

Secretary's Report

*North American Division
2013 Year End Meeting*

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**BUILDING
TOGETHER**



A DEBT OF GRATITUDE

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- Valerie Robbins
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- Elden Ramirez
- Ernest Hernandez
- Sandy Brown
- Pearly David
- Nakila Gipson
- Andrea Keele

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Membership

- **1,171,647 Members**
- **5,407 Churches**
- **783 Companies**

(As of June 2013)



Membership

Rate of Net Growth

▪ 1981-1990 (annual)	2.42%
▪ 1991-2000 (annual)	2.05%
▪ 2001-2005 (annual)	1.86%
▪ 2006	1.72%
▪ 2007	1.97%
▪ 2008	2.13%
▪ 2009	2.15%
▪ 2010	1.68%
▪ 2011	1.35%
▪ 2012	1.57%

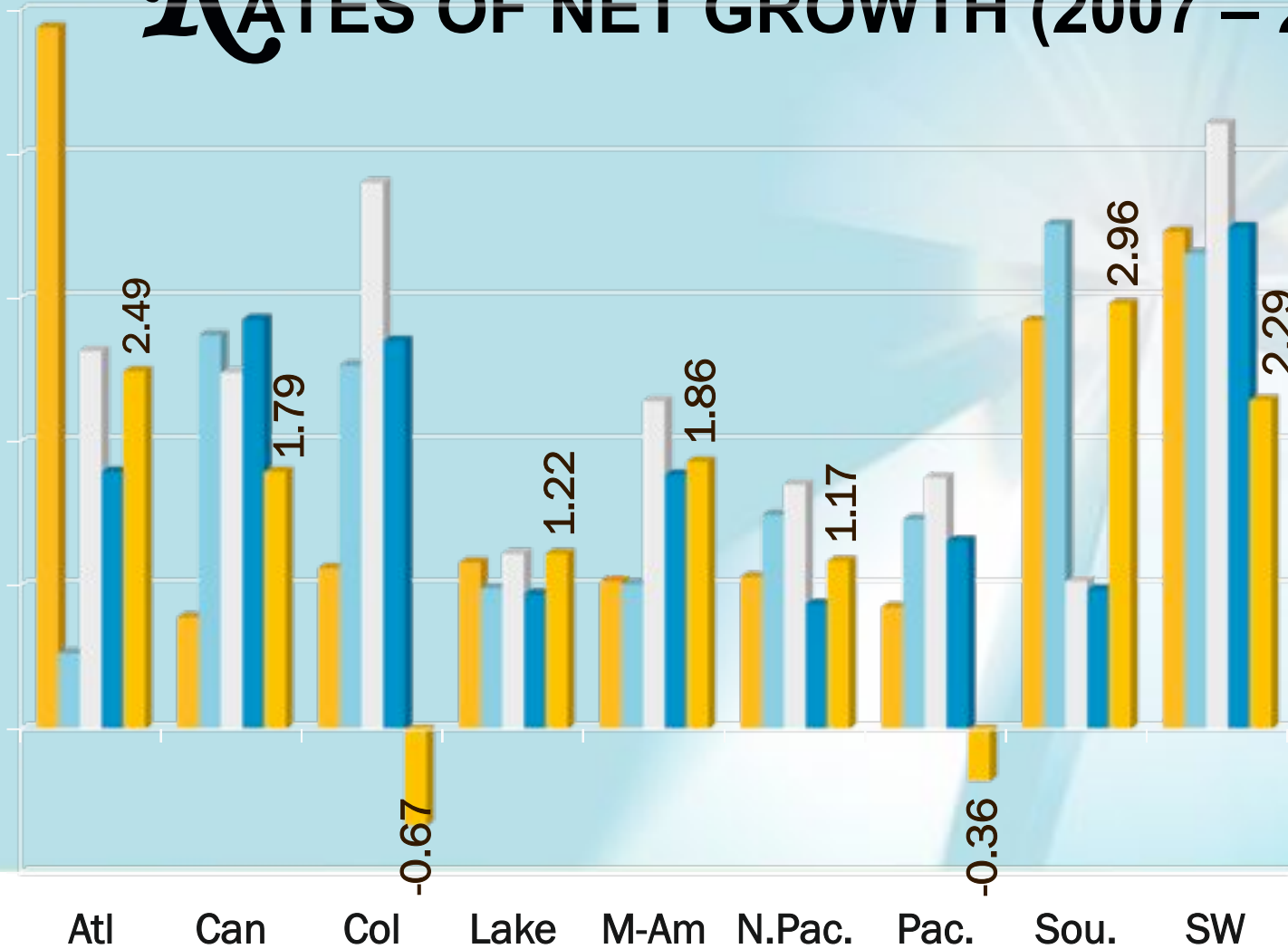


Membership



Membership

*R*ATES OF NET GROWTH (2007 – 2012)



Accessions

*R*ATE OF NET GROWTH

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- 1996 – 2000 36,412
- 2001 – 2005 35,696
- 2006 – 2010 40,277
- 2011 -2012 24,815



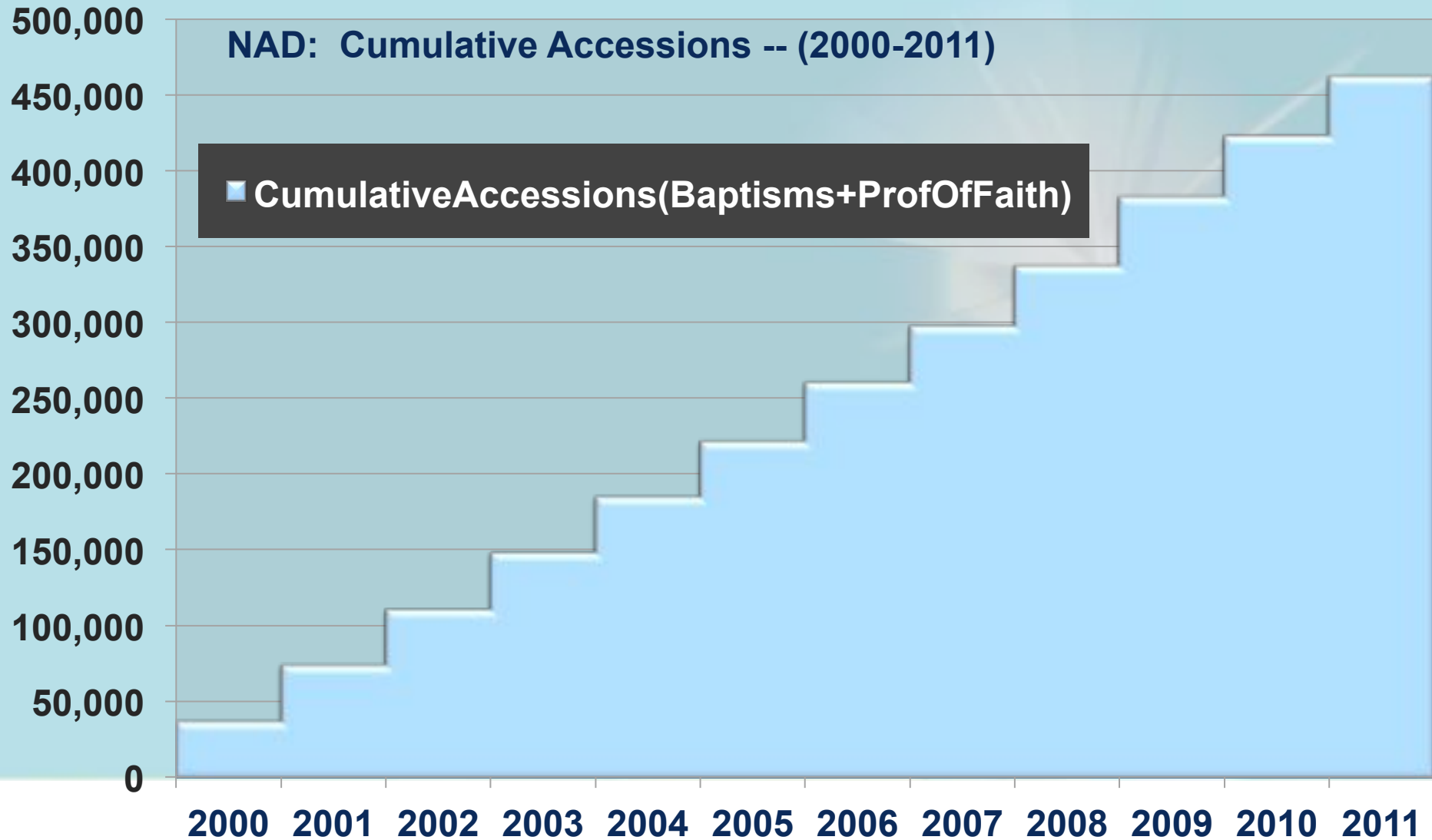
Accessions

**Additions by
baptism and
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faith for every
100 members at
beginning
of year**

– 2006	3.78%
– 2007	3.59%
– 2008	3.74%
– 2009	4.19%
– 2010	3.63%
– 2011	3.51%
– 2012	3.41%

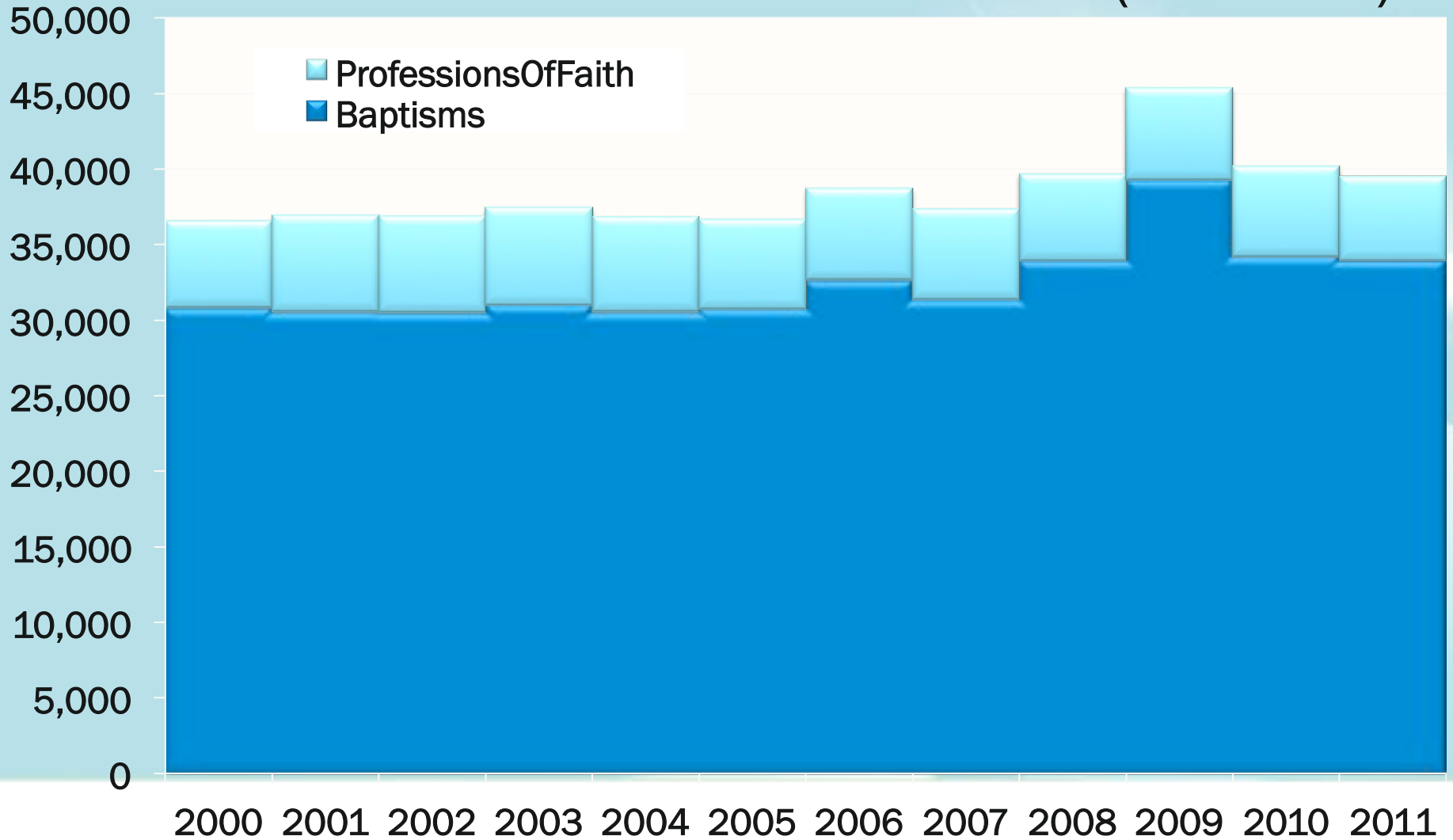


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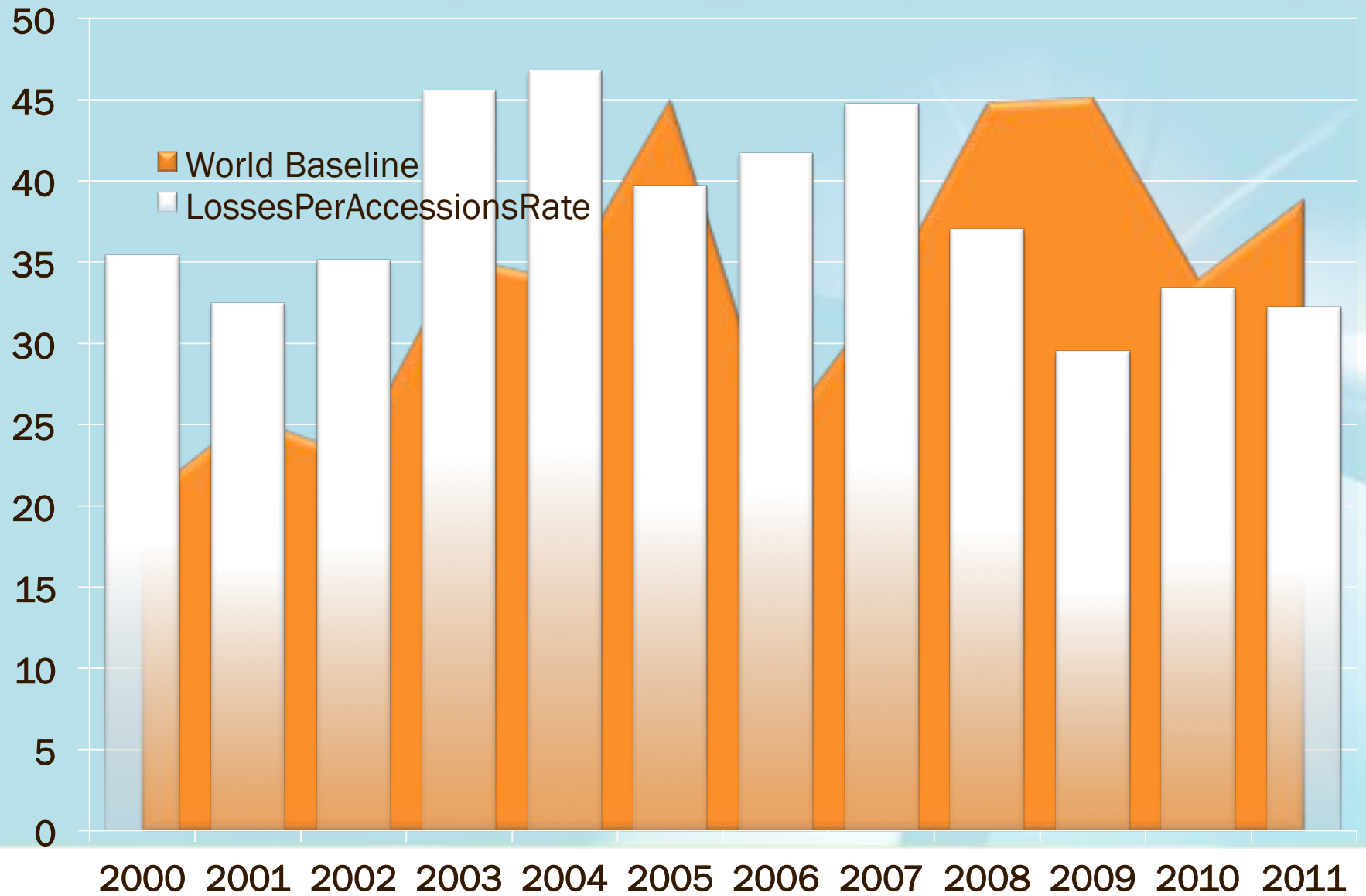


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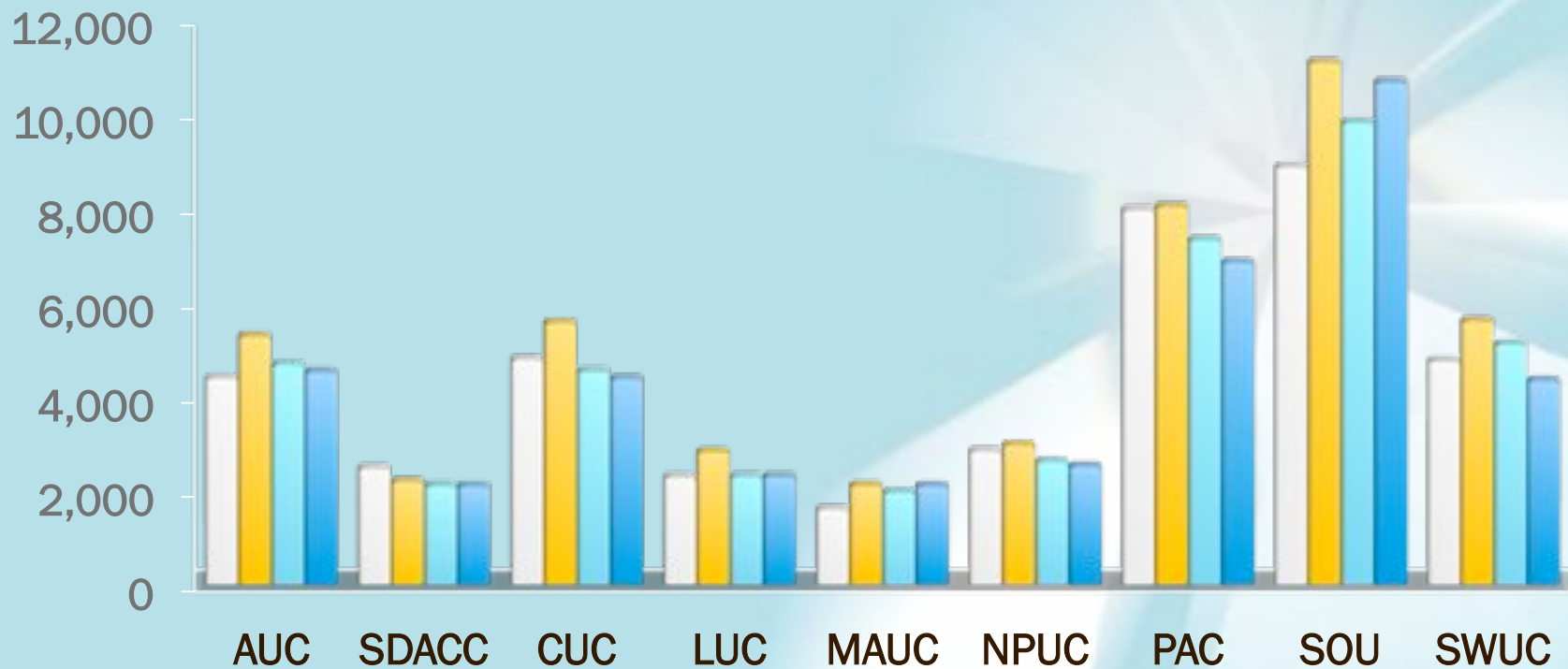
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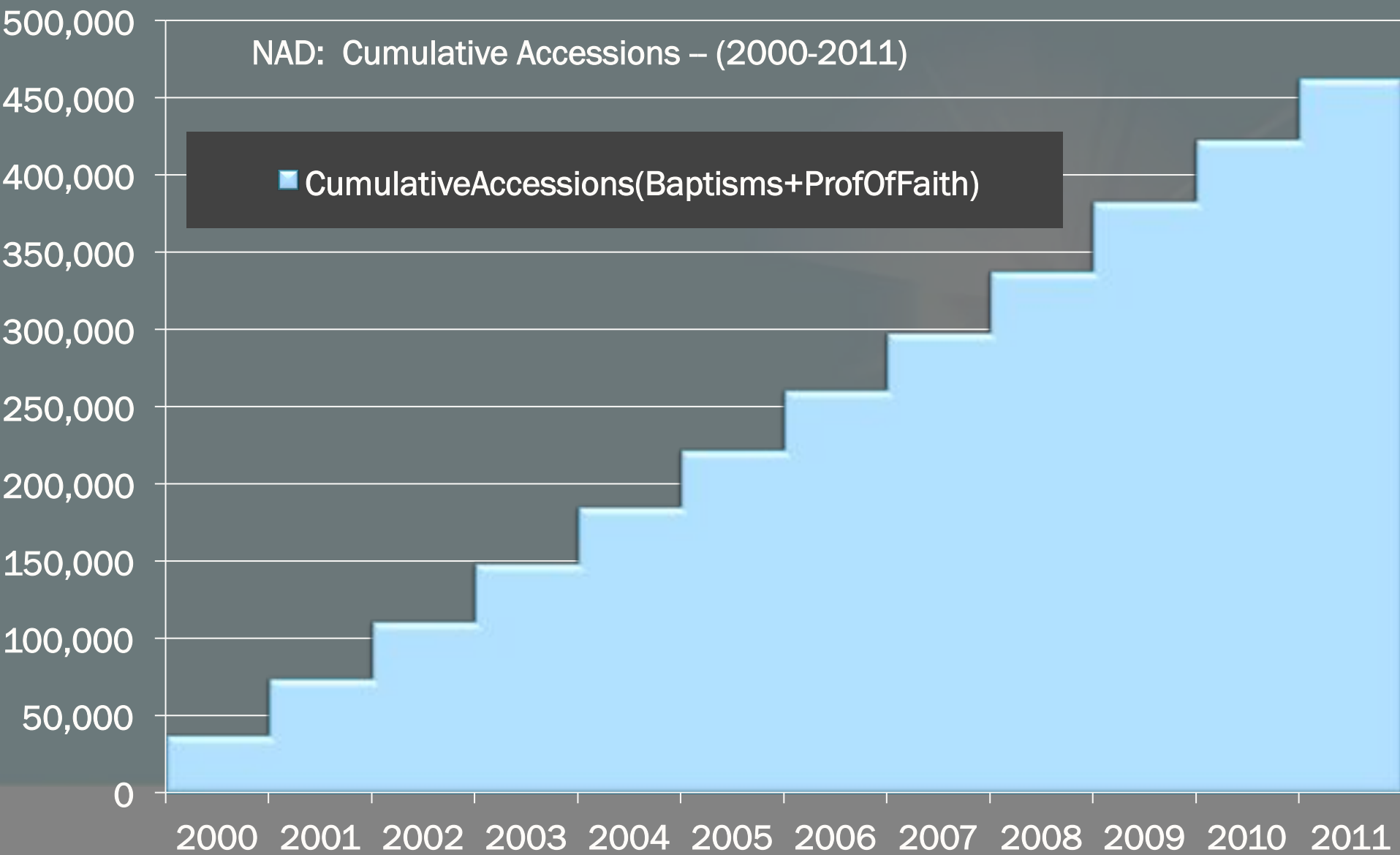
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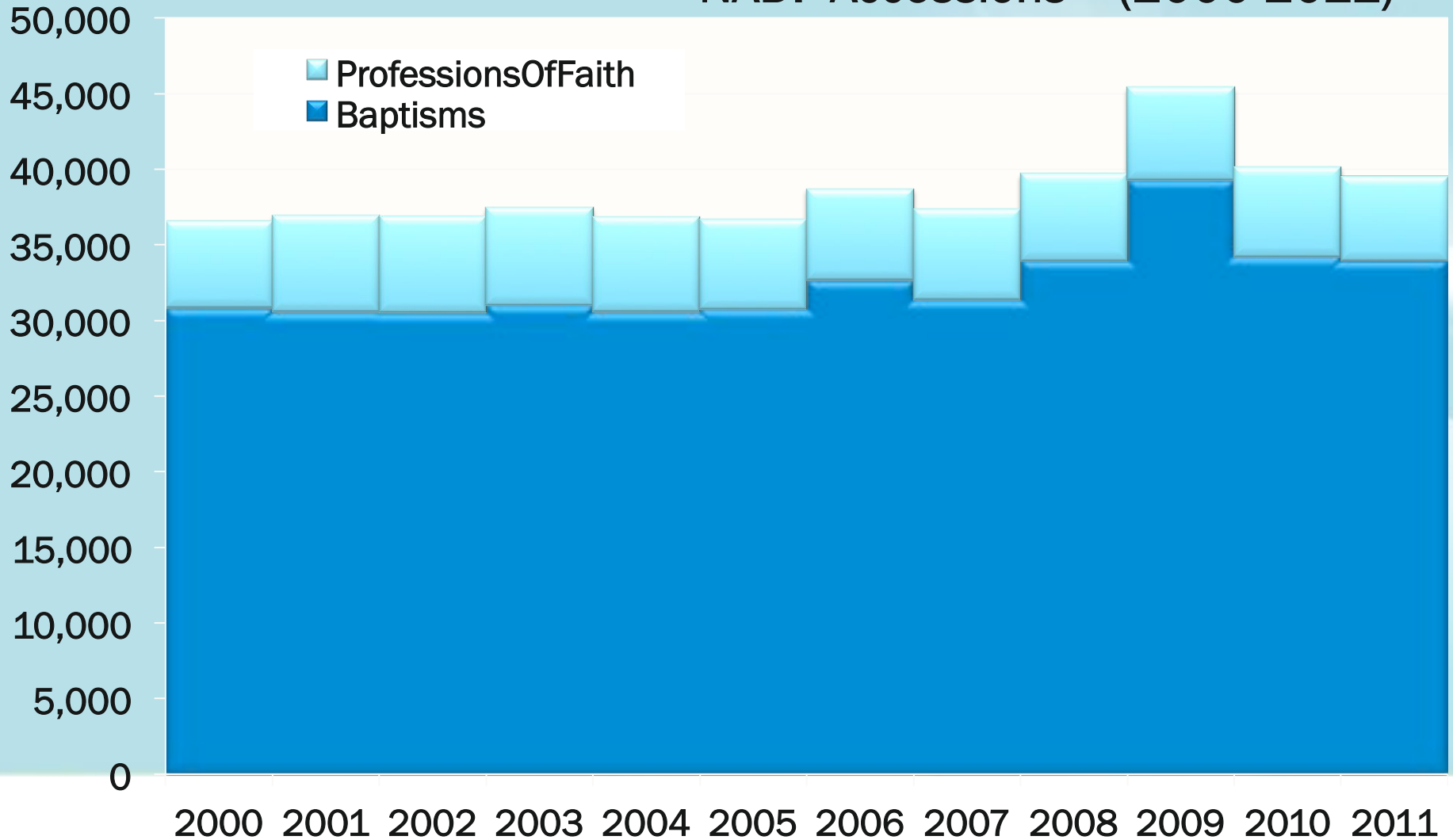


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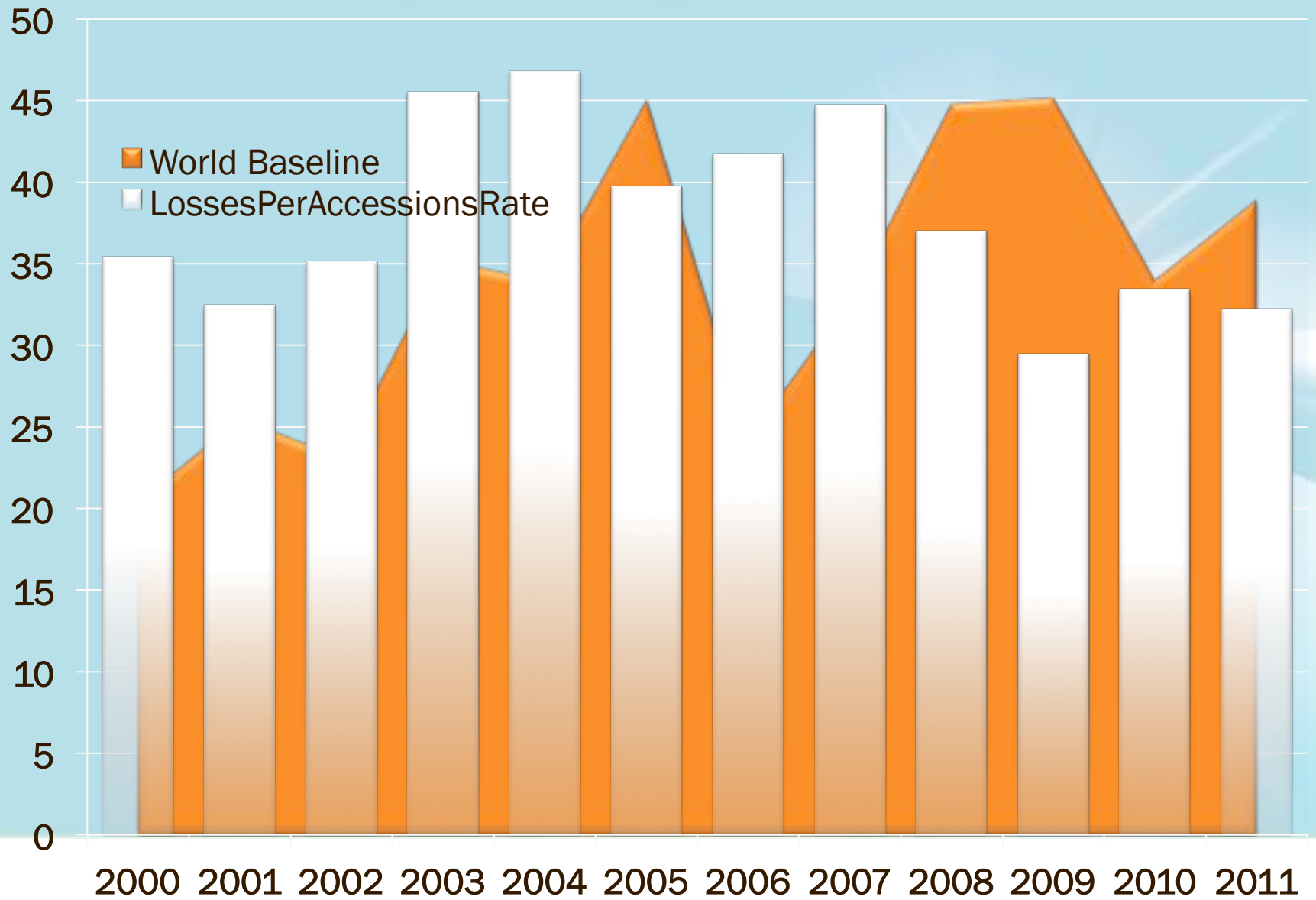


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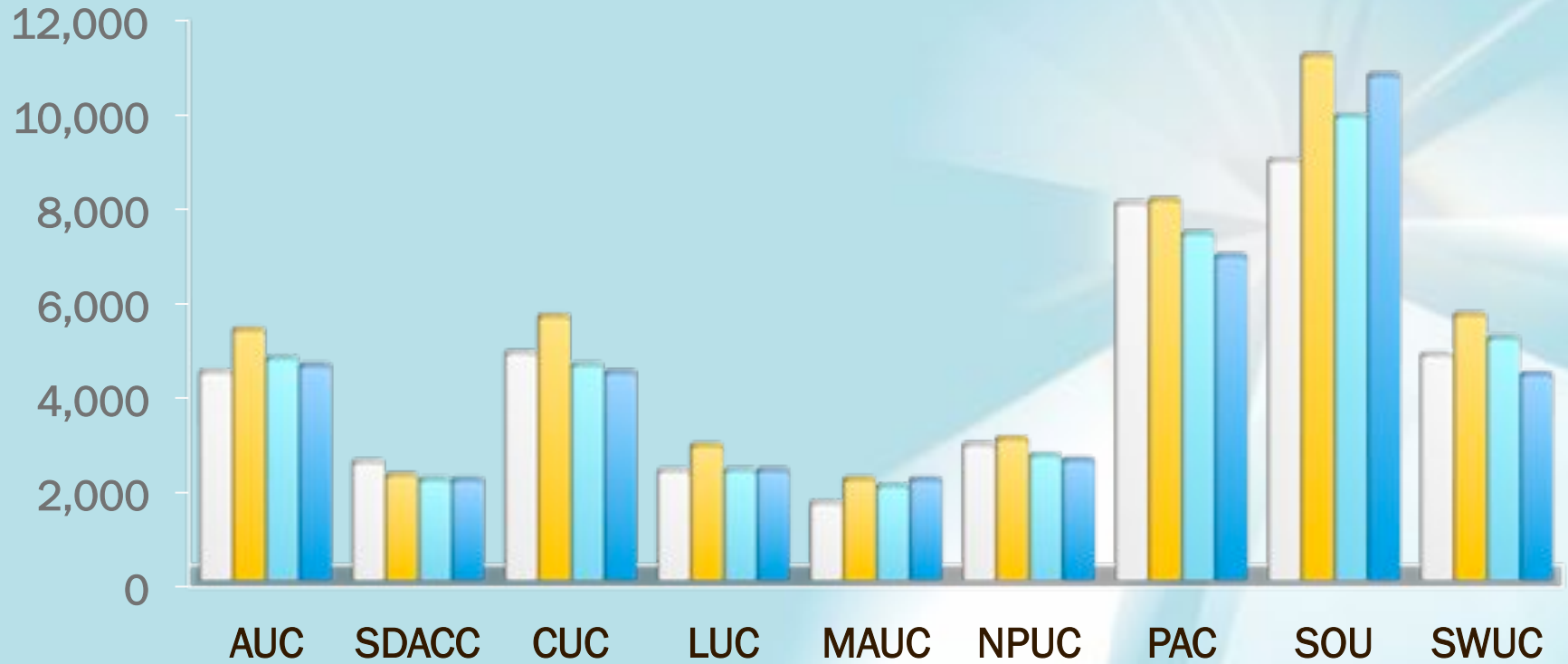
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Baptisms and Professions of Faith (2009 – 2011)



Baptisms and Professions of Faith

■ 2007	37,359
■ 2008	39,709
■ 2009	45,419
■ 2010	40,182
■ 2011	39,504
■ 2012	38,243



6 – Year Total ***240,416***

(before adjustments)

Baptisms and Professions of Faith

Quarter	2011	2012	Rate
1st Quarter	7,534	7,152	-5.1%
2nd Quarter	9,333	10,001	7.2%

Adventist Volunteers

Long Term Missionaries

*(generally serving 1 to 2
years)*

- AVS Processed Volunteers 541
- Tutoring/Mentoring Services 231
- Adventist Frontier Mission 91
- Other NAD Recorded Volunteers 52

YTD ***915***



Adventist Volunteer Service

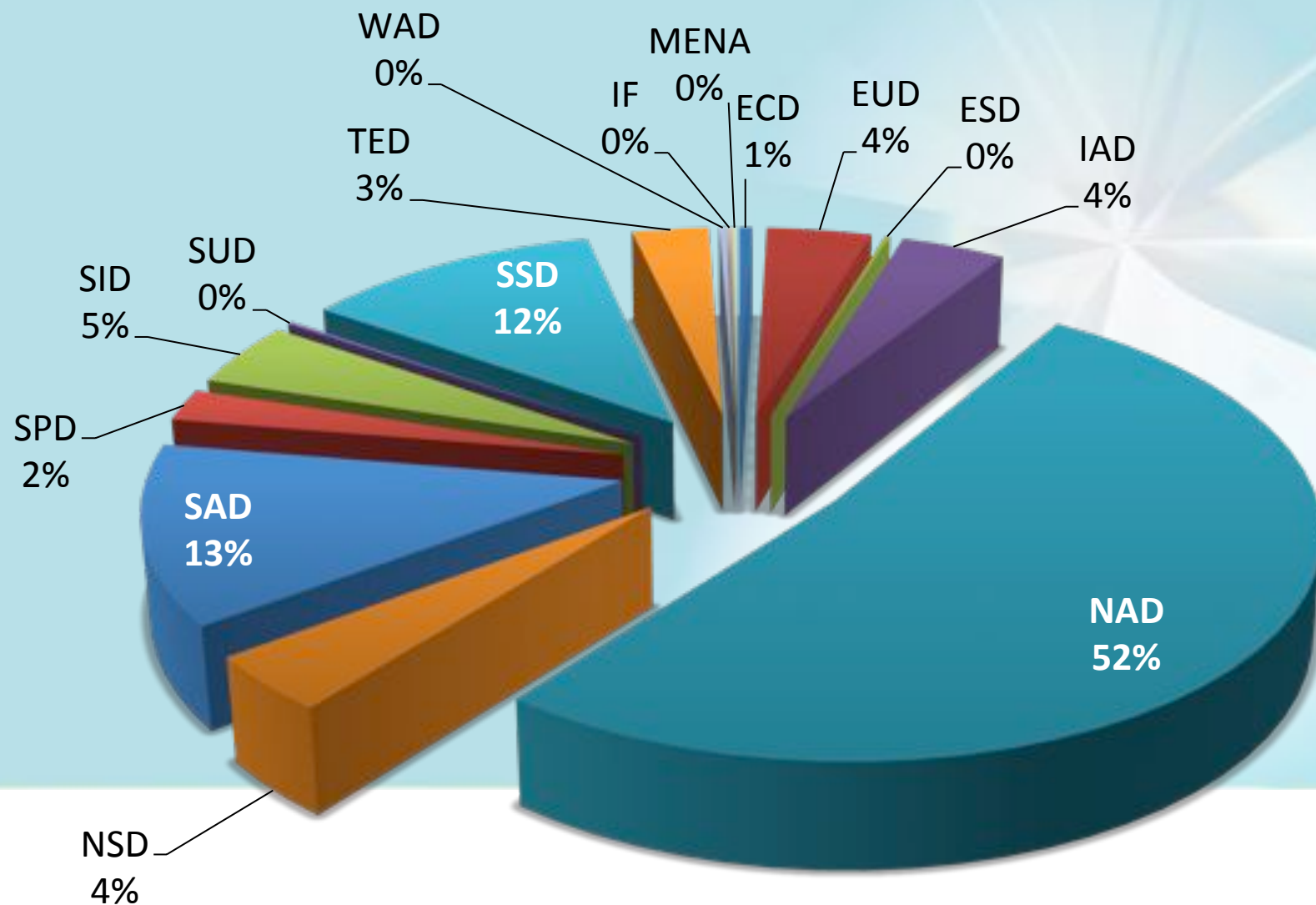
By Division

(Jan. – Sept. 2013)

DIVISION	SERVING in 2013
East-Central Africa (ECD)	5
Inter-European (EUD)	41
Euro-Asia (ESD)	2
Inter-American (IAD)	41
North America (NAD)	518
Northern Asia-Pacific (NSD)	41
South American (SAD)	129
South Pacific (SPD)	23
Southern-Africa & Indian Ocean (SID)	46
Southern Asia (SUD)	2
Southern Asia-Pacific (SSD)	117
Trans-European (TED)	30
West-Central Africa (WAD)	3
Israel Field (IF)	1
Middle East & North Africa (MENA)	2
<i>Total serving from Jan. to Sept. 2013</i>	<i>1001</i>

Adventist Volunteer Service (year 2013)

% AVS Serving per Division



Adventist Volunteer Service (year 2013 : Jan.- Sept)

Argentina 10	Chile 7	Egypt 17	India 4	Kyrgystan 2	Mongolia 3	Norway 9	Russia 2	Taiwan 16	Zambia 2
Australia 8	China 1	Ethiopia 2	Indonesia 4	Lebanon 14	Morocco 1	Palau 47	Rwanda 3	Tanzania 1	
Austria 24	Colombia 10	Fiji 2	Iraq 13	Lesotho 2	Mozambique 3	Papua New Guinea 1	Saint Kitts & Nevis 1	Thailand 40	
Bangladesh 1	Congo Dem. Rep. of 3	Germany 6	Israel 1	Liberia 2	Nepal 3	Paraguay 1	Serbia and Montenegro 2	Turkey 2	
Bolivia 1	Costa Rica 8	Guam 14	Italy 11	Madagascar 2	Netherlands 1	Peru 25	Sierra Leone 3	Ukraine 7	
Brazil 32	Cyprus 5	Guinea-Bissau 2	Japan 16	Malawi 16	New Zealand 7	Philippines 14	Solomon Islands 1	United Kingdom 22	
Cambodia 5	Denmark 13	Haiti 2	Kazakhstan 4	Marshall Islands 67	Nicaragua 4	Poland 10	South Africa 16	United States 76	
Cameroon 3	East Timor 4	Honduras 11	Kenya 23	Mexico 6	Nigeria 3	Portugal 4	Spain 27	Uruguay 7	
Chad 10	Ecuador 15	Hong Kong 6	Korea, South 159	Micronesia, FS of 109	Northern Mariana Islands 18	Puerto Rico 2	Sri Lanka 1	Yemen 1	

AVS Presence in 82 countries for 2013

*NAD AVS Presence in 54 countries (**Black**)
94 mission sites.*

Adventist Volunteers

Short term Missionaries

*Individual and group
trips under 2 months*

■ Universities/Colleges/Hosp.	4183
■ Union Conf. (those that reported)	4835
■ Education Departments (those that reported)	2355
■ Supporting Ministries	3665
■ Internal Dept. Reporting	<u>38621</u>

YTD 53,659

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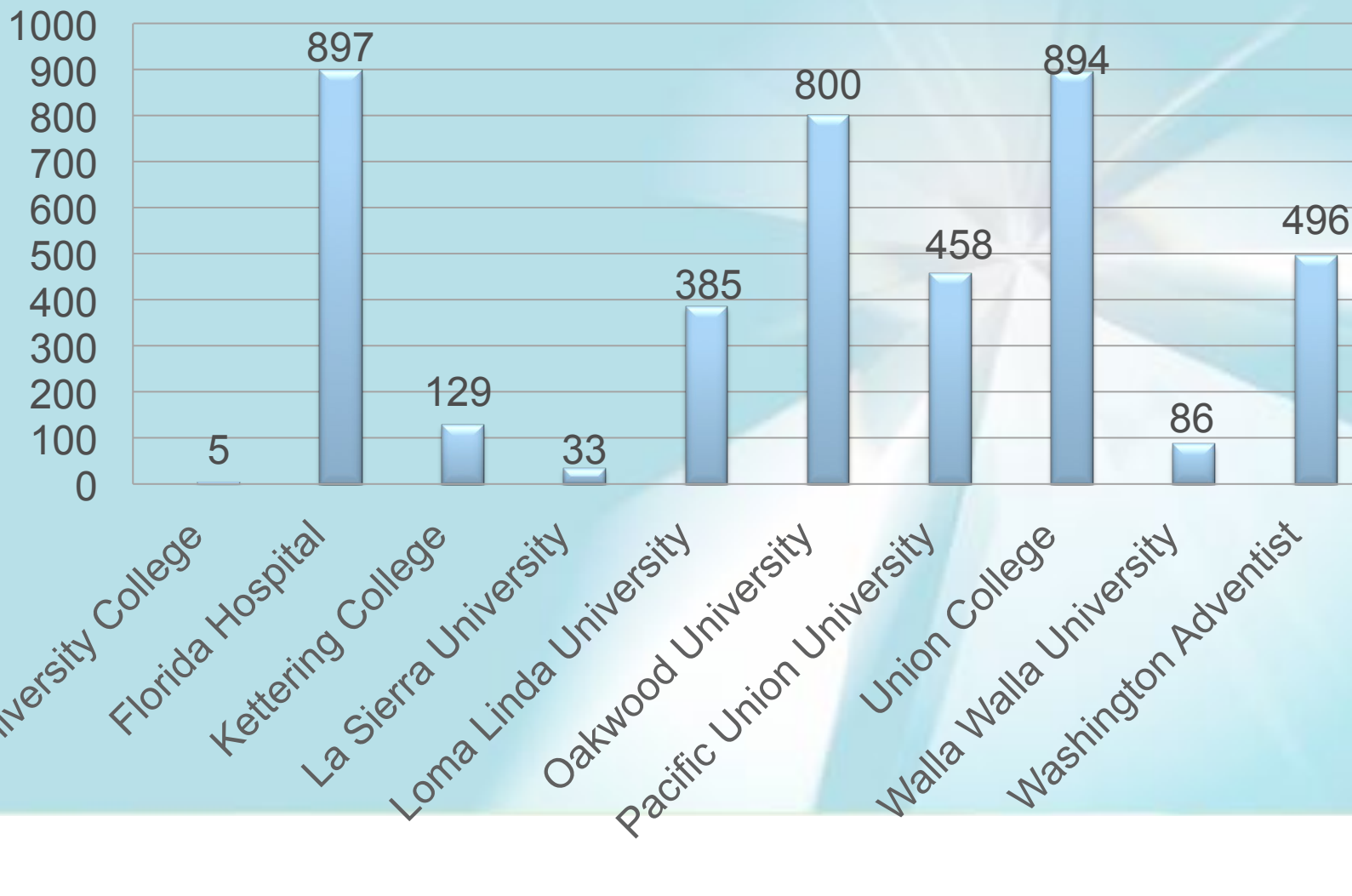


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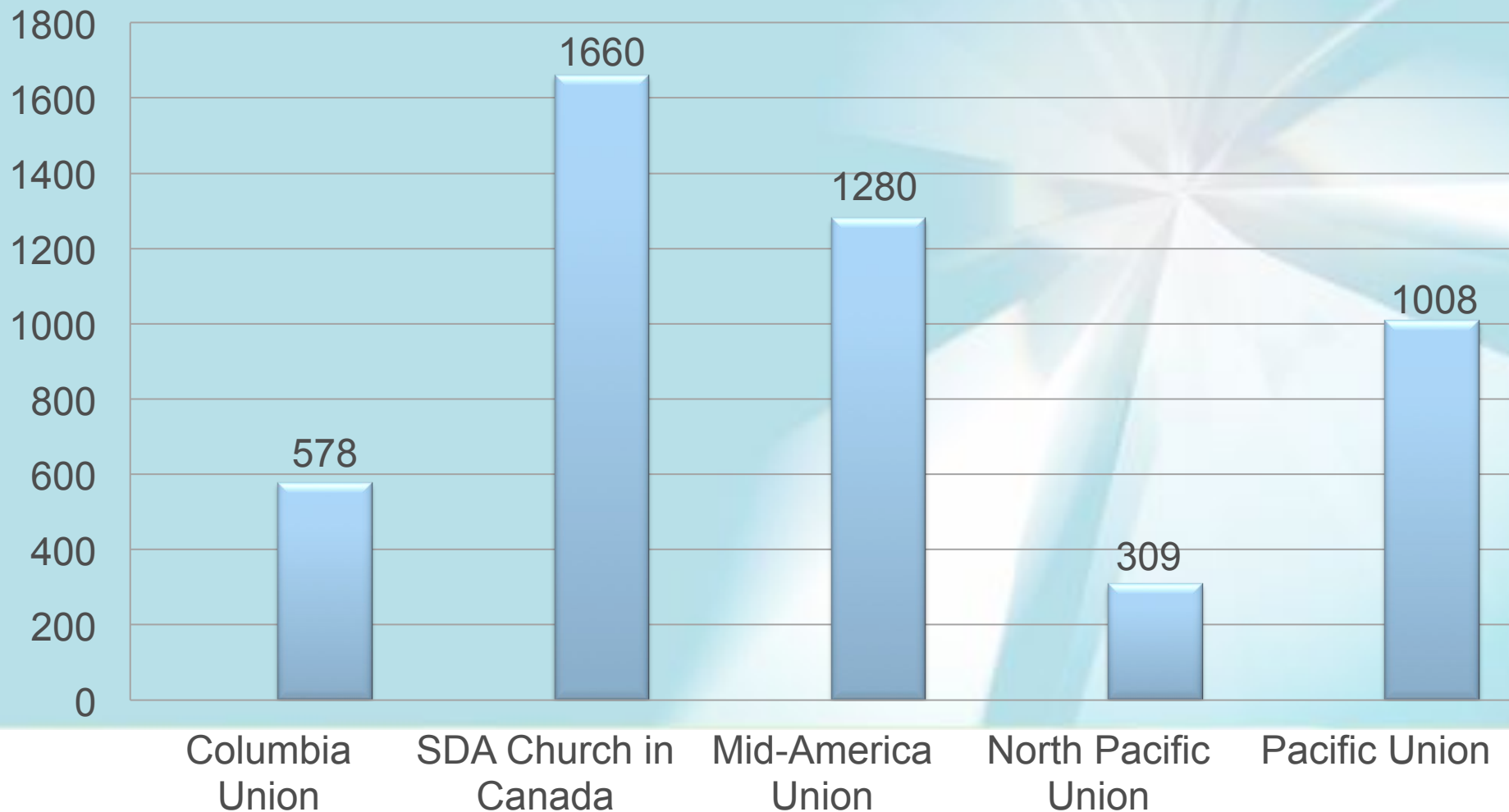
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Short Term Volunteers from Universities/Hospitals



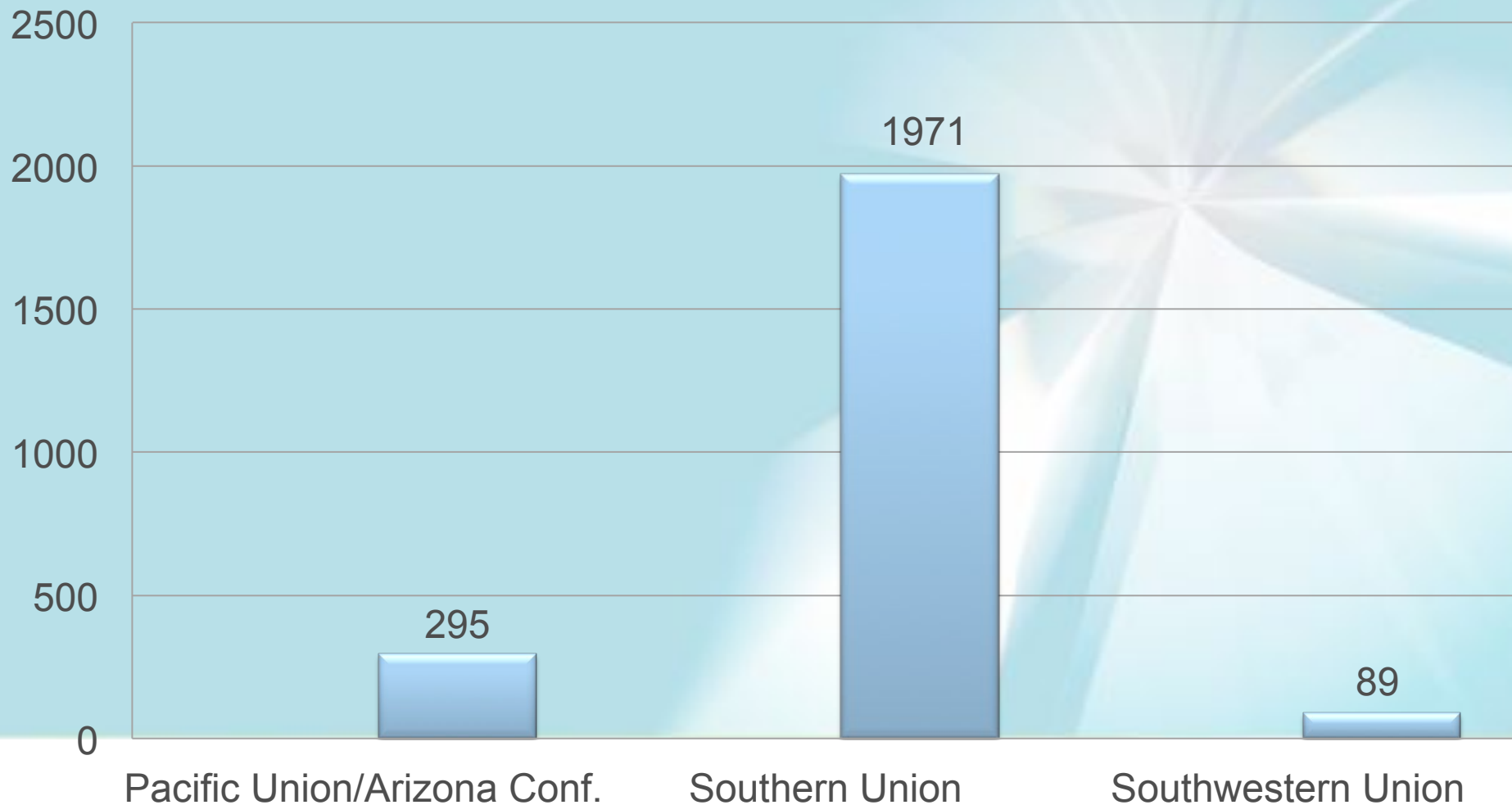
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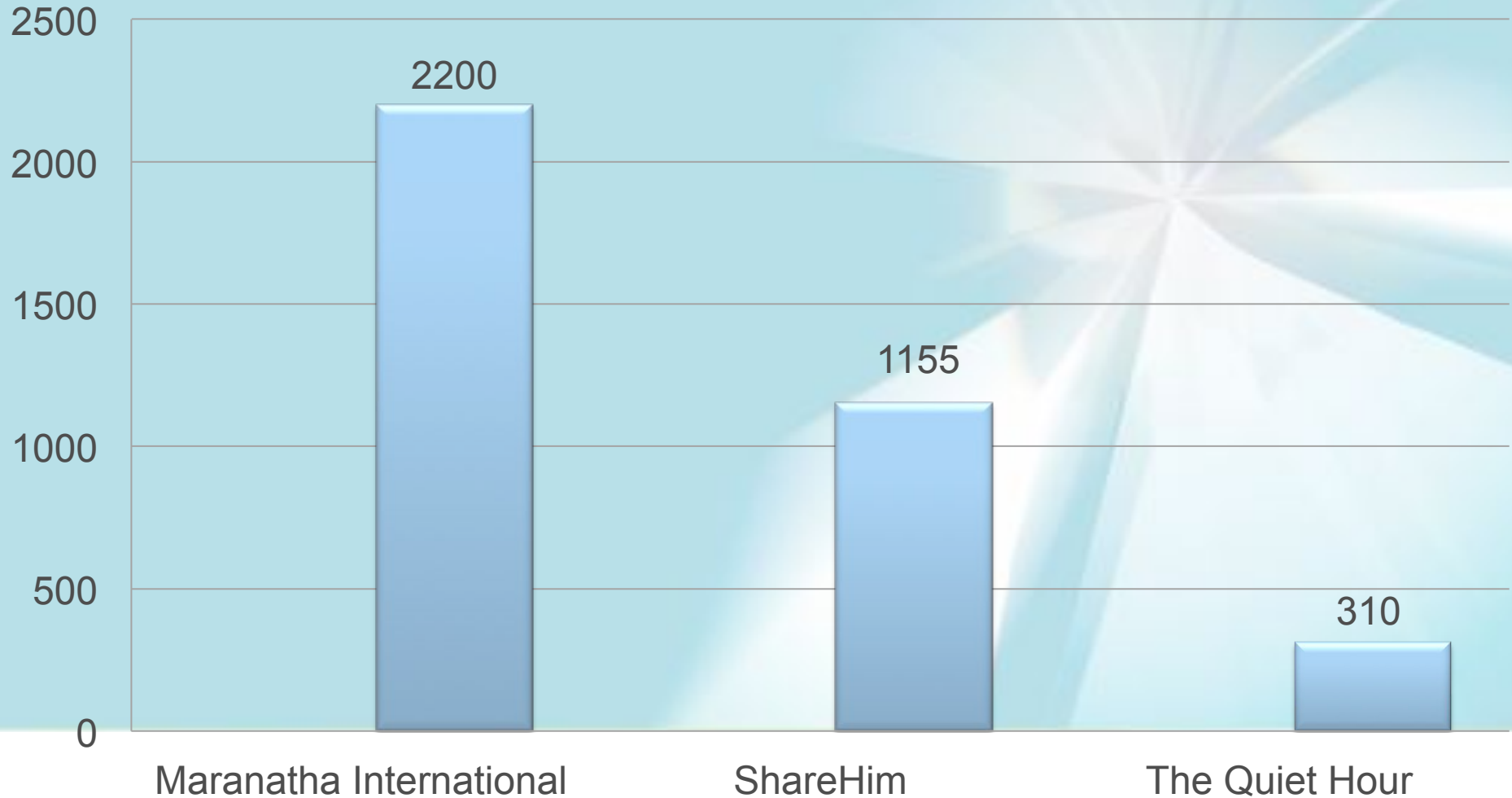
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Short Term Volunteers from Education Departments *(those that reported)*



Adventist Volunteers

Short Term Volunteers from Supporting Ministries



Adventist Volunteers

Short Term Volunteers from NAD/ARM Reporting



Adventist Volunteers

Year to date totals

January – October. 2013

**Long
Term**
915

**Short
Term**
53,659

Totals
54,574



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Adjustments



Letter Transfers

Deaths

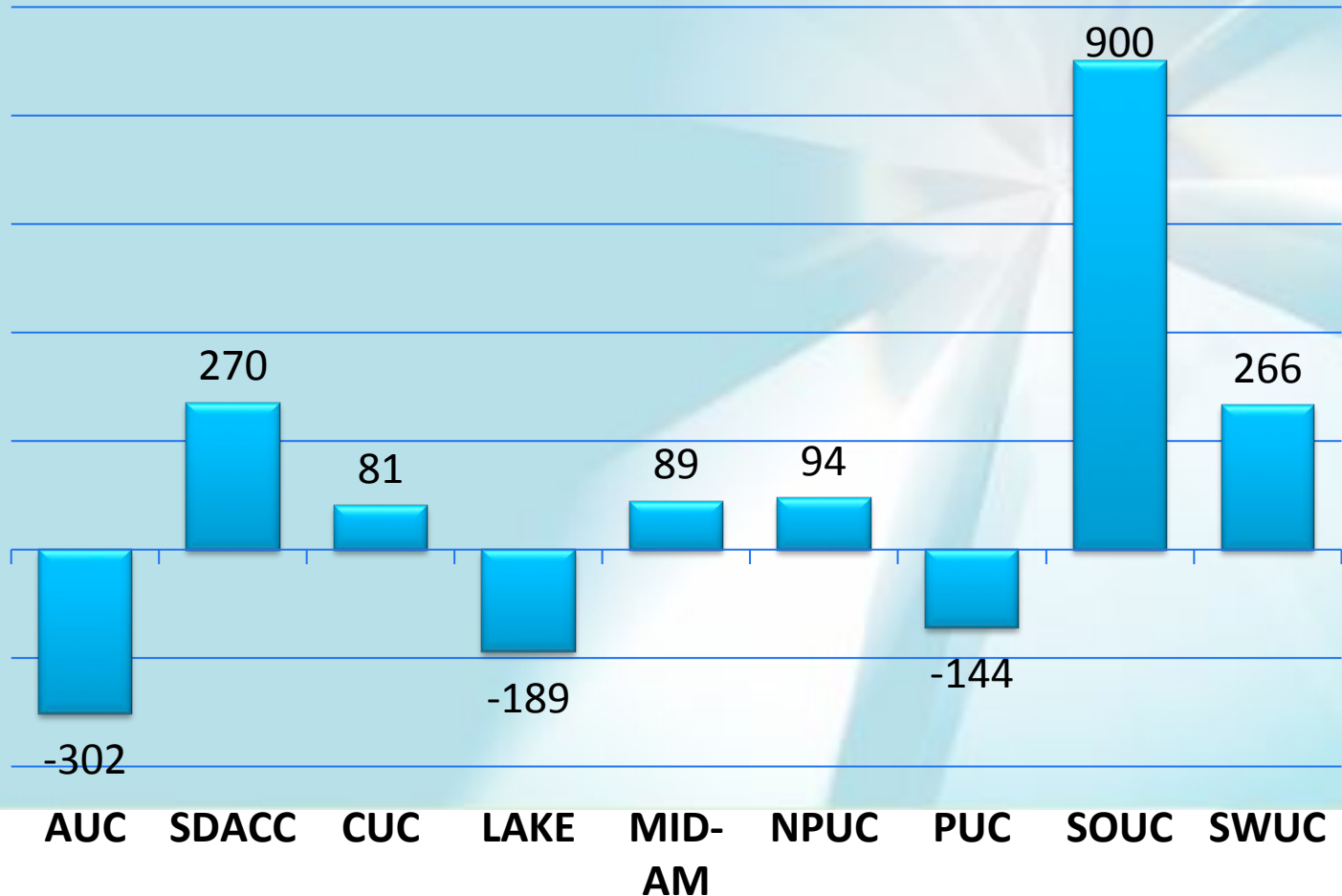
**Dropped
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Missing Members

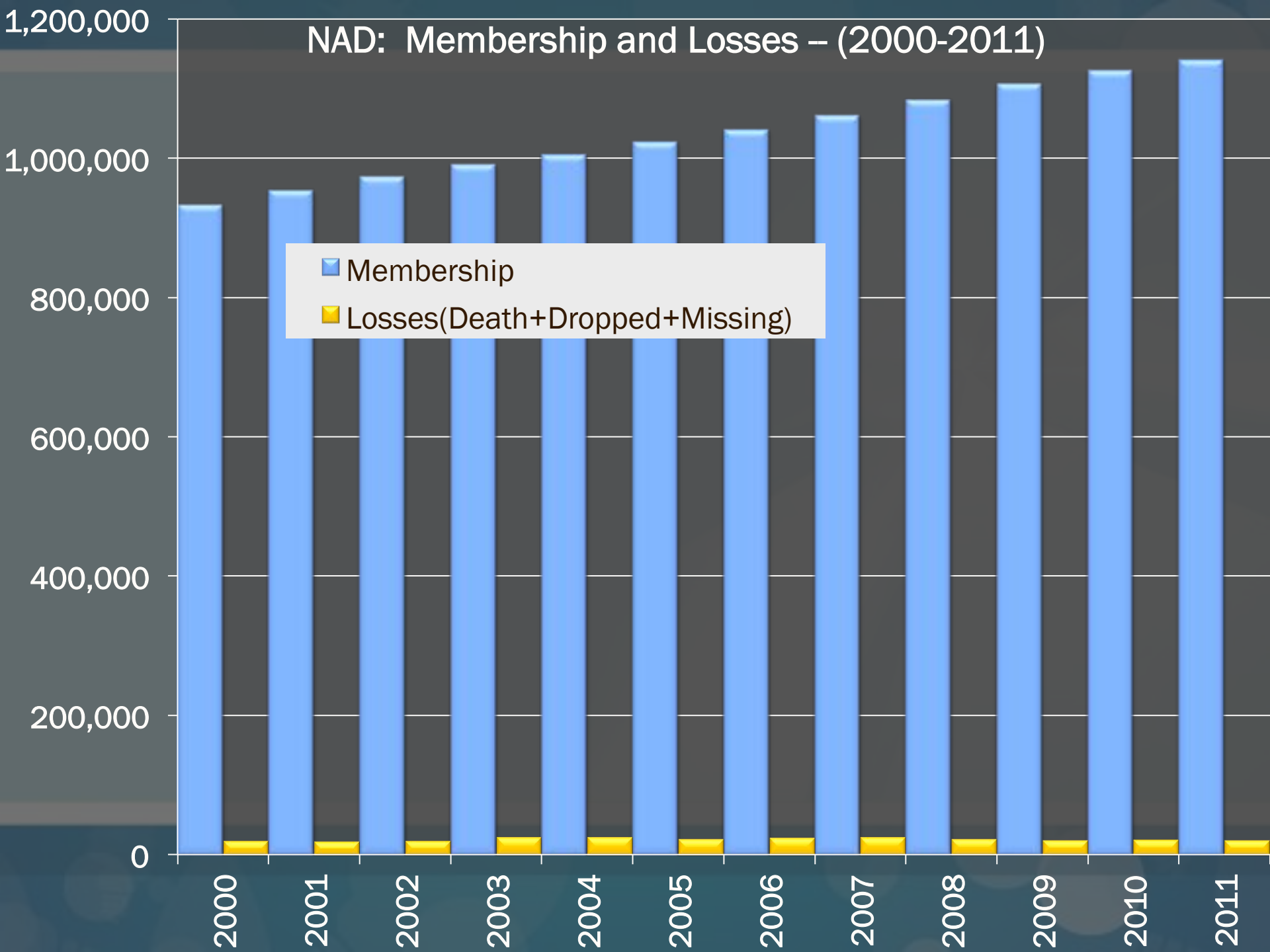


Adjustments

2011 Letters of Transfers

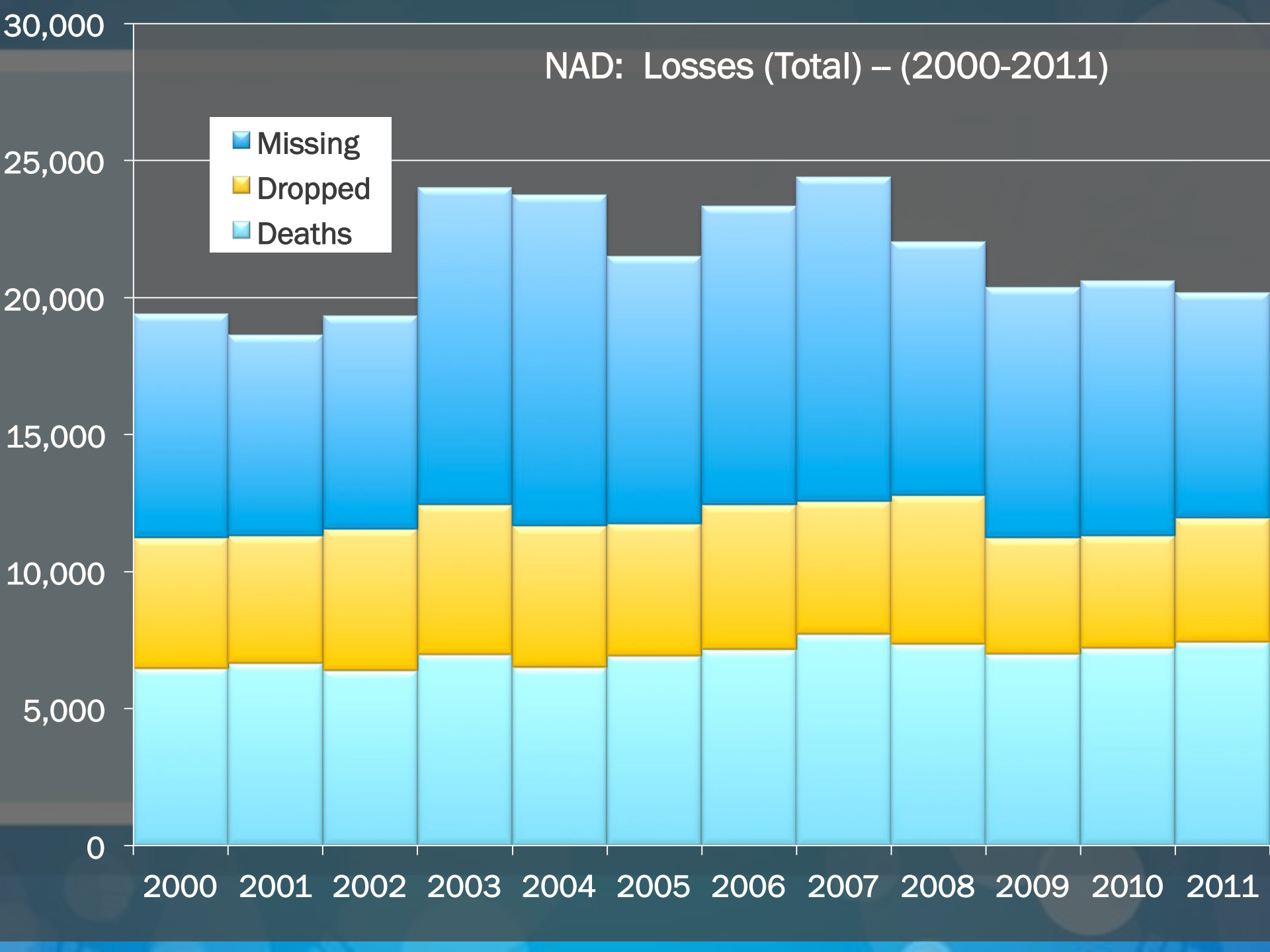


NAD: Membership and Losses – (2000-2011)

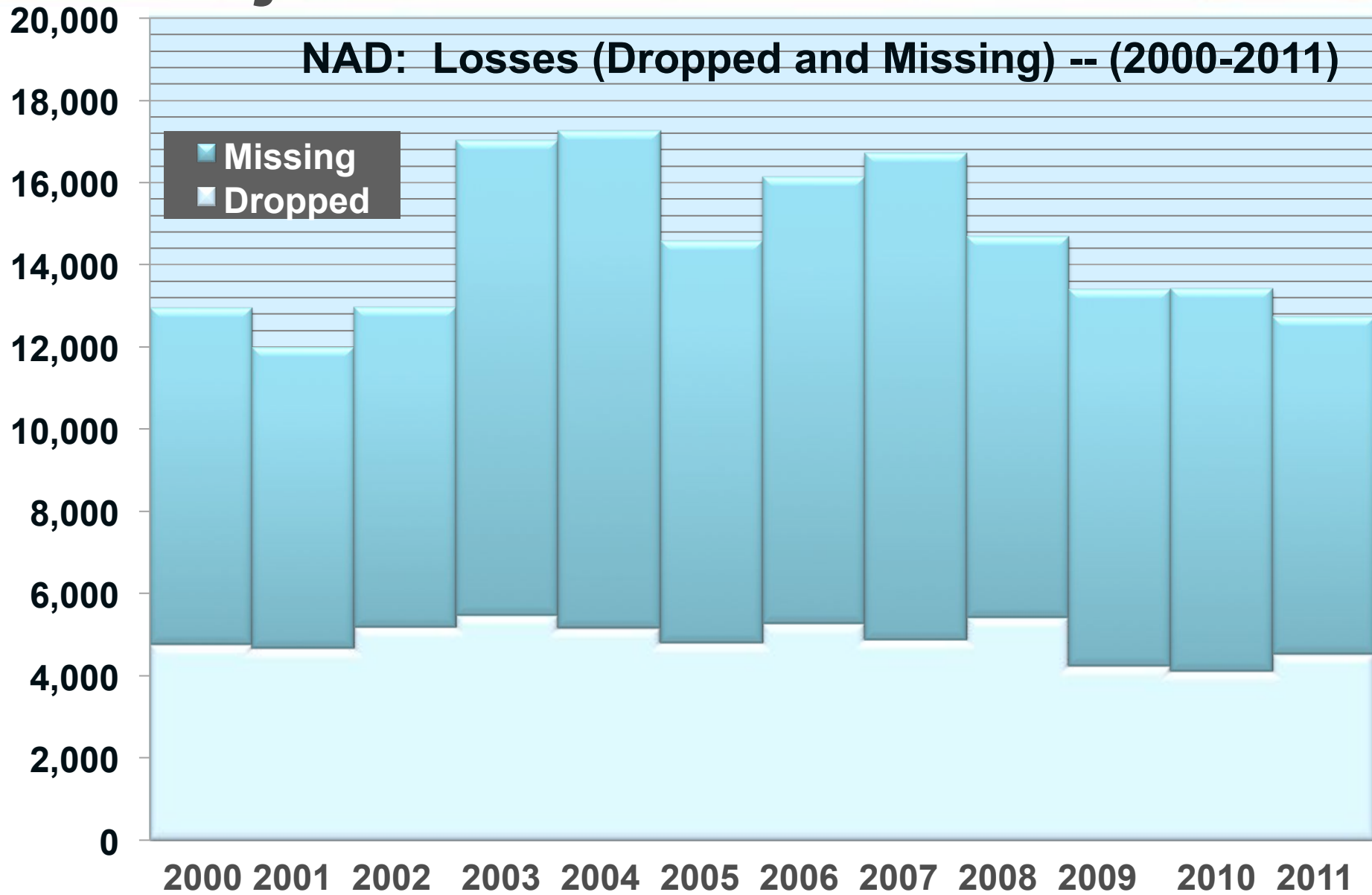


NAD: Losses (Total) – (2000-2011)

- Missing
- Dropped
- Deaths

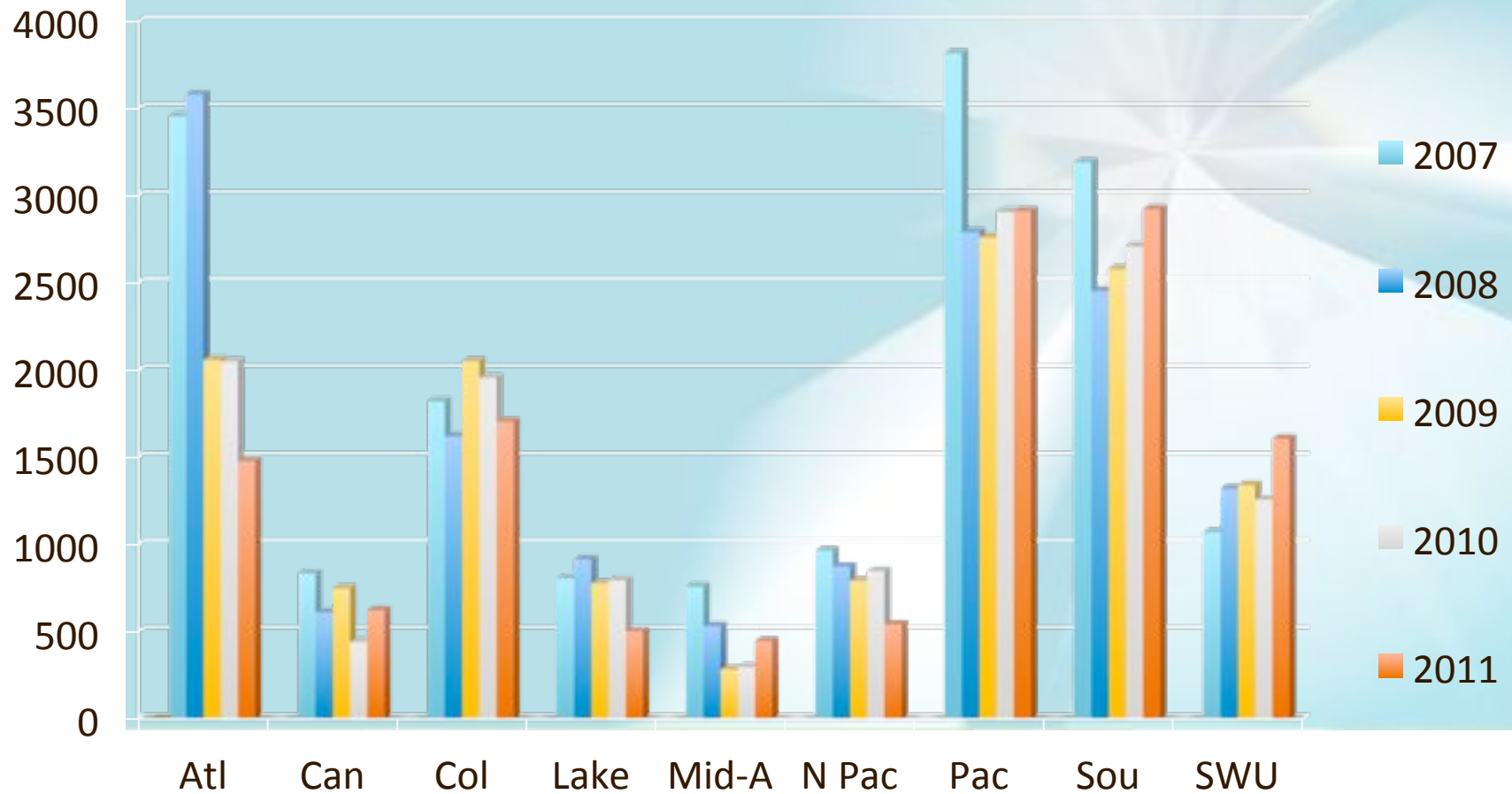


Adjustments



Adjustments

Dropped and Missing (2006-2011)



Total Accessions after Adjustments (2006-2012)

❖ Dropped and Missing	91,614
❖ Deaths	53,702
❖ Total Loss	145,316
❖ Baptisms and Professions of Faith	240,891
❖ Minus Total Loss	(145,316)
❖ Net Gain in Seven (7) Years	95,575

Areas of Interest



Gender Ratio

Age Ratio

Tithes/Offerings

Church Membership Ratios

World Statistics

Population Growths



Gender Ratio

**Approximate
Percentage of
Female Members
60%**

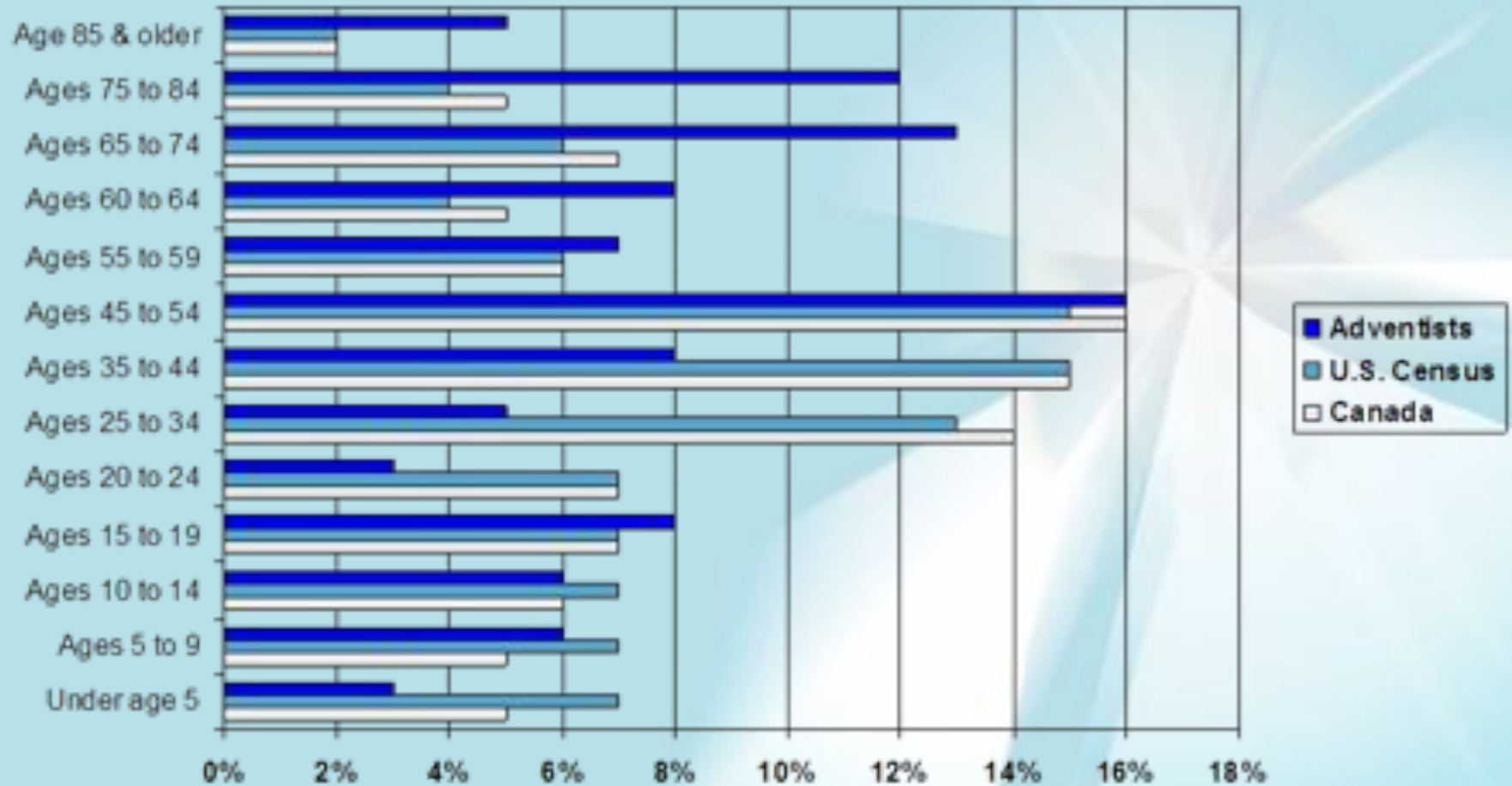


Age Ratio

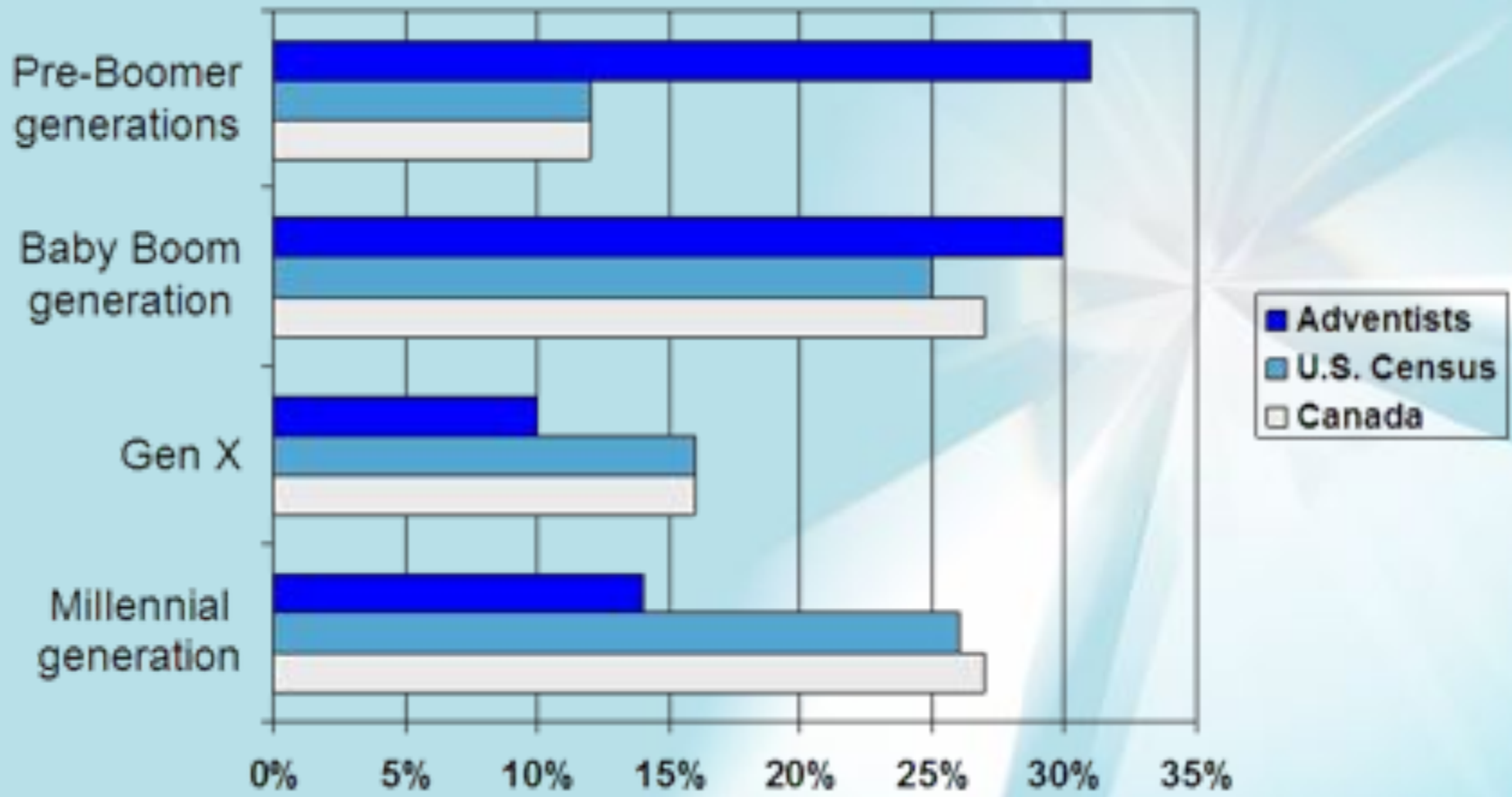
**Approximate
Members from
ages 11-35
275,000**



Age Profile

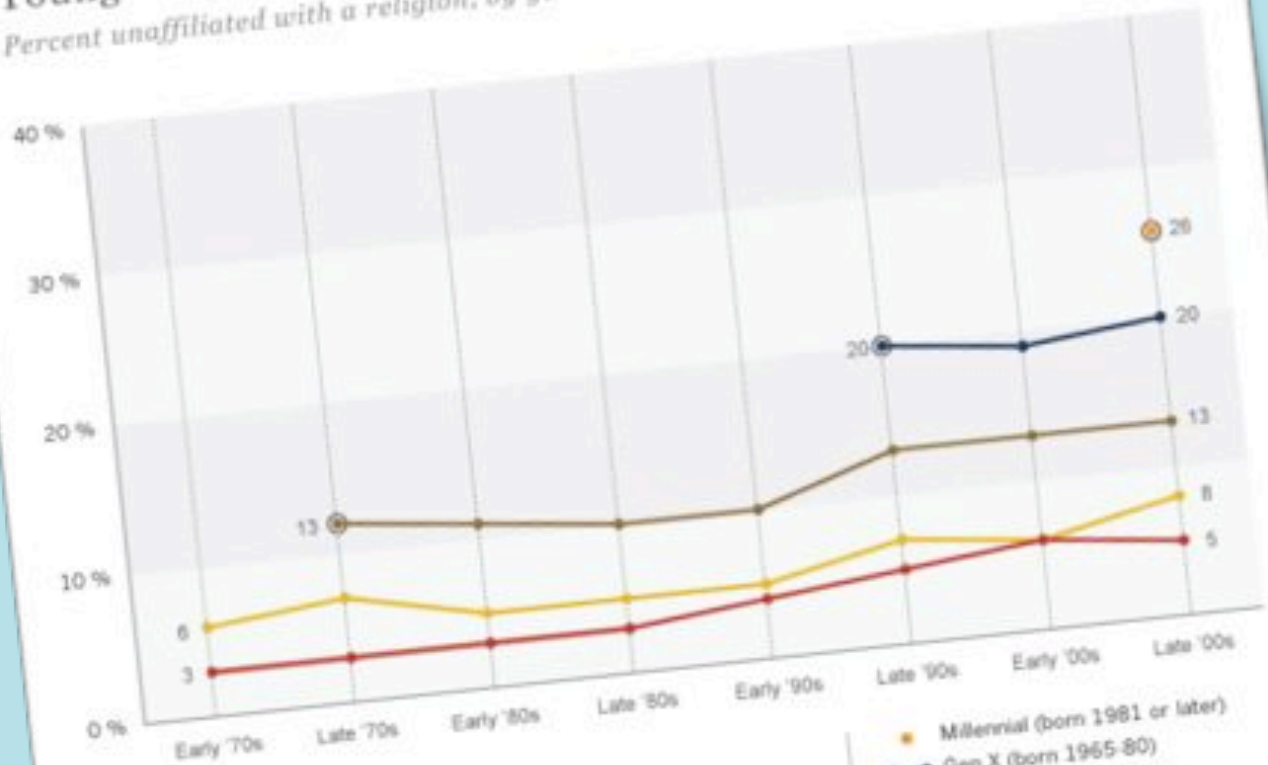


Age by Generation



Young People Less Religiously Affiliated

Percent unaffiliated with a religion, by generation



Source: General Social Surveys.

Question Wording: What is your religious preference?
Is it Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, some other religion or no religion?

- Millennial (born 1981 or later)
- Gen X (born 1965-80)
- Boomer (born 1946-64)
- Silent (born 1928-45)
- Greatest (born before 1928)
- Indicates point when generations were at comparable ages

Pew Research Center's Forum on Religion & Public Life • Religion in the Millennial Generation, February 2010

Religious Attendance

	Attend services at least weekly %	N (in thousands)
Total Population	39	35,556
Ages 18-29	33	4,242
Ages 30+	41	30,453
Ages 30-49	36	11,823
Ages 50-64	40	10,484
Ages 65+	53	8,146

Source: 2007 U.S. Religious Landscape Survey, Pew Forum on Religious & Public Life

Religious Attendance

	Attend services at least weekly %	N (in thousands)
Religiously Affiliated	46	30,236
Ages 18-29	43	3,164
Ages 30+	47	26,360
Unaffiliated	5	5,048
Ages 18-29	5	1,034
Ages 30+	5	3,913

Source: 2007 U.S. Religious Landscape Survey, Pew Forum on Religious & Public Life

Religious Attendance

	Attend services at least weekly %	N (in thousands)
Evangelical Protestant	58	9,472
Ages 18-29	55	929
Ages 30+	59	8,352
Mainline Protestant	35	7,470
Ages 18-29	33	528
Ages 30+	35	6,743
Hist. Black Protestant	59	1,995
Ages 18-29	55	356
Ages 30+	60	1,586
Catholic	41	8,054
Ages 18-29	34	926
Ages 30+	43	6,930

Source: 2007 U.S. Religious Landscape Survey, Pew Forum on Religious & Public Life

Religious Composition of Age Groups

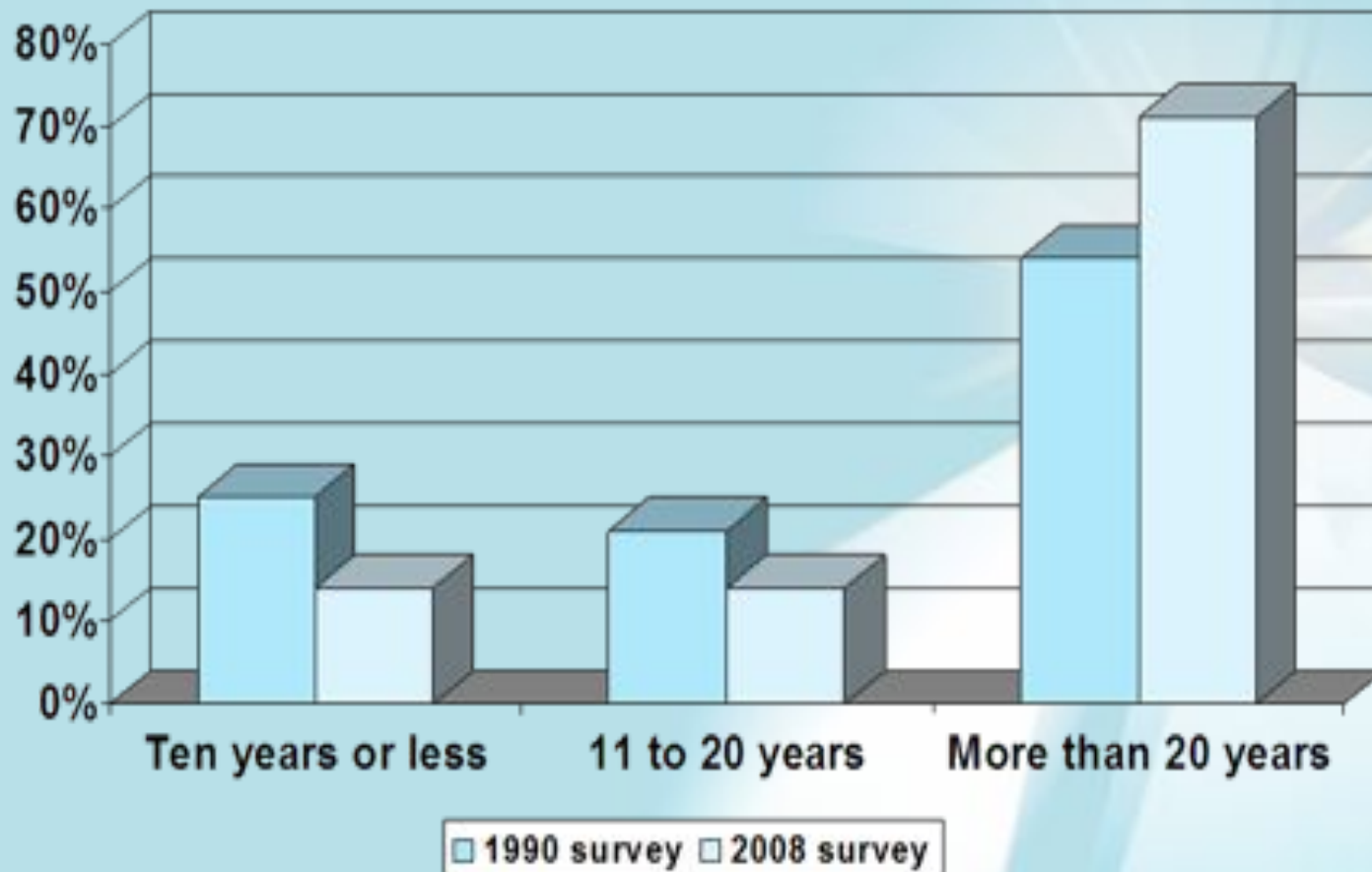
	Total Pop. %	Total 18-29 %	Total 30+ %	30-39 %	40-49 %	50-59 %	60-69 %	70+ %
Christian	78	68	81	76	80	80	84	88
Protestant	51	43	53	47	52	54	57	62
Evangelical	26	22	27	26	28	27	29	30
Mainline	18	12	19	16	17	20	21	26
Historically Black	7	8	7	6	7	7	7	6
Catholic	24	22	24	25	25	23	24	23
Mormon	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	1
Jehovah's W.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Orthodox	1	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	1
Other Christian	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	1	0.5

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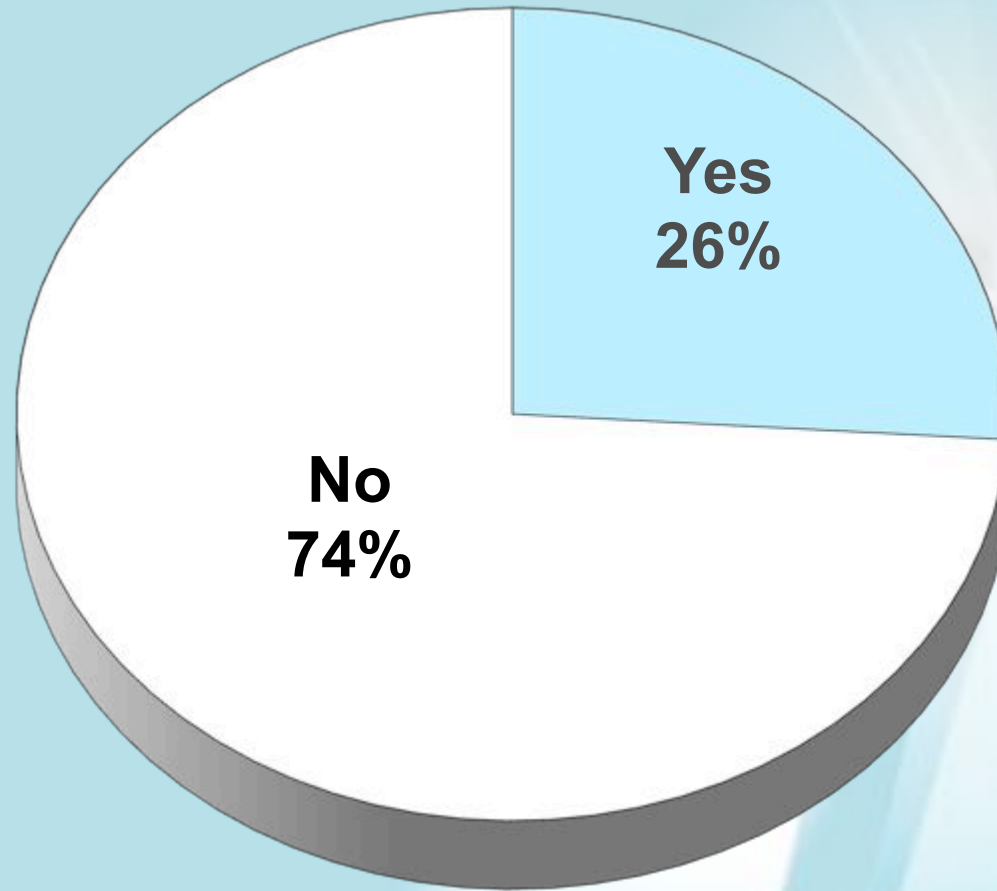
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	Total Pop. %	Total 18-29 %	Total 30+ %	30-39 %	40-49 %	50-59 %	60-69 %	70+ %
Other Religions	5	6	4	5	4	5	5	4
Jewish	2	2	2	1	1	2	2	2
Muslim	1	1	0.5	1	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5
Buddhist	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	<0.5
Hindu	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	1	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5
Other World Religions	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5
Other Faiths	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Unaffiliated	16	25	14	19	15	14	10	8
Religious	6	9	5	7	6	5	3	3
Secular	6	9	6	7	6	6	4	3
Atheist	2	3	1	2	1	1	1	1
Agnostic	2	4	2	2	2	2	2	1
DK/REF	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Total	35,556	4,242	30,453	5,085	6,738	7,379	5,517	5,734

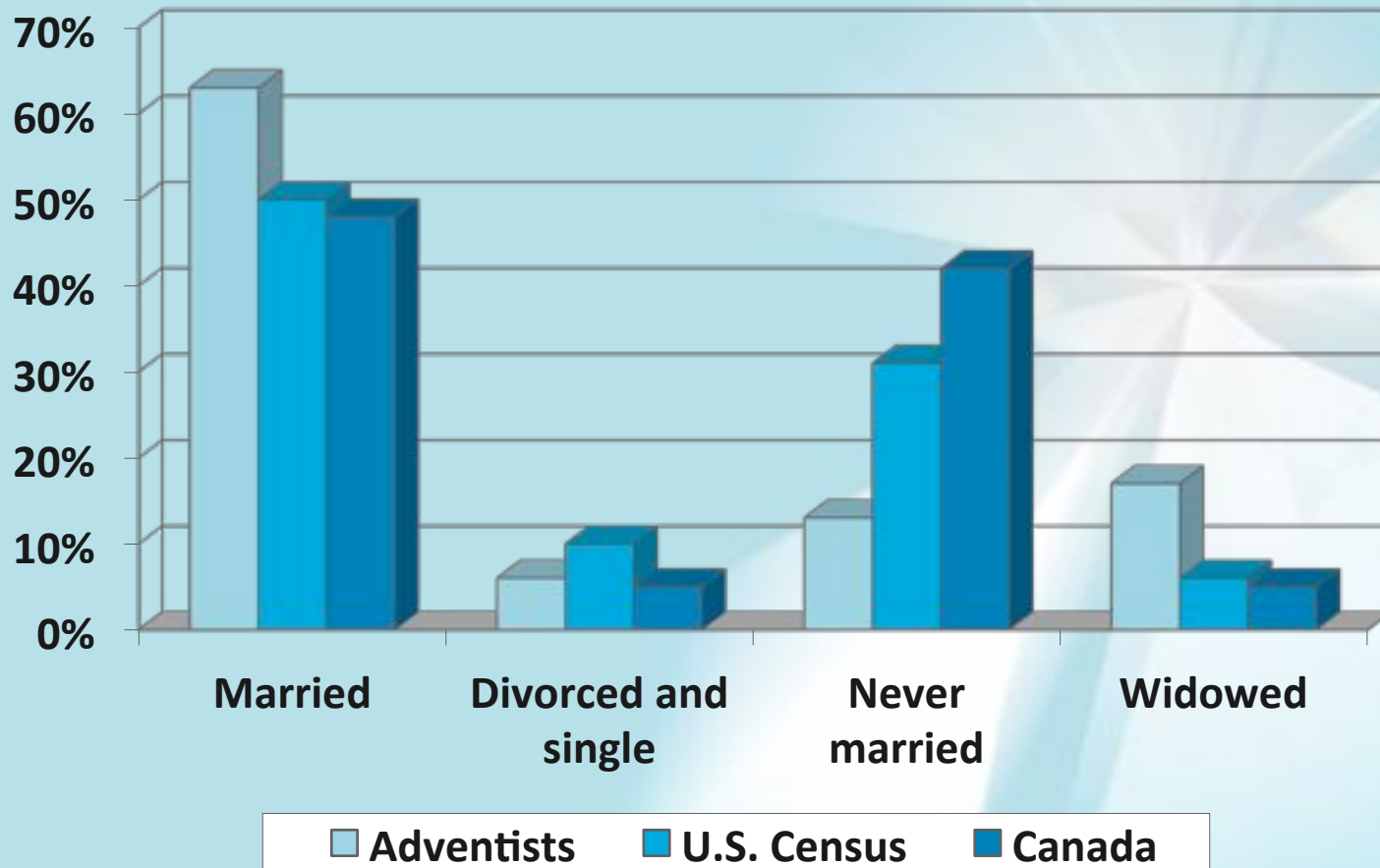
Tenure as a Baptized Adventist



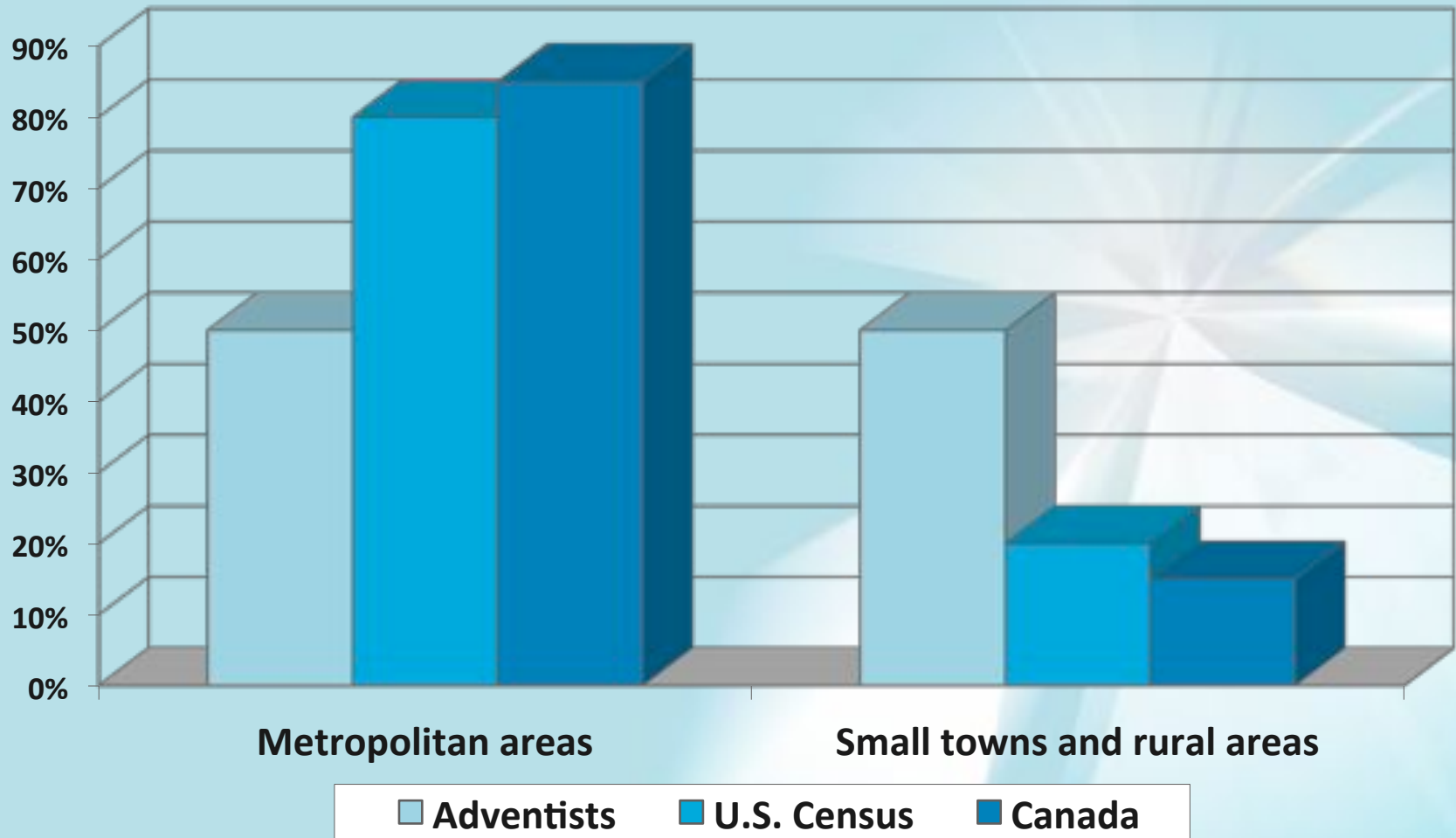
Children Living at Home



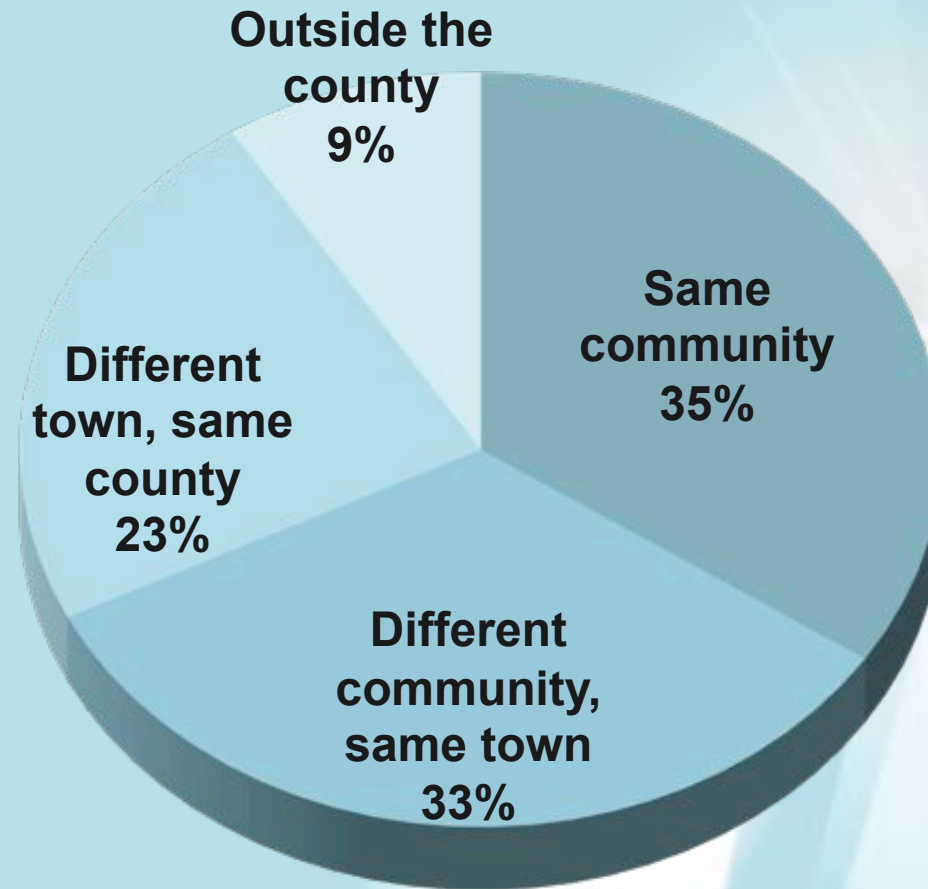
Marital Status in Context



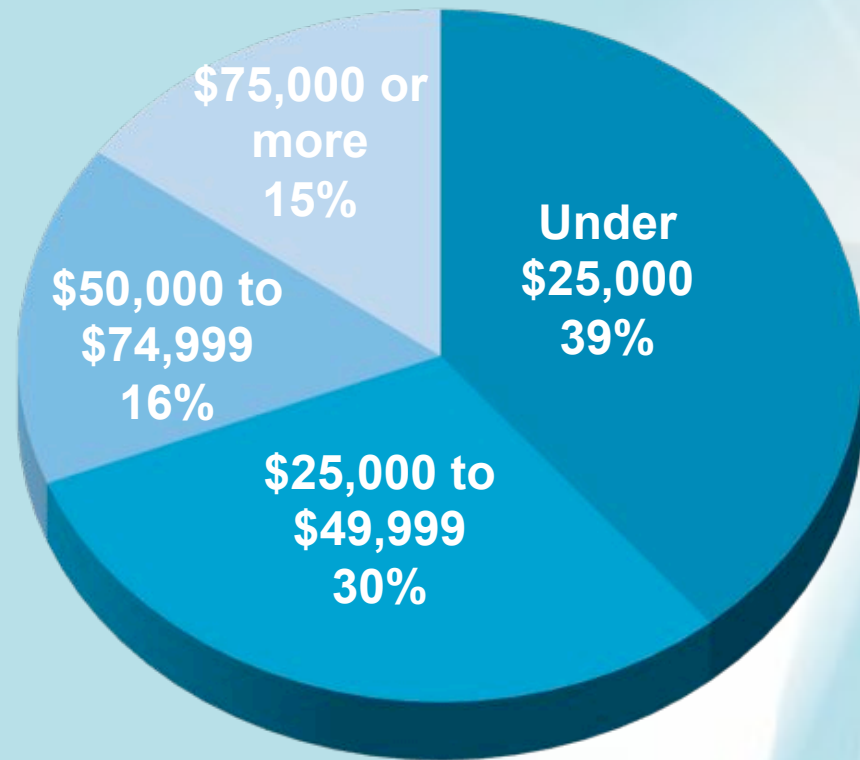
Residence in Context



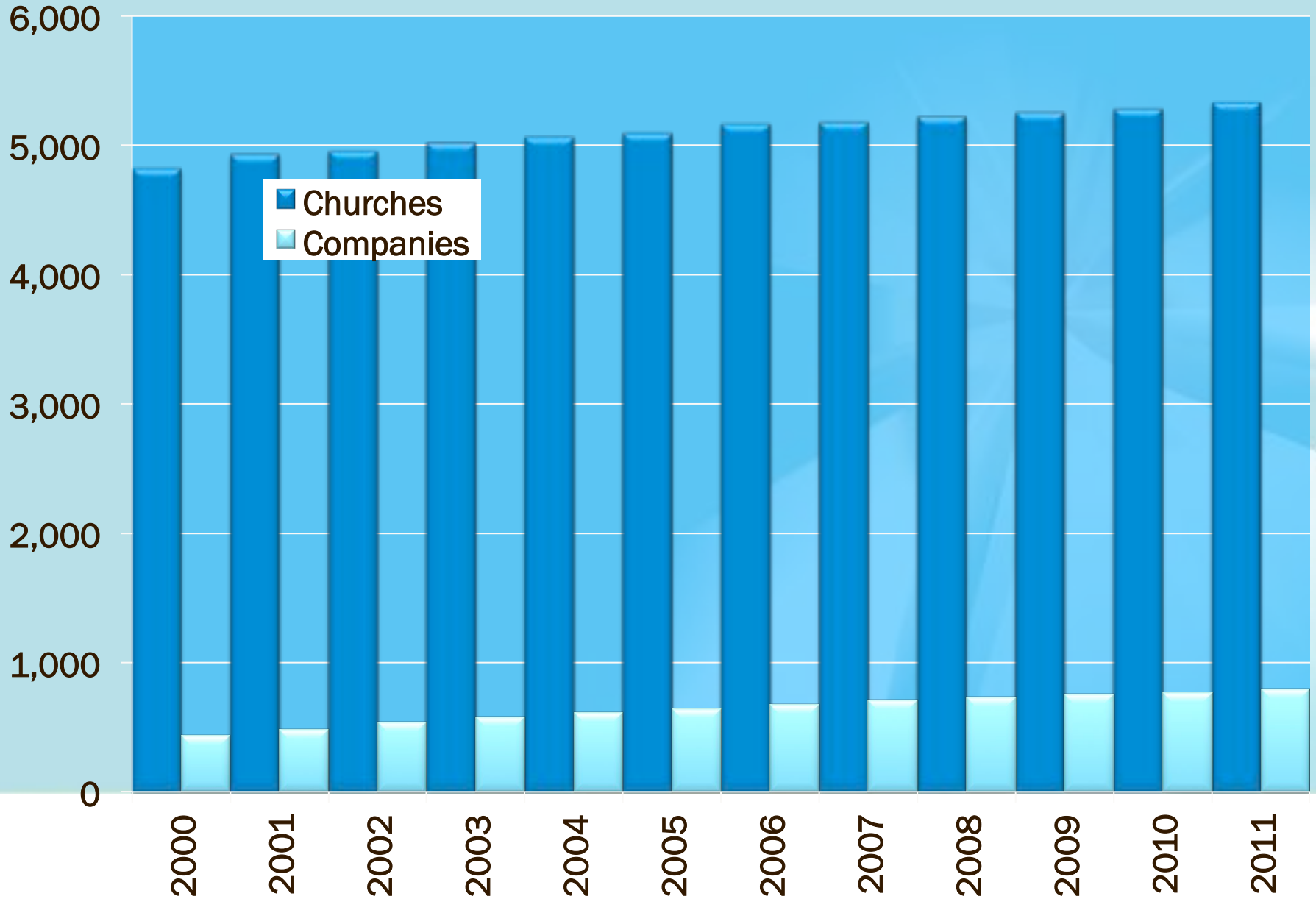
Where is Your Home Relative to Your Church



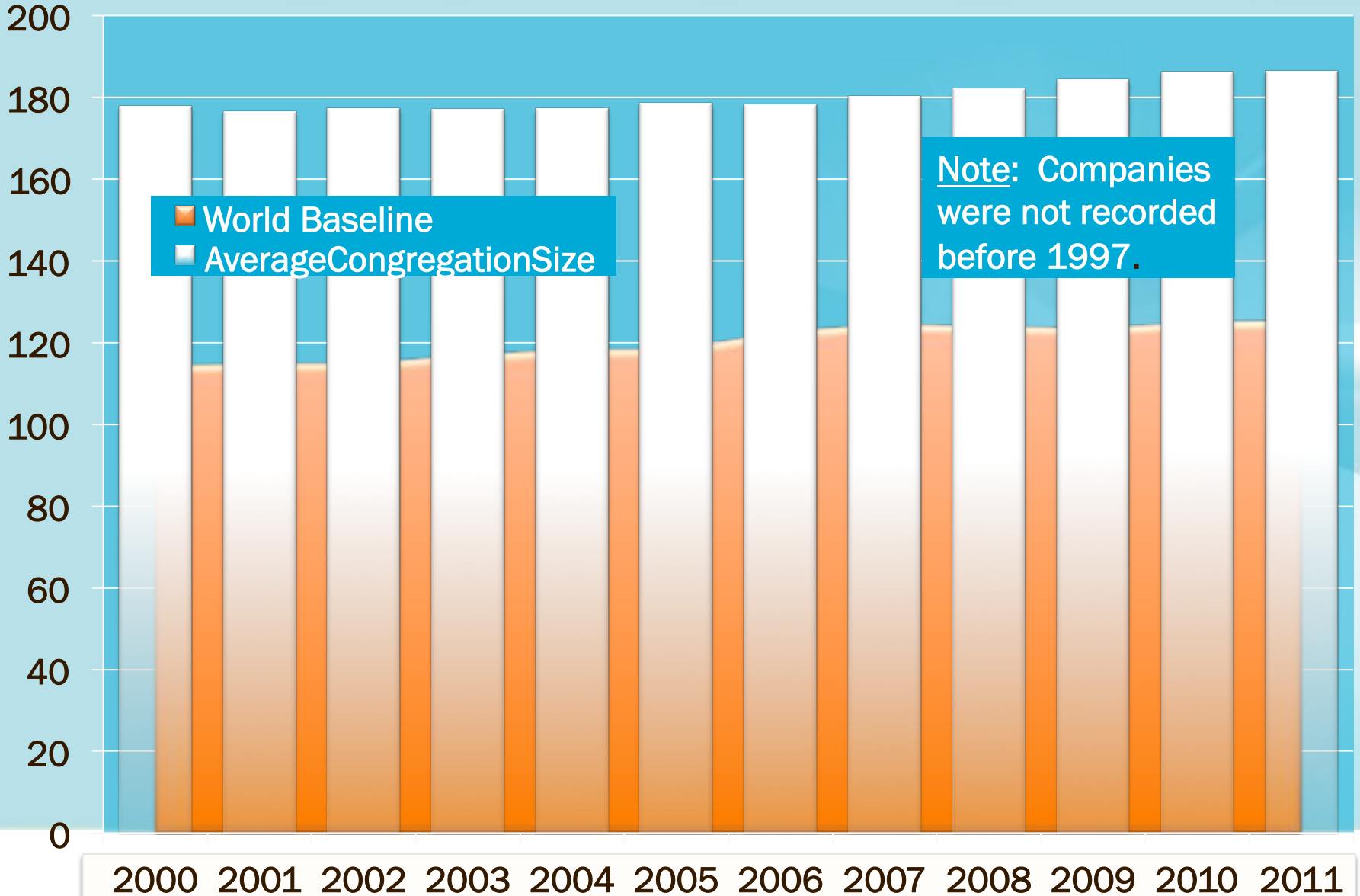
Annual Household Income



NAD: Churches & Companies – (2000-2011)



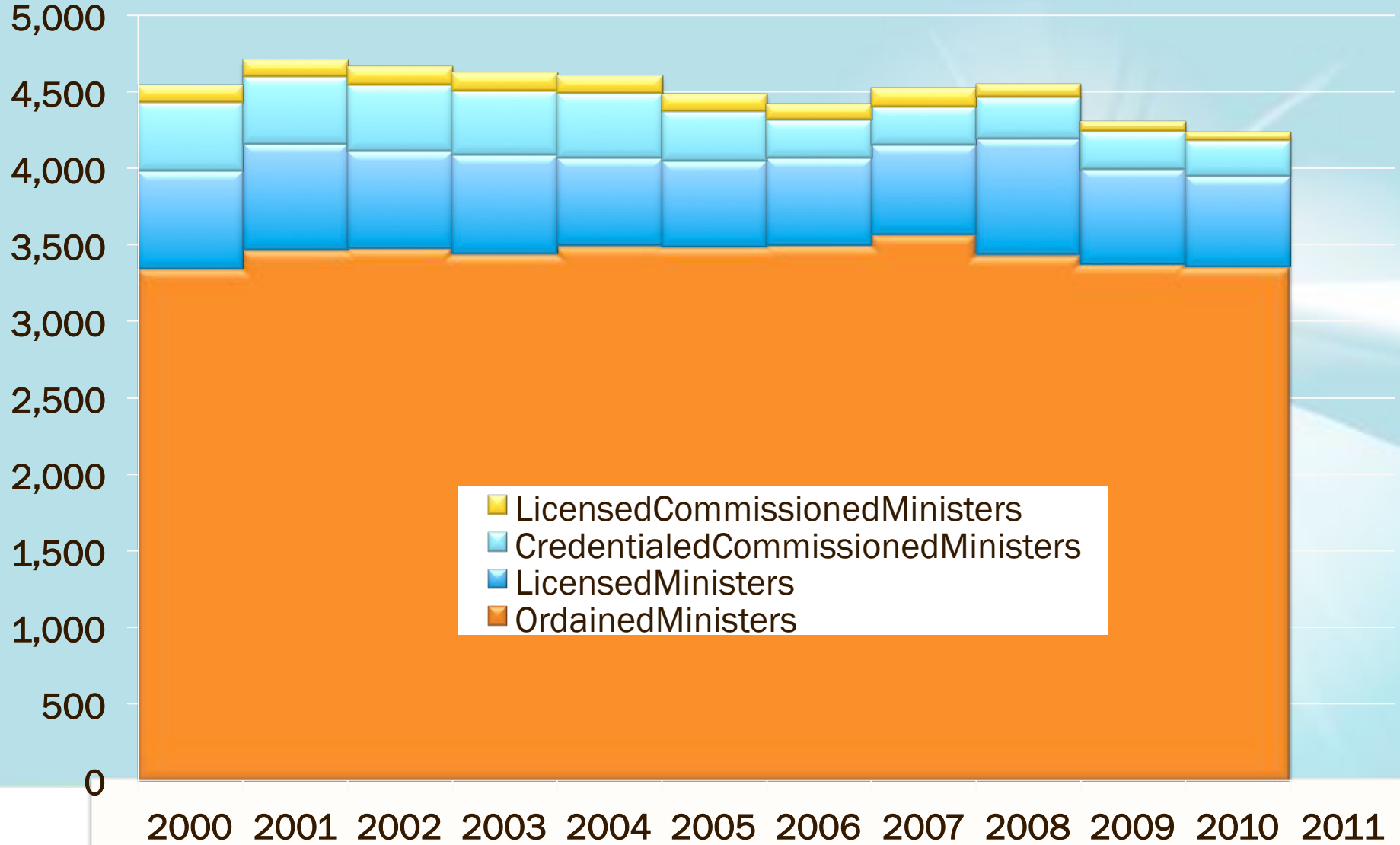
NAD: Average Congregation Size – (2000-2011)



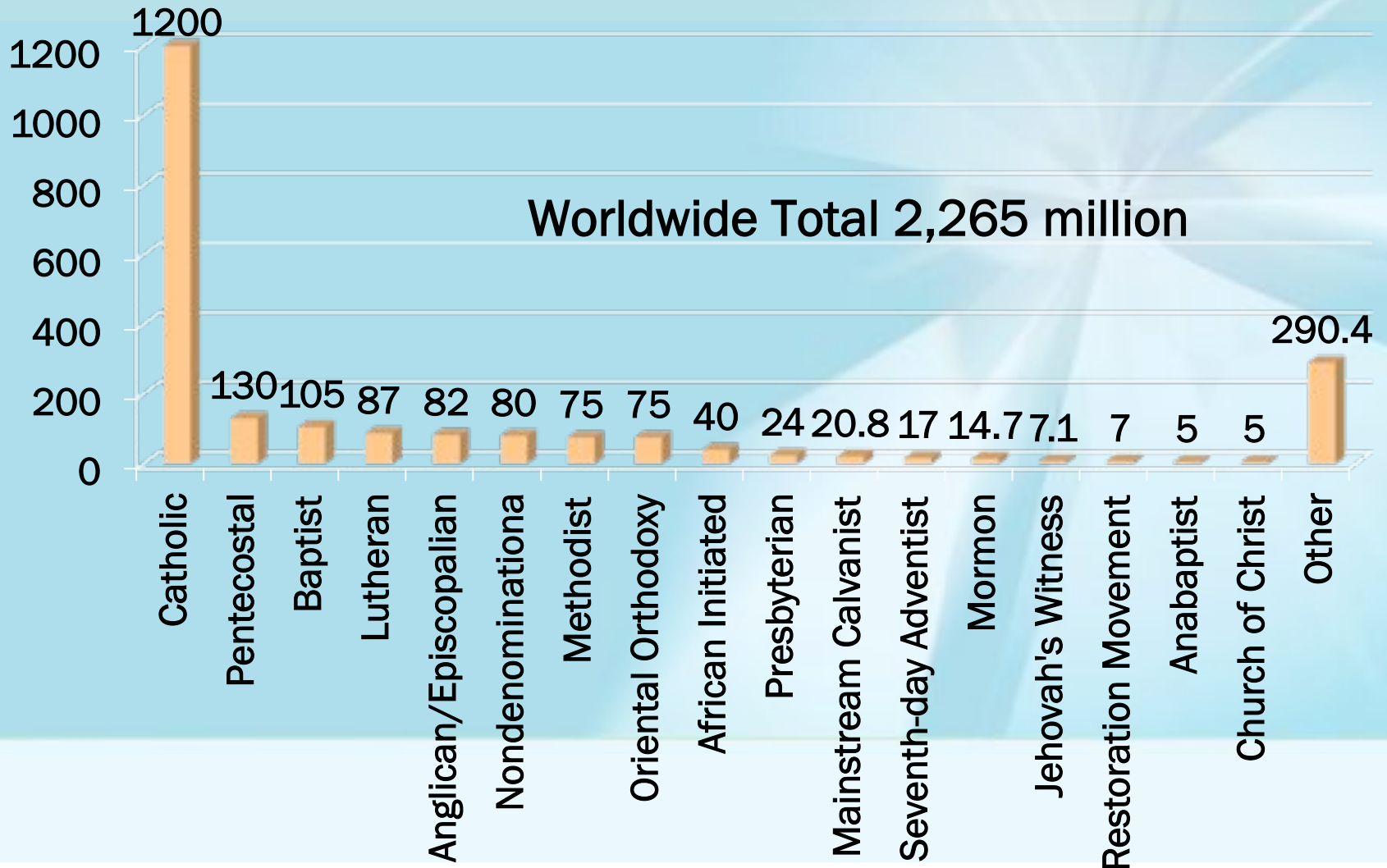
World Baseline
AverageCongregationSize

Note: Companies were not recorded before 1997.

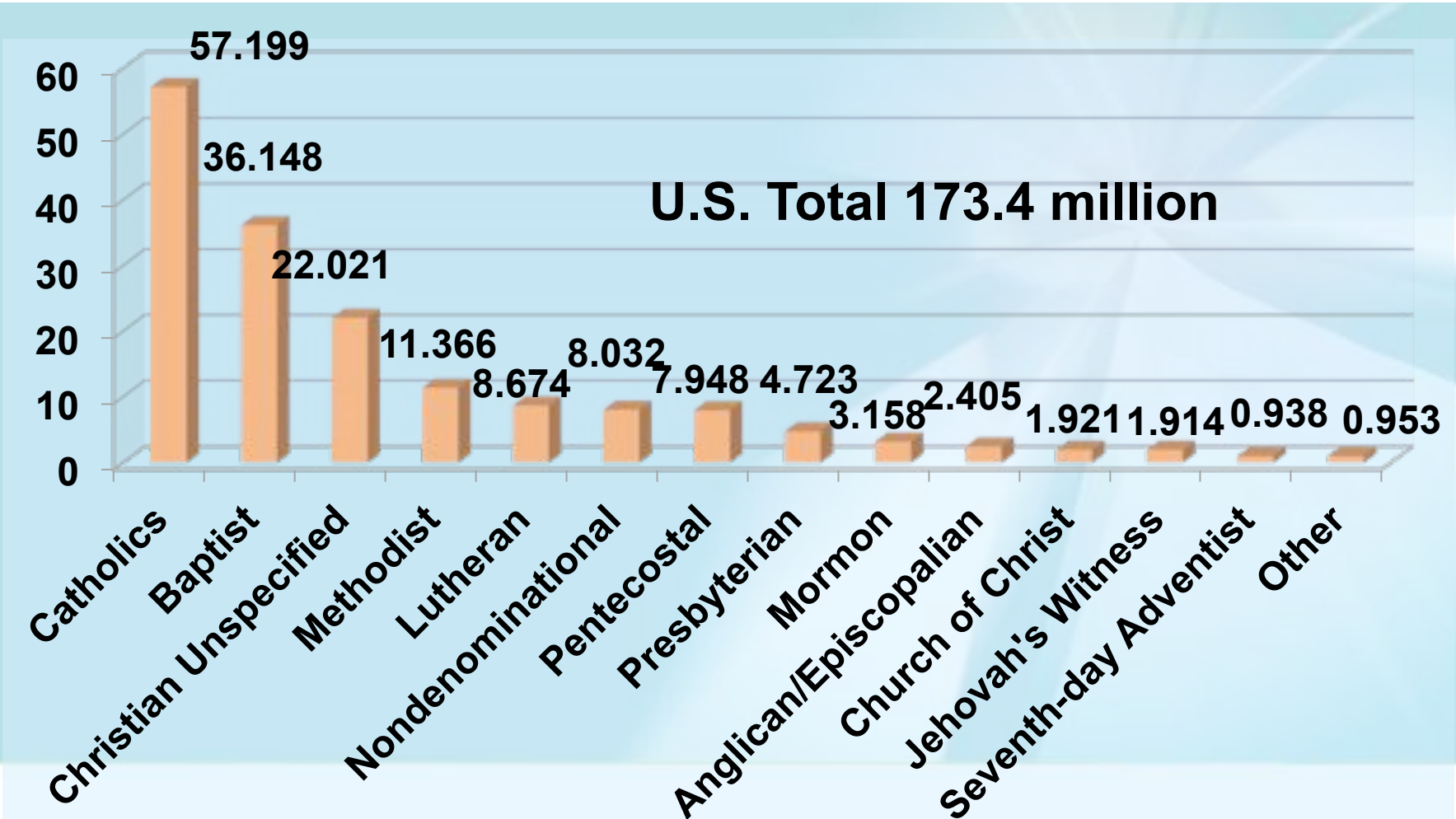
NAD: Ministers – (2000-2011)



Christian Denominations Worldwide Ranked by Number of Adherents 2008

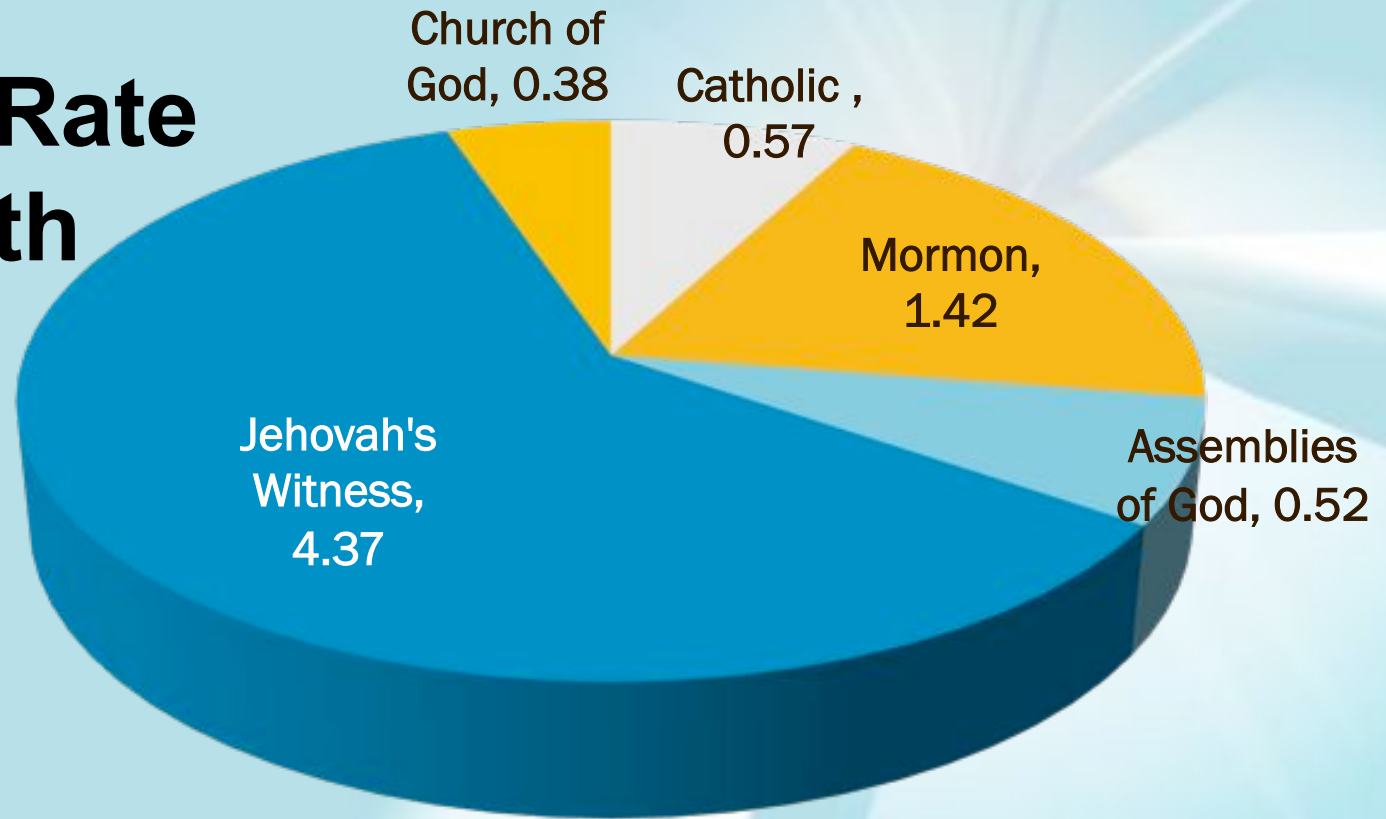


Christian Denominations in U.S. Ranked by Number of Adherents



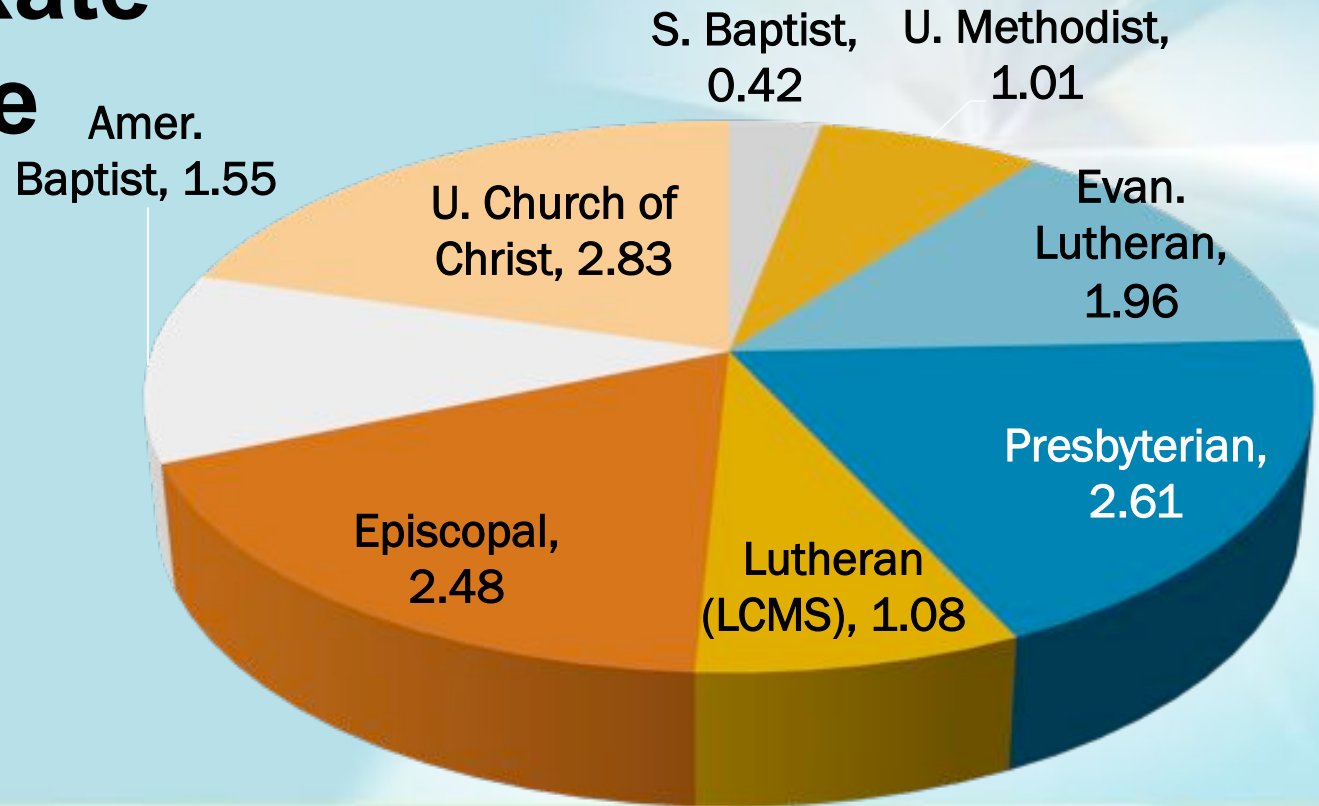
American & Canadian Churches (2011)

Percent Rate Of Growth

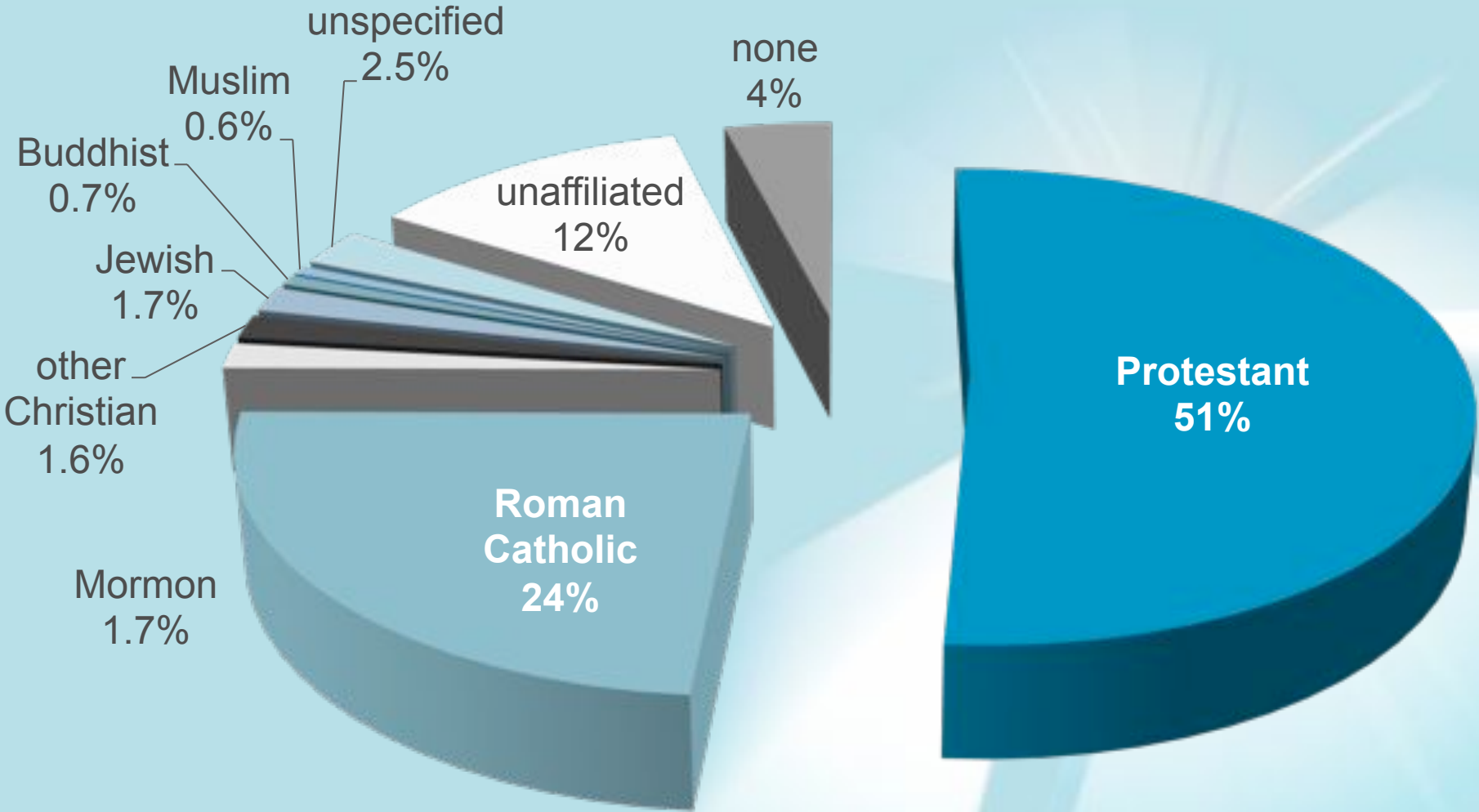


American & Canadian Churches (2011)

Percent Rate Of Decline



U.S. Religions (2007 est.)



Major Religious Traditions in the U.S.

Among all adults...

	%
Christian	78.4
Protestant	51.3
<i>Evangelical churches</i>	26.3
<i>Mainline churches</i>	18.1
<i>Hist. black churches</i>	6.9
Catholic	23.9
Mormon	1.7
Jehovah's Witness	0.7
Orthodox	0.6
<i>Greek Orthodox</i>	<0.3
<i>Russian Orthodox</i>	<0.3
<i>Other</i>	<0.3
Other Christian	0.3

Other Religions

4.7	
Jewish	1.7
Reform	0.7
Conservative	0.5
Orthodox	<0.3
Other	0.3
Buddhist	0.7
Zen Buddhist	<0.3
Theravada Buddhist	<0.3
Tibetan Buddhist	<0.3
Other	0.3
Muslim*	0.6
Sunni	0.3
Shia	<0.3
Other	<0.3
Hindu	0.4
Other world relig.	<0.3
Other faiths	1.2
Unitarians and other liberal faiths	0.7
New Age	0.4
Native American relig.	<0.3

Unaffiliated	16.1
Atheist	1.6
Agnostic	2.4
Nothing in particular	12.1
<i>Secular unaffiliated</i>	6.3
<i>Religious unaffiliated</i>	5.8
Don't Know/Refused	0.8
	100

* From "Muslim Americans: Middle Class and Mostly Mainstream," Pew Research Center, 2007

Due to rounding, figures may not add to 100 and nested figures may not add to the subtotal indicated.



U.S. Religious Landscape

Religious Beliefs	American Baptist Churches in the USA	Catholic	Church of God in Christ	Hindu	Seventh-Day Adventist
Percent that view God as an impersonal force	19.3%	30%	17%	64.5%	15.1%
Percent that believe in God or a universal spirit	97.4%	97.2%	96.3%	94.7%	98.1%
Percent that believe in Hell	76.9%	60.2%	91.3%	28%	47%
Percent that believe in Heaven	85.7%	82.2%	87.9%	51.3%	86.2%
Percent that agree: Angels and demons are active in the world	79.2%	69.2%	92.9%	24.3%	97.6%
Percent that believe in reincarnation	--	--	--	59.7%	--
Percent that believe in life after death	81.3%	77%	83.6%	66.7%	70.9%
Percent that say religion is a very important part of their life	69.3%	56.1%	85.5%	48%	86.2%
Percent that believe that their church or denomination should preserve its traditional beliefs and practices	49.6%	35.5%	64.7%	11.3%	65.2%
Percent that mostly or complete agree: Religion causes more problems in society than it solves	28.4%	32.2%	19.1%	53.3%	17.8%
Percent that think there is a natural conflict between "being a devout religious person and living in a modern society"	39.7%	34.1%	47.1%	30.5%	50.3%
Percent that mostly or completely agree: Miracles still occur today as in ancient times	88.1%	63.3%	90.8%	70.7%	90.8%
Percent that believe that many religions can lead to eternal life	72.8%	79%	53.8%	85.3%	64.6%

U.S. Religious Landscape (2007)

Demographics	American Baptist Churches in the USA	Catholic	Church of God in Christ	Hindu	Seventh-Day Adventist
Percent female	58.3%	54.2%	56.5%	42%	59.8%
Percent that are currently married	49.4%	57.3%	38.5%	84.7%	47.4%
Percent that have a B.A., B.S. or other 4-year college degree	13.4%	25.9%	11.2%	65.3%	20.3%
Percent with a family income of less than \$40,000 a year	52.2%	34.2%	52.9%	10.7%	54.4%
Percent that are white	85.2%	83.4%	16.2%	1.3%	53.9%
Percent of Hispanic origin or descent	7.1%	29.1%	12.9%	1.3%	26.7%
Percent that live in a rural area	27.4%	11.2%	19.1%	1.3%	17.3%
Percent that live in the South	39%	24.5%	53.4%	28.5%	38.5%
Percent with one or more parents born outside the U.S.	4.2%	17.8%	2.1%	88.2%	21.2%
Percent born in another country	5.9%	22%	14.1%	88.1%	29.4%

U.S. Religious Landscape (2007)

Moral Attitudes

	American Baptist Churches in the USA	Catholic	Church of God in Christ	Hindu	Seventh-Day Adventist
Percent who think that abortion should be illegal in all cases.	20.4%	17.9%	35.8%	4%	27.2%
Percent that think that "homosexuality" is a way of life that should be discouraged by society.	48.8%	30%	56.5%	43.3%	67.1%
Percent that "mostly agree" or "completely agree" that there are "clear and absolute standards for what is right and wrong"	83.1%	78.5%	81.9%	64.9%	83.5%
Percent who think the government should do more to protect morality in society.	46.1%	42.7%	52%	44.4%	47.6%
Percent that "mostly agree" or "completely agree" that their values are threatened by Hollywood and the entertainment industry	43%	42.9%	37.4%	43%	46.5%

Other Beliefs and Attitudes

	American Baptist Churches in the USA	Catholic	Church of God in Christ	Hindu	Seventh-Day Adventist
Percent satisfied with personal life.	84.6%	87.5%	72.4%	87.4%	83%
Percent that "mostly agree" or "completely agree" that "evolution is the best explanation for the origins of human life on earth"	34.4%	57.8%	33.4%	85.4%	15.6%

U.S. Religious Landscape (2007)

Political Attitudes	American Baptist Churches in the USA	Catholic	Church of God in Christ	Hindu	Seventh-Day Adventist
Percent that think that churches and other houses of worship should keep out of political matters	34.6%	47.7%	27%	63.6%	49.1%
Percent that think the best way to ensure peace is through military strength.	34.8%	24.9%	25%	11.3%	18.9%
Percent that think that stricter environmental laws and regulations cost too many jobs.	38.1%	31.8%	45.5%	23.8%	31.5%
Percent that think the government should do more to help needy Americans.	67.1%	62.6%	76.7%	58%	57.4%
Percent that prefer a smaller government providing fewer services.	31.8%	39.4%	19.6%	30.7%	36%
Percent registered to vote	77.6%	83.2%	81%	62.8%	74%
Percent Republican	29.2%	23.5%	12.9%	4%	24.3%
Percent that describe themselves as conservative or very conservative	43%	36.4%	38%	10.5%	40.4%
Percent that voted for Kerry in the 2004 Presidential election	30%	37.8%	48.8%	70.2%	35.3%

U.S. Religious Landscape (2007)

Religious Beliefs	American Baptist Churches in the USA	Catholic	Church of God in Christ	Hindu	Seventh-Day Adventist
Percent that view God as an impersonal force	19.3%	30%	17%	64.5%	15.1%
Percent that believe in God or a universal spirit	97.4%	97.2%	96.3%	94.7%	98.1%
Percent that believe in Hell	76.9%	60.2%	91.3%	28%	47%
Percent that believe in Heaven	86.7%	82.2%	87.9%	51.3%	86.2%
Percent that agree: Angels and demons are active in the world	79.2%	69.2%	92.9%	24.3%	97.6%
Percent that believe in reincarnation	--	--	--	59.7%	--
Percent that believe in life after death	81.3%	77%	83.6%	66.7%	70.9%
Percent that say religion is a very important part of their life	69.3%	56.1%	85.6%	48%	86.2%
Percent that believe that their church or denomination should preserve its traditional beliefs and practices	49.6%	35.5%	64.7%	11.3%	65.2%
Percent that mostly or completely agree: Religion causes more problems in society than it solves	28.4%	32.2%	19.1%	53.3%	17.8%
Percent that think there is a natural conflict between "being a devout religious person and living in a modern society"	39.7%	34.1%	47.1%	30.5%	50.3%
Percent that mostly or completely agree: Miracles still occur today as in ancient times	88.1%	83.3%	96.8%	70.7%	90.8%
Percent that believe that many religions can lead to eternal life	72.8%	79%	53.8%	85.3%	64.6%

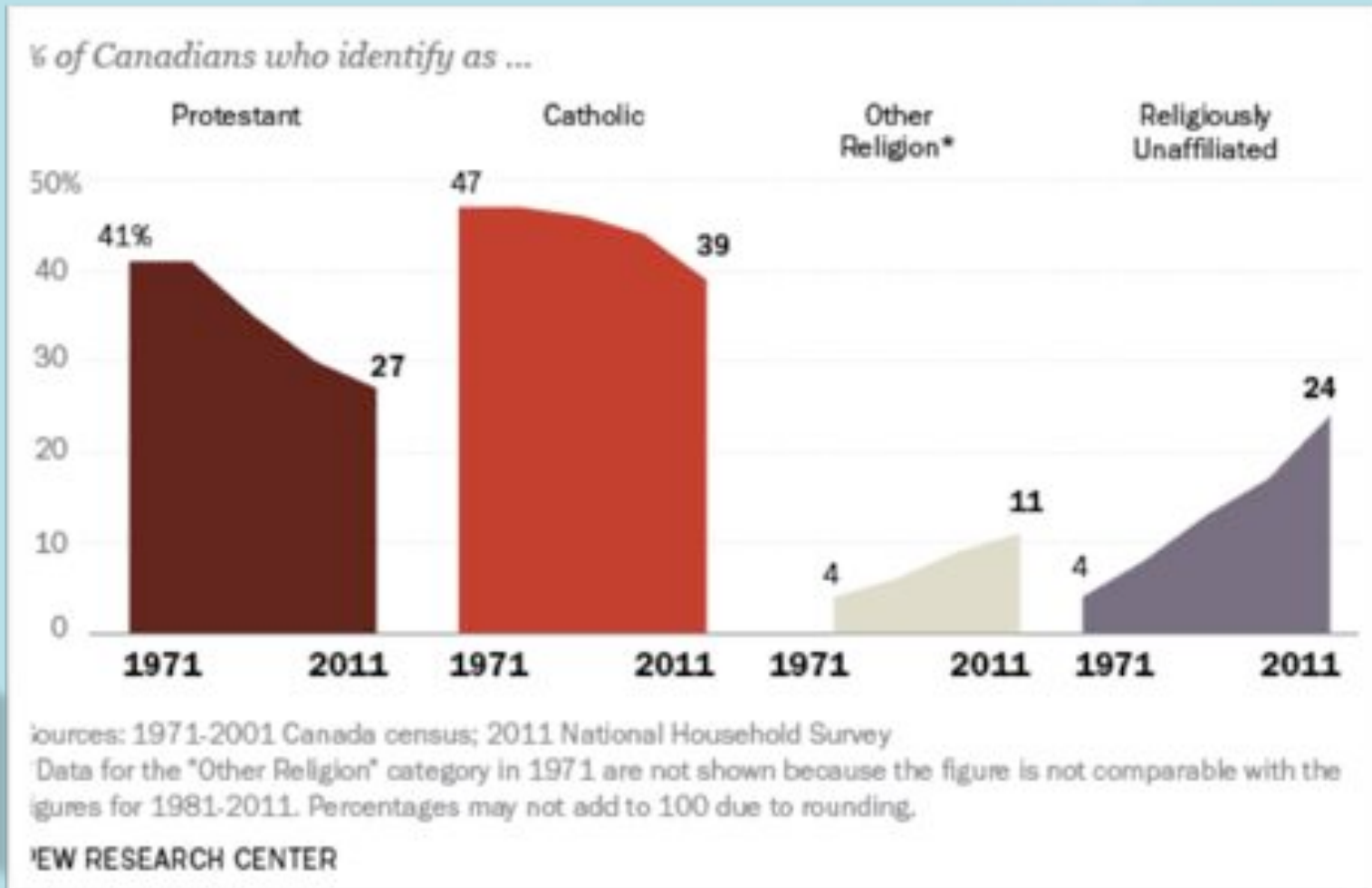
U.S. Religious Landscape (2007)

Religious Experiences	American Baptist Churches in the USA	Catholic	Church of God in Christ	Hindu	Seventh-Day Adventist
Percent that speak or pray in tongues	17.1%	19.5%	52.7%	--	17%
Percent that have experienced or witnessed a divine healing of an illness or injury?	42.5%	27.8%	74.8%	32.6%	54.9%
Percent that feel a deep sense of spiritual peace and well-being at least once a week	56.4%	46.5%	69.2%	49.7%	73%

U.S. Religious Landscape (2007)

Religious Practices	American Baptist Churches in the USA	Catholic	Church of God in Christ	Hindu	Seventh-Day Adventist
Percent that attend religious services at least once a week	40.6%	41.4%	70.6%	25.8%	63.8%
Percent that pray at a shrine or religious symbol in their home	--	--	--	85.4%	--
Percent that attend services at a church with 2000 or more members.	3.4%	18.4%	8.6%	20%	4.3%
Percent that pray at least once a day	67.4%	57.9%	79%	58%	86.2%
Percent that meditate at least once a week	40.1%	36.2%	55.7%	49.3%	59.8%
Percent that pray or read the Scripture with their children	72.7%	62.7%	82.2%	66.3%	87.1%
Percent that read scripture outside of religious services at least once a week	43.6%	21.3%	69.3%	18.5%	78.3%
Percent that participate in a choir or other musical program at their place of worship	29.2%	18.9%	51.7%	52.1%	36.7%
Percent that do community volunteer work through their place of worship	66.6%	56.4%	74%	69.4%	75.1%
Percent that share their faith with "non-believers or people from other religious backgrounds" at least once a week	26.4%	13.6%	52.4%	7.9%	43.1%
Percent that send their children to Sunday School or another religious education program	68.8%	51.5%	77%	21.7%	85.5%
Percent that home school or send their children to a religious school	9.3%	19.8%	12.5%	4.9%	35.3%

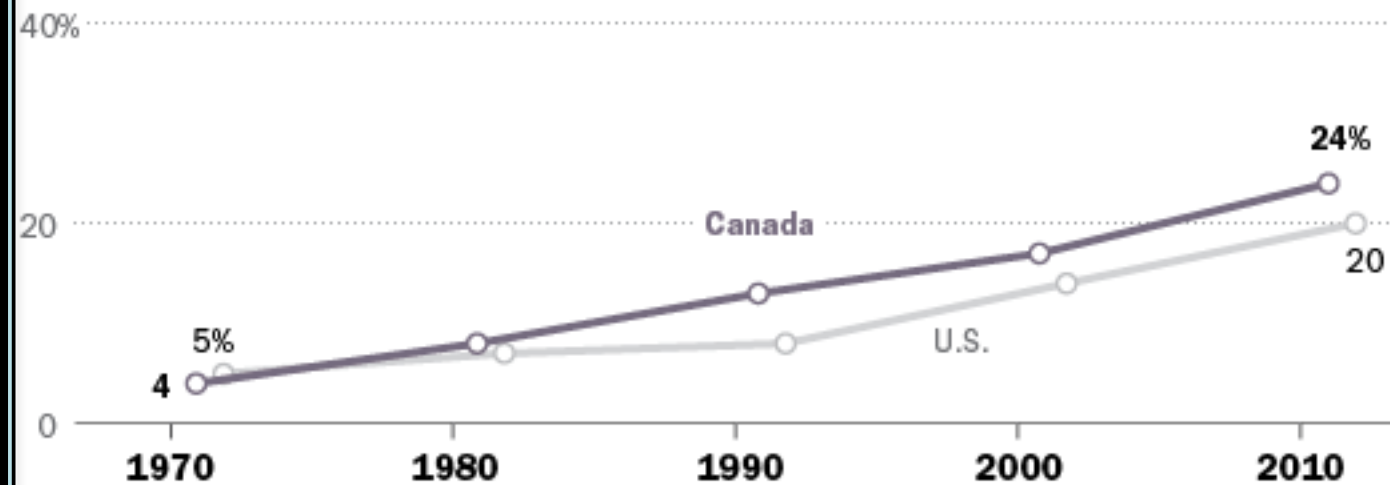
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Growth of the Religiously Unaffiliated in Canada and the U.S.

% of population that identifies as religiously unaffiliated



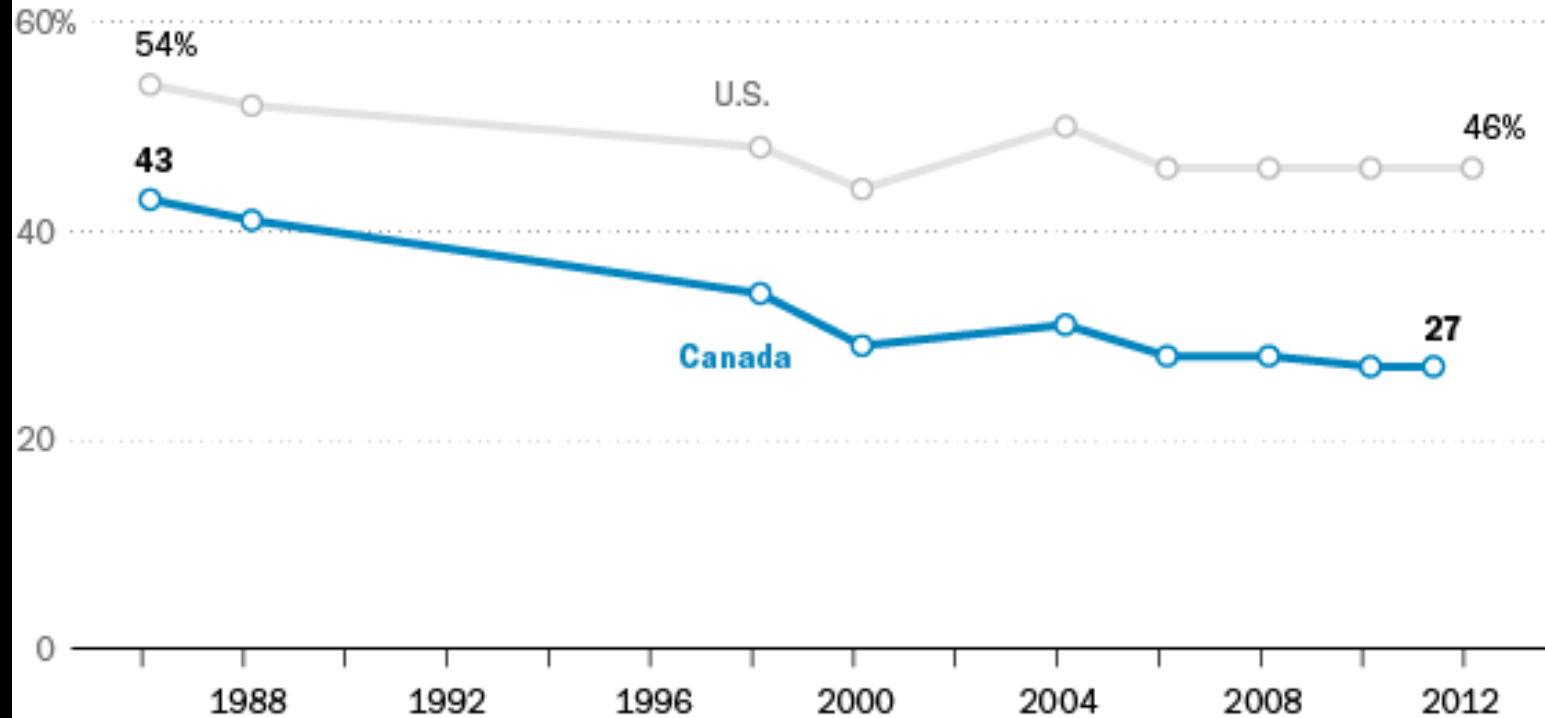
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Figures for the U.S. are for adults only (ages 18 years and older); figures for Canada include adults and children.

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Canada's Religious Composition, 1971-2011

Religious Attendance in Canada and the U.S., 1986-2012

% who say they attend religious services at least once a month

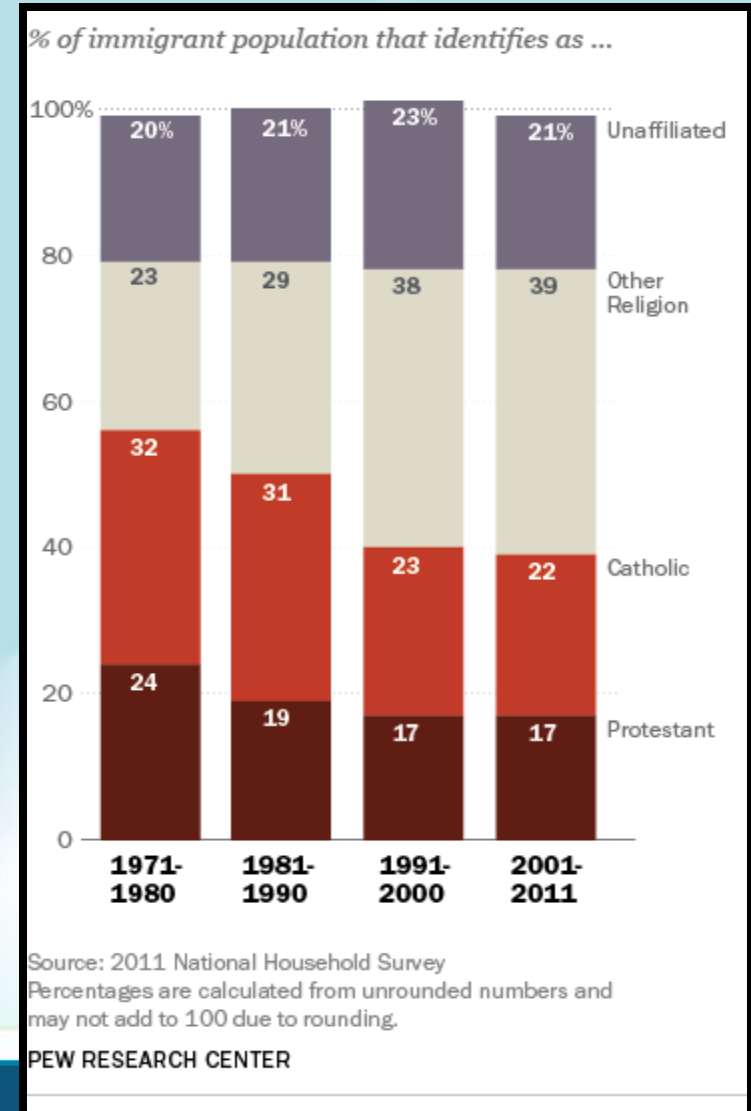


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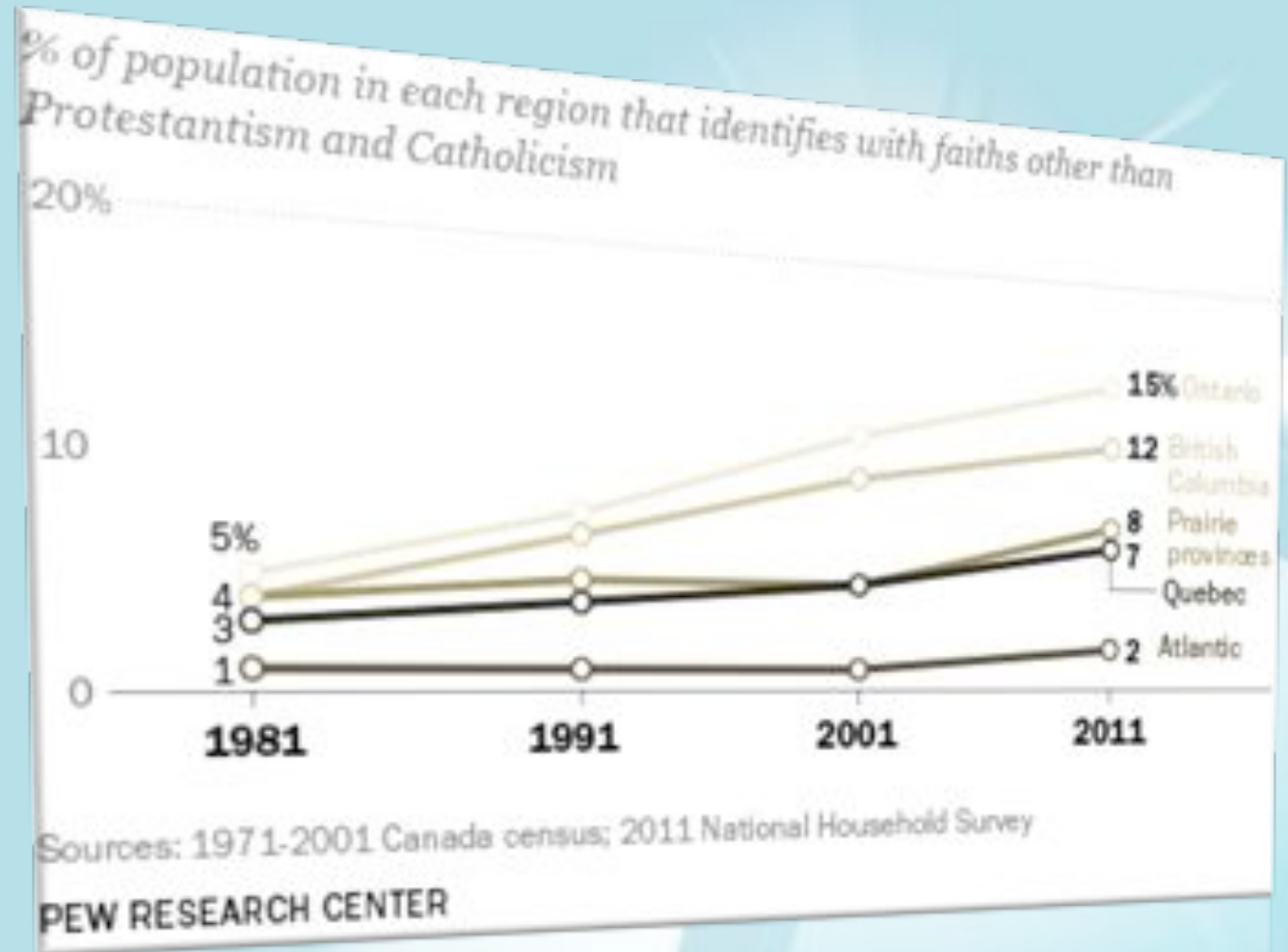
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Religious Composition Of Immigrants In Canada, by Decade of Arrival



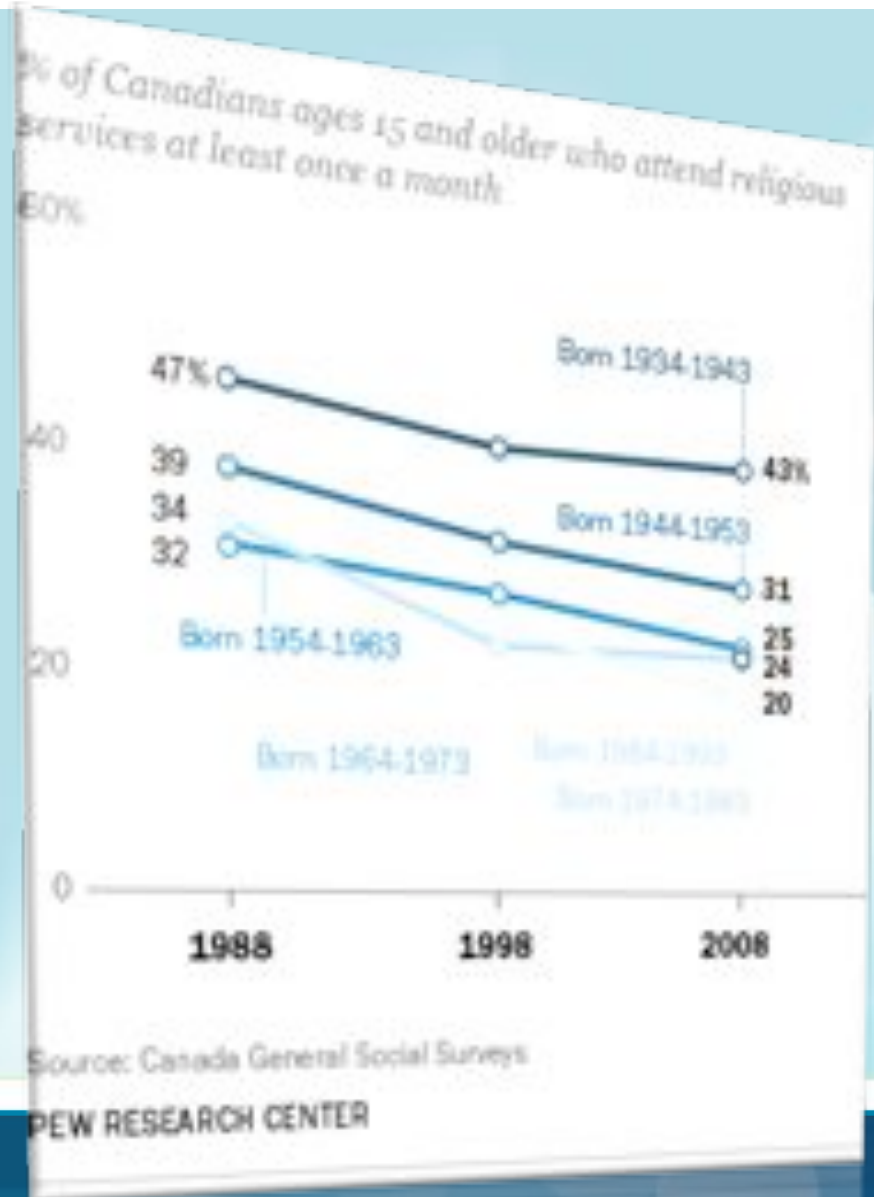
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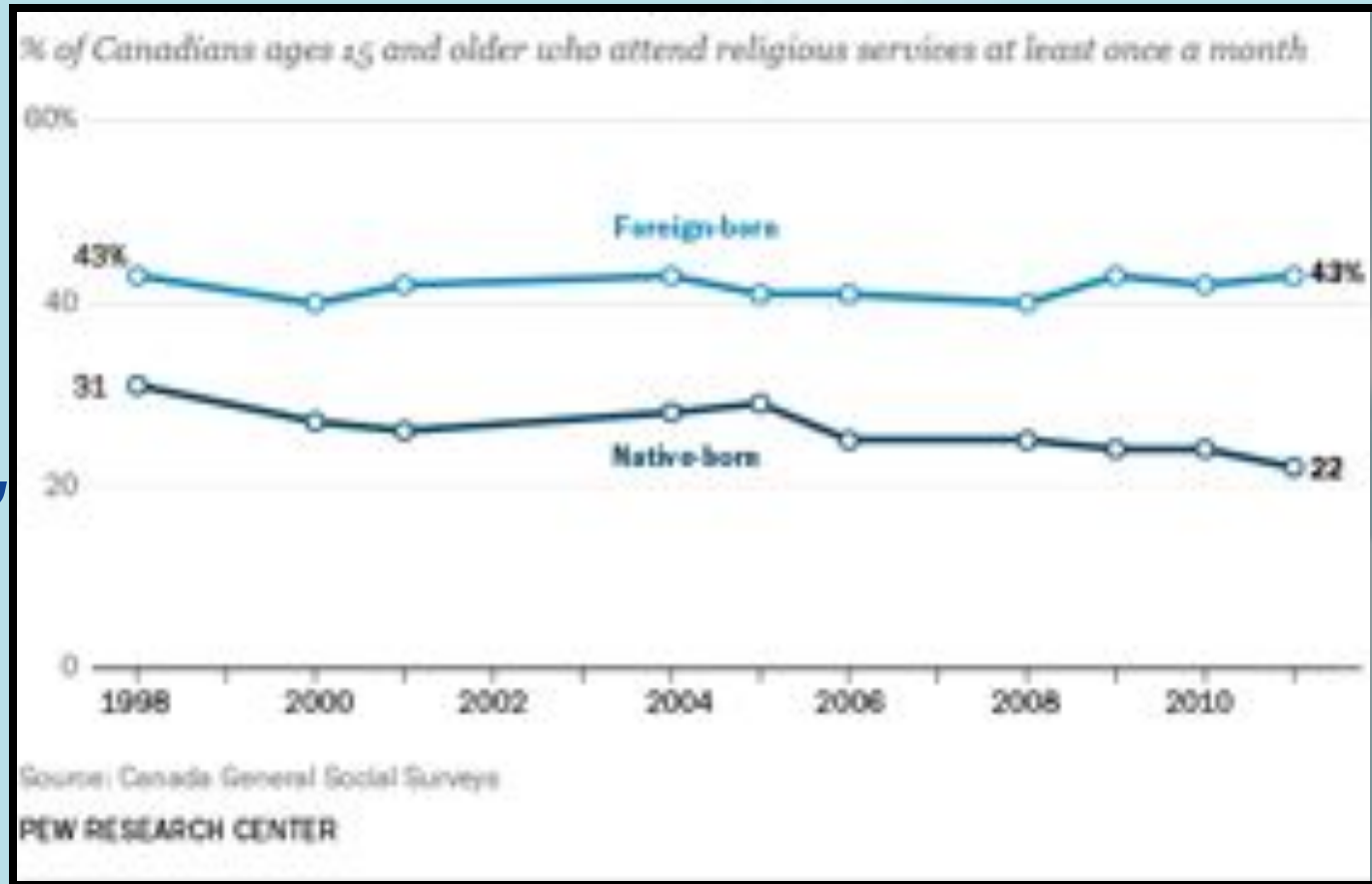
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Trends In Religious Attendance, by Generation



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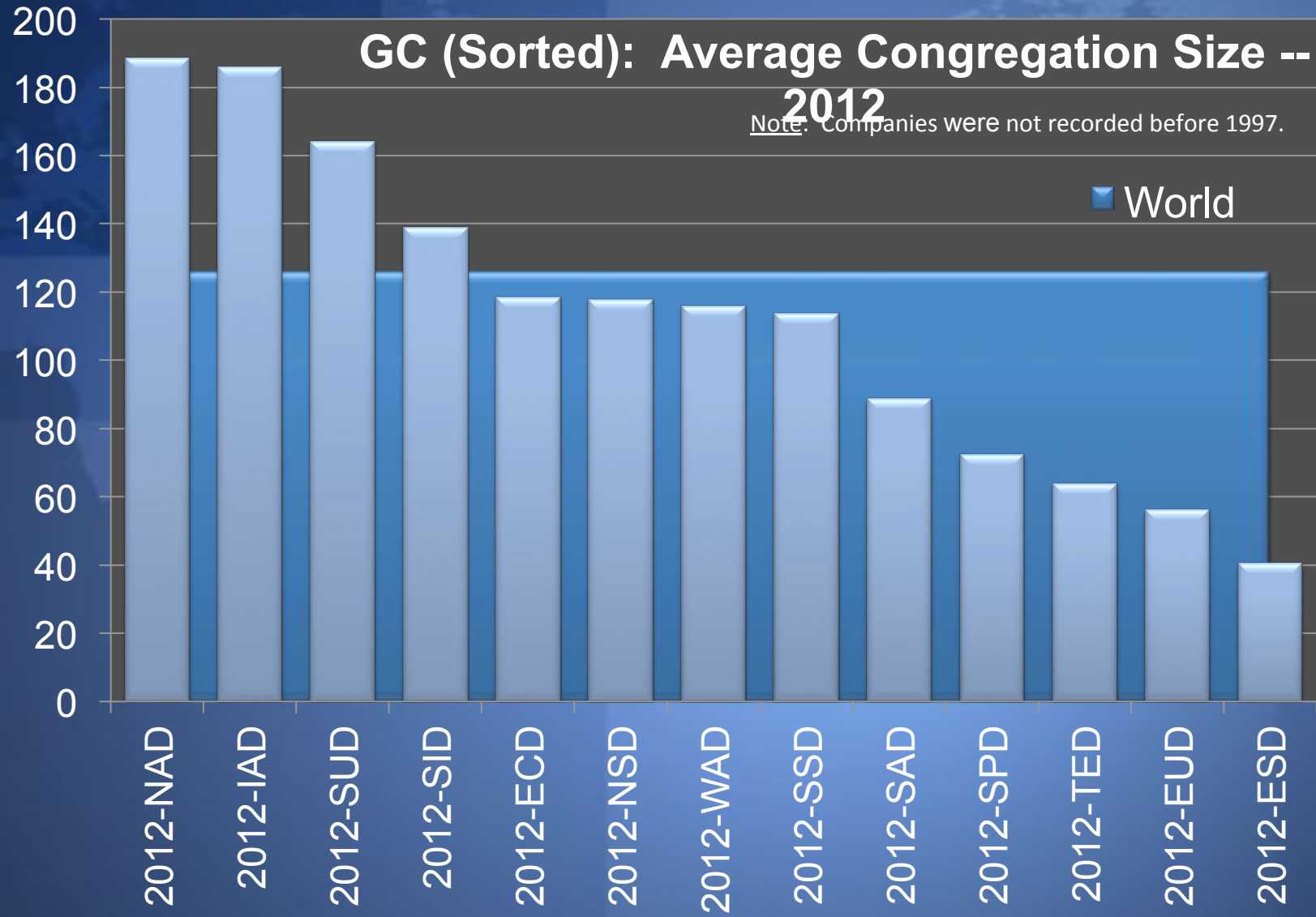


GC (Sorted): Average Congregation Size --

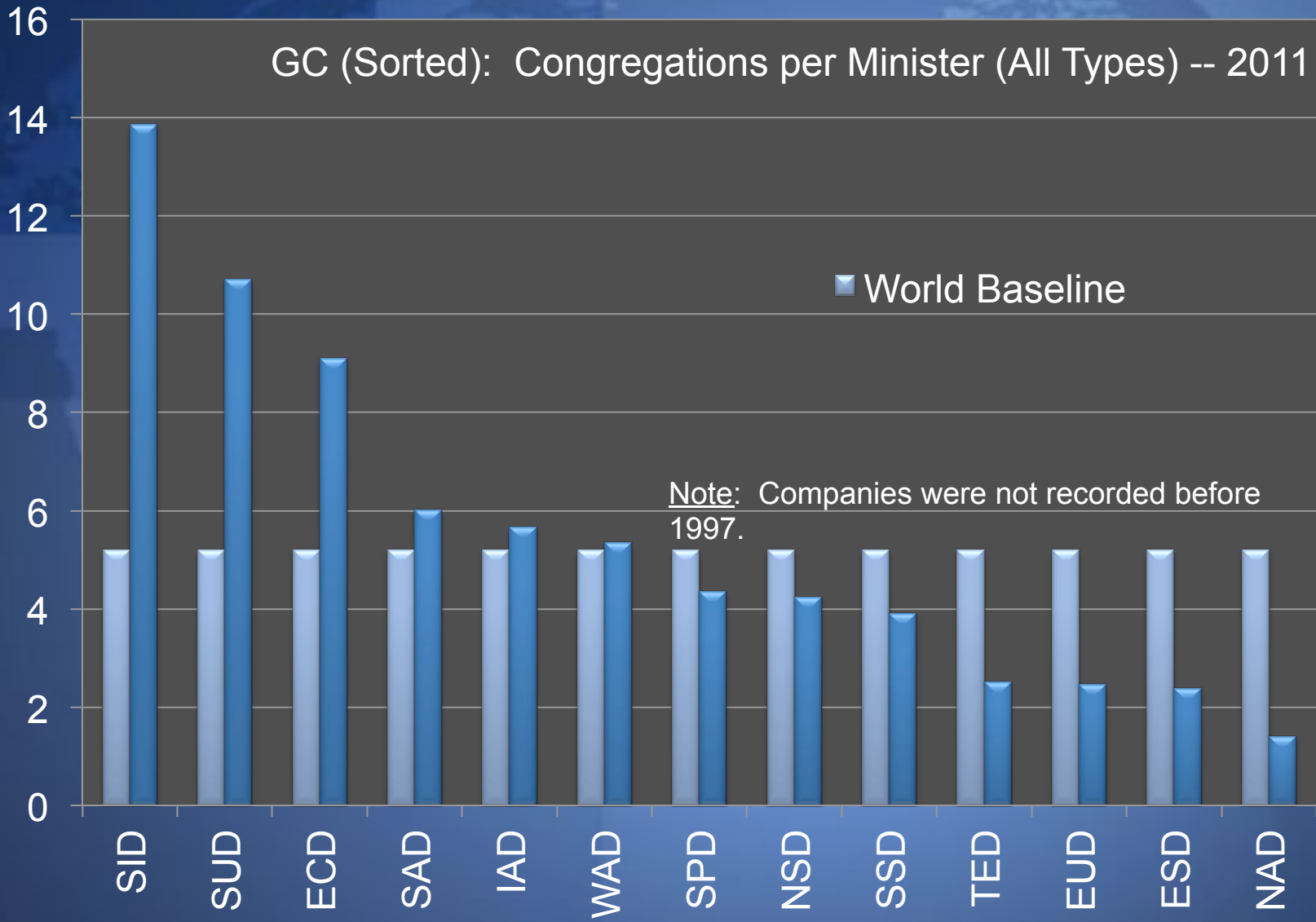
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Note: Companies were not recorded before 1997.

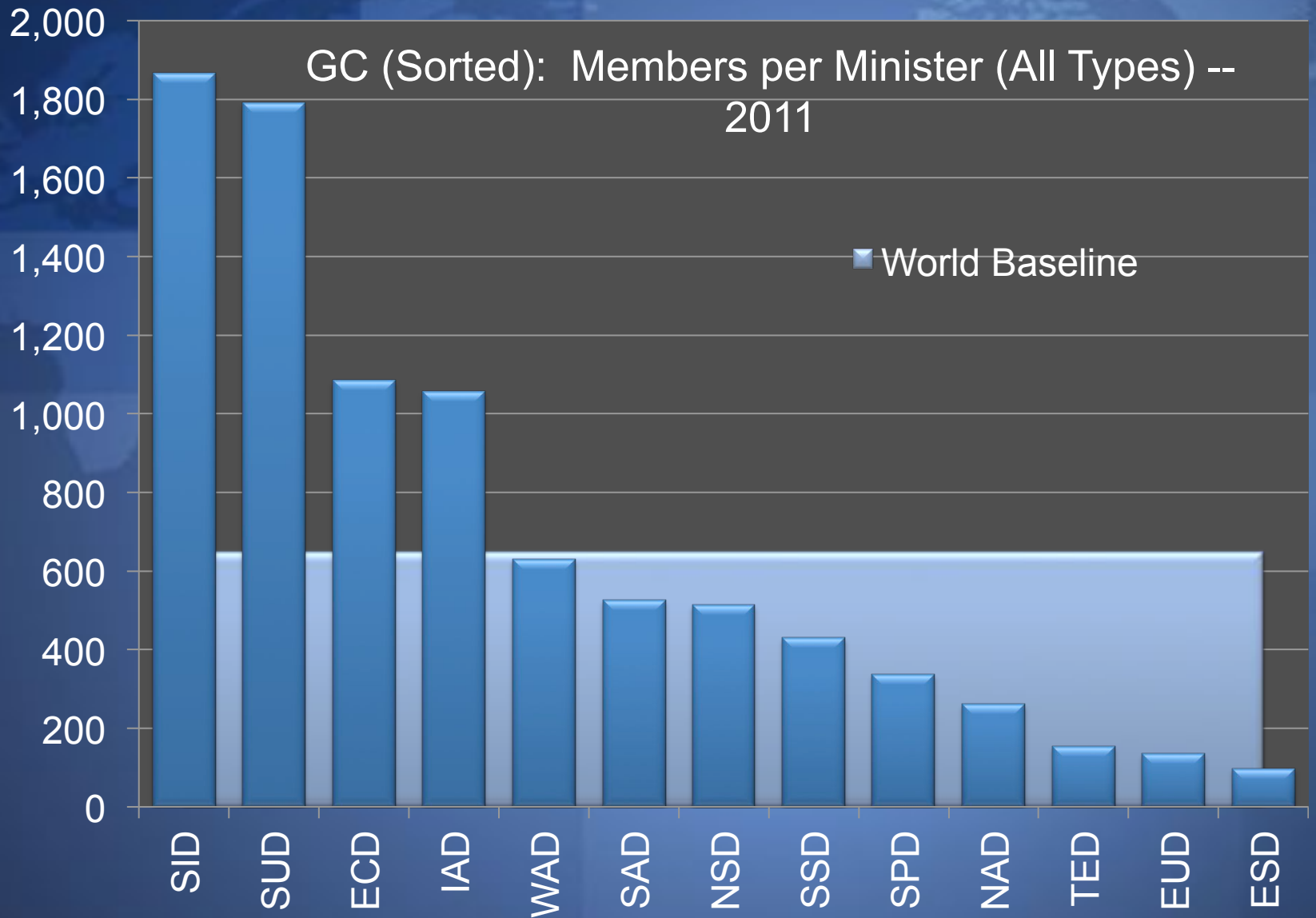
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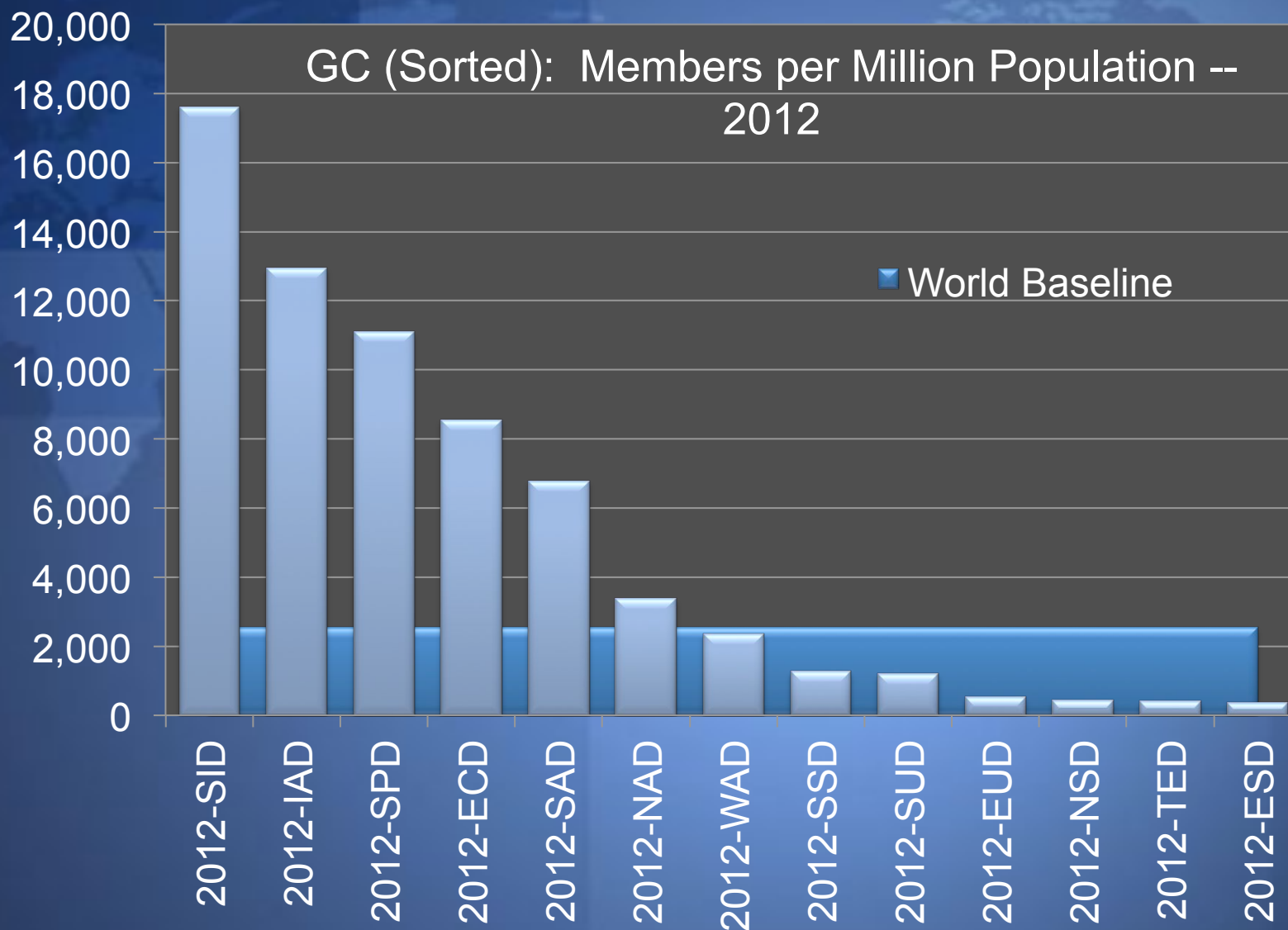
GC (Sorted): Congregations per Minister (All Types) -- 2011



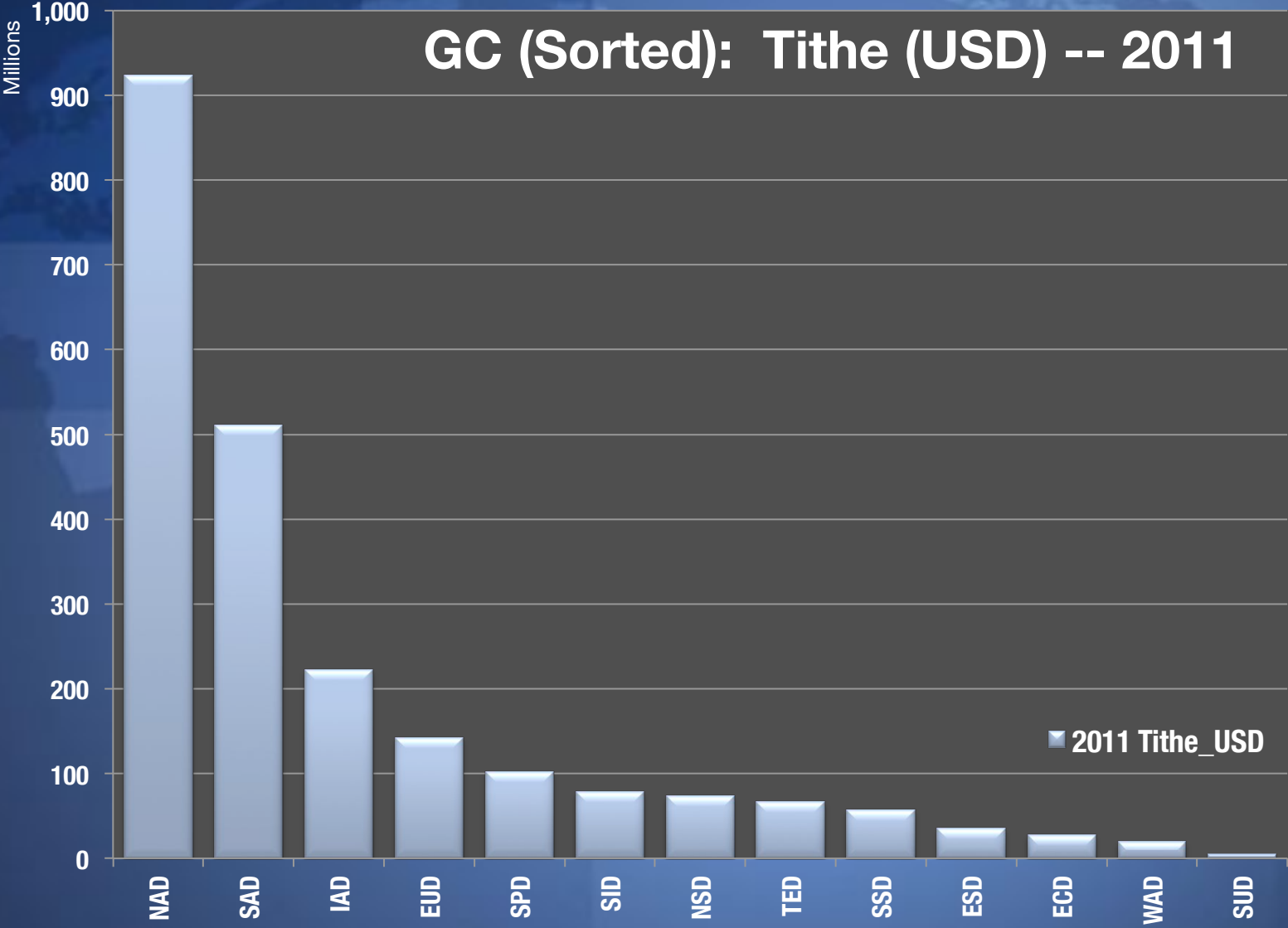
GC (Sorted): Members per Minister (All Types) -- 2011



GC (Sorted): Members per Million Population --
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GC (Sorted): Tithe (USD) -- 2011



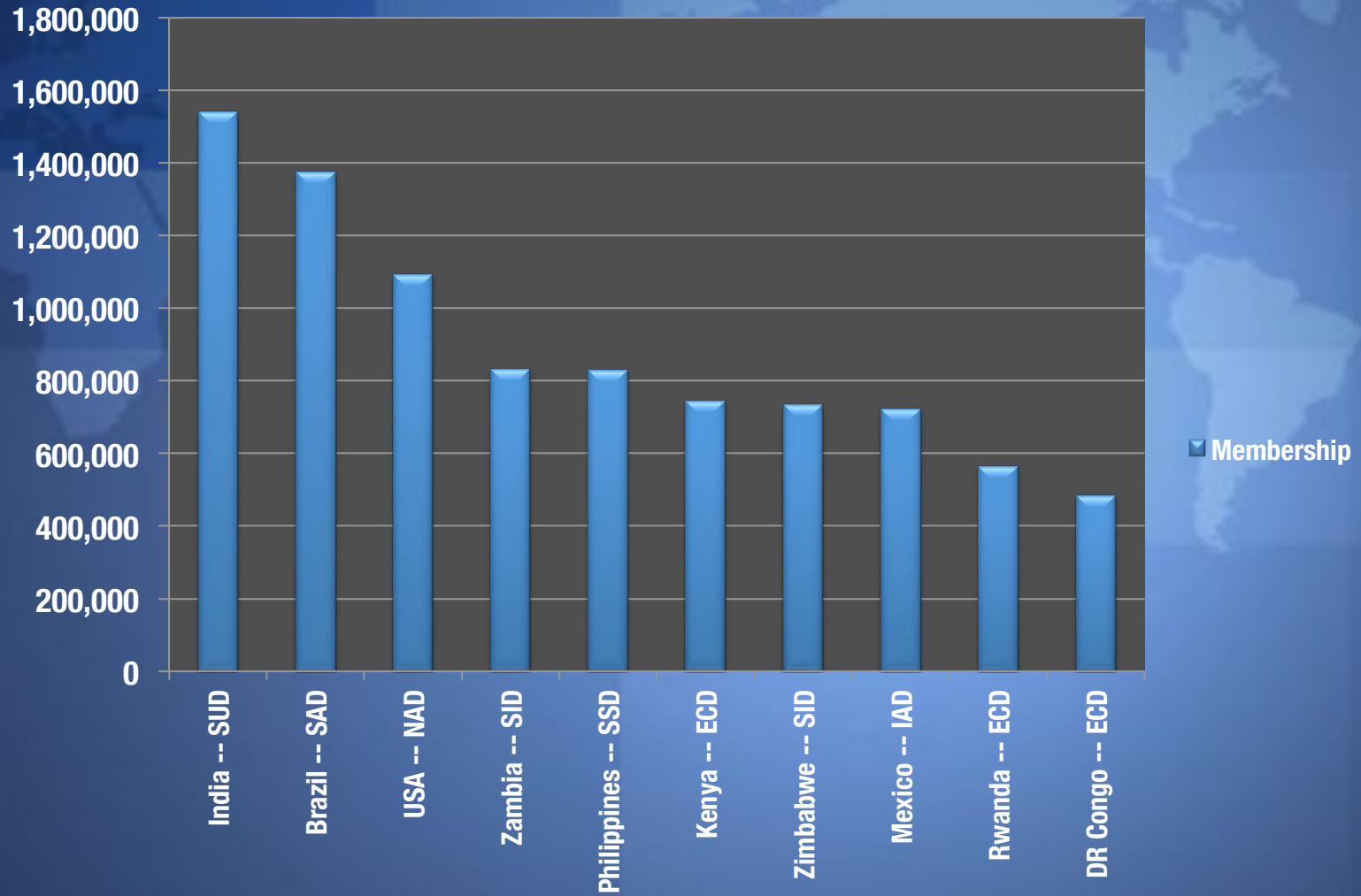
Giving (2012)

by Division

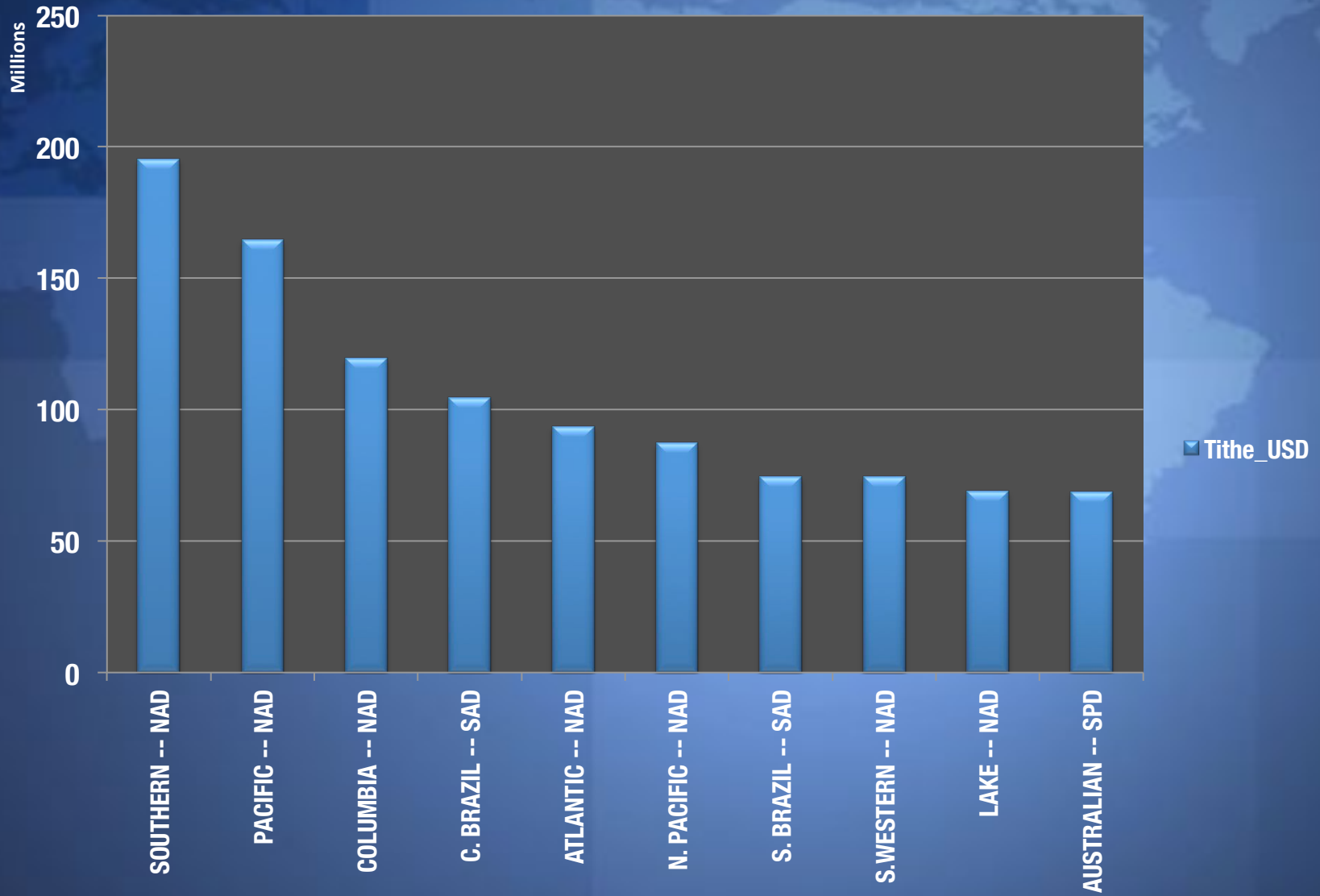
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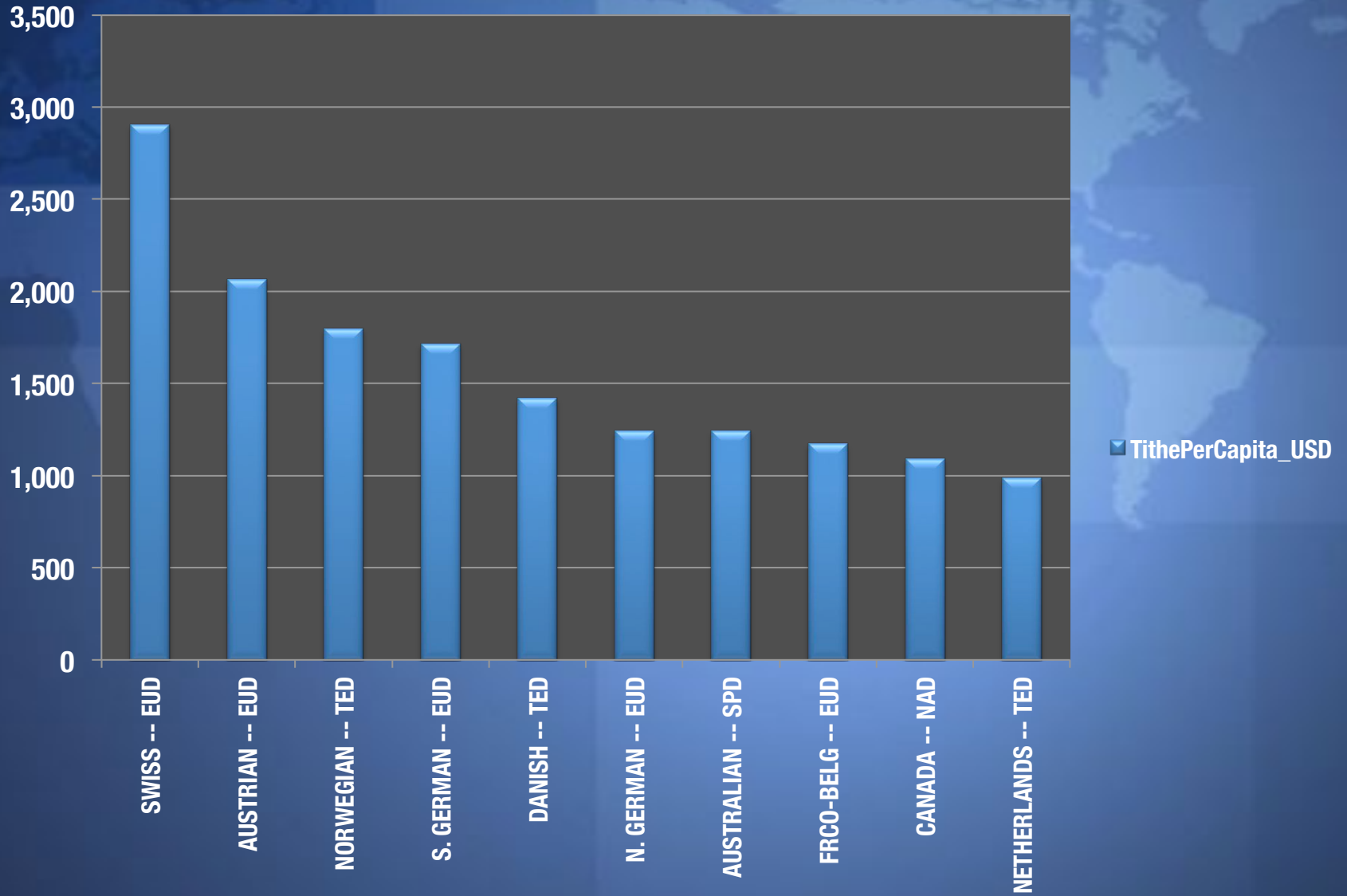
Membership: Top 10 Countries -- (2012)



Giving: Top 10 Unions (Tithe) -- (2011)



Giving: Top 10 Unions (Tithe per Capita) -- (2011)



World Statistics

Regional Distribution of Hindus

Population by region as of 2010



Percentage of world Hindu population in each region as of 2010

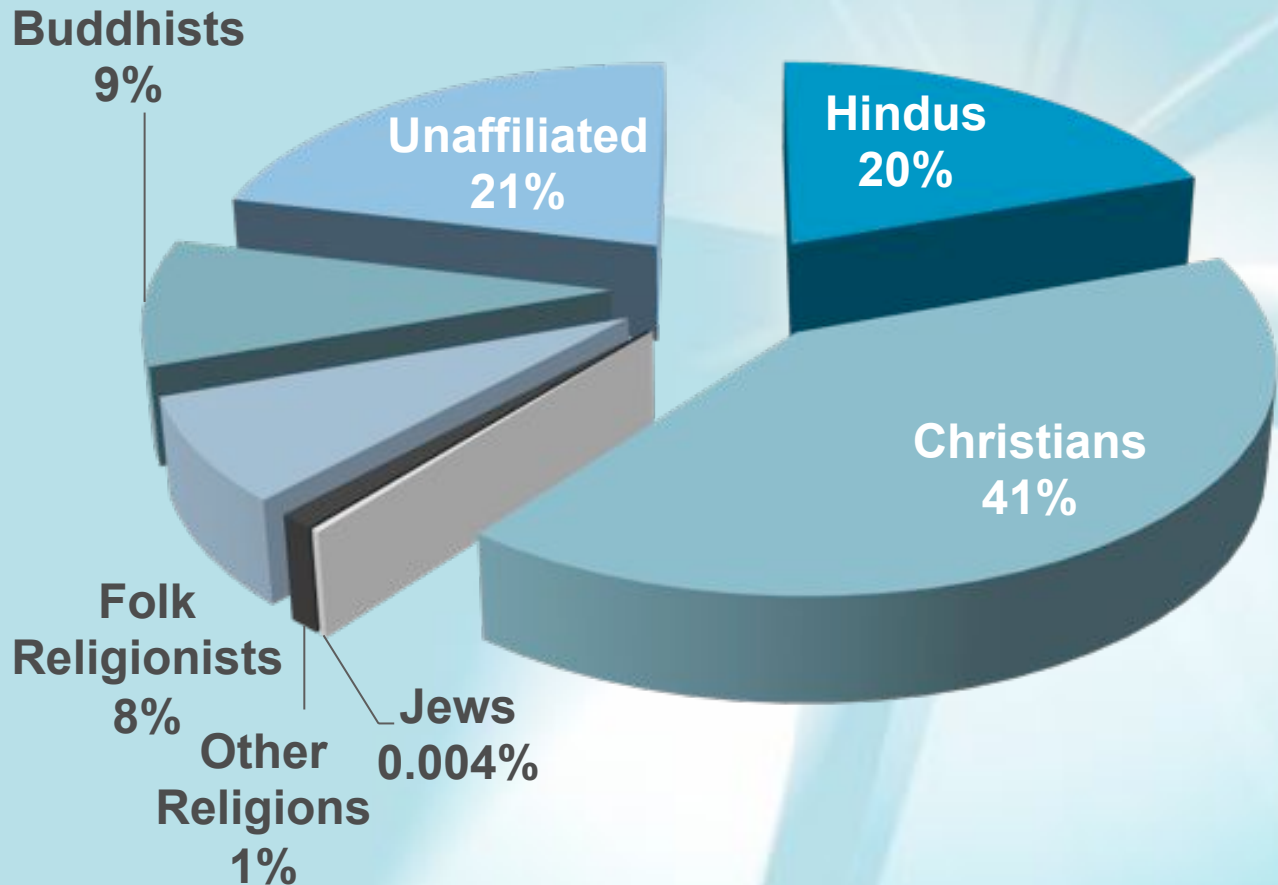


Population estimates are rounded to the ten thousands. Percentages are calculated from unrounded numbers. Percentages may not add to 100 due to rounding.
The Research Center's Policy on Religion & Public Life - Global Religious Landscape, December 2012



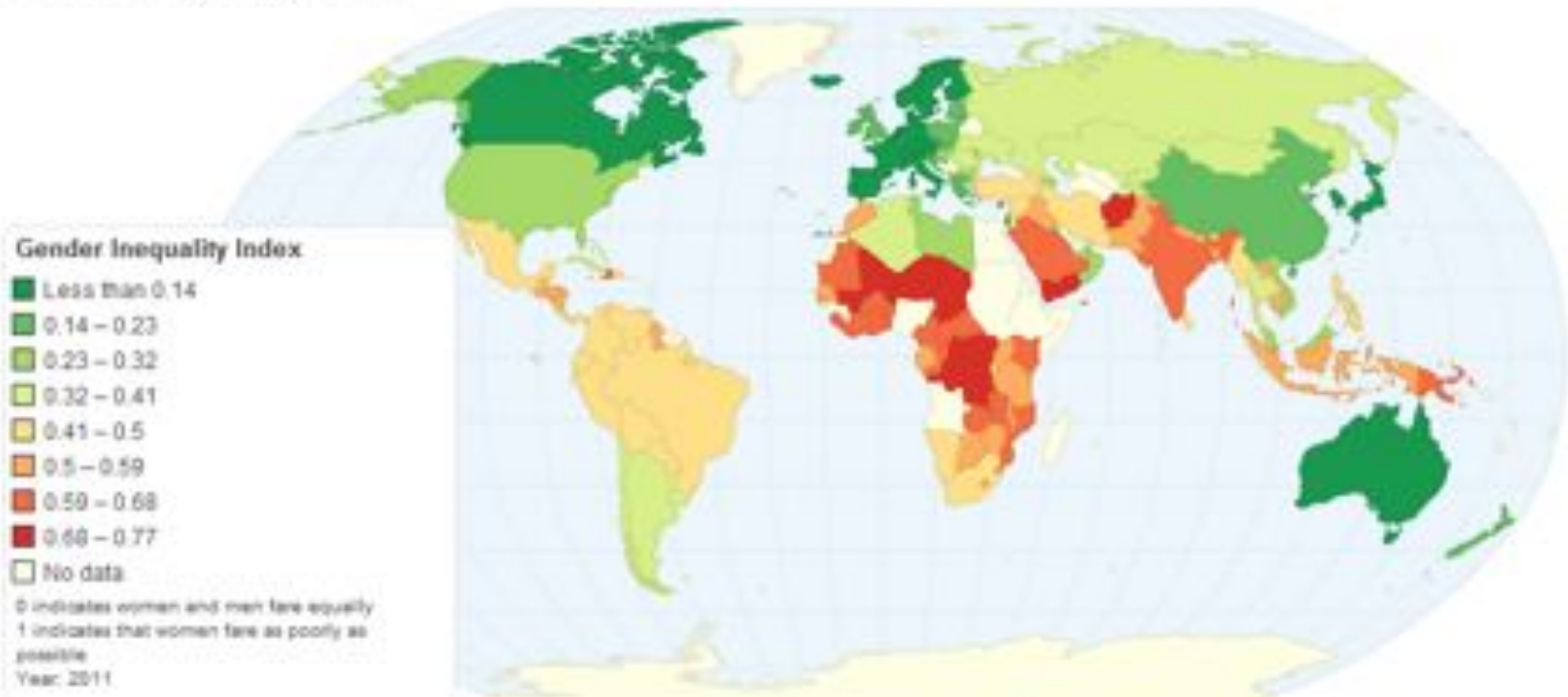
World Statistics

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- Muslims
1,598,510,000
- Unaffiliated
1,126,500,000
- Hindus
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Religionists
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- Other Religions
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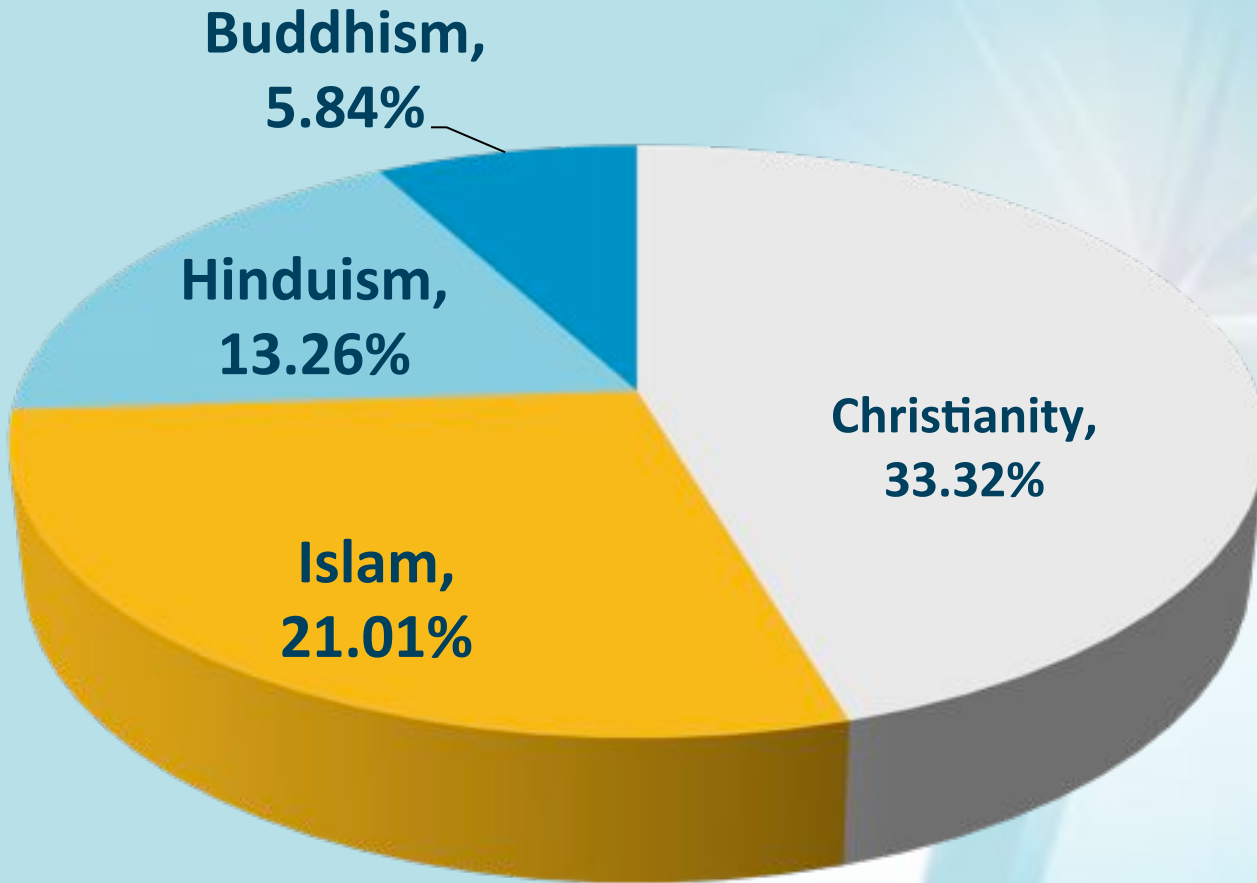


World Statistics

Gender Inequality Index



Largest Churches Worldwide (2008)



Fastest Growing Religions in the World?



According to U.N. Statistics

- *Islam is world's second largest religion after Christianity*
- *Annual growth rate is 6.4% compared to 1.46% for Christianity*
- *About 23% of all people on Earth follow Islam.*
- *Increased by 25% in North America since 1989*



Fastest Growing Religions in Western World/U.S.?



Among Western Societies

- *Buddhism is recognized as fastest growing religion*
- *between 1990 – 2000, Buddhism grew 170% in North America*

Within the U.S.

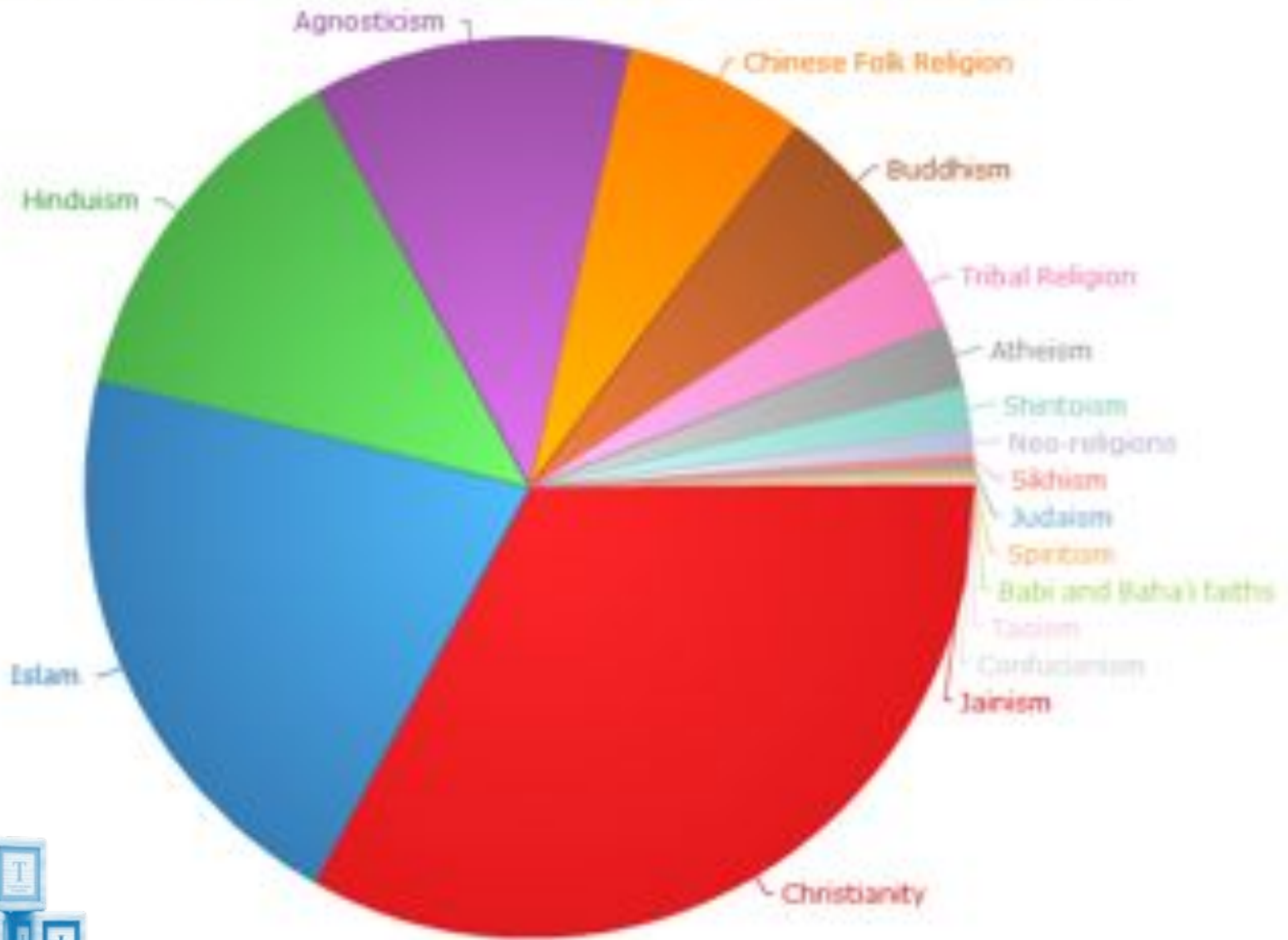
- *Islam is fastest growing religion in United States between 2000 to 2010, number of Muslims increased from 1 million to 2.6 million (66.7%) in the United States.*

U.S. Census May 1, 2012)



Major Religions of the World (2009)

Religion - Major Religions of the World Ranked by Number of Adherents



Adventists To Population Ratio in US

CITY	POPULATION	ADVENTISTS	RATIO
New York-Newark-Bridgeport	21,976,224	75,501	291
Los Angeles-Long Beach Riverside	17,775,984	82,141	216
Chicago-Naperville-Michigan City	9,725,317	21,668	449
Washington-Baltimore-Northern VA	8,211,213	36,798	223
Boston-Worcester-Manchester	7,465,634	15,579	479
San Jose-San Francisco-Oakland	7,228,948	7,201	1004
Philadelphia-Camden-Vineland	6,382,714	11,976	533
Dallas-Fort Worth	6,359,758	25,128	253
Houston-Baytown-Huntsville	5,641,077	13,562	416
Atlanta-Sandy Springs- Gainesville	5,478,667	18,850	291

Adventists To Population Ratio in NAD

CITY	POPULATION	ADVENTISTS	RATIO
Miami-Fort Lauderdale-Miami Beach	5,463,857	37,970	144
Detroit-Warren-Flint	5,410,014	10,043	539
Toronto	5,113,149	18,618	275
Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale	4,039,182	9,810	412
Seattle-Tacoma-Olympia	3,876,211	4,333	895
Montreal	3,635,571	4,662	780
Minneapolis-St. Paul-St. Cloud	3,502,891	4,302	814
Denver-Aurora-Boulder	2,927,911	8,043	364
San Diego-Carlsbad-San Marcos	2,941,454	23,228	127
Cleveland-Akron-Elyria	2,917,801	7,097	411

- Through centuries of persecution, conflict, and darkness, **God has sustained His church.** Not **one** cloud has fallen upon it that He has not **prepared** for; not **one** opposing force has risen to counterwork His work, that He has not **foreseen**. All has taken place as **He predicted**. He has not left His church forsaken, but has traced in prophetic declarations what would occur, and that which His Spirit inspired the prophets to foretell has been brought about. AA 11

- We can see only a little way before us; "but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of Him with whom we have to do." He never becomes confused. He sits above the confusion and distractions of the earth, and all things are opened to His divine survey; and from His great and calm eternity He can order that which His providence sees is best. {ML 10.4}

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- If we were left to ourselves to plan, we should make mistakes. Our prejudices, our weaknesses, our self-deceptions, and our ignorances would be manifest in many ways. But the work is the Lord's, the cause is His; He never leaves His workmen without divine directions. . . . {ML 10.5} My Life Today

- **GOD IS LEADING HIS CHURCH**
- **HIS ASSURANCE –**
“Lo, I am with you always”

Secretary's Report



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