

How many people came to your church in October 2023?

Church

Parish



Please read the notes on the reverse of this form **before** completing any of the boxes.
Enter a figure in every box – if there is no attendance under any of the categories, please enter “0”.

Regular attendance – from the total attendances recorded, please give the number of people who attended **12 or more times in the past 12 months**. It is important this information is provided so that the parish share calculation is based only on the regularly-attending adult congregation.

Number of services	Sunday – TOTAL ATTENDANCE						Sunday – REGULAR ATTENDANCE					
	Adults (16 and over)			Children and young people			Adults (16 and over)			Children and young people		
	Church	Fresh expr	Online	Church	Fresh expr	Online	Church	Fresh expr	Online	Church	Fresh expr	Online
Week commencing Sunday 1 October 2023												
Week commencing Sunday 8 October 2023												
Week commencing Sunday 15 October 2023												
Week commencing Sunday 22 October 2023												

Number of services	Weekdays – TOTAL ATTENDANCE (those not already counted in Sunday attendance)								Weekdays – REGULAR ATTENDANCE (those not already counted in Sunday attendance)							
	Adults (16 and over)				Children and young people				Adults (16 and over)				Children and young people			
	Church	School services	Fresh expr	Online	Church	School services	Fresh expr	Online	Church	School services	Fresh expr	Online	Church	School services	Fresh expr	Online
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Please turn over the page to provide some additional information



October Census – Guidance Notes

This form should be used to record details of the **OCTOBER COUNT** of the number of people who come to your church. This includes the number of people attending **services and acts of worship** on Sunday and during the week.

INCLUDE: Activities in which worship is the prime purpose and predominant feature.

- ✓ The number of adults and children attending services and Sunday schools or equivalent activities
- ✓ Clergy and other ministers who received communion / attended services
- ✓ All visitors at services, for example those attending baptisms
- ✓ Those celebrating the Eucharist outside the church, for example at home, in prison or in hospital
- ✓ Fresh expressions supported by your church (unless they have chosen to complete a separate form).
- ✓ Online worship services - only count identifiable individuals in Regular attendance figures (i.e. attending via Zoom or another video conferencing platform). Online attendees of streamed worship services (i.e. where the attendees can't be identified) can be recorded in the Total attendance.

Please **DO NOT** include:

- ✗ Activities with only some worship element, such as house groups, parent and toddler groups, some assemblies, Alpha courses, social events such as harvest supper and some prayer groups.
- ✗ Also, please do not report here attendance from **weddings or funeral services**
- ✗ Wherever possible, please do not count the same person multiple times – if someone attends more than once during the week, please only count them once

For help identifying Fresh Expressions of Church, please visit www.freshexpressions.org.uk or visit www.churchofengland.org/media/1839845/freshexpressionschoicetree.pdf

School Admissions Policies

As part of an ongoing review of the parish share system currently used in our diocese, we have been asked to collect some information around attendance at church connected with school admissions policies.

Please estimate the average number of adults who in your opinion attend each week primarily because of school admissions criteria:

Guidance Note – we are aware that attendance can fluctuate considerably during school holiday periods, and that half term for most schools falls during the attendance census period. For the purposes of this question, please provide an estimate based on a normal term-time week.

If you have any comments about the figures entered on the attendance census form, or more general comments about your experience of the attendance census exercise, please enter them here:

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Incumbent / P-in-C

Churchwarden / Treasurer / PCC Secretary