

Annual Church Profile Statistical Summary

2021 Southern Baptist Convention Statistical Summary¹

Item/Statistic	2021	2020	Numeric Change	Percent Change
State Conventions	41	41	0	0.00%
Associations	1,100	1,114	-14	-1.26%
Churches	47,614	47,592	22	0.05%
Church-type Missions Operating ⁽²⁾	2,809	3,104	-295	-9.50%
Total Baptisms	154,701	123,160	31,541	25.61%
Ratio of Baptisms: Total Members	1:88	1:114	—	—
In-Person Weekly Worship Average Attendance	3,607,530	4,439,797	-832,267	-18.75%
In-Person Sunday School/Bible Study/Small Group Average Attendance	2,241,514	2,879,130	-637,616	-22.15%

Other 2021 Items – Not Asked by All State Conventions ³

Item/Statistic	2021	2020
Total Members ⁽⁴⁾	13,680,493	14,089,947
Other Additions ⁽⁵⁾	124,356	112,953
Online Weekly Worship Average Participation ⁽⁶⁾	1,447,313	—
Online Sunday School/Bible Study/Small Group Average Participation ⁽⁷⁾	198,122	—
Undesignated Receipts ⁽⁵⁾	\$9,774,807,128	\$9,531,225,749
Total Receipts ⁽⁸⁾	\$11,830,303,965	\$11,526,598,340
Total Mission Expenditures ⁽⁹⁾	\$1,119,075,812	\$1,046,655,912
Great Commission Giving ⁽¹⁰⁾	\$516,093,240	\$409,835,470

NOTES:

- Data reported for the 2021 statistical year include adjustments to the totals for some non-reported items (from individual congregations) using data reported in prior years. Similar actions occurred in 2020.
- Some state conventions no longer use the designation of church-type mission to categorize congregations that are not self-determining, self-sustaining and self-propagating. This practice has impacted the number of churches and church-type missions.
- Totals for items in this table have incomplete data for 2021 due to the fact that not all state conventions asked the item or did so in a way not comparable with the standard definition. Thus, comparisons between the two years may not be appropriate. See the notes in the 2020 SBC Statistical Summary for specific details to determine if a comparison is desirable.
- Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma did not ask this item or the information necessary to obtain the item.
- Florida Baptist Convention did not ask this item or the information necessary to obtain the item.
- Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, California Southern Baptist Convention, Florida Baptist Convention, Kentucky Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptists of Texas Convention did not ask this item or the information necessary to obtain the item.
- Arkansas Baptist State Convention, Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, California Southern Baptist Convention, Florida Baptist Convention, Kentucky Baptist Convention, Northwest Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptists of Texas Convention did not ask this item or the information necessary to obtain the item.
- Baptist Convention of New York and Florida Baptist Convention did not ask this item or the information necessary to obtain the item.
- Alabama State Board of Missions, Baptist Convention of New York, Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma, Florida Baptist Convention, Georgia Baptist Mission Board and the South Carolina Baptist Convention did not ask this item or the information necessary to obtain the item.
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