The Top World Nations with Jewish Populations & Their Reform Congregations*

The following is a compilation of the nations with Reform congregations, from the country with the largest total Jewish population (Israel) to the smallest (El Salvador). All of these population figures are *estimates* (see the "Notes" on the next page for sources). Outside North America the name "Reform" is used less frequently, so the WUPJ has provided each community's preferred self-description (Reform, Progressive, Liberal, Modern).

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1 Israel
Jewish Pop.: 5,413,800
Congregations: 35
Locations: Various
Description: Reform/ Progressive

2 United States
Jewish Pop.: 5,275,000
Congregations: 839
Locations: Various
Description: Reform

3 France
Jewish Pop.: 483,500
Congregations: 13
Locations: Various
Description: Progressive

4 Canada
Jewish Pop.: 375,000
Congregations: 25
Locations: Various
Description: Reform

5 United Kingdom
Jewish Pop.: 292,000
Congregations: 82
Locations: Various
Description: Reform/ Progressive/Liberal

6 Russia
Jewish Pop.: 205,000
Congregations: 21
Locations: Various
Description: Modern

7 Argentina
Jewish Pop.: 182,300
Congregations: 3
Locations: Buenos Aires, Capital Federal
Description: Progressive

HILLEGUUS TIMNER, THEN CONGREGATION PRESIDENT, LIGHTS THE SHABBAT CANDLES AT LIBERAAL JOODSE GEMEENTE DEN HAAG IN THE HAGUE.

8 Germany
Jewish Pop.: 119,000
Congregations: 24
Locations: Various
Description: Progressive

9 Australia
Jewish Pop.: 107,500
Congregations: 15
Locations: Various
Description: Progressive

10 Brazil
Jewish Pop.: 95,600
Congregations: 7
Locations: Various
Description: Progressive

11 Ukraine
Jewish Pop.: 71,500
Congregations: 27
Locations: Various
Description: Modern/ Progressive

12 South Africa
Jewish Pop.: 70,800
Congregations: 10
Locations: Various
Description: Progressive

13 Hungary
Jewish Pop.: 48,600
Congregations: 2
Locations: Budapest
Description: Progressive

14 Belgium
Jewish Pop.: 30,300
Congregations: 2
Locations: Brussels
Description: Progressive

15 Netherlands
Jewish Pop.: 30,000
Congregations: 10
Locations: Various
Description: Progressive

16 Italy
Jewish Pop.: 28,400
Congregations: 3
Locations: Florence, Milan
Description: Progressive

17 Chile
Jewish Pop.: 20,500
Congregations: 3
Locations: Las Condes, Valparaiso
Description: Progressive

18 Switzerland
Jewish Pop.: 17,600
Congregations: 2
Locations: Geneva, Zurich
Description: Progressive

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19 Belarus
Jewish Pop.: 16,500
Congregations: 13
Locations: Various
Description: Progressive

20 Sweden
Jewish Pop.: 15,000
Congregations: 1
Locations: Stockholm
Description: Progressive

21 Spain
Jewish Pop.: 12,000
Congregations: 2
Locations: Barcelona
Description: Progressive

22 Austria
Jewish Pop.: 9,000
Congregations: 1
Locations: Vienna
Description: Progressive

23 Panama
Jewish Pop.: 8,000
Congregations: 1
Locations: Panama City
Description: Progressive

24 New Zealand
Jewish Pop.: 7,500
Congregations: 3
Locations: Dunedin, Epsom (Auckland suburb), Wellington
Description: Progressive

25 Denmark
Jewish Pop.: 6,400
Congregations: 1
Locations: Copenhagen
Description: Progressive

26 Hong Kong
Jewish Pop.: 5,000
Congregations: 1
Locations: Hong Kong
Description: Progressive/ Reform

27 India
Jewish Pop.: 5,000
Congregations: 1
Locations: Mumbai
Description: Reform

28 Czech Republic
Jewish Pop.: 3,900
Congregations: 1
Locations: Prague
Description: Progressive

29 Poland
Jewish Pop.: 3,200
Congregations: 3
Locations: Warsaw, Krakow
Description: Progressive

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30 Costa Rica
Jewish Pop.: 2,500
Congregations: 1
Locations: Sabana
Description: Progressive

31 China
Jewish Pop.: 1,500
Congregations: 2
Locations: Beijing, Shanghai
Description: Liberal

32 Puerto Rico
Jewish Pop.: 1,500
Congregations: 1
Locations: San Juan
Description: Reform

33 Ireland
Jewish Pop.: 1,200
Congregations: 1
Locations: Dublin
Description: Progressive

34 Luxembourg
Jewish Pop.: 600
Congregations: 1
Locations: Strassen
Description: Progressive

35 Cuba
Jewish Pop.: 500
Congregations: 1
Locations: Havana
Description: Progressive

36 Virgin Islands
Jewish Pop.: 500
Congregations: 1
Locations: Amalie (St. Thomas)
Description: Reform

37 Curaçao
Jewish Pop.: 350
Congregations: 1
Locations: Curacao
Description: Progressive

38 Bahamas
Jewish Pop.: 300
Congregations: 1
Locations: Nassau
Description: Reform

39 Singapore
Jewish Pop.: 300
Congregations: 1
Locations: Singapore
Description: Progressive/ Reform

40 Jamaica
Jewish Pop.: 200
Congregations: 1
Locations: Kingston
Description: Reform

41 Suriname
Jewish Pop.: 200
Congregations: 1
Locations: Paramaribo
Description: Progressive

42 Aruba
Jewish Pop.: 200
Congregations: 1
Locations: Oranjestad
Description: Progressive

43 El Salvador
Jewish Pop.: 100
Congregations: 1
Locations: San Benito
Description: Progressive

***Notes:** All estimated world Jewish population figures are from "World Jewish Population 2010-North American Jewish Data Bank" by Israel demographer Sergio Della Pergola, except for Hong Kong (Hadassah Magazine, Oct. 2012), Bahamas (Jewish Virtual Library), and Aruba (Joshua Project In-Country Profile). Demographic numbers vary widely depending on how being Jewish is defined (such as if the figures exclude Jews who have not registered with the official community), when the figures were assembled, and other factors. "Congregations" refers to the number of Reform/Progressive/Liberal communities. "Various" indicates communities in four or more locations. For more information: **wupj.org**.*