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## **Apostolic trip of His Holiness Francis to Egypt (28 to 29 April 2017) - Statistics**

Statistics of the Catholic Church in Egypt as of 31 December 2015 (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 Egypt as of 31 December 2015.

### **Table 1 – Population and ecclesiastical structure**

Area (km <sup>2</sup> )	1.001.449
Population (in thousands)	88.958
Density (inhabitants/Km2)	89
Catholics (in thousands)	272
Catholics per 100 inhabitants	0,31
Ecclesiastical circumscriptions	15

Parishes	213
Other pastoral centres	74
Catholics per pastoral centre	947

**Table 2 – People engaged in activities of the apostolate**

Bishops 1	16
Diocesan priests	250
Religious priests	244
Total priests	494
Permanent deacons	3
Men religious (other than priests)	79
Professed women religious	727
Members of secular Institutes	30
May missionaries	46
Catechists	139

[1] Situation on 26.03.2017

**Table 3 – Indicators of pastoral workload**

Catholics per priest	550
Catholics per pastoral worker	177
Priests per pastoral centre	1,7
Priests per 100 people engaged in activities of the apostolate	15,8

**Table 4 – Priestly vocations**

Minor seminarians	3
Major seminarians	98
Major seminarians per 100.000 inhabitants	0,11
Major seminarians per 100.000 Catholics	36,03
Major seminarians per 100 priests	19,84

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

**Schools:**

Pre-school and primary	317
Lower middle and secondary	79

**Students in:**

Pre-school and primary schools	76.381
Lower middle and secondary schools	22.267
Higher and university institutes	713

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

Hospitals	15
Clinics	108
Leper colonies	1
Homes for the elderly and disabled	31
Orphanages and nurseries	51
Family consultation centres	9
Special centres of social education or rehabilitation	7
Other institutions	11

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