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Definitions and notes

While many figures in this booklet have been rounded, totals, percentages and averages were calculated before rounding. Hence row and column totals will not always agree exactly with the sum of the stated amounts.

Among the 12,500 parishes of the Church of England there are around **700 Local Ecumenical Partnerships** in roughly half of which there is a congregation and a ministry shared between the Church of England and certain other churches. In such circumstances it is not always possible (or indeed desirable) to isolate the Anglican component of the congregation. The parochial statistics will therefore include a small element which may appear also in the statistics of other churches.

Figures for **cathedrals** and **the Diocese in Europe** are included as far as possible. Their inclusion is most frequently inappropriate in the finance tables.

Figures for the Channel Islands are combined with those for the Diocese of Winchester. The isles of Scilly are included in the figures for the Diocese of Truro. The Diocese of Europe is part of the Province of Canterbury. It has clergy in the rest of Europe, Morocco, Turkey and the Asian countries of the former Soviet Union.

Membership, attendance and finance figures reported in this booklet have been collated from the annual parochial returns completed each year by parishes on behalf of Parochial Church Councils.

Attendance

In the tables relating to **attendance at church services** the measures of church attendance are defined as follows:

Average Sunday attendance	The average number of attenders at Sunday church services typically over a four week period in October.
Average weekly attendance	The average number of attenders at church services throughout the week typically over a four week period in October.
Highest Sunday/weekly attendance	The sum of the highest Sunday (weekly) attendances over a four week period in October.
Usual Sunday Attendance	The usual number of attenders at Sunday church services.
Children & Young People	Individuals under 16 years of age.
Communicant	An individual who partakes at a celebration of Holy Communion.
Electoral Roll	Those entitled to have their names entered upon the roll of the parish who are lay members of the Church of England of either sex of seventeen years of age and over, who are baptised and are resident in the parish or, if not resident, have habitually attended public worship in the parish during a period of six months prior to enrolment. Forms the basis of lay representation in a PCC.
Peculiar	a particular parish or church, having jurisdiction in itself, and exempt from that of the ordinary or Bishop's court. Peculiars are divided into royal (of which the Sovereign is the ordinary) and peculiars of Archbishops, Bishops and Deans.

Attendance figures have only been included where local churches held at least one church based service (which included adult presence) during the week under examination.

Of the 44 dioceses, 27 have an overall response rate of 90% or more of their parishes submitting their annual parochial returns.

Table 1: Summary diocesan statistics 2011/12

Provinces of Canterbury and York (excluding Europe)

Ref. no.	Diocese	Population ¹ (000s)	Area ² (square miles)	Population density (persons per sq mile)	Benefices ³	Number of:		Response Rate (%)
						Parishes ⁴	Churches ⁴	
1	Bath & Wells	C 907 (29)	1,610 (11)	562 (30)	186 (14)	469 (5)	564 (9)	94
2	Birmingham	C 1,500 (12)	290 (41)	5,136 (3)	141 (27)	149 (40)	191 (40)	92
3	Blackburn	Y 1,314 (16)	880 (27)	1,497 (15)	186 (14)	224 (28)	278 (29)	93
4	Bradford	Y 697 (38)	920 (26)	758 (27)	103 (41)	125 (42)	164 (42)	86
5	Bristol	C 968 (26)	470 (36)	2,043 (9)	110 (36)	164 (38)	205 (39)	80
6	Canterbury	C 913 (28)	970 (25)	941 (26)	147 (24)	261 (21)	328 (24)	92
7	Carlisle	Y 498 (42)	2,480 (4)	201 (42)	120 (35)	263 (20)	338 (20)	88
8	Chelmsford	C 2,991 (3)	1,530 (12)	1,954 (10)	317 (2)	460 (6)	598 (6)	99
9	Chester	Y 1,602 (10)	1,020 (22)	1,576 (14)	225 (8)	272 (19)	367 (18)	91
10	Chichester	C 1,606 (9)	1,460 (14)	1,101 (22)	291 (4)	363 (12)	491 (10)	90
11	Coventry	C 820 (33)	690 (30)	1,196 (19)	129 (31)	198 (32)	242 (34)	99
12	Derby	C 1,027 (23)	1,000 (23)	1,030 (24)	150 (22)	253 (24)	330 (23)	99
13	Durham	Y 1,466 (13)	990 (24)	1,485 (16)	187 (13)	227 (27)	273 (30)	80
14	Ely	C 730 (37)	1,510 (13)	484 (33)	178 (19)	306 (16)	334 (21)	88
15	Exeter	C 1,133 (20)	2,580 (3)	440 (37)	183 (17)	489 (4)	615 (4)	95
16	Gloucester	C 635 (40)	1,140 (20)	557 (31)	110 (36)	304 (17)	388 (16)	95
17	Guildford	C 1,016 (24)	540 (35)	1,888 (11)	139 (28)	164 (38)	217 (37)	100
18	Hereford	C 315 (43)	1,660 (10)	190 (43)	107 (39)	342 (14)	416 (13)	82
19	Leicester	C 984 (25)	840 (29)	1,179 (21)	108 (38)	236 (26)	313 (25)	93
20	Lichfield	C 2,085 (6)	1,740 (9)	1,196 (20)	268 (5)	421 (10)	573 (7)	98
21	Lincoln	C 1,039 (22)	2,670 (1)	389 (38)	211 (9)	492 (3)	637 (3)	65
22	Liverpool	Y 1,561 (11)	390 (39)	4,013 (5)	170 (20)	202 (31)	258 (32)	97
23	London	C 3,990 (2)	280 (42)	14,406 (1)	404 (1)	393 (11)	477 (12)	88
24	Manchester	Y 2,067 (7)	420 (37)	4,980 (4)	203 (10)	249 (25)	331 (22)	79
25	Newcastle	Y 799 (35)	2,110 (6)	379 (41)	133 (30)	172 (36)	236 (36)	85
26	Norwich	C 871 (30)	1,800 (8)	483 (34)	185 (16)	567 (2)	638 (2)	93
27	Oxford	C 2,266 (5)	2,220 (5)	1,020 (25)	294 (3)	616 (1)	816 (1)	87
28	Peterborough	C 855 (32)	1,150 (19)	744 (28)	134 (29)	343 (13)	379 (17)	87
29	Portsmouth	C 760 (36)	410 (38)	1,864 (12)	127 (34)	142 (41)	173 (41)	100
30	Ripon & Leeds	Y 819 (34)	1,360 (17)	603 (29)	106 (40)	165 (37)	256 (33)	96
31	Rochester	C 1,283 (17)	540 (34)	2,366 (6)	188 (12)	215 (30)	265 (31)	99
32	St. Albans	C 1,802 (8)	1,120 (21)	1,615 (13)	201 (11)	336 (15)	408 (14)	79
33	St. Edms & Ipswich	C 652 (39)	1,440 (15)	453 (35)	129 (31)	446 (9)	478 (11)	90
34	Salisbury	C 918 (27)	2,050 (7)	449 (36)	147 (24)	452 (7)	571 (8)	79
35	Sheffield	Y 1,238 (18)	580 (32)	2,149 (7)	149 (23)	173 (35)	212 (38)	93
36	Sodor & Man	Y 85 (44)	220 (43)	382 (40)	27 (43)	28 (43)	45 (43)	94
37	Southwark	C 2,674 (4)	320 (40)	8,436 (2)	262 (6)	288 (18)	366 (19)	97
38	Southwell & Nottingham	Y 1,096 (21)	850 (28)	1,294 (17)	157 (21)	256 (23)	306 (27)	87
39	Truro	C 535 (41)	1,390 (16)	385 (39)	128 (33)	219 (29)	307 (26)	89
40	Wakefield	Y 1,144 (19)	560 (33)	2,055 (8)	145 (26)	183 (33)	237 (35)	92
41	Winchester	C 1,338 (15)	1,220 (18)	1,100 (23)	183 (17)	258 (22)	407 (15)	96
42	Worcester	C 861 (31)	670 (31)	1,283 (18)	100 (42)	175 (34)	286 (28)	90
43	York	Y 1,412 (14)	2,660 (2)	531 (32)	254 (7)	452 (7)	610 (5)	95
Totals Province of Canterbury		C 37,475	35,290	1,062	5,257	9,521	12,013	
Totals Province of York		Y 15,799	15,410	1,025	2,165	2,991	3,911	
Totals CHURCH OF ENGLAND		53,274	50,700	1,051	7,422	12,512	15,924	

1 Diocesan population figures are based on the 2011 mid-year estimates. Contains public sector information licensed under the Open Government Licence v1.0 <http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/doc/open-government-licence/>. However as government boundaries do not match diocesan boundaries there has to be an element of estimation.

2 Area figures are calculated from material supplied by ONS and the Church Commissioners.

3 Benefices with parishes attached as listed in the Parish Register maintained by the Research and Statistics Dept as at 31 December 2011.

4 Parishes and churches are as listed in the Parish Register maintained by the Research and Statistics Dept as at 31 December 2011. Includes 114 churches with no buildings.

Notes The figures in brackets give rankings. Thus in terms of area, Bath and Wells is the 11th largest diocese, Birmingham is the 41st.

C and Y denote dioceses in the Provinces of Canterbury and York respectively.

The population density varies between dioceses from 190 people/sq mile in Hereford to 14,406 people/sq mile in London. The Church of England remains diverse in its make up.

Overall, average weekly and average Sunday attendance remained broadly the same between 2010 and 2011.

Table 2: Average weekly attendances 2010 and 2011: Total attendances (adults, children and young people)

Provinces of Canterbury and York (including Europe and Cathedrals)

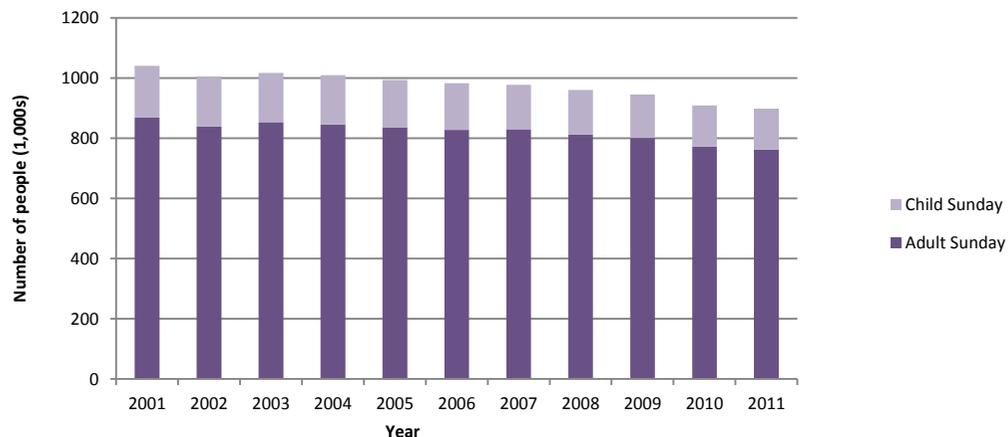
Diocese		Average weekly			Average Sunday			Usual Sunday		
		2011	2010	per cent change	2011	2010	per cent change	2011	2010	per cent change
1 Bath & Wells	C	24,600	25,400	-3	21,200	22,000	-4	20,100	19,700	2
2 Birmingham	C	17,300	17,800	-3	14,500	14,700	-1	13,600	13,500	1
3 Blackburn	Y	27,200	26,900	1	23,700	22,700	4	20,600	19,900	4
4 Bradford	Y	10,500	11,400	-7	8,800	9,400	-6	8,000	8,500	-5
5 Bristol	C	17,200	17,300	-1	14,500	14,600	-1	12,700	12,400	2
6 Canterbury	C	19,900	22,000	-10	16,300	17,800	-8	15,000	16,200	-8
7 Carlisle	Y	16,200	15,500	4	13,300	13,300	0	10,900	10,900	0
8 Chelmsford	C	41,500	41,900	-1	35,200	35,600	-1	31,600	31,600	0
9 Chester	Y	37,000	38,100	-3	30,500	31,800	-4	27,000	27,700	-3
10 Chichester	C	44,300	46,300	-4	35,600	37,300	-5	33,100	33,100	0
11 Coventry	C	15,900	16,200	-2	13,700	14,000	-2	12,800	12,800	0
12 Derby	C	18,000	17,600	2	15,600	15,200	3	13,100	12,900	2
13 Durham	Y	20,800	22,600	-8	16,300	17,600	-7	13,700	14,500	-6
14 Ely	C	19,000	19,500	-2	16,300	16,400	-1	14,200	14,400	-2
15 Exeter	C	27,100	26,600	2	24,000	23,800	1	20,900	20,700	1
16 Gloucester	C	21,200	21,600	-2	16,700	17,200	-3	16,100	14,600	11
17 Guildford	C	28,100	27,800	1	23,600	23,600	0	21,300	21,300	0
18 Hereford	C	12,500	12,700	-2	10,600	10,700	-1	8,000	7,400	8
19 Leicester	C	15,900	15,800	1	13,700	13,200	4	12,400	12,200	1
20 Lichfield	C	37,000	36,300	2	28,000	28,700	-3	26,100	26,000	0
21 Lincoln	C	21,600	21,100	2	17,700	16,900	5	14,200	14,100	1
22 Liverpool	Y	28,600	27,300	5	22,900	22,400	2	19,200	18,900	2
23 London	C	78,200	75,700	3	59,300	58,400	2	57,900	55,700	4
24 Manchester	Y	33,200	33,400	-1	26,900	27,800	-3	23,700	23,600	0
25 Newcastle	Y	14,500	14,900	-3	12,100	12,400	-3	10,400	10,500	-1
26 Norwich	C	21,500	19,700	9	18,100	17,700	2	15,300	15,100	1
27 Oxford	C	57,100	55,400	3	48,500	47,700	2	43,600	42,800	2
28 Peterborough	C	19,000	18,700	1	15,700	15,900	-1	13,900	13,700	1
29 Portsmouth	C	13,700	14,900	-8	11,400	12,400	-8	10,200	11,200	-9
30 Ripon & Leeds	Y	16,100	15,000	7	12,900	12,700	2	11,300	11,200	1
31 Rochester	C	28,700	29,400	-2	23,800	25,200	-5	22,000	22,900	-4
32 St. Albans	C	37,000	37,200	-1	28,000	28,300	-1	24,700	25,400	-2
33 St. Edms & Ipswich	C	19,400	19,300	1	16,500	16,900	-3	14,200	14,100	1
34 Salisbury	C	30,700	30,800	0	25,600	25,900	-1	22,200	22,700	-2
35 Sheffield	Y	18,500	19,400	-5	15,100	15,300	-1	13,300	13,200	1
36 Sodor & Man	Y	2,300	2,300	0	2,000	2,000	0	1,300	1,600	-17
37 Southwark	C	42,500	44,500	-5	36,400	38,900	-6	37,000	33,900	9
38 Southwell & Nottingham	Y	18,100	16,300	11	14,800	13,600	9	13,900	12,800	8
39 Truro	C	12,300	12,800	-4	10,300	10,700	-4	9,300	9,200	1
40 Wakefield	Y	16,400	16,600	-1	13,300	13,100	2	11,400	11,400	0
41 Winchester	C	33,800	33,600	0	26,800	27,500	-2	25,300	25,100	1
42 Worcester	C	15,100	14,600	3	12,200	12,100	1	11,000	10,900	1
43 York	Y	30,500	30,000	2	24,600	24,000	3	20,200	20,100	1
44 Europe	C	11,700	12,200	-4	11,100	11,600	-4	10,800	10,900	0
Totals Province of Canterbury	C	801,600	804,800	-0.4	661,100	670,800	-1.4	602,600	596,500	1.0
Totals Province of York	Y	289,900	289,800	0.0	237,200	238,100	-0.4	204,900	204,800	0.0
Totals CHURCH OF ENGLAND		1,091,500	1,094,600	-0.3	898,300	908,900	-1.2	807,500	801,300	0.8

Methodological note: in 2011 a new estimation process was used to fill in gaps of incomplete and partially complete returns from parishes. The increase in usual Sunday attendance between 2010 and 2011 can be attributed to missing data in 2010.

Notes Children and young people are defined as under the age of 16 years for the majority of dioceses.

Sunday attendance has declined over the decade, and this is particularly noticeable with child attendance.

Figure 1: Adult and child Sunday attendance 2001 to 2011



Methodological note: average Sunday attendance is calculated by averaging the attendance at services on the first 4 Sundays in October. A decline in average attendance could reflect a decline in individuals attending or a reduction in how often they attend. Further research is needed to explore this.

Table 3: Parochial church Average Sunday attendance 2001 to 2011

Provinces of Canterbury and York (including Europe)

year	Sunday Attendance								
	All age Sunday attendance			Adult Sunday attendance ¹			Children and Young People Sunday attendance ¹		
	Highest ²	Average	Lowest ³	Highest ²	Average	Lowest ³	Highest ² (000s)	Average (000s)	Lowest ³ (000s)
2001	1,425	1,041	774	1,170	868	657	285	173	99
2002	1,395	1,005	733	1,143	838	623	278	167	94
2003	1,401	1,017	755	1,156	853	645	272	164	92
2004	1,394	1,010	746	1,147	846	638	272	164	91
2005	1,374	993	733	1,136	836	629	264	158	87
2006	1,361	983	722	1,123	828	622	262	155	84
2007	1,357	978	718	1,129	830	622	252	148	79
2008	1,322	960	707	1,099	812	611	249	148	80
2009	1,305	944	695	1,085	801	603	244	144	77
2010	1,259	909	668	1,046	772	582	234	137	72
2011	1,258	898	649	1,044	763	566	236	135	68

1 Children and young people are under 16 years of age while adults are 16 years of age or over.

2 "Highest Sunday attendance" = the sum of the highest Sunday attendance over the four week period.

3 Lowest Sunday attendance = the sum of the lowest Sunday attendances over the four week period.

Notes

Church attendance figures are calculated typically from a four-week count in October.

Attendance figures have only been included where local churches held at least one church based service (which included adult presence) during the week under examination.

Methodological note: the highest and lowest figures give attendance figures for the most and least attended Sundays to give an indication of the range of attendance.

Weekly attendance patterns show a slow decline over the decade.

Table 4: Parochial church Average weekly attendance 2001 to 2011

Provinces of Canterbury and York (including Europe)

Year	All age weekly attendance						Children and Young People weekly attendance ¹		
	All age weekly attendance			Adult weekly attendance ¹			Children and Young People weekly attendance ¹		
	Highest ² (000s)	Average (000s)	Lowest ³ (000s)	Highest ² (000s)	Average (000s)	Lowest ³ (000s)	Highest ² (000s)	Average (000s)	Lowest ³ (000s)
2001	1,708	1,205	862	1,332	976	727	416	229	113
2002	1,682	1,170	825	1,296	941	693	424	229	111
2003	1,704	1,187	844	1,312	957	714	430	230	110
2004	1,707	1,186	839	1,308	951	706	437	235	111
2005	1,706	1,174	823	1,302	942	696	444	232	107
2006	1,694	1,163	812	1,294	937	690	442	228	103
2007	1,690	1,160	811	1,303	940	691	424	219	99
2008	1,667	1,145	800	1,267	919	679	438	225	100
2009	1,651	1,131	786	1,252	908	671	436	223	95
2010	1,612	1,095	755	1,218	880	650	428	214	88
2011	1,635	1,091	735	1,225	875	632	446	217	84

- 1 Children and young people are under 16 years of age while adults are 16 years of age or over.
- 2 "Highest weekly attendance" = the sum of the highest weekly attendance over the four week period.
- 3 Lowest weekly attendance = the sum of the lowest weekly attendances over the four week period.

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Church attendance figures are calculated typically from a four-week count in October.
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Figure 2: Adult and child Sunday and Mid week Attendance 2001 to 2011

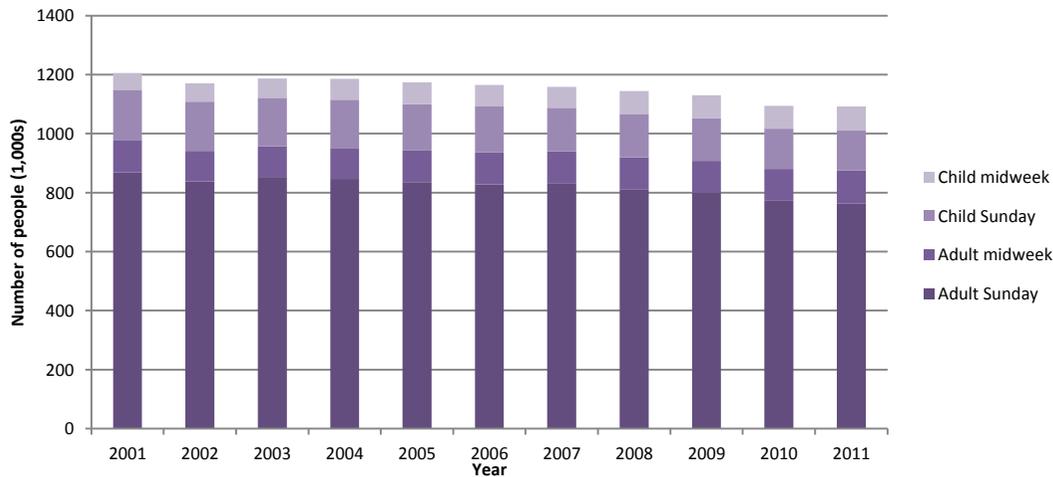
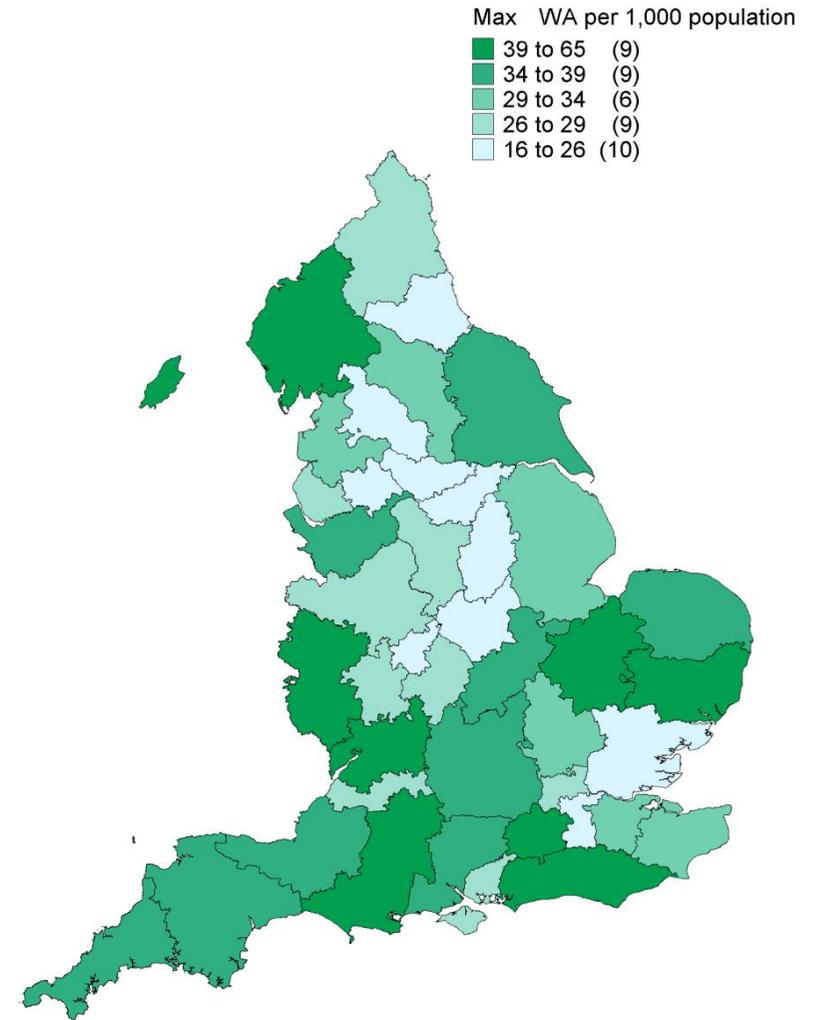


Figure 3: Maximum Weekly Attendance per 1000 people 2011



The difference between average weekly and average Sunday attendance is most marked for children and young people.

Table 5: Average weekly attendances 2011: adults, children and young people

Provinces of Canterbury and York (including Europe and Cathedrals)

Diocese		Average weekly		Average Sunday		Usual Sunday	
		Adults	C & YP ¹	Adults	C & YP ¹	Adults	C & YP ¹
1 Bath & Wells	C	20,100	4,500	18,600	2,500	17,700	2,400
2 Birmingham	C	14,000	3,400	12,300	2,200	11,600	2,000
3 Blackburn	Y	21,100	6,100	18,900	4,800	16,800	3,900
4 Bradford	Y	8,300	2,200	7,500	1,300	7,000	1,000
5 Bristol	C	13,700	3,400	12,100	2,400	10,700	1,900
6 Canterbury	C	15,600	4,300	13,900	2,400	12,900	2,100
7 Carlisle	Y	13,300	2,900	11,500	1,800	9,800	1,000
8 Chelmsford	C	32,900	8,600	29,500	5,700	26,700	4,900
9 Chester	Y	29,800	7,100	25,900	4,600	23,200	3,700
10 Chichester	C	36,200	8,100	30,900	4,700	28,500	4,600
11 Coventry	C	13,500	2,400	11,800	1,900	11,000	1,800
12 Derby	C	15,200	2,800	13,600	2,000	11,500	1,600
13 Durham	Y	17,200	3,600	14,100	2,200	11,900	1,700
14 Ely	C	15,100	3,900	13,800	2,500	12,300	2,000
15 Exeter	C	23,300	3,800	21,400	2,600	18,800	2,200
16 Gloucester	C	17,400	3,800	14,600	2,200	14,100	2,000
17 Guildford	C	21,400	6,600	19,100	4,400	17,500	3,700
18 Hereford	C	10,800	1,700	9,700	900	7,300	700
19 Leicester	C	13,300	2,600	12,000	1,700	10,900	1,600
20 Lichfield	C	28,300	8,700	24,200	3,800	22,700	3,400
21 Lincoln	C	17,700	3,900	15,900	1,800	12,900	1,300
22 Liverpool	Y	22,000	6,700	18,800	4,200	16,000	3,100
23 London	C	61,100	17,200	48,400	10,800	47,500	10,400
24 Manchester	Y	24,700	8,500	21,200	5,700	18,700	5,000
25 Newcastle	Y	12,300	2,100	10,600	1,500	9,300	1,100
26 Norwich	C	18,900	2,600	16,700	1,400	14,000	1,300
27 Oxford	C	46,100	11,100	40,700	7,800	36,700	6,900
28 Peterborough	C	15,300	3,700	13,300	2,400	11,700	2,200
29 Portsmouth	C	11,100	2,600	10,000	1,400	9,100	1,200
30 Ripon & Leeds	Y	13,000	3,200	10,800	2,100	9,600	1,700
31 Rochester	C	21,900	6,900	19,500	4,300	18,200	3,800
32 St. Albans	C	27,800	9,100	23,400	4,600	20,600	4,100
33 St. Edms & Ipswich	C	16,400	2,900	14,800	1,700	12,800	1,500
34 Salisbury	C	25,300	5,400	22,400	3,200	19,600	2,700
35 Sheffield	Y	14,900	3,600	12,800	2,300	11,400	1,900
36 Sodor & Man	Y	1,900	400	1,800	200	1,200	200
37 Southwark	C	31,100	11,400	28,400	8,100	29,400	7,600
38 Southwell & Nottingham	Y	14,500	3,600	12,800	2,100	12,100	1,700
39 Truro	C	10,600	1,700	9,300	1,000	8,400	900
40 Wakefield	Y	13,400	3,000	11,500	1,800	10,000	1,400
41 Winchester	C	26,700	7,000	23,000	3,800	21,500	3,800
42 Worcester	C	12,300	2,700	10,800	1,400	9,900	1,100
43 York	Y	24,700	5,800	21,400	3,300	17,900	2,300
44 Europe	C	10,200	1,500	9,700	1,400	9,300	1,600
Totals Province of Canterbury	C	643,400	158,200	563,900	97,200	515,600	87,000
Totals Province of York	Y	231,200	58,700	199,400	37,800	175,100	29,800
Totals CHURCH OF ENGLAND		874,600	216,900	763,300	134,900	690,700	116,800
Comparable figures for 2010							
Totals Province of Canterbury	C	648,700	156,100	571,100	99,700	510,200	86,200
Totals Province of York	Y	231,700	58,100	201,200	36,900	174,800	30,100
Totals CHURCH OF ENGLAND		880,400	214,300	772,300	136,600	685,000	116,200

¹ Children and young people (C & YP) are defined as under the age of 16 years for the majority of dioceses.

Methodological note: Usual Sunday attendance is consistently lower than average Sunday attendance. A survey of those completing annual parochial returns indicated variation in how Usual Sunday Attendance figures were estimated. More research is needed to understand what is a "usual Sunday" in the life of the Church.

Christmas attendance peaked in 2006 and continues to be significantly higher than regular attendance counts.

Figure 4: All Age Church Attendance 2001 to 2011

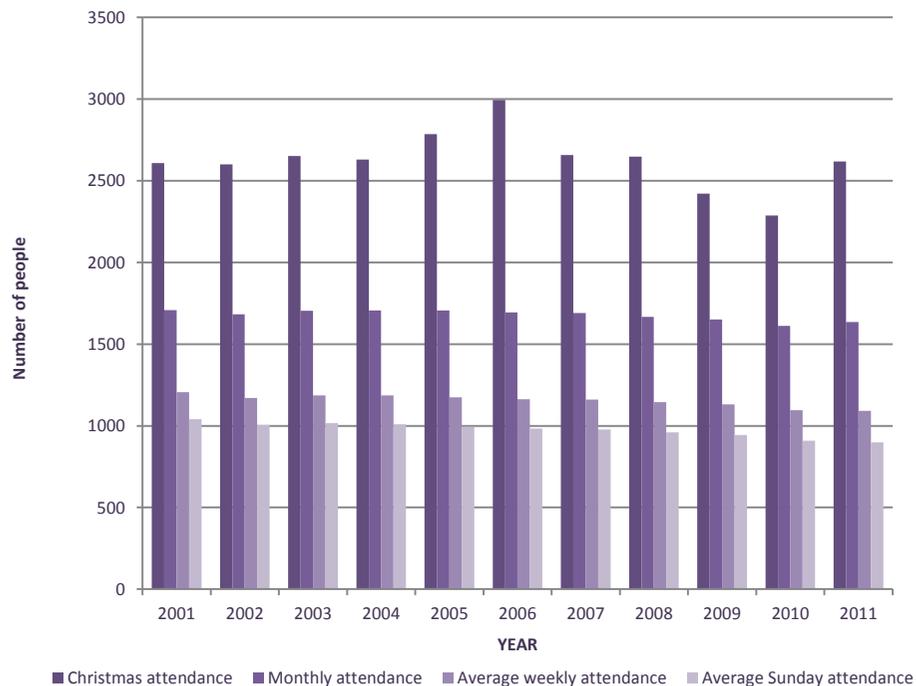


Figure 4 plots Christmas attendance alongside regular attendance over the decade 2001 to 2011. The highest attendance over the 4 weeks in October can be used as a proxy for monthly attendance figures. Christmas attendance fluctuates considerably dependent on factors such as the weather and on which day of the week Christmas Day falls. In 2010 there was widespread snowfall preventing many from attending services. Christmas Day in 2011 had better weather and fell on a Sunday so the increase in attendance between 2010 and 2011 was expected.

Table 6: All Age Christmas Attendance 2001 to 2011

Year	All Age Attendance	
	(000s)	Day
2001	2,608	Tuesday
2002	2,600	Wednesday
2003	2,652	Thursday
2004	2,629	Saturday
2005	2,786	Sunday
2006	2,994	Monday
2007	2,657	Tuesday
2008	2,647	Thursday
2009	2,421	Friday
2010	2,287	Saturday
2011	2,618	Sunday

Christmas and Easter see the churches' largest attendances, with almost twice as many coming at Christmas than Easter.

Table 7: Easter and Christmas 2011

Provinces of Canterbury and York (including Europe and Cathedrals)

Diocese		Easter Day ¹		Christmas Day	
		attendance	communicants	attendance	communicants
1 Bath & Wells	C	38,500	27,900	76,100	30,500
2 Birmingham	C	21,800	15,800	38,300	15,200
3 Blackburn	Y	33,400	25,000	44,100	20,500
4 Bradford	Y	13,100	9,900	25,200	9,500
5 Bristol	C	20,400	13,700	44,500	15,400
6 Canterbury	C	27,100	18,900	59,000	19,700
7 Carlisle	Y	22,700	16,200	35,200	15,100
8 Chelmsford	C	52,800	37,300	111,600	37,200
9 Chester	Y	42,100	30,300	81,900	31,800
10 Chichester	C	60,700	44,100	127,300	46,400
11 Coventry	C	20,200	15,100	43,600	15,600
12 Derby	C	21,200	16,100	42,100	15,300
13 Durham	Y	21,600	16,100	38,600	14,800
14 Ely	C	23,200	16,000	51,500	17,700
15 Exeter	C	42,700	31,900	77,400	32,900
16 Gloucester	C	29,300	21,100	61,000	24,100
17 Guildford	C	37,500	25,000	92,200	27,200
18 Hereford	C	17,000	12,600	29,000	13,800
19 Leicester	C	19,200	14,100	35,600	15,300
20 Lichfield	C	41,800	32,000	78,500	33,400
21 Lincoln	C	22,300	17,300	48,400	18,100
22 Liverpool	Y	30,800	23,000	38,700	20,800
23 London	C	89,300	56,400	124,200	58,300
24 Manchester	Y	33,600	24,800	42,600	21,300
25 Newcastle	Y	17,600	12,700	40,100	11,900
26 Norwich	C	28,500	21,800	62,300	21,200
27 Oxford	C	73,200	50,900	158,300	57,900
28 Peterborough	C	24,000	18,000	52,400	19,000
29 Portsmouth	C	20,500	15,300	44,100	15,900
30 Ripon & Leeds	Y	20,100	14,700	35,900	14,600
31 Rochester	C	35,100	23,900	75,600	24,200
32 St. Albans	C	42,800	30,100	93,800	31,800
33 St. Edms & Ipswich	C	26,200	19,100	51,200	19,000
34 Salisbury	C	43,900	32,200	81,300	35,000
35 Sheffield	Y	19,500	13,500	34,600	13,100
36 Sodor & Man	Y	2,700	2,100	4,200	1,700
37 Southwark	C	51,400	35,000	94,100	38,700
38 Southwell & Nottingham	Y	19,600	14,100	42,200	14,500
39 Truro	C	20,200	15,000	34,000	14,100
40 Wakefield	Y	19,200	14,500	37,000	13,800
41 Winchester	C	44,600	31,200	93,000	36,300
42 Worcester	C	19,100	14,100	39,200	15,300
43 York	Y	35,500	25,700	76,900	27,300
44 Europe	C	19,200	15,000	21,100	13,300
Totals Province of Canterbury	C	1,033,600	737,200	2,040,800	777,900
Totals Province of York	Y	331,300	242,600	577,200	230,600
Totals CHURCH OF ENGLAND		1,365,000	979,700	2,618,000	1,008,500

Comparable figures for 2010

Totals Province of Canterbury	C	1,047,400	740,100	1,784,400	685,500
Totals Province of York	Y	339,100	246,400	502,700	205,000
Totals CHURCH OF ENGLAND		1,386,500	986,500	2,287,200	890,500

Notes:

¹ Includes vigil services on Easter Eve.

Figure 5: All Age Christmas Attendance per 1000 Christians 2011

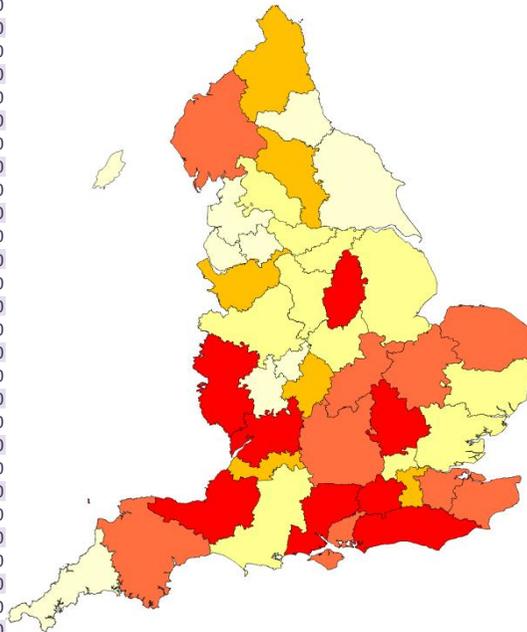
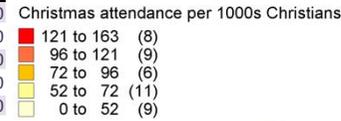
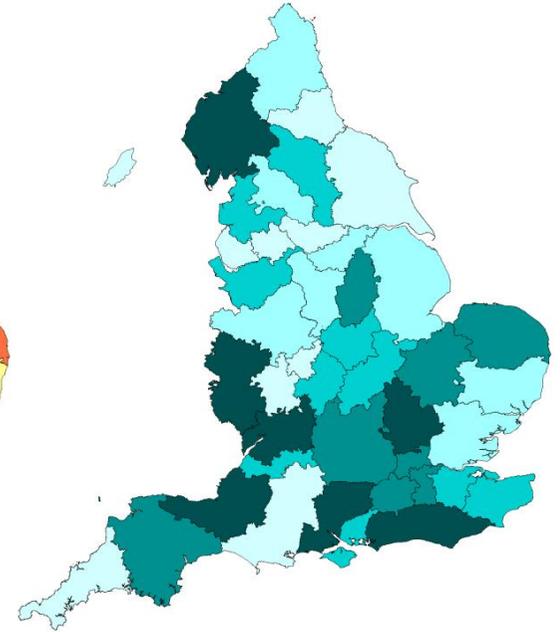
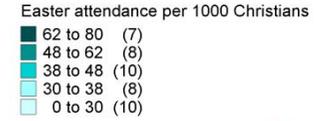


Figure 6: All Age Easter Attendance per 1000 Christians 2011



The maps above illustrate that whilst large numbers of people attend these major Christian festivals, those coming still represent a very small proportion of those who consider themselves Christian (as indicated by the 2011 Census).

Electoral rolls in most dioceses have declined slightly over the period 1996 to 2011.

Table 8: Parochial church electoral rolls 2011 and selected years

Provinces of Canterbury and York (including Europe and including Cathedrals from 2002 onwards)

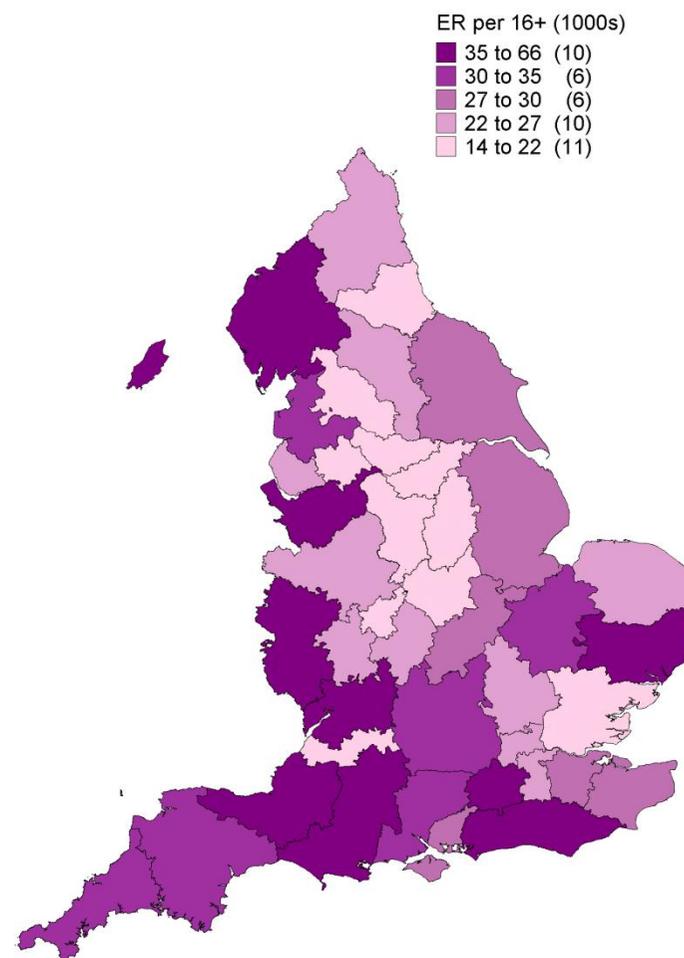
Diocese		2011	2010	2007	2002	1996 ¹
1 Bath & Wells	C	35,300	35,500	36,000	38,000	42,700
2 Birmingham	C	16,900	17,000	17,500	18,200	19,300
3 Blackburn	Y	33,000	32,600	34,700	34,300	37,400
4 Bradford	Y	11,100	11,500	11,300	12,300	12,700
5 Bristol	C	15,900	15,700	15,400	16,600	19,000
6 Canterbury	C	20,100	20,300	20,600	21,000	21,000
7 Carlisle	Y	20,400	20,400	20,400	21,600	24,900
8 Chelmsford	C	46,600	47,000	45,300	48,600	50,800
9 Chester	Y	46,300	45,800	42,600	45,700	48,600
10 Chichester	C	52,600	53,300	54,100	51,800	58,200
11 Coventry	C	17,400	17,100	17,300	16,300	17,700
12 Derby	C	17,900	18,200	17,800	20,700	20,100
13 Durham	Y	23,100	22,700	22,800	24,000	27,400
14 Ely	C	19,200	19,000	18,300	19,100	20,900
15 Exeter	C	30,600	30,600	30,800	30,500	33,900
16 Gloucester	C	24,000	23,700	22,100	23,600	26,300
17 Guildford	C	30,100	29,900	28,100	29,500	30,600
18 Hereford	C	17,100	17,900	17,600	18,100	18,900
19 Leicester	C	17,200	17,000	16,400	17,000	16,100
20 Lichfield	C	44,500	44,100	44,600	45,000	52,200
21 Lincoln	C	25,600	25,800	28,400	27,800	31,300
22 Liverpool	Y	28,700	28,400	26,800	28,800	32,500
23 London	C	77,300	75,800	64,400	59,600	52,500
24 Manchester	Y	33,400	33,100	32,600	34,500	38,000
25 Newcastle	Y	16,300	15,900	16,000	16,700	17,500
26 Norwich	C	18,600	19,000	19,800	23,900	25,900
27 Oxford	C	56,400	56,200	52,700	54,600	60,600
28 Peterborough	C	19,300	19,400	18,300	18,000	19,500
29 Portsmouth	C	16,900	17,500	16,400	17,500	18,000
30 Ripon & Leeds	Y	16,300	16,700	15,300	17,600	19,300
31 Rochester	C	30,100	30,200	28,500	29,900	31,300
32 St. Albans	C	38,700	38,300	36,900	39,400	43,100
33 St. Edms & Ipswich	C	22,800	23,700	23,300	24,100	25,300
34 Salisbury	C	40,800	41,200	40,700	42,500	45,900
35 Sheffield	Y	18,000	18,000	17,400	18,600	20,700
36 Sodor & Man	Y	2,600	2,500	2,700	2,400	2,800
37 Southwark	C	49,900	49,500	44,800	44,200	45,400
38 Southwell & Nottingham	Y	19,400	19,800	18,800	18,300	18,700
39 Truro	C	15,400	15,500	15,700	16,900	17,600
40 Wakefield	Y	18,700	19,000	19,800	20,300	23,200
41 Winchester	C	38,000	38,800	37,000	38,500	42,100
42 Worcester	C	18,400	18,500	19,200	20,300	22,400
43 York	Y	33,900	34,100	33,600	35,000	38,200
44 Europe	C	11,100	11,500	10,300	9,300	
Totals Province of Canterbury	C	884,700	887,300	858,300	880,500	928,600
Totals Province of York	Y	321,200	320,400	314,800	330,100	361,900
Totals CHURCH OF ENGLAND		1,206,000	1,207,700	1,173,100	1,210,600	1,290,500

¹ National electoral roll totals for 1996 do not include the Diocese of Europe and do not include Cathedrals.

Notes:

Electoral Rolls are revised annually and new rolls are compiled every six years. Thus in 1996 and 2002 and 2007 new electoral rolls were compiled.

Figure 7: Electoral Roll per 1000 people aged 16 and over 2011



In 2011, 12% of babies were baptised into the Church of England.

Table 9: Parochial baptisms and thanksgivings 2011

Provinces of Canterbury and York (including Europe and Cathedrals)

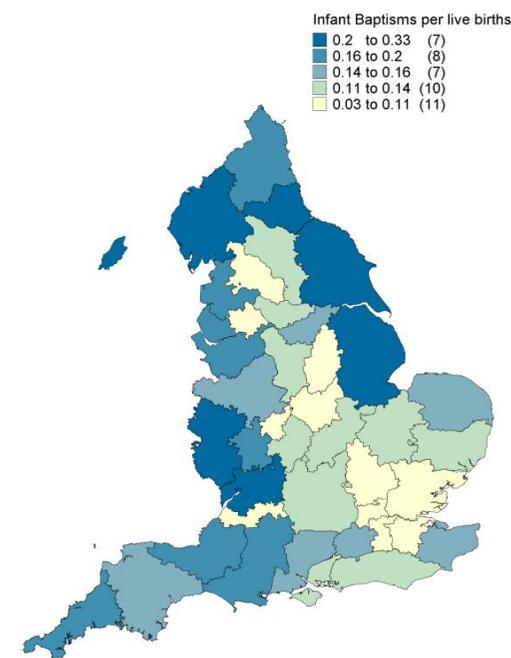
Diocese		Live births ¹	Baptisms				Thanksgivings		Baptisms and Thanksgivings Total	
			Infants under one year	Infant baptisms per 1,000 live births	Children aged 1 to 12 years	All other persons	Infants	Child		
1	Bath & Wells	C	9,900	1,820	183	860	170	74	42	2,970
2	Birmingham	C	22,800	1,470	65	920	200	49	43	2,690
3	Blackburn	Y	16,200	2,710	167	1,180	220	47	39	4,200
4	Bradford	Y	10,400	880	84	380	70	42	31	1,400
5	Bristol	C	13,600	1,190	88	630	120	23	21	1,990
6	Canterbury	C	10,600	1,560	147	1,140	210	41	27	2,980
7	Carlisle	Y	5,000	1,650	330	480	100	30	27	2,280
8	Chelmsford	C	43,300	2,750	63	2,040	710	241	153	5,890
9	Chester	Y	18,800	3,040	162	1,580	300	196	105	5,220
10	Chichester	C	17,900	2,250	126	1,320	220	88	48	3,920
11	Coventry	C	10,600	1,170	110	610	170	92	84	2,120
12	Derby	C	12,300	1,580	128	740	130	120	42	2,600
13	Durham	Y	17,300	3,650	211	1,350	300	132	49	5,480
14	Ely	C	9,000	1,210	134	550	140	41	36	1,970
15	Exeter	C	12,300	1,950	159	1,030	290	43	14	3,330
16	Gloucester	C	7,100	1,420	200	700	220	47	22	2,410
17	Guildford	C	12,800	1,830	143	1,150	210	57	59	3,300
18	Hereford	C	3,200	900	281	400	80	13	9	1,390
19	Leicester	C	12,300	1,030	84	560	140	31	14	1,780
20	Lichfield	C	26,200	3,890	148	1,850	470	283	94	6,590
21	Lincoln	C	11,800	2,940	249	1,090	220	71	23	4,350
22	Liverpool	Y	18,700	3,000	160	1,640	270	116	91	5,120
23	London	C	63,300	2,340	37	2,260	630	95	44	5,370
24	Manchester	Y	29,900	3,210	107	1,920	400	213	134	5,870
25	Newcastle	Y	8,800	1,600	181	610	150	9	8	2,370
26	Norwich	C	9,500	1,430	150	670	190	42	27	2,350
27	Oxford	C	31,100	3,770	121	2,080	450	136	117	6,550
28	Peterborough	C	11,700	1,390	119	580	160	95	73	2,300
29	Portsmouth	C	8,600	1,110	129	630	160	28	28	1,960
30	Ripon & Leeds	Y	10,400	1,250	120	680	140	38	35	2,150
31	Rochester	C	16,900	1,740	103	1,350	300	217	146	3,750
32	St. Albans	C	24,900	2,110	85	1,570	320	103	40	4,140
33	St. Edms & Ipswich	C	7,600	1,050	138	460	110	38	43	1,700
34	Salisbury	C	9,800	1,810	185	1,100	270	60	38	3,280
35	Sheffield	Y	15,100	2,230	148	1,050	360	201	72	3,920
36	Sodor & Man	Y	900	200	218	60	20	5	0	280
37	Southwark	C	43,500	2,350	54	2,150	510	92	52	5,160
38	Southwell & Nottingham	Y	13,500	1,450	107	760	240	131	125	2,700
39	Truro	C	5,800	1,140	196	590	120	29	25	1,890
40	Wakefield	Y	15,000	2,040	136	960	350	130	47	3,520
41	Winchester	C	16,000	2,460	154	1,190	230	175	172	4,220
42	Worcester	C	9,900	1,640	166	870	180	113	111	2,910
43	York	Y	16,400	3,390	207	1,340	360	221	80	5,390
44	Europe	C		280		210	80	37	7	610
Totals Province of Canterbury		C	494,300	53,560	108	31,270	7,390	2,570	1,650	96,450
Totals Province of York		Y	196,400	30,290	154	13,990	3,250	1,510	840	49,880
Totals CHURCH OF ENGLAND			690,700	83,850	121	45,260	10,640	4,090	2,500	146,330

Comparable figures for 2010:

Totals Province of Canterbury	C	491,900	51,790	105	29,200	7,190	2,450	1,170	91,800
Totals Province of York	Y	197,800	29,930	151	12,890	2,940	1,710	560	48,030
Totals CHURCH OF ENGLAND		689,800	81,720	118	42,100	10,130	4,160	1,730	139,830

¹ Live births per diocese are estimates based on statistics obtained from the Office for National Statistics (ONS).

Figure 8: Infant Baptisms per 1000 live births 2011



The map above illustrates a rural/urban divide in infant baptisms as a rate of live births.

In 2011, almost 30 per cent of confirmations in the Church of England were of women aged 20 or over.

Table 10: Confirmations 2011

Provinces of Canterbury and York (including Europe, excluding Armed forces)

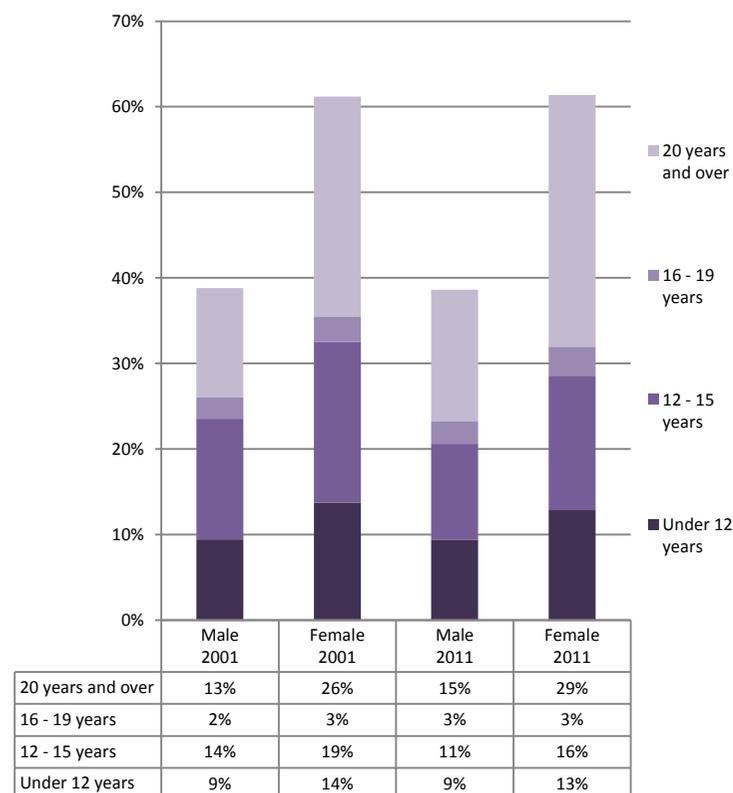
Ref. no.	Diocese		Males	Females	Total	Number of services
1	Bath & Wells	C	130	192	322	23
2	Birmingham	C	104	208	312	64
3	Blackburn	Y	441	878	1,319	69
4	Bradford	Y	48	101	149	25
5	Bristol	C	108	195	303	19
6	Canterbury	C	174	321	495	36
7	Carlisle	Y	137	213	350	49
8	Chelmsford	C	344	547	891	81
9	Chester	Y	271	490	761	98
10	Chichester	C	314	537	851	58
11	Coventry	C	105	158	263	20
12	Derby	C	92	141	233	31
13	Durham	Y	168	270	438	26
14	Ely	C	122	173	295	28
15	Exeter	C	159	224	383	49
16	Gloucester	C	105	218	323	38
17	Guildford	C	271	390	661	33
18	Hereford	C	93	179	272	27
19	Leicester	C	120	194	314	28
20	Lichfield	C	413	606	1,019	94
21	Lincoln	C	149	234	383	42
22	Liverpool	Y	352	608	960	52
23	London	C	596	880	1,476	178
24	Manchester	Y	420	618	1,038	63
25	Newcastle	Y	90	162	252	36
26	Norwich	C	104	137	241	41
27	Oxford	C	614	872	1,486	137
28	Peterborough	C	59	117	176	93
29	Portsmouth	C	46	85	131	11
30	Ripon & Leeds	Y	148	270	418	46
31	Rochester	C	275	428	703	68
32	St. Albans	C	297	460	757	63
33	St. Edms & Ipswich	C	125	202	327	39
34	Salisbury	C	81	158	239	12
35	Sheffield	Y	129	183	312	33
36	Sodor & Man	Y	14	7	21	6
37	Southwark	C	457	712	1,169	72
38	Southwell & Nottingham	Y	120	179	299	20
39	Truro	C	64	107	171	23
40	Wakefield	Y	132	185	317	43
41	Winchester	C	176	223	399	45
42	Worcester	C	109	155	264	37
43	York	Y	228	347	575	69
44	Europe	C	84	90	174	35
Totals Province of Canterbury		C	5,890	9,143	15,033	1,525
Totals Province of York		Y	2,698	4,511	7,209	635
Totals CHURCH OF ENGLAND			8,588	13,654	22,242	2,160

Comparable figures for 2010:

Totals Province of Canterbury	C	6,161	9,337	15,498	1,537
Totals Province of York	Y	2,706	4,145	6,851	701
Totals CHURCH OF ENGLAND		8,867	13,482	22,349	2,238

Notes: Confirmations in the Armed Forces are not included

Figure 9: Confirmations by age and gender 2001 and 2011



Over the decade, the proportion of confirmations for those over 20 has increased for both men and women.

In 2011, at least 36% of deaths had a Church of England funeral.

Table 11: Parochial marriages and funerals 2011

Provinces of Canterbury and York (including Europe and Cathedrals)

Diocese		Marriages			Funerals			Number of deaths ¹	Per cent with C-of-E funeral
		Marriages	Prayer and dedication after a civil marriage	Total	Held in church	Held in crematoria/cemeteries	Total		
1 Bath & Wells	C	1,290	90	1,380	2,230	1,490	3,720	9,100	41%
2 Birmingham	C	950	50	1,000	1,240	2,850	4,090	11,800	35%
3 Blackburn	Y	960	50	1,000	2,240	1,660	3,900	13,300	29%
4 Bradford	Y	660	30	690	830	780	1,610	5,800	28%
5 Bristol	C	800	50	850	1,120	1,150	2,280	7,500	30%
6 Canterbury	C	1,230	70	1,310	1,200	2,150	3,340	8,900	38%
7 Carlisle	Y	740	50	790	1,850	1,110	2,960	5,400	55%
8 Chelmsford	C	2,380	130	2,510	2,760	3,770	6,520	23,300	28%
9 Chester	Y	1,670	90	1,760	3,430	2,450	5,880	15,100	39%
10 Chichester	C	1,820	150	1,970	2,170	2,460	4,630	16,600	28%
11 Coventry	C	910	60	970	1,560	1,000	2,560	7,000	37%
12 Derby	C	1,110	70	1,180	2,240	1,370	3,610	9,500	38%
13 Durham	Y	1,090	70	1,150	3,520	1,960	5,480	14,800	37%
14 Ely	C	890	60	960	1,500	860	2,360	5,600	42%
15 Exeter	C	1,600	100	1,690	2,640	1,350	3,990	12,000	33%
16 Gloucester	C	1,130	70	1,200	1,850	1,210	3,070	5,800	53%
17 Guildford	C	1,130	80	1,200	1,230	1,820	3,050	8,000	38%
18 Hereford	C	640	40	680	1,340	660	1,990	3,200	62%
19 Leicester	C	980	50	1,030	1,530	1,030	2,560	7,800	33%
20 Lichfield	C	2,100	130	2,230	4,950	3,850	8,800	18,900	47%
21 Lincoln	C	1,430	100	1,530	2,400	1,710	4,100	10,700	38%
22 Liverpool	Y	940	80	1,010	3,190	1,880	5,070	14,800	34%
23 London	C	1,480	160	1,640	1,470	2,360	3,820	21,500	18%
24 Manchester	Y	1,120	70	1,190	2,280	1,990	4,270	17,600	24%
25 Newcastle	Y	660	40	700	1,250	1,360	2,610	7,700	34%
26 Norwich	C	1,260	100	1,360	2,270	2,120	4,390	9,100	48%
27 Oxford	C	2,860	160	3,020	3,560	3,100	6,650	16,200	41%
28 Peterborough	C	1,060	50	1,100	1,500	750	2,250	7,100	32%
29 Portsmouth	C	920	70	1,000	1,150	1,350	2,500	7,300	34%
30 Ripon & Leeds	Y	840	40	870	1,340	790	2,140	7,100	30%
31 Rochester	C	1,070	100	1,170	1,450	3,290	4,740	10,300	46%
32 St. Albans	C	1,500	90	1,590	2,520	2,430	4,950	13,600	36%
33 St. Edms & Ipswich	C	1,110	60	1,170	1,940	930	2,870	6,000	48%
34 Salisbury	C	1,410	110	1,510	2,090	1,610	3,690	9,100	41%
35 Sheffield	Y	1,030	60	1,090	2,240	1,970	4,220	11,400	37%
36 Sodor & Man	Y	130	10	140	290	100	380	800	48%
37 Southwark	C	1,480	100	1,580	1,280	2,860	4,130	16,100	26%
38 Southwell & Nottingham	Y	1,060	80	1,130	2,170	1,830	4,000	9,600	42%
39 Truro	C	900	70	970	1,530	630	2,150	5,700	38%
40 Wakefield	Y	870	50	930	2,170	1,760	3,930	10,400	38%
41 Winchester	C	1,790	130	1,910	2,190	1,680	3,870	11,500	34%
42 Worcester	C	1,140	70	1,210	1,720	1,500	3,220	8,000	40%
43 York	Y	1,690	80	1,760	3,010	2,400	5,410	14,100	38%
44 Europe	C	100	330	430	230	560	790		
Totals Province of Canterbury	C	38,440	2,890	41,320	56,790	53,890	110,680	307,200	36%
Totals Province of York	Y	13,440	770	14,220	29,800	22,050	51,850	147,900	35%
Totals CHURCH OF ENGLAND		51,880	3,660	55,540	86,590	75,930	162,530	455,100	36%

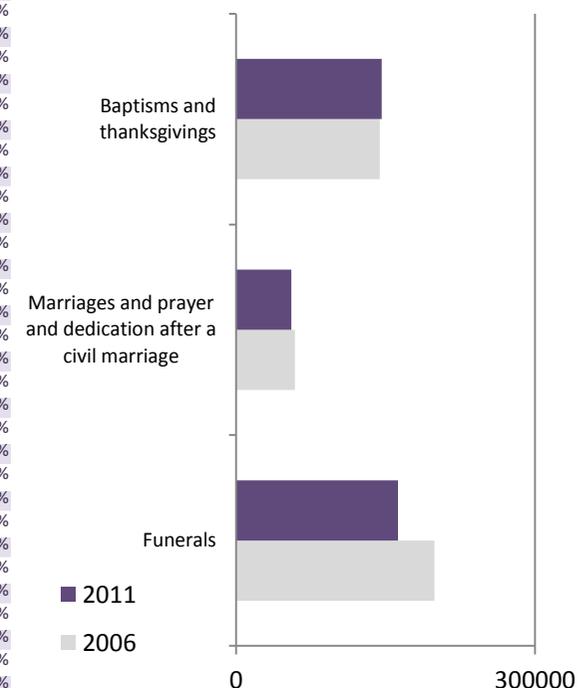
Comparable figures for 2010

Total Province of Canterbury	C	39,870	2,770	42,640	57,690	55,830	113,520	313,100	36%
Totals Province of York	Y	13,930	740	14,660	30,010	23,600	53,600	150,100	36%
Totals CHURCH OF ENGLAND		53,800	3,500	57,300	87,700	79,420	167,120	463,100	36%

1. The number of deaths are estimates based on statistics obtained from the Office National Statistics (ONS)

Figure 10

Figure 10: Parochial occasional offices 2006 and 2011



There are almost three times as many Church of England funerals as there are Church of England weddings. Funerals make up almost half of all occasional office. Methodological note: these figures capture marriages and funerals conducted through a parish. Whilst the number of marriages conducted outside the parochial context are relatively few, there maybe more CofE funerals not captured in these figures.

Over the last century there has been a significant reduction in people being confirmed and in people joining the electoral roll.

Table 12: Parochial confirmations, Electoral Rolls, usual Sunday attendances and funerals comparisons 1900 to 2011

Including Europe from 1997

Year	Confirmations			Church Electoral Rolls ^{1,2} (000s)	Usual Sunday attendances (all services)			Funerals (000s)	Deaths ³ (000s)	Funerals as a per cent of deaths	
	Male (000s)	Female (000s)	Total (000s)		Children and young people (000s)	Adult (000s)	Total (000s)				
1900	73	108	181	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1910	95	132	227	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1920	83	116	199	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1930	84	112	196	3,693	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1940	65	79	144	3,423	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1950	60	82	142	2,959	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1960	78	113	191	2,862	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1970	45	68	113	2,559	-	-	1,542	-	-	-	
1978	-	-	-	1,761	R	-	1,243	-	-	-	
1980	37	61	98	1,815	-	-	1,240	-	-	-	
1984	-	-	-	1,495	R	-	1,182	-	-	-	
1986	-	-	-	1,583	-	252	914	1,166	-	-	
1991	21	34	55	1,437	-	223	914	1,137	-	-	
1992	22	36	58	1,459	-	220	903	1,123	-	-	
1993	20	32	52	1,474	-	206	883	1,089	-	-	
1994	18	30	48	1,479	-	201	880	1,081	-	-	
1995	17	27	44	1,468	-	192	854	1,046	-	-	
1996	17	26	43	1,291	R	184	832	1,016	-	-	
1997	16	25	41	1,325	-	179	817	996	-	-	
1998	16	24	40	1,347	-	174	803	977	-	-	
1999	14	23	37	1,357	-	170	799	969	-	-	
2000	14	22	36	1,377	-	-	-	233	501	46%	
2001	13	20	33	1,372	-	157	781	938	228	496	46%
2002	13	20	33	1,210	R	151	768	919	225	499	45%
2003	13	19	32	1,235	-	145	757	901	227	503	45%
2004	12	18	30	1,254	-	143	760	903	213	482	44%
2005	12	18	30	1,269	-	137	743	880	207	482	43%
2006	12	18	29	1,266	-	133	737	871	199	473	42%
2007	11	17	28	1,173	R	132	736	868	194	473	41%
2008	11	16	27	1,179	-	127	718	845	188	478	39%
2009	10	15	25	1,197	-	122	704	826	177	466	38%
2010	9	13	22	1,208	-	116	685	801	167	463	36%
2011	9	14	22	1,206	-	117	691	807	163	455	36%

1 Since 1972 new electoral rolls have been prepared usually every 6 years. Such years are marked with an "R"

2 Before 1957 the minimum age for inclusion on the electoral roll was 18. From 1957-1980 the age was lowered to 17 after which it was reduced again to 16. Electoral roll figures for 1982 and previous years include some cathedral rolls. These have been excluded from the figures for later years.

3 The number of deaths are estimates based on Population Trends, Office for National Statistics

In 2011 2% of people were confirmed, compared to 19% in 1960 and 23% in 1910. The number of people on electoral rolls has not shown the same level of decline, reducing by 50% between 1930 and 1980, and then reducing by 33% between 1980 and 2011.

Figure 11: Confirmations 1900 to 2011

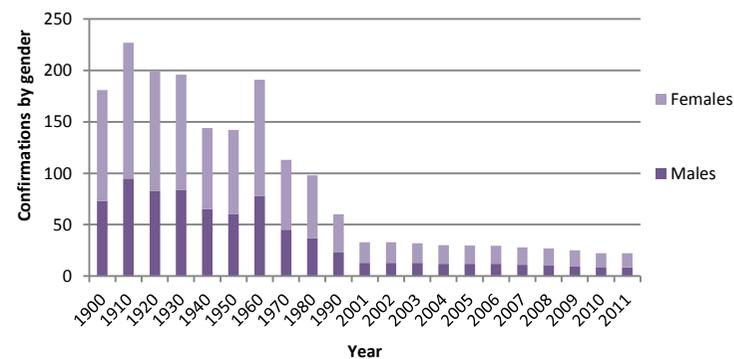


Figure 12: Electoral rolls and usual Sunday attendances comparisons 1930 to 2011

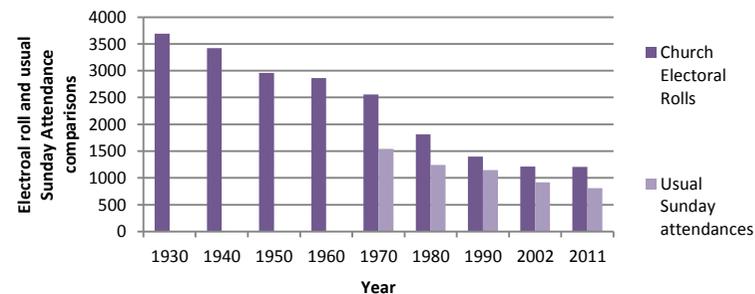
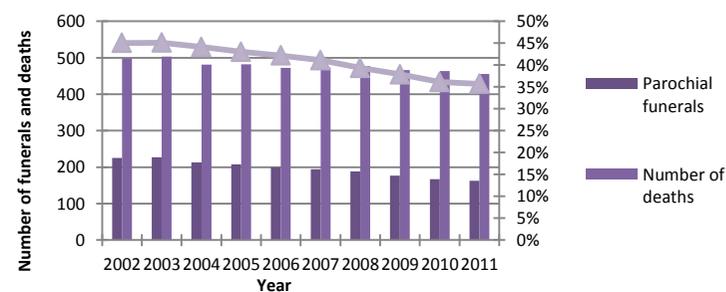
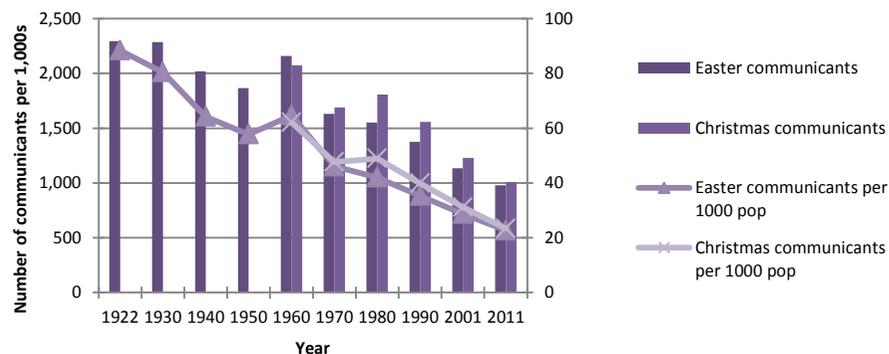


Figure 13: Funerals comparisons 2002 to 2011



Easter attendance has seen a general decline, particularly in the latter part of the century.

Figure 14: Easter and Christmas communicants (1922-2011)



Easter attendance also sees fluctuations dependent on the time of the year, with a pattern in the last decade showing attendance often being lower when Easter falls earlier in March.

Table 13: Parochial Easter and Christmas comparisons 1922 to 2011

Including Cathedrals and their daughter churches

Year	Adult ² population ¹ (000s)	Easter Day ³			Christmas Day/ Eve		
		attendance (000s)	communicants (000s)	communicant rates per 1,000 adult pop	attendance (000s)	communicants (000s)	communicant rates per 1,000 adult pop
1922	25,951	-	2,294	88	-	-	-
1930	28,418	-	2,285	80	-	-	-
1940	31,418	-	2,018	64	-	-	-
1950	32,319	-	1,867	58	-	-	-
1960	33,395	-	2,159	65	-	2,074	62
1970	35,450	-	1,632	46	-	1,689	48
1980	36,924	-	1,551	42	-	1,807	49
1990	39,002	-	1,376	35	-	1,556	40
1993	39,414	-	1,317	33	-	1,481	38
1994	39,557	-	1,300	33	-	1,488	38
1995	39,657	-	1,265	32	-	1,393	35
1996	39,836	-	1,236	31	-	1,344	34
1997	40,013	-	1,172	29	-	1,344	34
1998	40,554	-	1,193	29	-	1,308	32
1999	39,852	-	1,180	30	-	1,225	31
2000	40,145	1,626	1,163	29	2,852	1,366	34
2001	39,475	1,593	1,135	29	2,608	1,228	31
2002	39,927	1,473	1,061	27	2,607	1,218	31
2003	40,246	1,504	1,078	27	2,653	1,200	30
2004	40,537	1,513	1,095	27	2,629	1,165	29
2005	40,913	1,418	1,019	25	2,786	1,208	30
2006	41,290	1,485	1,072	26	2,994	1,258	30
2007	41,436	1,469	1,065	26	2,657	1,110	27
2008	41,975	1,416	1,016	24	2,647	1,080	26
2009	41,985	1,411	1,020	24	2,421	961	23
2010	42,680	1,386	986	23	2,287	890	21
2011	43,207	1,365	980	23	2,618	1,008	23

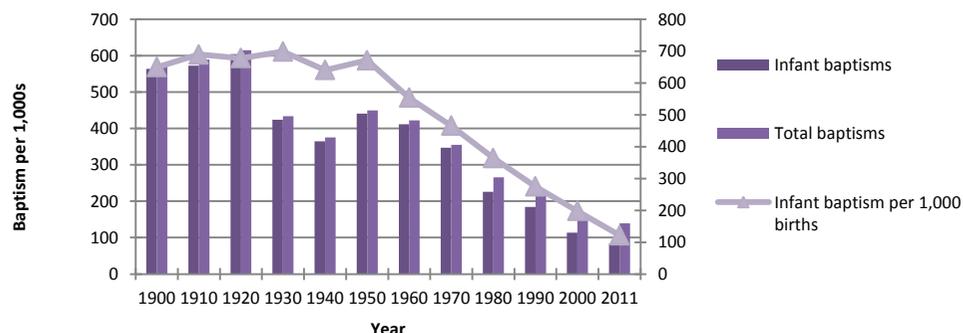
¹ Population figures in these tables are derived from information provided by the Office for National Statistics. Other statistics have been obtained from parochial returns and diocesan sources.

² Aged 15 or over up until 1998, aged 16 or over from 1999 onwards.

³ Easter Day includes vigil services on Easter Eve.

The proportion of babies being baptised into the Church of England has fallen significantly from a high of 70% in 1930 to 12% in 2011

Figure 15: Baptisms comparisons 1900 to 2010



The trend figures below illustrate a pattern of parents waiting longer to have their children baptised; whilst infant baptisms have seen a decline, there has been some increase in child baptisms.

Table 14: Parochial baptisms and thanksgivings comparisons 1900 to 2011

Year	Live births (000s)	Baptisms					Thanksgivings		
		Infants under one year ¹ (000s)	Infant baptisms per 1,000 live births	Children aged 1 to 12 years (000s)	All other persons (000s)	Total Baptisms (000s)	Infants (000s)	Child (000s)	Thanksgivings Total (000s)
1900	868	564	650	-	-	575	-	-	-
1910	831	573	690	-	-	589	-	-	-
1920	891	604	678	-	-	615	-	-	-
1930	607	424	699	-	-	434	-	-	-
1940	570	365	640	-	-	375	-	-	-
1950	657	441	671	-	-	450	-	-	-
1960	744	412	554	-	-	422	-	-	-
1970	745	347	466	-	-	355	-	-	-
1980	621	226	364	-	-	266	-	-	-
1992	655	170	260	37	9	216	-	-	-
1993	639	160	250	37	8	205	-	-	-
1994	632	157	248	38	8	203	-	-	-
1995	616	148	240	38	8	194	-	-	-
1996	617	141	229	39	8	188	-	-	-
1997	610	139	228	40	8	187	-	-	-
1998	610	129	211	39	8	176	-	-	-
1999	592	126	213	43	10	179	-	-	-
2000	576	114	198	38	8	160	6	1	7
2001	566	107	189	38	8	153	5	2	7
2002	569	103	181	40	8	151	5	2	7
2003	592	99	167	37	8	144	5	2	7
2004	610	97	159	38	9	144	6	2	8
2005	616	93	151	39	9	141	5	2	7
2006	638	91	142	38	9	138	5	1	6
2007	658	88	134	40	10	139	5	2	6
2008	676	86	128	42	10	139	4	2	6
2009	679	84	123	43	11	138	4	2	6
2010	690	82	118	42	10	134	4	2	6
2011	691	84	121	45	11	140	4	2	7

1 The infant baptism figures for 1980 and later years are not directly comparable with those of previous years, because from 1978 the returns have specified infant baptisms as those under one year of age in order to relate more realistically to live births.

Notes

Figures have been rounded and as a result the total may not add up.