

# Global Table 5. Status of global mission, presence and activities, AD 1800–2025.

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Year:	1800	1900	1970	mid-2000	Trend % p.a.	mid-2007	2025	
<b>GLOBAL POPULATION</b>								
1. Total population	903,650,000	1,619,625,000	3,696,594,000	6,085,572,000	1.20	6,615,848,000	7,905,234,000	
2. Urban dwellers (urbanites)	36,146,000	232,695,000	1,336,655,000	2,873,249,000	2.03	3,306,696,000	4,616,329,000	
3. Rural dwellers	867,504,000	1,386,930,000	2,359,939,000	3,212,323,000	0.43	3,309,152,000	3,288,905,000	
4. Adult population (over 15s)	619,000,000	1,073,621,000	2,315,770,000	4,257,127,000	1.62	4,763,408,000	5,995,477,000	
5. Literates	123,800,000	296,146,000	1,478,531,000	3,263,248,000	1.67	3,664,358,000	5,053,723,000	
6. Nonliterates	495,200,000	777,475,000	837,239,000	993,879,000	1.45	1,099,050,000	941,754,000	
<b>WORLDWIDE EXPANSION OF CITIES</b>								
7. Metropolises (over 100,000 population)	40	300	2,400	4,050	1.84	4,600	6,500	
8. Megacities (over 1 million population)	1	20	161	402	1.94	460	650	
9. Urban poor	18 million	100 million	650 million	1,400 million	3.07	1,730 million	3,000 million	
10. Urban slum-dwellers	3 million	20 million	260 million	700 million	3.32	880 million	1,600 million	
<b>GLOBAL POPULATION BY RELIGION</b>								
11. Total of all distinct organized religions	700	1,000	6,000	9,900	1.65	11,100	15,000	
12. Christians (total all kinds) (=World C)	204,980,000	558,153,000	1,238,712,000	2,015,551,000	1.23	2,195,529,000	2,685,650,000	
13. Muslims	90,500,000	199,914,000	548,097,000	1,199,609,000	1.81	1,359,745,000	1,811,108,000	
14. Hindus	108,000,000	203,003,000	462,429,000	807,631,000	1.37	888,300,000	1,077,600,000	
15. Nonreligious	300,000	3,024,000	532,397,000	775,629,000	0.21	787,236,000	813,884,000	
16. Chinese universists	310,000,000	380,007,000	231,866,000	368,465,000	0.74	388,098,000	431,175,000	
17. Buddhists	69,400,000	127,077,000	233,004,000	364,657,000	0.82	386,023,000	453,040,000	
18. Ethnoreligionists	92,000,000	117,537,000	163,889,000	241,362,000	1.21	262,502,000	285,885,000	
19. Atheists	10,000	226,000	165,391,000	150,717,000	0.31	154,019,000	152,676,000	
20. New-Religionists (Neoreligionists)	0	5,951,000	78,324,000	101,416,000	0.65	106,124,000	117,572,000	
21. Sikhs	1,800,000	2,962,000	10,617,000	23,571,000	1.53	26,210,000	32,282,000	
22. Jews	9,000,000	12,292,000	15,097,000	14,299,000	0.87	15,193,000	17,166,000	
23. Non-Christians (=Worlds A and B)	698,670,000	1,061,472,000	2,457,882,000	4,070,021,000	1.19	4,420,319,000	5,219,584,000	
<b>GLOBAL CHRISTIANITY</b>								
24. Total Christians as % of world (=World C)	22.7	34.5	33.5	33.1	0.03	33.2	34.0	
25. Affiliated Christians (church members)	195,680,000	521,664,000	1,128,549,000	1,906,936,000	1.23	2,077,909,000	2,555,599,000	
26. Church attenders	180,100,000	469,303,000	885,777,000	1,359,420,000	1.04	1,461,495,000	1,760,568,000	
27. Evangelicals	25,000,000	71,726,000	98,358,000	224,559,000	2.04	258,669,000	348,648,000	
28. Great Commission Christians	21,000,000	77,931,000	277,153,000	650,094,000	1.13	703,225,000	853,379,000	
29. Pentecostals / Charismatics / Neocharismatics	0	981,000	72,223,000	525,599,000	1.98	602,792,000	798,320,000	
30. Average Christian martyrs per year	2,500	34,400	377,000	160,000	1.12	173,000	210,000	
<b>MEMBERSHIP BY 6 ECCLESIASTICAL MEGABLOCKS</b>								
31. Roman Catholics	106,430,000	266,568,000	665,484,000	1,055,498,000	1.14	1,142,968,000	1,353,674,000	
32. Independents	400,000	7,931,000	96,926,000	377,830,000	2.12	437,673,000	602,190,000	
33. Protestants	30,980,000	103,025,000	211,054,000	346,889,000	1.53	385,815,000	497,703,000	
34. Orthodox	55,220,000	115,844,000	139,646,000	214,091,000	0.42	220,488,000	236,364,000	
35. Anglicans	11,910,000	30,571,000	47,409,000	75,335,000	1.33	82,632,000	109,690,000	
36. Marginal Christians	40,000	928,000	11,100,000	29,500,000	2.53	35,133,000	49,775,000	
<b>MEMBERSHIP BY 6 CONTINENTS, 21 UN REGIONS</b>								
37. Africa (5 regions)	4,330,000	8,756,000	117,138,000	353,225,000	2.40	417,001,000	634,611,000	
38. Asia (4 regions)	8,350,000	20,781,000	96,381,000	306,446,000	2.07	353,822,000	486,035,000	
39. Europe (including Russia; 4 regions)	171,700,000	368,209,000	467,940,000	531,285,000	0.04	532,715,000	521,313,000	
40. Latin America (3 regions)	14,900,000	60,027,000	263,561,000	479,475,000	1.31	525,162,000	634,198,000	
41. Northern America (1 region)	5,600,000	59,570,000	168,942,000	215,593,000	0.52	223,621,000	252,793,000	
42. Oceania (4 regions)	100,000	4,322,000	14,586,000	20,909,000	1.16	22,668,000	26,642,000	
<b>CHRISTIAN ORGANIZATIONS</b>								
43. Denominations	500	1,900	18,800	33,800	2.07	39,000	55,000	
44. Congregations (worship centers)	150,000	400,000	1,450,000	3,448,000	1.50	3,826,000	5,000,000	
45. Service agencies	600	1,500	14,100	23,000	1.77	26,000	36,000	
46. Foreign-mission sending agencies	200	600	2,200	4,000	1.63	4,480	6,000	
<b>CONCILIARISM: ONGOING COUNCILS OF CHURCHES</b>								
47. Confessional councils (CWCs, at world level)	20	40	150	310	1.75	350	600	
48. International councils of churches	0	10	36	59	1.10	64	80	
49. National councils of churches	0	19	283	598	1.50	660	870	
50. Local councils of churches	0	70	2,600	9,000	2.20	10,500	15,500	
<b>CHRISTIAN WORKERS (clergy, laypersons)</b>								
51. Nationals (citizens; all denominations)	900,000	2,100,000	4,600,000	10,900,000	1.08	11,751,000	14,000,000	
52. Men	800,000	1,900,000	3,100,000	6,540,000	0.85	6,939,000	8,000,000	
53. Women	100,000	200,000	1,500,000	4,360,000	1.42	4,812,000	6,000,000	
54. Aliens (foreign missionaries)	25,000	62,000	240,000	420,000	1.09	453,000	550,000	
55. Men	21,000	47,000	160,000	240,000	0.47	248,000	270,000	
56. Women	4,000	15,000	80,000	180,000	1.88	205,000	280,000	
<b>CHRISTIAN FINANCE (in US\$, per year)</b>								
57. Personal income of church members, \$	40 billion	270 billion	4,100 billion	15,230 billion	0.74	16,400 billion	26,000 billion	
58. Giving to Christian causes, \$	1 billion	8 billion	70 billion	270 billion	4.60	370 billion	870 billion	
59. Churches' income, \$	950 million	7 billion	50 billion	108 billion	3.78	140 billion	300 billion	
60. Parachurch and institutional income, \$	50 million	1 billion	20 billion	162 billion	5.13	230 billion	570 billion	
61. Cost-effectiveness (cost per baptism, \$)	7,500	17,500	128,000	330,000	2.80	349,000	650,000	
62. Ecclesiastical crime, \$	100,000	300,000	5,000,000	16 billion	5.77	24 billion	65 billion	
63. Income of global foreign missions, \$	25,000,000	200,000,000	3.0 billion	15 billion	5.70	22 billion	60 billion	
64. Computers in Christian use (numbers)	0	0	1,000	328 million	5.90	490 million	1,200 million	
<b>CHRISTIAN LITERATURE (titles, not copies)</b>								
65. Books about Christianity	75,000	300,000	1,800,000	4,800,000	3.08	6,175,000	11,800,000	
66. Christian periodicals	800	3,500	23,000	35,000	4.30	47,000	100,000	
<b>SCRIPTURE DISTRIBUTION (all sources, per year)</b>								
67. Bibles, p.a.	500,000	5,452,600	25,000,000	53,700,000	4.96	75,346,000	180,000,000	
68. Scriptures, including gospels, selections	1,500,000	20 million	281 million	4,600 million	1.07	4,720 million	6,000 million	
69. Bible density (copies in place)	20 million	108 million	443 million	1,400 million	1.97	1,600 million	2,280 million	
<b>CHRISTIAN BROADCASTING</b>								
70. Total monthly listeners / viewers	0	0	750,000,000	2,150,000,000	2.31	2,522,000,000	3,800,000,000	
<b>CHRISTIAN URBAN MISSION</b>								
71. Non-Christian megacities	1	5	65	226	1.14	245	300	
72. New non-Christian urban dwellers per day	500	5,200	51,100	129,000	1.78	146,000	200,000	
73. Urban Christians	5,500,000	159,600,000	660,800,000	1,160,000,000	1.59	1,295,000,000	1,720,000,000	
<b>CHRISTIAN EVANGELISM</b>								
74. Evangelism-hours per year	600 million	5 billion	25 billion	165 billion	3.86	220 billion	425 billion	
75. Hearer-hours (offers) per year	900 million	10 billion	99 billion	938 billion	6.23	1,430 billion	4,250 billion	
76. Disciple-opportunities (offers) per capita per year	1	6	27	154	4.95	216	538	
<b>WORLD EVANGELIZATION</b>								
77. Unevangelized population (=World A)	674,350,000	879,672,000	1,641,300,000	1,722,011,000	1.03	1,850,402,000	2,156,012,000	
78. Unevangelized as % of world	74.6	54.3	44.4	28.3	-0.17	28.0	27.3	
79. World evangelization plans since AD 30	160	250	510	1,500	2.80	1,820	3,000	