

*A little compendium of  
Australian Anglican  
diocesan statistics*

NUMBERS FROM THE ECCLESIA ANGLICANA AUSTRALIS DATABASE

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## Foreword

This compendium is an extraordinary gift to the Anglican Church of Australia, drawing on the remarkable database compiled by the prominent Melbourne Anglican layperson Colin Reilly, utilising his extensive skills and experience as a statistician and bringing these into service of the Church he has served faithfully over many years.

The material relates both to the Anglican Church of Australia as a whole, and the 23 individual dioceses that make up the national church. The data is collected together, into one place for the first time, from a variety of sources, including diocesan Year Books, the Cable Clerical Index, Crockford's Clerical Directory (which included Australian clergy up until the 1980s), the Australian Anglican Directory, and data collected by the Australia Bureau of Statistics primarily through the population census.

The data provided within the compendium has been arranged into a number of different charts and categories, capable of showing trends over time in relation to both the national church and individual dioceses, on a variety of aspects of Australian Anglican life. Trends can be analysed, for instance, with regards to ordinations by diocese, the plotting of clergy numbers across time, and the numbers of clergy by diocese, age, gender and vocation as deacon, priest or bishop, to take just a few examples.

Colin Reilly has contributed to the life of the Church in a variety of ways, by providing statistics and data to assist and guide bishops, synods and councils of the church, from time to time, on a range of matters. This compendium represents a bringing together of much of that prior work, in a form that will be a resource to all interested in, and committed to, the fostering of Anglican ministry and mission in Australia. It is a resource of great significance for those seeking to gain clarity about past and current trends, with a view to seeking guidance about the future.

The committee of the Bishop Perry Institute for Ministry and Mission was delighted to be offered the opportunity to publish this piece of work, which deserves to be as widely known and used as possible by Australian Anglicans. We trust it will be a blessing to the Church into the future.



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## Introduction

1. This compendium presents some of the national statistical reports that can be generated from the Ecclesia Anglicana Australis database (EAA) to display information about Australian dioceses. It is hoped that a more comprehensive report with commentary will be available later this year.
2. The EAA has been developed to provide a repository for information about the Anglican Church of Australia, its clergy and constituent bodies, in a way that would facilitate analysis of trends over time. Apart from the summary statistics, such as those in this document, the database can be used to generate detailed lists of various aspects of Anglican ecclesial life.

## The Anglican Church of Australia

3. The Anglican Church of Australia (ACA) had its beginnings with the arrival of the First Fleet at Botany Bay in 1788. Despite its prominent place in Australian society, the ACA has few comprehensive sources of information about its activities. Unlike the Church of England or The Episcopal Church (USA), it does not have a national collection of statistics. Its constitutional basis, whereby individual dioceses are largely autonomous, and an inability or unwillingness to resource the national church and its General Synod Office, has meant there is a lack of co-ordinated data gathering and dissemination. One national resource, the *Australian Anglican Directory*, is privately funded and so there is no guarantee of its continued existence. The data that can be derived from published sources is neither comprehensive, timely, nor readily accessible. The observer is therefore faced with the blind men's dilemma on coming across an elephant<sup>1</sup>, do the available facts paint a complete picture of the ACA? Almost certainly not. However, the compilation and presentation of the data that is presented in this document can assist in understanding something of the extraordinary animal that is the Anglican Church of Australia.
4. The Australian Church is not alone in this predicament. There are deficiencies in the data gathered and published by the Church of England and The Episcopal Church. Other churches in the Anglican Communion have varying, and usually inadequate, statistical information about themselves and their development.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> The Indian parable of the blind men and the elephant is used to illustrate how biases can blind us, preventing us from seeking a more complete understanding of the nature of things. It is often used as a warning against the promotion of absolute truths. The blind men coming across an elephant perceive it to be many different things, depending on the partial information they obtain from their encounter – one, bumping into the elephant's leg, concludes it is a pillar; another, grasping the tail, says it is like a rope; from the trunk, a thick tree branch; from the ear, a big hand fan; from the belly, a huge wall; and from the tusk, a solid pipe. The wise man perceives that by pooling all this information, they may collectively get an idea of what the elephant is like.

<sup>2</sup> See, for example, Goodhew, David, ed. *Growth and Decline in the Anglican Communion: 1980 to the Present*. Routledge Contemporary Ecclesiology. Abingdon, Oxon: Routledge, 2017.

## Place within the Anglican Communion

5. As a national church the Anglican Church of Australia forms a significant part of the Anglican Communion, which was described by the 1930 Lambeth Conference as ‘a fellowship, within the one holy catholic and apostolic church, of those duly constituted dioceses, provinces or regional churches in communion with the see of Canterbury’.<sup>3</sup>
6. The Anglican Communion as a whole is a growing church, but with major areas of relative decline, particularly in the developed world. While in some respects the Communion reflects the geographic reach of the former British Empire it extends beyond what is now known as the Commonwealth of Nations. Nevertheless, the greatest areas of absolute Anglican growth are in African countries that are former British colonies. Johnson and Zurlo, reporting on the 1970-2010 period, show that Anglicans in Africa grew at a compound rate of 4.8% a year over that period, but for the world at 1.50% a year – just under global population growth of 1.59% per annum. Other areas with high rates of Anglican growth, but with much smaller Anglican populations, included Eastern Europe (5.05% pa), Western Asia (3.36%), Papua New Guinea (3.02%), and Melanesia (3.00%).<sup>4</sup>
7. Anglican growth in recent decades appears to have been concentrated in the global south. Although the United Kingdom retains top spot in the Communion, it has been declining at an average rate of 0.27% a year. Australia, which as recently as 1970 had the largest Anglican population outside the United Kingdom, by 2010 ranked fifth. The United States had slipped from third place to eighth. As can be seen in Table 1 although the number of Australian Anglicans was stable over the forty-year period, as a proportion of the total population they had experienced the second greatest decline (41%) of the ten top countries. In neighbouring New Zealand, where there has been an absolute decline in the number of Anglicans of 0.82% a year, the relative decline as a proportion of the country’s population was 54%. By contrast, Rwandan and Ugandan Anglicans grew at almost twice the rate of population growth.
8. From a different perspective, the figures reported in Table 2 for the more advanced economies would suggest that those countries with a long British/Anglican heritage are at best stable or in decline, although there is growth in some countries like Singapore, albeit from a low base.

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On a visit to the Canadian national church office in Toronto in 2014 the author was advised that the previously comprehensive national statistics were no longer being published because dioceses were reluctant to forward information that suggested they were in decline.

<sup>3</sup> Colin Buchanan, *Historical Dictionary of Anglicanism* (Lanham, Md: Scarecrow Press, 2006).

<sup>4</sup> Todd M Johnson and Gina A Zurlo, ‘The Changing Demographics of Global Anglicanism, 1970-2010’, in *Growth and Decline in the Anglican Communion: 1980 to the Present*, Routledge Contemporary Ecclesiology (Abingdon, Oxon: Routledge, 2017), 37–53.

Table 1 Largest Anglican communities in 2010 and national populations

Country	Anglicans in 1970	Anglicans in 2010	Anglican growth % pa 1970-2010	Population in 1970	Population in 2010	Population growth % pa 1970-2010	Proportion Anglicans in 1970	Proportion Anglicans in 2010	Change in propn Anglicans
United Kingdom	29,059,000	26,109,000	-0.27%	55,611,000	62,717,000	0.30%	52.3%	41.6%	-20.3%
Nigeria	2,941,000	20,100,000	4.92%	56,132,000	159,425,000	2.64%	5.2%	12.6%	140.6%
Uganda	1,291,000	12,450,000	5.83%	9,446,000	33,149,000	3.19%	13.7%	37.6%	174.8%
Kenya	583,000	5,000,000	5.52%	11,252,000	40,328,000	3.24%	5.2%	12.4%	139.3%
Australia	3,777,000	3,800,000	0.02%	12,905,000	22,163,000	1.36%	29.3%	17.1%	-41.4%
Tanzania	386,000	3,318,000	5.52%	13,606,000	45,649,000	3.07%	2.8%	7.3%	156.2%
South Africa	1,236,000	2,798,000	2.06%	22,503,000	51,622,000	2.10%	5.5%	5.4%	-1.3%
United States	3,196,000	1,923,000	-1.26%	209,486,000	309,876,000	0.98%	1.5%	0.6%	-59.3%
South Sudan	210,000	1,554,000	5.13%	3,647,000	10,056,000	2.57%	5.8%	15.5%	168.4%
Rwanda	162,000	1,240,000	5.22%	3,755,000	10,294,000	2.55%	4.3%	12.0%	179.2%

Anglican source: Todd M Johnson and Gina A Zurlo, eds, *World Christian Database*. Leiden/Boston: Brill, accessed July 2015 as reported in Goodhew, David, ed. *Growth and Decline in the Anglican Communion: 1980 to the Present*. Routledge Contemporary Ecclesiology. Abingdon, Oxon: Routledge, 2017.

Population source: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_countries\\_by\\_past\\_population\\_\(United\\_Nations\\_estimates\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_countries_by_past_population_(United_Nations_estimates)) accessed 28 Jan 2017.

Table 2 Largest Anglican communities in advanced economies in 2010 and national populations

Country (a)	Anglicans in 1970	Anglicans in 2010	Anglican growth % pa 1970-2010	Population in 1970	Population in 2010	Population growth % pa 1970-2010	Proportion Anglicans in 1970	Proportion Anglicans in 2010	Change in propn Anglicans
United Kingdom	29,059,000	26,109,000	-0.27%	55,611,000	62,717,000	0.30%	52.3%	41.6%	-20.3%
Australia	3,777,000	3,800,000	0.02%	12,905,000	22,163,000	1.36%	29.3%	17.1%	-41.4%
United States	3,196,000	1,923,000	-1.26%	209,486,000	309,876,000	0.98%	1.5%	0.6%	-59.3%
New Zealand	876,000	630,000	-0.82%	2,820,000	4,369,000	1.10%	31.1%	14.4%	-53.6%
Canada	1,177,000	590,000	-1.71%	21,439,000	34,126,000	1.17%	5.5%	1.7%	-68.5%
Ireland	97,500	90,000	-0.20%	2,947,000	4,617,000	1.13%	3.3%	1.9%	-41.1%
Japan	49,100	58,000	0.42%	103,708,000	127,320,000	0.51%	0.0%	0.0%	-3.8%
Singapore	10,000	58,000	4.49%	2,074,000	5,079,000	2.26%	0.5%	1.1%	136.8%
South Korea	32,400	80,100	2.29%	31,437,000	49,090,000	1.12%	0.1%	0.2%	58.3%
Germany	20,000	29,200	0.95%	78,367,000	80,435,000	0.07%	0.0%	0.0%	42.2%

(a) The ten advanced economies - as classified by the International Monetary Fund from <https://www.imf.org/external/pubs/ft/weo/2016/02/weodata/groups.htm#ae> accessed 31 Jan 2017 - with the largest Anglican populations in 2010.

Anglican source: Todd M Johnson and Gina A Zurlo, eds, *World Christian Database*. Leiden/Boston: Brill, accessed July 2015 as reported in Goodhew, David, ed. *Growth and Decline in the Anglican Communion: 1980 to the Present*. Routledge Contemporary Ecclesiology. Abingdon, Oxon: Routledge, 2017.

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## Australian Anglican attendance

10. It is difficult to understand the relationship between the number of persons who identify culturally as Anglican (the numbers reported in Table 1) and the much smaller number who participate in the life of the Church.<sup>5</sup> In the Diocese of Sydney, which probably has the highest diocesan attendance rate, the average number of weekly attenders is about 8% of the Anglican population recorded in the Census and just over 1% of the total population<sup>6</sup>.
11. As can be seen from the structures task force report to the 2014 General Synod<sup>7</sup>, we do not have comprehensive attendance figures for most, let alone all, dioceses in the Australian Church. The most recent available national attendance estimates for all dioceses known to the compiler are for 2001.<sup>8</sup> A national estimate has been made for 2011 by the National Church Life Survey:

**Table 3 Estimate of weekly Anglican attendance from the NCLS**

<i>Year</i>	<i>Estimate of weekly Anglican attendance</i>
1991	191,600
1996	181,500
2001	177,200
2006	166,800
2011	155,000

Source: Ruth Powell, 'Australia', in *Growth and Decline in the Anglican Communion: 1980 to the Present*, Routledge Contemporary Ecclesiology (Abingdon, Oxon: Routledge, 2017), p 197.

## Parameters for this report

12. The numbers in this report present the institutional response of the Church to its mission in Australia by the provision of ordained ministers and the establishment of units of ministry such as parishes and schools. From these we can gain some insights into trends over time.

<sup>5</sup> For a discussion of the decline in religious observance in the USA see Kevin McCaffree, *The Secular Landscape: The Decline of Religion in America* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2017). While Australia is often said to mimic US cultural and social trends, in the case of secularisation we would appear to be among the leaders – see, for example, Peter Kaldor, *Who Goes Where? Who Doesn't Care?: Going to Church in Australia* (Homebush West NSW: Board of Mission, NSW Synod, Uniting Church in Australia, 1987).

<sup>6</sup> Raj Gupta <http://sydneyanglicans.net/blogs/evangelism/anecdotes-and-statistics> posted 30 Dec 2013, accessed 10 Feb 2017

<sup>7</sup> Anglican Church of Australia, 'Report of the Viability & Structures Task Force: The Sixteenth General Synod Book 8' (The Standing Committee of the General Synod of The Anglican Church of Australia, 2014).

<sup>8</sup> Wayne Brighton, Keith Castle, and John Bellamy, 'Attendance Statistics for the Anglican Church of Australia (1991 - 2001)' (Standing Committee of General Synod, May 2004).

13. The principal sources for the data from which these statistics have been derived have been:
- ) the Australian Bureau of Statistics for data from the population census;
  - ) the admirable compilation prepared by Ken and Leonie Cable of clergy up to the time of the introduction of the national constitution of the Anglican Church of Australia in 1962. The Cable Clerical Index of clergy who served in the Anglican Church of Australia from 26 January 1788 through to those ordained or serving by 31 December 1961 lists more than 6,570 clergy. It can be accessed at <http://anglicanhistory.org/aus/cci/>;
  - ) *Crockford's Clerical Directory*, which included Australian clergy up to the 1980-1982 edition, and after that for clergy who served both in Australia and the United Kingdom;
  - ) the *Year Book of the Diocese of Sydney* for information between 1961 and 1991; and
  - ) the *Australian Anglican Clergy Directory* for 1991 to 1994 and the *Australian Anglican Directory* (AAD) from 1995.
14. The periods and years reported on are mainly from 1961 to 2011 at decade intervals to give a recent historical perspective and to coincide with Census years, together with the one or two most recent issues of the AAD.
15. The numbers of clergy in this compendium do not tally with the tables published in the AAD. There are two chief reasons for this. Where a cleric is licensed or has an authority or permission to officiate (ATO or PTO) in more than one diocese, the AAD counts the cleric in each diocese – in this compendium the cleric is counted once only against the diocese of principal ministry or, if that is not clear, against the diocese in which he or she resides. The AAD appears to count all non-retired clergy as 'active'. In this compendium, non-retired clergy with ATOs or PTOs are only counted as 'active' if their principal activity appears to be religious, e.g. a religious broadcaster or a chaplain in a non-Anglican institution. The differences are summarised in Table 4:

**Table 4 Active and total clergy as reported in AAD and this compendium for Australia, 2001 to 2015**

<i>Year</i>	<i>AAD</i>		<i>Compendium</i>	
	<i>Active clergy</i>	<i>Total clergy</i>	<i>Active clergy</i>	<i>Total clergy</i>
2001	2,702	3,661	2,324	3,660
2011	2,924	4,168	2,486	4,156
2014	2,888	4,248	2,448	4,096
2015	2,867	4,283	2,441	4,174

16. In some tables dioceses are presented according to the ecclesial hierarchy of provinces with the metropolitan diocese (led by an archbishop) followed by the other dioceses of the province (led by a bishop) in alphabetical order. For most tables, however, a different approach has been taken with
- ) the five metropolitan (mainland capital city) dioceses grouped together
  - ) the predominantly rural dioceses
  - ) the four mixed dioceses with one predominant urban centre (Canberra & Goulburn, Newcastle, The Northern Territory, and Tasmania).
17. These groups share some characteristics such as size and relative organisational complexity. It also appears to be the case that, broadly speaking, clergy in rural dioceses tend to exercise most of their active ministry in rural dioceses and metropolitan clergy in metropolitan dioceses.
18. Uniting Church of Australia clergy ministering in co-operating parishes and deaconesses are excluded from the numbers in this compendium. It has not been possible to classify some clergy listed in the directories without ordination details or for whom no position or ATO or PTO is indicated. Where such clergy are shown to be retired or are over the age of 65 they have been included in the retired clergy; others (2% of the total clergy in 2015) are shown in the penultimate line of the following table and in 'all clergy' tables, but are not otherwise included.

**Table 5 Australian Anglican clergy summary, 1961 to 2015**

<i>Category</i>	<i>1961</i>	<i>1971</i>	<i>1981</i>	<i>1991</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2014</i>	<i>2015</i>
Active deacons	58	54	61	236	274	468	515	502
Active priests	1,599	1,903	1,947	2,051	2,007	1,967	1,882	1,883
Active bishops	34	42	45	53	43	51	51	56
Total active	1,691	1,999	2,053	2,340	2,324	2,486	2,448	2,441
Non-retired ATO or PTO	41	103	177	160	171	176	131	135
Retired	281	305	435	613	1,084	1,386	1,446	1,502
Unclear	67	80	77	57	81	108	71	96
All clergy	2,080	2,487	2,742	3,170	3,660	4,156	4,096	4,174

### The Anglican Church of Australia and its context at a glance

19. In the following graph the two lines (plotted against the right hand scale) show the increasing Australian population and the relatively stable number of people who identify as Anglicans while the columns show aspects of Anglican church life – the number of active clergy, parishes, and schools (left hand scale).

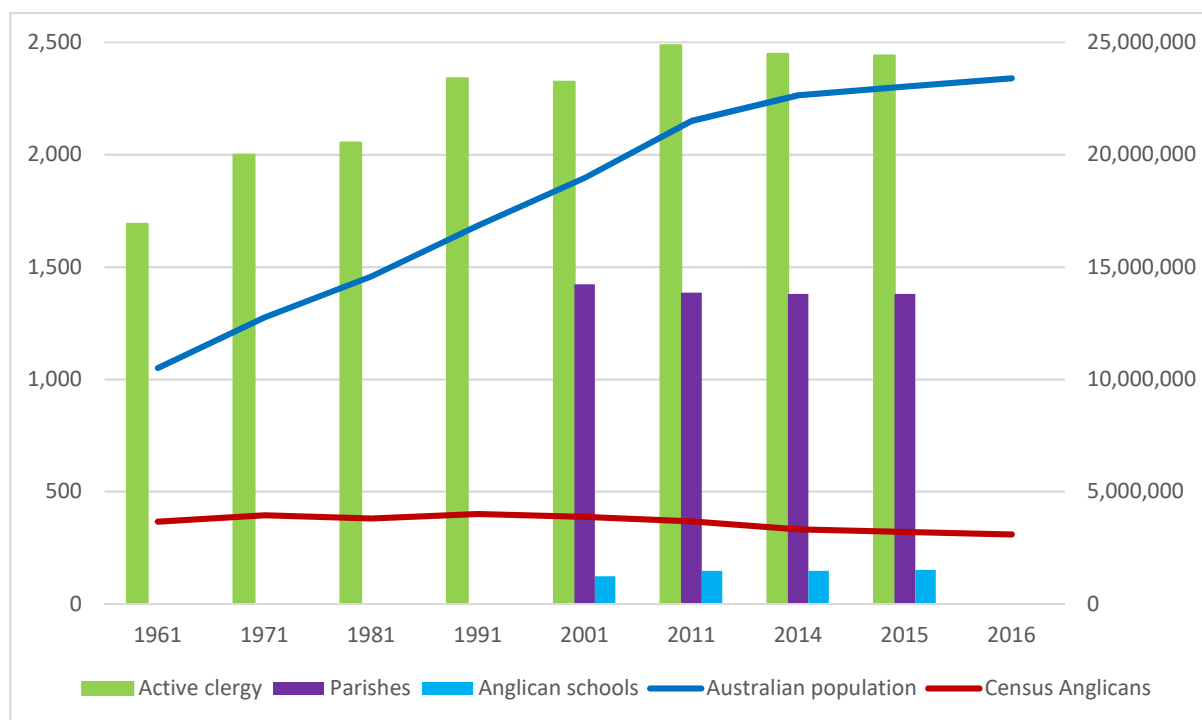


Figure 1 The Australian population, Census Anglicans, and Anglican clergy, parishes and schools

### Feedback

20. Apart from prefatory material in some reports that attempts to explain their derivation and limitations, the information in this report is offered without further comment. The compiler of this compendium welcomes feedback and suggestions for further analysis. These can be directed to him via e-mail at colre@bigpond.com.

## Australian parishes, parish clergy &amp; Census Anglicans by diocese, 2011

Diocese	Parishes	Parish clergy		Total parish clergy	Census Anglicans	Clergy per parish	Anglicans per parish	Anglicans per parish cleric
		Honorary	Stipendiary					
<b>Extra-provincial</b>								
Tasmania	51	14	68	82	128,488	1.6	2,519	1,567
<i>Summary for Extra-provincial (1 record)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	51	14	68	82	128,488	1.6	2,519	1,567
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	3.7%	12.5%	3.9%	4.5%	3.5%			
<b>New South Wales</b>								
Sydney	284	8	503	511	703,525	1.8	2,477	1,377
Armidale	34	1	45	46	64,011	1.4	1,883	1,392
Bathurst	30	11	28	39	68,653	1.3	2,288	1,760
Canberra & Goulburn	65	9	74	83	159,727	1.3	2,457	1,924
Grafton	28	4	38	42	115,931	1.5	4,140	2,760
Newcastle	60	1	95	96	278,808	1.6	4,647	2,904
Riverina	18		18	18	27,902	1.0	1,550	1,550
<i>Summary for New South Wales (7 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	519	34	801	835	1,418,557	1.6	2,733	1,699
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	37.2%	30.4%	46.3%	45.3%	38.6%			
<b>Queensland</b>								
Brisbane	135	40	143	183	626,947	1.4	4,644	3,426
North Queensland	55		62	62	119,849	1.1	2,179	1,933
Northern Territory	34	3	13	16	23,903	0.5	703	1,494
Rockhampton	19	6	11	17	68,982	0.9	3,631	4,058
<i>Summary for Queensland (4 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	243	49	229	278	839,681	1.1	3,455	3,020
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	17.4%	43.8%	13.2%	15.1%	22.9%			
<b>South Australia</b>								
Adelaide	68	1	71	72	127,591	1.1	1,876	1,772
The Murray	23		16	16	53,248	0.7	2,315	3,328
Willochra	21		19	19	19,289	0.9	919	1,015
<i>Summary for South Australia (3 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	112	1	106	107	200,128	1.0	1,787	1,870
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	8.0%	0.9%	6.1%	5.8%	5.4%			
<b>Victoria</b>								
Melbourne	200	1	268	269	464,411	1.3	2,322	1,726
Ballarat	25	2	20	22	42,319	0.9	1,693	1,924
Bendigo	36		35	35	53,914	1.0	1,498	1,540
Gippsland	29	3	24	27	53,877	0.9	1,858	1,995
Wangaratta	24	2	22	24	51,686	1.0	2,154	2,154
<i>Summary for Victoria (5 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	314	8	369	377	666,207	1.2	2,122	1,767
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	22.5%	7.1%	21.3%	20.5%	18.1%			
<b>Western Australia</b>								
Perth	109	4	112	116	318,753	1.1	2,924	2,748
Bunbury	31		32	32	76,681	1.0	2,474	2,396
North West Australia	18	2	13	15	24,392	0.8	1,355	1,626
<i>Summary for Western Australia (3 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	158	6	157	163	419,826	1.0	2,657	2,576
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	11.3%	5.4%	9.1%	8.8%	11.4%			
<b>AUSTRALIA</b>	<b>1,397</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>1,730</b>	<b>1,842</b>	<b>3,672,887</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>2,629</b>	<b>1,994</b>

# Census Anglicans by diocese, 1954 to 2011

Diocese	1954		1961		1961		1991		1991		2011		2011	
	Anglicans population	Proprn 1954 Anglicans	Anglicans population	Proprn 1961 Anglicans	Anglicans population	Proprn 1961 Anglicans	Anglicans population	Proprn 1991 Anglicans	Anglicans population	Proprn 1991 Anglicans	Anglicans population	Proprn 2011 Anglicans	Anglicans population	Proprn 2011 Anglicans
<b>Metropolitan</b>														
Adelaide	211,918	28%	243,115	27%	910,591	27%	169,076	18%	937,387	18%	127,591	12%	1,048,537	12%
Brisbane	332,214	34%	361,223	32%	1,120,749	32%	570,302	25%	2,256,695	25%	626,947	19%	3,339,354	19%
Melbourne	596,268	35%	654,332	31%	2,109,176	31%	551,637	17%	3,274,256	17%	464,411	11%	4,233,276	11%
Perth	191,750	42%	211,729	39%	536,217	39%	323,599	26%	1,251,051	26%	318,753	18%	1,750,396	18%
Sydney	928,771	44%	1,020,798	40%	2,549,550	40%	886,349	24%	3,680,499	24%	703,525	16%	4,432,775	16%
<i>Summary for Metropolitan (5 records)</i>														
Sum	2,260,921	38%	2,491,197	34%	7,226,283	34%	2,500,963	22%	11,399,888	22%	2,241,227	15%	14,804,338	15%
Proprn of Australia	66%	67%	68%	69%	68%	69%	63%	68%	68%	61%	69%	61%	69%	69%
<b>Rural</b>														
Armidale	72,896	50%	73,479	48%	154,094	48%	69,975	38%	183,396	38%	64,011	35%	185,453	35%
Ballarat	65,955	27%	65,812	25%	261,185	25%	48,656	18%	268,283	18%	42,319	14%	299,883	14%
Bathurst	85,354	41%	82,844	39%	211,978	39%	81,039	32%	253,163	32%	68,653	28%	247,244	28%
Bendigo	31,689	32%	34,965	30%	115,403	30%	65,235	22%	289,977	22%	53,914	17%	311,342	17%
Bunbury	51,212	44%	53,092	42%	127,717	42%	61,256	30%	201,993	30%	76,681	24%	321,196	24%
Carpentaria	11,838	42%	15,619	39%	40,302	39%								
Gippsland	61,146	37%	64,314	34%	188,773	34%	56,709	25%	226,172	25%	53,877	20%	273,240	20%
Grafton	68,489	39%	64,579	37%	175,362	37%	122,411	31%	390,878	31%	115,931	25%	471,041	25%
Kalgoorlie	12,533	37%	11,585	34%	33,656	34%								
North Queensland	71,956	32%	75,791	29%	260,657	29%	91,315	23%	398,876	23%	119,849	18%	649,785	18%
North West Australia	11,952	38%	12,756	35%	36,022	35%	31,677	23%	136,014	23%	24,392	15%	158,525	15%
Riverina	53,697	32%	45,067	29%	153,249	29%	42,316	24%	174,280	24%	27,902	21%	135,129	21%
Rockhampton	42,262	36%	41,257	34%	122,227	34%	72,317	25%	287,286	25%	68,982	21%	331,197	21%
St Arnaud	32,358	31%	30,782	30%	103,924	30%								
The Murray							55,484	18%	311,031	18%	53,248	14%	386,656	14%
Wangaratta	42,746	31%	41,739	28%	147,043	28%	53,210	24%	225,592	24%	51,686	19%	277,848	19%
Willochra	10,804	23%	10,744	20%	54,811	20%	25,582	16%	157,398	16%	19,289	12%	156,539	12%
<i>Summary for Rural (17 records)</i>														
Sum	726,887	35%	724,425	33%	2,186,403	33%	877,182	25%	3,504,339	25%	840,734	20%	4,205,078	20%
Proprn of Australia	21%	23%	20%	21%	20%	21%	22%	21%	21%	23%	20%	20%	20%	20%
<b>Urban &amp; rural</b>														
Canberra & Goulburn	92,972	42%	101,203	38%	265,534	38%	144,567	26%	546,344	26%	159,727	21%	753,188	21%
Newcastle	173,288	43%	185,697	41%	455,483	41%	265,473	34%	776,443	34%	278,808	28%	986,654	28%
Northern Territory							28,908	17%	167,640	17%	23,903	11%	212,688	11%
Tasmania	147,407	48%	159,101	45%	350,340	45%	165,811	36%	455,885	36%	128,488	26%	494,136	26%
<i>Summary for Urban &amp; rural (4 records)</i>														
Sum	413,667	44%	446,001	42%	1,071,357	42%	604,759	31%	1,946,312	31%	590,926	24%	2,446,666	24%
Proprn of Australia	12%	10%	12%	10%	10%	15%	12%	12%	12%	16%	11%	11%	11%	11%
<b>AUSTRALIA</b>	<b>3,401,475</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>3,661,623</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>10,484,043</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>3,982,904</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>16,850,539</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>3,672,887</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>21,456,082</b>	<b>17%</b>

# Census Anglicans per active cleric, 1991 and 2011

This report does not include the 24 clergy of the Diocese of Carpentaria in 1991. They would alter the Anglicans per active cleric for North Queensland from 1,074 to 838, for Queensland from 2,034 to 1,912, and for Australia from 1,726 to 1,709.

Diocese	Anglicans in 1991	Active clergy in 1991	Anglicans per active cleric in 1991	Anglicans in 2011	Active clergy in 2011	Anglicans per active cleric in 2011	Change in Anglicans per active cleric from 1991 to 2011
<b>Extra-provincial</b>							
Tasmania	165,811	84	1,974	128,488	102	1,260	-36.2%
<i>Summary for Extra-provincial (1 record)</i>							
Totals	165,811	84	1,974	128,488	102	1,260	-36%
Proportion of Australia	4%	4%		3%	4%		
<b>New South Wales</b>							
Sydney	886,349	482	1,839	703,525	653	1,077	-41.4%
Armidale	69,975	45	1,555	64,011	56	1,143	-26.5%
Bathurst	81,039	50	1,621	68,653	54	1,271	-21.6%
Canberra & Goulburn	144,567	101	1,431	159,727	133	1,201	-16.1%
Grafton	122,411	42	2,915	115,931	60	1,932	-33.7%
Newcastle	265,473	107	2,481	278,808	124	2,248	-9.4%
Riverina	42,316	30	1,411	27,902	20	1,395	-1.1%
<i>Summary for New South Wales (7 records)</i>							
Totals	1,612,130	857	1,881	1,418,557	1100	1,290	-31%
Proportion of Australia	40%	37%		39%	45%		
<b>Queensland</b>							
Brisbane	570,302	226	2,523	626,947	247	2,538	0.6%
North Queensland	91,315	85	1,074	119,849	83	1,444	34.4%
Northern Territory	28,908	22	1,314	23,903	27	885	-32.6%
Rockhampton	72,317	41	1,764	68,982	20	3,449	95.5%
<i>Summary for Queensland (4 records)</i>							
Totals	762,842	374	2,040	839,681	377	2,227	9%
Proportion of Australia	19%	16%		23%	15%		
<b>South Australia</b>							
Adelaide	169,076	130	1,301	127,591	93	1,372	5.5%
The Murray	55,484	29	1,913	53,248	17	3,132	63.7%
Willochra	25,582	26	984	19,289	23	839	-14.8%
<i>Summary for South Australia (3 records)</i>							
Totals	250,142	185	1,352	200,128	133	1,505	11%
Proportion of Australia	6%	8%		5%	5%		
<b>Victoria</b>							
Melbourne	551,637	419	1,317	464,411	369	1,259	-4.4%
Ballarat	48,656	53	918	42,319	28	1,511	64.6%
Bendigo	65,235	43	1,517	53,914	40	1,348	-11.2%
Gippsland	56,709	34	1,668	53,877	32	1,684	0.9%
Wangaratta	53,210	43	1,237	51,686	32	1,615	30.5%
<i>Summary for Victoria (5 records)</i>							
Totals	775,447	592	1,310	666,207	501	1,330	2%
Proportion of Australia	19%	26%		18%	20%		
<b>Western Australia</b>							
Perth	323,599	144	2,247	318,753	173	1,843	-18.0%
Bunbury	61,256	37	1,656	76,681	40	1,917	15.8%
North West Australia	31,677	27	1,173	24,392	20	1,220	4.0%
<i>Summary for Western Australia (3 records)</i>							
Totals	416,532	208	2,003	419,826	233	1,802	-10%
Proportion of Australia	10%	9%		11%	10%		
<b>AUSTRALIA</b>	<b>3,982,904</b>	<b>2,300</b>	<b>1,732</b>	<b>3,672,887</b>	<b>2,446</b>	<b>1,502</b>	<b>-13%</b>

# Ordination of deacons in Australian dioceses from 1838

*This report counts the number of deacons ordained each year by Australian diocesan bishops or other bishops on their behalf.*

*There has been at least one ordination each year since 1838 after William Grant Broughton was consecrated as the first Bishop of Australia in 1836.*

*Nearly all of these ordinations were conducted in Australia, but some were carried out in other countries, principally England, when the bishop was visiting and recruiting for his diocese.*

*The largest number of ordinations in any one year was 154 in 2009, and the greatest number for any one diocese was 57 in Sydney in 2010.*

*The number of deacons recorded here is subject to revision, particularly for the periods 1961 to 1991. The number for the present decade is, of course, incomplete.*

*The total number of diaconal ordinations listed here is **9,519***

## AUSTRALIAN ORDINATIONS OF DEACONS

Ord decade	Total Aust	Adel	Armid	Aust	Bath	Bend	Brish	Bunb	C&G	Carp	Gipps	Goulb	Gr& Arm	Kal	Melb	N Terr	Newc	NQ	NWA	Perth	Riv Rockh	St Arn	Syd	Tas	TheM	Will	Wang		
1830s	4			4																									
1840s	69	4		20											6		7						7	25					
1850s	94	15													28		15						23	13					
1860s	106	13					12					9			37		7			1			20	7					
1870s	191	9			13	26	13				25	7			37		8	8		1			30	14					
1880s	256	19			25	33	14				13	18			57		8	17	3	3	10		30	9					
1890s	286	16			22	19	9				8	23			87		15	20	14	14	9	1	31	12					
1900s	471	20			60	20	14	10		6	19	13	35		56		24	7	33	33	7	4	70	25				21	
1910s	493	19	10		49	19	44	27	8	2	28	12	20		47		23	5	17	17	11	3	82	28		1	23		
1920s	489	27	20		39	32	30	41	7	5	23	15			5	59	16	1	1	15	7	5	71	20	3	3	19		
1930s	444	26	16		19	28	18	35	4	2	17	17			3	49	16	8	25	25	6	8	72	21	3	3	13		
1940s	429	28	18		11	27	11	32	3	4	15	14			1	53	23	8	1	19	6	2	12	102	16		7		
1950s	707	57	32		23	30	11	48	8	8	21	2			2	79	36	15	28	13	8	21	157	30	1	1	6		
1960s	921	72	29		11	28	13	84	16	47	18	22			27	142	48	13	3	41	16	20	17	184	46	5	16		
1970s	694	42	19		14	24	9	70	7	37	13	19			1	113	30	21	2	38	16	8	111	31	8	6	10		
1980s	969	49	42		35	13	19	86	13	48	12	17			20	133	58	73	9	42	20	25	163	48	6	9	18		
1990s	971	48	40		15	28	12	113	16	63	9	14			29	118	4	56	6	85	11	16	197	30	9	10	13		
2000s	1,186	28	38		12	45	24	72	18	78	15				46	165	18	45	50	23	54	4	326	78	7	18	12		
2010s	735	33	19		5	8	13	40	8	39	13				5	128	9	45	13	9	23	1	262	29	5	11	9		
Unkno	4	1						2																					
Totals	9,519	526	283	24	353	380	231	710	120	367	79	223	128	103	251	17,1394	47	453	315	54	440	143	112	77,1938	482	35	67	167	
Prpbn of total	100.0%	5.5%	3.0%	0.3%	3.7%	4.0%	2.4%	7.5%	1.3%	3.9%	0.8%	2.3%	1.3%	1.1%	2.6%	0.2%	4.8%	3.3%	0.6%	4.6%	1.5%	1.2%	0.8%	20.4%	5.1%	0.4%	0.7%	1.8%	



## All clergy by diocese, 1961 to 2015

<i>Diocese</i>	1961	1971	1981	1991	2001	2011	2014	2015
<b>Metropolitan</b>								
Adelaide	169	130	161	186	187	179	184	199
Brisbane	167	231	279	341	461	478	492	486
Melbourne	393	465	496	605	617	705	689	700
Perth	111	148	189	208	292	317	304	306
Sydney	434	527	563	653	773	934	950	973
<i>Summary for Metropolitan (5 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	1,274	1,501	1,688	1,993	2,330	2,613	2,619	2,664
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	61%	60%	62%	63%	64%	63%	64%	64%
<b>Rural</b>								
Armidale	53	49	50	53	69	70	65	64
Ballarat	60	54	69	58	58	59	54	49
Bathurst	66	60	59	50	74	88	78	78
Bendigo	36	33	64	67	73	63	73	75
Bunbury	38	44	46	50	48	66	71	66
Carpentaria	26	30	37	29				
Gippsland	34	50	41	50	58	74	77	74
Grafton	50	50	59	70	80	105	84	89
Kalgoorlie	6	8						
North Queensland	47	58	48	97	114	126	130	133
North West Australia	7	15	20	29	28	28	30	32
Riverina	18	32	32	34	29	26	27	22
Rockhampton	16	25	31	46	44	35	33	33
St Arnaud	23	28		1				
The Murray		30	36	39	54	50	43	43
Wangaratta	26	41	46	69	57	55	51	61
Willochra	13	27	34	30	31	38	39	42
<i>Summary for Rural (17 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	519	634	672	772	817	883	855	861
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	25%	25%	25%	24%	22%	21%	21%	21%
<b>Urban &amp; rural</b>								
Canberra & Goulburn	88	98	120	105	189	231	223	234
Newcastle	91	113	132	146	177	217	204	220
Northern Territory		17	14	24	25	42	37	40
Tasmania	108	124	116	130	122	170	158	155
<i>Summary for Urban &amp; rural (4 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	287	352	382	405	513	660	622	649
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	14%	14%	14%	13%	14%	16%	15%	16%
<b>AUSTRALIA</b>	<b>2,080</b>	<b>2,487</b>	<b>2,742</b>	<b>3,170</b>	<b>3,660</b>	<b>4,156</b>	<b>4,096</b>	<b>4,174</b>

## Active clergy by diocese, 1961 to 2015

<i>Diocese</i>	<i>1961</i>	<i>1971</i>	<i>1981</i>	<i>1991</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2014</i>	<i>2015</i>
<b>Metropolitan</b>								
Adelaide	143	102	116	130	121	97	99	117
Brisbane	135	174	192	228	288	250	228	209
Melbourne	280	343	350	423	365	378	377	379
Perth	94	114	124	144	187	178	176	171
Sydney	334	414	422	483	528	658	688	688
<i>Summary for Metropolitan (5 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	<b>986</b>	<b>1,147</b>	<b>1,204</b>	<b>1,408</b>	<b>1,489</b>	<b>1,561</b>	<b>1,568</b>	<b>1,564</b>
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	<b>58%</b>	<b>57%</b>	<b>59%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>64%</b>
<b>Rural</b>								
Armidale	45	42	42	45	53	56	49	48
Ballarat	53	48	58	53	36	28	33	30
Bathurst	63	59	53	50	51	54	41	43
Bendigo	28	26	53	44	39	40	47	42
Bunbury	33	39	33	37	27	41	38	34
Carpentaria	26	27	37	25				
Gippsland	32	44	37	34	28	33	40	36
Grafton	45	41	44	43	50	61	46	48
Kalgoorlie	6	8						
North Queensland	46	51	41	85	89	83	76	80
North West Australia	7	15	20	27	21	20	27	27
Riverina	16	29	30	30	22	20	19	14
Rockhampton	16	25	25	41	37	21	21	19
St Arnaud	21	25						
The Murray		27	27	29	29	17	14	17
Wangaratta	25	36	36	45	31	32	33	36
Willochra	12	27	29	26	20	24	28	29
<i>Summary for Rural (17 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	<b>474</b>	<b>569</b>	<b>565</b>	<b>614</b>	<b>533</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>512</b>	<b>503</b>
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	<b>28%</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>21%</b>
<b>Urban &amp; rural</b>								
Canberra & Goulburn	75	88	87	101	117	138	134	144
Newcastle	72	90	96	108	97	125	116	112
Northern Territory		17	14	24	22	29	27	30
Tasmania	84	88	87	85	66	103	91	88
<i>Summary for Urban &amp; rural (4 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	<b>231</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>368</b>	<b>374</b>
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	<b>14%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>15%</b>
<b>AUSTRALIA</b>	<b>1,691</b>	<b>1,999</b>	<b>2,053</b>	<b>2,340</b>	<b>2,324</b>	<b>2,486</b>	<b>2,448</b>	<b>2,441</b>

## Active deacons by diocese, 1961 to 2015

<i>Diocese</i>	<i>1961</i>	<i>1971</i>	<i>1981</i>	<i>1991</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2014</i>	<i>2015</i>
<b>Metropolitan</b>								
Adelaide	5	2	4	18	8	7	12	11
Brisbane		3	4	12	36	34	27	29
Melbourne	2	2	3	45	31	24	42	42
Perth	3	4	2	12	22	17	18	20
Sydney	15	8	1	35	80	231	281	266
<i>Summary for Metropolitan (5 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	<b>25</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>368</b>
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	<b>43%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>73%</b>
<b>Rural</b>								
Armidale	3	2	3	4	8	9	3	5
Ballarat	3		2	2	1	6	6	4
Bathurst		1	2	3	10	9	7	9
Bendigo	1		2	2		6	7	8
Bunbury	1	6	2	4	1	7	6	5
Carpentaria		4	7	1				
Gippsland	1	1		1		4	5	3
Grafton	2	4	5	5	5	19	7	8
North Queensland			6	20	18	14	16	14
North West Australia	1			2	5		6	6
Riverina		2		1	2	3	2	
Rockhampton	2	2	1	16	11	2	6	5
St Arnaud	2	2						
The Murray				2	3			
Wangaratta	1		1	7	2	3	6	6
Willochra	1		2	1	2	4	1	4
<i>Summary for Rural (16 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	<b>18</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>77</b>
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	<b>31%</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>15%</b>
<b>Urban &amp; rural</b>								
Canberra & Goulburn	12	2		19	17	27	22	29
Newcastle	1	6	5	9	4	22	16	12
Northern Territory				7	4	7	8	8
Tasmania	2	3	9	8	4	13	11	8
<i>Summary for Urban &amp; rural (4 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	<b>15</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>57</b>
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	<b>26%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>11%</b>
<b>AUSTRALIA</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>468</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>502</b>

## Active priests by diocese, 1961 to 2015

<i>Diocese</i>	<i>1961</i>	<i>1971</i>	<i>1981</i>	<i>1991</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2014</i>	<i>2015</i>
<b>Metropolitan</b>								
Adelaide	136	98	109	110	111	89	85	103
Brisbane	133	168	185	213	247	211	195	173
Melbourne	276	337	343	370	330	346	329	331
Perth	88	107	119	129	160	158	154	147
Sydney	314	401	413	437	443	418	400	414
<i>Summary for Metropolitan (5 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	947	1,111	1,169	1,259	1,291	1,222	1,163	1,168
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	59%	58%	60%	61%	64%	62%	62%	62%
<b>Rural</b>								
Armidale	41	39	38	40	44	46	45	42
Ballarat	50	47	54	50	33	22	25	25
Bathurst	62	57	51	46	40	43	33	33
Bendigo	26	25	50	41	37	33	38	32
Bunbury	31	31	30	32	25	33	31	28
Carpentaria	25	22	29	22				
Gippsland	30	42	36	32	28	28	34	32
Grafton	42	36	38	38	44	41	38	39
Kalgoorlie	5	7						
North Queensland	45	48	34	62	69	67	58	64
North West Australia	5	14	19	23	15	19	20	20
Riverina	15	26	29	28	19	16	17	13
Rockhampton	14	23	23	24	25	17	15	13
St Arnaud	18	22						
The Murray		26	26	25	25	17	13	16
Wangaratta	23	35	34	37	28	28	26	29
Willochra	10	26	26	24	17	19	26	24
<i>Summary for Rural (17 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	442	526	517	524	449	429	419	410
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	28%	28%	27%	26%	22%	22%	22%	22%
<b>Urban &amp; rural</b>								
Canberra & Goulburn	61	84	84	80	98	107	106	109
Newcastle	69	82	89	97	91	101	98	98
Northern Territory		16	13	16	17	21	19	21
Tasmania	80	84	75	75	61	87	77	77
<i>Summary for Urban &amp; rural (4 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	210	266	261	268	267	316	300	305
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	13%	14%	13%	13%	13%	16%	16%	16%
<b>AUSTRALIA</b>	<b>1,599</b>	<b>1,903</b>	<b>1,947</b>	<b>2,051</b>	<b>2,007</b>	<b>1,967</b>	<b>1,882</b>	<b>1,883</b>

## Active bishops by diocese, 1961 to 2015

<i>Diocese</i>	<i>1961</i>	<i>1971</i>	<i>1981</i>	<i>1991</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2014</i>	<i>2015</i>
<b>Metropolitan</b>								
Adelaide	2	2	3	2	2	1	2	3
Brisbane	2	3	3	3	5	5	6	7
Melbourne	2	4	4	8	4	8	6	6
Perth	3	3	3	3	5	3	4	4
Sydney	5	5	8	11	5	9	7	8
<i>Summary for Metropolitan (5 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	<b>14</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>28</b>
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	<b>41%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>50%</b>
<b>Rural</b>								
Armidale	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ballarat		1	2	1	2		2	1
Bathurst	1	1		1	1	2	1	1
Bendigo	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	2
Bunbury	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Carpentaria	1	1	1	2				
Gippsland	1	1	1	1		1	1	1
Grafton	1	1	1		1	1	1	1
Kalgoorlie	1	1						
North Queensland	1	3	1	3	2	2	2	2
North West Australia	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1
Riverina	1	1	1	1	1	1		1
Rockhampton			1	1	1	2		1
St Arnaud	1	1						
The Murray		1	1	2	1		1	1
Wangaratta	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Willochra	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
<i>Summary for Rural (17 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	<b>14</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	<b>41%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>29%</b>
<b>Urban &amp; rural</b>								
Canberra & Goulburn	2	2	3	2	2	4	6	6
Newcastle	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Northern Territory		1	1	1	1	1		1
Tasmania	2	1	3	2	1	3	3	3
<i>Summary for Urban &amp; rural (4 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	<b>18%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>21%</b>
<b>AUSTRALIA</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>56</b>

## Non-retired clergy with ATO or PTO by diocese, 1961 to 2015

<i>Diocese</i>	1961	1971	1981	1991	2001	2011	2014	2015
<b>Metropolitan</b>								
Adelaide	2	6	7	8	5	8	3	6
Brisbane	5	24	32	36	40	7	2	2
Melbourne	18	35	61	31	39	74	50	45
Perth		13	14	11	17	20	15	17
Sydney	9	4	19	22	15	22	20	27
<b>Summary for Metropolitan (5 records)</b>								
Total	34	82	133	108	116	131	90	97
Proportion of Australia	83%	80%	75%	67%	68%	74%	69%	72%
<b>Rural</b>								
Armidale			2	2	2		1	1
Ballarat			1		1	3	1	2
Bathurst			2		4	3	1	1
Bendigo		3	2	5	3			
Bunbury	3		3	3	2			
Carpentaria		1						
Gippsland		1		3		3	1	2
Grafton	1	1	3	15	3	6	2	4
North Queensland		1	1		7	2	3	3
North West Australia				2	1	1		
Riverina					1		1	1
Rockhampton			3			1		
St Arnaud	1	1						
Wangaratta		1	4	11	4	2	2	1
Willochra					1	1	1	1
<b>Summary for Rural (15 records)</b>								
Total	5	9	21	41	29	22	13	16
Proportion of Australia	12%	9%	12%	25%	17%	13%	10%	12%
<b>Urban &amp; rural</b>								
Canberra & Goulburn	1	5	9		14	16	14	10
Newcastle	1	3	6	8	8	5	8	8
Northern Territory					1			
Tasmania		4	8	4	3	2	6	4
<b>Summary for Urban &amp; rural (4 records)</b>								
Total	2	12	23	12	26	23	28	22
Proportion of Australia	5%	12%	13%	7%	15%	13%	21%	16%
<b>AUSTRALIA</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>135</b>

## Retired clergy by diocese, 1961 to 2015

<i>Diocese</i>	<i>1961</i>	<i>1971</i>	<i>1981</i>	<i>1991</i>	<i>2001</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2014</i>	<i>2015</i>
<b>Metropolitan</b>								
Adelaide	16	19	31	44	54	64	76	75
Brisbane	26	32	50	76	128	200	258	264
Melbourne	81	72	74	149	196	242	252	265
Perth	17	21	49	53	85	113	111	113
Sydney	71	70	94	116	210	234	221	225
<i>Summary for Metropolitan (5 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	<b>211</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>673</b>	<b>853</b>	<b>918</b>	<b>942</b>
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	<b>75%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>71%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>63%</b>
<b>Rural</b>								
Armidale	6	5	4	5	13	13	12	11
Ballarat	7	5	9	4	19	27	19	17
Bathurst	2	1	4		19	30	33	30
Bendigo	7	4	9	17	29	18	26	30
Bunbury	2	4	9	8	19	25	33	31
Carpentaria		2		4				
Gippsland	1	4		12	29	36	35	35
Grafton	3	4	8	11	26	35	33	35
North Queensland		5	4	11	14	35	48	45
North West Australia					4	7	3	5
Riverina	1	3	2	3	5	6	6	7
Rockhampton			3	5	6	13	12	13
St Arnaud		1		1				
The Murray		1	8	7	22	27	25	22
Wangaratta	1	4	6	11	21	21	16	23
Willochra	1		3	4	9	12	10	10
<i>Summary for Rural (16 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	<b>31</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>314</b>
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	<b>11%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>21%</b>
<b>Urban &amp; rural</b>								
Canberra & Goulburn	7	4	20	2	52	71	71	77
Newcastle	14	17	30	29	70	86	78	98
Northern Territory					2	13	10	10
Tasmania	18	27	20	41	53	60	58	61
<i>Summary for Urban &amp; rural (4 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	<b>39</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>246</b>
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	<b>14%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>16%</b>
<b>AUSTRALIA</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>613</b>	<b>1,085</b>	<b>1,388</b>	<b>1,446</b>	<b>1,502</b>

## Active clergy in age groups by diocese, 2015

<i>Diocese</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Under 30</i>	<i>30 to 39</i>	<i>40 to 49</i>	<i>50 to 59</i>	<i>60 to 69</i>	<i>70 and over</i>	<i>Age unknown</i>
<b>Metropolitan</b>								
Adelaide	117	2	22	36	27	23	3	4
Brisbane	208	1	26	29	79	61	2	10
Melbourne	362	4	45	60	112	70	1	70
Perth	171	4	12	39	75	36	2	3
Sydney	651	43	206	161	174	53	1	13
<i>Summary for Metropolitan (5 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	<b>1,509</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>467</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>100</b>
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	<b>64%</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>78%</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>65%</b>
<b>Rural</b>								
Armidale	45	2	15	14	8	4	1	1
Ballarat	30	1	6	5	11	3	2	2
Bathurst	42		5	10	5	18	3	1
Bendigo	42	1	7	8	6	11	1	8
Bunbury	34		2	3	11	11	3	4
Gippsland	36		2	2	17	9		6
Grafton	47		8	5	16	11	2	5
North Queensland	79	1	7	9	28	31	3	
North West Australia	26	4	4	6	9	2	1	
Riverina	14			1	7	6		
Rockhampton	18			5	9	3	1	
The Murray	17			4	8	3	1	1
Wangaratta	36	1	1	7	11	15		1
Willochra	28		2	3	6	13	2	2
<i>Summary for Rural (14 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	<b>494</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>31</b>
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	<b>21%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>Urban &amp; rural</b>								
Canberra & Goulburn	134	2	10	25	47	29	5	16
Newcastle	112	2	12	25	36	25	10	2
Northern Territory	30		4	4	17	4	1	
Tasmania	87	3	5	13	25	31	6	4
<i>Summary for Urban &amp; rural (4 records)</i>								
<i>Total</i>	<b>363</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>22</b>
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>	<b>15%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>14%</b>
<b>AUSTRALIA</b>	<b>2,366</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>401</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>744</b>	<b>472</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>153</b>



## Active clergy: proportion in age groups by diocese, 2015

<i>Diocese</i>	<i>Total with known age</i>	<i>Propn under 30</i>	<i>Propn 30 to 39</i>	<i>Propn 40 to 49</i>	<i>Propn 50 to 59</i>	<i>Propn 60 to 69</i>	<i>Propn 70 and over</i>
<b>Metropolitan</b>							
Adelaide	113	2%	19%	32%	24%	20%	3%
Brisbane	198	1%	13%	15%	40%	31%	1%
Melbourne	292	1%	15%	21%	38%	24%	0%
Perth	168	2%	7%	23%	45%	21%	1%
Sydney	637	7%	32%	25%	27%	8%	0%
<i>Summary for Metropolitan (5 records)</i>							
<i>Total</i>	<i>1,408</i>	<i>4%</i>	<i>22%</i>	<i>23%</i>	<i>33%</i>	<i>17%</i>	<i>1%</i>
<b>Rural</b>							
Armidale	44	5%	34%	32%	18%	9%	2%
Ballarat	28	4%	21%	18%	39%	11%	7%
Bathurst	41		12%	24%	12%	44%	7%
Bendigo	34	3%	21%	24%	18%	32%	3%
Bunbury	31		10%	10%	35%	35%	10%
Gippsland	30		7%	7%	57%	30%	
Grafton	42		19%	12%	38%	26%	5%
North Queensland	79	1%	9%	11%	35%	39%	4%
North West Australia	26	15%	15%	23%	35%	8%	4%
Riverina	14			7%	50%	43%	
Rockhampton	18			28%	50%	17%	6%
The Murray	16			25%	50%	19%	6%
Wangaratta	35	3%	3%	20%	31%	43%	
Willochra	26		8%	12%	23%	50%	8%
<i>Summary for Rural (14 records)</i>							
<i>Total</i>	<i>464</i>	<i>2%</i>	<i>13%</i>	<i>18%</i>	<i>33%</i>	<i>30%</i>	<i>4%</i>
<b>Urban &amp; rural</b>							
Canberra & Goulburn	118	2%	8%	21%	40%	25%	4%
Newcastle	110	2%	11%	23%	33%	23%	9%
Northern Territory	30		13%	13%	57%	13%	3%
Tasmania	83	4%	6%	16%	30%	37%	7%
<i>Summary for Urban &amp; rural (4 records)</i>							
<i>Total</i>	<i>341</i>	<i>2%</i>	<i>9%</i>	<i>20%</i>	<i>37%</i>	<i>26%</i>	<i>6%</i>
<b>AUSTRALIA</b>	<b>2,213</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>34%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>2%</b>

# Active clergy by diocese and gender, 1991 to 2015

Diocese	1991 male	2001 male	2011 male	2015 male	1991 female	2001 female	2011 female	2015 female	Propn female 1991	Propn female 2001	Propn female 2011	Propn female 2015
<b>Metropolitan</b>												
Adelaide	124	102	72	87	6	19	25	30	5%	16%	26%	26%
Brisbane	221	234	168	137	7	54	82	72	3%	19%	33%	34%
Melbourne	385	301	280	278	38	64	98	101	9%	18%	26%	27%
Perth	137	148	124	124	7	39	54	47	5%	21%	30%	27%
Sydney	468	499	620	646	14	29	37	42	3%	5%	6%	6%
<i>Summary for Metropolitan (5 records)</i>												
Sum	1,335	1,284	1,264	1,272	72	205	296	292	5%	14%	19%	19%
Propn of Australia	60%	65%	66%	68%	59%	61%	52%	51%				
<b>Rural</b>												
Armidale	45	51	54	46		2	2	2	0%	4%	4%	4%
Ballarat	53	36	25	26			3	4	0%	0%	11%	13%
Bathurst	48	36	37	30	2	15	17	13	4%	29%	31%	30%
Bendigo	43	36	24	28	1	3	16	14	2%	8%	40%	33%
Bunbury	35	23	23	16	2	4	18	18	5%	15%	44%	53%
Carpentaria	25								0%	0%	0%	0%
Gippsland	34	23	19	20		5	14	16	0%	18%	42%	44%
Grafton	41	41	37	27	2	9	24	21	5%	18%	39%	44%
North Queensland	81	77	64	58	4	12	19	22	5%	13%	23%	28%
North West Australia	26	21	20	27	1				4%	0%	0%	0%
Riverina	30	19	13	13		3	7	1	0%	14%	35%	7%
Rockhampton	34	28	14	9	7	9	7	10	17%	24%	33%	53%
The Murray	29	29	17	17					0%	0%	0%	0%
Wangaratta	43	30	26	25	2	1	6	11	4%	3%	19%	31%
Willochra	26	16	13	17		4	11	12	0%	20%	46%	41%
<i>Summary for Rural (15 records)</i>												
Sum	593	466	386	359	21	67	144	144	3%	13%	27%	29%
Propn of Australia	27%	23%	20%	19%	17%	20%	25%	25%				
<b>Urban &amp; rural</b>												
Canberra & Goulbur	90	87	88	89	11	30	49	55	11%	26%	36%	38%
Newcastle	100	76	86	69	8	21	39	43	7%	22%	31%	38%
Northern Territory	20	19	20	19	4	3	8	11	17%	14%	29%	37%
Tasmania	78	57	64	60	7	8	38	28	8%	12%	37%	32%
<i>Summary for Urban &amp; rural (4 records)</i>												
Sum	288	239	258	237	30	62	134	137	9%	21%	34%	37%
Propn of Australia	13%	12%	14%	13%	24%	19%	23%	24%				
<b>AUSTRALIA</b>	<b>2,216</b>	<b>1,989</b>	<b>1,908</b>	<b>1,868</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>574</b>	<b>573</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>23%</b>

# Active clergy deployment by diocese, 2015

Diocese	CENTRE			PAROCHIAL			CHAPLAINCY			OTHER				
	Active clergy	Oversight	Support	Cathedral	Theological education	Parochial leadership	Parochial other	Defence	Educatio	Health & welfare	Industrial	Mission agency	Religious order nei	Ecumenical
<b>Metropolitan</b>														
Adelaide	117	3	3	3	4	46	29		11	14	4			
Brisbane	209	7	2	3	4	101	53	7	18	9	1	2	1	1
Melbourne	379	4		3	21	169	117	2	39	18	3	3		
Perth	171	5		3	7	71	36	2	20	21	4	2		
Sydney	688	7	15	3	24	245	296	12	43	29	6	8		
<i>Summary for Metropolitan (5 records)</i>														
Sum	1,564	26	20	15	60	632	531	23	131	91	18	15	1	1
Prpn of Australia	64%	44%	57%	41%	85%	63%	65%	43%	76%	71%	56%	94%	50%	50%
<b>Rural</b>														
Armidale	48	1	1	3		25	9		6	2	1			
Ballarat	30	1		1		19	7		1	1				
Bathurst	43	2		2		20	15		3	1				
Bendigo	42	1	1	1		22	15			1	1			
Bunbury	34	2	1			16	8	1	3	1	2			
North Gippsland	36	1	1	1		21	8		2	2				
Grafton	48	1	1	1		22	16		5	1	1			
North Queensland	80	2	1	2	2	32	28	8	3	2				
North West Australia	27	1	1	1		11	8	1		2	2			
Riverina	14	1		1		11								
Rockhampton	19	1		1		7	9			1				
The Murray	17	2				13	1		1					
Wangaratta	36	1		2		19	9	3	2					
Willochra	29	2		1		11	12	1		1	1			
<i>Summary for Rural (14 records)</i>														
Sum	503	19	7	17	2	249	145	15	26	15	8			
Prpn of Australia	21%	32%	20%	46%	3%	25%	18%	28%	15%	12%	25%			
<b>Urban &amp; rural</b>														
Canberra & Goulburn	142	7	5	1	7	46	43	11	8	10	2	1		1
Newcastle	112	3	2	2		47	44	1	2	7	3			1
Northern Territory	30	1	1	1	2	10	9	3	2	1				
Tasmania	88	3		1		27	48		4	4	1			
<i>Summary for Urban &amp; rural (4 records)</i>														
Sum	372	14	8	5	9	130	144	15	16	22	6	1	1	1
Prpn of Australia	15%	24%	23%	14%	13%	13%	18%	28%	9%	17%	19%	6%	50%	50%
<b>AUSTRALIA</b>	<b>2,439</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>1,011</b>	<b>820</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>

## Parochial clergy by diocese and gender, 2015

Diocese	PARISH LEADERS (rectors, vicars, PiCs etc)					PARISH ASSISTANT CLERGY				
	Total parochial	Propn total female	Female leaders	Male leaders	Total leaders	Propn female leaders	Female other	Male other	Total other	Propn female other
<b>Metropolitan</b>										
Adelaide	75	21%	11	35	46	24%	5	24	29	17%
Brisbane	154	31%	30	71	101	30%	18	35	53	34%
Melbourne	286	23%	30	139	169	18%	35	82	117	30%
Perth	107	35%	24	47	71	34%	13	23	36	36%
Sydney	542	5%		245	245		27	270	297	9%
<i>Summary for Metropolitan (5 records)</i>										
<i>Sum</i>	1,164	17%	95	537	632	15%	98	434	532	18%
<i>Propn of Australia</i>	64%		53%	65%	63%		41%	75%	65%	
<b>Rural</b>										
Armidale	34	0%		25	25			9	9	
Ballarat	26	15%	1	18	19	5%	3	4	7	43%
Bathurst	35	29%	5	15	20	25%	5	10	15	33%
Bendigo	37	32%	5	17	22	23%	7	8	15	47%
Bunbury	24	67%	9	7	16	56%	7	1	8	88%
Gippsland	29	48%	7	14	21	33%	7	1	8	88%
Grafton	38	37%	8	14	22	36%	6	10	16	38%
North Queensland	60	27%	5	27	32	16%	11	17	28	39%
North West Australia	19	0%		11	11			8	8	
Riverina	11	9%	1	10	11	9%				
Rockhampton	16	56%	2	5	7	29%	7	2	9	78%
The Murray	14	0%		13	13			1	1	
Wangaratta	28	36%	4	15	19	21%	6	3	9	67%
Willochra	23	43%	3	8	11	27%	7	5	12	58%
<i>Summary for Rural (14 records)</i>										
<i>Sum</i>	394	29%	50	199	249	20%	66	79	145	46%
<i>Propn of Australia</i>	22%		28%	24%	25%		28%	14%	18%	
<b>Urban &amp; rural</b>										
Canberra & Goulburn	88	42%	12	33	45	27%	25	18	43	58%
Newcastle	91	44%	13	34	47	28%	27	17	44	61%
Northern Territory	19	42%	4	6	10	40%	4	5	9	44%
Tasmania	75	32%	5	22	27	19%	19	29	48	40%
<i>Summary for Urban &amp; rural (4 records)</i>										
<i>Sum</i>	273	40%	34	95	129	26%	75	69	144	52%
<i>Propn of Australia</i>	15%		19%	11%	13%		31%	12%	18%	
<b>AUSTRALIA</b>	<b>1,831</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>831</b>	<b>1010</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>582</b>	<b>821</b>	<b>29%</b>

## Diaconal ordination source of active clergy, 2015

In this report 'locally ordained' means that the cleric was made deacon in the diocese in which he or she is currently ministering.

Diocese	Total	Locally ordained	Metropolitan	Rural	Urban & rural	British Isles	Other overseas	Other denominations	Unknown	Propn locally ordained
<b>Metropolitan</b>										
Adelaide	117	72	17	12	3	6	6		1	62%
Brisbane	209	137	16	21	15	8	8	1	3	66%
Melbourne	379	262	31	38	19	14	14	1		69%
Perth	171	89	25	21	6	12	13	1	4	52%
Sydney	689	610	11	38	9	5	14	2		89%
<i>Summary for Metropolitan (5 records)</i>										
Sum	1,565	1,170	100	130	52	45	55	5	8	75%
Propn of Australia	64%	68%	43%	62%	55%	73%	69%	42%	57%	
<b>Rural</b>										
Armidale	48	40	6	1	1					83%
Ballarat	30	16	8	4			1	1		53%
Bathurst	43	34	3	2	3	1				79%
Bendigo	42	24	5	6	4	1	2			57%
Bunbury	34	19	5	2	2	1	4		1	56%
Gippsland	36	20	11	2		1	2			56%
Grafton	48	27	8	6	5	1	1			56%
North Queensland	80	55	9	12	1		1	1	1	69%
North West Australia	27	14	8	4	1					52%
Riverina	14	7		4	2	1				50%
Rockhampton	19	13	1	1	1			3		68%
The Murray	17	4	6	4		2		1		24%
Wangaratta	36	14	7	3	8		4			39%
Willochra	29	18	6	3	1			1		62%
<i>Summary for Rural (14 records)</i>										
Sum	503	305	83	54	29	8	15	7	2	61%
Propn of Australia	21%	18%	35%	26%	31%	13%	19%	58%	14%	
<b>Urban &amp; rural</b>										
Canberra & Goulburn	141	89	30	12	5	4	1			63%
Newcastle	112	81	11	7	4	5	4			72%
Northern Territory	30	18	3	4	2		3			60%
Tasmania	88	69	8	2	3		2		4	78%
<i>Summary for Urban &amp; rural (4 records)</i>										
Sum	371	257	52	25	14	9	10		4	69%
Propn of Australia	15%	15%	22%	12%	15%	15%	13%		29%	
AUSTRALIA	2,439	1,732	235	209	95	62	80	12	14	71%

## Parishes and vacancy rates by diocese, 1994 to 2015

Diocese	1994 parishes	1994 vacancies	1994 propn vacant	2001 parishes	2001 vacancies	2001 propn vacant	2011 parishes	2011 vacancies	2011 propn vacant	2015 parishes	2015 vacancies	2015 propn vacant
<b>Metropolitan</b>												
Adelaide	78	14	18%	66	9	14%	65	3	5%	65	6	9%
Brisbane	145	8	6%	148	20	14%	137	28	20%	138	32	23%
Melbourne	240	15	6%	229	24	10%	211	32	15%	207	36	17%
Perth	104	9	9%	112	23	21%	108	18	17%	104	29	28%
Sydney	270	12	4%	264	24	9%	270	34	13%	272	28	10%
<i>Summary for Metropolitan (5 records)</i>												
<i>Sum</i>	837	58	7%	819	100	12%	791	115	15%	786	131	17%
<i>Propn of Australia</i>	57%	42%		58%	52%		57%	53%		57%	55%	
<b>Rural</b>												
Armidale	34	3	9%	34	5	15%	34	1	3%	34	5	15%
Ballarat	39	4	10%	30	6	20%	24	5	21%	26	4	15%
Bathurst	37	8	22%	34	4	12%	30	2	7%	33	3	9%
Bendigo	36	5	14%	33	3	9%	36	4	11%	37	3	8%
Bunbury	30	7	23%	30	8	27%	32	5	16%	33	14	42%
Carpentaria	20	4	20%									
Gippsland	31	3	10%	31	4	13%	31	3	10%	31	8	26%
Grafton	27	5	19%	28	0	0%	28	2	7%	28	5	18%
North Queensland	31	7	23%	54	18	33%	55	18	33%	53	8	15%
North West Australia	22	4	18%	21	5	24%	18	3	17%	18	5	28%
Riverina	26	7	27%	24	6	25%	25	8	32%	22	7	32%
Rockhampton	22	1	5%	20	4	20%	22	4	18%	21	5	24%
The Murray	31	4	13%	26	2	8%	23	9	39%	21	5	24%
Wangaratta	34	3	9%	26	2	8%	25	2	8%	25	2	8%
Willochra	23	1	4%	20	5	25%	20	1	5%	20	3	15%
<i>Summary for Rural (15 records)</i>												
<i>Sum</i>	443	66	15%	411	72	18%	403	67	17%	402	77	19%
<i>Propn of Australia</i>	30%	48%		29%	37%		29%	31%		29%	32%	
<b>Urban &amp; rural</b>												
Canberra & Goulbur	60	5	8%	62	4	6%	63	6	10%	65	3	5%
Newcastle	65	1	2%	64	3	5%	64	14	22%	62	9	15%
Northern Territory	15	2	13%	15	5	33%	15	4	27%	15	4	27%
Tasmania	58	6	10%	52	10	19%	50	10	20%	49	14	29%
<i>Summary for Urban &amp; rural (4 records)</i>												
<i>Sum</i>	198	14	7%	193	22	11%	192	34	18%	191	30	16%
<i>Propn of Australia</i>	13%	10%		14%	11%		14%	16%		14%	13%	
<b>AUSTRALIA</b>	<b>1,478</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>1,423</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>1,386</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>1,379</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>17%</b>

# Parishes by diocese and province, 1996 to 2015

Parishes, cathedrals and other ministry units in the 'parishes' listings of the Australian Anglican Directory

Province	Diocese	Parishes in 1996	Parishes in 2001	Parishes in 2006	Parishes in 2011	Parishes in 2015	Change 1996 to 2015
<b>Extra-provincial</b>							
	Tasmania	59	54	51	51	48	-18.6%
<i>Summary for Extra-provincial (1 diocese)</i>							
<i>Sum</i>		59	54	51	51	48	-18.6%
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>		4.0%	3.7%	3.5%	3.7%	3.5%	
<b>New South Wales</b>							
	Sydney	283	278	283	282	284	0.4%
	Armidale	33	33	34	34	35	6.1%
	Bathurst	36	34	34	30	33	-8.3%
	Canberra & Goulburn	64	63	64	64	65	1.6%
	Grafton	28	28	28	28	28	0.0%
	Newcastle	63	63	64	59	63	0.0%
	Riverina	26	25	26	18	22	-15.4%
<i>Summary for New South Wales (7 dioceses)</i>							
<i>Sum</i>		533	524	533	515	530	-0.6%
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>		36.3%	36.2%	37.0%	37.6%	38.1%	
<b>Queensland</b>							
	Brisbane	150	142	137	135	135	-10.0%
	North Queensland	35	57	58	53	54	54.3%
	Northern Territory	15	15	15	14	15	0.0%
	Rockhampton	22	21	23	19	20	-9.1%
<i>Summary for Queensland (4 dioceses)</i>							
<i>Sum</i>		222	235	233	221	224	0.9%
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>		15.1%	16.2%	16.2%	16.1%	16.1%	
<b>South Australia</b>							
	Adelaide	73	68	68	65	65	-11.0%
	The Murray	27	27	27	24	24	-11.1%
	Willochra	25	21	22	20	20	-20.0%
<i>Summary for South Australia (3 dioceses)</i>							
<i>Sum</i>		125	116	117	109	109	-12.8%
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>		8.5%	8.0%	8.1%	8.0%	7.8%	
<b>Victoria</b>							
	Melbourne	232	226	214	202	200	-13.8%
	Ballarat	31	31	27	25	27	-12.9%
	Bendigo	39	36	36	37	38	-2.6%
	Gippsland	33	32	32	29	31	-6.1%
	Wangaratta	32	27	27	24	24	-25.0%
<i>Summary for Victoria (5 dioceses)</i>							
<i>Sum</i>		367	352	336	317	320	-12.8%
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>		25.0%	24.3%	23.3%	23.1%	23.0%	
<b>Western Australia</b>							
	Perth	112	114	117	108	108	-3.6%
	Bunbury	30	31	33	31	34	13.3%
	North West Australia	20	21	19	18	18	-10.0%
<i>Summary for Western Australia (3 dioceses)</i>							
<i>Sum</i>		162	166	169	157	160	-1.2%
<i>Proportion of Australia</i>		11.0%	11.5%	11.7%	11.5%	11.5%	
<b>AUSTRALIA</b>		<b>1,468</b>	<b>1,447</b>	<b>1,439</b>	<b>1,370</b>	<b>1,391</b>	<b>-5.2%</b>

# Anglican schools by diocese

This report is merely a count of the schools listed in the Australian Anglican Directory under each diocese for the relevant year.

Four rural dioceses had no schools listed during this period - Bendigo, Riverina, Rockhampton, and Willochra.

Diocese	1996	2001	2006	2011	2014	2015
<b>Metropolitan</b>						
Adelaide	11	10	10	9	9	10
Brisbane	17	19	21	20	20	20
Melbourne	24	24	24	23	24	24
Perth	10	10	11	14	14	16
Sydney	26	27	35	35	35	35
<i>Summary for Metropolitan (5 records)</i>						
Sum	88	90	101	101	102	105
Proportion of Australia	77%	73%	69%	69%	69%	70%
<b>Rural</b>						
Armidale	3	3	5	3	2	3
Ballarat	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bathurst	1	1	2	3	3	3
Bunbury	2	3	2	3	3	3
Gippsland	2	2	2	2	2	2
Grafton	2	4	5	5	5	5
North Queensland	4	4	6	5	4	4
North West Australia		1	1	1	1	1
The Murray	1	1	1	1	2	2
Wangaratta		2	5	5	4	4
<i>Summary for Rural (10 records)</i>						
Sum	16	22	30	29	27	28
Proportion of Australia	14%	18%	20%	20%	18%	19%
<b>Urban &amp; rural</b>						
Canberra & Goulburn	3	3	7	8	9	9
Newcastle	3	4	5	5	5	5
Northern Territory	1	1	1	1	1	1
Tasmania	3	3	3	3	3	3
<i>Summary for Urban &amp; rural (4 records)</i>						
Sum	10	11	16	17	18	18
Proportion of Australia	9%	9%	11%	12%	12%	12%
<b>AUSTRALIA</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>151</b>