

Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society
of Friends (Quakers) in Britain



Tabular statement

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Membership patterns in Britain Yearly Meeting

The tabular statement of membership has been published annually since 1862. It informs the yearly meeting of the number of Friends in membership, and is based on information provided by area meetings in response to an annual request sent out by the Recording Clerk (see *Quaker faith & practice* 4.10h).

Information collected includes data at local meeting level. While the detail at local meeting level has not been published here, the information is available online at www.quaker.org.uk/ym.

The membership of BYM

The membership of BYM at the end of 2016 was 13,172 (13,376 in 2015), a decrease of 204. During the year 255 came into membership, including four children. The membership of 165 adults was terminated and 278 deaths were recorded by area meetings.

Attendees

The number of recorded attendees was 7,925 (7,983 in 2015) and there were 1,544 children not in membership (1,683 in 2015).

Marriages

There were 41 marriages in 2016 (41 in 2015). In nine of these both partners were members of BYM; in 19, one partner was a member of BYM; and in 13, neither partner was in membership. These figures include both same-sex and opposite-sex marriages (9 same-sex, 32 other).

The statistical tables

Table 1 provides a summary of incomings and outgoing for Britain Yearly Meeting as a whole. Membership fell by 1.5% over the year. Applications for membership were down 16%. Terminations increased by 11%.

Table 2 shows changes in members and attendees since 1935.

Table 3 provides a regional summary of the number of members and attendees as well as an indication of the proportion who are children, attendees and women. The gender category of 'other' (introduced in 2015) has so far only been used by a few area meetings. Members and attendees may not be aware of the opportunity to be recorded this way. This is something meetings may wish to publicise.

Table 4 summarises trends in membership over the last ten years. Convincements over ten years represent 22% of total membership. This is nearly double the terminations over the same period (13%) but deaths over the decade were 19% of membership, resulting in a decline in membership of about 13%.

Area meetings

Table 5 provides information on members, attendees and children for each area meeting (AM), as well as information on those joining and leaving over the last ten years.

Table 6 looks at some of the trends at area meeting level. Over ten years the membership of nine AMs grew by more than 10% and in 14 AMs the total number of adults (members and attendees) grew by more than 10%. Over the period, nearly a third of AMs experienced a fall in membership of more than 20%.

Local meetings

There were 474 local meetings (LMs) at the end of 2016. Two meetings closed: Conel LM and Kinlochbervie & Stoer LM (both of North Scotland AM). Chorley LM transferred from Lancashire Central & North AM to Pendle Hill AM.

Figure 1 shows the membership flows in and out of Britain Yearly Meeting. The number of convincements each year has fallen a little over the last 20 years, though it remains about 2% of membership. This has been more or less matched by the number of deaths. The number of terminations hovers around 200 per year (approximately 1.5% of membership).

Figure 1. Flows in and out of Britain Yearly Meeting 1993–2016

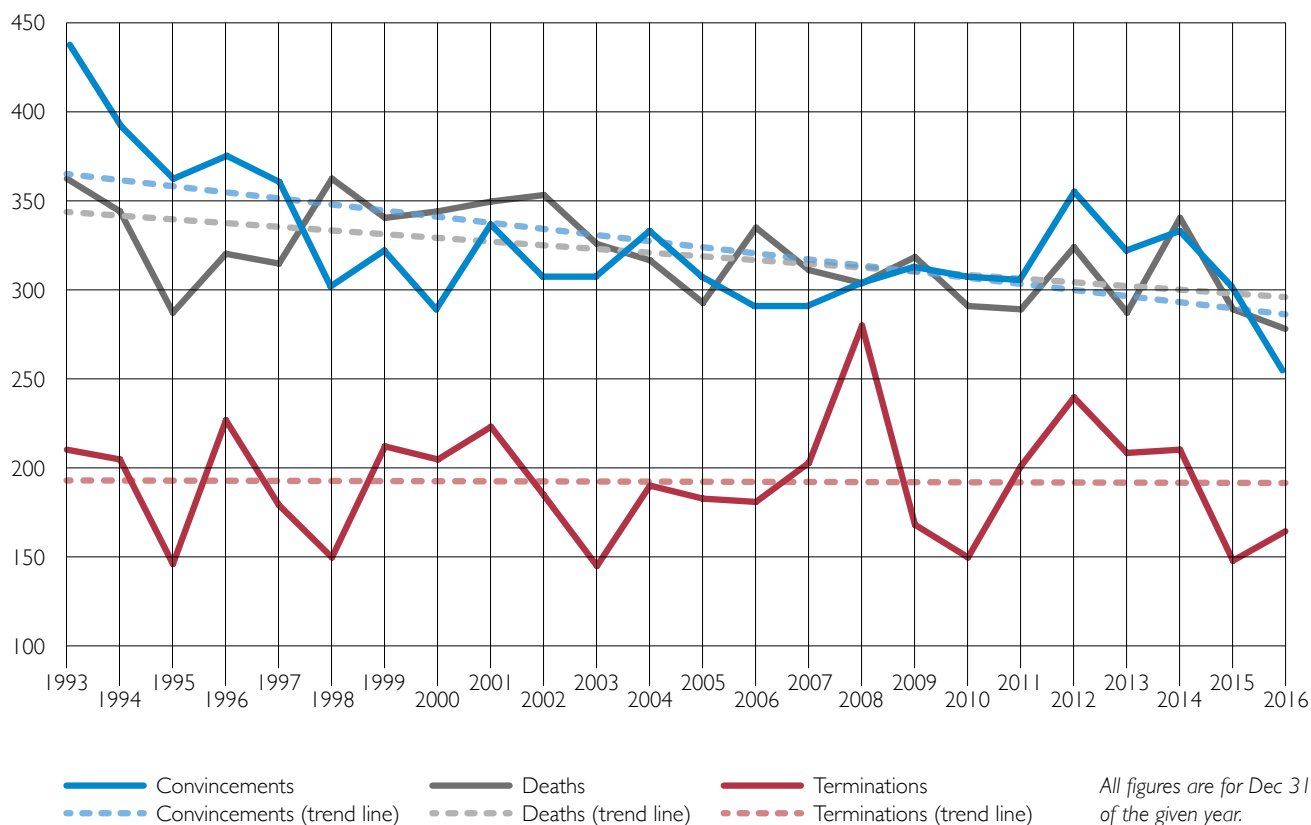


Table 1. Quakers coming into membership and ceasing to be members of Britain Yearly Meeting in 2016

Incomings			Outgoings		
	2015	2016		2015	2016
By application			By termination of membership		
Adults	300	251	initiative of member	87	74
Children	2	4	initiative of area meeting	61	91
Subtotal	302	255	termination of children's membership		
	-0.16		Subtotal	148	165
By certificate			By death	289	278
from Britain Yearly Meeting	180	159	By certificate		
from another yearly meeting	8	5	to Britain Yearly Meeting	168	169
Subtotal	188	164	to another yearly meeting	10	11
Total notified incomings to AMs	490	419	Subtotal	178	180
			Total notified outgoings from AMs	615	623
Members living abroad	219	192	Total number of members at start of year	13,526	13,376
Sojourning members	25	28	Recorded increase / decrease in membership	-125	-204
Number of Area Meetings	70	70	Balance of notified discrepancies	-25	
Number of Local Meetings	476	474	Number of members at end of year	13,376	13,172
			<i>as a percentage of membership gain / loss</i>	-1.11%	-1.53%

* incomings and outgoings ignore young people turning 16 years old, as they remain in membership

About the tabular statement

Since 2013, changes have been made to the tabular statement to help make the data more informative and to highlight important patterns and trends. All data is collected from area meetings but at local meeting level. Historical data from the last 20 years is being converted to provide more information on trends.

Following requests from individuals and area meetings, Meeting for Sufferings asked the Recording Clerk to consider how best to provide information on gender. An additional category of 'other' has been included (see 'Terminology').

Additional information, including local meeting statistics, is available for download online.

Terminology

Attender: one who, not being a member, frequently attends a specific meeting for worship. *Qf&p* 11.38 refers to a adult attenders; children not in membership are identified separately.

Child: someone under 16 years old.

Member: unless stated differently, figures include children in membership.

Other: adults who have indicated a gender identity other than man or woman. This might include people who have stated they are agender, neutrois or who have a(nother) non-binary gender identity.

Sojourning member: a member of another yearly meeting, recognised as sojourning their membership within an area meeting in Britain (*Qf&p* 11.27). Identified separately, they are not included in the membership figures.

Corrections to figures

Each year area meetings are given an opportunity to correct the figures provided for the previous tabular statement. In the past these revisions were included in the figures for the following year. As this distorts trends, the method adopted since the tabular statement for 2014 is to modify membership figures each year to take into account corrections provided the following year.

Boundary changes

At the start of 2015, North Cumbria AM and West Cumbria AM combined to form Cumberland AM. Where two area meetings combine to form a single one, figures provided for all years combine the data for the constituent meetings. This also applies to Devon AM (formed 2008) and Teesdale & Cleveland AM (formed 2009). Where area meetings have separated into more than one, information on members, attenders and children is based on the actual numbers for each of the constituent local meetings. Up to 2014, figures for flows (convincements, terminations, transfers and deaths) were only collected at area meeting level. Estimates are based on the proportion of the membership forming each new area meeting in the year they were formed. This applies to: North Somerset AM (formed 2011); West Wiltshire and East Somerset AM (formed 2011); Mid-Wales/ Canolbarth Cymru AM (formed 2009); Southern Marches/ y Gororau Deheuol AM (formed 2009). Where a single local meeting moved from one area to another, it has not been possible to adjust the figures. Data for that meeting is included with the area meeting of which it is part in any year. This affects Oundle LM, which transferred from Northamptonshire AM to Cambridgeshire AM in 2010; and Chorley LM which transferred from Lancashire Central & North AM to Pendle Hill AM in 2016.

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Table 2. BYM membership statistics, 1935 to 2016

Date	Members			Attendees			Members plus attendees			Annual changes			
	Adult Members	Child members	Total members	Adult Attendees	Children not in membership	Total attendees	Adults	Children	Total	Members*	Adult members and attendees	Children	Total
1935	17,251	2,050	19,301										
1940	17,821	2,006	19,827							105			
1945	17,851	2,683	20,534							141			
1950	17,486	3,309	20,795							52			
1955	17,439	3,904	21,343							110			
1960	17,655	3,567	21,222							-24			
1965	18,208	2,854	21,062	5248	3,899	9,147	23,456	6,753	30,209	-32			
1970	18,832	1,920	20,752	5796	4,345	10,141	24,628	6,265	30,893	-62	1,172	-488	684
1971	18,855	1,770	20,625	5719	4,297	10,016	24,574	6,067	30,641	-127	-54	-198	-252
1972	18,888	1,618	20,506	5354	4,500	9,854	24,242	6,118	30,360	-119	-332	51	-281
1973	18,912	1,474	20,386	5696	4,649	10,345	24,608	6,123	30,731	-120	366	5	371
1974	18,918	1,324	20,242	5697	4,555	10,252	24,615	5,879	30,494	-144	7	-244	-237
1975	18,865	1,133	19,998	5830	4,685	10,515	24,695	5,818	30,513	-244	80	-61	19
1976	18,687	1,002	19,689	5697	4,592	10,289	24,384	5,594	29,978	-309	-311	-224	-535
1977	18,598	895	19,493	6003	4,576	10,579	24,601	5,471	30,072	-196	217	-123	94
1978	18,321	782	19,103	5985	4,484	10,469	24,306	5,266	29,572	-390	-295	-205	-500
1979	18,064	720	18,784	6104	4,526	10,630	24,168	5,246	29,414	-319	-138	-20	-158
1980	17,891	658	18,549	5880	4,278	10,158	23,771	4,936	28,707	-235	-397	-310	-707
1981	17,790	601	18,391	6243	4,611	10,854	24,033	5,212	29,245	-158	262	276	538
1982	17,741	562	18,303	6557	4,836	11,393	24,298	5,398	29,696	-88	265	186	451
1983	17,631	500	18,131	6788	4,655	11,443	24,419	5,155	29,574	-172	121	-243	-122
1984	17,574	471	18,045	7358	4,956	12,314	24,932	5,427	30,359	-86	513	272	785
1985	17,605	471	18,076	7732	5,006	12,738	25,337	5,477	30,814	31	405	50	455
1986	17,636	435	18,071	7936	5,188	13,124	25,572	5,623	31,195	-5	235	146	381
1987	17,692	395	18,087	8174	5,203	13,377	25,866	5,598	31,464	16	294	-25	269
1988	17,640	370	18,010	8529	5,089	13,618	26,169	5,459	31,628	-77	303	-139	164
1989	17,709	361	18,070	8691	5,183	13,874	26,400	5,544	31,944	60	231	85	316
1990	17,765	319	18,084	8758	5,114	13,872	26,523	5,433	31,956	14	123	-111	12
1991	17,760	312	18,072	8997	5,340	14,337	26,757	5,652	32,409	-12	234	219	453
1992	17,651	283	17,934	8995	4,886	13,881	26,646	5,169	31,815	-138	-111	-483	-594
1993	17,549	253	17,802	9207	4,857	14,064	26,756	5,110	31,866	-132	110	-59	51
1994	17,351	228	17,579	8958	4,898	13,856	26,309	5,126	31,435	-223	-447	16	-431
1995	17,296	222	17,518	8901	4,629	13,530	26,197	4,851	31,048	-61	-112	-275	-387
1996	17,119	211	17,330	9054	4,458	13,512	26,173	4,669	30,842	-188	-24	-182	-206
1997	16,998	191	17,189	9129	4,304	13,433	26,127	4,495	30,622	-141	-46	-174	-220
1998	16,786	192	16,978	9201	4,108	13,309	25,987	4,300	30,287	-211	-140	-195	-335
1999	16,532	179	16,711	9038	4,046	13,084	25,570	4,225	29,795	-267	-417	-75	-492
2000	16,312	174	16,486	9058	3,770	12,828	25,370	3,944	29,314	-225	-200	-281	-481
2001	16,032	169	16,201	8719	3,635	12,354	24,751	3,804	28,555	-285	-619	-140	-759
2002	15,796	149	15,945	8412	3,453	11,865	24,208	3,602	27,810	-256	-543	-202	-745
2003	15,615	142	15,757	8565	3,382	11,947	24,180	3,524	27,704	-188	-28	-78	-106
2004	15,415	133	15,548	8468	3,017	11,485	23,883	3,050	26,933	-209	-297	-474	-771
2005	15,273	101	15,374	8127	2,764	10,891	23,404	2,865	26,269	-170	-479	-185	-664
2006	15,065	82	15,147	8164	2,475	10,639	23,212	2,557	25,769	-248	-192	-308	-500
2007	14,847	63	14,910	8133	2,228	10,361	22,980	2,291	25,271	-220	-232	-266	-498
2008	14,552	55	14,607	8017	2,190	10,207	22,569	2,245	24,814	-303	-411	-46	-457
2009	14,371	59	14,430	8330	2,237	10,567	22,701	2,296	24,997	-177	132	51	183
2010	14,220	55	14,275	8560	2,196	10,756	22,780	2,251	25,031	-155	79	-45	34
2011	14,048	49	14,097	8711	2,107	10,818	22,759	2,156	24,915	-178	-21	-95	-116
2012	13,873	43	13,916	8681	2,004	10,685	22,554	2,047	24,601	-181	-205	-109	-314
2013	13,656	47	13,703	8495	1,984	10,479	22,151	2,031	24,182	-213	-403	-16	-419
2014	13,483	44	13,527	8409	1,947	10,356	21,871	1,990	23,861	-176	-280	-41	-321
2015	13,335	41	13,376	7983	1,683	9,666	21,318	1,724	23,042	-151	-553	-266	-819
2016	13,130	42	13,172	7925	1,544	9,469	21,055	1,586	22,641	-204	-263	-138	-401

* Membership change figures for 1940 to 1960 are annual averages for each 5 year period
 Membership figures from 2000 are adjusted to include subsequent corrections provided by area meetings.

Table 3. Quakers in regions and general meetings of Britain, 2016: summary

Regions	Number of AMs	Number of LMs	Number of members at end 2016					Number of attenders at end 2016					Members plus attenders at end 2016						Percent of total who are children	Percent of adults who are attenders	Percent of adults who are women
			Total	Men	Women	Other	Children	Total adults	Total	Men	Women	Other	Children	Total adults	Total	Men	Women	Other			
Bedfordshire	4	26	739	300	439		739	487	160	243	84	403	1,226	460	682		84	1,142	60%	35%	7%
Berks & Oxon	3	22	705	252	450	3	702	603	202	310	91	512	1,308	454	760		94	1,214	63%	42%	7%
Bristol & Wessex	6	34	1,136	389	738	1	1,128	716	205	389	122	594	1,852	594	1,127	1	130	1,722	65%	34%	7%
Cumberland	1	7	157	58	95	4	153	96	29	58	9	87	253	87	153		13	240	64%	36%	5%
Derbys, Lincs & Notts	2	16	433	171	262		433	245	98	122	25	220	678	269	384		25	653	59%	34%	4%
Devon & Cornwall	2	22	653	228	421	4	649	457	165	231	61	396	1,110	393	652		65	1,045	62%	38%	6%
Essex & Suffolk	4	18	453	166	285	2	451	256	78	123	55	201	709	244	408		57	652	63%	31%	8%
Hants, SE Dorset & Islands	2	17	477	168	307	1	476	304	96	174	34	270	781	264	481	1	35	746	64%	36%	4%
Kent	2	11	228	79	149		228	140	49	86	5	135	368	128	235		5	363	65%	37%	1%
London	7	41	1,312	468	838	2	1,308	1,033	352	436	245	788	2,345	820	1,274	2	249	2,096	61%	38%	11%
N Wales & NW England	6	38	786	280	505	1	785	639	231	289	119	520	1,425	511	794		120	1,305	61%	40%	8%
NE England	3	17	402	160	239	1	400	250	82	119	49	201	652	242	358	1	51	601	60%	33%	8%
Norfolk, Cambs & Hunts	2	18	584	226	354	4	580	377	112	197	68	309	961	338	551		72	889	62%	35%	7%
Scotland	4	35	686	254	432		686	804	256	386	40	682	1,490	510	818	40	122	1,368	60%	50%	8%
Sussex & Surrey	4	29	733	264	466	3	730	567	172	296	99	468	1,300	436	762		102	1,198	64%	39%	8%
Warwick, Leics & Staffs	3	28	835	313	522		835	670	238	331	101	569	1,505	551	853		101	1,404	61%	41%	7%
Western	5	43	992	367	625		992	586	235	312	39	547	1,578	602	937		39	1,539	61%	36%	2%
Westmorland	3	13	408	151	254	3	405	245	76	115	54	191	653	227	369		57	596	62%	32%	9%
Yorkshire	7	39	1,453	532	917	1	1,450	994	319	513	162	832	2,447	851	1,430	1	165	2,282	63%	36%	7%
Total	70	474	13,172	4,826	8,298	6	13,130	9,469	3,155	4,730	40	7,925	22,641	7,981	13,028	46	1,586	21,055	62%	38%	7%

Table 4. Membership changes in regions and general meetings of Britain, 2016: recent trends

	Members			Members & Attenders			Change in membership		% adults who are members		Convincements		Deaths		Terminations		Net geographic moves		
	2016	2015	2006	2016	2015	2006	2015-2016	2006-2016	2016	2006	2016	2016	2007-2016	2016	2007-2016	2016	2007-2016	2016	2007-2016
Regions	739	754	869	1,142	1,201	1,024	-15	-130	65%	85%	20	191	20	181	9	121	-12	-16	-2%
Bedfordshire	705	707	847	1,217	1,245	988	-2	-142	58%	86%	10	124	12	140	3	133	6	-1	0%
Berks & Oxon	1,136	1,162	1,263	1,730	1,796	1,484	-26	-127	66%	85%	20	211	27	275	30	122	22	54	5%
Bristol & Wessex	157	158	203	244	256	229	-1	-46	64%	89%	2	29	3	54	0	27	0	0	0%
Cumberland	433	431	485	653	594	574	2	-52	66%	84%	8	68	8	70	1	42	6	7	2%
Derbys, Lincs & Notts	653	654	644	1,049	1,046	762	-1	9	62%	85%	7	137	11	129	3	48	12	57	9%
Devon & Cornwall	453	456	577	654	654	634	-3	-124	69%	91%	10	104	12	119	3	93	4	-7	-2%
Essex & Suffolk	477	488	557	747	731	600	-11	-80	64%	93%	5	139	12	134	6	71	4	-7	-1%
Hants, SE Dorset & Islands	228	237	296	363	383	338	-9	-68	63%	88%	2	48	7	51	4	37	0	0	0%
Kent	1,312	1,350	1,567	2,100	2,143	1,848	-38	-255	62%	85%	44	401	30	251	38	267	-28	-139	-11%
London	786	794	924	1,306	1,303	1,134	-8	-138	60%	81%	19	180	14	181	10	118	-6	-21	-3%
N Wales & NW England	402	410	564	603	595	636	-8	-162	67%	89%	8	86	10	83	6	140	0	-15	-4%
NE England	584	590	624	893	897	691	-6	-40	65%	90%	13	174	15	123	5	88	2	-4	-1%
Norfolk, Cambs & Hunts	686	693	712	1,368	1,425	904	-7	-26	50%	79%	15	144	12	99	4	78	-12	3	0%
Scotland	733	740	857	1,201	1,190	951	-7	-124	61%	90%	18	188	20	154	6	122	2	-6	-1%
Sussex & Surrey	835	854	1,015	1,404	1,395	1,179	-19	-180	59%	86%	12	150	16	192	12	90	-6	-21	-3%
Warwick, Leics & Staffs	992	1,013	1,073	1,539	1,651	1,247	-21	-81	64%	86%	21	201	19	235	15	84	-16	36	4%
Western	408	416	416	599	626	485	-8	-8	68%	86%	8	81	6	83	4	32	-12	17	4%
Westmorland	1,453	1,469	1,637	2,285	2,228	1,914	-16	-184	64%	86%	13	293	24	306	6	188	2	31	2%
Yorkshire	13,172	13,376	15,130	21,097	21,359	17,622	-204	-1,958	62%	86%	255	2,949	278	2,860	165	1,901	-16	-16	0%
Total																			

Table 5a. Changes in membership, 2006 to 2016

AM reference #	AMs by region	2006						Total members & attenders at end 2016	Members joining and leaving over 10 years to Dec 2016*				
		PMs and RMs 2006	LMs 2016	Total Members at end 2006	Total members at end 2016	Total attenders at end 2016	Children not in membership at end 2016		Convincements	Transfers in	Transfers out	Terminations	Deaths
1	Chilterns	7	7	205	198	112	28	310	56	27	28	25	54
2	Hertford & Hitchin	7	6	231	150	104	20	254	30	13	27	31	42
3	Luton & Leighton	10	9	348	296	159	36	455	79	33	47	48	66
4	Northamptonshire	3	4	83	95	28	0	123	26	29	5	16	15
	BEDFORDSHIRE	27	26	867	739	403	84	1,142	191	102	107	120	177
5	Banbury & Evesham	6	6	146	116	113	20	229	22	22	17	16	42
6	Mid-Thames	8	7	303	231	189	47	420	47	21	39	50	46
7	Oxford & Swindon	8	9	398	358	210	24	568	55	56	43	65	48
	BERKS & OXON	22	22	847	705	512	91	1,217	124	99	99	131	136
8	Bristol	7	7	268	264	144	55	408	57	41	34	22	43
9	Dorset & South Wiltshire	5	6	199	200	147	13	347	37	49	13	13	65
10	Mid-Somerset	5	4	293	233	67	7	300	30	16	17	39	46
11	North Somerset	4	4	133	112	57	4	169	43	21	25	36	65
12	West Somerset	7	7	148	140	72	20	212	26	21	16	10	30
13	West Wiltshire & East Somerset	6	6	222	187	107	23	294	18	21	15	15	19
	BRISTOL & WESSEX	34	34	1,263	1,136	594	122	1,730	211	169	120	135	268
14	Cumberland	5	7	203	157	87	9	244	29	21	18	25	50
	CUMBERLAND	5	7	203	157	87	9	244	29	21	18	25	50
15	Lincolnshire	8	7	161	144	58	6	202	24	7	17	21	26
16	Nottinghamshire & Derbyshire	10	9	320	289	162	19	451	44	38	24	21	44
	DERBYS, LINCS & NOTTS	18	16	481	433	220	25	653	68	45	41	42	70
17	Cornwall	9	9	189	223	113	32	336	65	39	14	9	33
18	Devon	15	13	456	430	283	29	713	72	69	40	36	89
	DEVON & CORNWALL	24	22	645	653	396	61	1,049	137	108	54	45	122
19	Ipswich & Diss	5	7	178	161	78	14	239	48	24	23	31	39
20	Mid Essex	4	4	94	78	37	11	115	12	5	11	5	18
21	Southern East Anglia	4	3	187	137	61	13	198	25	5	10	27	28
22	Thaxted	4	4	123	77	25	17	102	19	7	12	27	35
	ESSEX & SUFFOLK	17	18	582	453	201	55	654	104	41	56	90	120
23	Bournemouth Coastal	5	6	175	180	84	0	264	71	30	9	20	59
24	Hampshire & Islands	12	11	382	297	186	34	483	68	47	60	62	64
	HANTS, SE DORSET & ISLANDS	17	17	557	477	270	34	747	139	77	69	82	123
25	East Kent	4	6	148	124	78	3	202	25	17	13	19	28
26	West Kent	5	5	144	104	57	2	161	23	13	20	16	24
	KENT	9	11	292	228	135	5	363	48	30	33	35	52
27	Kingston & Wandsworth	5	5	171	198	95	37	293	84	25	34	13	24
28	London West	9	7	360	285	238	32	523	84	37	55	91	45
29	North East Thames	7	7	258	190	57	34	247	47	18	48	36	43
30	North London	5	5	109	103	83	38	186	33	29	24	19	27
31	North West London	6	7	267	197	153	44	350	59	18	55	56	25
32	South East London	7	5	180	166	100	60	266	52	16	30	18	31
33	South London	5	5	224	173	62	0	235	42	17	21	43	43
	LONDON	44	41	1,569	1,312	788	245	2,100	401	160	267	276	238
34	East Cheshire	8	8	183	174	95	33	269	32	20	16	12	28
35	Hardshaw & Mann	5	5	111	92	66	21	158	23	10	15	13	21
36	Manchester & Warrington	5	5	195	179	143	49	322	36	15	22	21	28
37	North Wales/Gogledd Cymru	10	10	191	158	77	6	235	36	21	12	27	48
38	Pendle Hill	5	7	124	78	75	0	153	20	8	5	40	24
39	Wirral & Chester	3	3	123	105	64	10	169	33	8	20	9	25
	N WALES & NW ENGLAND	36	38	927	786	520	119	1,306	180	82	90	122	174
40	Northumbria	8	8	334	242	106	26	348	61	20	28	95	41
41	Teesdale & Cleveland	7	7	191	129	53	23	182	18	13	16	44	33
42	Wensleydale & Swaledale	2	2	41	31	42	0	73	7	2	6	1	9
	NE ENGLAND	17	17	566	402	201	49	603	86	35	50	140	83

Table 5b. Changes in membership, 2006 to 2016

AM reference #	AMs by region	PMs and RMs 2006	LMs 2016	Total Members at end 2006	Total members at end 2016	Total attenders at end 2016	Children not in membership at end 2016	Total members & attenders at end 2016	Members joining and leaving over 10 years to Dec 2016*				
									Convincements	Transfers in	Transfers out	Terminations	Deaths
43	Cambridgeshire	7	8	306	289	114	42	403	92	33	39	32	59
44	Norfolk & Waveney	11	10	321	295	195	26	490	82	34	26	55	53
	NORFOLK, CAMBS & HUNTS	18	18	627	584	309	68	893	174	67	65	87	112
45	East Scotland	4	3	107	89	54	18	143	23	25	17	26	19
46	North Scotland	12	10	117	130	113	35	243	30	27	19	15	16
47	South East Scotland	9	10	261	255	314	33	569	38	35	43	26	28
48	West Scotland	10	12	228	212	201	36	413	53	30	26	16	35
	SCOTLAND	35	35	713	686	682	122	1,368	144	117	105	83	98
49	Surrey & Hampshire Border	5	5	143	108	63	17	171	30	13	21	34	18
50	Sussex East	9	9	253	217	125	38	342	60	32	24	26	52
51	Sussex West	8	8	184	259	178	25	437	61	44	38	32	59
52	West Weald	8	7	276	149	102	19	251	37	10	23	30	25
	SUSSEX & SURREY	30	29	856	733	468	99	1,201	188	99	106	122	154
53	Central England	19	17	644	506	324	67	830	84	63	79	57	131
54	Leicester	4	4	230	211	158	29	369	46	19	11	17	43
55	Staffordshire	8	7	141	118	87	5	205	20	15	16	17	10
	WARWICK, LEICS & STAFFS	31	28	1,015	835	569	101	1,404	150	97	106	91	184
56	Gloucestershire	10	8	304	288	202	0	490	50	49	29	19	64
57	Mid-Wales/Canolbarth Cymru	6	6	82	81	68	18	149	22	24	14	9	20
58	South Wales/De Cymru	12	13	250	220	188	0	408	44	30	32	20	53
59	Southern Marches/y Gororau Deheuol	9	9	207	206	0	0	206	34	36	27	14	30
60	Worcestershire & Shropshire	6	7	227	197	89	21	286	51	24	21	21	64
	WESTERN	43	43	1,070	992	547	39	1,539	201	163	123	83	231
61	Kendal & Sedbergh	4	4	132	127	54	27	181	19	22	14	10	19
62	Lancashire Central & North	8	5	227	224	107	27	331	54	28	31	18	34
63	Swarthmoor (SW Cumbria)	5	4	62	57	30	0	87	8	19	0	4	27
	WESTMORLAND	17	13	421	408	191	54	599	81	69	45	32	80
64	Brighouse West Yorkshire	5	5	142	166	106	42	272	55	22	19	18	18
65	Central Yorkshire	6	6	158	133	52	12	185	33	18	14	23	22
66	Craven & Keighley	4	5	140	120	87	9	207	36	17	13	33	26
67	Leeds	7	7	229	222	145	30	367	50	39	32	15	38
68	Pickering & Hull	8	7	297	190	111	11	301	22	23	23	50	72
69	Sheffield & Balby	4	4	215	212	115	0	327	41	21	22	9	39
70	York	5	5	465	410	216	58	626	56	47	23	45	79
	YORKSHIRE	39	39	1,646	1,453	832	162	2,285	293	187	146	193	294
	TOTAL BYM	213	205	6,348	5,691	3,598	645	9,289	1,231	799	696	691	1,153

NB. Figures for North Somerset, West Wiltshire & East Somerset, Mid-Wales/Canolbarth Cymru and Southern Marches/y Gororau Deheuol AMs have been adjusted to reflect boundary changes that occurred between 2009 and 2011. Cumulative figures for convincements, transfers, terminations and deaths for these meetings are estimated to reflect the proportion of the membership forming each new area meeting in the year they were formed.

Table 6. Area meetings by region, 2006 to 2016

AM reference #	AMs by number of members	Members		Attendees			Members & Attendees		Members joining and leaving over 10 years to Dec 2016*					
		Number of LMs	Members (Dec 2016)	Average annual change over 10 years to Dec 2016	Attendees (Dec 2016)	% adults who are attendees (Dec 2016)	Average annual change over 10 years to Dec 2016	Members & Attendees Dec 2016	Average annual change over 10 years to Dec 2016	Convincements	Transfers in	Transfers out	Terminations	Deaths
53	Central England	17	506	▼ -2%	324	39%	▲ 4%	830	0%	17%	12%	16%	11%	26%
18	Devon	13	430	▲ 6%	283	40%	▲ 1%	713	▲ 4%	17%	16%	9%	8%	21%
70	York	5	410	▼ -1%	216	35%	▲ 7%	626	▲ 1%	14%	11%	6%	11%	19%
7	Oxford & Swindon	9	358	▼ -1%	210	37%	▼ -1%	568	▼ -1%	15%	16%	12%	18%	13%
24	Hampshire & Islands	11	297	▼ -2%	186	39%	▲ 2%	483	▼ -1%	23%	16%	20%	21%	22%
3	Luton & Leighton	9	296	▼ -1%	159	35%	▼ -1%	455	▼ -1%	27%	11%	16%	16%	22%
44	Norfolk & Waveney	10	295	▼ -1%	195	40%	▼ -1%	490	▼ -1%	28%	12%	9%	19%	18%
16	Nottinghamshire & Derbyshire	9	289	▼ -1%	162	36%	▼ -3%	451	▼ -2%	15%	13%	8%	7%	15%
43	Cambridgeshire	8	289	▼ -1%	114	28%	▼ -3%	403	▼ -1%	32%	11%	13%	11%	20%
56	Gloucestershire	8	288	▼ -1%	202	41%	▼ -1%	490	▼ -1%	17%	17%	10%	7%	22%
28	London West	7	285	▼ -2%	238	46%	▲ 5%	523	0%	29%	13%	19%	32%	16%
8	Bristol	7	264	0%	144	35%	▼ -5%	408	▼ -2%	22%	16%	13%	8%	16%
51	Sussex West	8	259	▲ 4%	178	41%	▲ 1%	437	▲ 3%	24%	17%	15%	12%	23%
47	South East Scotland	10	255	0%	314	55%	▲ 5%	569	▲ 2%	15%	14%	17%	10%	11%
40	Northumbria	8	242	▼ -3%	106	30%	▼ -2%	348	▼ -3%	25%	8%	12%	39%	17%
10	Mid-Somerset	4	233	▼ -2%	67	22%	0%	300	▼ -2%	13%	7%	7%	17%	20%
6	Mid-Thames	7	231	▼ -2%	189	45%	▲ 1%	420	▼ -1%	20%	9%	17%	22%	20%
62	Lancashire Central & North	5	224	0%	107	32%	0%	331	0%	24%	13%	14%	8%	15%
17	Cornwall	9	223	▲ 2%	113	34%	▼ -1%	336	▲ 1%	29%	17%	6%	4%	15%
67	Leeds	7	222	0%	145	40%	▲ 2%	367	▲ 1%	23%	18%	14%	7%	17%
58	South Wales / De Cymru	13	220	▼ -1%	188	46%	▼ -2%	408	▼ -2%	20%	14%	15%	9%	24%
50	Sussex East	9	217	▼ -1%	125	37%	▲ 5%	342	0%	28%	15%	11%	12%	24%
48	West Scotland	12	212	▼ -1%	201	49%	▲ 2%	413	▲ 1%	25%	14%	12%	8%	17%
69	Sheffield & Balby	4	212	0%	115	35%	▲ 6%	327	▲ 1%	19%	10%	10%	4%	18%
54	Leicester	4	211	▼ -1%	158	43%	▲ 5%	369	▲ 1%	22%	9%	5%	8%	20%
59	Southern Marches / y Gororau Deheud	9	206	0%	0	0%	▼ -10%	206	▼ -4%	17%	17%	13%	7%	15%
9	Dorset & South Wiltshire	6	200	0%	147	42%	0%	347	0%	19%	25%	7%	7%	33%
1	Chilterns	7	198	0%	112	36%	▼ -4%	310	▼ -2%	28%	14%	14%	13%	27%
27	Kingston & Wandsworth	5	198	▲ 2%	95	32%	▼ -3%	293	0%	42%	13%	17%	7%	12%
31	North West London	7	197	▼ -3%	153	44%	0%	350	▼ -2%	30%	9%	28%	28%	13%
60	Worcestershire & Shropshire	7	197	▼ -1%	89	31%	▲ 2%	286	▼ -1%	26%	12%	11%	11%	32%
29	North East Thames	7	190	▼ -3%	57	23%	▼ -3%	247	▼ -3%	25%	9%	25%	19%	23%
68	Pickering & Hull	7	190	▼ -4%	111	37%	▼ -1%	301	▼ -3%	12%	12%	12%	26%	38%
13	West Wiltshire & East Somerset	6	187	▼ -1%	107	36%	0%	294	▼ -1%	10%	11%	8%	8%	10%
23	Bournemouth Coastal	6	180	0%	84	32%	0%	264	0%	39%	17%	5%	11%	33%
36	Manchester & Warrington	5	179	▼ -1%	143	44%	▲ 3%	322	▲ 1%	20%	8%	12%	12%	16%
34	East Cheshire	8	174	0%	95	35%	▼ -1%	269	▼ -1%	18%	11%	9%	7%	16%
33	South London	5	173	▼ -2%	62	26%	▼ -3%	235	▼ -3%	24%	10%	12%	25%	25%
32	South East London	5	166	▼ -1%	100	38%	▼ -1%	266	▼ -1%	31%	10%	18%	11%	19%
64	Brighouse West Yorkshire	5	166	▲ 2%	106	39%	0%	272	▲ 1%	33%	13%	11%	11%	11%
19	Ipswich & Diss	7	161	▼ -1%	78	33%	▲ 1%	239	0%	30%	15%	14%	19%	24%
37	North Wales / Gogledd Cymru	10	158	▼ -2%	77	33%	▼ -4%	235	▼ -3%	23%	13%	8%	17%	30%
14	Cumberland	7	157	▲ 11%	87	36%	▼ -1%	244	▲ 5%	18%	13%	11%	16%	32%
2	Hertford & Hitchin	6	150	▼ -4%	104	41%	▲ 5%	254	▼ -2%	20%	9%	18%	21%	28%
52	West Weald	7	149	▼ -5%	102	41%	▼ -4%	251	▼ -4%	25%	7%	15%	20%	17%
15	Lincolnshire	7	144	▼ -1%	58	29%	0%	202	▼ -1%	17%	5%	12%	15%	18%
12	West Somerset	7	140	▼ -1%	72	34%	▲ 1%	212	0%	19%	15%	11%	7%	21%
21	Southern East Anglia	3	137	▼ -3%	61	31%	▲ 2%	198	▼ -2%	18%	4%	7%	20%	20%
65	Central Yorkshire	6	133	▼ -2%	52	28%	▼ -3%	185	▼ -2%	25%	14%	11%	17%	17%
46	North Scotland	10	130	▲ 1%	113	47%	▼ -1%	243	0%	23%	21%	15%	12%	12%

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41 Teesdale & Cleveland	7	129	▼ -3%	53	29%	▼ -3%	182	▼ -3%	14%	10%	12%	34%	26%
61 Kendal & Sedbergh	4	127	0%	54	30%	▼ -2%	181	-1%	15%	17%	11%	8%	15%
25 East Kent	6	124	-2%	78	39%	▲ 3%	202	0%	20%	14%	10%	15%	23%
66 Craven & Keighley	5	120	-1%	87	42%	▲ 1%	207	-1%	30%	14%	11%	28%	22%
55 Staffordshire	7	118	-2%	87	42%	-1%	205	-1%	17%	13%	14%	14%	8%
5 Banbury & Evesham	6	116	▼ -2%	113	49%	▲ 3%	229	0%	19%	19%	15%	14%	36%
11 North Somerset	4	112	-2%	57	34%	-1%	169	▼ -2%	38%	19%	22%	32%	58%
49 Surrey & Hampshire Border	5	108	▼ -2%	63	37%	▲ 3%	171	-1%	28%	12%	19%	31%	17%
39 Wirral & Chester	3	105	-1%	64	38%	▼ -4%	169	▼ -3%	31%	8%	19%	9%	24%
26 West Kent	5	104	▼ -3%	57	35%	▼ -4%	161	▼ -3%	22%	13%	19%	15%	23%
30 North London	5	103	-1%	83	45%	▲ 3%	186	▲ 1%	32%	28%	23%	18%	26%
4 Northamptonshire	4	95	▲ 1%	28	23%	▼ -5%	123	-1%	27%	31%	5%	17%	16%
35 Hardshaw & Mann	5	92	-2%	66	42%	-2%	158	-2%	25%	11%	16%	14%	23%
45 East Scotland	3	89	-2%	54	38%	▲ 1%	143	-1%	26%	28%	19%	29%	21%
57 Mid-Wales / Canolbarth Cymru	6	81	▲ 1%	68	46%	▲ 2%	149	▲ 1%	27%	30%	17%	11%	25%
20 Mid-Essex	4	78	-2%	37	32%	▼ -3%	115	▼ -2%	15%	6%	14%	6%	23%
38 Pendle Hill	7	78	▼ -4%	75	49%	▲ 3%	153	-2%	26%	10%	6%	51%	31%
22 Thaxted	4	77	▼ -4%	25	25%	-2%	102	▼ -3%	25%	9%	16%	35%	45%
63 Swarthmoor (SW Cumbria)	4	57	-1%	30	34%	▼ -5%	87	▼ -3%	14%	33%	0%	7%	47%
42 Wensleydale & Swaledale	2	31	▼ -2%	42	58%	0%	73	-1%	23%	6%	19%	3%	29%
BYM Total	96	1,944	-2%	1,221	22%	-1%	3,165	-2%	24%	16%	15%	20%	26%

▲ Indicates increase in numbers

▼ Indicates decrease by 4% or more

* Figures for members joining and leaving may include individuals more than once, e.g. if they come into membership and move during the 10 year period, or if they move in and out of an area during the same period.

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