

CHURCHES, CHAPELS, &c.

RETURN of the Number of CHURCHES, CHAPELS, &c., in the Colony of Victoria on the 31st December, 1856.

DENOMINATION.	Number of Churches, &c.	Number of Persons they are estimated to contain.	Number of Persons generally attending.
Church of England	99*	†	†
Roman Catholic Church	64	18,378	23,967
Presbyterian Church	16	3,845	2,830
Free Presbyterian Church	25	5,900	4,500
United Presbyterian Church	14	4,000	3,000
Wesleyan Church	137	19,285	20,000
Independent Church	20	5,030	3,821
Primitive Methodist Church	45	4,246	2,201
Bible Christian Church	6	370	217
Wesleyan Methodist Church	10	1,438	715
Baptist Church	10	2,150	1,240
Evangelical Lutheran Church	18	1,730	1,230
Society of Friends	1	60	40
Unitarian Church	1	250	75
Israelites' Church	3	550	140
Jews' Synagogue	4	680	515
Total	473	67,912	64,491

* With the exception of the Church of England, these numbers include tents, barns, and private dwellings used as places of worship.
 † It has been found impracticable to obtain these particulars.

SCHOOLS.

RETURN of the Number of SCHOOLS in operation in the Colony of Victoria during the Year 1856.

DESCRIPTION.	Number of Schools.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Aid from Government.	Voluntary Contributions.	Total.
DENOMINATIONAL.					£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Church of England ...	163	4,563	4,441	9,004	31,545 0 7	20,255 0 5	51,800 1 0
Scots' Church ...	15	531	355	886	2,517 17 8	1,569 16 8	4,087 14 4
Free Church ...	32	1,090	884	1,974	7,676 1 9	5,473 7 4	13,149 9 1
Wesleyan ...	59	2,108	1,821	3,929	8,376 1 1	5,309 11 9	13,685 12 10
Wesleyan Association	1	52	60	112	120 0 0	159 12 6	279 12 6
Independent ...	9	231	225	456	995 13 4	710 8 2	1,706 1 6
Lutheran ...	4	59	71	130	300 0 0	86 3 6	386 3 6
Baptist ...	1	23	16	39	100 0 0	56 19 0	156 19 0
Roman Catholic ...	84	2,332	2,405	4,737	15,526 14 9	10,546 14 2	26,073 8 11
Salaries of Singing and Drawing Masters ...	...	...	...	...	2,079 13 6	...	2,079 13 6
Lectures, Purchase of School Books, &c....	...	...	...	...	1,336 9 5	...	1,336 9 5
	368	10,989	10,278	21,267	70,573 12 1	44,167 13 6	114,741 5 7
NATIONAL ...	87	2,665	2,107	5,056	15,183 17 7	6,222 7 5½	21,406 5 0½