in America—0.4 million

Presbyterian Church of Pakistan—0.4 million

Kosin Presbyterian Church in Korea—0.4 million

Church of Scotland—0.3 million or 1.5 million

Korean Presbyterian Church—0.3 million

Presbyterian Church in Rwanda—0.3 million

Uniting Church in Australia—0.2 million

Presbyterian Church in Taiwan—0.2 million

Presbyterian Church in Ireland—0.2 million

Continental Reformed Protestantism—30 million

Church of Jesus Christ in Madagascar—6 million

Protestant Church in Indonesia—3.1 million

United Church in Zambia—3.0 million

Evangelical Church of Cameroon—2.5 million

Christian Evangelical Church in Timor—2.0 million

Protestant Church of Switzerland—1.9 million

Protestant Church in the Netherlands—1.4 million

Reformed Church in Hungary—1.15 million

Dutch Reformed Church in South Africa (NGK)—1.1 million

Christian Evangelical Church in Minahasa—0.7 million

United Church in Papua New Guinea & Solomon Islands-0.6 million

Protestant Church in Western Indonesia—0.6 million

Evangelical Christian Church of the Land of Papua—0.6 million

Protestant Church of Maluku—0.6 million

Uniting Reformed Church in Southern Africa—0.5 million

Reformed Church in Romania—0.5 million

Toraja Church—0.4 million

Reformed Church of France—0.4 million

Lesotho Evangelical Church in Southern Africa—0.3 million

Evangelical Christian Church in Halmahera—0.3 million

Christian Church of Sumba—0.3 million

Karo Batak Protestant Church—0.3 million

Christian Reformed Church of Nigeria—0.3 million

Reformed Church in Zambia—0.3 million

Evangelical Reformed Church in Angola—0.2 million

Christian Reformed Church in North America—0.2 million

Evangelical Church in Kalimantan—0.2 million

Javanese Christian Church—0.2 million

Indonesian Christian Church Synod—0.2 million

Church of Christ in the Sudan Among the Tiv—0.2 million

Evangelical Church of Congo—0.2 million

Christian Evangelical Church of Sangihe Talaud—0.2 million

Central Sulawesi Christian Church—0.2 million

Evangelical Reformed Church in Germany—0.2 million

Congregationalism—5 million

Evangelical Congregational Church in Angola—0.9 million

United Church of Christ-0.7 million

United Congregational Church of Southern Africa—0.5 million

### Methodism—60—80 million

United Methodist Church—10.0 million

African Methodist Episcopal Church—2.5 million

Church of the Nazarene—2.65 million

Methodist Church Nigeria—2 million

The Salvation Army—1.8 million

Methodist Church of Southern Africa—1.7 million

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church—1.4 million

Korean Methodist Church—1.3 million

Free Methodist Church—0.9 million

Christian Methodist Episcopal Church—0.9 million

Methodist Church Ghana-0.8 million

Methodist Church in India-0.6 million

Methodist Church in Kenya—0.5 million

Global Methodist Church—0.4 million

Wesleyan Church—0.4 million

Methodist Church in Brazil—0.2 million

Methodist Church of Fiji and Rotuma—0.2 million

## Adventism—22.7 million

Seventh-day Adventist Church—22.3 million

Church of God (Seventh Day)—0.2 million

Advent Christian Church—0.1 million

Seventh Day Adventist Reform Movement—0.042 million

#### Restorationism—4.1 million

Churches of Christ—2 million

Christian churches and churches of Christ—1.1 million Community of Disciples of Christ in Congo—0.7 million

Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)—0.3 million

# Anabaptism-4 million

- Mennonites—2.1 million
- Schwarzenau Brethren (German Baptists)—1.5 million

Amish—0.3 million

Hutterites-0.05 million

#### Hussites—1.2 million

Moravian Church—1.1 million

Czechoslovak Hussite Church—0.099 million

Unity of the Brethren Baptists-0.035 million

## Plymouth Brethren—1 million

Quakers—0.4 million

#### Modern Protestantism—400—500 million

#### Pentecostalism—280 million

Assemblies of God—67 million (the 7th largest communion)

Apostolic Church—15 million

International Circle of Faith—11 million

Fangcheng Fellowship—10 million

China Gospel Fellowship—10 million

Foursquare Church—9 million

Ethiopian Kale Heywet Church—9 million

Church of God in Christ-6.5 million

Church of God (Cleveland, Tennessee)—6 million

Ethiopian Full Gospel Believers' Church—4.5 million

The Church of Pentecost—4.2 million

International Pentecostal Holiness Church—4 million

Indonesian Bethel Church—3 million

Christian Congregation in Brazil—2.8 million

The Pentecostal Mission—2.5 million

Universal Church of the Kingdom of God—2 million

Church of God of Prophecy—1.5 million

Heal Our Land—1.5 million

Pentecostal Church in Indonesia—1.5 million

Apostolic Faith Mission of South Africa-1.2 million

Association of Pentecostal Churches of Rwanda—1 million

Jesus Is Lord Church Worldwide—1 million

God is Love Pentecostal Church—0.8 million

Maranatha Campus Ministries—0.75 million

Pentecostal Church of God—0.5 million

Indian Pentecostal Church of God—0.5 million

Association of Vineyard Churches—0.3 million

Worldwide Church of God's Power—0.3 million

#### Nondenominational Christianity—80—100 million

Calvary Chapel Association—25 million

Alliance World Fellowship—6 million

Born Again Movement—3 million

Church of God (Anderson, Indiana)—1.2 million

## African initiated churches—60 million

Zion Christian Church—10 million

Cherubim and Seraphim—10 million

Kimbanguist Church—5.5 million

Redeemed Christian Church of God—5 million

Church of the Lord (Aladura)—3.6 million

Council of African Instituted Churches—3 million

Church of Christ Light of the Holy Spirit—1.4 million African Church of the Holy Spirit—0.7 million African Israel Church Nineveh—0.5 million Chinese Patriotic Christian Churches—25 million

# **New Apostolic Church—10 million**

Local churches—1 to 10 million Messianic Judaism—0.3 million

# Eastern Protestant Christianity—22 million

Ethiopian-Eritrean Evangelical Church—16.5 million, Alexandrian Believers Eastern Church—3.5 million, West Syrian Mar Thoma Syrian Church—1 million, Syro-Antiochene Armenian Evangelical Church—0.25 million, Armenian Rite St. Thomas Evangelical Church of India—0.1 million Evangelical Church of Augsburg Conf. in Slovenia—0.02 million Evangelical Church of Romania—0.16 million Kosovo Protestant Evangelical Church—0.15 million

# Eastern Orthodoxy—220 million

Autocephalous churches—168 million

Russian Orthodox Church—100 million

Romanian Orthodox Church—17—18.8 million

Church of Greece-10 million

Serbian Orthodox Church—8—12 million

Bulgarian Orthodox Church—8—10 million

Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople—5.25 million

Greek Orthodox Patriarchate of Antioch—4.3 million

Georgian Orthodox Church—3.5 million

Macedonian Orthodox Church—2 million

Church of Cyprus-0.7 million

Polish Orthodox Church—0.6 million

Greek Orthodox Patriarchate of Alexandria—0.5 million

Albanian Orthodox Church—0.4 million

Greek Orthodox Patriarchate of Jerusalem—0.4 million

Orthodox Church of the Czech Lands & Slovakia—0.075 million

#### **Autonomous churches—5 million**

Metropolitan Church of Chiinu and All Moldova—3.2 million Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia—0.4 million Metropolitan Church of Bessarabia (Moldova)—0.72 million Estonian Orthodox Church of Moscow Patriarchate—0.3 million Orthodox Church of Finland—0.06 million

Chinese Orthodox Church (Moscow Patriarchate)—0.03 million Orthodox Church in Japan (Moscow Patriarchate)—0.03 million

Estonian Orthodox Church (Ecumenical Patriarchate)—0.02 million

# Churches in communion with disputed autocephaly—6 million

Orthodox Church in America—0.09 million

Ukrainian Orthodox Church (Moscow Patriarchate)—5—6 million

Latvian Orthodox Church—0.02 million

# Non-universally recognized churches—16—18 million

Orthodox Church of Ukraine-12-18 million

Belarusian Autocephalous Orthodox Church—2.4 million

Orthodox Church of Greece-0.75 million

Old Calendar Bulgarian Orthodox Church—0.45 million

Orthodox Church in Italy—0.12 million

Old Calendar Orthodox Church of Romania—0.05 million

Montenegrin Orthodox Church—0.05 million

## Other separated Orthodox groups—6 million

Old Believers-5.5 million

Old Calendarists—1.2—2 million

True Orthodox church—0.85 million

Evangelical Orthodox Church—0.07 million

Autocephalous Turkish Orthodox Patriarchate—0.002

## **Oriental Orthodoxy—62 million**

#### Autocephalous churches—61.7 million

Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Church—37 million

Coptic Orthodox Church—10 million

Armenian Apostolic Church—9 million

Mother See of Holy Etchmiadzin—6 million

Holy See of Cilicia—1.5 million

Armenian Patriarchate of Constantinople—0.5—0.7 million

Armenian Patriarchate of Jerusalem—0.34 million

Eritrean Orthodox Tewahedo Church—2 million

Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church—2 million

Syriac Orthodox Church—1.4 million

Jacobite Syrian Christian Church—1.2 million

#### **Autonomous churches—0.01 million**

French Coptic Orthodox Church—0.01 million

#### Churches not in communion—0.07 million

Malabar Independent Syrian Church—0.06 million British Orthodox Church—0.01 million Albanian-Udi Church—0.006 million

## Nontrinitarian Restorationism—60 million

#### Oneness Pentecostalism—30 million

United Pentecostal Church International—5.8 million

Pentecostal Assemblies of the World—2 million

True Jesus Church—1.5—3 million

IEANJESUS-0.2 million

Apostolic Assembly of the Faith in Christ Jesus—0.1 million

# Latter Day Saint movement or Mormonism—17 million

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints—17 million Community of Christ—0.25 million

# Jehovah's Witnesses-8.7 million

## Minor denominations—6.2 million

Iglesia ni Cristo-2.3 million

Unification Church (aka Moonies)—1—2 million

La Luz del Mundo—1—5 million

Unitarian Universalism—0.6 million

Unitarian Universalist Association—0.2 million

Church of Christ, Scientist—0.4 million

Church of Christ, 4th Watch—0.6 million

World Mission Society Church of God—0.1 million

Friends of Man-0.07 million

Christadelphians—0.05 million

The Family International—0.01 million

#### **Independent Catholicism—18 million**

Philippine Independent Church—6 million (communion with Anglicans)

Catholic Patriotic Association—5 million

Apostolic Catholic Church—5 million

Traditionalist Mexican-American Catholic Church—2 million

Brazilian Catholic Apostolic Church—0.56 million

Old Catholic Church—0.1 million (in communion with Anglicans)

Polish National Catholic Church—0.03 million

Palmarian Christian Church—0.002 million

#### Nestorianism—0.6 million