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POPULATION OF ARMENIAN DESCENT IN GREATER LONDON TWO SOURCED ESTIMATES AND ONE ILLUSTRATIVE AVERAGE

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Purpose. Khachkar Studios evaluates non-holiday Sunday Armenian church attendance in Greater London using two materially different population estimates. Rather than selecting one estimate and excluding the other, our analysis presents both sourced estimates and shows that the principal conclusion is unchanged under either.

ACC UK Estimate — Approximately 12,000. The Armenian Community Council of the United Kingdom (ACC UK) estimated up to approximately 18,000 ethnic Armenians in the United Kingdom, including British-born Armenians and persons of part-Armenian descent, and reported that more than 65% resided in London. Applying 65% to 18,000 produces 11,700; approximately 12,000 is therefore used as the Greater London working estimate.

ONS Census Estimate — Approximately 3,440. The second estimate is derived from the UK Office for National Statistics 2021 Census and provides a substantially narrower population measure. Khachkar Studios uses approximately 3,440 for Greater London under this methodology.

These two estimates should not be interpreted as measuring precisely the same population. The community estimate is intentionally broader, capturing Armenian descent beyond categories that can be identified directly through census data. The ONS-derived estimate is narrower and based on codified census classifications.

The difference is substantial:

ACC UK: 12,000. ONS Census: 3,440

Khachkar Studios therefore does not conceal the uncertainty by selecting only the estimate most favorable to a particular conclusion. Measured non-holiday Sunday attendance is approximately 170 Faithful.

The Conclusion Is Not Sensitive to the Population Estimate.

Using the ACC UK estimate: $170 \div 12,000 = 1.4\%$ Faithful. **98.6%, rounded to 99%, do not attend.**

Using the ONS Census estimate: $170 \div 3,440 = 4.9\%$ Faithful. **95.1%, rounded to 95%, do not attend.**

Thus, even using the dramatically smaller ONS population denominator, approximately 95% do not attend a typical non-holiday Sunday service.

Illustrative Average: Some readers may believe that the most reasonable population lies somewhere between the two sourced estimates. To make the analysis transparent under that assumption as well, Khachkar Studios presents the simple arithmetic average: $(12,000 + 3,440) \div 2 = 7,720$ This figure is not a third demographic estimate and is not attributed to any outside source. It is simply an illustrative midpoint between the two sourced estimates.

At 7,720: $170 \div 7,720 = 2.2\%$ Faithful. **97.8%, rounded to 98%, do not attend.**

Population Basis and Attendance Rate

<u>Population Basis</u>	<u>Population</u>	<u>Attending</u>	<u>Not Attending</u>
ACC UK estimate	12,000	1.4%	99%
Illustrative arithmetic average	7,720	2.2%	98%
ONS Census estimate	3,440	4.9%	95%

Across all three population bases, approximately 95% to 99% do not attend a typical non-holiday Sunday Armenian church service.

For country comparison context: the 18,000 ACC UK estimate covers the whole of the United Kingdom, including communities whose churches do not hold a service every Sunday. Adding the Manchester and Dublin worship locations to the weekly-service churches raises the average weekly total to 185 from 170 – approximately 1 attendee per 100 persons of Armenian descent, compared with approximately 2.8 per 100 in the United States.