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Apostolic Journey of the Holy Father Francis in Budapest for the concluding Holy Mass of the 52nd International Eucharistic Congress, and in Slovakia (12-15 September 2021) - Statistics

Statistics of the Catholic Church in Hungary and Slovakia as of 31 December 2019 (from the Central Office for Church Statistics)

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The following are some statistical data relating to the situation of the Catholic Church in Hungary and Slovakia as of 31 December 2019:

Table 1 – Population and ecclesiastical structure

	Hungary	Slovakia
Area (km ²)	93,032	49,012
Population (in thousands)	9,773	5,408

Density (inhabitants/km ²)	105	110
Catholics (in thousands)	5,980	3,986
Catholics per 100 inhabitants	61.19	73.71
Ecclesiastical circumscriptions	17	12
Parishes	2,062	1,560
Other pastoral centres	174	116
Catholics per pastoral centre	2,674	2,378

Table 2 – People engaged in activities of the apostolate

	Hungary	Slovakia
Bishops ¹	34	22
Diocesan priests	1,714	2,425
Religious priests	375	639
Total priests	2,089	3,064
Permanent deacons	165	28
Men religious (other than priests)	55	103
Professed women religious	619	1,905
Members of secular Institutes	95	267
Lay missionaries	12	1
Catechists	2,357	1,949

[1] Situation on 30.09.2019

Table 3 – Indicators of pastoral workload

	Hungary	Slovakia
Catholics per priest	2,863	1,301
Catholics per pastoral worker	1,102	543
Priests per pastoral centre	0.93	1.83
Priests per 100 people engaged in activities of the apostolate	39.1	42.0

Table 4 – Priestly vocations

	Hungary	Slovakia
Minor seminarians	19	9
Major seminarians	283	311
Major seminarians per 100,000	2.90	5.75

inhabitants

Major seminarians per 100,000 Catholics	4.73	7.80
Major seminarians per 100 priests	13.55	10.15

Table 5 – Educational centres owned / managed by ecclesiastics or religious

	Hungary	Slovakia
Schools:		
Pre-school and primary	399	185
Lower middle and secondary	95	69
Higher and university	14	4
Students in:		
Pre-school and primary schools	76,726	28,431
Lower middle and secondary schools	38,163	12,618
Higher and university institutes	19,439	3,779

Table 6 – Charitable and social centres owned / managed by ecclesiastics or religious

	Hungary	Slovakia
Hospitals	6	7
Clinics	7	37
Leper colonies	-	-
Homes for the elderly and disabled	59	69
Orphanages and nurseries	29	10
Family consultation centres	10	16
Special centres of social education or rehabilitation	4	3
Other institutions	82	113
