**Top 10 Organized Religions of the World**

Statistics of the world's religions are only very rough approximations. Aside from Christianity, few religions, if any, attempt to keep statistical records; and even Protestants and Catholics employ different methods of counting members.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Religion** | **Members** | **Percentage** |
| [Christianity](http://www.infoplease.com/cgi-bin/id/A0001463)  | 2.1 billion | 33.0% |
| [Islam](http://www.infoplease.com/cgi-bin/id/A0001468)  | 1.5 billion | 21 |
| [Hinduism](http://www.infoplease.com/cgi-bin/id/A0001469)  | 900 million | 14 |
| [Buddhism](http://www.infoplease.com/cgi-bin/id/A0001470)  | 376 million | 6 |
| [Sikhism](http://www.infoplease.com/cgi-bin/id/A0881830)  | 23 million | 0.36 |
| [Judaism](http://www.infoplease.com/cgi-bin/id/A0001462)  | 14 million | 0.22 |
| [Bahaism](http://www.infoplease.com/cgi-bin/id/A0805751)  | 7 million | 0.1 |
| [Confucianism](http://www.infoplease.com/cgi-bin/id/A0001471)  | 6.3 million | 0.1 |
| [Jainism](http://www.infoplease.com/cgi-bin/id/A0825887)  | 4.2 million | 0.1 |
| [Shintoism](http://www.infoplease.com/cgi-bin/id/A0001472)  | 4 million | 0.0 |

NOTES: As of 2005. This list includes only organized religions and excludes more loosely defined groups such as Chinese or African traditional religions.

*Source:* *Encyclopaedia Britannica, www.adherents.com.*

Read more: [Top Ten Organized Religions of the World — Infoplease.com](http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0904108.html#ixzz1v3G4qVfd) <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0904108.html#ixzz1v3G4qVfd>