



# CARD

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### **Open and Affirming Data**

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#### ***Project Summary:***

- None of the differences reported have been tested for statistical significance. Further analysis is needed to confirm these differences are not due to chance.
- ONA churches are larger, on average, than non-ONA churches.
- In 2014, ONA churches were, on average, 23.7% larger than non-ONA churches. This increased to 31.2% in 2018.
- The percentage of ONA churches (1.8%) that have closed or merged since 2014 is less than non-ONA churches (3.2%).
- ONA congregations tend to have substantially higher budgets than non-ONA congregations in the UCC

## Comparisons of ONA and non-ONA churches in 2014 and 2018

### Number Churches

	2014	2018	% Change
<b>ONA</b>	1,224 (24.2%)	1,513 (31%)	23.6%
<b>Non-ONA</b>	3,838 (75.8%)	3,368 (69%)	-12.2%
<b>Overall</b>	5,062	4,881	-3.6%

### Average Membership

	2014	2018	% Change
<b>ONA</b>	220.0	204.7	-7.0%
<b>Non-ONA</b>	177.9	156.0	-12.3%
<b>Overall</b>	188.1	171.2	-9.0%

### Average Worship Attendance

	2014	2018	% Change
<b>ONA</b>	93.6	80.7	-13.8%
<b>Non-ONA</b>	71.2	60.8	-14.6%
<b>Overall</b>	76.9	67.3	-12.5%

### Average Additions to Membership

	2014	2018	% Change
<b>ONA</b>	13.3	11.1	-16.5%
<b>Non-ONA</b>	9.0	7.4	-17.8%
<b>Overall</b>	10.4	9.0	-13.5%

### Average Baptisms

	2014	2018	% Change
<b>ONA</b>	4.8	4.1	-14.6%
<b>Non-ONA</b>	4.2	3.5	-16.7%
<b>Overall</b>	4.4	3.8	-13.6%

**Average Child Baptisms**

	<b>2014</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>% Change</b>
<b>ONA</b>	4.4	3.8	-13.6%
<b>Non-ONA</b>	3.8	3.2	-15.8%
<b>Overall</b>	4.0	3.4	-15.0%

**Average Adult Baptisms**

	<b>2014</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>% Change</b>
<b>ONA</b>	2.0	1.9	-5.0%
<b>Non-ONA</b>	2.0	2.0	0%
<b>Overall</b>	2.0	1.9	-5.3%

**Church Removals in 2018\***

**(Including percent of total churches within each ONA status)**

	<b>Closed</b>	<b>Merged</b>	<b>Withdrew</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>ONA in 2014</b>	21	1	5	1	28
	1.7%	0.1%	0.4%	0.1%	2.3%
<b>Non-ONA in 2014</b>	99	11	97	9	216
	2.9%	0.3%	2.9%	0.3%	6.4%
<b>Total</b>	120	12	102	10	244
	2.4%	0.2%	2.0%	0.2%	4.8%

*Notes:*

\*This chart includes only those churches that were UCC churches in 2014. It is reflection of what happened to 2014 churches over the span of years ending with 2018. It does not reflect what happened in each individual year.

### **Total Local Church Budget**

- Total Local Church Budget was calculated by summarizing Operating Expenses, Capital Payments, Total OCWM, and Other Giving (beyond the UCC)

Percentile	Budget – All Congregations	ONA	Non-ONA
10	19,147.00	56,614.60	13,999.70
20	39,589.20	93,037.20	30,044.60
30	60,237.60	129,522.00	46,019.80
40	83,704.80	164,128.20	62,956.600
50	112,604.00	205,415.00	82,955.00
60	148,216.80	252,273.20	109,747.00
70	192,256.60	309,236.60	143,673.20
80	257,939.20	392,012.40	190,285.40
90	397,205.80	603,071.40	277,535.90