

# Charts: Religious backgrounds of refugees to US



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The controversial order on immigration issued by President Donald Trump on Friday called for the United States to “prioritize refugee claims made by individuals on the basis of religious-based persecution, provided that the religion of the individual is a minority religion in the individual’s country of nationality.”

That means that refugee claims made by Christians in predominantly Muslim countries will be given high priority.

The first chart below shows a breakdown of the religious backgrounds of refugees who came to the United States last year from the seven predominantly-Muslim countries singled out in Trump’s order.

The chart below that shows a breakdown of the religious backgrounds of refugees who came to the US last year from all countries worldwide.

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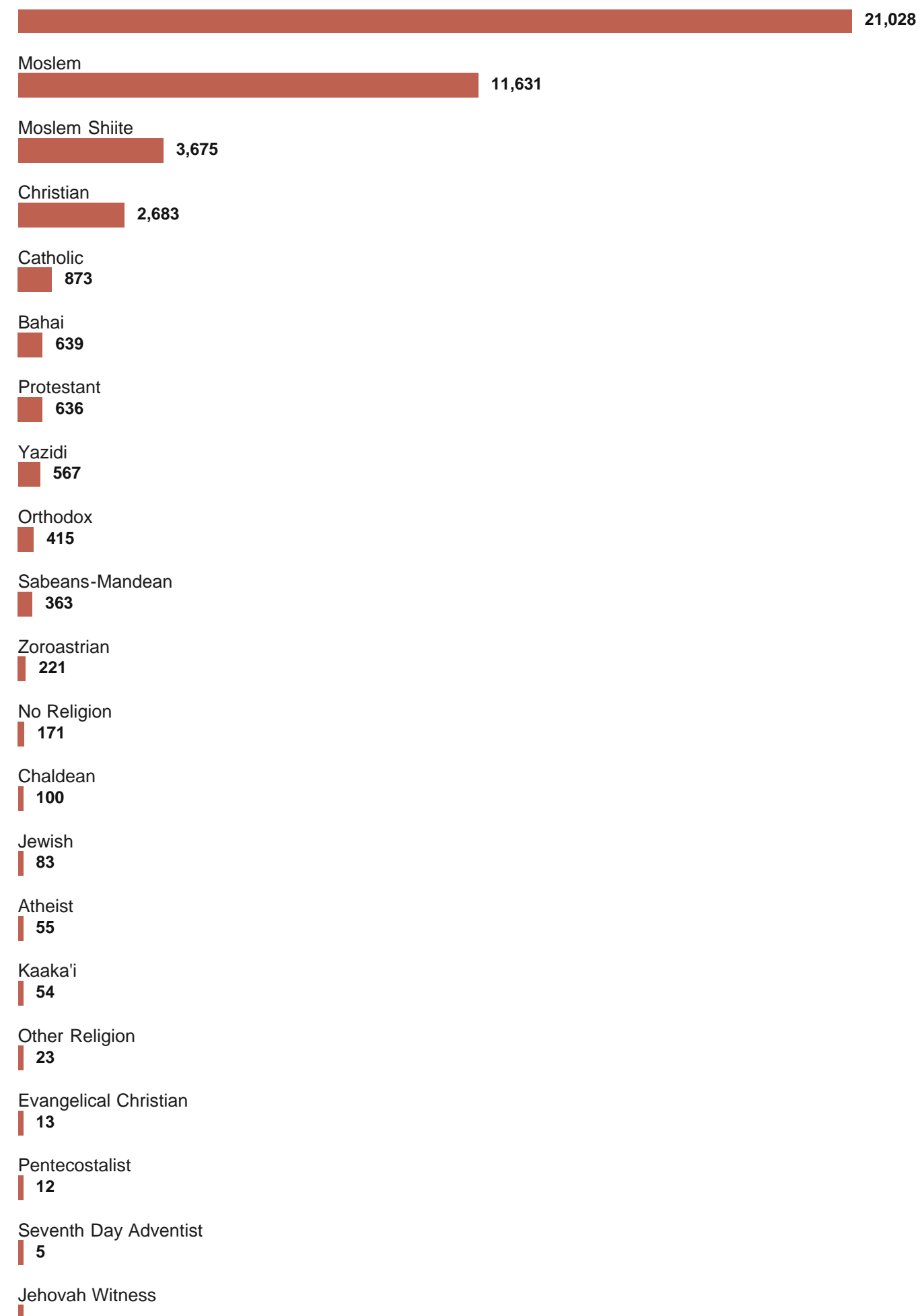
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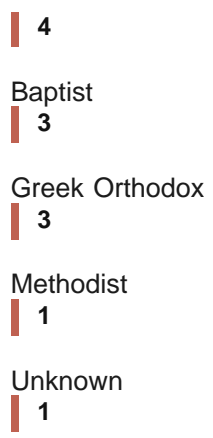
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## Religious backgrounds of refugees from Iran, Iraq, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, and Yemen

Data are for calendar year 2016.

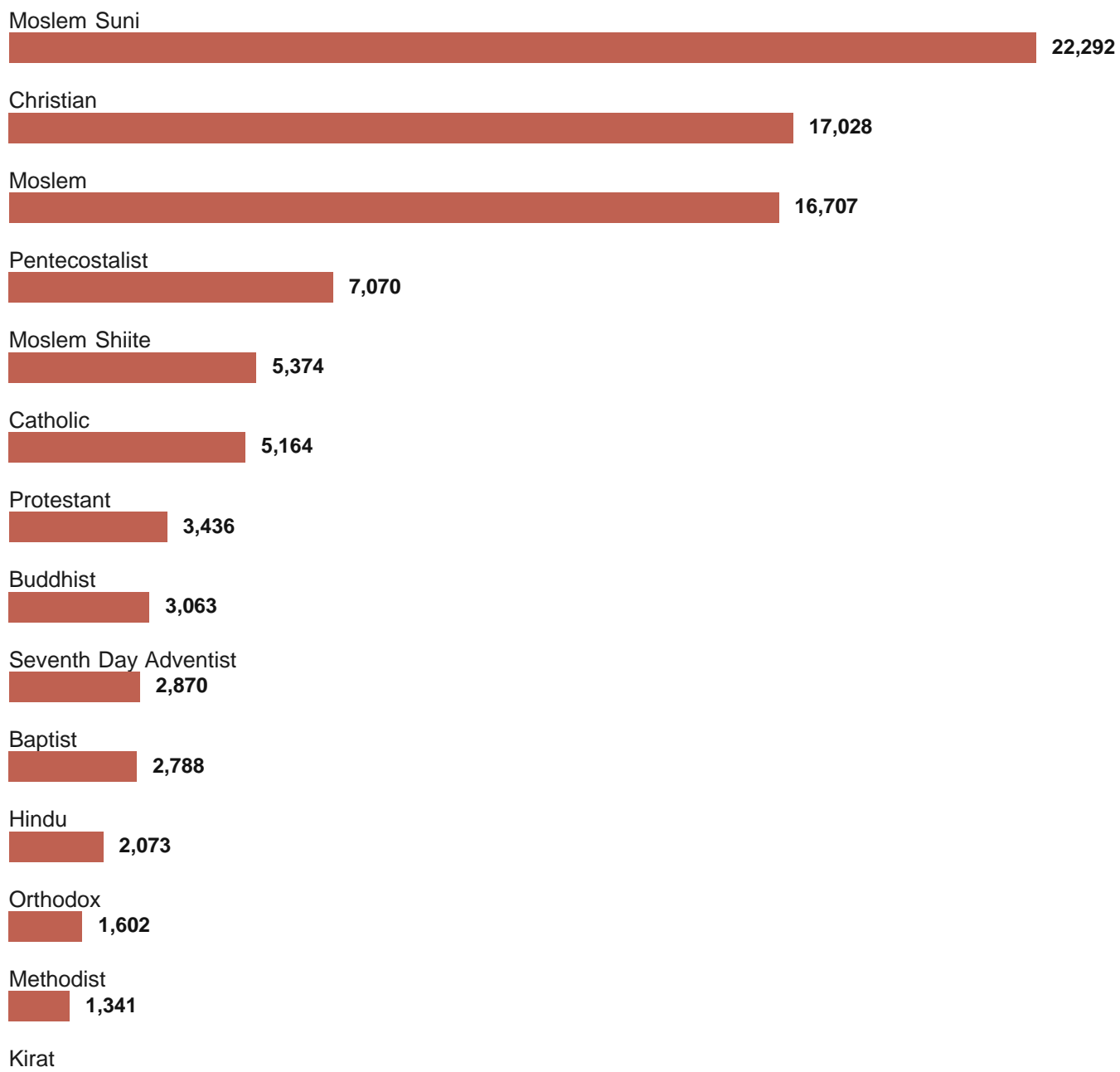
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## Religious background of refugees from all countries

Data are for calendar year 2016.





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- Coptic  
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- Ukr Orthodox  
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- Unknown  
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- Greek Orthodox  
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**SOURCE: US Department of State's Refugee Processing Center**

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