

Summary of ELCA Personnel Statistics by Classification

CLASSIFICATION	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Ordained Ministers	17,646	17,642	17,699	17,675	17,425	17,012	16,773	16,677	16,543	16,435	16,315
Women	3,210	3,328	3,464	3,612	3,700	3,795	3,859	3,944	4,042	4,165	4,250
Men	14,436	14,314	14,212	14,063	13,725	13,217	12,914	12,733	12,501	12,270	12,065
Persons of Color/Language other than English	596	608	621	628	673	642	658	685	696	707	723
Active and Retired by Category											
Serving under Calls from Congregations	8,300	8,303	8,242	8,143	7,875	7,516	7,263	7,117	6,927	6,733	6,561
Serving under Calls from Church Council and synod councils	2,243	2,190	2,198	2,167	2,108	2,073	2,015	1,969	1,958	1,966	1,931
on leave from call	693	686	682	679	745	733	686	648	577	504	488
on leave from call doing graduate study	50	41	40	46	53	50	50	60	50	40	44
continuing disability	213	213	230	242	248	256	251	245	228	226	210
retired	6,119	6,177	6,751	6,393	6,236	6,347	6,489	6,619	6,789	6,950	7,071
Deaconesses	62	62	65	65	61	66	64	62	61	59	60
women	62	62	65	65	61	66	64	62	61	59	60
men	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Persons of Color/Language other than English	3	4	4	2	4	4	3	3	3	3	3
Active and Retired by Category											
Serving under calls from congregations	10	9	9	8	4	6	6	5	5	4	3
serving under calls from Church Council or synod councils	18	20	22	22	23	26	21	19	18	18	20
on leave from call	3	2	3	5	5	5	5	7	7	6	5
on leave during graduate study	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0
continuing disability	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	4
retired	27	28	28	27	24	26	28	27	27	27	28
Associates in Ministry	1,080	1,083	1,081	1,068	1,044	1,017	998	990	981	966	954
women	865	871	868	859	836	815	805	798	787	777	769
men	215	212	213	209	208	202	193	192	194	189	185
Persons of Color/Language other than English	14	15	16	12	15	13	14	13	13	15	13
Active and Retired by Category											
serving under calls from congregations	426	421	427	420	393	360	337	318	303	279	270
serving under calls from Church Council or synod councils	160	167	163	163	156	151	146	150	148	145	138
on leave from calls	89	85	73	64	68	64	65	67	56	49	47
on leave during graduate study	9	11	13	12	12	10	8	8	5	2	2
continuing disability	7	8	8	10	10	9	9	9	6	5	6
retired	385	388	397	399	404	419	431	437	462	486	491
Diaconal Ministers	105	126	140	152	162	169	175	186	192	200	206
women	92	102	116	125	132	138	143	150	155	162	166
men	13	24	24	27	30	31	32	36	37	38	40
Persons of Color/Language other than English	1	1	0	0	1	1	2	3	3	4	4
Active and Retired by Category											
serving under calls from congregations	40	41	41	45	47	51	49	48	51	42	40
serving under calls from Church Council or synod councils	56	74	79	85	88	85	81	82	83	91	90
on leave from calls	8	9	15	15	12	11	16	23	23	26	25
on leave during graduate study	0	1	1	1	1	2	3	3	3	2	3
continuing disability	0	0	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	3
retired	1	1	1	3	11	16	23	28	30	37	45