

2018

Service Year Report of Jehovah's Witnesses Worldwide

2018 Grand Totals

Branches of Jehovah's Witnesses:	87
Number of Lands Reporting:	240
Total Congregations:	119,954
Worldwide Memorial Attendance:	20,329,317
Memorial Partakers Worldwide:	19,521
Peak of Publishers*:	8,579,909
Average Publishers Preaching Each Month:	8,360,594
Percentage of Increase Over 2017:	1.4
Total Number Baptized [#] :	281,744
Average Pioneer [△] Publishers Each Month:	1,267,808
Average Auxiliary Pioneer Publishers Each Month:	446,642
Total Hours Spent in Field:	2,074,655,497
Average Bible Studies [⊠] Each Month:	10,079,709

During the 2018 service year,[□] Jehovah's Witnesses spent over \$214 million in caring for special pioneers, missionaries, and circuit overseers in their field service assignments. ■ Worldwide, a total of 20,331 ordained ministers staff the branch facilities. All are members of the Worldwide Order of Special Full-Time Servants of Jehovah's Witnesses.

* A publisher refers to one who actively publishes, or preaches, the good news of God's Kingdom. (Matthew 24:14) For a complete explanation of how this figure is determined, see the jw.org article "How Many of Jehovah's Witnesses Are There Worldwide?"

[#] For more information on the steps leading to baptism as one of Jehovah's Witnesses, see the jw.org article "How Do I Become One of Jehovah's Witnesses?"

[△] A pioneer is an exemplary baptized Witness who volunteers to spend a specified number of hours each month in preaching the good news.

[⊠] For more information, see the jw.org article "What Is a Bible Study?"

[□] The 2018 service year ran from September 1, 2017, through August 31, 2018.

Country and Territory Reports

Country or Territory	Population	2018 Peak Pubs.	Ratio, 1 Publisher to	% Inc. Over 2017	2018 No. Bptzd.	Av. Pio. Pubs.	No. of Congs.	Memorial Attendance
Albania	2,870,324	5,647	508		143	1,332	93	11,866
American Samoa	55,679	194	287	-6	8	36	3	682
Andorra	76,953	178	432	-4	3	16	3	354
Angola	27,794,030	155,991	178	9	12,215	22,994	2,111	635,980
Anguilla	17,087	67	255			11	2	225
Antigua	91,889	479	192	-1	9	48	7	1,337
Argentina	44,494,502	153,342	290	1	4,229	24,075	1,980	312,994
Armenia	2,986,500	10,977	272		262	2,213	134	21,843
Aruba	106,000	1,080	98		31	96	14	2,898
Australia	24,772,247	68,247	363	1	1,250	6,578	786	116,581
Austria	8,823,054	21,563	409		332	1,690	299	34,118
Azerbaijan	9,898,085	1,430	6,922	2	77	335	14	2,874
Azores	243,862	767	318		11	102	15	1,528
Bahamas	399,000	1,762	226	3	46	244	27	4,237
Bangladesh	166,368,149	303	549,070	1	15	137	6	839
Barbados	292,336	2,496	117	-2	55	190	30	5,573
Belarus	9,491,823	6,146	1,544	2	224	1,255	80	10,046
Belgium	11,514,752	25,429	453		425	1,939	339	43,326
Belize	383,040	2,673	143	1	125	534	63	7,987
Benin	11,486,000	13,644	842	4	587	1,725	209	44,661
Bermuda	61,000	521	117	-2	8	88	5	927
Bolivia	11,240,000	27,776	405	3	1,414	6,684	404	86,800
Bonaire	26,000	160	163	2		20	2	351
Bosnia and Herzegovina	3,507,000	1,108	3,165	-4	10	179	16	1,690
Botswana	2,341,861	2,316	1,011	2	118	306	45	6,225
Brazil	208,888,781	869,537	240	3	32,457	113,750	12,270	1,827,079
Britain	64,310,785	139,783	460		2,293	14,424	1,615	221,205
Bulgaria	7,037,000	2,530	2,781	3	52	702	55	5,424
Burkina Faso	19,752,000	1,958	10,088	3	74	277	48	4,309
Burundi	9,732,000	14,508	671	5	921	2,211	266	50,681
Cambodia	16,245,729	1,156	14,053	5	27	648	16	3,023
Cameroon	25,293,116	43,965	575	4	1,764	5,198	486	98,947
Canada	36,953,765	115,959	319		1,703	13,125	1,402	183,048
Cape Verde	560,899	2,317	242	3	119	417	34	7,874
Cayman Islands	62,000	265	234		3	34	3	620
Central African Republic	5,000,000	2,889	1,731	3	138	306	56	17,622
Chad	15,000,000	847	17,710	3	69	76	19	4,558
Chile	18,552,218	80,451	231	2	2,140	13,280	1,012	177,431
Chuuk	48,651	47	1,035	10	2	17	2	181
Colombia	49,850,000	181,691	274	3	6,482	27,657	2,243	512,386
Congo, Dem. Republic of	84,004,989	229,740	366	4	15,825	20,940	3,772	1,220,046
Congo, Republic of	5,399,895	7,899	684	8	550	737	88	34,550
Cook Islands	17,411	196	89	-3	3	26	3	482
Costa Rica	4,956,898	31,786	156	2	1,023	3,711	451	69,999
Côte d'Ivoire	23,889,455	11,938	2,001	5	525	1,657	324	69,529
Croatia	4,189,000	5,042	831	-3	81	438	59	7,579
Cuba	11,480,000	95,031	121		2,537	9,985	1,503	230,936
Curaçao	161,000	2,057	78	-1	60	229	26	5,259
Cyprus	885,600	2,659	333	2	45	454	43	4,674
Czech Republic	10,625,449	15,442	688		228	1,274	216	26,370
Denmark	5,789,957	14,644	395		227	1,075	173	20,923
Dominica	73,897	428	173	-1	17	60	10	1,046
Dominican Republic	10,882,996	38,606	282	1	1,307	7,234	577	113,928
Ecuador	17,023,408	97,168	175	3	4,449	17,887	1,119	276,542
El Salvador	6,190,216	40,900	151		1,006	5,362	738	88,132
Equatorial Guinea	928,778	2,272	409	9	165	279	22	8,342
Estonia	1,319,133	4,036	327	-1	88	510	57	6,265
Ethiopia	104,957,000	10,472	10,023	1	395	2,416	221	23,401
Falkland Islands	2,910	15	194	18		1	1	24
Faroe Islands	50,844	123	413	-6		28	4	170
Fiji	912,241	3,250	281	1	127	505	82	11,131
Finland	5,513,130	18,324	301		241	2,132	290	24,814
France	65,204,153	129,974	502	1	2,126	15,012	1,687	222,822
French Guiana	290,384	2,694	108	3	109	429	47	10,535
Gabon	1,853,964	4,604	403	4	185	609	53	11,002
Gambia	2,163,765	246	8,796	7	4	32	5	597
Georgia	3,729,600	18,173	205		456	3,334	219	31,930

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Germany	82,792,351	165,870	499		2,791	13,998	2,105	262,628
Ghana	29,463,643	140,274	210	3	6,260	15,639	2,097	387,138
Gibraltar	34,733	128	271	4	4	18	2	156
Greece	10,815,197	28,254	383	-1	524	4,059	359	44,777
Greenland	55,877	165	339	-5	5	35	5	318
Grenada	117,724	595	198		5	65	10	1,215
Guadeloupe	403,613	8,332	48	1	207	708	121	19,065
Guam	159,358	745	214	3	11	159	10	1,878
Guatemala	17,368,134	40,490	429	1	1,315	6,688	884	96,570
Guinea	13,740,608	1,015	13,538	8	49	119	20	4,059
Guinea-Bissau	1,907,268	171	11,154	3	8	44	3	642
Guyana	775,864	3,121	249		132	472	48	13,330
Haiti	9,993,000	19,951	501		995	2,788	282	82,913
Honduras	8,429,901	23,430	360		883	4,276	450	63,549
Hong Kong	7,448,900	5,571	1,337	1	498	1,104	63	9,880
Hungary	9,688,847	21,412	452	-2	411	1,861	294	36,677
Iceland	348,450	387	900	2	7	55	7	713
India	1,354,051,854	48,615	27,853	4	1,702	7,958	684	136,916
Indonesia	268,459,957	28,283	9,492	2	1,442	4,283	492	58,658
Ireland	6,632,457	7,061	939	2	131	1,048	120	11,842
Israel	9,055,123	1,808	5,008	7	42	309	31	4,179
Italy	60,457,909	251,502	240		4,307	37,435	2,921	417,090
Jamaica	2,899,000	11,425	254	-1	315	1,522	178	31,962
Japan	127,185,332	212,802	598		2,050	65,890	3,025	294,296
Kazakhstan	18,533,849	17,507	1,059	-1	517	3,869	261	30,809
Kenya	51,226,537	29,860	1,716	2	1,160	3,643	641	73,103
Kiribati	118,414	150	789	5	9	33	3	557
Korea, Republic of	51,635,256	101,246	510		1,770	43,692	1,278	135,489
Kosovo	1,798,506	262	6,865	-1	7	110	8	579
Kosrae	6,616	18	368	-6		6	1	82
Kyrgyzstan	6,256,700	5,420	1,154	1	183	1,223	83	10,321
Latvia	1,925,253	2,216	869	-1	42	328	37	3,288
Lesotho	2,269,178	4,248	534	2	169	517	91	10,919
Liberia	4,892,190	7,286	671	3	333	707	141	46,011
Liechtenstein	38,110	90	423	-1		2	1	132
Lithuania	2,799,127	3,026	925	-1	55	435	46	4,661
Luxembourg	602,005	2,141	281	1	41	182	33	3,861
Macao	658,900	346	1,904	10	7	86	5	765
Macedonia	2,088,091	1,281	1,630		54	159	23	2,870
Madagascar	26,431,287	35,823	738	3	2,382	5,826	778	136,847
Madeira	254,368	1,152	221	1	20	118	19	1,836
Malawi	18,990,325	95,203	199	5	6,692	7,331	1,571	339,734
Malaysia	32,000,000	5,350	5,981	4	292	1,440	118	13,584
Mali	19,107,706	322	59,341	4	13	56	7	1,096
Malta	431,000	774	557	6	20	101	10	1,274
Marshall Islands	69,747	226	309	-6	4	31	4	793
Martinique	384,769	4,901	79		106	583	62	10,233
Mauritius	1,266,692	1,917	661		94	205	26	4,234
Mayotte	260,000	177	1,469	8	4	43	3	358
Mexico	131,918,726	871,339	151	1	29,134	143,820	13,245	2,214,594
Moldova	4,043,000	19,213	210	-2	497	2,224	210	34,199
Mongolia	3,121,772	459	6,801	-2	8	210	9	1,269
Montenegro	620,029	274	2,263		10	57	5	571
Montserrat	5,292	34	156	24		17	1	162
Mozambique	30,500,000	64,536	473	6	4,065	5,491	1,289	306,876
Myanmar	53,866,417	4,499	11,973	4	123	673	82	9,585
Namibia	2,599,082	2,476	1,050	1	44	272	45	8,202
Nauru	11,302	19	595	6		2	1	83
Nepal	28,441,000	2,629	10,818	5	147	910	41	8,097
Netherlands	17,218,328	29,603	582	-1	482	2,034	357	49,622
Nevis	12,000	65	185	5		3	1	225
New Caledonia	284,000	2,489	114	5	107	265	32	7,255
New Zealand	4,749,598	14,301	332		287	1,338	186	26,513
Nicaragua	6,290,787	29,243	215	1	809	4,499	502	88,303
Niger	22,311,000	332	67,202	6	18	37	7	860
Nigeria	195,875,000	390,250	502	2	13,256	40,430	6,547	806,256
Niue	1,624	22	74	-9		2	1	52
Norfolk Island	1,748	9	194	17		1	1	26
Norway	5,312,343	11,745	452	1	234	1,134	167	17,235
Pakistan	197,015,955	1,140	172,821	1	44	87	20	3,622
Palau	21,108	80	264	-9	1	8	2	221

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Palestinian Territories	4,780,000	68	70,294	-18	4	12	2	147
Panama	4,116,741	17,780	232	2	574	3,011	321	53,238
Papua New Guinea	8,418,346	5,141	1,637	4	393	546	118	39,086
Paraguay	6,932,449	10,750	645	2	483	1,873	239	22,796
Peru	31,237,385	131,624	237	2	3,913	28,750	1,493	370,882
Philippines	105,097,329	217,220	484	3	9,330	46,757	3,419	601,325
Pohnpei	35,981	67	537	-10		19	1	183
Poland	38,433,558	116,299	330	-1	1,508	8,383	1,288	180,603
Portugal	9,792,797	49,299	199	1	1,072	4,638	652	86,182
Puerto Rico	3,659,000	23,632	155	-7	472	3,753	299	46,097
Réunion	883,153	3,380	261	3	87	451	41	6,535
Rodrigues	42,638	57	748	10		16	1	183
Romania	19,581,000	39,788	492	-1	738	3,990	538	75,082
Rota	2,477	12	206			3	1	23
Rwanda	12,089,721	30,076	402	3	1,777	5,272	553	80,601
Saba	1,800	11	164	-18		2		65
St. Barthélemy	9,604	34	282	-14		5	1	66
St. Eustatius	4,020	30	134			3	1	102
St. Helena	4,074	117	35	1			3	246
St. Kitts	40,715	216	188	-1	8	27	4	684
St. Lucia	164,994	819	201	5	23	114	11	1,760
St. Maarten	42,083	361	117	4	14	40	5	876
St. Martin	36,629	300	122	-9	3	27	5	1,047
St. Pierre and Miquelon	6,372	12	531	-23		6	1	19
St. Vincent & the Grenadines	102,089	344	297	-2	2	41	8	982
Saipan	48,200	217	222	-1	14	37	3	498
Samoa	197,695	538	367	6	38	99	12	2,300
San Marino	34,589	198	175	3		35	2	313
São Tomé and Príncipe	201,025	875	230	6	54	142	13	3,231
Senegal	16,294,270	1,369	11,902	3	38	169	29	2,725
Serbia	7,040,272	3,933	1,790		90	637	66	8,149
Seychelles	94,988	338	281	-2	6	41	4	906
Sierra Leone	6,926,767	2,349	2,949	3	130	297	40	7,179
Slovakia	5,445,087	11,293	482	-1	188	929	134	20,639
Slovenia	2,075,000	1,841	1,127	-2	17	232	30	2,842
Solomon Islands	626,227	2,077	302	-1	120	228	52	9,953
South Africa	57,539,935	105,232	547	2	4,581	13,209	2,034	262,126
South Sudan	13,172,963	1,697	7,763	6	96	177	32	5,435
Spain	46,397,452	114,544	405	1	2,230	16,423	1,486	189,369
Sri Lanka	20,967,913	6,482	3,235	5	395	797	115	15,656
Sudan	41,727,690	633	65,921	-3	22	95	14	2,319
Suriname	569,874	3,133	182	2	126	336	56	10,061
Swaziland	1,396,414	3,316	421	1	133	322	80	8,272
Sweden	10,182,291	22,330	456		321	2,400	306	34,035
Switzerland	8,482,152	19,354	438		240	1,313	272	31,329
Tahiti	275,918	3,250	85	1	116	508	48	9,196
Taiwan	23,570,000	10,839	2,175	3	344	3,603	181	20,626
Tanzania	59,477,688	18,705	3,180	4	1,066	1,950	455	58,620
Thailand	68,414,135	5,170	13,233	6	154	1,923	125	10,347
Timor-Leste	1,324,094	366	3,618	4	28	82	5	845
Tinian	2,500	14	179	8		1	1	41
Togo	7,991,000	21,755	367	3	794	2,290	307	64,898
Tonga	109,008	209	522	-5	6	30	2	511
Trinidad & Tobago	1,371,824	10,030	137	1	274	1,322	127	24,401
Turkey	80,810,525	3,506	23,049	13	121	841	47	6,275
Turks and Caicos	36,000	338	107	2	10	49	6	985
Tuvalu	11,308	88	129	-6	9	7	1	224
Uganda	39,049,142	8,179	4,774	7	486	1,116	152	28,147
Ukraine	42,309,269	138,513	305	-6	2,897	18,457	1,522	217,417
United States	326,767,000	1,234,877	265		26,618	181,822	13,016	2,441,125
Uruguay	3,505,985	11,915	294	1	323	1,283	152	23,579
Vanuatu	283,432	753	376	3	64	84	16	3,797
Venezuela	32,560,997	148,042	220	-3	7,259	32,152	1,801	452,717
Virgin Islands, British	32,000	260	123	3		34	4	699
Virgin Islands, U.S.	105,000	607	173	1	8	118	10	1,549
Wallis & Futuna Islands	11,000	52	212	15	1	3	1	275
Yap	11,376	30	379	4	3	10	1	124
Zambia	16,897,386	204,176	83	6	16,218	16,362	3,249	931,426
Zimbabwe	16,913,261	48,278	350	4	2,079	6,678	1,353	122,058
33 Other Lands		223,747		1.3	4,672	45,348	3,371	334,215
Grand Total (240 Lands)		8,579,909		1.4	281,744	1,267,808	119,954	20,329,317