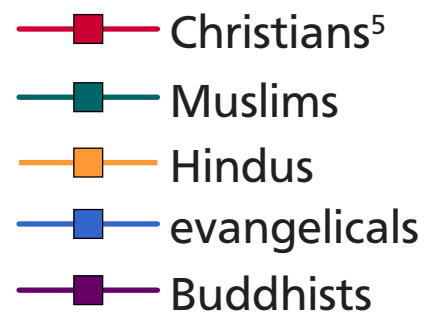
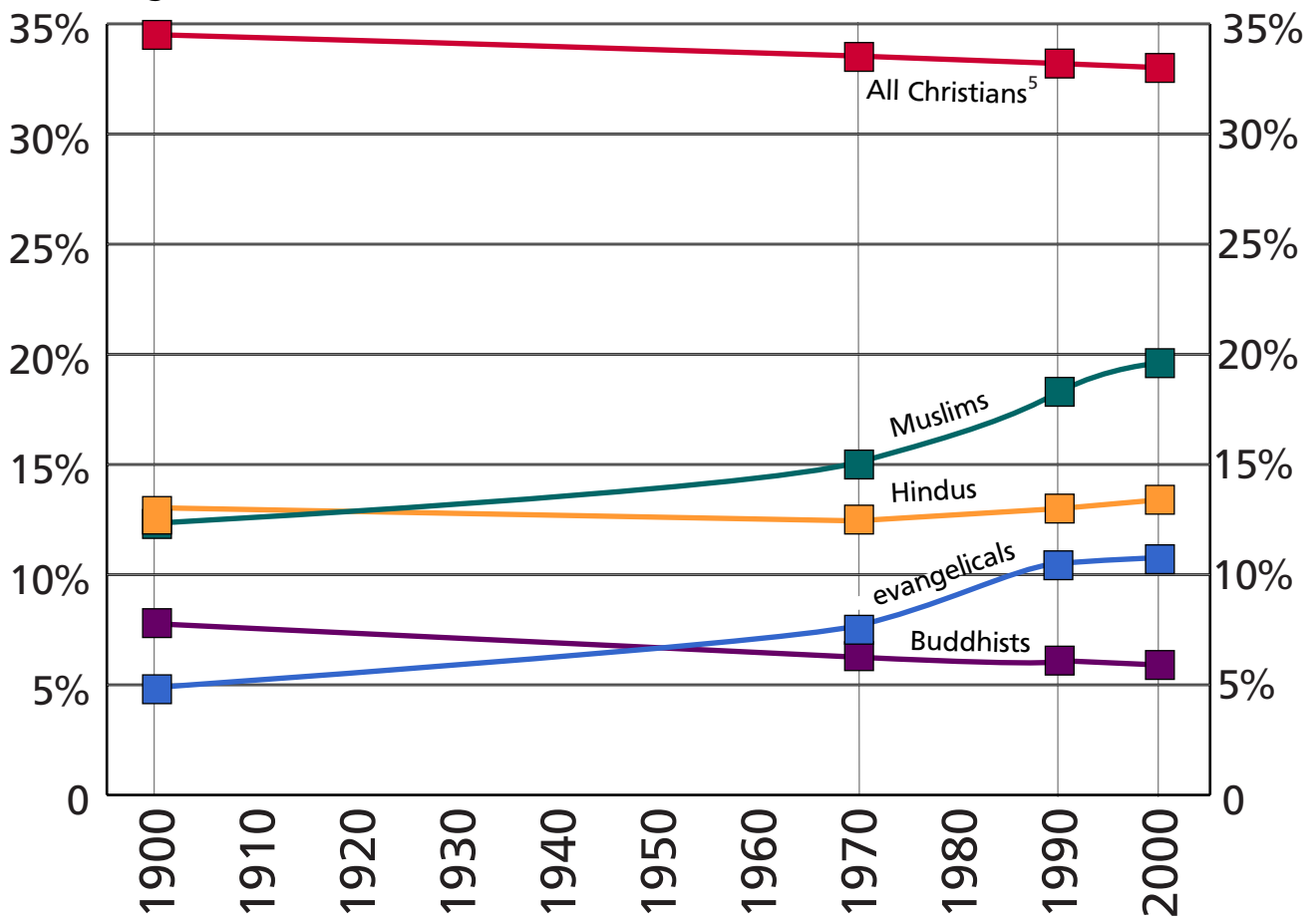


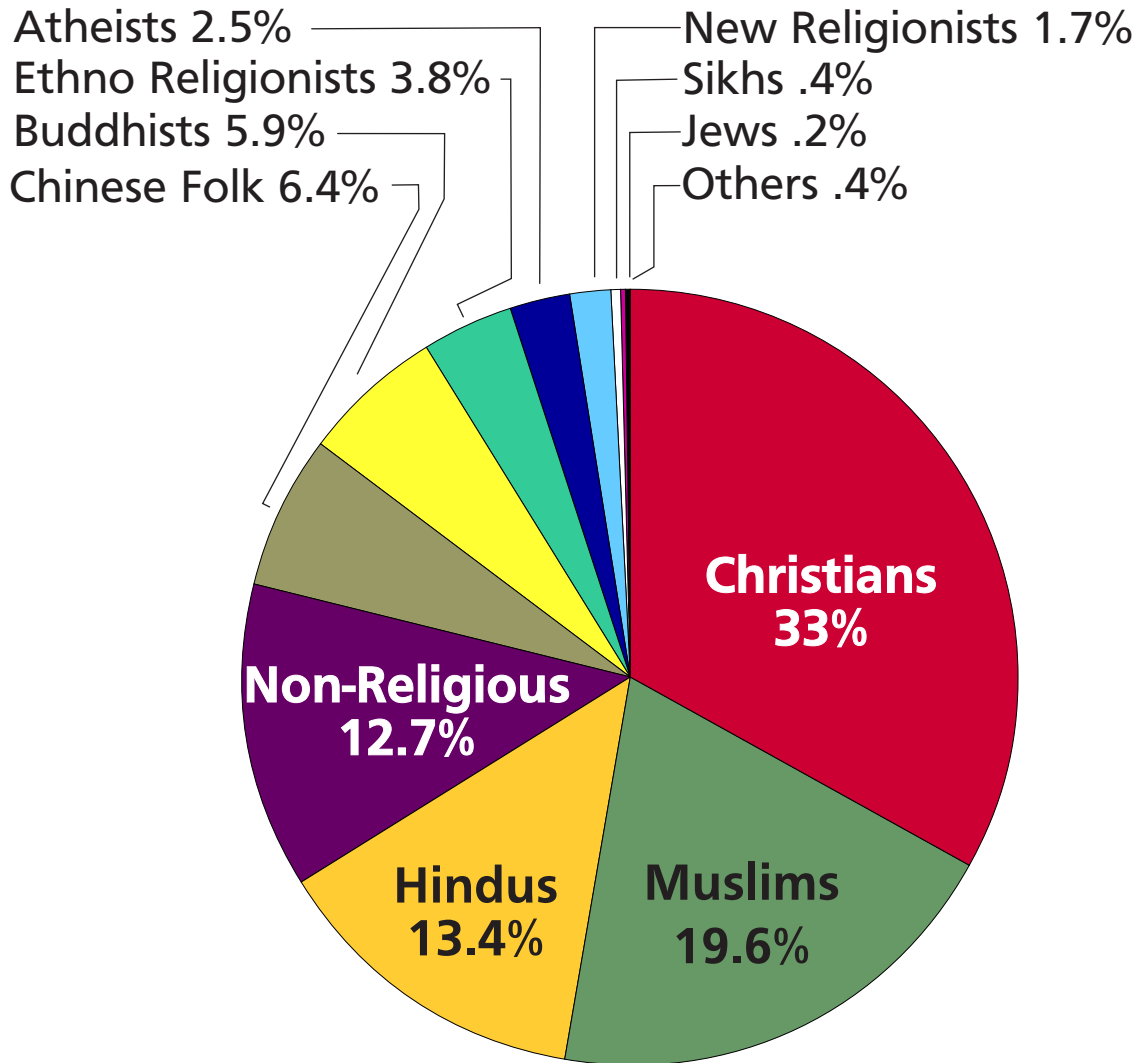
Adherents of the Major World Religions as a Percent of World Population; 1900-2000

Figure 1



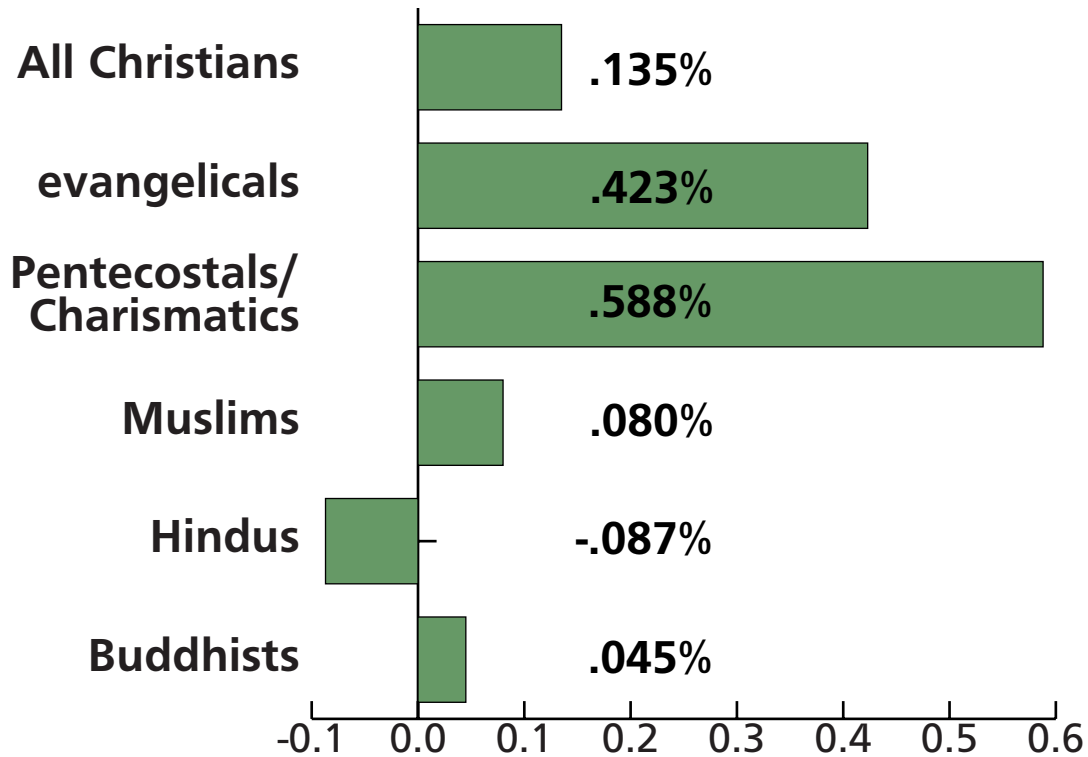
Religious Adherents as a Percentage of World Population in 2000

Figure 2



Annual Conversion Growth in The Largest World Religions Avg. Annual %, 1990-2000

Figure 3



The World in 2000 by Religious Adherence

Figure 4

Religion:	# of Adherents	Total Growth Rate ³	Conversion Growth Rate ⁴	% of World Population
All Christians	1,999.6 Million	1.45% ⁴	.135%	33%
evangelicals ^{1,2}	647.8 Million	1.47%	.423%	10.7%
Pentecostals/ Charismatics ²	523.7 Million	2.33%	.588%	8.7%
Muslims	1,188.2 Million	2.15%	.080%	19.6%
Hindus	811.3 Million	1.84%	-.087%	13.4%
Nonreligious	768.2 Million	.86%	-7.2%	12.7
Chinese Folk Religionists	384.8 Million	1.21%	-.020%	6.4%
Buddhists	360 Million	1.13%	.045%	5.9%
Ethnoreligionists	228.4 Million	1.37%	-.58%	3.8%
Atheists	150.1 Million	.35%	-60%	2.5%
New-Religionists/ Neo-Religionists	102.4 Million	1.12%	-3.8%	1.7%
Sikhs	23.3 Million	1.90%	.13%	.4%
Jews	14.4 Million	1.00	-50%	.2%
Others	24.3 Million	N/A	N/A	.4%
World Population	6,055 Million	1.47%	N/A	100%

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Notes on The Overview of the World by Religious Adherents:

1. Barrett and Johnson have defined evangelicals (lowercase) as the broad stream of Christians who are affiliated with a Christian denomination or movement that actively evangelizes or sends missionaries. They have also referred to this category in a near equivalent term: Great Commission Christians.
2. Pentecostals/Charismatics and evangelicals are overlapping subsets of the larger total of all Christians.
3. The total growth rate is the sum of growth that occurs by births minus deaths (natural growth) and by a shift of faith allegiance (conversion growth). This figure is an annual average of data collected from the years 1990-1995.
4. Conversion growth is the annual increase (or decrease) in followers of a particular faith that is attributable to a shift of faith allegiance. These figures are annual averages measured and forecasted from the years 1990-2000.
5. At a glance, it may seem odd that Christians have a growth rate of 1.45 percent (Figure 4), but still have a slightly downward slope on the graph (Figure 1). This is because the calculated growth rate of Christianity (1.45%) is slightly lower than the population growth of the world (1.47%).