Table One: No. and Percentage of Overseas-Born in Australian Catholic Church (in rank order)

No.	Country of Birth	No	%	% Catholic of total group
1	Italy	203,351	15.69	92.92
2	United Kingdom	128,158	9.89	12.37
3	Philippines	84,248	6.50	81.05
4	New Zealand	54,858	4.23	15.42
5	Poland	43,661	3.37	75.13
6	Malta	43,544	3.36	92.65
7	Croatia	43,050	3.32	83.02
8	Ireland	36,862	2.84	73.38
9	Vietnam	34,300	2.65	22.15
10	Germany	31,755	2.45	29.34
11	India	29,574	2.28	30.98
12	Netherlands	28,693	2.21	34.43
13	Lebanon	28,054	2.16	39.32
14	Chile	15,790	1.22	67.42
15	Sri Lanka	15,550	1.20	29.09
16	Mauritius	13,734	1.06	80.97
17	Indonesia	13,473	1.04	28.57
18	Malaysia	13,322	1.03	16.89
19	South Africa	13,223	1.02	16.65
20	Hungary	12,917	1.00	56.77
21	Hong Kong	11,322	0.87	16.87
22	Spain	9,730	0.76	77.16
23	South Korea	9,703	0.75	32.25
24	Egypt	9,024	0.70	26.99
25	Iraq	8,370	0.65	16.87
26	China	7,174	0.55	5.03
27	Argentina	7,040	0.54	65.19

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, 2001 census.

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Buddhism	418758
Christian, nfd	305480
Apostolic Church, so described	5232
Church of God, so described	892
Australian Christian Churches, so described	1584
New Church Alliance, so described	0
Anglican Church of Australia	3716378
Anglican Catholic Church	1865
Baptist	316741
Brethren	24227
Western Catholic	5087117
Maronite Catholic	29071
Melkite Catholic	1982
Ukrainian Catholic	3607
Chaldean Catholic	4501
Catholic, nec	611
Churches of Christ, nfd	6639
Churches of Christ (Conference)	47774
Church of Christ (Non-denominational)	365
International Church of Christ	43
Jehovah's Witnesses	80918
Latter Day Saints, nfd	8
Church of Jesus Christ of LDS (Mormons)	52146
Community of Christ	1042
Lutheran	251105
Oriental Orthodox, nfd	86
Armenian Apostolic	8051
Coptic Orthodox Church	19922
Syrian Orthodox Church	2882
Ethiopian Orthodox Church	1707
Oriental Orthodox, nec	70
Assyrian Apostolic, nfd	0
Assyrian Church of the East	5958
Ancient Church of the East	2227
Assyrian Apostolic, nec	8
Eastern Orthodox, nfd	48158
Albanian Orthodox	72
Antiochian Orthodox	7830
Greek Orthodox	374575
Macedonian Orthodox	48083
Romanian Orthodox	1607
Russian Orthodox	19970
Serbian Orthodox	39968
Ukrainian Orthodox	2979
Eastern Orthodox, nec	917
Presbyterian and Reformed, nfd	11
Presbyterian	583396
Reformed	10608
Free Reformed	2652
Salvation Army	64200
Seventh-day Adventist	55252

Uniting Church	1135427
Pentecostal, nfd	88534
Apostolic Church (Australia)	2414
Assemblies of God	94891
Bethesda Churches	91
Christian City Church	5114
Christian Life Churches International	480
Christian Outreach Centres	11044
Christian Revival Crusade	5313
Faith Churches	99
Foursquare Gospel Church	745
Full Gospel Church	1356
Revival Centres	2966
Rhema Family Church	121
United Pentecostal	794
Pentecostal, nec	5727
Other Protestant, nfd	18803
Aboriginal Evangelical Missions	3819
Born Again Christian	11776
Christian and Missionary Alliance	2224
Church of the Nazarene	1404
Congregational	4690
Ethnic Evangelical Churches	2745
Independent Evangelical Churches	1879
Wesleyan Methodist Church	3403
Other Protestant, nec	5359
Other Christian, nfd	667
Apostolic Church of Queensland	3105
Christadelphians	10210
Christian Science	1471
Gnostic Christians	1102
Liberal Catholic Church	387
New Apostolic Church	2729
New Churches (Swedenborgian)	361
Ratana (Maori)	3302
Religious Science	339
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	1983
Temple Society	601
Unitarian	1012
Worldwide Church of God	584
Other Christian, nec	6249
Hinduism	148125
Islam	340393
Judaism	88832
Australian Aboriginal Traditional Religions	5377
Baha'i	12331
Chinese religions, nfd	14
Ancestor Veneration	501
Confucianism	258
Taoism	3580
Chinese Religions, nec	27
Druse	2977
Japanese Religions, nfd	8
Shinto	734
Sukyo Mahikari	466
Tenrikyo	80

Japanese Religions, nec	7
Nature Religions, nfd	78
Animism	871
Druidism	1020
Paganism	15516
Pantheism	1035
Wiccan/Witchcraft	8206
Nature Religions, nec	2662
Sikhism	26426
Spiritualism	9845
Caodaism	651
Church of Scientology	2507
Eckankar	683
Rastafarianism	978
Satanism	2247
Theosophy	1638
Jainism	1261
Zoroastrianism	2112
Religious Groups, nec	4917
No religion, nfd	3643818
Agnosticism	22131
Atheism	31305
Humanism	7632
Rationalism	1667
Religious Belief, nfd	20539
Not defined	108654
New Age, so described	2015
Theism	2613
Not stated	2223957
Overseas visitor	206357
Total	20061646

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Australian Population 1947-2006: Religious Affiliation

Religious Identification*	1947 000s	%	1971 000s	%	1991 000s	%	1996 000s	%	2001 000s	%	2006 000s	%	2001-2006 Growth (Numbers) (2001 Base)
CHRISTIAN													
Anglican	2957	39	3953	31	4005	23.9	3903	22.0	3881	20.7	3718	18.7	-4.2
Baptist	114	1.5	176	1.4	278	1.7	295	1.7	309	1.7	317	1.6	2.6
Catholic	1570	20.7	3443	27	4592	27.4	4799	27.0	5002	26.7	5127	25.8	2.5
Lutheran	67	0.9	197	1.5	249	1.5	250	1.4	250	1.3	251	1.3	0.4
MPCRU**	1678	22.1	2199	17.2	2112	12.6	2011	11.3	1887	10.1	1732	8.7	-8.2
Orthodox	17	0.2	339	2.7	474	2.8	497	2.8	529	2.8	544	2.7	2.8
Pentecostal	--	--	--	--	143	0.9	175	1.0	195	1	220	1.1	12.8
OCG***	270	3.8	683	5.4	569	3.3	653	3.7	711	3.7	777	3.9	9.3
Total Christian	6,673	88.0	10,990	86.2	12,422	74.1	12,583	70.6	12,764	68.0	12,686	63.9	-0.6
BUDDHISTS	--	--	--	--	137	0.8	200	1.1	358	1.9	419	2.1	17.0
HINDUS	--	--	--	--	43	0.3	67	0.4	95	0.5	148	0.7	55.8
JEWS	32	0.4	62	0.5	73	0.4	80	0.5	84	0.4	89	0.4	6.0
MUSLIMS	--	--	22	0.2	147	0.9	201	1.1	282	1.5	340	1.7	20.6
OTHER	4	0.1	14	0.1	39	0.2	69	0.4	92	0.5	109	0.5	18.5
Total	37	0.5	99	0.8	439	2.6	617	3.5	911	4.8	1105	5.6	21.3
Inadequate desc	19	0.2	29	0.2	49	0.3	54	0.3	352	1.9	134	0.7	-61.9
No Religion	26	0.3	856	6.7	2161	12.9	2949	16.5	2905	15.5	3707	18.7	27.6
Not Stated	825	10.9	781	6.1	1700	10.1	1551	8.7	1836	9.8	2224	11.2	21.1
Total	870	11.4	1666	13	3910	23.3	4554	25.5	5093	27.2	6064	30.5	19.1
Total Population****	7,579		12,756		16,772		17,753		18,769		19,855	100.0	5.8

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics - Census Data

* Only those Christian groups larger that 1% and other groups 0.4% and larger in 2001 have been included.

** MPCRU combines the data for the Methodist, Presbyterian, Congregational, Reformed and Uniting Churches. The Uniting Church was formed in 1977 in a merger of Congregational, Methodist and about half of the Presbyterians.

*** OCG – Other Christian Groups less than 1%.

**** Excludes Overseas Visitors

MOST and LEAST CATHOLIC PARISHES in SELECTED DIOCESES

ARCHDIOCESE of MELBOURNE

Most Catholic parishes in Melbourne: North Reservoir (56.6% i.e. 56.6% of the people living in the North Reservoir area are Catholic), Avondale Heights (52.3%), North Fawkner (50.7%), Gladstone Park (48.4%), Hadfield (47.2%), Niddrie (46.8%), Airport West (46.4%) and St. Albans/Sydneham (45.5%).

Least Catholic parishes in Melbourne: Caulfield (12.2%), Balaclava (12.8%), Upper Yarra Valley (14.8%), Cathedral (15.6%), Bourke St. West (15.6%), West Melbourne (16.4%), North Melbourne (17.8%) and East St. Kilda (17.8).

ARCHDIOCESE of SYDNEY

Most Catholic parishes in Sydney: Horsley Park (61.5%), Haberfield (61.5%), Austral (53.1%), Bossley Park (51.6%), Five Dock (44.5%), Belfield (43.6%), Mortlake (43.1%) and Smithfield (42.4%)

Least Catholic parishes in Sydney: Dover Heights (12.0%), Haymarket (12.2%), Broadway (13.3%), Church Hill (15.0%), Cathedral (15.2%), Newtown (16.2%), Watson's Bay (17.0%) and Rose Bay (18.2%).

ARCHDIOCESE of CANBERRA-GOULBURN

Most Catholic parishes in Canberra-Goulburn: Taralga (40.7%), Boorowa (38.2%), Murrumbarrah (37.6%), Young (36.8%) and Crookwell (36.1%).

Least Catholic parishes in Canberra-Goulburn: Cobargo (17.3%), Narooma (18.3%), Canberra Central (20.6%), Jindabyne (21.0%) and Bega (21.9%)

DIOCESE of PARRAMATTA

Most Catholic parishes in Parramatta: Greystones (49.3%), Rooty Hill (43.6%), St. Clair (41.8%), Margiong (40.4%)

Least Catholic parishes in Parramatta: Black Heath (17.9%), Upper Blue Mountains (19.0%), Lawson (22.7%), Parramatta (22.8%) and Glenbrook (23.7%)

DIOCESE of SANDHURST

Most Catholic parishes in Sandhurst: Myrtleford (39.0%), Cobram (35.5%), Tatura (33.0%), Yarrawonga (32.1%) and Wangaratta (31.6%)

Least Catholic parishes in Sandhurst: Corryong (18.1%), Cohuna (19.5%), Bright (19.2%), Pyramid Hill (20.0%) and Kangaroo Flat (20.9%)

Table: Birthplace Profile of Australia: 1996 and 2006 Census

1996 Census			2006 Census			
Country of Birth	**Number**	**% of OSB**	**Country of Birth**	**Number**	**% of OSB**	**1996-2006 % differ**
U.K.	1,072,514	27.44	U.K.	1,038,156	23.51	-3.21
New Zealand	291,388	7.46	New Zealand	389,464	8.82	+33.68
Italy	238,388	6.10	China(inc. HK)	278,383	6.30	+64.30
China (inc. HK)	169,439	4.34	Italy	199,132	4.51	-16.47
Viet Nam	151,053	3.87	Viet Nam	159,854	3.62	+5.83
Greece	126,520	3.24	India	147,101	3.33	+89.76
Germany	110,331	2.82	Philippines	120,533	2.73	+29.68
Philippines	92,949	2.38	Greece	109,988	2.49	-13.07
Netherlands	87,898	2.25	Germany	106,515	2.41	-3.46
India	77,521	1.98	South Africa	104,120	2.36	+86.75
Malaysia	76,255	1.95	Malaysia	92,347	2.09	+21.10
Lebanon	70,224	1.80	Netherlands	78,931	1.79	-10.20
Poland	65,113	1.67	Lebanon	74,858	1.70	+6.60
South Africa	55,755	1.43	Sri Lanka	62,252	1.41	+32.50
Ireland	51,469	1.32	U.S.A.	61,715	1.40	+24.61
Malta	50,879	1.30	Korea(Sth)	52,763	1.19	+75.34
U.S.A.	49,528	1.27	Poland	52,256	1.18	-19.75
Sri Lanka	46,984	1.20	Croatia	50,991	1.15	+8.54
Croatia	46,981	1.20	Indonesia	50,974	1.15	+15.39
Indonesia	44,175	1.13	Ireland	50,259	1.14	-2.35

OSB = Overseas-born persons
Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics

Table: Language Profile of Australia: 1996 and 2006 Census

1996 Census			2006 Census			
Language	**Number**	**% of LOTES**	**Language**	**Number**	**% of LOTES**	**1996-2006 % difference**
Italian	375,718	11.79	Chinese	500,466	15.91	+45.83
Chinese	343,193	10.76	Italian	316,893	10.07	-15.66
Greek	269,770	8.46	Greek	252,222	8.02	-6.50
Arabic	177,598	5.57	Arabic	243,662	7.74	+37.20
Vietnamese	146,264	4.59	Vietnamese	194,858	6.19	+33.22
German	98,814	3.10	Spanish	97,998	3.11	+7.38
Spanish	91,265	2.86	Tagalog	92,330	2.93	+31.07
Macedonian	71,352	2.24	German	75,634	2.40	-23.46
Tagalog	70,441	2.21	Hindi	70,013	2.23	+106.02
Croatian	69,173	2.17	Macedonian	67,831	2.16	-4.93
Polish	62,798	1.97	Croatian	63,615	2.02	-8.03
Turkish	46,204	1.45	ATSI	55,698	1.77	+26.04
Maltese	45,223	1.42	Korean	54,619	1.74	+82.50
ATSI	44,192	1.39	Turkish	53,858	1.71	+16.57
Dutch	40,782	1.28	Polish	53,390	1.70	-14.98
French	39,940	1.25	Serbian	52,534	1.67	+41.21
Serbian	37,204	1.17	French	43,219	1.37	+8.21
Hindi	33,983	1.07	Indonesian	42,038	1.34	+54.58
Russian	30,999	0.97	Persian	37,155	1.18	+95.21
Korean	29,929	0.94	Maltese	36,517	1.16	-19.25

Language = language spoken at home by those aged over five years
LOTE = percentage of total no. of speakers of languages other than English

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics

Table: Religious Profile for Australia: 1996 and 2006 Census

1996 Census			2006 Census			
Religion	**Number**	**%**	**Religion**	**Number**	**%**	**1996-2006 % differ**
Catholic	4,797,365	26.92	Catholic	5,126,252	25.81	+6.86
Anglican	3,903,323	21.99	Anglican	3,718,252	18.72	-4.74
No religion	2,927,134	16.49	No Religion	3,706,555	18.67	+26.63
Not stated	1,550,980	8.73	Not stated	2,223,957	11.18	+43.39
Uniting Church	1,334,915	7.52	Uniting Church	1,135,427	5.72	-14.94
Presbyterian & Ref.	672,660	3.79	Presbyterian & Ref.	596,671	3.01	-11.30
Eastern Orthodox	492,304	2.78	Eastern Orthodox	544,160	2.74	+10.53
Baptist	295,176	1.66	Buddhism	418,756	2.11	+109.56
Lutheran	249,996	1.41	Islam	340,392	1.71	+69.45
Islam	200,886	1.13	Baptist	316,738	1.60	+7.30
Buddhism	199,830	1.13	Christian	313,190	1.57	+72.18
Christian	181,897	1.02	Lutheran	251,107	1.26	+0.44
Pentecostal	164,048	0.92	Pentecostal	219,689	1.11	+33.92
Jeh. Witnesses	83,411	0.47	Hinduism	148,119	0.75	+120.39
Judaism	79,800	0.45	Judaism	88,831	0.45	+11.31
Salvation Army	74,136	0.42	Jeh. Witnesses	80,919	0.41	-2.99
Churches of Christ	71,308	0.40	Salvation Army	64,200	0.32	-13.40
Hinduism	67,209	0.38	Other Protestant	56,106	0.28	+221.73
Seventh Day Adventist	52,618	0.30	Seventh Day Adventist	55,251	0.28	+5.00
Church of LDS	42,168	0.24	Churches of Christ	54,822	0.28	-23.12

Table: Catholic Profile for States and Territories: 1996 – 2006 Census

State	1996	Census	2006	Census	% change in nos.
	N	%	N	%	
New South Wales	1,756,372	29.09	1,840,715	27.95	+4.80
Victoria	1,262,077	28.86	1,344,888	27.36	+6.56
Queensland	835,806	24.81	950,388	23.48	+13.71
South Australia	296,048	20.73	303,597	20.11	+2.55
Western Australia	427,848	24.79	465,131	23.41	+8.71
Tasmania	89,156	19.40	86,888	18.46	-2.54
Northern Territory	42,551	21.81	44,157	20.34	+3.77
Australian Capital Territory	88,672	29.63	90,824	27.70	+2.43
AUSTRALIA	4,797,365	26.92	5,126,252	25.81	+6.86

Table: Anglican Profile for States and Territories: 1996 – 2006 Census

State	1996	Census	2006	Census	% change in nos.
	N	%	N	%	
New South Wales	1,521,675	25.20	1,418,205	21.53	-6.80
Victoria	716,356	16.38	661,449	13.46	-7.66
Queensland	782,161	23.22	813,069	20.09	+3.95
South Australia	228,151	15.98	205,465	13.62	-9.94
Western Australia	410,233	23.77	401,483	20.21	-2.13
Tasmania	156,192	33.98	136,609	29.02	-12.54
Northern Territory	29,241	14.99	27,538	12.68	-5.82
Australian Capital Territory	58,807	19.65	54,142	16.51	-7.93
AUSTRALIA	3,903,323	21.99	3,718,252	18.72	-4.74

Table: No Religion Profile for States and Territories: 1996 – 2006 Census

State	1996	Census	2006	Census	% change in nos.
	N	%	N	%	
New South Wales	771,447	12.77	932,491	14.16	+20.88
Victoria	815,014	18.64	1,000,010	20.34	+22.70
Queensland	507,145	15.05	735,803	18.18	+45.09
South Australia	310,908	21.77	364,056	24.13	+17.09
Western Australia	367,491	21.29	449,050	22.61	+22.19
Tasmania	76,859	16.72	101,569	21.57	+32.15
Northern Territory	39,905	20.45	47,626	21.94	+19.35
Australian Capital Territory	59,579	19.90	75,587	23.05	+26.87
AUSTRALIA	2.927,134	16.49	3,706,555	18.67	+26.63