

DEPARTMENT FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION AND FORMATION

PERMANENT DIACONATE STATISTICS 2023

The statistics below were collected at the request of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales by the National Office for Vocation of the Bishops' Conference. The statistics were compiled from returns from diocesan directors of the diaconate.

ENTRANTS INTO FORMATION FOR THE PERMANENT DIACONATE

TABLE 1 – Analysis by Diocese

Arundel & Brighton	3
Birmingham	2
Brentwood	0
Cardiff	1
Clifton	2
East Anglia	2
Hallam	1
Hexham & Newcastle	1
Lancaster	0
Leeds	1
Liverpool	1
Menevia	0
Middlesbrough	0
Northampton	3
Nottingham	1
Plymouth	1
Portsmouth	4
Salford	0
Shrewsbury	1
Southwark - No response	
Westminster	1
Wrexham	1
Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham	2
TOTAL	28

TOTAL NUMBER OF NEW ENTRANTS FOR THE LAST FIVE ACADEMIC YEARS

2023 = 28

2022 = 28

2021 = 19

2020 = 37

2019 = 23 (Incomplete Survey)

TABLE 2 – Analysis by Age at Entry

Age	Total
17-30	1
31-40	5
41-50	18
51-60	11
61+	3
TOTAL	27

One diocese did not submit the age.

Average age for entry into formation for the permanent diaconate: 49.1

TABLE 3 – Ordinations and Projected Future Ordinations to the Permanent Diaconate

	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Projected</i>			
	2023	2023	2024	2025	2026
Arundel & Brighton	1	1	2	1	3
Birmingham	1	1	3	1	8
Brentwood	0	0	2	0	0
Cardiff	0	0	0	0	0
Clifton	5	5	3	2	3
East Anglia	1	0	2	2	
Hallam	0	0	2	1	1
Hexham & Newcastle	0	0	1	1	1
Lancaster	2	2	0	2	3
Leeds	2	2	1	2	1
Liverpool	3	4	3	2	1
Menevia	0	0	0	0	0
Middlesbrough	1	0	0	3	0
Northampton	0	0	1	0	0
Nottingham	1	1	3	1	2
Plymouth	0	2	1	1	
Portsmouth	2	2	1	1	2
Salford	0	0	0	1	0
Shrewsbury	0	0	1	0	0
Southwark		3	1	0	
Westminster	3	3	4	3	1
Wrexham	0	0	0	1	0
Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham	0	0	0	2	0
TOTAL	22	26	31	27	26

TABLE 4 – Number of those in Formation for the Permanent Diaconate 2023

Arundel & Brighton	6
Birmingham	14
Brentwood	2
Cardiff	1
Clifton	10
East Anglia	4
Hallam	4
Hexham & Newcastle	4
Lancaster	5
Leeds	4
Liverpool	6
Menevia	0
Middlesbrough	4
Northampton	
Nottingham	8
Plymouth	5
Portsmouth	4
Salford	1
Shrewsbury	3
Southwark	
Westminster	8
Wrexham	2
Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham	2
TOTAL	97
TOTAL 2022	98