

2007 Southern Baptist Convention Statistical Summary

Item/Statistic	Final 2007	Final 2006	2007-2006 Numeric Change	2007-2006 Percent Change
State Conventions	41	41	0	0.00%
Associations	1,186	1,185	1	0.08%
Churches	44,696	44,223	473	1.06%
Total Membership	16,266,920	16,306,246	-39,326	-0.24%
Baptisms	345,941	364,826	-18,885	-5.46%
Ratio of Baptisms: Total Membership	1:47	1:45	(N/A)	(N/A)
Primary Worship Attendance	6,148,868	6,138,776	10,092	0.16%
Sunday School Enrollment ⁽¹⁾	7,876,611	7,931,753	Not comparable ⁽¹⁾	Not comparable ⁽¹⁾
Total Mission Expenditures ⁽¹⁾	\$1,327,856,082	\$1,285,616,031	Not comparable ⁽¹⁾	Not comparable ⁽¹⁾
Church-type Missions Operating ⁽²⁾	5,254	5,241	Not comparable ⁽²⁾	Not comparable ⁽²⁾

Notes:

- (1) Comparison between 2007 and 2006 data is not possible due to the fact that some state conventions did not ask the item in 2006. See the 2006 SBC Statistical Summary for details.
- (2) Some state conventions no longer use the designation of Church-type Mission to categorize congregations which are not self-determining, self-sustaining, and self-propagating.

Other 2007 Items

Not asked by all State Conventions ⁽¹⁾

Item/Statistic	Final 2007	Final 2006
Other Additions ⁽³⁾	361,583	394,321
Discipleship Training Enrollment ^{(2) (4)}	1,664,348	1,503,826
Music Ministry Enrollment/Participation ⁽⁴⁾	1,444,837	1,466,124
WMU Enrollment ^{(3) (4)}	778,555	811,139
Men/Boys Mission Education Enrollment ^{(3) (4)}	381,355	376,379
Total Tithes, Offerings, & Special Gifts ^{(3) (4)}	\$10,845,108,310	\$10,425,420,529
Undesignated Receipts ⁽³⁾	\$8,699,869,367	\$8,293,404,321
Total Receipts ⁽³⁾	\$11,832,871,416	\$11,372,608,393
Value of Congregational Property ^{(3) (4) (5)}	\$37,737,114,929	Not asked in 2006

Notes:

- (1) Totals for items in this table have incomplete data for 2007 due to the fact that not all state conventions asked the item or did so in a way not comparable with the standard definition. Similar actions occurred in 2006. Thus, comparisons between the two years may not be appropriate. See the Notes in the 2006 SBC Statistical Summary for specific details to determine if a comparison should be made.
- (2) Prior to 2005, Discipleship Training Enrollment counted persons more than once (counted for each group in which they participated). In 2005 (and afterwards), the item was changed to count persons only once regardless of how many studies in which they participated.
- (3) California Southern Baptist Convention either did not ask this item or their item definition was not comparable to the definition used by other state conventions.
- (4) The Baptist General Convention of Texas did not ask this item or the information necessary to obtain the total.
- (5) The Illinois Baptist State Association and the Kentucky Baptist Convention did not ask this item.

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