

V ENCUESTRO REGIONAL STATISTICAL SUMMARY

Region 14

GEOGRAPHY

Region XIV includes the states of Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, and South Carolina; the Archdioceses of Atlanta and Miami; and the Dioceses of Charleston, Charlotte, Orlando, Palm Beach, Pensacola-Tallahassee, Raleigh, Savannah, St. Augustine, St. Petersburg, and Venice.



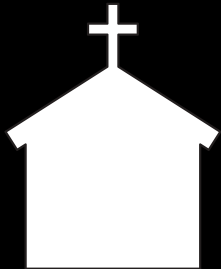
PASTORAL PROFILE OF HISPANIC/LATINO MINISTRY

Diocesan personnel dedicated to Hispanic ministry in the Region:

- In offices of Hispanic Ministry: **12**
- Responsible for *Pastoral Juvenil Hispana*: **3**
- In ethnic/multicultural or other specialized offices: **4**
- Office personnel assisting these leaders: **6**

Estimated Hispanic Catholic population:

- **2,160,000** immigrant Hispanic Catholics
- **1,277,000** Hispanic Catholics born in the U.S.
- **44%** of the Catholics in the Region are Hispanic/Latino



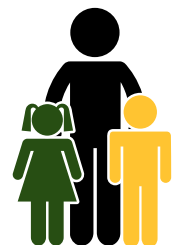
Parishes with Hispanic/Latino Ministry: **570**

Masses in Spanish:

- Weekly Masses: **911**
- Once-a-month Masses: **15**
- Average attendance per Mass: **359 (9.7%** of all Hispanic Catholics)

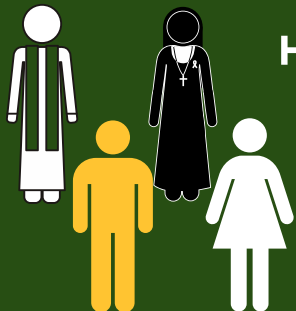
Among Catholic Children from 0-17 years old

- **47%** are Hispanics/Latinos born in the U.S.
- **8%** are immigrant Hispanics/Latinos
- In K-8 Catholic schools, **28.5%** are Hispanics/Latinos
- In Catholic high schools, **33.8%** are Hispanics/Latinos



Hispanic/Latino ecclesial ministers serving in the Region:

- Immigrant priests: **312**
- U.S.-born priests: **51**
- Religious sisters and brothers: **184**
- Deacons: **237**
- Lay ecclesial ministers: **661**



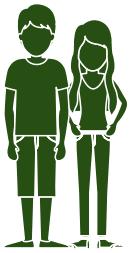
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THE V ENCUESTRO IN REGION XIV

- Sent **209 delegates** to the National *Encuentro*, including **3 ENAVE / ERAVE** and **9 bishops**.
- The Regional *Encuentro* was celebrated with **188 delegates** and **10 bishops**.
- **12 Diocesan Encuentros** were celebrated, with total attendance of **4,185**.
- **181 parishes/organizations** conducted the five sessions and **105** held a Parish *Encuentro*.
- **1,764 leaders** from **267 parishes** received training for the V *Encuentro* in **56 trainings**.

Main areas of new outreach in parishes through the V Encuentro:



Hispanic / Latino young adults



People living in housing projects



Migrants and campesinos
in rural areas

The Process Has Led to a Greater Commitment of Leaders

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Episcopal Region XIV is thankful to God for the V *Encuentro* process in a moment in which there is a growing number of bilingual Latinos, especially young adults, who are gradually being incorporated into parish, diocesan, and regional leadership. The process has strengthened communion in pastoral ministry ("*pastoral de conjunto*") in the Southeast, with a greater commitment of leaders and the consolidation of the evangelization, communion, and formation efforts of its Regional Office (SEPI).

New leaders, ministries, and programs have emerged, especially in *pastoral juvenil*, Hispanic family life, and pastoral care of the elderly, listening to their voices and strengthening ecclesial identity, communion, and synodality. There is an increased commitment of the Hispanic community to global solidarity, advocacy for human rights, immigrants and their family unity, and pastoral attention to those in the peripheries, both local and global.

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