

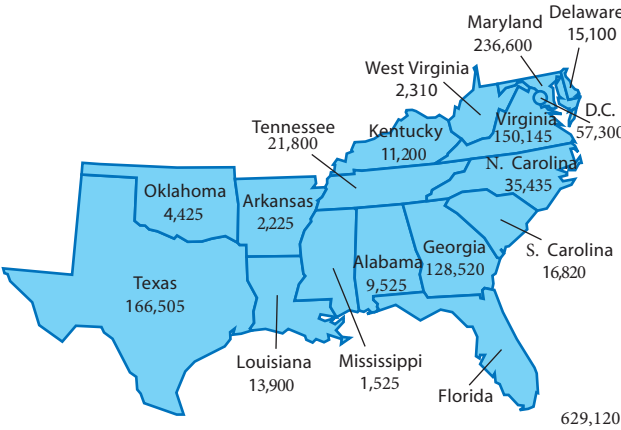
Northeastern States*

Number of Jewish Persons: 3,070,795



Southern States*

Number of Jewish Persons: 1,502,455



*Source: Updated from the *American Jewish Year Book* 2017, Springer, 2018.

**Source for US national and regional data on Jewish demographics and Jewish connections is Pew Research Center (2013). Jewish adults are used as the basis of percentages presented for denominational preference, synagogue membership, ritual behavior, philanthropic giving, and Israel visits/attachment.

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Pocket Demographics 2.0: US Jewish Population



Jewish Federations of North America
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The Berman Jewish DataBank (BJDB) is the central repository of social scientific studies of North American Jewry. The DataBank's primary functions are to (1) acquire, archive, and disseminate quantitative data sets and reports, both contemporary and historical, and (2) encourage utilization of the archive. Our goal is to aid in understanding North American Jewish communities and to improve the quality and utilization of research conducted about North American Jewry.

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US National Jewish Data**

Pew Research Center 2013 (adults only) rounded

Demographics

Jewish adults 18-64:	75%
Jewish adults 65+:	24%

Highest Degree Attained

Bachelor's Degree:	32%
Graduate Degree:	31%

Intermarriage

Married individuals who are intermarried:	44%
% of intermarried individuals with at least one child living in household:	41%

Belonging, Believing and Behaving

Denominational Preference ("consider self"):	
Orthodox:	10%
Conservative:	18%
Reform:	35%
Other denomination:	6%
No denomination:	30%

Synagogue member:	31%
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Ritual Behavior

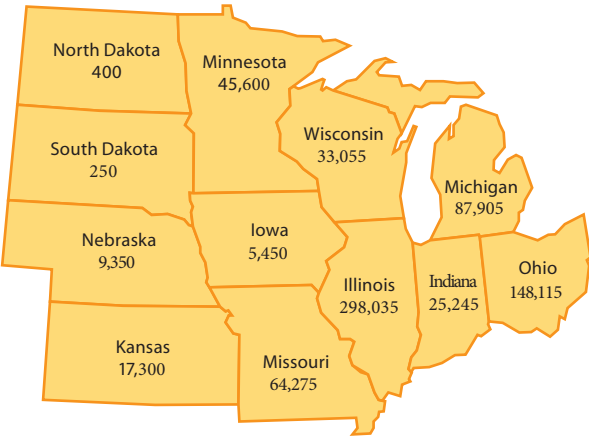
Attends synagogue/temple a few times a year or more often:	59%
Participated in Seder last year:	70%
Fasted all/part of Yom Kipper in past year:	53%
Always/Usually lights Shabbat candles:	23%
Keeps kosher in home:	22%

Philanthropic Giving in Past Year & Israel

Financial donation to Jewish Charity:	56%
Been to Israel:	43%
Very/somewhat emotionally attached to Israel:	69%

Midwestern States*

Number of Jewish Persons: 734,980



Western States*

Number of Jewish Persons: 1,617,245



Midwestern Regional Data**

Pew Research Center 2013 (adults only) rounded

Married Individuals who are Intermarried: 49%
% of Intermarried Individuals with at Least One Child Living in Household: 33%

Denominational Preference –
Orthodox: 6%
Conservative: 15%
Reform: 43%
No Denomination: 28%

Synagogue Member: 36%

Ritual Behavior:
Always/Usually Lights Shabbat Candles: 25%
Keeps Kosher at Home: 23%

Philanthropic Giving in Past Year and Israel:
Gave to Jewish Charity: 62%
Visited Israel: 41%

Western Regional Data**

Pew Research Center 2013 (adults only) rounded

Married Individuals who are Intermarried: 60%
% of Intermarried Individuals with at Least One Child Living in Household: 31%

Denominational Preference –
Orthodox: 2%
Conservative: 14%
Reform: 35%
No Denomination: 42%

Synagogue Member: 24%

Ritual Behavior:
Always/Usually Lights Shabbat Candles: 17%
Keeps Kosher at Home: 13%

Philanthropic Giving in Past Year and Israel:
Gave to Jewish Charity: 41%
Visited Israel: 34%

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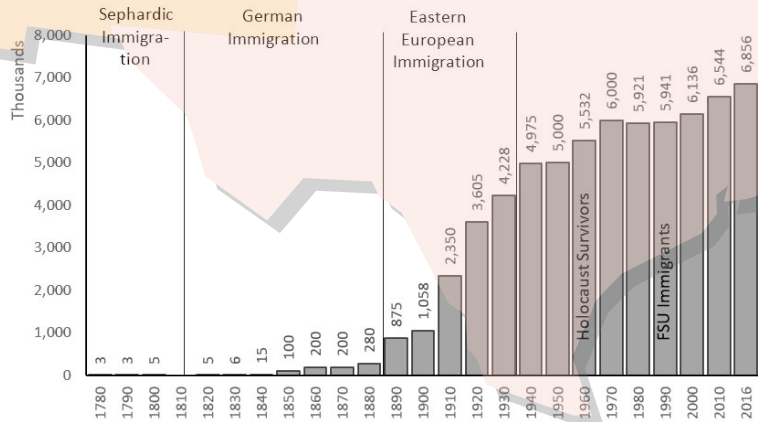
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Top 52 American Jewish Metropolitan Areas by Jewish Federation Service Areas

Rank	Community	State	Jewish Pop.	Rank	Community	State	Jewish Pop.
1	New York	NY	1,538,000	27	Dallas	TX	70,000
2	Los Angeles	CA	519,200	28	Seattle	WA	63,400
3	Washington	DC/VA/MD	295,500	29	St. Louis	MO	61,100
4	Chicago	IL	291,800	30	Southern NJ	NJ	56,700
5	Boston	MA	248,000	31	Houston	TX	51,000
6	Philadelphia	PA	214,700	32	Pittsburgh	PA	49,200
7	San Francisco	CA	185,600	33	San Jose	CA	39,400
8	Broward County	FL	149,000	34	Portland	OR	36,400
9	South Palm Beach	FL	131,300	35	Orange County	NY	35,100
10	East Bay (Oakland)	CA	125,000	36	Hartford	CT	32,800
11	West Palm Beach	FL	124,300	37	Orlando	FL	31,100
12	Miami	FL	123,200	38	San Gabriel	CA	30,000
13	Atlanta	GA	119,800	39	Minneapolis	MN	29,300
14	Northern NJ	NJ	119,400	40	St. Petersburg	FL	28,000
15	Middlesex-Monmouth	NJ	116,000	41	Cincinnati	OH	27,000
16	MetroWest	NJ	115,000	42	Milwaukee	WI	25,800
17	Rockland County	NY	101,300	43	Columbus	OH	25,500
18	San Diego	CA	100,000	44	Upper Fairfield County	CT	24,400
19	Denver	CO	95,000	45	Long Beach	CA	23,800
20	Baltimore	MD	93,400	46	New Haven	CT	23,000
21	Ocean County	NJ	83,000	47	Tampa	FL	23,000
22	Phoenix	AZ	82,900	48	Tuscon	AZ	22,400
23	Cleveland	OH	80,800	49	Sacramento	CA	21,000
24	Orange County	CA	80,000	50	Austin	TX	20,000
25	Las Vegas	NV	72,300	51	Palm Springs	CA	20,000
26	Detroit	MI	72,000	52	Somerset	NJ	20,000

Source: *American Jewish Year Book* 2017, Springer, 2018. Estimates rounded to the nearest hundred. The "Top 52" Jewish Metropolitan areas are usually defined by the local community and do not necessarily correspond to any government or other official definitions; Florida communities include part-year residents.

Historical American Jewish Population Estimates



Source: American Jewish Historical Society until 1980; *American Jewish Year Book*, 1990 to current date

Recent Estimates of American Jews 2013-Present:

American Jewish Year Book updated from 2017: 6,925,475

Steinhardt Social Research Institute 2015: 7,160,000

Pew Research Center 2013: 6,700,000

Original Estimate of American Jews

New Amsterdam (New York) 1654: 23

Northeastern Regional Data**

Pew Research Center 2013 (adults only) rounded

Married Individuals who are Intermarried: 37%
% of Intermarried Individuals with at Least One Child Living in Household: 50%

Denominational Preference –
Orthodox: 18%
Conservative: 18%
Reform: 30%
No Denomination: 28%

Synagogue Member: 32%

Ritual Behavior:
Always/Usually Lights Shabbat Candles: 29%
Keeps Kosher at Home: 27%

Philanthropic Giving in Past Year and Israel:
Gave to Jewish Charity: 60%
Visited Israel: 47%

Southern Regional Data**

Pew Research Center 2013 (adults only) rounded

Married Individuals who are Intermarried: 44%
% of Intermarried Individuals with at Least One Child Living in Household: 40%

Denominational Preference –
Orthodox: 4%
Conservative: 23%
Reform: 43%
No Denomination: 23%

Synagogue Member: 32%

Ritual Behavior:
Always/Usually Lights Shabbat Candles: 16%
Keeps Kosher at Home: 21%

Philanthropic Giving in Past Year and Israel:
Gave to Jewish Charity: 61%
Visited Israel: 45%

Who Counts as a Jew:

Representing about 2% of the total US population, American Jews are a “rare population.” Therefore, each study has presented researchers with unique and interesting challenges. Variations among the estimates presented here are the result of different definitions and methodologies, as well as the auspices under which a given study was conducted.