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Preface: Dr Bev Botting, Head of the Research and Statistics unit

Once again, I am very grateful to all the incumbents and volunteers in our churches who have collected together the information needed for us to be able to publish Statistics for Mission 2018. The annual collection of Statistics for Mission involves each of the almost 16,000 Church of England churches, supported by the hard work of staff in all 42 dioceses. Thank you to everyone involved.

Each year the information brought together in this report illustrates just how varied churches are. Understanding this diversity is essential when making decisions, reminding us all that “our” church may be far from typical. The information we provide is essential for churches, dioceses, and those working in the National Church Institutions to ensure decisions are made on the basis of the best available evidence.

Statistics for Mission measures attendance in a variety of ways, each of which is a useful guide to “the size” of a church. Each of these measures is helpful in some settings and unhelpful in others. There is no single perfect measure – churches are too complex and diverse for that – so I recommend that anyone using these statistics avoids focusing on one measure to the exclusion of all others. I also accept that there may be other measures that become important as new initiatives – including those funded through the Renewal and Reform programme – take root and bear fruit; we therefore need to continually review how we monitor the impact of new initiatives and understand better our Church in all its different guises. Key to this will be high quality data to help assess the impact of initiatives, learn lessons, and share good practice.

This Statistics for Mission report offers an overview of the key summary statistics. The Research and Statistics unit provides more detailed information to dioceses and to churches to help them plan and evaluate their mission and ministry. Church attendance and participation figures often need to be considered alongside information about the local context; to enable this assessment, the Research and Statistics unit has mapped census and deprivation information onto parish boundaries; this information is publicly available via our web page.

While accurate information about levels of Church of England attendance and participation is vital, Statistics for Mission is just one aspect the work of the Research and Statistics unit. We also report information about Parish finances, ministry, and our cathedrals. As part of our plans to help assess the impact of the Renewal and Reform programme, we have begun work to understand better our congregations through The Big Church Survey which was piloted in 2019 and will launch in Spring/Summer 2020. We are also continuing our work to better understand the contributions of lay ministry and fresh expressions of Church to the important work of our churches.

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Summary

2018 Church of England participation summary

- The Worshipping Community of regular worshippers at Church of England churches in 2018 was 1.12 million people, of whom 20% were aged under 18, 48% were aged 18-69, and 33% were aged 70 or over.
- On average, 871,000 people (86% adults, 14% children under 16) attended Church of England services and acts of worship each week in October 2018. A further 175,000 people attended services for schools in Church of England churches in an average week in October 2018.
- The Usual Sunday attendance at Church of England churches in 2018 was 703,000 people (87% adults, 13% children under 16).
- 1.21 million people attended Church of England churches at Easter 2018 (of whom 71% received communion).
- 2.42 million people attended Church of England churches at Christmas 2018 (of whom 34% received communion). During Advent, there was reported attendance of 2.55 million people at special services for the congregation and local community, and 3.00 million people at special services for civic organisations and schools.
- There were 97,000 Church of England baptisms and services of thanksgiving for the gift of a child during 2018.
- There were 37,000 Church of England marriages and services of prayer and dedication after civil marriages during 2018.
- There were 128,000 Church of England-led funerals during 2018, 61% of which took place in churches and 39% at crematoria/cemeteries.

Trends in participation

- The Worshipping Community of regular worshippers at Church of England churches has been almost unchanged from 2014-2018, falling by 2% over this period.
- Over recent decades, attendance at Church of England church services has gradually fallen. These trends continued in 2018. Most key measures of attendance fell by between 10% and 20% from 2008 to 2018.
- The overall pattern of gradual decline in attendance masks differences in experience in individual parishes over the past 10 years. In 10% of parishes Usual Sunday attendance has increased. In 40% of parishes attendance has decreased. In 50% of parishes there is insufficient evidence to form a clear conclusion about the trend.
- More than 70 new churches have been launched in recent years, with a total average weekly attendance of over 6,000 people.

Youth provision and Enquiry & Christian basics courses

- 25% of churches offered regular youth-focused provision with young people aged 11-17 in 2018.
- 34% of churches offered enquiry or Christian basics courses in 2018.

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Statistics for Mission: measuring Church of England attendance and participation

The annual Statistics for Mission return measures key aspects of participation throughout the Church of England. Almost 16,000 churches in the Church of England were asked to complete a Statistics for Mission return in 2018. Churches were asked to report, among other things, the size of their Worshipping Community, attendance at Sunday and midweek services, attendance at Easter and Christmas, and the numbers of baptisms, marriages, and funerals that they carried out during the year. Data were received from 90% of churches; where data were missing, values were estimated where possible, based on trends from previous years.

In this report, figures have been aggregated to give totals for the Church of England. Further information and detailed diocesan-level figures can be found in the tables in the Appendix. Methodological details and a copy of the 2018 Statistics for Mission form can be found at the end of this report. Values in the data tables are reported to the nearest 100 or nearest 10, as appropriate. Percentages are reported to the nearest 1% or 0.1%, as appropriate. In accordance with standard practice, totals, percentages, and averages have been calculated before rounding, so row and column totals may not agree with the sums of the stated amounts.

Church of England attendance, 2018

Statistics for Mission offers several measures of attendance: attendance over the first 4 weeks of October (during the annual “October count”), from which average weekly and average Sunday attendance figures are derived; attendance on a usual Sunday (not a major festival or contained in a peak holiday period); and attendance at Easter and Christmas. Since 2012, churches have been asked to record their Worshipping Community – those people who attend church regularly (for example once a month or more) or would do so if not prevented by illness or temporary absence.

Keeping track of a church’s Worshipping Community is more challenging than counting attendance at services, and not all churches can report precise numbers. The accuracy of the data has improved in recent years as the concept has become more embedded as an aid to providing good pastoral care; this is an ongoing process, and therefore changes in a church’s Worshipping Community from year to year may reflect changes in record keeping rather than changes in worshippers. Thus, although the Worshipping Community is developing into an important measure of the number of regular Church of England worshippers, it has not been collected reliably for long enough to offer robust information about trends in participation at individual churches.

Throughout this report, average weekly attendance, derived from the October count, includes attendance at Sunday and midweek church services and fresh expressions of Church, but not attendance at services for schools. Average Sunday attendance likewise does not include attendance at services for schools.

These different measures are useful in different ways: the Worshipping Community includes all regular worshippers, whether they worship on a Sunday or during the week, and whether they come to church every day or just once a month; the October count includes Sunday and midweek attendance during 4 specific weeks at church services, fresh expressions of Church, and (since 2013) services for schools held in churches; the Usual Sunday figure asks about “normal” attendance, and is therefore less subject to year-to-year variation resulting from special events; Easter and Christmas attendance figures offer an insight into the number of people who are still in contact with their church but not necessarily regular worshippers. None of these measures tells the whole story of the life of a church. Each offers insight into different aspects of church

participation, and it would be a mistake to focus on one single measure to the exclusion of others. Although the measures are highly correlated, there are individual churches where one or other measure is misleading.

There are many other valuable and important activities in which churches are involved that are not quantified every year through the Statistics for Mission return. Some of these are asked about in a “one off” question that changes from year to year. In 2018 this question asked about churches’ youth provision and about Christian enquiry and Christian basics courses; the question in 2019, as it did in 2017, will ask about churches’ social action and community involvement.

The total Worshipping Community of churches across the Church of England in 2018 was 1.12 million people, of whom 20% were aged under 18, 48% were aged 18-69, and 33% were aged 70 or over.

On average, 871,000 people (86% adults, 14% children under 16) attended Church of England church services or fresh expressions of Church each week in October 2018. A further 175,000 people attended services for schools in Church of England churches in an average week in October 2018. The Usual Sunday attendance at Church of England churches in 2018 was 703,000 people (87% adults, 13% children under 16).

1.21 million people attended Church of England churches at Easter 2018 (of whom 71% received communion). 2.42 million people attended Church of England churches at Christmas 2018 – including Christmas Day and Christmas Eve (of whom 34% received communion). During Advent, there was reported attendance of 2.55 million people at special services for the congregation and local community, and 3.00 million people at special services for civic organisations and schools.

Working with schools

Churches report high levels of involvement with schools. Over 2,600 churches reported some attendance at services for schools taking place in church in October 2018. The total reported average weekly attendance at services for schools during October has risen from 126,000 people in 2013 to 175,000 people in 2018.

Additionally, many churches are involved in leading worship in schools, for example during assemblies. 44% of responding churches reported that a member of their church ministry team led an act of worship in schools once a month or more during 2018.

Church of England baptisms, marriages, and funerals, 2018

There were 94,000 baptisms and 3,300 services of thanksgiving for the gift of a child in Church of England churches during 2018. 59% of baptisms were of infants (aged under 1); 32% were of children (aged 1-12) and 9% were of people aged 13 and over. 68% of thanksgivings were for infants.

There were 35,000 marriages and 2,500 services of prayer and dedication after civil marriages in Church of England churches during 2018.

There were 128,000 Church of England-led funerals during 2018, of which 77,000 were funerals in Church of England churches, and a further 50,000 were funerals conducted on behalf of Church of England churches by members of church/parish ministry teams at crematoria/cemeteries. This figure omits some crematorium/cemetery funerals conducted by clergy in non-parochial ministry.

Church of England attendance per capita, 2018

The Church of England's Worshipping Community was 2.0% of the population in 2018. The attendance in an average week in October 2018 was 1.5% of the population, rising to 4.3% of the population at Christmas. There was significant variation in total attendance from diocese to diocese, which is unsurprising given the differences in size and number of churches. Differences in attendance between dioceses remain when considering attendance as a percentage of the population, or as a percentage of the population whose religious affiliation is Christian.

Church-level attendance and participation, 2018

There is a wide range of churches within the Church of England, serving communities large and small. Table 1 summarises the range of attendance and participation across the Church of England's churches.

Table 1: Church participation summary, 2018

	5th percentile	25th percentile	median (middle) church	75th percentile	95th percentile	mean (average) church
Worshipping Community	9	20	42	90	235	73
All age average weekly attendance	3	13	32	77	187	60
Adult average weekly attendance	3	12	29	67	156	51
Child average weekly attendance	0	0	2	10	33	8
All age Usual Sunday attendance	7	14	27	58	144	47
Easter attendance	0	24	52	101	243	83
Christmas attendance	0	33	81	201	569	167
Baptisms and thanksgivings	0	1	3	8	25	7
Marriages and services of prayer & dedication	0	0	1	3	9	2
Funerals in churches, crematoria, & cemeteries	0	2	5	11	30	9

Note: Values in Table 1 are based on 10,937 complete single-church returns. Average weekly attendance figures include attendance at Sunday and midweek church services and fresh expressions of Church, but not attendance at services for schools.

Table 1 shows the reported participation at the smallest 5% and 25% of churches, the median (i.e. middle) church, the largest 25% and 5% of churches, and the mean (average) church. A few large churches can result in a large mean value that is not a helpful summary of the data; the median is often a more useful number to consider when thinking about a “typical” church.

The median (middle) church Worshipping Community was 42 people. The median attendance at worship in an average week in October was 32 people, the majority being adults. The median attendance on a Usual Sunday was 27 people. The median attendance at Easter was 52 people, and at Christmas 81 people. The median numbers of baptisms, marriages, and funerals were 3, 1 and 5 respectively.

Because some churches are significantly larger, the mean (average) church was larger than the median church: the mean church Worshipping Community was 73 people. The mean attendance at worship in an average week in October was 60 people. The mean attendance on a Usual Sunday was 47 people. The mean attendance at Easter was 83 people, and at Christmas 167 people. The mean numbers of baptisms, marriages, and funerals were 7, 2 and 9 respectively.

The largest 5% of churches had 235 or more people in their Worshipping Communities, whereas the smallest 5% of churches had 9 or fewer.

It should be noted that, particularly in parishes that contain several churches, not all churches had services at Easter or Christmas, which explains why some churches reported zero attendance on these occasions.

Worshipping Community joiners and leavers, 2018

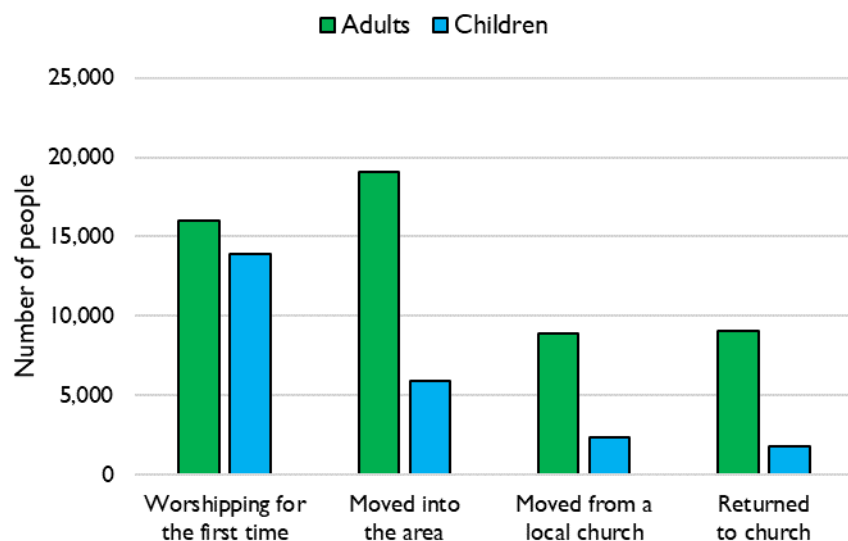
Each church was asked about the number of people who joined and left their Worshipping Community during the year and, if known, their reasons for joining and leaving. Figures 1a-1b show where joiners came from, and where leavers left to, as reported by churches. Information about where people joined from or left to (including “other/unknown” for leavers) was given for 91% of reported joiners and leavers.

In 2018, Church of England churches reported 87,000 people joining their Worshipping Communities, 31% of them being children. 30% of adult joiners were worshipping for the first time, and 36% had moved to the area. 58% of child joiners were first-time worshippers.

Church of England churches reported 63,000 people leaving their Worshipping Communities, 19% of them being children. 41% of adult leavers left through death or illness, and 28% had moved away. 34% of child leavers had moved away; 28% were not worshipping anywhere.

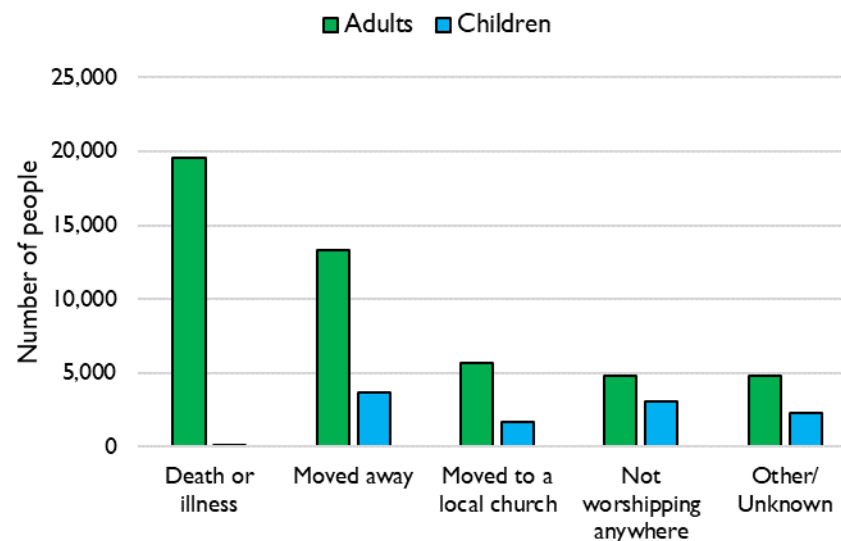
Churches reported 24,000 more people joining than leaving their Worshipping Communities over the course of the year, yet the total Worshipping Community across the Church of England fell by 14,000 people. This highlights the record-keeping challenge the Worshipping Community presents, as well as suggesting that joiners are more noticeable than leavers.

Figure 1a: Worshipping Community joiners, 2018



Note: Information about reasons for joining was provided regarding 53,000 of the reported 60,000 adult joiners, and 24,000 of the 27,000 child joiners.

Figure 1b: Worshipping Community leavers, 2018



Note: Information about reasons for leaving was provided regarding 48,000 of the reported 51,000 adult leavers, and 11,000 of the 12,000 child leavers.

Trends in Church of England participation, 2008-2018

Church of England attendance figures have been collected for many years, enabling trends in attendance to be assessed. Attendance figures in any one year may be affected by unusual events such as special anniversaries, visits by the Bishop, retirements, or adverse weather conditions. Given the large number of churches included in Statistics for Mission, there are likely to be many special events in any given year. It is therefore not sensible to consider changes in attendance from one year to the next in isolation; a more reliable assessment of trends can be made by looking at the figures over longer time periods.

Here, we consider attendance figures from 2008 to 2018. Over this period most key Statistics for Mission questions have been predominantly unchanged. The exception is the October count: in 2013, an additional section was added asking about attendance at services for schools taking place in churches; prior to this, some churches had reported school service attendance (predominantly as midweek Child attendance) whereas others had not. Therefore, when using the October count figures to assess long-term trends, it is inappropriate to use All Age average weekly attendance. Instead we use Adult average weekly attendance plus Child average Sunday attendance (both derived from the October count data, and in both cases including attendance at church and fresh expressions of Church, but not including attendance at services for schools) since these are likely to be relatively unaffected by the change in the question.

As seen in Figures 2-5, attendance gradually decreased between 2008 and 2018. The inclusion of attendance at services for schools in the October count from 2013 onwards demonstrates a substantial ministry with schools, amounting to 135,000 children and 40,000 adults each week in October 2018. There has been a decline in children as a fraction of Sunday congregations (based on the October count or on Usual Sunday attendance) from 15% in 2008 to 13% in 2018. Reported attendance at services for schools has, on the whole, increased from 2013 onwards, though it is possible that this is to do with more complete reporting of attendance at such services. Many school Harvest Festivals take place in October, so it is likely that this month contains more school services than most times of the year, aside from Christmas and Easter, and therefore it would be a mistake to assume that this level of attendance at services for schools occurs every week throughout the year.

Trends in Easter and Christmas attendance are less clear cut: factors such as the weather, the day of the week (for Christmas) the time of year (for Easter) may have an impact on attendance. Christmas attendance, which includes Christmas Day and Christmas Eve, fell in 2018, having risen steadily since 2013. Christmas Eve was on a Sunday in 2017 and on a Monday in 2018; it is likely that some services that took place on Christmas Eve in 2017, so would have been included in the Christmas figures, took place earlier in December in 2018 so would have been included in the 2018 Advent figures. Advent attendance, first recorded in 2013, rose by 409,000 people from 2017 to 2018 to its highest recorded level. Advent attendance is affected by large special services, so trends are not clear.

Questions about the Worshipping Community have not been included for long enough to reliably assess how the sizes of Worshipping Communities are changing over time. It is clear from the comments on Statistics for Mission returns that churches are still developing their understanding about which people are part of their Worshipping Communities. With these caveats in mind, it is interesting to note that the change in the total Church of England Worshipping Community from 2014-2018 was substantially smaller than the change in other attendance measures over the same period.

As shown in Figures 6-9, similar patterns are seen with baptisms, marriages, and funerals. All have declined since 2008. While the numbers of baptisms and marriages were reasonably stable between 2008 and 2012, there has been a more noticeable fall in the past few years.

Figure 2: Average weekly attendance (October count), 2008-2018

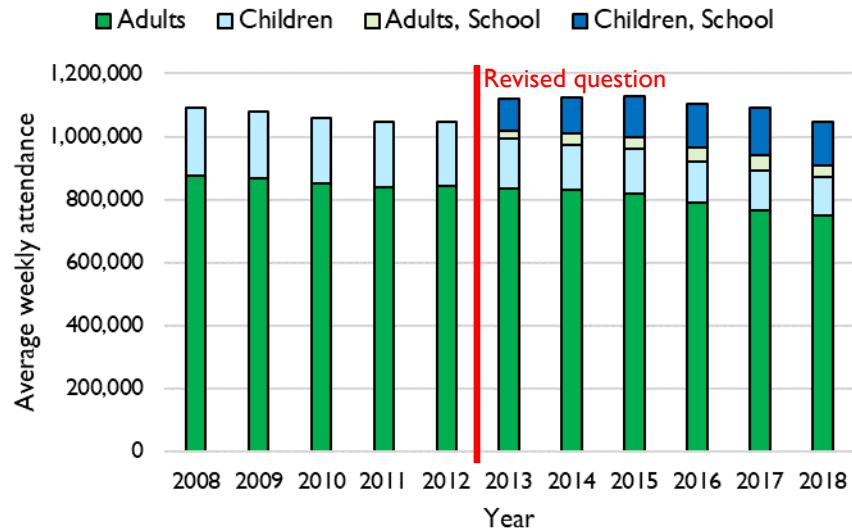


Figure 3: Usual Sunday attendance, 2008-2018

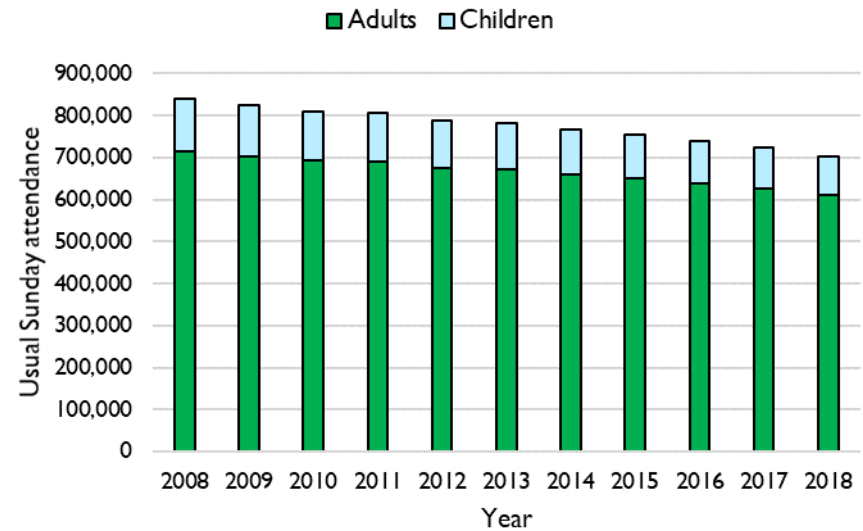


Figure 4: Easter communicants and attendance, 2008-2018

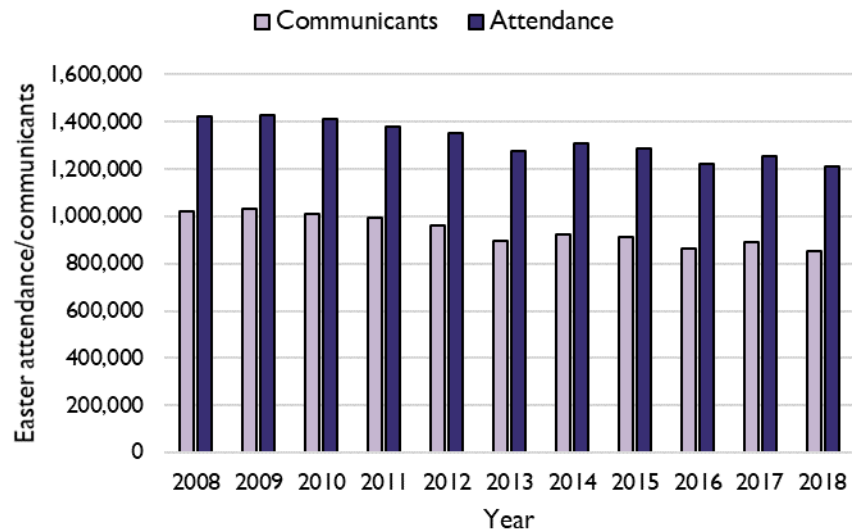


Figure 5: Christmas communicants and attendance, 2008-2018

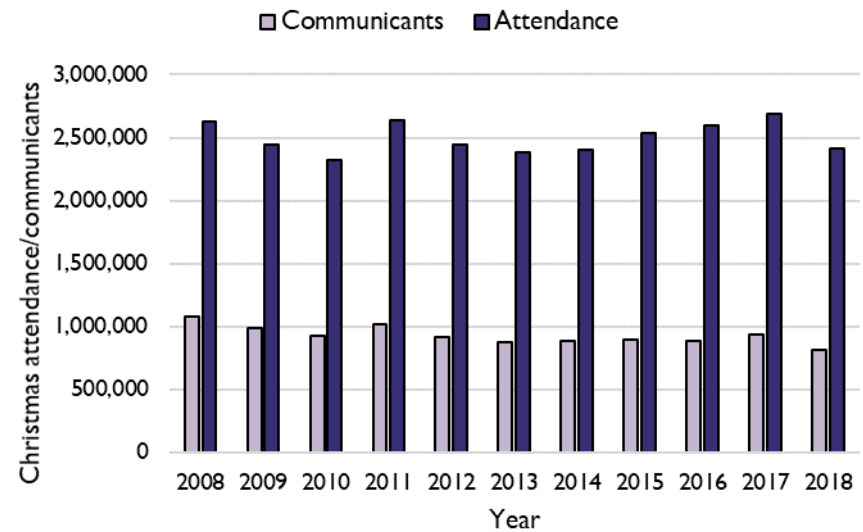


Figure 6: Baptisms and thanksgivings, 2008-2018

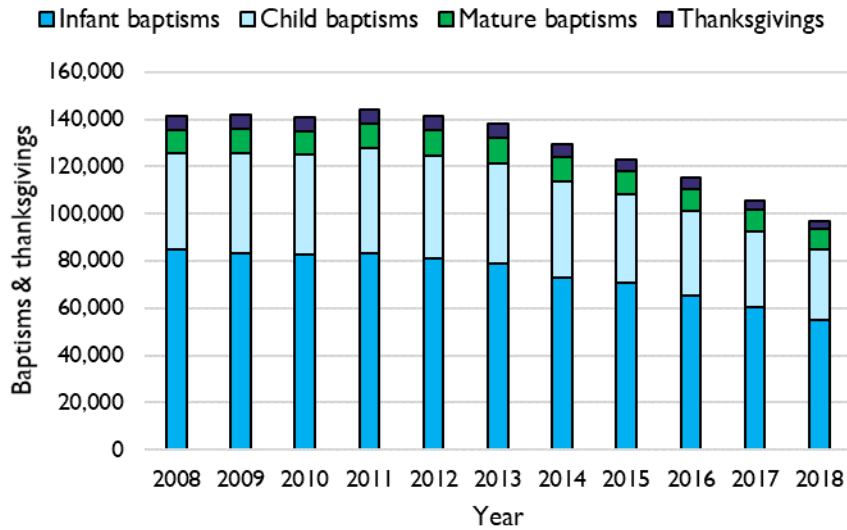


Figure 7: Marriages and services of prayer and dedication, 2008-2018

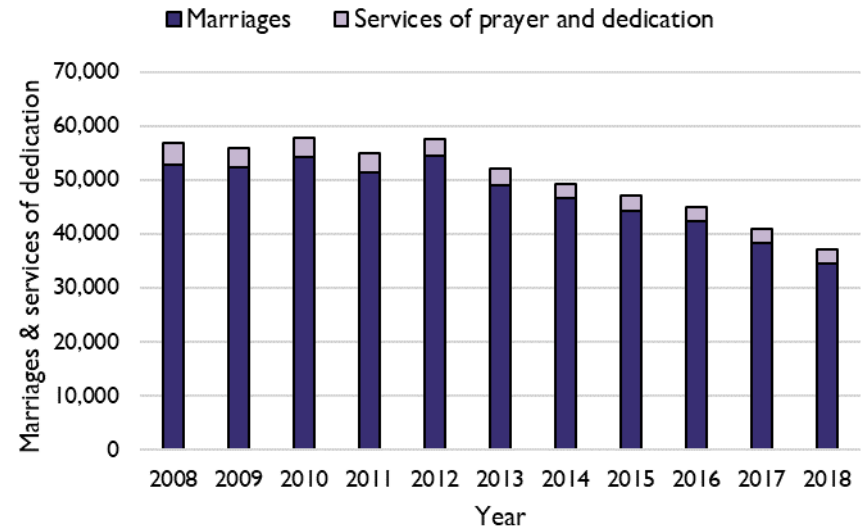


Figure 8: Funerals, 2008-2018

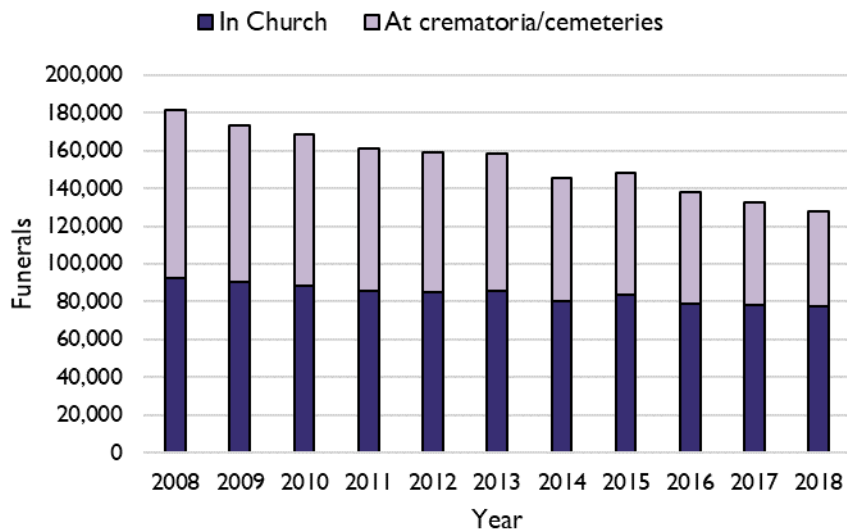
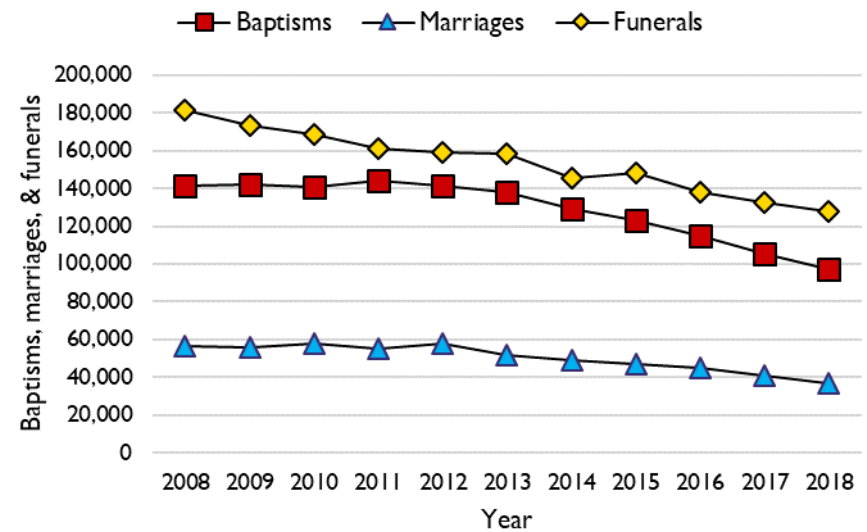


Figure 9: Baptisms, marriages, and funerals, 2008-2018



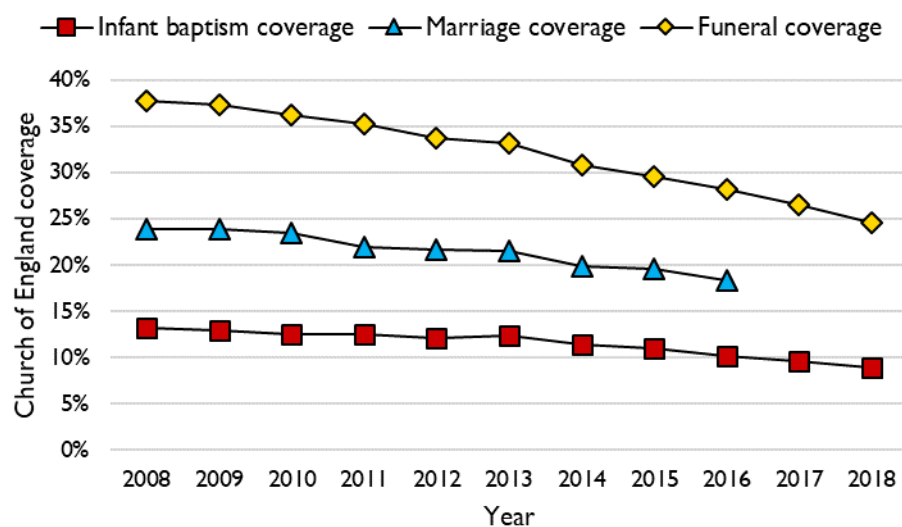
Numbers of Church of England baptisms, marriages, and funerals depend on absolute numbers of births, marriages, and deaths. Official statistics have been used to estimate the numbers of births and deaths within each diocese of the Church of England (not including the Diocese in Europe); marriage statistics are not available at the same spatial resolution, so official figures for England and Wales, only available up until 2016, are used.

In 2008, there was an infant baptism for 13% of live births (and other births will have been followed by later child or mature baptisms); 24% of marriages in England and Wales took place in or were followed by a service of prayer and dedication in a Church of England church; Church of England parishes conducted funerals for 38% of deaths. In 2018, there was an infant baptism for 9% of live births (and other births are likely to be followed by later child or mature baptisms); Church of England parishes conducted funerals for 25% of deaths. In 2016, the last year for which national statistics are available, 18% of marriages in England and Wales took place in or were followed by a service of prayer and dedication in a Church of England church.

Large variations between dioceses are illustrated by the fact that in 2018 there was a Church of England infant baptism for over 20% of live births in Carlisle and Hereford but for under 5% of live births in Chelmsford, London and Southwark. There was a Church of England funeral for over 50% of deaths in Hereford, but for under 15% of deaths in London.

Summaries of trends in coverage of infant baptisms, marriages, and funerals are shown in Figure 10.

Figure 10: Church of England infant baptisms, marriages, and funerals as a percentage of all births, marriages, and deaths, 2008-2018



Over the past decade, overall attendance has generally fallen (Table 2).

Adult attendance has fallen by less than Child attendance. Weekly attendance (which includes both midweek and Sunday attendance) has fallen by less than Sunday attendance, suggesting that there may have been a trend over the past decade for more worship to take place on days other than Sundays.

The numbers of baptisms, marriages, and funerals have fallen, with the largest fall being in funerals at crematoria/cemeteries.

These simple assessments of trend are based on fitting a straight line through the available data. A straight line is a good approximation for most measures (apart from Christmas attendance, which has fluctuated more than other measures, and for which there has been no overall trend over the past decade). The decline in numbers of baptisms and marriages appears to have increased over recent years.

Table 2: Church of England attendance and participation trends, 2008-2018

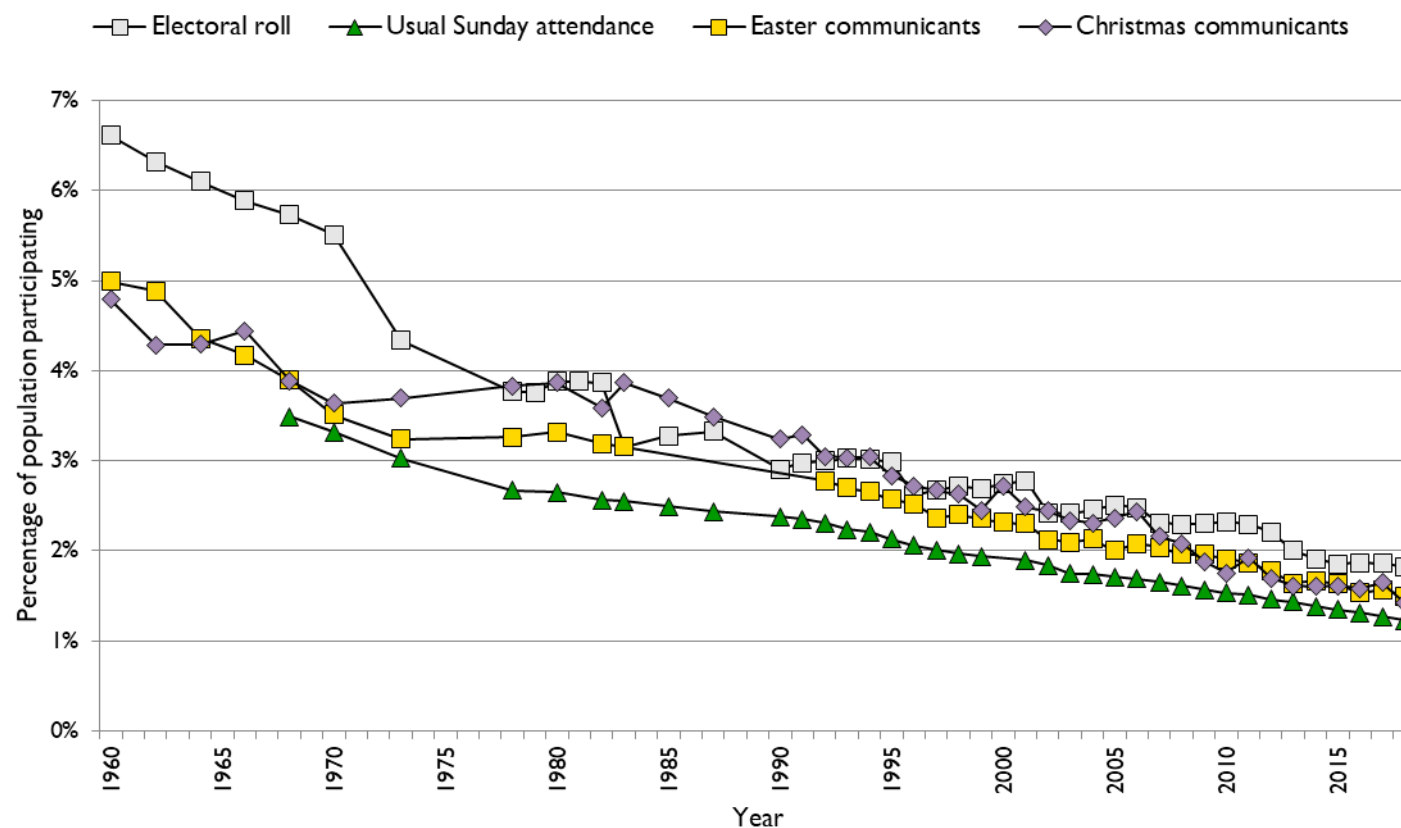
Measure of Church of England participation	Change from 2008 to 2018	Correlation coefficient ¹
Adult average weekly+Child average Sunday attendance	-15%	0.93
Adult average weekly attendance	-13%	0.91
Adult average Sunday attendance	-16%	0.95
Child average Sunday attendance	-28%	0.96
All age average Sunday attendance	-18%	0.95
All age Usual Sunday attendance	-15%	0.99
Adult Usual Sunday attendance	-14%	0.99
Child Usual Sunday attendance	-25%	0.98
Easter attendance	-16%	0.92
Easter communicants	-18%	0.91
Christmas attendance	+2%	0.01
Christmas communicants	-17%	0.61
Baptisms and thanksgivings	-30%	0.83
Marriages and services of prayer & dedication	-33%	0.87
Funerals total	-29%	0.98
Funerals in church	-16%	0.94
Funerals in crematoria/cemeteries	-42%	0.99

¹ The correlation coefficient shows how closely the various measures of attendance and participation follow a straight line, with 1 indicating a perfect fit and 0 indicating no linear relationship.

Church of England attendance and participation trends should be viewed in a longer historical context where possible.

Figures for Usual Sunday attendance, Electoral roll, and Easter & Christmas communicants have been collected reasonably consistently for many decades. The trend over the past decade is consistent with what has been happening for the past half century (Figure 11).

Figure 11: Church of England participation summary, 1960-2018



Parish-level trends, 2008-2018

Although the overall pattern of Church of England attendance and participation is one of steady gradual decline, this masks differences in experience in different parishes over the past 10 years.

- Based on parish-level all age Usual Sunday attendance from 2008-2018, 10% of parishes have experienced statistically significant growth; 40% have experienced statistically significant decline; in 50% there is insufficient evidence to form a clear conclusion about the trend.
- Based on parish-level Adult average weekly attendance plus Child average Sunday attendance from 2008-2018, 6% of parishes have experienced statistically significant growth; 26% have experienced statistically significant decline; in 68% there is insufficient evidence to form a clear conclusion about the trend.

It should be noted that collectively those parishes in which there is insufficient evidence to form a clear conclusion about the trend have contributed to the overall decline.

The difference in the figures when using the two different measures of attendance is unsurprising - as already noted, within a single church the October count figures vary more than the Usual Sunday figures from year to year and these fluctuations may swamp trends in attendance.

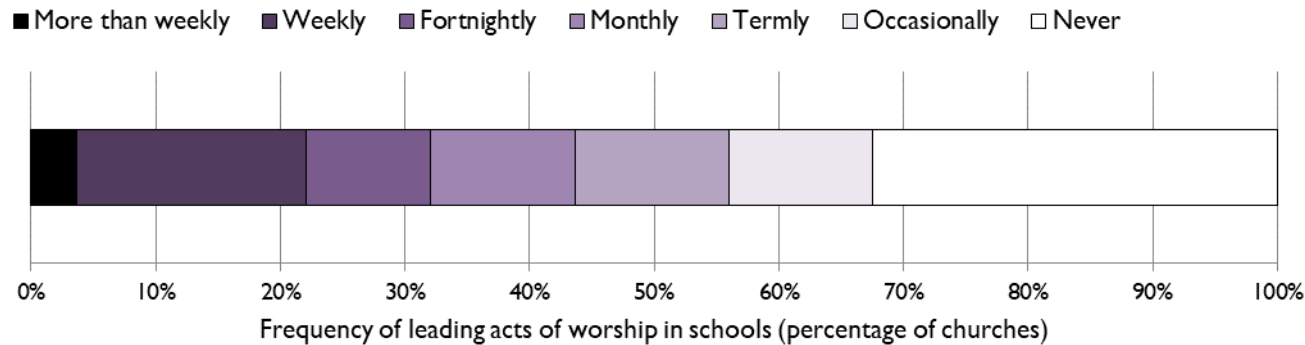
Statistics for Mission does not attempt to collect information about all the various aspects of churches that may correlate with growth or decline; additional detailed data would be required to draw firm conclusions about the factors that are associated with church growth.

These assessments of growth and decline do not include more recently founded churches, such as those with Bishops' Mission Orders, that operate outside the traditional parish structures. Information has not been collected from these new churches for long enough to make an assessment of their attendance trends. Some of these new churches operate in very different ways from traditional churches, and not all of the measures of attendance that are asked about are applicable to them all. Therefore it has not been possible to collect attendance statistics from all such churches. There are about 70 new churches from which we have received data or estimated figures; the total average weekly attendance of these churches has increased by over 6,000 people since 2013.

Acts of worship in schools, 2018

Many churches are involved in leading acts of worship in schools, for example during school assemblies (Figure 12). 44% of responding churches reported that a member of their church ministry team led an act of worship in schools once a month or more during 2018.

Figure 12: Frequency with which members of church ministry teams led acts of worship in schools, 2018



Note: Figure 12 is based on 13,110 responses.

Confirmations, 2018

14,500 people were confirmed in 2018, at 1,700 confirmation services. 58% of those confirmed were female. 24% of those confirmed were aged under 12; 45% of those confirmed were aged 20 or over.

Youth provision, 2018

Churches were asked about their ministry with young people aged 11-17. 25% (3,200 churches) reported that they ran regular (monthly or more often) youth-focused provision engaging primarily with young people aged 11-17, e.g. youth groups, youth focused services, youth choirs.

Of those offering this youth provision, 76% offered provision that was run solely by their church; 26% offered provision that was run in partnership with other churches; 14% offered ministry provision that was run in partnership with other organisations or charities (the total exceeds 100% since some churches offered several different youth provisions).

Churches were asked who ran their youth provision. In many cases, several different people were involved. Of churches running youth provision, in 80% it was run by volunteers; in 37% it was run by paid youth workers; in 36% it was run by clergy.

Note: These figures are based on 13,003 responses.

Enquiry & Christian basics courses, 2018

Churches were asked whether they ran any enquiry or Christian basics courses in 2018. 34% (4,400 churches) reported that they did. Of those running such courses, 67% ran them by themselves, and 37% ran them in partnership with other churches or groups (the total exceeds 100% since some churches both ran courses themselves and courses in partnership).

Of those running courses, 28% ran courses that they designed themselves; 28% ran the Alpha course; 17% ran the Pilgrim course; 9% ran Christianity Explored; 30% ran one or more of a wide variety of other courses, including Lent courses, confirmation classes, Advent courses, and many others. Churches reported running, by themselves or in partnership, over 5,400 courses.

Courses were generally attended by people who already attend church; of those running courses, 67% said they were mainly attended by people who already regularly go to a church; 10% said they were mainly attended by people who do not already regularly go to a church; 19% said they were attended by approximately equal numbers of church goers and non-church goers.

Note: These figures are based on 13,003 responses.

Appendix

This section contains additional detail, including diocesan-level figures. Values in the data tables are reported to the nearest 100 or nearest 10, as appropriate. Percentages are reported to the nearest 1% or 0.1%, as appropriate. In accordance with standard practice, totals, percentages, and averages have been calculated before rounding, so row and column totals may not agree with the sums of the stated amounts.

Data tables generally include figures from 2013-2018, to give an indication of recent trends. The main exception is for the Worshipping Community figures; although collected since 2012 Worshipping Community figures were of variable reliability for the first few years, so figures are shown from 2014 onwards.

For Tables 5-7, which contain figures derived from the October count of attendance, it should be noted that attendance at midweek services for schools has been measured since 2013; attendance at services for schools on Sundays has been measured from 2014, with explicit guidance that only school services taking place in churches or church buildings should be included. Attendance at these school services is not included in the weekly attendance or Sunday attendance totals for 2013-2018.

These tables are available electronically on the Research and Statistics web page: <https://www.churchofengland.org/researchandstats>

Notes

In the tables below, the completeness columns give the percentages of the 2018 values that were reported by churches/parishes (the remainder being estimated). For example, if Diocese A is shown to have 1,000 marriages with a completeness of 90%, this means that churches in Diocese A reported 900 marriages and those churches that did not submit a Statistics for Mission return were estimated to have carried out 100 marriages.

Figures for the Channel Islands are included in the Diocese of Canterbury, since episcopal oversight of the Channel Islands in 2018 was exercised by the Bishop of Dover. To allow meaningful assessment of trends, Channel Island figures are likewise included in the Diocese of Canterbury for previous years.

Table 3: Diocesan summary statistics, 2018

Ref. no.	Diocese	Province	Population	Area (square miles)	Population density (people per square mile)	Number of benefices	Number of parishes	Number of churches	Population per church	Rank	Square miles per church	Rank	Christian population	Christian population per church	Rank	Response rate	Rank
1	Bath & Wells	C	964,000	1,610	600	179	461	560	1,720	36	2.9	22	596,000	1,060	37	94%	14
2	Birmingham	C	1,588,000	290	5,410	140	151	184	8,630	2	1.6	38	808,000	4,390	3	98%	2
3	Blackburn	Y	1,353,000	930	1,460	176	235	272	4,970	12	3.4	13	906,000	3,330	8	83%	37
5	Bristol	C	1,039,000	470	2,210	106	165	201	5,170	10	2.3	35	560,000	2,780	13	92%	21
6	Canterbury	C	1,147,000	1,050	1,100	139	251	359	3,200	26	2.9	22	715,000	1,990	25	92%	24
7	Carlisle	Y	497,000	2,570	190	109	234	330	1,510	38	7.8	2	357,000	1,080	35	89%	32
8	Chelmsford	C	3,234,000	1,530	2,110	308	470	577	5,600	8	2.7	28	1,797,000	3,110	12	94%	17
9	Chester	Y	1,641,000	1,030	1,590	215	265	342	4,800	13	3.0	18	1,120,000	3,270	9	82%	38
10	Chichester	C	1,703,000	1,450	1,170	278	360	476	3,580	20	3.1	17	987,000	2,070	23	91%	27
11	Coventry	C	893,000	700	1,280	127	205	242	3,690	19	2.9	22	534,000	2,210	18	98%	7
12	Derby	C	1,062,000	990	1,070	142	254	315	3,370	24	3.2	14	648,000	2,060	24	92%	25
13	Durham	Y	1,494,000	980	1,520	173	209	264	5,660	7	3.7	11	1,046,000	3,960	5	98%	4
14	Ely	C	764,000	1,530	500	147	304	330	2,320	31	4.6	4	450,000	1,360	30	91%	26
15	Exeter	C	1,193,000	2,570	460	159	491	599	1,990	32	4.3	8	726,000	1,210	31	85%	35
16	Gloucester	C	674,000	1,130	600	92	297	380	1,770	34	3.0	18	428,000	1,130	33	96%	12
17	Guildford	C	1,063,000	530	2,000	140	160	212	5,010	11	2.5	32	661,000	3,120	11	90%	29
18	Hereford	C	331,000	1,650	200	81	338	402	820	41	4.1	10	224,000	560	40	96%	13
19	Leicester	C	1,059,000	830	1,270	107	245	311	3,410	23	2.7	28	540,000	1,740	26	90%	31
20	Lichfield	C	2,172,000	1,730	1,260	242	423	544	3,990	17	3.2	14	1,374,000	2,530	17	94%	16
21	Lincoln	C	1,086,000	2,670	410	181	483	625	1,740	35	4.3	8	727,000	1,160	32	74%	40
22	Liverpool	Y	1,614,000	390	4,090	136	197	238	6,780	5	1.7	37	1,213,000	5,100	1	80%	39
23	London	C	4,358,000	280	15,780	408	399	487	8,950	1	0.6	41	1,894,000	3,890	6	85%	36
24	Manchester	Y	2,183,000	420	5,260	180	257	316	6,910	4	1.3	39	1,302,000	4,120	4	92%	20
25	Newcastle	Y	829,000	2,100	390	129	170	238	3,480	21	8.8	1	522,000	2,190	20	94%	15
26	Norwich	C	917,000	1,800	510	164	553	640	1,430	39	2.8	26	555,000	870	38	68%	41
27	Oxford	C	2,403,000	2,210	1,090	290	608	812	2,960	27	2.7	28	1,393,000	1,720	27	92%	22
28	Peterborough	C	928,000	1,140	810	126	349	380	2,440	29	3.0	18	555,000	1,460	29	85%	34
29	Portsmouth	C	791,000	420	1,890	121	140	168	4,710	15	2.5	32	465,000	2,770	14	97%	8
31	Rochester	C	1,366,000	540	2,550	182	215	261	5,230	9	2.1	36	836,000	3,200	10	98%	5
32	St. Albans	C	1,931,000	1,120	1,730	195	337	407	4,740	14	2.7	28	1,104,000	2,710	15	92%	23
33	St. Edms & Ipswich	C	680,000	1,430	470	117	444	478	1,420	40	3.0	18	415,000	870	38	90%	28
34	Salisbury	C	958,000	2,050	470	137	437	569	1,680	37	3.6	12	609,000	1,070	36	86%	33
35	Sheffield	Y	1,303,000	610	2,120	147	174	209	6,230	6	2.9	22	786,000	3,760	7	98%	6
36	Sodor & Man	Y	91,000	220	410	14	15	39	2,330	30	5.6	3	-	-	-	100%	1
37	Southwark	C	2,883,000	320	8,960	257	294	355	8,120	3	0.9	40	1,586,000	4,470	2	96%	9
38	Southwell & Nottingham	Y	1,158,000	840	1,370	145	241	296	3,910	18	2.8	26	654,000	2,210	18	96%	11
39	Truro	C	569,000	1,390	410	106	214	303	1,880	33	4.6	4	340,000	1,120	34	93%	19
41	Winchester	C	1,240,000	1,130	1,100	140	253	357	3,470	22	3.2	14	747,000	2,090	22	96%	10
42	Worcester	C	895,000	670	1,330	92	169	274	3,260	25	2.4	34	593,000	2,170	21	93%	18
43	York	Y	1,448,000	2,670	540	241	444	584	2,480	28	4.6	4	934,000	1,600	28	90%	30
46	Leeds	Y	2,750,000	2,630	1,050	285	455	603	4,560	16	4.4	7	1,564,000	2,590	16	98%	3
Church of England			56,251,000	50,630	1,110	6,853	12,366	15,539	3,620		3.3		33,269,000	2,140		90%	

Notes: Benefice, Parish, and Church numbers are as listed in the Parish Register maintained by the Research and Statistics unit as at 3rd September 2019.

Here and elsewhere, the Province in which a diocese falls is denoted as C (Canterbury) or Y (York).

Cathedral churches are included within the count of churches.

Populations are calculated using mid-year 2018 population estimates from the ONS, mapped onto diocesan boundaries. Figures for the Diocese in Europe are not included in Table 3.

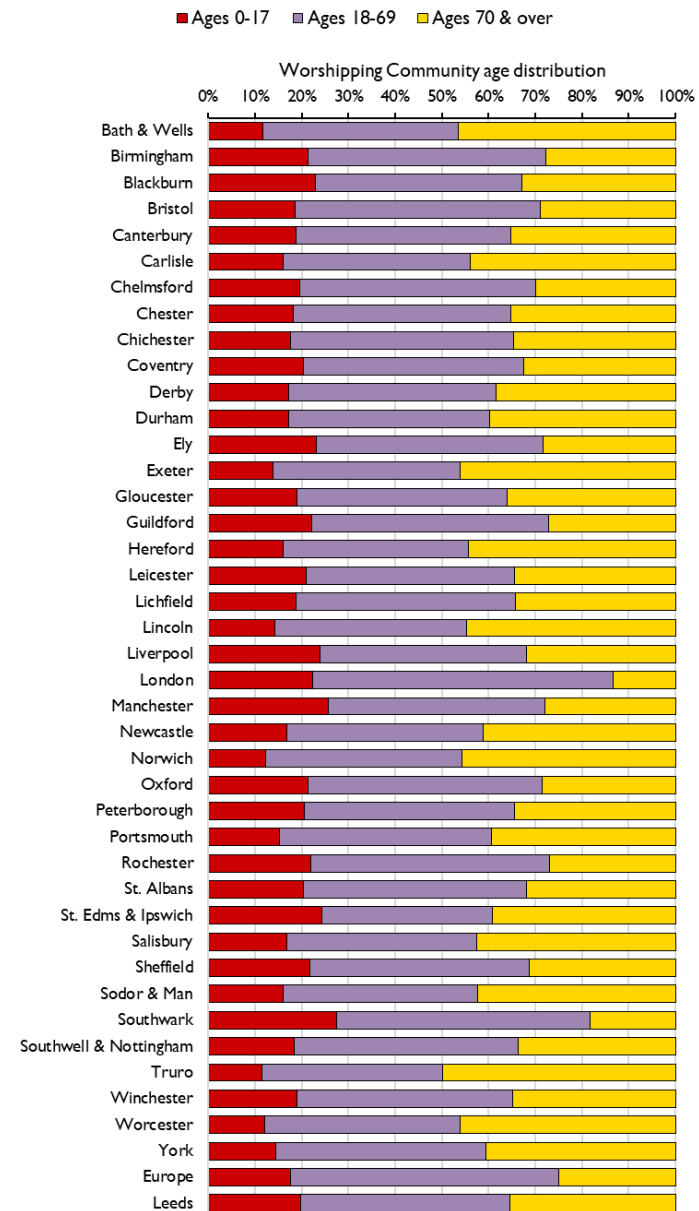
Christian population is calculated using data from the 2011 census. The total for the Christian population of the Church of England does not include the Isle of Man.

Response rate is the percentage of churches for which a complete 2018 Statistics for Mission return (i.e. one that did not require any estimation) was received.

Table 4: Diocesan Worshipping Community, 2014-2018

Ref. no.	Diocese	Province	Worshipping Community					complete-ness, 2018	Age distribution, 2018		
			2014	2015	2016	2017	2018		Ages 0-17	Ages 18-69	Ages 70 & over
1	Bath & Wells	C	26,700	26,600	26,300	25,200	23,900	95%	12%	42%	47%
2	Birmingham	C	19,800	20,600	21,200	21,300	20,500	98%	21%	51%	28%
3	Blackburn	Y	26,700	26,600	26,000	26,800	26,300	85%	23%	44%	33%
5	Bristol	C	18,000	18,100	18,000	18,500	18,200	93%	19%	53%	29%
6	Canterbury	C	26,800	26,300	26,300	26,100	25,200	84%	19%	46%	35%
7	Carlisle	Y	14,800	14,200	14,100	14,300	14,300	89%	16%	40%	44%
8	Chelmsford	C	45,600	44,300	44,100	43,400	43,400	91%	20%	51%	30%
9	Chester	Y	36,200	36,700	37,300	37,700	35,900	78%	18%	47%	35%
10	Chichester	C	45,900	46,900	47,200	46,700	46,000	90%	17%	48%	35%
11	Coventry	C	18,000	17,500	17,500	17,200	17,300	92%	20%	47%	32%
12	Derby	C	18,300	18,200	17,900	18,000	17,700	92%	17%	44%	38%
13	Durham	Y	19,300	19,400	19,600	19,500	19,200	96%	17%	43%	40%
14	Ely	C	21,800	22,200	22,100	22,200	22,400	96%	23%	48%	28%
15	Exeter	C	25,500	25,500	25,800	25,300	24,800	87%	14%	40%	46%
16	Gloucester	C	23,200	23,000	23,000	23,100	22,400	92%	19%	45%	36%
17	Guildford	C	32,900	32,700	31,900	31,700	30,600	84%	22%	51%	27%
18	Hereford	C	11,700	12,300	12,800	13,400	13,300	93%	16%	40%	44%
19	Leicester	C	19,200	19,300	18,200	18,900	18,300	91%	21%	45%	35%
20	Lichfield	C	45,600	44,700	44,600	43,400	43,100	92%	19%	47%	34%
21	Lincoln	C	18,800	19,700	19,000	19,300	19,600	81%	14%	41%	45%
22	Liverpool	Y	27,500	27,000	25,800	27,300	26,300	71%	24%	44%	32%
23	London	C	90,200	88,200	86,200	83,200	83,500	83%	22%	64%	13%
24	Manchester	Y	29,200	29,600	28,500	28,700	27,600	91%	26%	46%	28%
25	Newcastle	Y	14,700	14,500	14,200	13,600	13,500	96%	17%	42%	41%
26	Norwich	C	21,200	21,700	22,400	22,400	21,800	69%	12%	42%	46%
27	Oxford	C	64,400	67,100	65,600	66,400	65,000	88%	21%	50%	29%
28	Peterborough	C	20,700	21,600	22,000	21,900	21,200	86%	21%	45%	34%
29	Portsmouth	C	15,200	14,900	15,500	15,500	15,000	93%	15%	45%	39%
31	Rochester	C	29,800	29,500	30,500	30,500	30,300	97%	22%	51%	27%
32	St. Albans	C	37,300	36,800	34,500	34,100	34,000	87%	20%	48%	32%
33	St. Edms & Ipswich	C	19,100	18,900	17,700	18,100	20,600	89%	24%	37%	39%
34	Salisbury	C	31,300	30,200	31,600	30,100	29,600	88%	17%	41%	42%
35	Sheffield	Y	18,000	18,700	19,300	19,000	19,800	96%	22%	47%	31%
36	Sodor & Man	Y	1,900	1,900	1,800	1,900	1,800	99%	16%	42%	42%
37	Southwark	C	50,700	52,100	53,300	54,300	54,200	93%	27%	54%	18%
38	Southwell & Nottingham	Y	19,100	19,800	18,700	18,700	18,400	94%	18%	48%	34%
39	Truro	C	12,000	12,300	11,600	11,600	11,400	91%	11%	39%	50%
41	Winchester	C	27,100	27,700	26,800	26,800	26,800	90%	19%	46%	35%
42	Worcester	C	14,000	13,500	13,600	13,400	12,700	91%	12%	42%	46%
43	York	Y	29,700	29,300	28,500	28,700	27,800	86%	14%	45%	41%
44	Europe	C	15,000	15,900	16,300	16,300	16,500	94%	18%	57%	25%
46	Leeds	Y	40,200	40,900	39,700	40,600	40,500	96%	20%	45%	35%
Church of England			1,143,000	1,147,200	1,137,000	1,134,900	1,120,800	89%	20%	48%	33%

Figure 13: Diocesan Worshipping Community age distribution, 2018



Information about the age structure of Worshipping Communities allows us to identify dioceses with a large proportion of children in their congregations (e.g. Manchester and Southwark) as well as those whose churches serve an older population (e.g. Truro).

Although the age groups are broad, this is the most comprehensive information currently available about the distribution of ages of people taking part in the worshipping life of the Church of England.

Table 5: Diocesan average all age weekly attendance, all age Sunday attendance, and all age school service attendance, 2013-2018

Ref. no.	Diocese	Province	All age average weekly attendance							All age average Sunday attendance							All age average weekly school service attendance						
			2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	complete- ness, 2018	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	complete- ness, 2018	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
1	Bath & Wells	C	23,000	23,100	22,600	21,800	21,300	20,800	100%	19,900	19,800	19,300	18,600	18,200	17,600	100%	2,900	4,000	5,100	5,900	6,100	5,200	
2	Birmingham	C	17,000	17,200	16,400	16,800	16,300	15,900	100%	15,000	15,000	14,300	14,600	14,300	13,800	100%	2,800	3,000	2,900	3,400	3,100	3,000	
3	Blackburn	Y	26,700	26,000	24,800	22,700	22,300	21,300	89%	23,400	22,700	21,600	19,800	19,500	18,600	89%	2,400	2,500	2,800	3,500	4,500	3,700	
5	Bristol	C	15,600	15,000	14,700	13,800	13,600	13,100	98%	13,200	12,800	12,500	11,800	11,500	11,200	98%	2,400	2,000	2,200	2,400	2,700	3,000	
6	Canterbury	C	23,800	23,800	22,400	21,600	20,800	20,800	96%	20,000	19,900	18,300	18,000	17,000	16,900	96%	3,800	3,700	3,800	4,800	6,000	3,700	
7	Carlisle	Y	14,200	13,500	13,100	12,500	11,900	11,600	94%	12,200	11,600	11,100	10,500	10,000	9,900	94%	2,600	1,700	2,900	2,000	2,800	2,400	
8	Chelmsford	C	38,500	38,000	38,400	36,800	34,400	33,500	97%	34,100	33,800	33,300	31,600	29,700	28,500	97%	4,200	4,900	6,200	6,800	7,200	5,300	
9	Chester	Y	33,600	33,400	33,100	31,600	29,900	28,500	86%	28,300	28,300	27,900	26,600	25,200	24,100	86%	3,900	4,000	3,600	3,400	3,600	4,900	
10	Chichester	C	39,900	38,300	37,400	36,800	35,400	35,000	96%	33,800	33,100	31,900	30,900	29,700	29,300	96%	4,800	5,800	6,000	6,600	6,500	5,900	
11	Coventry	C	16,200	15,600	14,900	14,600	14,100	13,600	99%	13,400	13,200	12,500	12,000	11,800	11,100	100%	1,800	3,300	3,500	2,900	3,600	3,300	
12	Derby	C	15,500	15,800	16,200	15,200	15,000	15,100	96%	13,600	13,700	13,800	13,100	12,800	12,600	95%	2,700	3,600	3,800	3,600	3,600	3,200	
13	Durham	Y	20,100	21,700	20,400	19,500	18,700	17,700	100%	16,100	17,000	16,200	15,300	14,400	13,700	100%	2,800	4,300	3,800	4,300	4,500	4,600	
14	Ely	C	18,000	17,900	17,600	16,900	16,700	17,400	100%	15,600	15,300	14,800	14,200	14,100	13,700	100%	1,400	2,700	2,700	3,100	3,000	3,300	
15	Exeter	C	23,000	22,700	23,100	23,200	22,300	22,200	91%	20,800	20,400	20,500	20,300	19,600	19,100	91%	1,800	3,900	4,100	4,100	3,300	4,100	
16	Gloucester	C	18,100	18,600	18,700	17,800	16,900	15,700	100%	15,400	15,400	15,400	14,600	14,100	13,100	100%	1,800	3,200	4,600	5,000	4,600	4,900	
17	Guildford	C	26,700	25,500	24,800	23,700	22,600	21,400	95%	23,500	22,300	21,800	20,600	20,000	18,900	94%	3,800	3,600	3,700	4,500	5,100	3,000	
18	Hereford	C	10,000	9,600	9,700	9,700	9,300	8,700	100%	8,100	7,600	7,600	7,400	7,300	6,900	100%	1,100	1,300	2,300	2,400	2,500	2,600	
19	Leicester	C	14,800	14,500	13,900	13,100	12,800	12,600	97%	12,700	12,300	11,700	10,900	11,000	10,800	97%	3,800	2,700	3,000	3,200	4,000	4,400	
20	Lichfield	C	33,000	32,500	31,700	30,200	29,400	28,600	97%	27,700	27,100	26,300	25,000	24,800	23,500	97%	6,800	9,200	9,200	8,900	9,800	7,800	
21	Lincoln	C	15,000	15,200	17,200	16,000	15,500	14,700	87%	12,200	12,400	13,800	12,700	12,200	11,600	86%	1,700	3,100	4,300	5,200	5,700	4,200	
22	Liverpool	Y	26,300	24,900	24,600	23,200	22,800	21,900	87%	22,100	20,900	21,200	20,000	19,200	18,600	87%	4,800	3,600	4,100	4,100	4,500	3,000	
23	London	C	76,200	73,300	72,600	70,600	69,300	66,100	95%	59,800	58,500	58,500	57,500	56,200	54,000	95%	5,800	10,300	11,600	10,600	10,700	9,900	
24	Manchester	Y	30,400	27,800	27,200	27,200	25,800	24,100	100%	26,700	25,400	24,800	24,400	22,900	21,200	100%	4,400	2,900	4,800	5,400	5,900	5,700	
25	Newcastle	Y	14,500	14,700	14,500	13,300	13,500	12,700	100%	12,000	11,900	11,700	10,600	10,700	9,900	100%	2,400	2,400	2,600	2,200	2,100	2,200	
26	Norwich	C	17,300	18,300	17,500	17,500	17,700	17,300	75%	14,900	15,600	14,900	14,600	14,600	14,100	78%	1,900	2,100	3,400	3,700	4,500	2,900	
27	Oxford	C	50,800	50,400	50,000	48,300	46,900	45,400	98%	44,000	44,400	44,100	42,100	40,800	39,200	98%	4,700	6,400	7,500	9,000	10,700	8,900	
28	Peterborough	C	16,400	16,200	16,200	15,200	15,200	14,500	95%	14,100	13,700	13,500	12,900	12,800	12,100	94%	2,200	2,800	3,700	2,800	2,700	3,000	
29	Portsmouth	C	12,200	12,400	11,900	12,000	11,200	11,600	100%	10,900	10,800	10,300	10,400	9,800	9,900	100%	2,100	2,000	2,500	2,700	2,800	2,000	
31	Rochester	C	26,300	25,600	25,800	24,100	23,900	22,800	100%	23,100	22,600	22,800	21,100	20,600	19,600	100%	3,400	3,300	3,800	3,500	5,100	4,200	
32	St. Albans	C	33,000	32,200	31,400	30,100	28,900	28,900	97%	26,500	26,300	25,600	24,300	23,500	23,000	97%	5,400	3,800	6,200	5,600	5,800	5,100	
33	St. Edms & Ipswich	C	15,800	15,000	14,700	14,000	13,500	13,400	94%	13,300	12,600	12,600	12,000	11,700	11,200	95%	800	1,700	1,900	2,500	3,400	2,900	
34	Salisbury	C	27,600	25,600	23,500	23,200	22,900	21,200	93%	23,700	21,900	20,500	20,100	19,900	18,600	93%	3,500	2,900	4,900	6,200	5,900	4,800	
35	Sheffield	Y	18,400	17,500	17,100	15,900	15,500	15,500	100%	15,100	14,900	14,600	13,600	13,300	13,100	100%	2,500	2,600	3,700	3,500	4,100	3,400	
36	Sodor & Man	Y	2,000	2,000	2,100	1,800	1,500	1,500	100%	1,700	1,500	1,700	1,400	1,300	1,300	100%	100	300	200	100	200	200	
37	Southwark	C	39,200	41,100	40,700	39,100	38,200	38,300	100%	36,100	36,800	36,200	34,600	34,300	33,000	100%	-	7,200	5,400	5,500	7,100	7,800	
38	Southwell & Nottingham	Y	16,000	16,000	15,000	14,000	13,600	13,500	100%	13,500	13,400	12,700	12,100	11,800	11,700	100%	4,500	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,100	2,700	
39	Truro	C	11,600	11,300	10,800	10,300	9,900	9,800	97%	9,800	9,700	9,000	8,600	8,200	8,000	97%	1,100	1,600	1,800	1,700	2,000	1,500	
41	Winchester	C	26,500	24,300	24,400	22,900	22,400	22,000	96%	22,500	21,100	20,900	19,500	19,200	18,700	96%	5,200	3,600	4,000	4,700	4,900	4,500	
42	Worcester	C	13,200	13,100	12,300	12,000	11,600	12,200	96%	11,100	11,100	10,400	10,100	9,700	10,000	95%	1,800	2,000	2,800	3,100	2,500	2,200	
43	York	Y	27,200	27,100	27,000	25,700	25,200	25,100	99%	21,800	21,500	21,200	20,500	19,600	19,100	99%	3,400	3,700	4,300	5,900	6,200	5,700	
44	Europe	C	10,300	10,700	10,800	10,800	10,500	10,600	100%	9,700	9,900	10,000	10,100	9,700	9,900	100%	-	-	-	-	100	100	
46	Leeds	Y	39,600	38,000	38,600	36,000	34,700	34,600	100%	33,300	32,200	32,200	30,400	29,300	28,700	100%	6,300	6,800	7,900	9,800	11,100	9,800	
Church of England			993,600	975,300	959,900	921,700	893,900	870,900	96%	844,600	830,200	814,000	779,400	756,400	729,700	96%	125,700	147,800	170,700	181,600	197,500	175,000	

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Table 6: Diocesan average adult weekly attendance, adult Sunday attendance, and adult school service attendance, 2013-2018

Ref. no.	Diocese	Province	Adult average weekly attendance							Adult average Sunday attendance							Adult average weekly school service attendance					
			2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	complete ness, 2018	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	complete ness, 2018	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
1	Bath & Wells	C	19,700	20,200	19,800	19,200	18,700	18,200	99%	17,800	17,800	17,300	16,700	16,300	15,900	100%	700	900	1,300	1,500	1,500	1,400
2	Birmingham	C	14,400	14,700	14,000	14,400	13,900	13,600	100%	12,700	12,800	12,100	12,400	12,100	11,700	100%	400	600	600	600	600	600
3	Blackburn	Y	21,700	21,300	20,600	18,800	18,300	17,800	89%	19,100	18,600	17,900	16,400	16,100	15,600	89%	400	400	500	600	700	600
5	Bristol	C	13,100	12,800	12,500	11,800	11,700	11,300	98%	11,200	10,900	10,700	10,100	9,900	9,700	98%	300	500	500	500	600	700
6	Canterbury	C	19,600	20,300	19,200	18,500	18,100	18,100	96%	16,700	17,000	15,600	15,400	14,700	14,700	95%	700	900	1,000	1,000	1,200	900
7	Carlisle	Y	12,500	11,800	11,500	11,000	10,500	10,200	93%	10,900	10,300	9,900	9,500	9,100	9,000	93%	500	500	800	700	900	700
8	Chelmsford	C	32,300	32,100	32,200	31,000	29,000	28,500	97%	28,500	28,400	27,900	26,700	25,000	24,300	97%	900	1,000	1,600	1,400	1,800	1,100
9	Chester	Y	28,400	28,400	28,300	26,900	25,600	24,600	86%	24,300	24,200	24,000	22,900	21,800	21,000	86%	600	800	800	900	900	1,000
10	Chichester	C	33,800	33,400	32,700	32,500	31,200	31,200	96%	29,300	28,800	27,900	27,200	26,200	26,000	96%	1,100	1,400	1,300	1,400	1,300	1,300
11	Coventry	C	13,200	13,300	12,800	12,600	12,000	11,600	99%	11,300	11,300	10,700	10,300	10,100	9,700	99%	300	500	800	600	800	600
12	Derby	C	13,500	13,800	14,200	13,300	13,100	13,300	95%	11,900	12,100	12,200	11,600	11,300	11,200	95%	800	1,200	1,200	900	900	800
13	Durham	Y	17,400	19,000	18,000	17,100	16,500	15,700	100%	14,000	15,000	14,200	13,400	12,700	12,100	100%	400	1,100	1,200	1,000	1,200	1,300
14	Ely	C	14,900	14,900	14,500	13,800	13,800	14,600	99%	13,400	13,200	12,800	12,200	12,200	11,900	99%	200	500	500	700	700	800
15	Exeter	C	20,500	20,600	21,100	21,100	20,300	20,100	91%	18,800	18,500	18,700	18,600	17,900	17,900	91%	300	800	800	900	500	800
16	Gloucester	C	15,800	16,300	16,300	15,500	14,900	13,900	99%	13,600	13,600	13,600	12,800	12,500	11,700	99%	500	800	1,000	1,100	1,200	1,400
17	Guildford	C	21,800	20,900	20,500	19,500	18,900	18,000	94%	19,300	18,400	18,100	17,200	16,900	16,100	94%	800	800	900	1,200	1,300	600
18	Hereford	C	8,800	8,600	8,700	8,600	8,200	7,900	100%	7,500	7,100	7,000	6,900	6,700	6,400	100%	100	600	600	600	700	700
19	Leicester	C	12,500	12,200	11,800	11,400	11,000	11,000	97%	11,000	10,800	10,200	9,700	9,700	9,600	96%	800	600	900	1,000	800	900
20	Lichfield	C	28,200	28,000	27,500	26,600	25,900	25,300	96%	24,200	23,900	23,300	22,300	22,000	21,000	96%	1,400	1,700	2,000	2,400	2,500	2,000
21	Lincoln	C	13,200	13,600	15,400	14,500	13,900	13,300	87%	11,000	11,100	12,400	11,500	11,000	10,500	86%	300	600	1,000	1,300	1,500	1,000
22	Liverpool	Y	21,600	20,500	20,300	19,300	18,800	18,300	87%	18,300	17,300	17,600	16,600	16,000	15,700	87%	600	900	1,000	700	900	600
23	London	C	63,900	62,100	61,600	60,200	58,800	56,000	95%	49,600	48,600	48,400	47,700	46,500	44,900	95%	700	1,300	1,500	1,700	1,300	1,300
24	Manchester	Y	23,800	21,700	21,300	21,300	20,100	18,800	100%	21,000	19,900	19,400	19,200	18,000	16,700	100%	700	500	1,100	900	1,000	900
25	Newcastle	Y	12,600	12,900	12,600	11,600	11,700	11,200	99%	10,500	10,600	10,300	9,400	9,400	8,900	100%	500	700	800	700	700	700
26	Norwich	C	15,500	16,700	16,100	15,900	16,000	15,600	76%	13,700	14,500	13,900	13,500	13,500	13,000	78%	500	600	800	1,300	1,000	900
27	Oxford	C	42,200	42,400	42,100	40,900	40,000	39,000	98%	36,900	37,500	37,200	35,700	34,800	33,800	98%	900	1,500	1,900	2,200	2,800	2,100
28	Peterborough	C	13,800	13,700	13,700	12,900	13,000	12,500	94%	11,900	11,700	11,500	11,100	11,000	10,500	93%	500	600	1,000	700	500	700
29	Portsmouth	C	10,600	10,800	10,400	10,600	9,900	10,200	100%	9,500	9,400	9,100	9,300	8,800	8,800	100%	300	400	600	700	800	500
31	Rochester	C	21,300	21,300	21,400	20,000	19,800	18,900	100%	19,000	18,700	19,000	17,500	17,200	16,500	100%	600	600	700	800	1,000	900
32	St. Albans	C	26,700	26,100	25,200	24,700	23,700	23,800	96%	22,300	22,300	21,600	20,700	20,100	19,800	96%	1,000	800	1,100	1,200	1,300	1,100
33	St. Edms & Ipswich	C	13,900	13,300	13,200	12,700	12,200	12,200	94%	11,900	11,400	11,300	10,800	10,600	10,200	95%	100	500	700	600	900	600
34	Salisbury	C	23,700	22,400	20,900	20,500	20,300	19,000	93%	20,700	19,400	18,300	17,900	17,900	16,800	93%	500	700	1,200	1,400	1,400	1,000
35	Sheffield	Y	15,100	14,800	14,300	13,500	13,100	13,200	100%	12,900	12,600	12,300	11,500	11,200	11,200	100%	500	800	1,000	1,000	1,100	900
36	Sodor & Man	Y	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,600	1,400	1,300	100%	1,500	1,300	1,500	1,200	1,100	1,200	100%	-	100	100	-	-	100
37	Southwark	C	30,800	32,600	32,300	31,300	30,600	30,900	100%	28,500	29,100	28,700	27,700	27,300	26,600	100%	-	3,600	1,200	1,200	1,500	1,700
38	Southwell & Nottingham	Y	13,800	14,000	13,000	12,200	11,900	11,700	100%	11,800	11,700	11,000	10,500	10,300	10,200	100%	800	700	500	800	800	700
39	Truro	C	10,600	10,500	9,900	9,500	9,100	9,000	97%	9,100	8,900	8,300	8,000	7,600	7,400	96%	300	400	500	500	600	400
41	Winchester	C	22,200	20,800	20,900	19,700	19,200	19,000	96%	19,300	18,100	18,100	17,000	16,600	16,400	95%	900	900	1,000	1,100	1,100	1,000
42	Worcester	C	11,400	11,300	10,700	10,500	10,300	10,600	95%	9,900	9,800	9,300	9,100	8,800	9,000	95%	300	500	800	700	700	500
43	York	Y	23,200	23,500	23,500	22,700	22,300	22,300	98%	18,800	18,700	18,600	18,200	17,400	17,100	99%	900	800	1,200	1,600	1,800	1,700
44	Europe	C	9,100	9,500	9,700	9,600	9,400	9,500	100%	8,500	8,800	8,900	8,900	8,700	8,800	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-
46	Leeds	Y	33,600	32,600	33,200	31,000	29,900	30,000	100%	28,700	27,700	27,700	26,300	25,400	25,100	100%	1,100	1,600	1,800	2,600	2,600	2,300
Church of England			836,400	831,600	819,800	790,300	766,900	751,200	96%	721,000	711,500	698,400	671,400	652,500	634,600	96%	23,100	34,500	39,600	42,300	45,600	39,700

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Table 7: Diocesan average child weekly attendance, child Sunday attendance, and child school service attendance, 2013-2018

Ref. no.	Diocese	Province	Child average weekly attendance							Child average Sunday attendance							Child average weekly school service attendance					
			2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	complete- ness, 2018	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	complete- ness, 2018	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
1	Bath & Wells	C	3,400	2,900	2,800	2,600	2,600	2,600	100%	2,100	2,000	2,100	1,900	1,900	1,700	100%	2,200	3,100	3,700	4,400	4,600	3,800
2	Birmingham	C	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,400	2,300	100%	2,200	2,200	2,200	2,200	2,100	2,000	100%	2,400	2,400	2,300	2,800	2,500	2,400
3	Blackburn	Y	4,900	4,600	4,200	4,000	3,900	3,500	89%	4,300	4,100	3,800	3,400	3,400	3,000	90%	2,000	2,100	2,400	3,000	3,800	3,200
5	Bristol	C	2,500	2,300	2,200	2,000	1,900	1,800	97%	2,000	1,900	1,800	1,700	1,600	1,500	100%	2,100	1,500	1,800	1,900	2,100	2,300
6	Canterbury	C	4,100	3,500	3,200	3,100	2,800	2,700	98%	3,200	2,900	2,700	2,600	2,300	2,300	99%	3,100	2,800	2,800	3,800	4,800	2,800
7	Carlisle	Y	1,800	1,700	1,600	1,500	1,400	1,400	100%	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,000	900	900	100%	2,000	1,200	2,100	1,300	1,900	1,700
8	Chelmsford	C	6,300	5,900	6,200	5,800	5,500	5,100	99%	5,600	5,400	5,400	4,900	4,600	4,200	100%	3,300	3,900	4,500	5,300	5,400	4,200
9	Chester	Y	5,200	4,900	4,800	4,700	4,300	3,800	83%	4,000	4,100	3,900	3,700	3,400	3,000	87%	3,200	3,200	2,700	2,500	2,700	3,900
10	Chichester	C	6,000	4,900	4,700	4,300	4,200	3,900	98%	4,500	4,300	4,000	3,700	3,500	3,300	99%	3,800	4,400	4,700	5,200	5,200	4,700
11	Coventry	C	3,000	2,300	2,100	2,100	2,100	2,000	100%	2,000	1,900	1,800	1,700	1,700	1,400	100%	1,600	2,700	2,800	2,300	2,800	2,700
12	Derby	C	2,000	1,900	2,000	1,900	1,900	1,800	97%	1,700	1,600	1,600	1,500	1,500	1,400	96%	1,900	2,400	2,700	2,700	2,700	2,300
13	Durham	Y	2,700	2,700	2,400	2,400	2,200	2,000	100%	2,100	2,100	2,000	1,900	1,700	1,600	100%	2,500	3,200	2,600	3,300	3,400	3,300
14	Ely	C	3,100	3,000	3,000	3,100	2,900	2,800	100%	2,200	2,100	2,000	2,100	1,900	1,800	100%	1,200	2,200	2,200	2,400	2,200	2,500
15	Exeter	C	2,500	2,100	2,000	2,100	2,000	2,000	91%	2,000	1,900	1,800	1,800	1,700	1,700	91%	1,500	3,200	3,300	3,300	2,800	3,300
16	Gloucester	C	2,300	2,300	2,400	2,300	2,000	1,800	100%	1,800	1,700	1,900	1,800	1,600	1,400	100%	1,300	2,400	3,600	3,900	3,400	3,500
17	Guildford	C	4,900	4,600	4,300	4,100	3,700	3,400	96%	4,200	4,000	3,700	3,400	3,100	2,800	96%	3,000	2,800	2,800	3,300	3,800	2,400
18	Hereford	C	1,200	1,000	1,000	1,100	1,100	800	100%	600	600	500	500	600	500	100%	1,000	700	1,700	1,800	1,800	1,900
19	Leicester	C	2,300	2,200	2,000	1,700	1,800	1,600	100%	1,700	1,600	1,500	1,300	1,300	1,200	100%	3,100	2,100	2,100	2,200	3,300	3,500
20	Lichfield	C	4,900	4,500	4,200	3,500	3,500	3,300	100%	3,500	3,300	3,000	2,700	2,800	2,500	100%	5,400	7,500	7,200	6,500	7,300	5,800
21	Lincoln	C	1,800	1,600	1,800	1,500	1,600	1,400	86%	1,200	1,200	1,400	1,200	1,200	1,100	86%	1,400	2,500	3,300	3,900	4,200	3,200
22	Liverpool	Y	4,700	4,400	4,300	3,900	3,900	3,600	89%	3,800	3,600	3,600	3,400	3,200	3,000	89%	4,100	2,700	3,200	3,400	3,600	2,400
23	London	C	12,300	11,200	11,000	10,500	10,400	10,100	96%	10,200	9,900	10,000	9,800	9,700	9,100	96%	5,100	9,000	10,000	8,900	9,400	8,600
24	Manchester	Y	6,600	6,100	6,000	5,900	5,700	5,300	100%	5,700	5,500	5,400	5,200	4,900	4,400	100%	3,700	2,300	3,600	4,500	4,800	4,800
25	Newcastle	Y	1,800	1,800	1,900	1,700	1,700	1,500	100%	1,500	1,400	1,400	1,200	1,300	1,000	100%	1,800	1,700	1,800	1,500	1,300	1,500
26	Norwich	C	1,800	1,600	1,400	1,500	1,700	1,600	71%	1,100	1,200	1,000	1,100	1,200	1,100	79%	1,400	1,500	2,600	2,400	3,500	2,100
27	Oxford	C	8,600	8,000	7,900	7,300	6,900	6,400	100%	7,000	6,900	6,900	6,400	5,900	5,400	100%	3,800	5,000	5,600	6,800	8,000	6,800
28	Peterborough	C	2,700	2,500	2,500	2,200	2,200	2,000	100%	2,200	2,000	2,000	1,800	1,800	1,600	100%	1,700	2,200	2,700	2,100	2,100	2,300
29	Portsmouth	C	1,600	1,600	1,400	1,400	1,200	1,400	100%	1,400	1,400	1,200	1,200	1,000	1,100	100%	1,800	1,700	1,900	2,100	2,100	1,500
31	Rochester	C	5,000	4,400	4,400	4,100	4,100	3,900	100%	4,100	3,800	3,900	3,600	3,400	3,100	100%	2,900	2,800	3,100	2,700	4,100	3,300
32	St. Albans	C	6,200	6,100	6,200	5,400	5,100	5,100	98%	4,200	4,000	4,000	3,600	3,400	3,200	100%	4,300	2,900	5,200	4,400	4,500	4,000
33	St. Edms & Ipswich	C	1,900	1,700	1,500	1,300	1,300	1,200	100%	1,400	1,200	1,300	1,100	1,200	1,000	100%	700	1,300	1,200	2,000	2,500	2,300
34	Salisbury	C	4,000	3,100	2,600	2,700	2,600	2,200	100%	2,900	2,500	2,200	2,100	2,100	1,800	100%	3,100	2,200	3,700	4,800	4,500	3,800
35	Sheffield	Y	3,300	2,700	2,800	2,400	2,500	2,300	100%	2,200	2,300	2,300	2,100	2,100	1,900	100%	2,100	1,800	2,600	2,500	3,000	2,500
36	Sodor & Man	Y	200	200	300	200	200	100	100%	200	200	200	100	100	100	100%	100	200	100	100	100	100
37	Southwark	C	8,400	8,500	8,400	7,900	7,700	7,400	100%	7,600	7,700	7,500	7,000	7,000	6,500	100%	-	3,600	4,200	4,300	5,600	6,000
38	Southwell & Nottingham	Y	2,200	2,100	2,000	1,800	1,800	1,800	100%	1,800	1,700	1,600	1,500	1,500	1,500	100%	3,700	2,600	2,600	2,400	2,300	2,000
39	Truro	C	1,000	800	900	900	800	800	100%	700	700	700	600	600	600	100%	800	1,200	1,300	1,200	1,400	1,100
41	Winchester	C	4,300	3,600	3,500	3,200	3,200	3,000	98%	3,200	2,900	2,800	2,600	2,600	2,300	98%	4,300	2,700	3,000	3,600	3,700	3,500
42	Worcester	C	1,900	1,800	1,700	1,400	1,300	1,600	100%	1,200	1,300	1,100	1,000	900	1,000	100%	1,500	1,500	2,100	2,400	1,800	1,700
43	York	Y	4,000	3,600	3,500	3,000	2,900	2,800	100%	3,000	2,800	2,600	2,300	2,200	2,000	100%	2,500	2,900	3,200	4,300	4,300	4,000
44	Europe	C	1,200	1,100	1,100	1,200	1,100	1,100	100%	1,200	1,100	1,100	1,200	1,100	1,100	100%	-	-	-	-	-	100
46	Leeds	Y	6,000	5,400	5,400	5,000	4,800	4,600	100%	4,600	4,500	4,500	4,100	3,900	3,600	100%	5,200	5,200	6,200	7,200	8,500	7,500
Church of England			157,100	143,800	140,100	131,400	127,100	119,700	98%	123,600	118,700	115,600	108,100	103,900	95,500	99%	102,600	113,300	131,000	139,300	151,900	135,300

Notes: Attendance data were collected during the first 4 weeks of October, 2018.

Attendance at midweek school services has been measured since 2013; in 2014 attendance at school services on Sundays was measured, with explicit guidance that only school services taking place in churches or church buildings should be included. Attendance at these school services is not included in the weekly attendance or Sunday attendance totals for 2013-2018.

The question about services for schools was not asked of churches in the Diocese of Southwark in 2013.

Values shown include data as reported by churches/parishes and estimates where no report has been returned.

Table 8: Diocesan adult and child Usual Sunday attendance, 2013-2018

Ref. no.	Diocese	Province	2013			2014			2015			2016			2017			2018			
			Adults	Children	All	Adults	Children	All	Adults	Children	All	Adults	Children	All	Adults	Children	All	Adults	Children	All	complete-ness, 2018
1	Bath & Wells	C	17,500	2,400	19,900	17,200	2,100	19,300	17,000	2,000	18,900	16,400	1,800	18,200	16,100	1,700	17,800	15,600	1,600	17,200	99%
2	Birmingham	C	11,500	2,000	13,500	11,300	2,000	13,300	11,000	1,900	12,900	11,200	2,000	13,200	10,900	1,800	12,700	10,500	1,700	12,200	100%
3	Blackburn	Y	17,000	3,800	20,800	16,200	3,600	19,800	15,900	3,200	19,000	15,200	2,900	18,100	14,700	2,800	17,500	14,400	2,700	17,100	88%
5	Bristol	C	10,500	1,900	12,300	10,000	1,700	11,800	10,100	1,800	11,900	9,700	1,600	11,300	9,800	1,600	11,400	9,700	1,600	11,300	98%
6	Canterbury	C	15,500	2,700	18,300	15,600	2,500	18,100	15,000	2,300	17,300	14,700	2,300	17,000	14,300	2,200	16,500	13,800	2,100	15,900	97%
7	Carlisle	Y	9,900	1,000	10,800	9,200	900	10,100	9,000	800	9,800	8,900	800	9,700	8,600	700	9,400	8,500	700	9,100	92%
8	Chelmsford	C	26,600	4,800	31,400	25,700	4,900	30,600	25,700	4,800	30,500	24,900	4,500	29,400	24,000	4,300	28,400	23,300	4,100	27,300	96%
9	Chester	Y	21,100	3,300	24,400	21,300	3,300	24,600	21,100	3,300	24,400	20,300	3,000	23,300	19,900	3,000	22,800	19,400	2,800	22,300	86%
10	Chichester	C	28,300	4,300	32,600	27,700	4,100	31,800	27,400	3,900	31,300	26,500	3,600	30,100	26,000	3,400	29,500	25,300	3,300	28,700	96%
11	Coventry	C	10,500	1,700	12,200	10,500	1,700	12,200	10,100	1,700	11,800	9,800	1,600	11,400	9,900	1,600	11,400	9,600	1,400	11,100	99%
12	Derby	C	10,800	1,400	12,300	11,000	1,400	12,400	10,600	1,400	12,000	10,200	1,200	11,400	10,100	1,200	11,300	9,800	1,100	11,000	95%
13	Durham	Y	11,300	1,500	12,800	11,400	1,500	12,800	11,200	1,500	12,600	10,800	1,400	12,200	10,700	1,300	11,900	10,200	1,100	11,300	99%
14	Ely	C	12,700	2,300	15,000	12,500	2,200	14,600	12,100	2,000	14,200	11,500	2,000	13,500	11,600	2,000	13,600	11,700	1,900	13,600	99%
15	Exeter	C	18,100	1,900	20,000	17,600	1,900	19,500	17,600	1,700	19,300	17,600	1,600	19,200	17,500	1,600	19,100	17,000	1,500	18,600	90%
16	Gloucester	C	13,200	1,800	15,000	13,300	1,800	15,100	12,800	1,700	14,500	12,500	1,500	14,000	12,200	1,400	13,600	11,700	1,300	12,900	98%
17	Guildford	C	17,800	3,600	21,400	17,200	3,600	20,800	16,800	3,400	20,200	16,300	3,100	19,500	16,000	2,900	18,900	15,600	2,800	18,400	94%
18	Hereford	C	7,200	700	7,900	7,100	600	7,700	7,100	600	7,700	7,200	600	7,800	7,100	500	7,600	7,000	500	7,500	99%
19	Leicester	C	11,000	1,600	12,600	10,700	1,600	12,200	10,200	1,400	11,600	10,100	1,300	11,300	9,800	1,300	11,100	9,900	1,300	11,100	94%
20	Lichfield	C	22,100	3,100	25,200	22,100	3,000	25,100	21,400	2,800	24,200	21,200	2,600	23,800	20,800	2,400	23,200	19,800	2,300	22,200	95%
21	Lincoln	C	11,900	1,100	13,100	12,300	1,200	13,400	12,700	1,100	13,800	12,300	1,200	13,500	12,200	1,100	13,300	12,000	1,100	13,100	84%
22	Liverpool	Y	15,300	2,900	18,200	14,800	2,700	17,500	14,500	2,700	17,200	14,300	2,700	16,900	14,100	2,600	16,700	13,600	2,400	16,000	88%
23	London	C	47,400	10,300	57,600	46,400	10,400	56,900	46,900	10,300	57,200	47,100	10,400	57,500	45,300	10,300	55,600	44,200	10,200	54,400	94%
24	Manchester	Y	17,800	4,900	22,700	17,300	4,700	22,000	16,600	4,400	20,900	16,100	4,300	20,400	15,900	4,200	20,100	15,000	3,900	18,900	97%
25	Newcastle	Y	9,200	1,100	10,300	9,100	1,100	10,200	8,800	1,100	9,900	8,500	1,000	9,500	8,100	800	9,000	8,100	900	8,900	98%
26	Norwich	C	14,800	1,100	15,900	15,100	1,100	16,200	15,100	1,100	16,100	15,200	1,100	16,300	14,700	1,100	15,800	14,300	1,000	15,300	76%
27	Oxford	C	36,200	7,000	43,300	35,000	6,700	41,700	35,200	6,600	41,800	35,000	6,400	41,400	34,600	6,000	40,600	33,600	5,600	39,200	97%
28	Peterborough	C	11,500	2,000	13,400	11,300	1,900	13,200	11,300	1,900	13,100	11,000	1,800	12,800	10,900	1,700	12,600	10,400	1,700	12,100	91%
29	Portsmouth	C	8,800	1,100	9,900	8,700	1,100	9,800	8,500	1,000	9,500	8,600	900	9,500	8,500	900	9,400	8,300	900	9,200	100%
31	Rochester	C	17,300	3,700	21,100	16,800	3,300	20,200	17,100	3,300	20,500	16,400	3,200	19,600	16,100	3,000	19,000	15,500	2,900	18,500	100%
32	St. Albans	C	20,100	3,700	23,900	19,900	3,600	23,500	19,700	3,500	23,300	19,100	3,300	22,400	18,800	3,100	21,900	18,400	2,900	21,200	95%
33	St. Edms & Ipswich	C	12,200	1,400	13,700	12,000	1,200	13,300	12,000	1,300	13,200	11,600	1,200	12,700	11,100	1,100	12,300	10,900	1,000	11,900	93%
34	Salisbury	C	19,000	2,300	21,300	18,500	2,100	20,600	17,900	2,000	19,900	18,000	2,100	20,100	17,900	1,900	19,800	17,500	1,900	19,400	92%
35	Sheffield	Y	11,000	1,900	12,900	10,900	1,800	12,800	10,800	1,900	12,700	10,300	1,800	12,100	10,300	1,800	12,100	10,100	1,700	11,900	100%
36	Sodor & Man	Y	1,200	200	1,400	1,200	200	1,400	1,200	100	1,400	1,200	100	1,300	1,100	100	1,200	1,200	100	1,300	100%
37	Southwark	C	27,200	7,200	34,400	26,600	7,300	33,900	26,700	7,000	33,700	26,300	6,800	33,200	25,900	6,800	32,700	25,600	6,500	32,100	100%
38	Southwell & Nottingham	Y	11,400	1,700	13,100	11,200	1,600	12,800	10,900	1,500	12,300	10,500	1,400	11,900	10,500	1,400	11,900	10,100	1,400	11,600	100%
39	Truro	C	8,300	700	9,000	8,100	600	8,800	8,000	600	8,600	7,700	500	8,300	7,700	500	8,200	7,400	500	7,900	96%
41	Winchester	C	18,400	2,900	21,300	16,700	2,600	19,300	16,900	2,600	19,500	16,700	2,400	19,100	16,300	2,200	18,500	15,900	2,200	18,000	93%
42	Worcester	C	8,800	900	9,600	8,700	900	9,600	8,600	800	9,400	8,500	800	9,300	8,500	800	9,200	8,100	700	8,900	95%
43	York	Y	17,700	2,300	19,900	17,300	2,200	19,400	17,300	2,100	19,400	17,300	1,900	19,300	16,600	1,800	18,400	16,400	1,700	18,000	97%
44	Europe	C	8,200	1,400	9,600	8,600	1,400	10,000	8,900	1,400	10,300	8,900	1,400	10,300	8,900	1,400	10,200	9,200	1,300	10,500	100%
46	Leeds	Y	25,400	4,000	29,400	24,900	3,800	28,800	24,300	3,700	28,000	23,500	3,400	26,900	23,100	3,400	26,500	22,700	3,200	25,900	100%
Church of England			671,600	111,500	783,100	659,100	107,700	766,800	652,000	103,800	755,800	639,300	99,600	738,900	627,200	95,700	722,900	611,100	91,700	702,800	95%

Notes: Data in this table refer to attendance on a “usual Sunday, when there is a service”.

Values shown include data as reported by churches/ parishes and estimates where no report has been returned.

Table 9: Diocesan Electoral roll, 2018

Ref. no.	Diocese	Province	Electoral roll 2018
1	Bath & Wells	C	29,300
2	Birmingham	C	15,400
3	Blackburn	Y	27,600
5	Bristol	C	14,600
6	Canterbury	C	20,200
7	Carlisle	Y	17,200
8	Chelmsford	C	40,400
9	Chester	Y	38,600
10	Chichester	C	46,300
11	Coventry	C	15,300
12	Derby	C	14,900
13	Durham	Y	18,300
14	Ely	C	17,300
15	Exeter	C	25,600
16	Gloucester	C	20,800
17	Guildford	C	26,100
18	Hereford	C	14,200
19	Leicester	C	15,300
20	Lichfield	C	37,900
21	Lincoln	C	20,800
22	Liverpool	Y	23,600
23	London	C	76,500
24	Manchester	Y	28,000
25	Newcastle	Y	13,700
26	Norwich	C	17,700
27	Oxford	C	51,900
28	Peterborough	C	17,700
29	Portsmouth	C	14,000
31	Rochester	C	25,800
32	St. Albans	C	31,300
33	St. Edms & Ipswich	C	18,500
34	Salisbury	C	34,500
35	Sheffield	Y	15,300
36	Sodor & Man	Y	2,000
37	Southwark	C	44,000
38	Southwell & Nottingham	Y	16,100
39	Truro	C	12,800
41	Winchester	C	27,900
42	Worcester	C	14,200
43	York	Y	28,300
44	Europe	C	11,400
46	Leeds	Y	38,500
Church of England			1,039,700

Table 10: Diocesan Easter communicants and attendance, 2013-2018

Ref. no.	Diocese	Province	Easter communicants						Easter attendance						complete-ness, 2018
			2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
1	Bath & Wells	C	25,100	26,000	25,800	24,000	25,400	23,500	34,100	35,600	36,500	34,000	34,800	32,800	98%
2	Birmingham	C	15,000	14,800	14,300	13,600	13,400	13,100	20,900	20,700	20,700	19,200	19,700	19,300	99%
3	Blackburn	Y	24,100	23,200	23,100	21,900	21,400	20,700	31,200	31,800	31,100	29,400	28,500	28,000	90%
5	Bristol	C	13,600	13,400	13,700	12,600	13,300	12,700	19,800	19,500	20,000	18,700	18,500	18,200	99%
6	Canterbury	C	22,000	22,600	22,000	20,700	21,500	20,500	31,600	32,300	31,300	29,100	30,500	28,400	97%
7	Carlisle	Y	14,500	14,700	14,300	13,100	13,100	12,500	20,100	19,800	19,900	18,600	19,200	17,100	94%
8	Chelmsford	C	34,800	35,400	35,600	33,300	34,900	32,400	50,400	51,100	50,200	47,800	49,800	47,100	96%
9	Chester	Y	25,900	27,700	27,200	26,100	26,600	25,500	36,900	39,400	39,400	37,400	38,000	36,400	86%
10	Chichester	C	40,100	40,500	39,500	37,300	38,500	37,100	56,000	56,500	55,600	52,700	54,600	52,300	95%
11	Coventry	C	13,500	13,700	13,800	13,400	13,700	13,600	18,900	19,100	19,600	18,200	18,700	17,900	99%
12	Derby	C	14,900	14,500	14,700	14,500	14,500	14,000	20,500	20,100	19,800	19,300	19,600	19,100	95%
13	Durham	Y	14,800	15,200	15,000	14,100	14,600	13,900	20,200	20,900	20,300	19,800	19,800	19,000	99%
14	Ely	C	14,800	15,400	15,200	14,400	15,400	14,500	22,600	23,100	22,300	21,400	22,800	22,000	97%
15	Exeter	C	28,500	28,900	29,500	27,800	28,800	26,900	37,800	38,000	38,300	36,100	38,900	36,200	91%
16	Gloucester	C	18,500	19,900	18,900	18,600	18,500	17,300	26,300	28,200	27,200	26,700	26,100	23,700	99%
17	Guildford	C	23,100	24,600	23,400	22,100	22,500	21,900	34,600	36,500	34,600	32,200	34,100	32,300	92%
18	Hereford	C	11,300	11,000	11,800	11,000	11,200	11,200	14,800	14,600	15,400	14,400	14,900	14,400	99%
19	Leicester	C	14,600	14,100	13,900	12,500	12,700	12,300	20,000	20,000	19,100	17,400	18,100	19,000	95%
20	Lichfield	C	30,500	29,900	29,900	28,200	28,200	27,700	41,300	40,000	40,100	37,200	38,500	37,200	95%
21	Lincoln	C	15,100	16,000	16,200	15,600	15,500	14,800	19,900	21,000	21,700	20,200	20,900	19,400	84%
22	Liverpool	Y	20,600	21,000	19,700	18,400	17,600	18,100	26,900	27,300	26,100	24,600	24,500	24,800	85%
23	London	C	50,100	56,300	54,200	52,600	56,500	54,500	85,300	89,100	85,300	84,800	88,900	87,400	94%
24	Manchester	Y	23,100	22,800	22,600	21,400	22,200	20,800	32,200	32,000	31,300	29,700	29,900	28,600	97%
25	Newcastle	Y	11,800	11,700	12,200	11,200	11,700	10,900	16,800	17,700	17,400	16,000	16,500	15,700	97%
26	Norwich	C	19,000	20,400	20,100	18,300	19,400	18,600	26,000	27,700	27,400	25,800	27,200	26,500	75%
27	Oxford	C	44,400	49,500	47,800	46,900	48,300	46,300	67,300	71,900	70,200	69,200	71,300	68,800	97%
28	Peterborough	C	16,400	17,300	16,700	16,100	16,800	16,500	23,100	24,000	23,100	22,100	22,700	22,600	91%
29	Portsmouth	C	13,900	14,200	13,800	12,900	12,900	12,400	19,400	19,900	18,500	17,900	18,200	17,300	100%
31	Rochester	C	21,600	22,700	22,300	21,100	22,000	20,900	33,300	34,300	33,800	31,900	32,400	30,500	100%
32	St. Albans	C	28,300	28,400	28,800	27,500	28,900	27,600	40,000	42,000	41,700	39,500	40,500	39,100	95%
33	St. Edms & Ipswich	C	17,500	17,800	17,400	16,100	16,200	15,900	24,000	25,100	23,700	21,600	22,800	21,700	94%
34	Salisbury	C	29,300	29,600	29,300	27,500	28,500	27,600	40,500	41,900	41,100	38,800	38,800	37,000	91%
35	Sheffield	Y	13,300	13,200	12,500	12,100	12,200	11,800	18,700	19,500	19,400	17,600	18,000	17,200	100%
36	Sodor & Man	Y	1,800	2,000	1,800	1,700	1,700	1,600	2,600	2,500	2,500	2,200	2,100	2,100	100%
37	Southwark	C	36,900	37,200	36,800	36,200	37,100	35,200	56,700	55,400	54,700	53,000	53,400	53,400	99%
38	Southwell & Nottingham	Y	13,900	14,100	14,000	13,300	13,700	12,400	19,700	19,000	19,300	17,800	18,400	17,500	100%
39	Truro	C	13,100	13,900	14,200	12,700	13,000	12,500	18,200	19,000	18,700	17,400	18,000	16,900	95%
41	Winchester	C	25,300	26,300	24,800	23,100	24,600	24,700	36,000	36,200	36,000	33,600	34,600	34,000	96%
42	Worcester	C	12,500	12,300	12,300	11,200	11,500	11,600	17,400	16,700	16,800	15,400	15,700	15,600	96%
43	York	Y	23,300	23,900	23,600	23,100	24,300	22,500	31,700	33,400	33,200	31,900	30,600	30,200	97%
44	Europe	C	12,900	13,300	13,900	13,000	14,000	14,100	16,700	17,100	17,700	17,100	17,800	17,800	100%
46	Leeds	Y	34,400	35,900	35,300	34,400	34,300	33,200	45,300	47,100	47,400	45,500	45,300	44,900	99%
Church of England			898,000	925,100	911,800	865,800	890,800	855,600	1,275,500	1,307,000	1,288,300	1,223,400	1,253,400	1,209,400	95%

Notes: Figures include communicants and attendance at any services on Easter Day or vigil services on Easter Eve.

Communicants are a subset of those attending.

Values shown include data as reported by churches/parishes and estimates where no report has been returned.

Table 11: Diocesan Christmas communicants and attendance, 2013-2018

Ref. no.	Diocese	Province	Christmas communicants						Christmas attendance						complete-ness, 2018	Advent attendance, 2018	
			2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018		Congregation & community services	Civic and school services
1	Bath & Wells	C	27,600	28,100	28,200	28,600	28,200	24,100	66,000	67,600	71,200	73,200	79,200	70,700	99%	82,600	83,100
2	Birmingham	C	13,200	12,800	12,700	12,900	14,600	11,400	36,000	36,500	38,000	37,900	40,500	35,400	100%	35,800	54,300
3	Blackburn	Y	19,800	18,700	19,200	18,600	19,300	16,000	47,400	43,500	44,900	44,200	48,200	42,000	91%	45,500	52,800
5	Bristol	C	15,300	14,200	14,400	14,800	16,000	13,100	41,300	39,500	42,100	41,700	45,000	39,800	99%	53,900	49,100
6	Canterbury	C	22,400	22,400	22,700	21,600	22,100	18,900	63,400	65,600	69,300	68,400	68,800	63,000	97%	60,900	83,100
7	Carlisle	Y	13,300	13,600	13,000	12,000	12,500	11,100	31,800	32,500	33,000	33,700	34,300	30,300	94%	33,000	42,700
8	Chelmsford	C	31,200	31,200	32,600	32,500	34,900	29,000	96,600	96,000	104,900	105,500	111,800	99,000	97%	94,300	118,000
9	Chester	Y	24,600	26,500	26,200	26,300	26,900	24,100	71,800	78,100	79,400	82,400	83,600	72,800	87%	74,400	91,400
10	Chichester	C	37,900	37,600	39,700	39,800	42,500	36,900	103,600	104,900	111,400	114,500	119,200	109,300	96%	107,400	106,100
11	Coventry	C	13,800	13,900	14,400	14,300	14,600	13,000	43,300	41,000	41,000	41,000	43,500	38,700	98%	43,500	46,300
12	Derby	C	13,200	13,800	13,500	13,100	14,100	11,700	41,200	39,500	41,800	42,400	44,900	38,300	96%	48,000	56,100
13	Durham	Y	12,200	12,700	13,200	13,000	14,300	12,100	33,800	38,000	39,500	40,500	41,500	38,200	99%	38,800	66,100
14	Ely	C	15,400	15,500	16,000	15,400	16,100	14,000	48,300	48,000	51,300	49,400	50,800	45,500	98%	55,800	59,400
15	Exeter	C	26,900	28,300	29,100	28,700	29,000	25,800	66,100	67,900	70,900	74,200	75,500	70,200	91%	71,100	73,700
16	Gloucester	C	19,800	21,100	21,500	21,000	22,600	18,600	54,800	55,900	59,400	61,800	64,800	58,400	99%	55,800	52,500
17	Guildford	C	23,400	24,300	23,800	24,400	26,200	22,700	78,900	81,200	84,600	88,500	89,400	80,100	93%	60,600	76,700
18	Hereford	C	12,400	12,200	12,700	11,900	12,500	11,000	24,400	24,300	28,200	27,200	29,700	26,300	99%	31,700	23,900
19	Leicester	C	14,500	13,700	13,100	13,000	13,500	11,500	38,200	39,400	41,400	41,900	39,400	35,500	96%	46,700	53,400
20	Lichfield	C	30,900	29,600	29,900	29,600	30,500	26,700	79,000	74,900	82,200	84,200	85,100	75,200	96%	80,000	121,800
21	Lincoln	C	16,100	16,000	17,100	16,100	17,600	14,800	37,500	39,100	43,300	46,200	49,300	43,200	85%	49,500	57,100
22	Liverpool	Y	18,500	16,800	17,200	17,100	18,800	16,000	36,000	36,200	37,800	38,400	45,300	38,400	85%	46,400	53,500
23	London	C	50,300	53,100	54,100	51,700	55,200	47,900	118,800	123,800	125,400	129,200	134,100	120,000	95%	148,700	187,000
24	Manchester	Y	19,000	18,200	18,100	18,400	21,100	16,200	40,900	37,100	37,000	39,200	43,800	33,700	98%	55,700	70,100
25	Newcastle	Y	10,800	10,900	10,800	10,800	12,000	10,100	37,900	38,900	38,200	39,700	40,500	36,000	97%	37,200	53,000
26	Norwich	C	18,200	18,700	19,100	19,100	19,500	18,100	54,700	53,000	58,900	59,700	61,300	57,400	77%	53,000	54,900
27	Oxford	C	48,900	52,300	54,000	54,000	54,600	50,400	138,100	150,900	160,500	164,600	166,100	153,900	97%	139,500	146,500
28	Peterborough	C	17,600	17,400	16,900	17,700	17,500	15,000	47,100	47,800	52,500	52,100	53,900	48,300	93%	49,500	45,700
29	Portsmouth	C	13,300	13,600	13,600	13,600	14,400	12,500	39,100	41,100	40,500	41,900	42,900	39,400	99%	34,300	60,200
31	Rochester	C	19,800	19,900	21,100	21,500	21,500	18,600	64,100	66,400	71,300	75,300	74,800	68,600	100%	70,500	99,400
32	St. Albans	C	28,900	29,500	29,000	29,400	31,900	29,000	90,300	93,800	100,800	105,700	110,600	98,000	95%	58,000	116,800
33	St. Edms & Ipswich	C	16,700	16,700	16,800	16,000	16,200	15,200	44,600	44,000	47,400	49,900	50,700	44,400	93%	49,600	43,900
34	Salisbury	C	31,700	31,800	31,300	30,600	32,100	28,600	78,300	77,700	79,500	78,700	81,300	75,500	92%	68,500	71,500
35	Sheffield	Y	10,700	10,400	10,700	10,500	11,400	9,300	32,900	32,500	34,400	35,900	37,000	33,100	100%	42,200	48,400
36	Sodor & Man	Y	1,900	1,800	1,700	1,700	1,800	1,600	3,600	3,900	4,100	3,700	4,100	3,800	100%	8,100	8,500
37	Southwark	C	38,300	35,900	36,400	37,400	38,900	33,900	101,100	94,300	102,400	105,800	110,000	103,400	99%	130,300	138,300
38	Southwell & Nottingham	Y	12,600	12,800	12,700	12,200	13,500	11,100	37,900	37,600	40,100	39,600	41,700	36,200	100%	45,600	54,200
39	Truro	C	12,000	12,500	12,800	12,700	13,000	12,100	28,900	28,000	30,100	31,400	32,700	29,300	96%	33,400	31,600
41	Winchester	C	27,700	27,900	28,000	27,300	28,400	24,600	72,500	72,900	75,400	76,000	77,900	69,600	98%	65,100	76,000
42	Worcester	C	12,600	12,400	12,300	12,100	13,100	11,700	37,400	36,700	38,100	38,000	40,500	36,800	96%	34,300	53,800
43	York	Y	23,700	23,300	23,800	25,000	23,600	21,900	65,500	65,800	67,800	68,500	71,800	65,300	98%	70,100	87,700
44	Europe	C	10,000	10,500	11,800	11,500	12,400	10,900	16,400	16,600	18,500	19,400	20,500	19,100	100%	34,300	3,000
46	Leeds	Y	32,400	32,300	33,100	33,000	35,400	29,300	90,200	95,300	102,000	104,300	102,600	94,400	100%	103,500	127,500
Church of England			879,400	884,800	898,500	890,900	934,100	810,500	2,379,800	2,407,600	2,540,500	2,595,600	2,688,700	2,416,000	96%	2,547,000	2,999,100

Notes: Figures include communicants and attendance at any services on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day.

Communicants are a subset of those attending.

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Table 12: Diocesan participation as a percentage of diocesan population and as a percentage of diocesan Christian population, 2018

Ref. no.	Diocese	Province	Total					% of population					% of Christian population				
			Worshipping Community	Average weekly attendance	Usual Sunday attendance	Easter attendance	Christmas attendance	Worshipping Community	Average weekly attendance	Usual Sunday attendance	Easter attendance	Christmas attendance	Worshipping Community	Average weekly attendance	Usual Sunday attendance	Easter attendance	Christmas attendance
1	Bath & Wells	C	23,900	20,800	17,200	32,800	70,700	2.5%	2.2%	1.8%	3.4%	7.3%	4.0%	3.5%	2.9%	5.5%	11.9%
2	Birmingham	C	20,500	15,900	12,200	19,300	35,400	1.3%	1.0%	0.8%	1.2%	2.2%	2.5%	2.0%	1.5%	2.4%	4.4%
3	Blackburn	Y	26,300	21,300	17,100	28,000	42,000	1.9%	1.6%	1.3%	2.1%	3.1%	2.9%	2.4%	1.9%	3.1%	4.6%
5	Bristol	C	18,200	13,100	11,300	18,200	39,800	1.8%	1.3%	1.1%	1.7%	3.8%	3.3%	2.3%	2.0%	3.2%	7.1%
6	Canterbury	C	25,200	20,800	15,900	28,400	63,000	2.2%	1.8%	1.4%	2.5%	5.5%	3.5%	2.9%	2.2%	4.0%	8.8%
7	Carlisle	Y	14,300	11,600	9,100	17,100	30,300	2.9%	2.3%	1.8%	3.4%	6.1%	4.0%	3.2%	2.6%	4.8%	8.5%
8	Chelmsford	C	43,400	33,500	27,300	47,100	99,000	1.3%	1.0%	0.8%	1.5%	3.1%	2.4%	1.9%	1.5%	2.6%	5.5%
9	Chester	Y	35,900	28,500	22,300	36,400	72,800	2.2%	1.7%	1.4%	2.2%	4.4%	3.2%	2.5%	2.0%	3.3%	6.5%
10	Chichester	C	46,000	35,000	28,700	52,300	109,300	2.7%	2.1%	1.7%	3.1%	6.4%	4.7%	3.5%	2.9%	5.3%	11.1%
11	Coventry	C	17,300	13,600	11,100	17,900	38,700	1.9%	1.5%	1.2%	2.0%	4.3%	3.2%	2.5%	2.1%	3.3%	7.2%
12	Derby	C	17,700	15,100	11,000	19,100	38,300	1.7%	1.4%	1.0%	1.8%	3.6%	2.7%	2.3%	1.7%	3.0%	5.9%
13	Durham	Y	19,200	17,700	11,300	19,000	38,200	1.3%	1.2%	0.8%	1.3%	2.6%	1.8%	1.7%	1.1%	1.8%	3.7%
14	Ely	C	22,400	17,400	13,600	22,000	45,500	2.9%	2.3%	1.8%	2.9%	6.0%	5.0%	3.9%	3.0%	4.9%	10.1%
15	Exeter	C	24,800	22,200	18,600	36,200	70,200	2.1%	1.9%	1.6%	3.0%	5.9%	3.4%	3.0%	2.6%	5.0%	9.7%
16	Gloucester	C	22,400	15,700	12,900	23,700	58,400	3.3%	2.3%	1.9%	3.5%	8.7%	5.2%	3.7%	3.0%	5.5%	13.6%
17	Guildford	C	30,600	21,400	18,400	32,300	80,100	2.9%	2.0%	1.7%	3.0%	7.5%	4.6%	3.2%	2.8%	4.9%	12.1%
18	Hereford	C	13,300	8,700	7,500	14,400	26,300	4.0%	2.6%	2.3%	4.3%	7.9%	6.0%	3.9%	3.4%	6.4%	11.7%
19	Leicester	C	18,300	12,600	11,100	19,000	35,500	1.7%	1.2%	1.0%	1.8%	3.4%	3.4%	2.3%	2.1%	3.5%	6.6%
20	Lichfield	C	43,100	28,600	22,200	37,200	75,200	2.0%	1.3%	1.0%	1.7%	3.5%	3.1%	2.1%	1.6%	2.7%	5.5%
21	Lincoln	C	19,600	14,700	13,100	19,400	43,200	1.8%	1.4%	1.2%	1.8%	4.0%	2.7%	2.0%	1.8%	2.7%	5.9%
22	Liverpool	Y	26,300	21,900	16,000	24,800	38,400	1.6%	1.4%	1.0%	1.5%	2.4%	2.2%	1.8%	1.3%	2.0%	3.2%
23	London	C	83,500	66,100	54,400	87,400	120,000	1.9%	1.5%	1.2%	2.0%	2.8%	4.4%	3.5%	2.9%	4.6%	6.3%
24	Manchester	Y	27,600	24,100	18,900	28,600	33,700	1.3%	1.1%	0.9%	1.3%	1.5%	2.1%	1.9%	1.5%	2.2%	2.6%
25	Newcastle	Y	13,500	12,700	8,900	15,700	36,000	1.6%	1.5%	1.1%	1.9%	4.3%	2.6%	2.4%	1.7%	3.0%	6.9%
26	Norwich	C	21,800	17,300	15,300	26,500	57,400	2.4%	1.9%	1.7%	2.9%	6.3%	3.9%	3.1%	2.8%	4.8%	10.3%
27	Oxford	C	65,000	45,400	39,200	68,800	153,900	2.7%	1.9%	1.6%	2.9%	6.4%	4.7%	3.3%	2.8%	4.9%	11.0%
28	Peterborough	C	21,200	14,500	12,100	22,600	48,300	2.3%	1.6%	1.3%	2.4%	5.2%	3.8%	2.6%	2.2%	4.1%	8.7%
29	Portsmouth	C	15,000	11,600	9,200	17,300	39,400	1.9%	1.5%	1.2%	2.2%	5.0%	3.2%	2.5%	2.0%	3.7%	8.5%
31	Rochester	C	30,300	22,800	18,500	30,500	68,600	2.2%	1.7%	1.4%	2.2%	5.0%	3.6%	2.7%	2.2%	3.6%	8.2%
32	St. Albans	C	34,000	28,900	21,200	39,100	98,000	1.8%	1.5%	1.1%	2.0%	5.1%	3.1%	2.6%	1.9%	3.5%	8.9%
33	St. Edms & Ipswich	C	20,600	13,400	11,900	21,700	44,400	3.0%	2.0%	1.7%	3.2%	6.5%	5.0%	3.2%	2.9%	5.2%	10.7%
34	Salisbury	C	29,600	21,200	19,400	37,000	75,500	3.1%	2.2%	2.0%	3.9%	7.9%	4.9%	3.5%	3.2%	6.1%	12.4%
35	Sheffield	Y	19,800	15,500	11,900	17,200	33,100	1.5%	1.2%	0.9%	1.3%	2.5%	2.5%	2.0%	1.5%	2.2%	4.2%
36	Sodor & Man	Y	1,800	1,500	1,300	2,100	3,800	2.0%	1.6%	1.4%	2.3%	4.2%	-	-	-	-	-
37	Southwark	C	54,200	38,300	32,100	53,400	103,400	1.9%	1.3%	1.1%	1.9%	3.6%	3.4%	2.4%	2.0%	3.4%	6.5%
38	Southwell & Nottingham	Y	18,400	13,500	11,600	17,500	36,200	1.6%	1.2%	1.0%	1.5%	3.1%	2.8%	2.1%	1.8%	2.7%	5.5%
39	Truro	C	11,400	9,800	7,900	16,900	29,300	2.0%	1.7%	1.4%	3.0%	5.2%	3.3%	2.9%	2.3%	5.0%	8.6%
41	Winchester	C	26,800	22,000	18,000	34,000	69,600	2.2%	1.8%	1.5%	2.7%	5.6%	3.6%	2.9%	2.4%	4.6%	9.3%
42	Worcester	C	12,700	12,200	8,900	15,600	36,800	1.4%	1.4%	1.0%	1.7%	4.1%	2.1%	2.1%	1.5%	2.6%	6.2%
43	York	Y	27,800	25,100	18,000	30,200	65,300	1.9%	1.7%	1.2%	2.1%	4.5%	3.0%	2.7%	1.9%	3.2%	7.0%
44	Europe	C	16,500	10,600	10,500	17,800	19,100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
46	Leeds	Y	40,500	34,600	25,900	44,900	94,400	1.5%	1.3%	0.9%	1.6%	3.4%	2.6%	2.2%	1.7%	2.9%	6.0%
Church of England			1,120,800	870,900	702,800	1,209,400	2,416,000	2.0%	1.5%	1.2%	2.1%	4.3%	3.3%	2.6%	2.1%	3.6%	7.2%

Notes: Church of England percentage figures do not include the Diocese in Europe.

Figures relating to the Christian population for the Church of England exclude the Diocese of Sodor & Man and the Diocese in Europe.

The Christian population includes those affiliated with the Church of England and with other Christian denominations.

Table 13: Diocesan baptisms and thanksgivings, 2013-2018

Ref. no.	Diocese	Province	Infant and child baptisms						Infant baptisms		Child baptisms		Mature baptisms						Thanksgivings		
			2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2018	complete-ness, 2018	2018	complete-ness, 2018	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2016	2017	2018
1 Bath & Wells	C		2,420	2,340	2,070	1,980	1,920	1,700	1,210	99%	490	99%	170	150	140	120	130	140	100	80	60
2 Birmingham	C		2,260	1,960	1,960	1,890	1,660	1,560	930	100%	630	100%	270	230	230	220	200	150	70	60	50
3 Blackburn	Y		4,200	3,910	3,600	3,310	2,930	2,770	1,880	90%	890	93%	240	220	180	170	200	140	50	30	50
5 Bristol	C		1,670	1,500	1,470	1,330	1,160	1,040	720	98%	320	94%	140	160	140	120	120	100	90	90	50
6 Canterbury	C		3,000	2,810	2,630	2,370	2,060	2,030	1,300	98%	730	97%	260	260	220	220	210	190	110	60	80
7 Carlisle	Y		2,280	2,040	1,900	1,810	1,780	1,560	1,270	90%	290	89%	110	100	80	70	90	90	40	30	20
8 Chelmsford	C		4,740	4,340	4,040	3,590	3,500	3,160	1,770	94%	1,390	93%	730	670	650	510	480	440	220	140	130
9 Chester	Y		4,350	4,130	3,900	3,750	3,420	3,060	1,930	81%	1,130	83%	320	250	270	210	200	200	300	340	230
10 Chichester	C		3,190	2,980	2,880	2,580	2,390	2,270	1,500	93%	770	96%	300	230	250	220	190	220	130	120	130
11 Coventry	C		1,790	1,590	1,580	1,470	1,310	1,170	720	99%	450	99%	150	150	140	150	100	110	80	80	70
12 Derby	C		2,210	2,010	2,050	1,840	1,730	1,700	1,130	93%	580	86%	140	150	150	130	110	140	100	70	90
13 Durham	Y		5,000	4,670	4,450	4,350	3,960	3,510	2,410	99%	1,100	99%	320	360	320	490	370	280	130	80	50
14 Ely	C		1,760	1,710	1,590	1,480	1,430	1,260	910	98%	350	98%	130	180	130	180	150	120	70	50	40
15 Exeter	C		2,640	2,430	2,200	2,200	1,880	1,870	1,250	92%	620	89%	200	190	210	190	200	190	60	50	70
16 Gloucester	C		1,880	1,820	1,860	1,790	1,640	1,500	1,040	99%	460	100%	240	210	180	180	170	140	50	30	30
17 Guildford	C		2,580	2,500	2,460	2,170	1,910	1,760	1,020	96%	740	94%	180	190	210	200	150	160	110	80	80
18 Hereford	C		1,180	1,140	1,140	1,120	1,020	960	670	99%	290	100%	90	60	80	50	60	60	20	10	-
19 Leicester	C		1,700	1,530	1,490	1,330	1,190	1,210	780	96%	430	95%	160	150	170	130	150	110	50	30	30
20 Lichfield	C		5,550	5,190	4,910	4,490	4,160	3,860	2,560	94%	1,300	90%	430	420	400	370	410	330	240	180	200
21 Lincoln	C		3,520	3,400	3,430	3,180	2,790	2,540	1,910	81%	620	86%	230	180	190	230	190	170	50	30	30
22 Liverpool	Y		4,210	4,070	3,830	3,670	3,370	3,160	1,830	82%	1,330	84%	310	300	390	370	350	300	70	90	70
23 London	C		4,090	3,880	3,620	3,600	3,290	3,200	1,600	95%	1,600	89%	620	710	640	590	630	650	180	150	140
24 Manchester	Y		5,160	4,660	4,420	4,110	3,800	3,320	1,900	98%	1,420	96%	420	480	400	390	410	340	210	140	120
25 Newcastle	Y		2,130	2,190	2,180	1,930	1,710	1,600	1,120	99%	470	100%	190	150	170	200	190	170	20	20	20
26 Norwich	C		2,110	1,900	1,730	1,590	1,560	1,470	980	76%	500	75%	220	190	190	170	160	180	80	80	60
27 Oxford	C		5,460	4,940	4,690	4,470	3,950	3,800	2,480	96%	1,320	97%	410	440	360	350	310	310	180	170	180
28 Peterborough	C		1,940	1,770	1,680	1,510	1,420	1,270	830	89%	440	92%	180	180	150	120	110	140	60	70	20
29 Portsmouth	C		1,740	1,640	1,580	1,360	1,310	1,110	720	100%	390	100%	140	130	110	130	120	100	60	40	110
31 Rochester	C		2,970	2,740	2,670	2,350	2,250	2,040	1,210	100%	840	100%	320	290	220	240	220	220	170	120	100
32 St. Albans	C		3,390	3,240	3,070	2,950	2,540	2,410	1,460	93%	950	94%	320	320	310	290	260	210	130	110	130
33 St. Edms & Ipswich	C		1,440	1,290	1,280	1,150	1,120	1,020	660	94%	360	89%	90	90	100	110	120	90	70	30	30
34 Salisbury	C		2,680	2,540	2,350	2,130	2,020	1,830	1,290	90%	540	94%	210	230	190	160	160	120	60	60	40
35 Sheffield	Y		3,100	2,840	2,700	2,590	2,370	2,110	1,410	100%	700	99%	400	330	310	280	330	290	250	210	170
36 Sodor & Man	Y		210	250	180	160	180	120	90	100%	40	100%	10	20	10	10	20	20	-	-	-
37 Southwark	C		2,590	3,610	3,460	3,370	2,980	2,850	1,550	99%	1,300	99%	480	370	330	370	270	320	110	130	110
38 Southwell & Nottingham	Y		2,130	1,960	1,780	1,770	1,560	1,390	920	100%	470	100%	270	300	230	210	200	210	90	90	70
39 Truro	C		1,570	1,390	1,440	1,200	1,200	1,070	740	91%	340	94%	100	110	90	100	80	80	30	30	20
41 Winchester	C		3,260	2,860	2,630	2,420	2,160	1,930	1,290	99%	640	100%	200	210	170	180	150	140	140	120	90
42 Worcester	C		2,430	2,230	2,080	1,940	1,850	1,660	1,080	97%	580	93%	160	140	170	170	160	110	100	90	120
43 York	Y		4,380	3,980	3,770	3,590	3,310	2,960	2,140	95%	820	97%	310	280	290	220	240	250	120	90	90
44 Europe	C		390	350	410	360	350	340	190	100%	150	100%	100	100	120	110	110	130	40	40	30
46 Leeds	Y		5,810	5,380	5,220	4,890	4,550	4,110	2,860	100%	1,250	100%	580	590	650	690	810	590	350	300	180
Church of England			121,110	113,690	108,360	101,110	92,660	85,250	55,230	94%	30,020	94%	10,840	10,450	9,910	9,580	9,280	8,400	4,540	3,800	3,340

Notes: Here, infants are those aged under 1 year. Children are those aged 1-12 years. Mature baptisms are those aged 13 years and over.

Values shown include data as reported by churches/parishes and estimates where no report has been returned.

Table 14: Diocesan marriages and services of prayer and dedication after civil marriages, 2013-2018

Ref. no.	Diocese	Province	Marriages						complete- ness, 2018	Services of prayer and dedication after civil marriages						complete- ness, 2018
			2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
1 Bath & Wells	C		1,410	1,350	1,380	1,300	1,180	1,040	98%	80	50	70	50	60	50	98%
2 Birmingham	C		810	840	770	690	610	560	100%	60	50	60	40	50	40	100%
3 Blackburn	Y		1,110	1,040	970	900	830	700	93%	50	40	50	40	50	30	84%
5 Bristol	C		710	700	650	590	480	420	97%	40	30	40	40	40	30	93%
6 Canterbury	C		1,360	1,330	1,270	1,110	1,070	910	95%	140	80	70	60	70	80	99%
7 Carlisle	Y		770	810	740	710	650	620	90%	40	40	40	50	40	40	94%
8 Chelmsford	C		1,930	1,790	1,730	1,730	1,450	1,290	95%	110	100	120	100	100	100	93%
9 Chester	Y		1,630	1,540	1,490	1,390	1,290	1,130	82%	70	50	60	50	60	60	80%
10 Chichester	C		1,700	1,580	1,510	1,490	1,320	1,140	93%	120	100	100	100	100	80	93%
11 Coventry	C		910	830	770	670	640	600	98%	50	40	40	40	50	40	100%
12 Derby	C		1,050	1,030	1,000	920	870	820	92%	40	40	50	70	50	50	90%
13 Durham	Y		1,060	1,090	1,010	970	850	760	100%	80	50	50	40	40	40	100%
14 Ely	C		920	870	830	800	700	630	99%	30	40	50	30	30	40	100%
15 Exeter	C		1,540	1,460	1,400	1,330	1,260	1,110	89%	90	70	70	70	90	70	90%
16 Gloucester	C		1,140	1,080	1,160	1,090	1,010	920	100%	60	60	50	60	70	70	100%
17 Guildford	C		1,090	990	970	900	810	730	92%	60	60	40	60	50	20	89%
18 Hereford	C		630	600	620	600	610	540	99%	30	30	50	50	30	30	97%
19 Leicester	C		880	890	780	780	750	640	94%	50	50	40	40	50	40	79%
20 Lichfield	C		2,080	1,960	1,860	1,800	1,610	1,480	94%	90	80	80	70	90	60	95%
21 Lincoln	C		1,260	1,150	1,130	1,140	1,100	1,050	83%	70	60	60	60	50	50	66%
22 Liverpool	Y		930	880	820	810	660	590	87%	40	60	50	40	50	40	86%
23 London	C		1,250	1,180	1,110	990	920	890	93%	140	130	140	120	150	120	90%
24 Manchester	Y		1,060	990	930	920	810	670	98%	60	70	60	50	40	40	95%
25 Newcastle	Y		610	620	530	540	510	430	98%	30	30	40	30	40	30	100%
26 Norwich	C		1,210	1,180	1,020	1,070	980	920	72%	60	50	50	40	50	50	86%
27 Oxford	C		2,550	2,400	2,320	2,260	2,030	1,940	93%	150	130	170	150	140	130	94%
28 Peterborough	C		1,020	1,010	980	890	800	690	89%	60	50	60	50	40	40	93%
29 Portsmouth	C		850	820	740	670	640	620	100%	60	50	50	60	40	40	100%
31 Rochester	C		1,100	1,020	960	850	730	670	100%	80	90	70	60	60	50	100%
32 St. Albans	C		1,470	1,420	1,410	1,370	1,120	1,010	93%	80	60	80	70	70	80	89%
33 St. Edms & Ipswich	C		900	870	810	740	710	660	91%	40	70	50	50	40	40	97%
34 Salisbury	C		1,390	1,320	1,230	1,160	1,100	1,020	88%	70	60	60	60	70	50	89%
35 Sheffield	Y		960	920	830	830	760	640	100%	30	30	40	40	30	30	100%
36 Sodor & Man	Y		90	90	100	100	100	80	100%	10	10	10	10	10	10	100%
37 Southwark	C		1,230	1,070	900	840	740	680	100%	70	80	70	70	70	70	97%
38 Southwell & Nottingham	Y		1,050	1,000	940	910	820	710	100%	60	60	40	60	40	40	100%
39 Truro	C		960	980	930	890	740	730	94%	50	40	30	40	50	50	98%
41 Winchester	C		1,570	1,300	1,230	1,150	1,020	1,060	98%	80	70	70	60	70	50	94%
42 Worcester	C		1,040	940	890	880	800	710	94%	50	40	40	50	50	40	93%
43 York	Y		1,650	1,610	1,600	1,520	1,370	1,240	96%	80	70	60	70	60	60	93%
44 Europe	C		110	100	80	140	120	130	100%	240	230	260	280	270	320	100%
46 Leeds	Y		2,180	2,090	1,970	1,920	1,730	1,500	100%	70	70	90	70	90	80	100%
Church of England			49,140	46,700	44,370	42,330	38,280	34,640	94%	2,950	2,670	2,740	2,640	2,670	2,460	94%

Note: Values shown include data as reported by churches/parishes and estimates where no report has been returned.

Table 15: Diocesan funeral services held in church and at crematoria/cemeteries, 2013-2018

Ref. no.	Diocese	Province	Funerals in church						complete- ness, 2018	Funerals at crematoria/cemeteries						complete- ness, 2018
			2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018		2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
1 Bath & Wells	C		2,270	2,050	2,180	2,090	2,060	1,960	98%	1,630	1,350	1,460	1,380	1,420	1,270	97%
2 Birmingham	C		1,240	1,130	1,230	1,160	1,180	1,140	100%	2,830	2,360	2,270	2,130	1,830	1,660	100%
3 Blackburn	Y		2,280	2,040	2,070	1,930	1,890	1,760	89%	2,070	1,630	1,610	1,340	1,210	1,120	91%
5 Bristol	C		970	840	940	900	910	830	96%	770	850	770	770	710	540	96%
6 Canterbury	C		1,540	1,520	1,510	1,470	1,510	1,460	96%	1,850	1,770	1,710	1,540	1,370	1,310	98%
7 Carlisle	Y		1,770	1,740	1,810	1,680	1,690	1,510	89%	1,070	920	920	730	750	680	94%
8 Chelmsford	C		2,820	2,730	2,690	2,640	2,570	2,540	94%	3,270	2,890	3,020	2,830	2,660	2,410	94%
9 Chester	Y		3,410	3,150	3,250	3,000	2,850	2,920	88%	2,620	2,300	2,220	2,020	1,840	1,770	82%
10 Chichester	C		2,180	2,010	2,230	2,130	2,100	2,160	95%	2,320	1,960	2,060	2,120	1,850	1,710	94%
11 Coventry	C		1,620	1,470	1,570	1,370	1,330	1,360	99%	850	810	750	690	600	570	99%
12 Derby	C		2,250	2,280	2,270	2,200	2,070	2,030	93%	1,190	980	1,040	980	880	820	94%
13 Durham	Y		3,310	3,110	3,150	2,980	2,890	2,740	100%	1,950	1,820	1,830	1,710	1,530	1,360	99%
14 Ely	C		1,490	1,510	1,500	1,400	1,490	1,470	98%	880	860	890	770	740	790	98%
15 Exeter	C		2,680	2,560	2,570	2,540	2,520	2,490	90%	1,210	1,140	1,110	1,080	1,000	950	92%
16 Gloucester	C		1,830	1,820	1,840	1,830	1,820	1,740	99%	1,180	1,050	1,070	1,090	990	880	99%
17 Guildford	C		1,290	1,280	1,340	1,230	1,240	1,170	94%	1,670	1,300	1,360	1,360	1,360	1,200	95%
18 Hereford	C		1,450	1,180	1,340	1,260	1,290	1,320	100%	680	590	660	690	560	580	99%
19 Leicester	C		1,550	1,480	1,480	1,430	1,360	1,310	94%	1,050	890	820	770	760	720	96%
20 Lichfield	C		5,030	4,420	4,900	4,610	4,500	4,510	96%	3,590	3,440	3,360	3,190	3,160	3,090	95%
21 Lincoln	C		2,270	2,070	2,290	2,210	2,150	2,190	84%	1,420	1,410	1,610	1,520	1,390	1,360	79%
22 Liverpool	Y		3,280	3,100	3,120	2,910	2,820	2,780	83%	2,010	1,850	1,700	1,550	1,370	1,310	81%
23 London	C		1,490	1,430	1,520	1,420	1,490	1,520	95%	2,070	1,800	1,880	1,490	1,520	1,350	93%
24 Manchester	Y		2,280	2,040	2,090	1,930	1,910	1,850	98%	2,300	1,960	1,910	1,670	1,450	1,420	98%
25 Newcastle	Y		1,160	1,190	1,240	1,220	1,260	1,180	98%	1,290	1,290	1,290	1,070	870	940	99%
26 Norwich	C		2,330	2,210	2,280	2,150	2,200	2,230	75%	2,250	2,200	2,240	1,970	1,810	1,650	75%
27 Oxford	C		3,530	3,330	3,260	3,270	3,370	3,150	96%	2,590	2,410	2,420	2,290	2,250	2,050	97%
28 Peterborough	C		1,500	1,410	1,470	1,400	1,410	1,480	90%	850	840	780	720	650	660	94%
29 Portsmouth	C		1,220	1,060	1,080	1,050	1,020	1,020	100%	1,320	1,280	1,230	1,110	1,060	890	100%
31 Rochester	C		1,370	1,330	1,400	1,250	1,230	1,320	100%	2,760	2,560	2,540	2,150	1,990	1,790	100%
32 St. Albans	C		2,230	2,180	2,380	2,240	2,170	2,270	92%	2,120	2,150	2,120	1,890	1,600	1,520	97%
33 St. Edms & Ipswich	C		1,710	1,640	1,660	1,620	1,600	1,620	92%	950	940	880	750	770	820	94%
34 Salisbury	C		2,410	2,090	2,230	2,160	1,980	2,020	91%	1,520	1,270	1,290	1,200	1,180	1,110	87%
35 Sheffield	Y		2,340	2,140	2,130	2,020	1,950	1,870	100%	1,810	1,580	1,370	1,150	1,040	860	100%
36 Sodor & Man	Y		230	250	300	260	220	260	100%	150	140	140	190	170	120	100%
37 Southwark	C		1,240	1,170	1,200	1,180	1,240	1,170	99%	2,580	2,210	2,140	2,020	1,650	1,550	99%
38 Southwell & Nottingham	Y		2,130	2,110	2,080	1,960	1,960	1,870	99%	1,660	1,630	1,440	1,180	1,190	940	99%
39 Truro	C		1,550	1,340	1,420	1,360	1,370	1,350	96%	660	630	570	580	650	590	90%
41 Winchester	C		1,900	1,760	1,830	1,610	1,670	1,670	99%	1,630	1,440	1,450	1,160	1,130	1,000	99%
42 Worcester	C		1,710	1,590	1,670	1,490	1,450	1,500	94%	1,820	1,470	1,280	1,390	1,280	1,180	95%
43 York	Y		2,910	2,730	2,940	2,760	2,660	2,710	96%	2,150	1,850	1,760	1,680	1,590	1,600	95%
44 Europe	C		190	240	200	200	200	260	100%	410	440	460	420	420	360	100%
46 Leeds	Y		4,100	3,970	4,000	3,670	3,690	3,600	100%	3,360	2,900	2,880	2,440	2,120	1,780	100%
Church of England			86,030	80,580	83,640	79,160	78,280	77,280	94%	72,320	65,130	64,290	58,770	54,380	50,270	94%

Notes: Values include all funerals conducted on behalf of a church/parish by any minister.

Values shown include data as reported by churches/parishes and estimates where no report has been returned.

Table 16: Diocesan infant baptisms and funerals as a percentage of births and deaths, 2018

Ref. no.	Diocese	Province	Births	Infant baptisms & thanksgivings	%	Deaths	Funerals in churches, crematoria, & cemeteries	%
1	Bath & Wells	C	9,060	1,250	14%	10,380	3,240	31%
2	Birmingham	C	21,340	960	5%	13,040	2,810	22%
3	Blackburn	Y	14,600	1,910	13%	14,740	2,880	20%
5	Bristol	C	12,440	750	6%	8,400	1,370	16%
6	Canterbury	C	11,940	1,360	11%	11,720	2,770	24%
7	Carlisle	Y	4,340	1,290	30%	5,730	2,180	38%
8	Chelmsford	C	43,250	1,840	4%	26,750	4,960	19%
9	Chester	Y	17,320	2,080	12%	17,140	4,690	27%
10	Chichester	C	16,130	1,580	10%	18,480	3,870	21%
11	Coventry	C	9,910	770	8%	8,180	1,930	24%
12	Derby	C	10,800	1,190	11%	10,970	2,850	26%
13	Durham	Y	15,010	2,440	16%	16,490	4,100	25%
14	Ely	C	8,370	940	11%	6,770	2,250	33%
15	Exeter	C	10,870	1,300	12%	13,740	3,450	25%
16	Gloucester	C	7,030	1,060	15%	6,630	2,620	40%
17	Guildford	C	11,380	1,080	9%	8,820	2,370	27%
18	Hereford	C	3,020	680	22%	3,700	1,900	51%
19	Leicester	C	11,870	790	7%	8,970	2,030	23%
20	Lichfield	C	24,440	2,700	11%	22,480	7,600	34%
21	Lincoln	C	10,790	1,940	18%	12,330	3,550	29%
22	Liverpool	Y	17,850	1,860	10%	16,870	4,090	24%
23	London	C	58,220	1,690	3%	23,250	2,880	12%
24	Manchester	Y	27,990	1,990	7%	18,860	3,270	17%
25	Newcastle	Y	8,180	1,140	14%	8,690	2,120	24%
26	Norwich	C	8,610	1,010	12%	10,600	3,870	37%
27	Oxford	C	28,030	2,580	9%	18,330	5,210	28%
28	Peterborough	C	11,280	850	8%	8,230	2,140	26%
29	Portsmouth	C	7,610	750	10%	8,170	1,910	23%
31	Rochester	C	16,740	1,270	8%	11,700	3,110	27%
32	St. Albans	C	23,900	1,540	6%	15,960	3,790	24%
33	St. Edms & Ipswich	C	6,830	680	10%	7,050	2,440	35%
34	Salisbury	C	8,730	1,320	15%	10,690	3,130	29%
35	Sheffield	Y	14,260	1,520	11%	12,590	2,730	22%
36	Sodor & Man	Y	1,030	90	8%	890	380	42%
37	Southwark	C	39,560	1,630	4%	17,040	2,710	16%
38	Southwell & Nottingham	Y	12,270	960	8%	10,960	2,810	26%
39	Truro	C	5,170	740	14%	6,740	1,940	29%
41	Winchester	C	12,560	1,360	11%	11,970	2,670	22%
42	Worcester	C	9,420	1,160	12%	9,470	2,680	28%
43	York	Y	14,620	2,210	15%	15,540	4,310	28%
46	Leeds	Y	32,770	2,990	9%	25,710	5,380	21%
Church of England			639,550	57,220	9%	514,770	126,940	25%

Table 16 shows the percentage of live births for which there was an infant baptism/thanksgiving in 2018 and the percentage of deaths for which there was a funeral. Whilst Table 16 shows figures for infant baptisms and thanksgivings, as has already been shown (Table 13) a large number of child and mature baptisms also take place. Official statistics on the number of marriages are not available at a spatial scale that permits a similar exercise.

Notes: Totals do not include the Diocese in Europe.

Numbers of live births and deaths are calculated using estimates from the ONS, mapped onto diocesan boundaries.

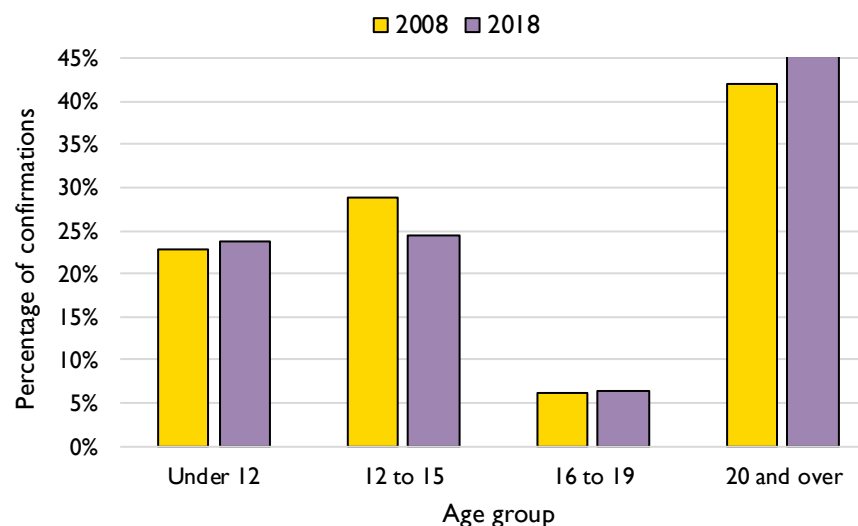
Table 17: Diocesan confirmations by gender, 2018

Ref. no.	Diocese	Province	Confirmations			Number of services
			Male	Female	Total	
1 Bath & Wells	C		60	80	140	22
2 Birmingham	C		120	185	305	66
3 Blackburn	Y		310	465	775	73
5 Bristol	C		40	55	100	8
6 Canterbury	C		60	130	190	27
7 Carlisle	Y		45	90	130	28
8 Chelmsford	C		255	390	645	64
9 Chester	Y		175	325	500	83
10 Chichester	C		160	240	400	43
11 Coventry	C		80	100	180	17
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14 Ely	C		115	105	215	27
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17 Guildford	C		135	205	340	34
18 Hereford	C		50	70	120	30
19 Leicester	C		60	95	155	19
20 Lichfield	C		230	310	540	77
21 Lincoln	C		85	135	225	16
22 Liverpool	Y		285	380	665	38
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35 Sheffield	Y		125	145	270	28
36 Sodor & Man	Y		5	-	5	4
37 Southwark	C		245	340	585	61
38 Southwell & Nottingham	Y		130	115	245	18
39 Truro	C		35	55	95	9
41 Winchester	C		110	125	240	41
42 Worcester	C		55	90	145	23
43 York	Y		125	175	305	54
44 Europe	C		105	105	205	30
46 Leeds	Y		265	275	540	80
Church of England			6,140	8,335	14,475	1,699

14,500 people were confirmed in 2018, at 1,700 confirmation services.

Of those people confirmed in 2018, 58% were female. Since 2008, the annual number of confirmations has fallen from 27,000 to 14,500. The age distribution of those being confirmed in 2018 was similar to that of those being confirmed in 2008 (Figure 14).

Figure 14: Age distribution of confirmations, 2008 and 2018

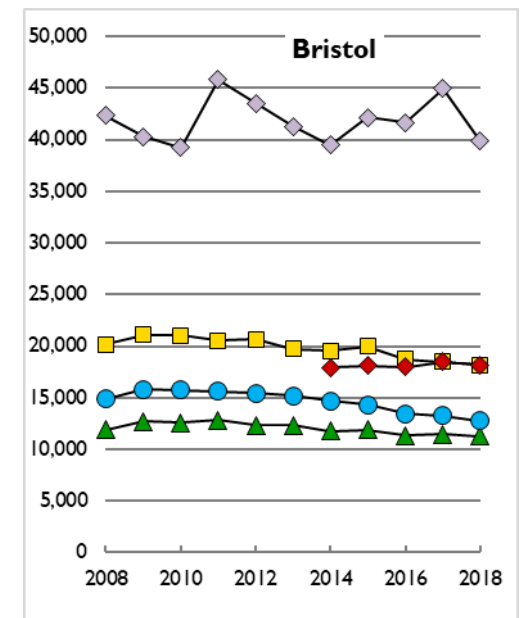
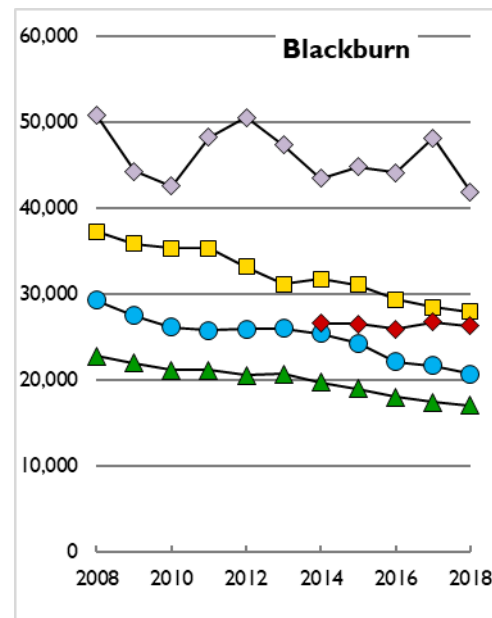
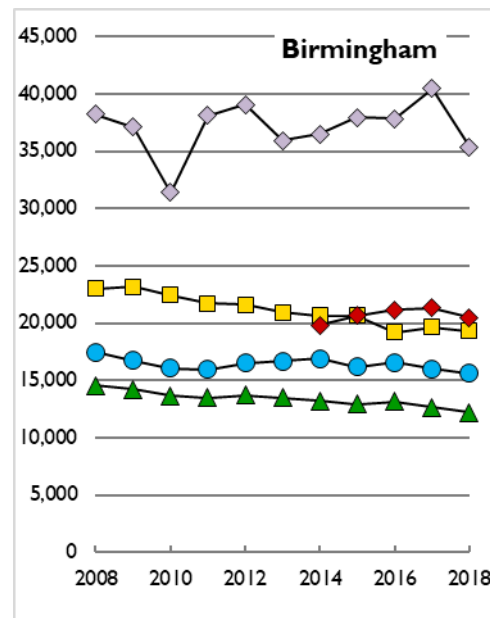
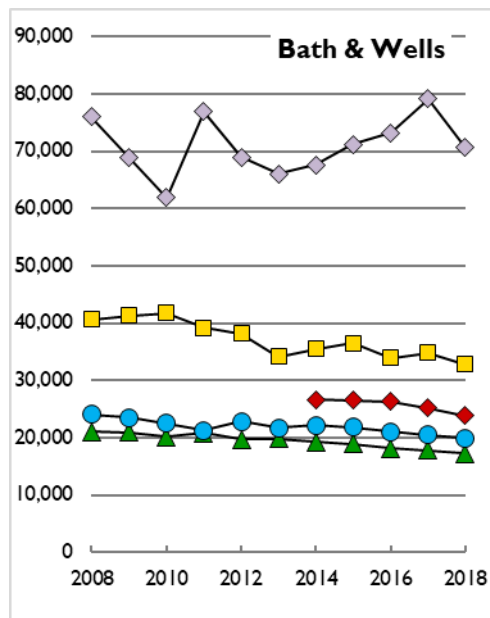


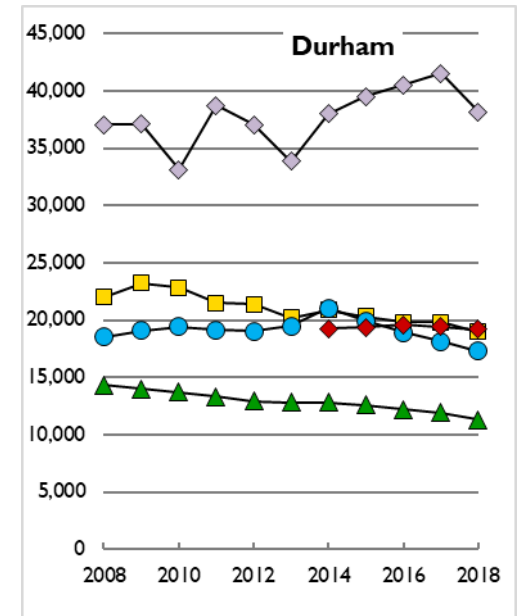
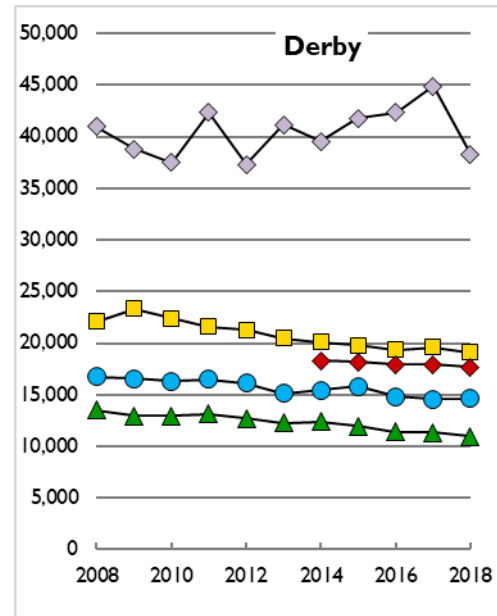
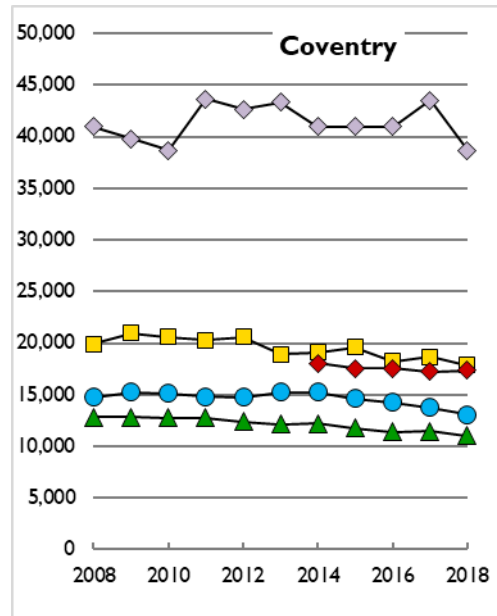
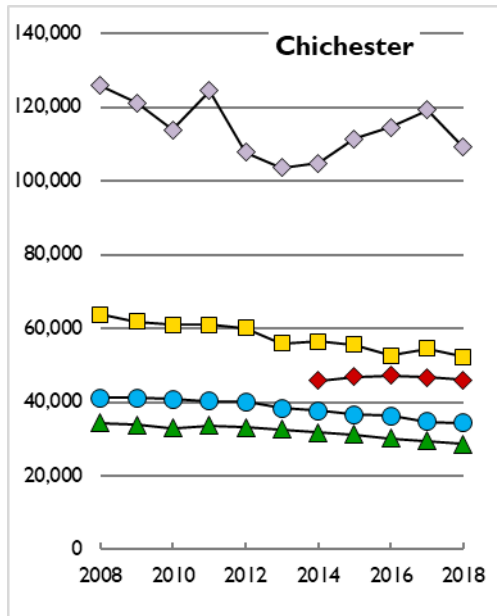
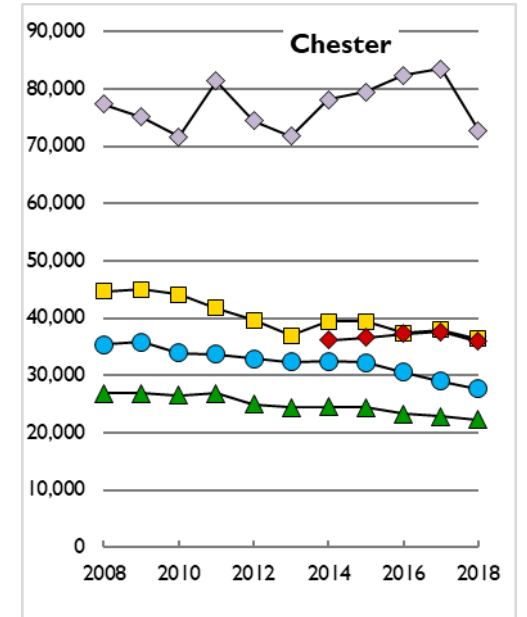
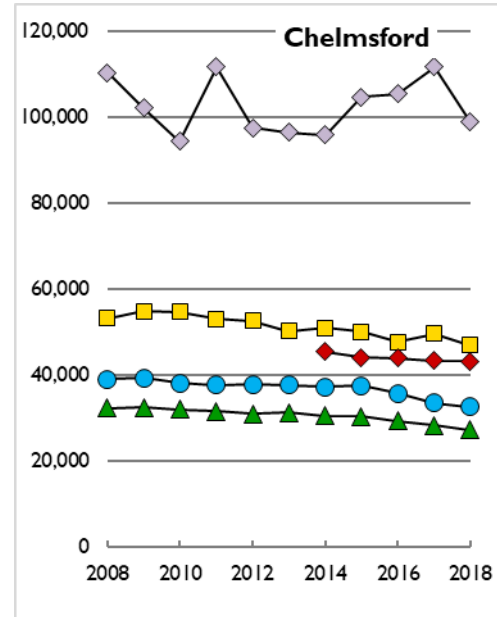
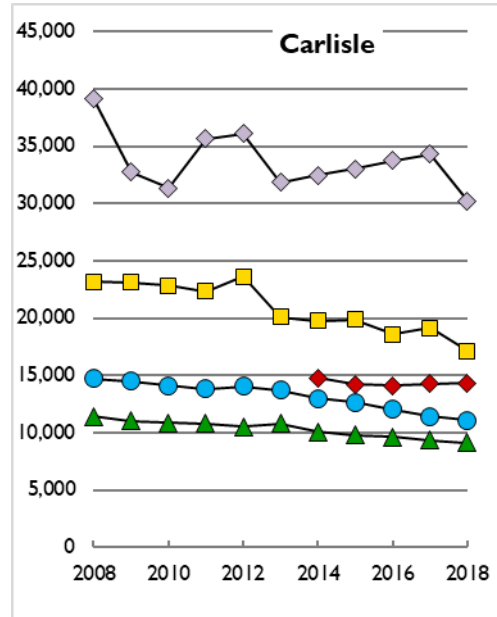
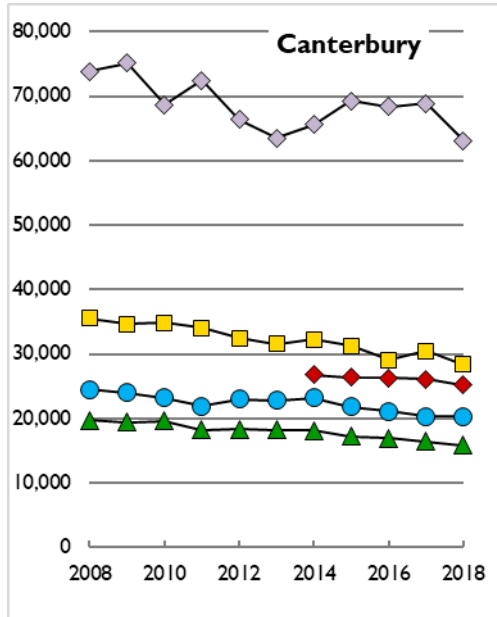
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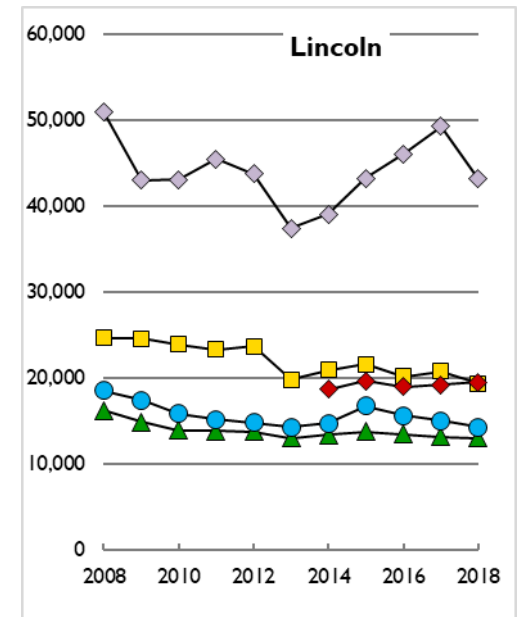
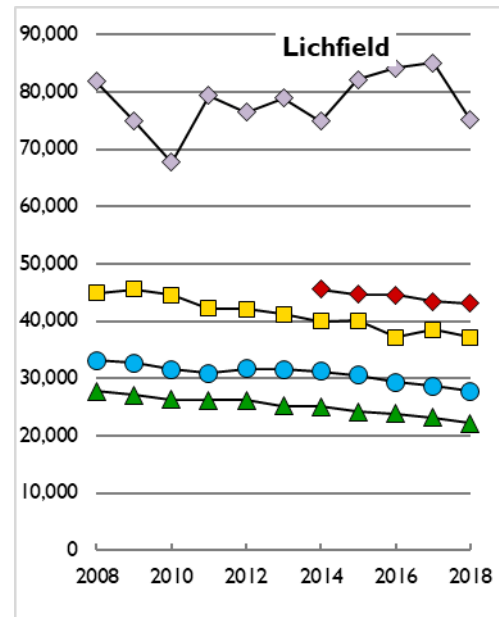
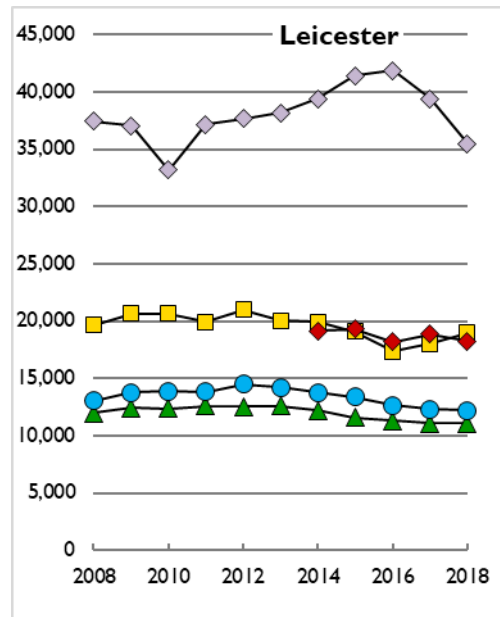
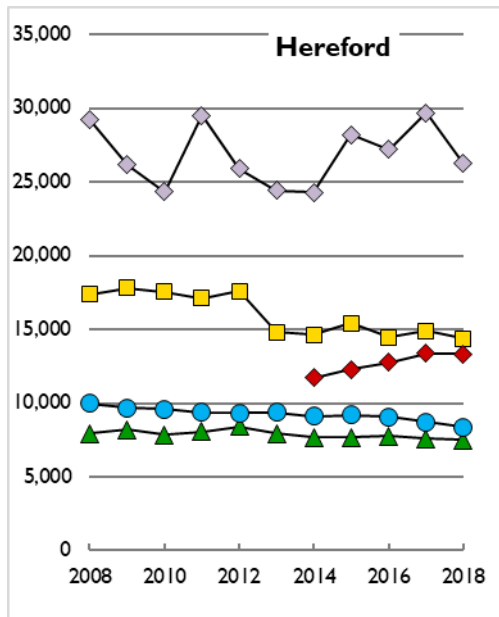
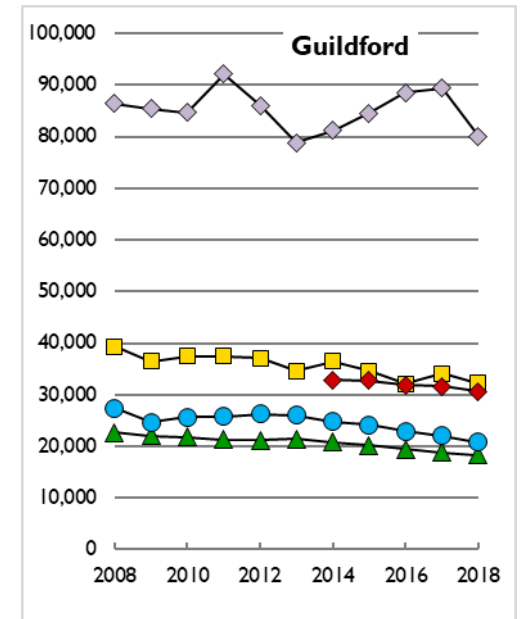
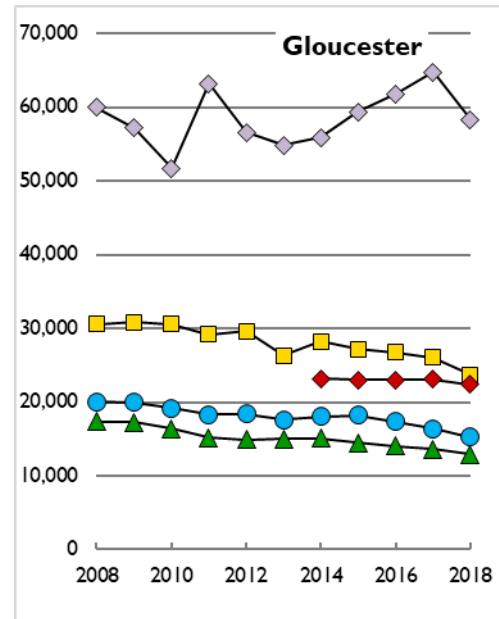
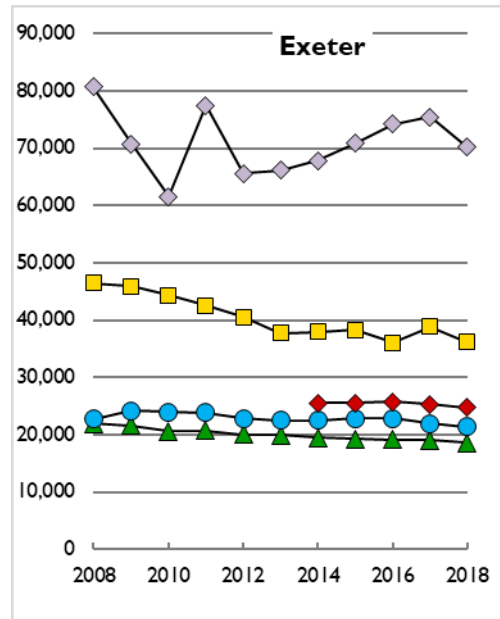
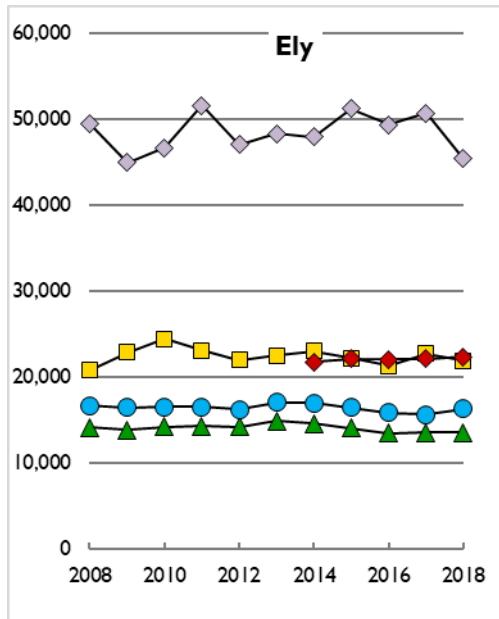
Diocesan summary of participation, 2008-2018

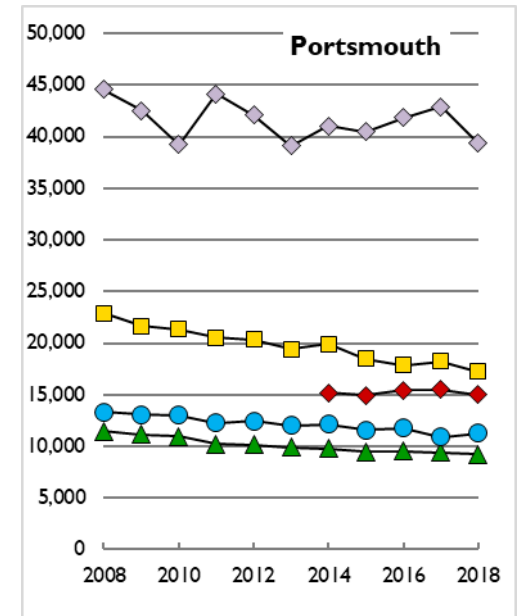
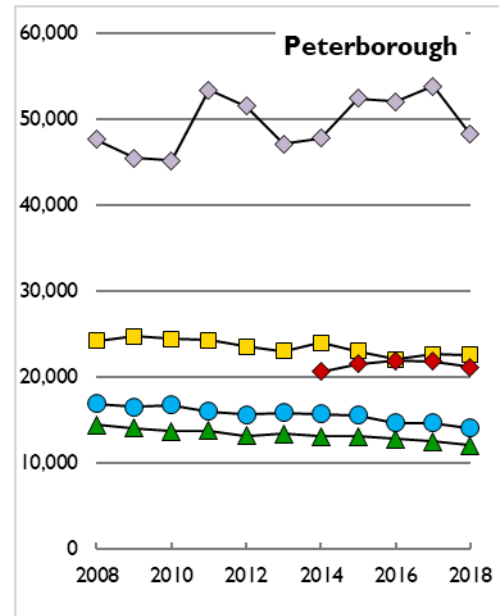
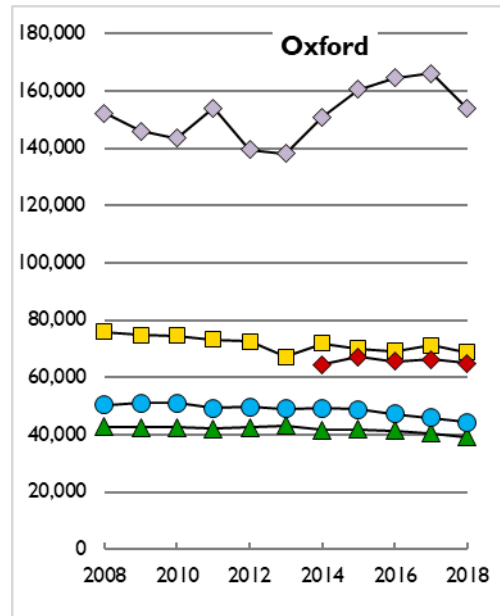
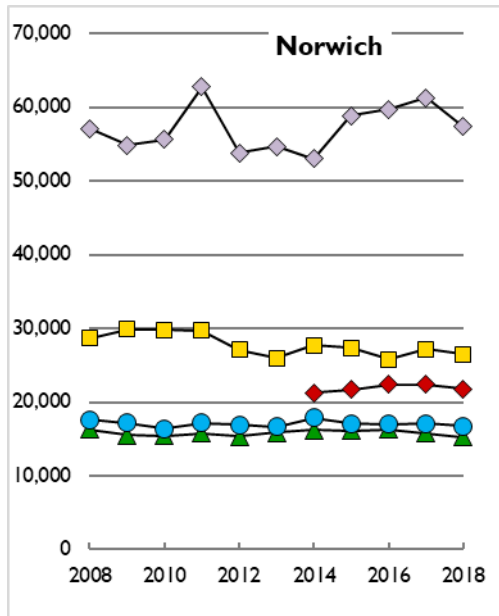
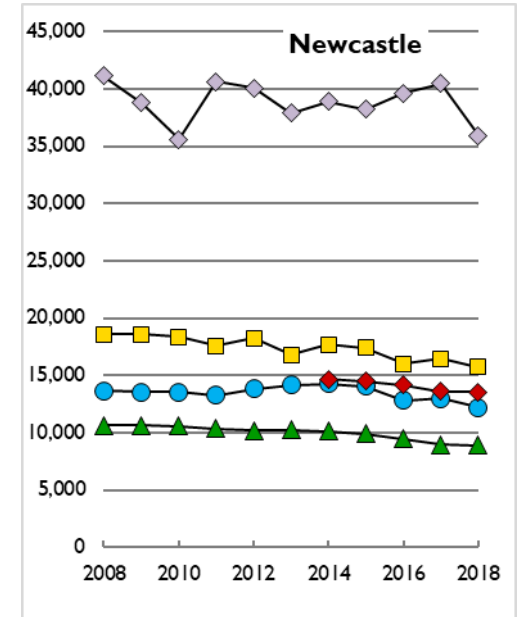
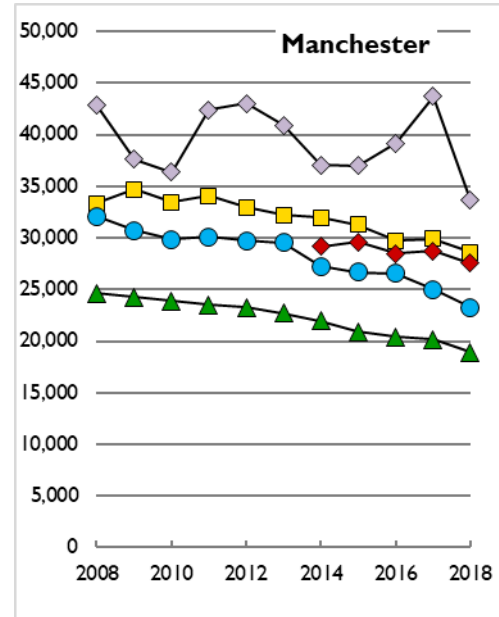
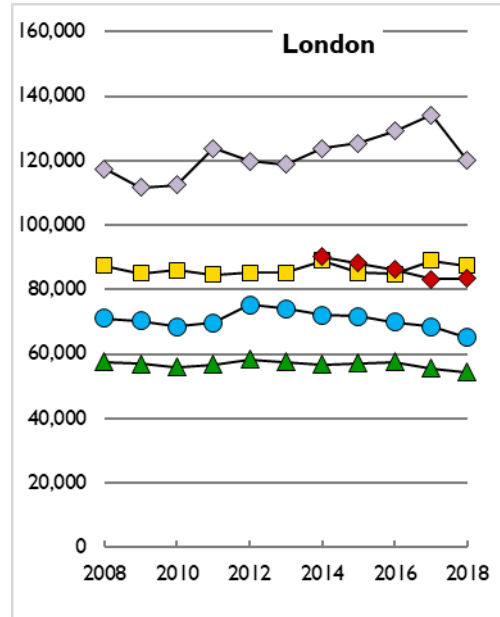
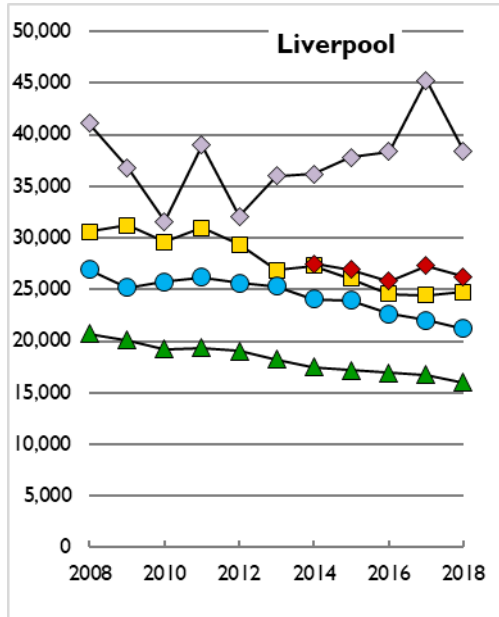
The graphs below show the levels of participation within each diocese from 2008-2018 as measured by Adult average weekly attendance plus Child average Sunday attendance (based on the October count); Usual Sunday attendance; Christmas attendance; and Easter attendance. Worshipping Community figures are shown from 2014-2018. Most dioceses display the same general pattern of a gradual decrease in participation, with Worshipping Community remaining relatively stable, although there is some variation between dioceses. Christmas attendance, as has been noted above, can be seen to be more variable from year to year than other measures.

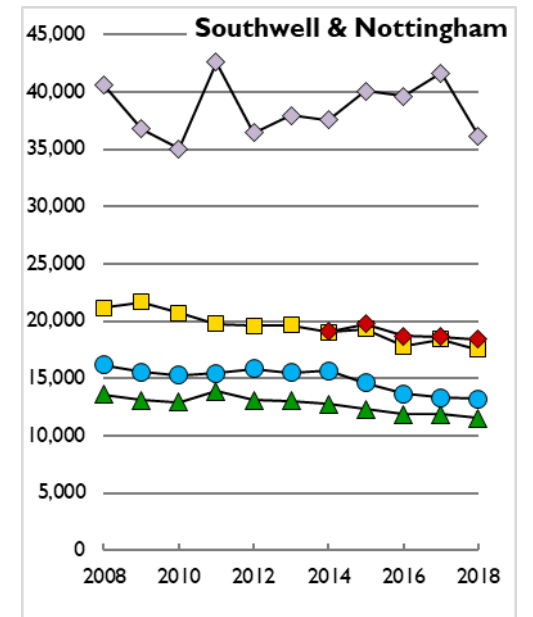
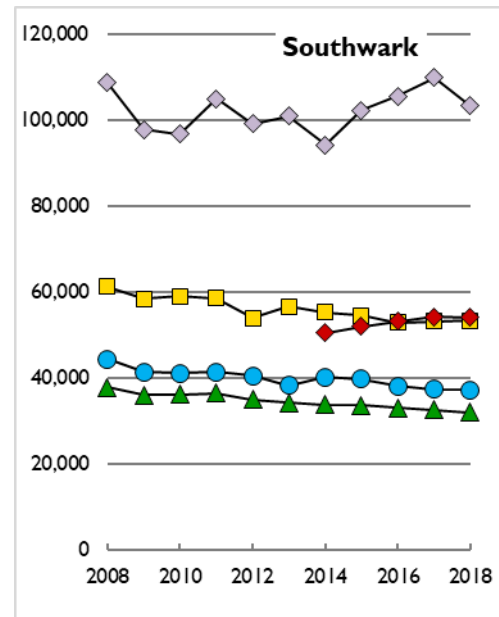
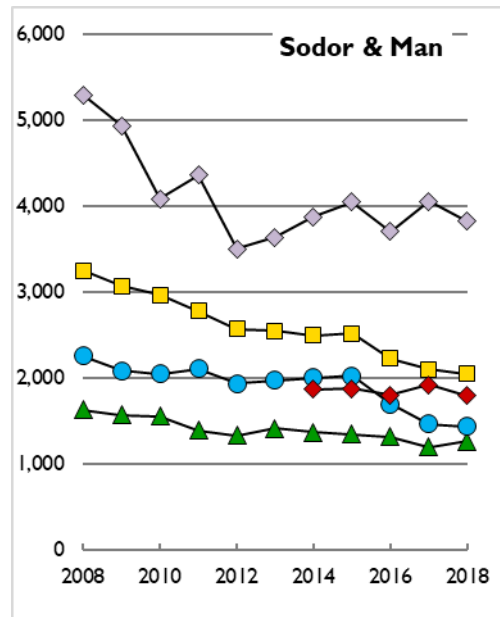
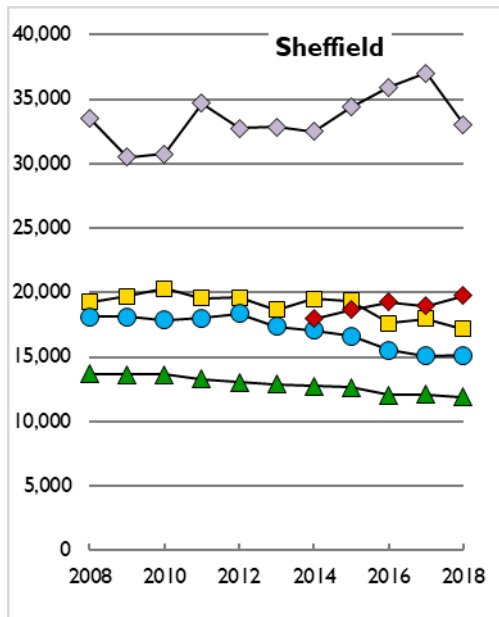
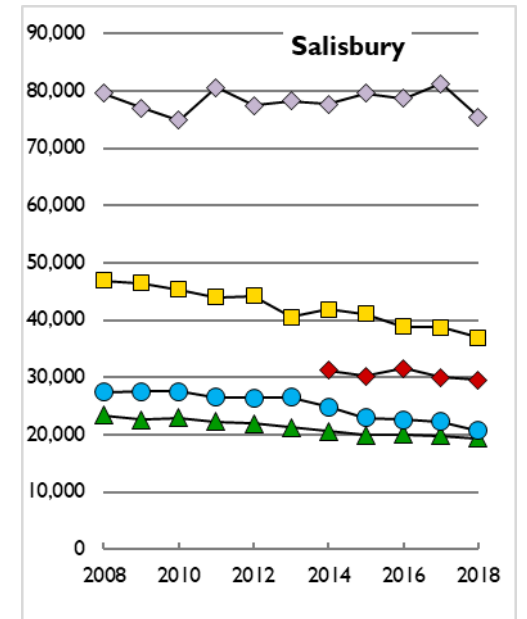
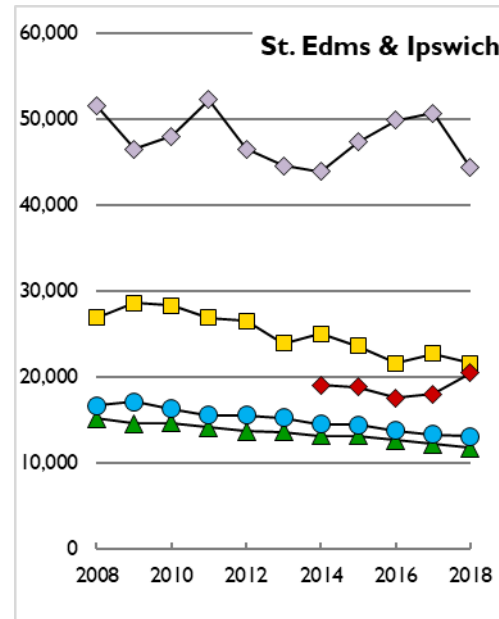
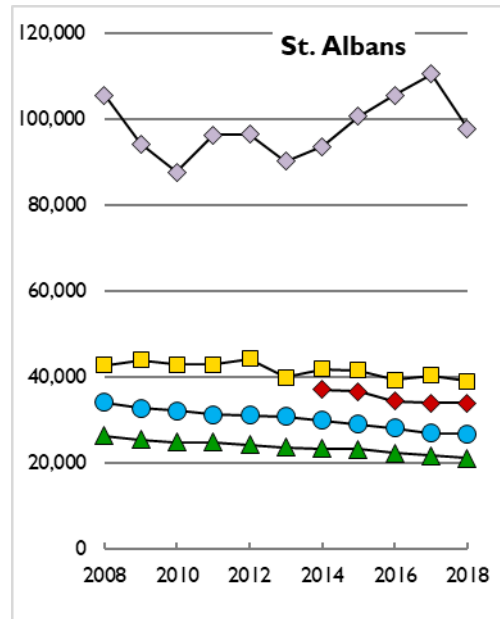
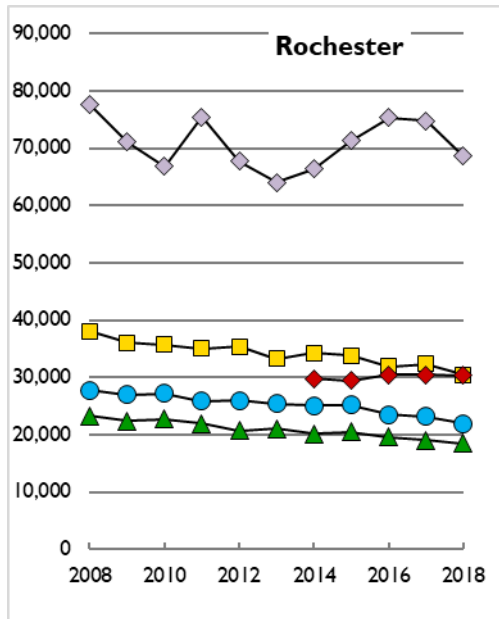
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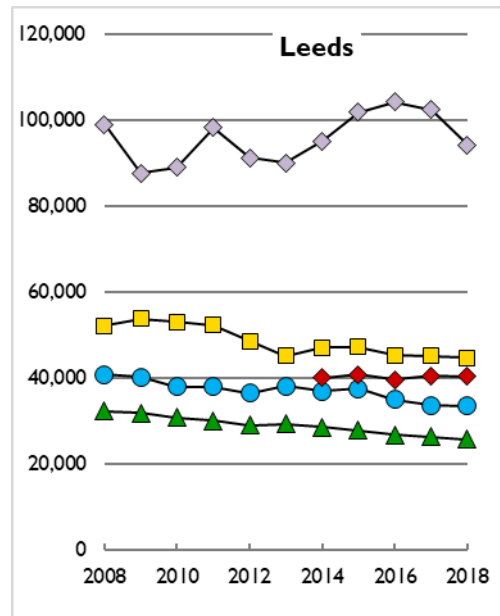
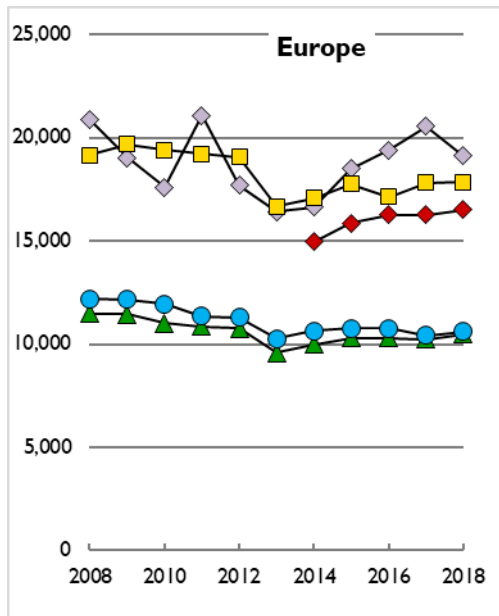
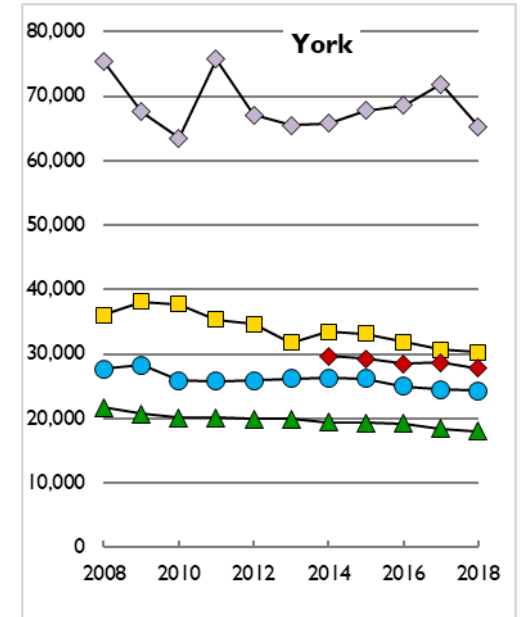
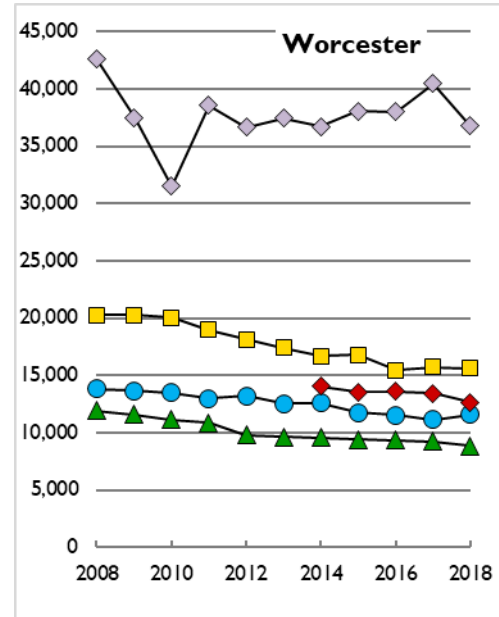
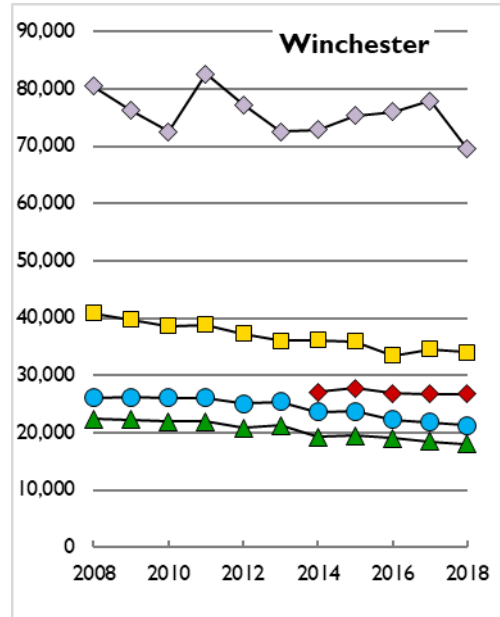
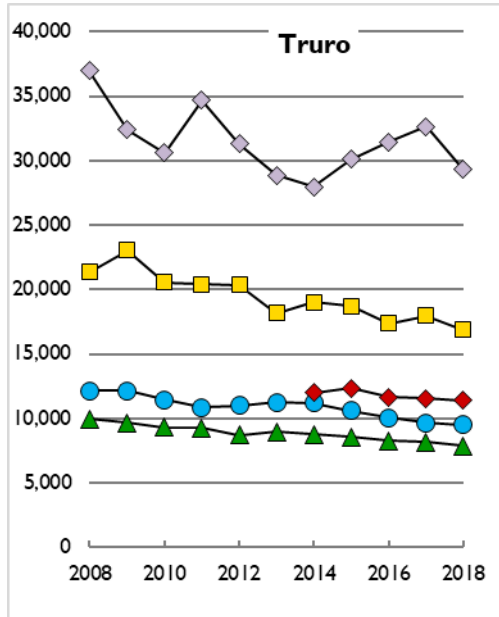












Methodology

This report uses data submitted through annual Statistics for Mission returns from churches, and from government statistics. The majority (90%) of the Church of England's almost 16,000 churches submitted complete data (up from 88% in 2017). Most returns were on behalf of a single church; a small fraction of returns were joint returns submitted on behalf of several churches. Most returns were submitted through the online parish returns system (<https://parishreturns.churchofengland.org/>). A small number of dioceses used different electronic systems, and some churches completed paper forms.

In most fields, diocesan figures include figures from cathedrals, reported through separate Cathedral Statistics returns (<https://www.churchofengland.org/more/policy-and-thinking/research-and-statistics/key-areas-research#cathedral-statistics>). In some fields - attendance at services for schools and Advent attendance - differences between the questions asked mean that it has not been possible to include cathedral attendance in diocesan figures.

The content of Statistics for Mission

The annual Statistics for Mission return measures several different aspects of church life. While no study could cover every facet of the life of the Church of England, Statistics for Mission seeks to provide a broad picture of those key elements that are common to the vast majority of churches. For reference, the 2018 Statistics for Mission form, including all questions and explanatory notes, can be found at the end of this report.

A large part of Statistics for Mission is concerned with attendance at worship services. Attendance is measured in several different ways:

- 1) Worshipping Community: any person attending the church regularly, for example at least once a month (or those who would attend if not prevented by illness, infirmity, or temporary absence), including attendance at church services and fresh expressions of Church;
- 2) October count: the number of adults and children attending during each of the first 4 weeks of October 2018, at church services, fresh expressions of Church, and services for schools held in churches. Sunday and weekday attendance is asked about, with the instruction that those attending on Sunday and during the week in any given week should only be counted once that week (on Sunday) if possible;
- 3) Usual Sunday attendance, on Sundays when there is a service, not including major festivals or peak holiday periods (adults and children);
- 4) Number of people attending and number of people receiving communion at Easter (including vigil services on Easter Eve);
- 5) Number of people attending and number of people receiving communion at Christmas (Christmas Eve and Christmas Day);
- 6) The Electoral roll of the church.

Churches are asked to report the age distribution of their Worshipping Community and the numbers of adults and children leaving and joining their Worshipping Community, including information about where people joined from and where people left to.

The October count data are used to calculate average weekly and average Sunday attendance, for adults and children. Average Sunday attendance is defined as the total attendance at church services or fresh expressions of Church on Sundays over the 4 weeks of the October count, divided by 4. Average weekly attendance is defined as the total attendance at church services or fresh expressions of Church on Sundays or weekdays over the 4 weeks of the October count, divided by 4. Attendance at services for schools taking place in the church or church buildings is not included in the average attendance figures, and is instead reported separately. Churches are asked to include attendance at baptisms in their October count, since baptisms often take place as part of normal worship services, but not attendance at weddings and funerals.

Statistics for Mission quantifies numbers of baptisms and services of thanksgiving for the gift (birth or adoption) of a child; marriages and services of prayer and dedication after civil marriages; and funeral services conducted on behalf of the church/parish by any minister held in church or at a crematorium or cemetery (excluding committal only and burial of ashes only). Note that funerals conducted by licensed Church of England ministers that are not held on behalf of a church/parish might not be included in the reported figures.

Additionally, Statistics for Mission asks about attendance at special services during Advent; members of ministry teams leading assemblies in schools; details about fresh expressions of Church; and (in 2018) youth work and enquiry & Christian basics courses – this question was designed with the advice and guidance of colleagues in the Church of England Evangelism & Discipleship team.

Data accuracy and data checking

Data reported by each church were compared with figures from previous years, and substantial changes were queried with churches and/or dioceses. Predominantly, these checks corrected typographical errors during data entry, although they also highlighted occasions when questions had been misinterpreted. The first stage of checks was automatic, at the point of data entry, for those returns submitted through the online parish returns system. Further checking was carried out by staff in the Research and Statistics unit, with particular scrutiny of figures that had changed significantly from year to year, and of unusually large (or small) values. Useful additional explanation and information was often provided by churches in the comments boxes on the Statistics for Mission return; all comments were read and acted on where appropriate. Where it was necessary to query any of the figures submitted, in the vast majority of cases this was done directly with the person who entered the data, rather than the previous circuitous route via diocesan offices.

Draft figures and estimates were circulated to dioceses in June 2019, giving dioceses an opportunity to further scrutinise their figures. The Research and Statistics unit discussed these draft figures with the vast majority of dioceses during summer 2019. Further queries were followed up, and a small number of additional late returns included in the final dataset.

As usual, particular efforts were made to include figures from new worshipping communities in Statistics for Mission 2018. These include new churches, church plants, fresh expressions of Church, and congregations with Bishops' Mission Orders. Colleagues in diocesan offices assisted in ensuring that the 2018 dataset is more complete than it has been in previous years. However, it is likely that returns were not received from all new worshipping communities, and as others are founded this exercise will continue in future years.

Where data were missing in 2017, 2018 submissions were used to improve previously-published estimates. Late returns from 2017, received after Statistics for Mission 2017 was published, have been included. Where we have identified or been notified of historical inaccuracies in the data, these have been corrected. The figures contained in this report should therefore be taken to supersede all previously published figures.

Values in the data tables are reported to the nearest 100 or nearest 10, as appropriate. Percentages are reported to the nearest 1% or 0.1%, as appropriate. Missing data are indicated with a dash (-). Totals, percentages, and averages have been calculated before rounding, so row and column totals may not always agree with the sums of the stated amounts.

Estimation

For those churches that did not submit a return, we used data from that church from other years to estimate the missing values. Data from 2014-2017 were used to estimate missing 2018 figures, assuming that past trends will be continued but at a slower pace. Non-integer attendance figures have been rounded down to the nearest whole number. Estimation calculations were carried out in R version 3.5.3.

If no return was received from a church, and there was no indication that data were included in a return from another church, we estimated values for that church. If a partial return was received and there was no indication that the church was closed for all or part of the year, we estimated those values that were missing; partial returns were considered section by section: October count attendance; Usual Sunday attendance; Easter attendance; Christmas attendance; baptisms, marriages, and funerals. If any data were submitted in a given section, any missing values in that section were treated as zeros. If no data were submitted in a section, values for that section were estimated.

When no return has been received from a church for more than 5 years, missing values were treated as zeros.

Information about Worshipping Communities has only been collected since 2012, with variable reliability for the first few years, so there are insufficient data on which to base church-level estimation. Diocesan Worshipping Community totals were calculated by scaling up the reported Worshipping Community by comparing the all age Usual Sunday attendance of those churches within the diocese that did report Worshipping Community figures with the all age Usual Sunday attendance for the whole diocese.

Figures for attendance at school services in churches (on Sundays and weekdays), and attendance at special services held in Advent were not estimated where missing. These fields are recent inclusions in Statistics for Mission and therefore there is insufficient evidence on which to base estimates. Similarly, no estimation was carried out for numbers of joiners and leavers of Worshipping Communities. For these fields, figures shown in this report are as reported by churches/parishes.

Completeness of reported figures

As Table 3 shows, complete returns (i.e. those for which no estimation was carried out) were received from 90% of all Church of England churches in 2018. In some cases, those churches that did not submit data are large, in other cases small. To indicate the impact of estimation, where it has taken place, we have reported a “completeness” score – this is the percentage of the total value that consists of reported data, with the rest being estimated. For example, if Diocese A is shown to have 1,000 marriages with a completeness of 90%, this means that churches in Diocese A reported 900 marriages and those churches that did not submit a Statistics for Mission return were estimated to have carried out 100 marriages. The higher the completeness score the more likely it is that the totals are not being skewed by any estimation that has been carried out.

Age groups

Ideally, a single set of age groups would be used throughout the Statistics for Mission return. However, for a variety of reasons, this has not been the case in the past, and the desire to be able to make comparisons with historical data has discouraged further changes.

- Usual Sunday attendance and October count attendance are divided into adults (aged 16 and over) and children (aged under 16).
- Worshipping Community age groups are 0-10; 11-17; 18-69, and 70+, while Worshipping Community leavers and joiners are categorised as adults (aged 18+) and children.
- Baptisms and thanksgivings are categorised as infants (aged <1 year); children aged 1-4 years; children aged 5-12 years; and youths/adults (aged 13+).

Year to year comparisons

Some questions, such as the Usual Sunday attendance, have been asked in almost the same form for many years. Others have changed, to reflect changes in patterns of church services or the evolving interests of those using the data. While changes may provide useful information, they make it difficult to compare figures from year to year. For example, in 2013 a question about attendance at school services during October was introduced; previously, it is likely that some, but not all, such attendance was recorded during the October count. In 2014 new guidance specified that only attendance at school services “taking place in church or church buildings” should be included and that school assemblies should not be included if they took place in school. This clarification resulted in a more logical question, but it means that it is not sensible to make direct comparisons of average weekly attendance values (with or without including

school service attendance) from before and after 2012. Since the majority of attendance at school services is of children on weekdays, in this report trends in the October count figures are assessed using average Adult weekly attendance plus average Child Sunday attendance (both derived from the October count data, and in both cases including attendance at church and fresh expressions of Church, but not including attendance at services for schools) since these are likely to be relatively unaffected by the change in the question. It is not perfect, since it will still include some adult attendance at services for schools before 2013, and it necessarily omits children's attendance at midweek church services and midweek fresh expressions of Church.

Parish-level trends

Figures for all churches within a parish were aggregated to produce parish-level attendance figures from 2008-2018. A simple linear regression model was used to evaluate for each parish whether there had been a statistically significant change in attendance over time. Where the model-generated coefficient of time was positive with a p-value less than 0.05, this is described as statistically significant growth. Where the model-generated coefficient of time was negative, with a p-value less than 0.05, this is described as statistically significant decline. Otherwise, there is insufficient evidence to form a clear conclusion about the trend. To avoid misleading conclusions caused by the opening or closing of churches, only those parishes for which data were submitted in 2008 or 2009 and in 2017 or 2018 were included in this analysis. Note that "statistically significant" describes the confidence with which we describe a parish as growing or declining, and is not a judgement about whether the amount of growth or decline is noteworthy. For example, a parish with an attendance in 2008 of 400 people whose reported attendance increased by one person each year until 2018 would have growth that is statistically significant – i.e. we are confident that it is growing; whether a change from 400 to 410 over 10 years is important is a matter of opinion, not statistics.

Diocesan boundaries

Diocesan and parish boundaries as of 1st January 2018 were used as the basis for the collection of Statistics for Mission data. Parish reorganisations take place frequently, with more than one hundred changes to parish boundaries each year. In April 2014 the Dioceses of Bradford, Ripon & Leeds, and Wakefield were combined to create the Diocese of Leeds, and this new structure appeared in this report for the first time in 2015. To allow trends over time to be considered, figures have been reported as though this structure were in place in previous years.

Figures for the Channel Islands are included in the Diocese of Canterbury, since episcopal oversight of the Channel Islands in 2018 was exercised by the Bishop of Dover. To allow meaningful assessment of trends, Channel Island figures are likewise included in the Diocese of Canterbury for previous years.

Population data

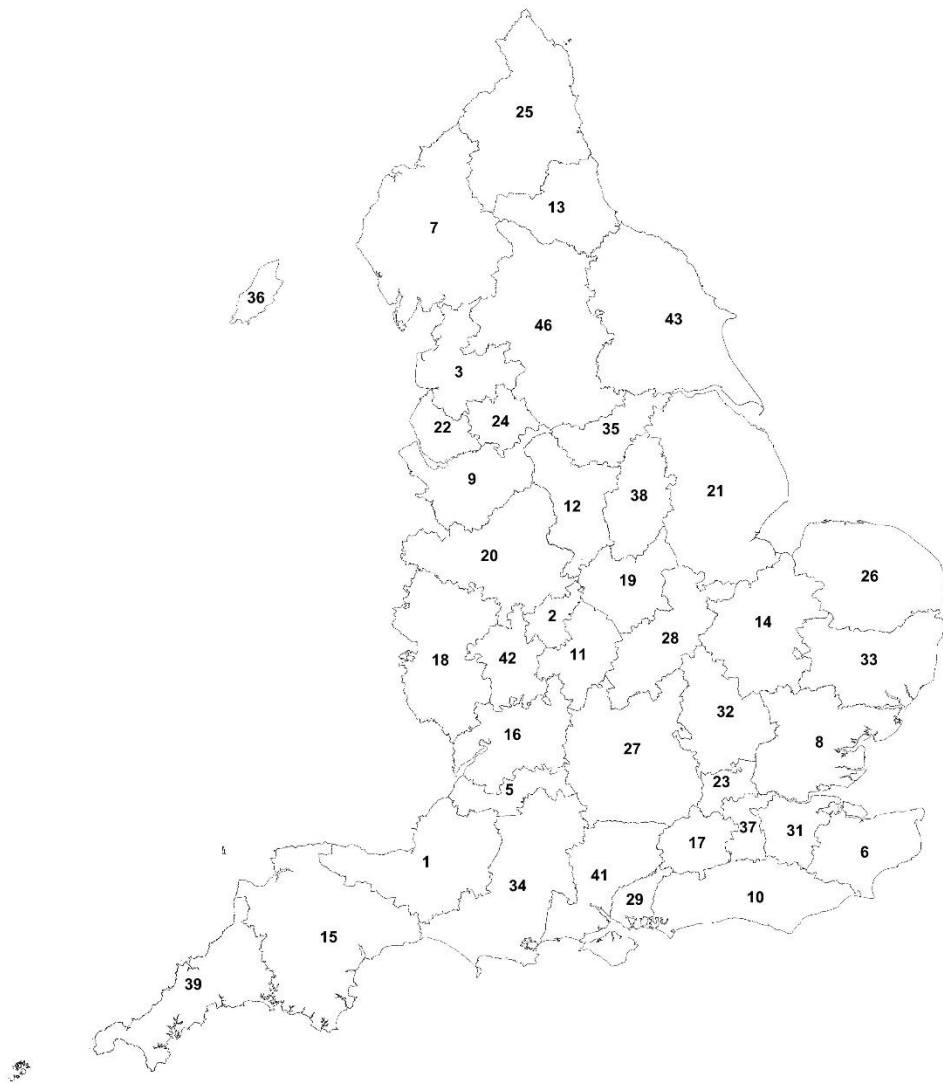
Diocesan population statistics were estimated using data published by the Office for National Statistics (ONS: <http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/index.html>), mapped on to diocesan boundaries. This mapping is an approximation, since the boundaries of regions at which population data are reported do not coincide with diocesan boundaries. The latest available data were used wherever possible; population estimates and numbers of births and deaths are from mid-2018; religious affiliation data (specifically, percentage Christian) are from the 2011 census. Data for the Isle of Man have been taken from http://countrymeters.info/en/Isle_of_Man; data for the Channel Islands have been taken from http://countrymeters.info/en/Channel_Islands (both accessed 2nd September 2019). These sources do not include information about religious affiliation – in the case of the Channel Islands this has been estimated to be the same as that in the rest of the Diocese of Canterbury.

Population and religious affiliation information is not available for the Diocese in Europe.

Further information

Any reader who would like further details regarding the methodology behind this report is encouraged to get in touch: please see the contact details on page 1.

Reference map of dioceses, 2018



Ref. no.	Diocese	Province
1	Bath & Wells	C
2	Birmingham	C
3	Blackburn	Y
5	Bristol	C
6	Canterbury	C
7	Carlisle	Y
8	Chelmsford	C
9	Chester	Y
10	Chichester	C
11	Coventry	C
12	Derby	C
13	Durham	Y
14	Ely	C
15	Exeter	C
16	Gloucester	C
17	Guildford	C
18	Hereford	C
19	Leicester	C
20	Lichfield	C
21	Lincoln	C
22	Liverpool	Y
23	London	C
24	Manchester	Y
25	Newcastle	Y
26	Norwich	C
27	Oxford	C
28	Peterborough	C
29	Portsmouth	C
31	Rochester	C
32	St. Albans	C
33	St. Edms & Ipswich	C
34	Salisbury	C
35	Sheffield	Y
36	Sodor & Man	Y
37	Southwark	C
38	Southwell & Nottingham	Y
39	Truro	C
41	Winchester	C
42	Worcester	C
43	York	Y
46	Leeds	Y

Note: The diocesan boundaries reflect the situation as of 1st January 2018 to match the structure on which data have been collected.

Statistics for Mission form, 2018



Statistics for Mission: January to December 2018

Church name:	Parish name:
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Reminder: Please complete this form online if possible

<https://parishreturns.churchofengland.org/>

The online returns system includes existing information about your church. It automatically checks for typographical errors and minor mistakes and gives you the opportunity to revise your figures before final submission. You can see the data for your church over time and download copies for your records.

- ✓ Please complete this form for your **Church**. If there is more than one church in your parish, then please complete and submit a separate form for each church
- ✓ Where activities – e.g. acts of worship in schools; conducting funeral services at crematoria – are shared between more than one church then please attempt, where possible, to ensure that they are only reported once
- ✓ Questions 1a and 1b about the **Electoral Roll** refer to the **ecclesiastical electoral roll**. Question 1a asks about the ecclesiastical electoral roll for your **parish**. Question 1b is optional and only applies if you are in a multi-church parish AND keep a separate roll for your church
- ✓ **Fresh expressions of Church** should be included in your numbers, unless they prefer to complete a separate return. For help in identifying fresh expressions of Church please visit <http://www.freshexpressions.org.uk> or use the “Choice tree” at the end of this form
- ✓ Please complete all questions as far as possible, using “0” or “unknown” or “no services” if necessary. Unless otherwise indicated, empty fields will be treated as incomplete and may be queried later as missing data
- ✓ In rare circumstances where a single congregation worships evenly between several churches (i.e. there is no difference in who attends and how often at each church), a single return may be submitted. The churches included in the return should be noted below

A single return is submitted on behalf of (please list all included churches here, with church codes if known*):

* N.B. church codes are not needed if you are planning to submit this return online.

1a. How many people were on the ecclesiastical electoral roll for your parish, as reported at your Annual Parochial Church meeting in 2018?

✓ Please write “unknown” if the figure is not available

1a. Number on the ecclesiastical Electoral Roll for your PARISH	
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If your parish has more than one church **and** keeps a separate roll for your church, please **also** provide the total electoral roll for your church.

✓ Please write “N/A” if this is not applicable to your church

1b. How many people are on your church Electoral Roll?

1b. Number on the CHURCH Electoral Roll	
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The next question is about church attendance on a “**USUAL**” SUNDAY

- ✓ A usual Sunday is one that is not a major festival or contained in a peak holiday period
- ✓ Wherever possible, please do not count the same person multiple times – if someone attends more than once on a usual Sunday, please only count them once
- ✓ Only think about the Sundays when you hold at least one service (ignore the Sundays when you do not hold a service at your church)

2. How many people attend your church on a usual Sunday, when there is a service?

2a. Adults (16 years old and over)	
2b. Children and young people (under 16 years old)	

The following questions are about **how many people attended** a service or act of worship at **Easter** (Easter Day and vigil services on Easter Eve), **Advent** (Advent Sunday until 23rd December) and **Christmas** (Christmas Eve and Christmas Day).

- ✓ If you did not hold any services or acts of worship at your church during these periods, please enter “0” in the relevant box.

3. How many people came to your church at Easter 2018?

3a. Number of communicants at service(s) on Easter Day and vigil service on Easter Eve	
3b. Total number of people attending worship (including communicants) at service(s) on Easter Day and vigil service on Easter Eve	

4. How many people came to special services run by your church during Advent 2018?

- ✓ Include attendance at special services run by your church from Advent Sunday until 23rd December, for example nativities, carol services, carols on the green, crib services.

4a. Total number of people attending special services held for the congregation and local community	
4b. Total number of people attending special services held specifically for civic organisations or schools	

5. How many people came to your church at Christmas 2018?

5a. Number of communicants at service(s) on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day	
5b. Total number of people attending worship (including communicants) at service(s) on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day	

The next section is the **OCTOBER COUNT** of the number of people attending your church for **services and other acts of worship** during the first 4 weeks of October. This includes the number of people attending on Sundays and during the week (Monday-Saturday).

- ✓ Please include any **fresh expressions of Church**, unless they have submitted their own return. A fresh expression of Church is a form of church established primarily for the benefit of people who are not yet "members" of any church. For help identifying fresh expressions of Church, please visit <http://www.freshexpressions.org.uk> or use the "Choice tree" at the end of this form

You are asked to enter a count for each of the first 4 weeks of October 2018. The count is split into Sundays and weekdays; adults and children; and type of service (Church, fresh expressions of Church and school services).

Wherever possible, please do not count the same person multiple times in the same week – if someone attends your church more than once during Sunday, please only count them once. If someone attends on a Sunday, please do not include them again in the midweek count for that week.

Number of services: The number of services or fresh expressions of Church held on Sundays & weekdays. Enter "0" if there were none.

School services: These are services held in your church (or church building) that are attended by a school(s). There is a later question about acts of worship held in schools.

Adults: 16 years old and over. Please include those leading the service(s).

Children and young people: Under 16 years old.

Please **INCLUDE**:

- ✓ Clergy and other ministers attending or leading services
- ✓ Adults and children attending Sunday schools or equivalent activities
- ✓ Attendance at baptisms, including any visitors
- ✓ Any other church-based activities in which worship is the primary purpose and predominant feature
- ✓ Attendance at services outside the church, e.g. at home, in care homes, prisons, or hospitals (include as Church or Fresh expression attendance, as appropriate)

Please **DO NOT INCLUDE**:

- ✗ Attendance at weddings or funeral services
- ✗ Activities with only some worship element, such as house groups, parent and toddler groups, youth clubs, Alpha courses, and social events such as harvest supper.

6. How many people attended your church in October 2018?

- ✓ If possible, please count each person only once in any week, even if they attended more than once
- ✓ If there were exceptional circumstances that led to unusual October attendance figures in 2018, let us know in the comment box at the end of this form

1.	Number of services	Adult			Children and young people		
		Church	Fresh expressions	School service	Church	Fresh expressions	School service
Sunday 7 th October							
Weekdays 8 th -13 th							

2.	Number of services	Adult			Children and young people		
		Church	Fresh expressions	School service	Church	Fresh expressions	School service
Sunday 14 th October							
Weekdays 15 th – 20 th							

3.	Number of services	Adult			Children and young people		
		Church	Fresh expressions	School service	Church	Fresh expressions	School service
Sunday 21 st October							
Weekdays 22 nd -27 th							

4.	Number of services	Adult			Children and young people		
		Church	Fresh expressions	School service	Church	Fresh expressions	School service
Sunday 28 th October							
Weekdays 29 th -3 rd Nov							

7. How often does your ministry team lead acts of worship in schools?

- ✓ This question refers to acts of worship in school buildings rather than in your church or church building (services held for schools in your church should be included within the October count, Easter or Christmas figures where appropriate)
- ✓ Include any school-based acts of worship led by a person who holds office or responsibility for ministry (ordained or lay) within your church, whether or not the school is in your parish
- ✓ 'Usually' refers to during term-time or when the school is open, ignoring school holidays
- ✓ Tick one box as the closest estimate

Never	Occasionally/ ad hoc	Usually once or twice a term	Usually once a month	Usually once a fortnight	Usually once a week	Usually more than once a week

If there is no school in your parish, tick here: ☐

The following questions are about your “worshipping community”. Think about your regular worshipping community at the end of 2018. For more information about worshipping communities, please refer to <https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2017-12/VWorshippingCommunity.pdf>

- ✓ Include anyone who attends your church regularly, for example at least once a month, or would attend if they were not prevented by illness, infirmity or temporary absence
- ✓ Include all congregations in your church, including fresh expressions of Church
- ✗ Do not include visitors, e.g. holidaymakers, baptism parties etc.
- ✗ Do not include people who consider their ‘home’ church to be another church
- ✗ Do not include people who left the church earlier in the year (they are counted in the next question as ‘leavers’) and were not part of your worshipping community at the end of 2018

8. How many people were in your “worshipping community” at the end of 2018?

- ✓ Please complete all boxes, as far as you can. If there is no-one in a category, please write “0”. If the age groups of your worshipping community are unknown, please use your best estimates. If you are unable to estimate people’s ages, please enter the total figure only

TOTAL	Children (Age 0-10)	Young people (Age 11-17)	Adults (Age 18-69)	Adults (Age 70+)

9. How has your worshipping community changed during 2018?

- ✓ If you know how many people have left/joined your worshipping community but you do not know their reasons for leaving or joining, please enter the total figures (or your best estimates) only
- ✓ If there is no-one in a particular category, please write “0”
- ✗ Do not count as joiners or leavers members of your worshipping community who move from “Children and young people” to “Adult”

9a. How many adults and children joined your worshipping community during 2018?

	TOTAL	Worshipping for the first time	Moved into the area	Moved from a local church	Returned to church
Adults (Age 18+)					
Children and young people					

9b. How many adults and children left your worshipping community during 2018?

	TOTAL	Death or illness	Moved away	Moved to a local church	Not worshipping anywhere	Other/Don't know
Adults (Age 18+)						
Children and young people						

The next questions are about **fresh expressions of Church**. A fresh expression of Church is a form of Church established primarily for the benefit of people who are not yet “members” of any church. Here you are asked to describe aspects of the way the fresh expression of Church is run, rather than providing numbers attending.

- ✓ For help in identifying fresh expressions of Church please visit <http://www.freshexpressions.org.uk> or use the “Choice tree” at the end of this form

- ✓ Fresh expressions of Church can be quite varied. If you remain unsure about whether an activity or service meets the definition of a fresh expression, please DO include it here
- ✓ We have included space for three fresh expressions of Church. If you have more, please continue on an additional sheet
- ✗ Do not include Alpha courses or outreach activities that do not include worship

10. What regular fresh expressions of Church are supported by your church?

☐ **No fresh expressions of Church** (If your church did NOT support fresh expressions of Church during 2018 please tick here and leave the rest of this page blank)

Name of fresh expression	
Description of activity	
Where is it held? (please tick all that apply)	<input type="checkbox"/> Church <input type="checkbox"/> Church Hall <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please note where): _____
How often?	<input type="checkbox"/> Weekly <input type="checkbox"/> Fortnightly <input type="checkbox"/> Monthly <input type="checkbox"/> Quarterly <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please note how often): _____
Age group aimed at? (please tick all that apply)	<input type="checkbox"/> ALL ages <input type="checkbox"/> Family <input type="checkbox"/> 0-4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5-10 <input type="checkbox"/> 11-17 <input type="checkbox"/> 18-39 <input type="checkbox"/> 40-69 <input type="checkbox"/> 70+
Who attends? (please tick all that apply)	<input type="checkbox"/> Attendees include people who regularly come to other services <input type="checkbox"/> Attendees include people who occasionally come to other services <input type="checkbox"/> Attendees include people who never come to other services

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11. How many baptisms and thanksgivings for the gift of a child were held in your church during 2018?

✓ If separate services of thanksgiving and baptism were held for an individual both should be recorded here

	Infants (<1 year)	Children (1-4 years)	Children (5-12 years)	Youth/ adults (13+)
Number of persons baptised				
Number of persons for whom a birth or adoption thanksgiving service was held				

12. How many marriages and services of prayer and dedication after civil marriage were held in your church during 2018?

Number of couples married in your church	
Number of couples for whom a service of prayer and dedication was held in your church (after civil marriage)	

13. How many funeral services were held at or on behalf of your church during 2018?

- ✓ Include all funerals that were held at your church
 ✓ Include all funerals conducted by any member of your ministry team (including Readers, stipendiary clergy, self supporting clergy, and retired clergy) at a crematorium or cemetery

Number of deceased for whom a funeral service was held at your church	
Number of deceased for whom a full funeral service was conducted by a member of your ministry team at a crematorium or cemetery, excluding committal only & burial of ashes only	

Looking back across 2018, were there any **exceptional circumstances** (e.g. an interregnum or building works) or **significant changes** that may have led to **unusual** figures in this return?

Is there **anything additional** that we should note when including your annual return within the Statistics for Mission?

14. Youth provision

Here we are specifically asking about your church's ministry with those aged 11-17. Please only include projects or groups that have significant involvement from your church and where there is an ongoing relationship between the young people and your church.

14a. As a church in 2018, did you run any regular (monthly or more often) youth-focused provision engaging primarily with young people aged 11-17, e.g. youth groups, youth focused services, youth choirs? (tick all that apply)

- ☐ Yes, solely run by this church
☐ Yes, run by this church in partnership with other churches
☐ Yes, run by this church in partnership with other organisations or charities
☐ No

14b. If yes, when did the youth provision take place? (tick all that apply)

- ☐ At the same time as usual Sunday services
☐ At other times

14c. If yes, who primarily led your youth provision? (tick all that apply)

- ☐ Paid youth or children's worker(s), paid by your parish
☐ Paid youth or children's worker(s), not paid by your parish
☐ Member(s) of clergy
☐ Volunteer(s) who are part of your worshipping community
☐ Volunteer(s) who are not part of your worshipping community
☐ Other(s)

15. Enquiry and Christian basics courses

15a. Did your church run any enquiry or Christian basics courses in 2018? (tick all that apply)

- ☐ Yes, solely run by this church
☐ Yes, run by this church in partnership with other churches or groups
☐ No

15b. If yes, which course(s) did you run? (tick all that apply)

- ☐ Pilgrim
☐ Christianity Explored
☐ Jesus Shaped People
☐ Alpha
☐ Life on the Frontline (LICC)
☐ Course designed by your diocese
☐ Course designed by your church/parish
☐ Other: _____

15c. If yes, not including those leading the course(s), approximately how many people attended in total?

Adults (18 years old and over)	
Children and young people (under 18 years old)	

15d. If yes, not including those leading the course(s), who attended?

- ☐ Mainly people who already regularly go to a church
☐ Mainly people who do not already regularly go to a church
☐ About equal numbers of each