

Five Out of Six People Affiliated With Christian Faith

The 2011 National Household Survey (NHS) collected information on religious affiliation regardless of whether respondents practiced their [religion](#) such as attendance at religious activities.

- According to the 2011 NHS, 83.8% of New Brunswick’s population reported they were affiliated with a Christian religion, 15.1% said they had no religious attachment and the remaining proportion (around 1.0%) indicated a religious affiliation other than Christian.
- In comparison, two-thirds of Canada’s population (67.3%) reported being affiliated with a Christian religion in 2011, 23.9% had no religious affiliation and the remaining 8.8% indicated a religious denomination other than Christian.
- Roman Catholics were by far the largest Christian group. In 2011, almost half of New Brunswick’s population (366,000 people or 49.7%) identified themselves as such. Baptists formed the second largest denomination and represented 9.6% of the population (70,990 people), followed by those affiliated with the United Church (54,265 people or 7.4%).
- A growing proportion of New Brunswick’s population reported religious affiliations other than Christian (such as Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu and Jewish). In 2011, roughly 7,500 people or 1.0% of the population reported being affiliated with a non-Christian religion. This was up from 0.6% recorded a decade earlier in the 2001 Census.
- More than 111,400 people or 15.1% of the provincial population had no religious affiliation in 2011, almost double the proportion (8.0%) reported in 2001.

