

Number of listed places of worship (POWs)

The data for England is robust, that for the other home countries less so.

Larger figures rounded sometimes affecting totals.

The Grade of Listing data is from a different and earlier source than the Total Listed, and there is some slight disparity.

	All POW	Total listed	Listed POW		
			by grade of listing		
			I	II*	II
GREAT BRITAIN					
England		14790	4070	4510	5930
Wales*		*3000	214	470	1340
Scotland		2470	370	1570	540
Northern Ireland		900	42	140	710
TOTAL		21160	4650	6680	8520
ENGLAND					
Church of England	16000	12200	4020	4230	3780
Methodist Church	5350	510	3	31	515
Roman Catholic	3230	610	22	98	448
Baptist Union	1950	270	0	11	235
United Reformed	1470	310	0	19	243
Other Christian	? 9000	860	30	120	710
Total Christian POW (England)	? 37000	14730	4070	4510	5930
Non Christian faiths (England)					
Jewish		27			
Muslim		14			
Sikh		7			
Buddhist		5			
Non-Cn unknown		4			
Total non Cn POW (England)		57	3	15	34

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WALES*					
The Church in Wales	1352	940	147		
The Baptist Union of Wales	381	100			
The Methodist Church	300	40			
The Roman Catholic Church	197	50	52		
The Baptist Union of Great Britain	152	20			
The United Reformed Church	99	30	1		
Balancing figure*		*1820			
Total (Wales)		*3000	214		

* The breakdown by denomination for Wales is probably reliable. The total for Wales of 3,000 listed places of worship of which 214 are Grade I listed comes from a Cadw document, with no breakdown by denomination, and the 'balancing figure' has been created here to make the total reach 3000.

The number of listed English places of worship (but not their breakdown by grade) was provided by Historic England in November 2015. The number for Wales is from a briefing paper to the Welsh Assembly. For Scotland and Northern Ireland the figures were provided by the National Churches Trust from its 2010 survey. For the rest of this material, see Trevor Cooper, 'How many seats in church?' in Trevor Cooper and Sarah Brown (eds.), *Pews, benches and chairs: church seating in English parish churches from the fourteenth century to the present*, 2011.