

2017 Service Year Report of Jehovah's Witnesses Worldwide

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Country / Territory	Population	2016 Peak Pubs	2017 Peak Pubs	% Increase Decrease	2016 Ratio, 1 Pub to	2017 Ratio, 1 Pub to	+ / - % Real Terms	2016 Congs	2017 Congs	Change
Albania	3,204,000	5,574	5,637	+1.1%	575	568	+1.1%	89	89	
American Samoa	55,519	210	189	-10.0%	258	294	-12.1%	3	3	
Andorra	72,280	174	178	+2.3%	414	406	+2.0%	3	3	
Angola	26,849,678	128,057	143,322	+11.9%	201	187	+7.5%	1,725	1,913	+188
Anguilla	17,087	70	81	+15.7%	211	211	0.0%	2	2	
Antigua and Barbuda	91,889	489	485	-0.8%	190	189	+0.1%	7	7	
Argentina	44,044,811	150,052	150,823	+0.5%	289	292	-0.9%	2,012	1,999	-13
Armenia	2,986,500	11,178	10,974	-1.8%	268	272	-1.4%	133	134	+1
Aruba	105,000	1,058	1,072	+1.3%	99	98	+0.6%	14	14	
Australia	24,658,074	67,418	67,748	+0.5%	359	364	-1.3%	793	798	+5
Austria	8,773,686	21,561	21,567	+0.0%	403	407	-0.8%	299	301	+2
Azerbaijan	9,810,000	1,406	1,414	+0.6%	6,989	6,938	+0.7%	13	14	+1
Azores	245,283	742	755	+1.8%	331	325	+2.0%	15	15	
Bahamas	395,000	1,800	1,702	-5.4%	218	232	-6.0%	27	27	
Bangladesh	161,200,886	282	307	+8.9%	570,907	525,084	+8.7%	6	6	
Barbados	292,336	2,542	2,529	-0.5%	112	116	-3.0%	30	30	
Belarus	9,495,500	5,903	5,913	+0.2%	1,609	1,606	+0.2%	78	78	
Belgium	11,322,088	25,437	25,480	+0.2%	443	444	-0.3%	354	348	-6
Belize	375,200	2,702	2,628	-2.7%	136	143	-4.7%	62	61	-1
Benin	11,458,611	12,759	12,939	+1.4%	881	886	-0.5%	192	202	+10
Bermuda	61,000	498	480	-3.6%	124	127	-2.6%	5	5	
Bhutan	775,480	--	3	--	--	258,493		--	0	--
Bolivia	11,145,770	26,081	27,699	+6.2%	411	402	+2.2%	332	372	+40
Bonaire	25,000	148	131	-11.5%	122	191	-36.3%	2	2	
Bosnia & Herzegovina	3,531,159	1,160	1,144	-1.4%	3,284	3,087	+6.4%	16	16	
Botswana	2,351,673	2,181	2,245	+2.9%	1,037	1,048	-1.0%	44	44	
Brazil	208,053,804	829,743	858,799	+3.5%	249	242	+2.7%	11,911	12,135	+224
Britain	64,311,135	138,261	137,468	-0.6%	471	468	+0.7%	1,613	1,626	+13
Bulgaria	7,085,000	2,408	2,475	+2.8%	2,985	2,863	+4.3%	55	56	+1
Burkina Faso	19,173,322	1,776	1,863	+4.9%	10,563	10,292	+2.6%	44	46	+2
Burundi	9,564,000	13,595	13,927	+2.4%	691	687	+0.6%	270	267	-3
Cambodia	15,517,635	1,021	1,120	+9.7%	15,257	13,855	+10.1%	14	14	
Cameroon	24,994,885	41,721	43,092	+3.3%	577	580	-0.5%	399	461	+62
Canada	36,766,975	115,006	115,580	+0.5%	317	318	-0.5%	1,409	1,406	-3
Cape Verde	560,899	2,206	2,239	+1.5%	239	251	-4.5%	33	33	
Cayman Islands	62,000	253	257	+1.6%	240	241	-0.4%	3	3	
Central African	4,659,000	2,547	2,763	+8.5%	1,924	1,686	+14.1%	53	53	
Chad	14,900,000	769	863	+12.2%	18,254	17,265	+5.7%	18	18	
Chile	18,373,917	76,915	78,603	+2.2%	237	234	+1.2%	979	991	+12
Chuuk	48,651	82	46	-43.9%	593	1,058	-43.9%	2	2	
Colombia	49,465,000	171,146	173,802	+1.6%	292	285	+2.6%	2,572	2,359	-213
Congo (Kinshasa)	82,800,771	215,449	216,696	+0.6%	370	382	-3.2%	3,746	3,763	+17
Congo (Brazzaville)	4,893,896	6,576	7,270	+10.6%	721	673	+7.1%	78	81	+3
Cook Islands	18,100	195	213	+9.2%	77	85	-9.6%	3	3	
Costa Rica	4,909,600	30,593	31,423	+2.7%	159	156	+1.7%	437	447	+10
Côte d'Ivoire	23,865,304	11,133	11,948	+7.3%	2,142	1,997	+7.2%	317	324	+7
Croatia	4,284,889	5,335	5,206	-2.4%	795	823	-3.4%	64	60	-4
Cuba	11,475,982	95,843	95,385	-0.5%	119	120	-1.0%	1,555	1,569	+14
Curaçao	161,000	2,063	2,123	+2.9%	77	76	+1.4%	26	26	
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		Pubs	Pubs	Change	Pub to	Pub to	Terms	Congs	Congs	
Cyprus	885,600	2,584	2,600	+0.6%	343	341	+0.6%	41	40	-1
Czech Republic	10,588,063	15,594	15,587	+0.0%	677	679	-0.3%	222	219	-3
Denmark	5,760,694	14,719	14,669	-0.3%	385	393	-1.9%	179	175	-4
Dominica	73,897	437	453	+3.7%	167	163	+2.4%	10	10	
Dominican Republic	10,800,857	37,704	38,286	+1.5%	281	282	-0.3%	583	585	+2
Ecuador	16,626,000	90,110	92,752	+2.9%	183	179	+2.3%	1,036	1,074	+38
El Salvador	6,168,800	41,084	41,424	+0.8%	150	149	+0.5%	684	709	+25
Equatorial Guinea	778,358	1,850	2,147	+16.1%	473	363	+30.6%	16	17	+1
Estonia	1,315,635	4,065	4,053	-0.3%	324	325	-0.3%	55	56	+1
Ethiopia	100,000,000	10,277	10,355	+0.8%	9,671	9,657	+0.1%	220	222	+2
Falkland Islands	2,910	12	11	-8.3%	243	265	-8.3%	1	1	
Faroe Islands	50,030	134	130	-3.0%	358	385	-6.9%	4	4	
Fiji	902,547	3,098	3,278	+5.8%	290	275	+5.2%	79	80	+1
Finland	5,508,714	18,477	18,372	-0.6%	297	300	-1.0%	300	291	-9
France	64,979,548	128,759	128,980	+0.2%	501	504	-0.6%	1,714	1,708	-6
French Guiana	282,731	2,515	2,614	+3.9%	97	108	-10.3%	49	49	
Gabon	1,772,255	4,090	4,499	+10.0%	433	394	+10.0%	42	50	+8
Gambia	2,105,164	262	213	-18.7%	7,849	9,883	-20.6%	4	4	
Georgia	3,718,200	18,619	18,150	-2.5%	200	205	-2.5%	231	225	-6
Germany	82,315,658	165,624	165,470	-0.1%	496	497	-0.3%	2,159	2,118	-41
Ghana	28,833,629	133,607	135,498	+1.4%	211	213	-0.9%	1,941	2,019	+78
Gibraltar	32,348	134	124	-7.5%	241	261	-7.7%	2	2	
Greece	10,815,197	28,715	28,773	+0.2%	376	376	-0.1%	389	370	-19
Greenland	55,860	169	173	+2.4%	331	323	+2.6%	5	5	
Grenada	117,724	565	569	+0.7%	190	207	-8.2%	10	10	
Guadeloupe	403,544	8,208	8,207	+0.0%	50	49	+1.4%	120	120	
Guam	159,358	736	726	-1.4%	217	220	-1.4%	9	9	
Guatemala	17,033,200	39,976	40,222	+0.6%	418	423	-1.4%	893	902	+9
Guinea	13,371,995	857	929	+8.4%	15,107	14,394	+5.0%	20	20	
Guinea-Bissau	1,865,000	163	170	+4.3%	11,596	10,971	+5.7%	3	3	
Guyana	773,651	3,100	3,545	+14.4%	247	218	+13.4%	48	48	
Haiti	9,993,000	20,554	20,472	-0.4%	486	488	-0.4%	280	290	+10
Honduras	8,314,200	23,565	23,106	-1.9%	348	360	-3.3%	442	445	+3
Hong Kong	7,389,500	5,563	5,452	-2.0%	1,321	1,355	-2.6%	59	63	+4
Hungary	9,784,000	22,231	21,853	-1.7%	442	448	-1.3%	297	295	-2
Iceland	335,679	398	377	-5.3%	827	890	-7.2%	6	7	+1
India	1,348,399,000	44,861	46,996	+4.8%	29,663	28,692	+3.4%	624	660	+36
Indonesia	261,000,000	26,741	27,475	+2.7%	9,660	9,500	+1.7%	477	492	+15
Ireland	6,632,107	6,585	6,747	+2.5%	716	983	-27.2%	119	120	+1
Israel	8,952,000	1,604	1,707	+6.4%	5,456	5,244	+4.0%	27	30	+3
Italy	60,589,445	251,092	251,192	0.0%	242	241	+0.2%	2,976	2,955	-21
Jamaica	2,890,000	11,714	11,525	-1.6%	239	251	-4.6%	187	186	-1
Japan	127,974,958	214,173	213,473	-0.3%	591	599	-1.4%	3,059	3,047	-12
Kazakhstan	18,054,014	17,725	17,639	-0.5%	997	1,024	-2.6%	256	260	+4
Kenya	49,699,862	26,886	28,222	+5.0%	1,768	1,761	+0.4%	632	639	+7
Kiribati	116,405	146	179	22.6%	784	650	+20.5%	4	4	
Kosovo	2,350,000	257	269	+4.7%	9,144	8,736	+4.7%	7	8	+1
Kosrae	6,616	28	19	-32.1%	236	348	-32.1%	1	1	
Kyrgyzstan	6,140,000	5,178	5,235	+1.1%	1,163	1,173	-0.9%	69	71	+2
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Latvia	1,935,800	2,290	2,278	-0.5%	847	850	-0.4%	36	36	
Lesotho	2,189,902	4,019	4,067	+1.2%	531	538	-1.3%	89	90	+1
Liberia	4,176,265	7,137	6,808	-4.6%	647	613	+5.4%	133	138	+5
Liechtenstein	38,076	89	89	0.0%	423	428	-1.2%	1	1	

Lithuania	2,817,537	3,079	3,056	-0.7%	930	922	+0.8%	46	46	
Luxembourg	590,667	2,108	2,172	+3.0%	277	272	+1.7%	32	33	+1
Macao	648,400	329	305	-7.3%	1,983	2,126	-6.7%	5	4	-1
Macedonia	2,072,490	1,310	1,320	+0.8%	1,587	1,570	+1.1%	24	24	
Madagascar	25,612,972	33,529	34,980	+4.3%	743	732	+1.5%	718	736	+18
Madeira	254,876	1,138	1,119	-1.7%	225	228	-1.1%	17	18	+1
Malawi	18,422,948	89,299	93,412	+4.6%	200	197	+1.6%	1,520	1,540	+20
Malaysia	31,500,000	5,055	5,069	+0.3%	6,073	6,214	-2.3%	113	118	+5
Mali	18,578,509	322	307	-4.7%	56,354	60,516	-6.9%	7	7	
Malta	428,000	747	757	+1.3%	561	565	-0.8%	8	9	+1
Marshall Islands	69,747	211	188	-10.9%	331	371	-10.9%	4	4	
Martinique	384,896	4,794	4,809	+0.3%	83	80	+3.4%	66	65	-1
Mauritius	1,265,138	1,869	1,922	+2.8%	683	658	+3.8%	25	25	
Mayotte	253,045	162	165	+1.9%	1,460	1,534	-4.8%	3	3	
Mexico	130,355,300	859,541	871,207	+1.4%	150	150	+0.1%	13,237	13,331	+94
Moldova	4,052,000	19,800	19,553	-1.2%	206	207	-0.8%	242	233	-9
Mongolia	2,976,877	473	482	+1.9%	6,256	6,176	+1.3%	9	10	+1
Montenegro	631,490	264	271	+2.7%	2,392	2,330	+2.7%	6	5	-1
Montserrat	5,292	21	27	+28.6%	245	196	+25.2%	1	1	
Mozambique	29,879,087	56,192	59,990	+6.8%	515	498	+3.4%	1,175	1,254	+79
Myanmar	54,874,536	4,211	4,296	+2.0%	12,937	12,773	+1.3%	76	79	+3
Namibia	2,579,051	2,448	2,473	+1.0%	1,004	1,043	-3.7%	44	45	+1
Nauru	10,301	19	21	+10.5%	540	491	+10.1%	1	1	
Nepal	28,441,000	2,367	2,506	+5.9%	12,016	11,349	+5.9%	36	40	+4
Netherlands	17,153,292	29,839	29,756	-0.3%	572	576	-0.9%	362	360	-2
Nevis	12,000	74	62	-16.2%	162	194	-16.2%	1	1	
New Caledonia	280,000	2,333	2,383	+2.1%	118	117	+0.4%	33	34	+1
New Zealand	4,817,903	14,242	14,150	-0.6%	331	340	-2.7%	186	187	+1
Nicaragua	6,223,400	28,642	29,082	+1.5%	215	214	+0.4%	485	491	+6
Niger	21,563,607	292	316	+8.2%	71,440	68,239	+4.7%	7	7	
Nigeria	190,886,000	370,336	381,398	+3.0%	492	500	-1.7%	6,430	6,533	+103
Niue	1,614	24	24	0.0%	50	67	-26.3%	1	1	
Norfolk Island	1,748	6	7	+16.7%	299	250	+19.9%	1	1	
Norway	5,258,317	11,664	11,652	-0.1%	447	451	-1.0%	168	167	-1
Pakistan	197,015,955	1,034	1,109	+7.3%	186,486	177,652	+5.0%	19	19	
Palau	21,108	79	85	+7.6%	267	248	+7.6%	2	2	
Palestinian Territory	4,816,000	78	83	+6.4%	61,667	58,024	+6.3%	2	2	
Panama	4,056,300	17,193	17,620	+2.5%	232	230	+0.9%	317	326	+9
Papua New Guinea	7,933,841	4,586	4,291	-6.4%	1,681	1,849	-9.1%	109	116	+7
Paraguay	6,838,788	10,207	10,413	+2.0%	661	657	+0.7%	227	230	+3
Peru	31,826,018	127,855	128,467	+0.5%	249	248	+0.5%	1,448	1,482	+34
Philippines	103,320,222	209,131	210,914	+0.9%	483	490	-1.4%	3,315	3,383	+68
Pohnpei	35,981	75	68	-9.3%	480	529	-9.3%	1	1	
Poland	38,432,992	119,932	118,036	-1.6%	320	326	-1.6%	1,305	1,294	-11
Portugal	9,809,414	48,999	49,466	+1.0%	201	198	+1.3%	647	652	+5
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Puerto Rico	3,663,000	25,579	25,187	-1.5%	144	145	-1.1%	323	306	-17
Réunion	876,562	3,160	3,270	+3.5%	273	268	+1.8%	38	38	
Rodrigues	42,638	50	53	+6.0%	833	804	+3.6%	1	1	
Romania	21,136,000	40,398	40,101	-0.7%	523	527	-0.7%	547	551	+4
Rota	2,477	11	11	0.0%	225	225	0.0%	1	1	
Russia	146,074,524	171,828	171,828	0.0%	850	850	0.0%	2,315	2,315	
Rwanda	11,809,295	27,759	28,972	+4.4%	415	408	+1.9%	598	571	-27
Saba	1,800	12	12	0.0%	150	150	0.0%		0	
Saint-Barthélemy	9,567	30	34	+13.3%	317	281	+12.6%	1	1	
Saint Eustatius	4,020	29	29	0.0%	139	139	0.0%	1	1	

Saint Helena	3,973	121	115	-5.0%	33	35	-4.3%	3	3	
Saint Kitts	40,715	211	217	+2.8%	209	188	+11.6%	4	4	
Saint Lucia	164,994	778	783	+0.6%	240	211	+13.7%	11	11	
Saint Maarten	42,083	339	344	+1.5%	117	122	-4.7%	5	5	
Saint Martin	36,457	322	311	-3.4%	113	117	-3.4%	5	5	
Saint Pierre and	6,320	14	14	0.0%	449	451	-0.5%	1	1	
Saint Vincent /	102,089	345	344	-0.3%	318	297	+7.1%	8	8	
Saipan	48,200	211	245	+16.1%	228	197	+16.1%	3	3	
Samoa	196,006	548	510	-6.9%	356	384	-7.5%	12	13	+1
San Marino	33,196	195	191	-2.1%	170	174	-2.3%	2	2	
São Tomé and Príncipe	201,025	810	831	+2.6%	241	242	-0.3%	11	13	+2
Senegal	15,887,044	1,263	1,353	+7.1%	12,355	11,742	+5.2%	25	26	+1
Serbia	8,118,146	3,894	3,922	+0.7%	2,085	2,070	+0.7%	63	67	+4
Seychelles	94,737	337	341	+1.2%	274	278	-1.3%	4	4	
Sierra Leone	6,774,752	2,214	2,262	+2.2%	2,977	2,995	-0.6%	39	39	
Slovakia	5,437,752	11,441	11,395	-0.4%	474	477	-0.6%	140	139	-1
Slovenia	2,074,788	1,905	1,881	-1.3%	505	1,103	-1.6%	30	30	
Solomon Islands	611,343	2,039	2,066	+1.3%	1,086	296	-1.2%	52	53	+1
South Africa	55,523,510	102,606	104,395	+1.7%	292	532	-0.2%	2,105	2,047	-58
South Korea	51,753,820	99,962	100,245	+0.3%	531	516	-2.1%	1,331	1,300	-31
South Sudan	12,575,714	1,232	1,334	+8.3%	10,408	9,427	+10.4%	35	35	
Spain	45,929,057	112,455	112,916	+0.4%	409	407	+0.6%	1,502	1,499	-3
Sri Lanka	20,894,716	5,969	6,165	+3.3%	3,486	3,389	+2.9%	108	114	+6
Sudan	40,533,330	624	703	+12.7%	66,337	57,658	+15.1%	16	15	-1
Suriname	558,368	2,982	3,106	+4.2%	181	180	+0.7%	55	55	
Swaziland	1,323,468	3,217	3,212	-0.2%	400	412	-2.9%	87	81	-6
Sweden	9,967,637	22,430	22,418	-0.1%	436	445	-1.9%	310	309	-1
Switzerland	8,420,000	19,327	19,251	-0.4%	431	437	-1.5%	275	273	-2
Tahiti	268,207	3,206	3,219	+0.4%	84	83	+0.4%	46	48	+2
Taiwan	23,556,169	10,126	10,498	+3.7%	2,322	2,244	+3.5%	147	169	+22
Tanzania	57,310,019	16,989	17,878	+5.2%	3,269	3,206	+2.0%	477	465	-12
Thailand	68,414,135	4,574	4,868	+6.4%	14,911	14,054	+6.1%	109	122	+13
Timor-Leste	1,242,616	340	349	+2.6%	3,433	3,561	-3.6%	4	5	+1
Tinian	2,500	23	17	-26.1%	109	147	-26.1%	1	1	
Togo	7,691,915	20,157	20,683	+2.6%	374	372	+0.6%	293	297	+4
Tonga	107,986	235	221	-6.0%	452	489	-7.4%	3	3	
Trinidad and Tobago	1,368,143	9,675	9,892	+2.2%	141	138	+1.6%	126	126	
Turkey	79,815,000	2,829	3,030	+7.1%	27,925	26,342	+6.0%	38	40	+2
Turks & Caicos Islands	35,000	330	384	+16.4%	106	91	+16.0%	6	6	
Country / Territory	Population	2016 Peak Pubs	2017 Peak Pubs	% Change	2016 Ratio, 1 Pub to	2017 Ratio, 1 Pub to	+ / - % Real Terms	2016 Congs	2017 Congs	Change
Tuvalu	9,975	73	125	+71.2%	136	80	+70.7%	1	1	
Uganda	37,956,000	7,266	7,542	+3.8%	5,078	5,033	+0.9%	147	149	+2
Ukraine	41,882,079	141,846	140,300	-1.1%	299	299	+0.3%	1,578	1,610	+32
United States of	324,459,000	1,231,609	1,232,293	+0.1%	263	263	0.0%	14,040	13,578	-462
Uruguay	3,493,205	11,786	11,825	+0.3%	290	295	-1.7%	157	156	-1
Vanuatu	284,486	717	770	+7.4%	377	369	+2.1%	14	15	+1
Venezuela	31,570,000	147,680	149,355	+1.1%	210	211	-0.6%	1,849	1,886	+37
Virgin Islands, British	31,000	256	241	-5.9%	120	129	-6.9%	4	4	
Virgin Islands, U.S.	105,000	619	607	-1.9%	172	173	-0.6%	10	10	
Wallis & Futuna Islands	11,200	43	46	+7.0%	268	243	+9.9%	1	1	
Yap	11,376	29	27	-6.9%	392	421	-6.9%	1	1	
Zambia	16,405,229	183,586	191,311	+4.2%	87	86	+1.2%	2,972	3,126	+154
Zimbabwe	16,337,760	45,640	46,440	+1.8%	345	352	-1.8%	1,242	1,239	-3
Total 209 Lands	5,454,697,053	8,299,072	8,410,842	+1.3%	646	645	+0.2%	118,578	119,126	+548

31 Other Lands		41,775	46,265	+10.7%				907	927	+20
Grand Total 240 Lands		8,340,847	8,457,107	+1.4%				119,485	120,053	+568

Corrections:

Guinea-Bissau: WT gives the population in 2017 as being 1,865, and in 2016 as being 1,890,111. The above chart uses a 2017 population of 1,865,000.

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Notes:

Peak Publishers: This is the highest number reporting for any one month of the service year and may include late reports that were not added to the preceding month's report. In this way some publishers may be counted twice (or triple etc)

See: Watchtower August 15, 2011, page 22

See: <https://redd.it/7keybe>

Countries / Territories: There are the same number as during 2016 (209 plus 31 'others' for 240 total). In the individual listings, Bhutan has been added and Lebanon has been removed.

+/- % Real Terms: This was calculated using the WT provided numbers for population and peak publishers for 2016, compared with population and peak publisher for 2017.