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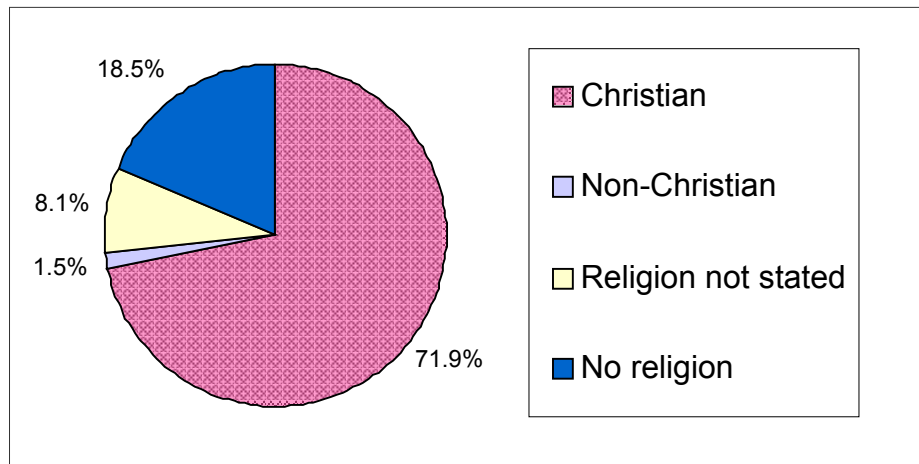
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2001 CENSUS OF POPULATION: FIRST RESULTS ON RELIGION

Background

The census question asked: What is your religion? - answered by ticking one of eight boxes (for six specific religions, None and Any other), corresponding to the categories listed in table 1. This was a voluntary question. The Census results in table 1 show – besides a 'Not stated' category - the proportions of the resident population according to their declared religion.

Main results



- 8.1 per cent – or some 234,100 people – did not state a religion
- 18.5 per cent – or some 537,900 people – indicated 'No religion'
- 71.9 per cent – or some 2,087,200 people – declared themselves as Christians
- of the remaining 1.5 per cent – or some 43,800 people – belonging to non-Christian faiths, the largest group is Muslim

Table 1

	Residents of Wales		
	Thousands	Percentage	Percentage
Total	2,903.1	100.0	of those
Religion not stated	234.1	8.1	with stated
No religion	537.9	18.5	religion
Total with stated religion	2,131.0	73.4	100.0
Christian	2,087.2	71.9	97.9
Muslim	21.7	0.7	1.0
Hindu	5.4	0.2	0.3
Buddhist	5.4	0.2	0.3
Jewish	2.3	0.1	0.1
Sikh	2.0	0.1	0.1
Other religions	6.9	0.2	0.3

Source: 2001 Census, Key Statistics table 7 published 13 Feb 2003

Local authority data - table 2 and chart 1

- the proportions who did not state their religion range from 6.5 per cent in Isle of Anglesey to 10.0 per cent in Blaenau Gwent
- the proportions who declared not having a religion range from 12.9 per cent in Flintshire to 25.3 per cent in Rhondda, Cynon, Taff
- the proportions who are Christian range from 64.2 per cent in Blaenau Gwent to 79.4 per cent in Isle of Anglesey
- the proportions who are of a non-Christian faith range from 0.5 per cent in Flintshire to 5.7 per cent in Cardiff. Cardiff also has the highest concentration of ethnic minorities as well as being the local authority with the greatest proportion of its residents born outside of the British Isles.
- the main concentrations of those of non-Christian faiths are found in the south. Apart from Cardiff, which has 17,300 people of non-Christian faiths in its population, Newport (4,400 people) and Swansea (3,800 people) are the only other local authorities with more than 2,000 in their populations.

Source: Office for National Statistics 2001 Census Key Statistics table KS07 - see:

i. Tables of proportions:

http://www.neighbourhood.statistics.gov.uk/Statistics_By_Subject.asp

ii Tables of the numbers underlying the proportions:

<http://www.statistics.gov.uk/statbase/explorer.asp?CTG=3&SL=4696&D=4697&DCT=32&DT=3#4697>

iii The report, including explanatory notes and tables of proportions only, in PDF form:

<http://www.statistics.gov.uk/StatBase/Product.asp?vlnk=10151>

Further Census information: More detailed results – by gender, age and local area as well as by the various socio-economic characteristics available from the Census – are scheduled to become available in Standard Tables and Census Area Statistics by June 2003; see: <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/census2001/op14.asp> for the output schedule and <http://www.statistics.gov.uk/census2001/op11.asp> for details of the outputs

Table 2 2001 Census of Population: Religion by local authority area of residence

	Total residents	Not Stated		No Religion		Christian		Non-Christian	
	Thousands	Thousands	Percentage	Thousands	Percentage	Thousands	Percentage	Thousands	Percentage
Isle of Anglesey	66.8	4.3	6.5	9.1	13.6	53.0	79.4	0.4	0.6
Gwynedd	116.8	9.3	7.9	19.3	16.5	87.1	74.5	1.2	1.0
Conwy	109.6	8.1	7.4	15.3	14.0	85.2	77.7	0.9	0.9
Denbighshire	93.1	7.4	8.0	12.5	13.4	72.4	77.8	0.8	0.9
Flintshire	148.6	10.9	7.3	19.2	12.9	117.7	79.2	0.8	0.5
Wrexham	128.5	9.6	7.5	18.6	14.5	99.3	77.3	0.9	0.7
Powys	126.4	9.8	7.7	20.9	16.5	94.5	74.8	1.2	1.0
Ceredigion	74.9	6.0	8.0	14.8	19.7	53.0	70.8	1.1	1.5
Pembrokeshire	114.1	8.7	7.6	18.3	16.0	86.3	75.6	0.9	0.8
Carmarthenshire	172.8	14.0	8.1	28.4	16.5	128.9	74.6	1.5	0.9
Swansea	223.3	16.8	7.5	44.3	19.8	158.5	71.0	3.8	1.7
Neath Port Talbot	134.5	10.9	8.1	25.6	19.0	96.9	72.1	1.0	0.8
Bridgend	128.6	9.7	7.6	27.4	21.3	90.3	70.2	1.2	0.9
Vale of Glamorgan	119.3	8.6	7.2	22.2	18.6	87.1	73.0	1.4	1.2
Cardiff	305.4	26.3	8.6	57.4	18.8	204.4	66.9	17.3	5.7
Rhondda Cynon Taff	231.9	20.8	9.0	58.7	25.3	150.6	64.9	1.8	0.8
Merthyr Tydfil	56.0	4.7	8.4	11.8	21.0	39.1	69.8	0.5	0.8
Caerphilly	169.5	16.0	9.4	40.9	24.2	111.6	65.8	1.0	0.6
Blaenau Gwent	70.1	7.0	10.0	17.6	25.1	45.0	64.2	0.5	0.7
Torfaen	90.9	7.4	8.2	18.5	20.4	64.4	70.8	0.6	0.6
Monmouthshire	84.9	6.6	7.8	14.2	16.7	63.5	74.8	0.6	0.8
Newport	137.0	11.1	8.1	23.0	16.8	98.5	71.9	4.4	3.2
Wales	2,903.1	234.1	8.1	537.9	18.5	2,087.2	71.9	43.8	1.5
National Park									
Snowdonia	25.5	2.0	7.8	3.9	15.3	19.4	76.1	0.2	0.8
Brecon Beacons	32.6	2.4	7.3	5.3	16.1	24.5	75.2	0.4	1.3
Pembrokeshire Coast	22.5	1.7	7.5	3.5	15.6	17.1	76.0	0.2	0.9

Source: 2001 Census, Key Statistics table 7 published 13 February 2003

Chart 1: Proportion of population who are non-Christians, by local authority area of residence

