

Baptized Membership of the ELCA by Race/Ethnicity

African American/Black	American Indian/Native Alaskan	Arab/Middle Eastern**	Asian/Pacific Islander	Latino/Spanish	Multi-Ethnic**	Other	White	Not Reported*	Total Baptized
1988									
48,261	5,418		19,985	22,766		1,736	4,788,834	364,534	5,251,534
0.92%	0.10%		0.38%	0.43%		0.03%	91.19%	6.94%	100.00%
1989									
48,868	5,947		19,616	21,947		3,609	5,022,290	116,521	5,238,798
0.93%	0.11%		0.37%	0.42%		0.07%	95.87%	2.22%	100.00%
1990									
50,336	5,833		20,547	23,299		3,700	5,066,867	70,157	5,240,739
0.96%	0.11%		0.39%	0.44%		0.07%	96.68%	1.34%	100.00%
1991									
49,464	6,231		21,175	24,596		3,690	5,097,710	42,311	5,245,177
0.94%	0.12%		0.40%	0.47%		0.07%	97.19%	0.81%	100.00%
1992									
51,818	6,418		20,964	25,023		2,987	5,087,697	39,661	5,234,568
0.99%	0.12%		0.40%	0.48%		0.06%	97.19%	0.76%	100.00%
1993									
49,705	6,542		21,529	25,750		3,150	5,071,860	34,249	5,212,785
0.95%	0.13%		0.41%	0.49%		0.06%	97.30%	0.66%	100.00%
1994									
49,156	6,685		21,870	27,661		3,716	5,066,789	23,171	5,199,048
0.95%	0.13%		0.42%	0.53%		0.07%	97.46%	0.45%	100.00%
1995									
49,460	6,912		22,007	28,118		3,926	5,074,080	5,986	5,190,489
0.95%	0.13%		0.42%	0.54%		0.08%	97.76%	0.12%	100.00%
1996									
49,707	7,005		21,898	29,424		4,805	5,060,489	7,582	5,180,910
0.96%	0.14%		0.42%	0.57%		0.09%	97.68%	0.15%	100.00%
1997									
49,438	6,896		21,769	30,988		7,044	5,063,244	5,676	5,185,055
0.95%	0.13%		0.42%	0.60%		0.14%	97.65%	0.11%	100.00%

1998									
50,635	7,134		22,467	32,295		8,696	5,039,631	17,367	5,178,225
0.98%	0.14%		0.43%	0.62%		0.17%	97.32%	0.34%	100.00%
1999									
50,834	7,351		22,569	35,314		11,149	5,016,872	5,579	5,149,668
0.99%	0.14%		0.44%	0.69%		0.22%	97.42%	0.11%	100.00%
2000									
52,558	7,440		22,465	37,540		10,587	4,988,085	7,244	5,125,919
1.03%	0.15%		0.44%	0.73%		0.21%	97.31%	0.14%	100.00%
2001									
52,848	7,161		22,994	38,706		10,281	4,953,676	14,211	5,099,877
1.04%	0.14%		0.45%	0.76%		0.20%	97.13%	0.28%	100.00%
2002									
53,564	7,273		22,898	39,614		15,151	4,872,332	27,234	5,038,066
1.06%	0.14%		0.45%	0.79%		0.30%	96.71%	0.54%	100.00%
2003									
53,258	7,265	1,381	22,030	39,949	5,692	13,019	4,840,323	2,008	4,984,925
1.07%	0.15%	0.03%	0.44%	0.80%	0.11%	0.26%	97.10%	0.04%	100.00%
2004									
54,241	6,780	1,638	22,395	38,255	11,036	12,440	4,781,579	2,065	4,930,429
1.10%	0.14%	0.03%	0.45%	0.78%	0.22%	0.25%	96.98%	0.04%	100.0%
2005									
54,354	7,095	1,779	21,950	39,157	12,261	11,096	4,700,513	2,571	4,850,776
1.12%	0.15%	0.04%	0.45%	0.81%	0.25%	0.23%	96.90%	0.05%	100.0%
2006									
53,288	7,007	1,944	22,545	39,563	13,613	10,802	4,624,249	1,192	4,774,203
1.12%	0.15%	0.04%	0.47%	0.83%	0.29%	0.23%	96.86%	0.02%	100.0%
2007									
52,896	6,866	2,136	22,202	39,760	15,417	11,397	4,558,059	1,223	4,709,956
1.12%	0.15%	0.05%	0.47%	0.84%	0.33%	0.24%	96.77%	0.03%	100.0%

*NOTE: At the beginning of the ELCA almost 7% of the baptized members had no reported race or ethnic group. Increases in race or ethnic group categories in the early years was caused more by moving members from "not reported" to a specific category than by increases in actual new members.

**Arab/Middle Eastern and Multiethnic were new categories in 2003.

Data are from Congregational Report Forms. Prepared by ELCA Research and Evaluation.

2008 Congregational Data will likely be released by the Office of the Secretary on July 15, 2009.