

# **MEMBERSHIP FORUM**

**“WHERE WE HAVE BEEN”**

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**8120 Fenton Street**  
**Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-4785**

**MASONIC MEMBERSHIP TOTALS**  
**SINCE 1924**

The Masonic Service Association has compiled the following table of totals of Master Masons in the United States Grand Lodges for the fiscal years indicated. These figures are based upon M.S.A. records and do not necessarily correspond exactly with those published by other sources.

YEAR	U.S. TOTAL	YEAR	U.S. TOTAL
1924	3,077,161	1966	3,948,193
1925	3,157,566	1967	3,910,509
1926	3,218,375	1968	3,868,854
1927	3,267,241	1969	3,817,846
1928	3,295,872	1970	3,763,213
1929	3,295,125	1971	3,718,718
1930	3,279,778	1972	3,661,507
1931	3,216,307	1973	3,611,448
1932	3,069,645	1974	3,561,767
1933	2,901,758	1975	3,512,628
1934	2,760,451	1976	3,470,980
1935	2,659,218	1977	3,418,844
1936	2,591,309	1978	3,360,409
1937	2,549,772	1979	3,304,334
1938	2,514,595	1980	3,251,528
1939	2,482,291	1981	3,188,175
1940	2,457,263	1982	3,121,746
1941	2,451,301	1983	3,060,242
1942	2,478,892	1984	2,992,389
1943	2,561,844	1985	2,914,421
1944	2,719,607	1986	2,839,962
1945	2,896,343	1987	2,763,828
1946	3,097,713	1988	2,682,537
1947	3,281,371	1989	2,608,935
1948	3,426,155	1990	2,531,643
1949	3,545,757	1991	2,452,676
1950	3,644,634	1992	2,371,863
1951	3,726,744	1993	2,293,949
1952	3,808,364	1994	2,225,611
1953	3,893,530	1995	2,153,316
1954	3,964,118	1996	2,089,578
1955	4,009,925	1997	2,021,909
1956	4,053,323	1998	1,967,208
1957	4,085,676	1999	1,902,588
1958	4,099,928	2000	1,841,169
** 1959	4,103,161	2001	1,774,200
1960	4,099,219	2002	1,727,505
1961	4,086,499	2003	1,671,255
1962	4,063,563	2004	1,617,032
1963	4,034,020	2005	1,569,812
1964	4,005,605	2006	1,525,131
1965	3,987,690	2007	1,483,449

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MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS - UNITED STATES GRAND LODGES - 2007

STATE	MEMBERSHIP 2007	MEMBERSHIP 2006	GAIN/LOSS
ALABAMA	29,775	30,952	(1,177)
ALASKA	2,003	2,053	(50)
ARIZONA	9,642	9,900	(258)
ARKANSAS	16,524	17,082	(558)
CALIFORNIA	66,127	68,714	(2,587)
COLORADO	12,645	13,160	(515)
CONNECTICUT	14,185	14,543	(358)
DELAWARE ^	5,111	5,075	36
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	4,552	4,602	(50)
FLORIDA	49,964	50,829	(865)
GEORGIA	46,914	47,998	(1,084)
HAWAII	1,733	1,781	(48)
IDAHO	4,412	4,688	(276)
ILLINOIS	69,703	71,241	(1,538)
INDIANA	68,759	71,392	(2,633)
IOWA	23,960	24,826	(866)
KANSAS	26,171	27,674	(1,503)
KENTUCKY	48,955	50,260	(1,305)
LOUISIANA	22,707	23,000	(293)
MAINE	21,659	22,281	(622)
MARYLAND	17,608	18,112	(504)
MASSACHUSETTS ^	37,777	37,173	604
MICHIGAN	42,737	44,131	(1,394)
MINNESOTA	16,262	16,785	(523)
MISSISSIPPI	21,248	21,717	(469)
MISSOURI	51,775	51,858	(83)
MONTANA	6,985	7,276	(291)
NEBRASKA	13,988	14,391	(403)
NEVADA	4,504	4,656	(152)
NEW HAMPSHIRE	7,279	7,456	(177)
NEW JERSEY	28,579	29,652	(1,073)
NEW MEXICO	5,579	5,703	(124)
NEW YORK	50,580	53,097	(2,517)
NORTH CAROLINA	47,137	47,722	(585)
NORTH DAKOTA	3,385	3,450	(65)
OHIO	114,661	116,761	(2,100)
OKLAHOMA	28,713	29,620	(907)
OREGON	10,736	11,197	(461)
PENNSYLVANIA	120,502	123,276	(2,774)
RHODE ISLAND	4,490	4,643	(153)
SOUTH CAROLINA	42,463	43,315	(852)
SOUTH DAKOTA	6,527	6,658	(131)
TENNESSEE	48,677	51,086	(2,409)
TEXAS	98,398	101,803	(3,405)
UTAH	1,944	1,947	(3)
VERMONT	7,019	7,217	(198)
VIRGINIA	40,052	40,546	(494)
WASHINGTON	16,372	18,693	(2,321)
WEST VIRGINIA	22,947	23,452	(505)
WISCONSIN	14,600	15,117	(517)
WYOMING	4,424	4,570	(146)
	<u>1,483,449</u>	<u>1,525,131</u>	<u>(41,682)</u>

## Comparison of Members Vs. Population

<u>Year</u>	<u>MSA</u>	<u>National Census</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Grand Lodge</u>	<u>Virginia Census</u>	<u>%</u>
1930	3,279,778	123,202,624	2.7	48,812	2,421,851	2.0
1940	2,457,263	132,164,569	1.9	38,749	2,677,773	1.4
1950	3,644,634	151,325,798	2.5	56,359	3,318,680	1.7
1960	4,099,219	179,323,175	2.3	69,115	3,966,949	1.7
1970	3,763,213	203,302,301	1.9	71,057	4,648,494	1.5
1980	3,251,528	226,545,805	1.4	68,732	5,346,818	1.3
1990	2,531,643	248,709,873	1.0	58,833	6,187,358	0.9
2000	1,841,169	281,421,906	0.7	47,082	7,078,515	0.7





<u>Year</u>	<u>New</u>	<u>AFI</u>	<u>REI</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>NPD</u>	<u>DEATHS</u>	<u>UMC</u>	<u>EXP</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1957	2,384	387	104	492	349	1,074	3	2	67,338
1958	2,300	0	0	0	0	1,220	0	0	68,606
1959	1,938	462	81	492	354	1,157	3	3	68,606
1960	1,998	435	96	452	363	1,199	5	1	69,115
1961	2,003	511	94	456	359	1,274	1	2	69,631
1962	1,926	645	70	457	365	1,327	5	1	70,098
1963	1,797	492	70	491	365	1,317	1	5	70,275
1964	1,834	620	100	508	365	1,371	1	3	70,571
1965	1,878	548	91	485	354	1,469	4	0	70,781
1966	1,898	540	71	470	357	1,445	0	1	71,016
1967	1,788	438	79	460	354	1,462	1	2	71,058
1968	1,758	557	84	410	282	1,472	2	1	71,294
1969	1,642	519	88	435	384	1,507	2	3	71,211
1970	1,550	503	87	447	307	1,532	0	4	71,057
1971	1,530	637	92	468	372	1,454	2	6	70,977
1972	1,780	529	83	491	344	1,547	1	1	70,990
1973	1,687	565	100	499	330	1,477	0	0	71,022
1974	1,568	529	92	476	401	1,497	0	0	70,832
1975	1,585	718	102	632	400	579	1	1	70,518
1976	1,636	551	109	580	419	1,605	0	6	70,284

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1977	1,569	641	101	551	462	1,539	0	7	69,987
1978	1,326	746	75	533	360	1,546	4	4	69,701
1979	1,334	939	80	537	391	1,570	3	3	69,565
1980	1,207	556	72	574	441	1,648	4	4	68,732
1981	1,188	634	76	626	434	1,598	3	5	67,967
1982	1,218	809	92	583	469	1,646	4	8	67,384
1983	1,152	516	98	509	314	1,612	4	9	66,707
1984	1,095	790	87	469	411	1,715	2	7	66,077
1985	998	528	91	498	530	1,643	4	6	64,988
1986	920	452	84	530	422	1,691	5	4	63,798
1987	849	495	90	529	391	1,703	1	6	62,615
1988	699	490	79	494	398	1,643	0	6	61,356
1989	726	461	99	503	477	1,699	0	2	59,971



# Grand Lodge of Virginia

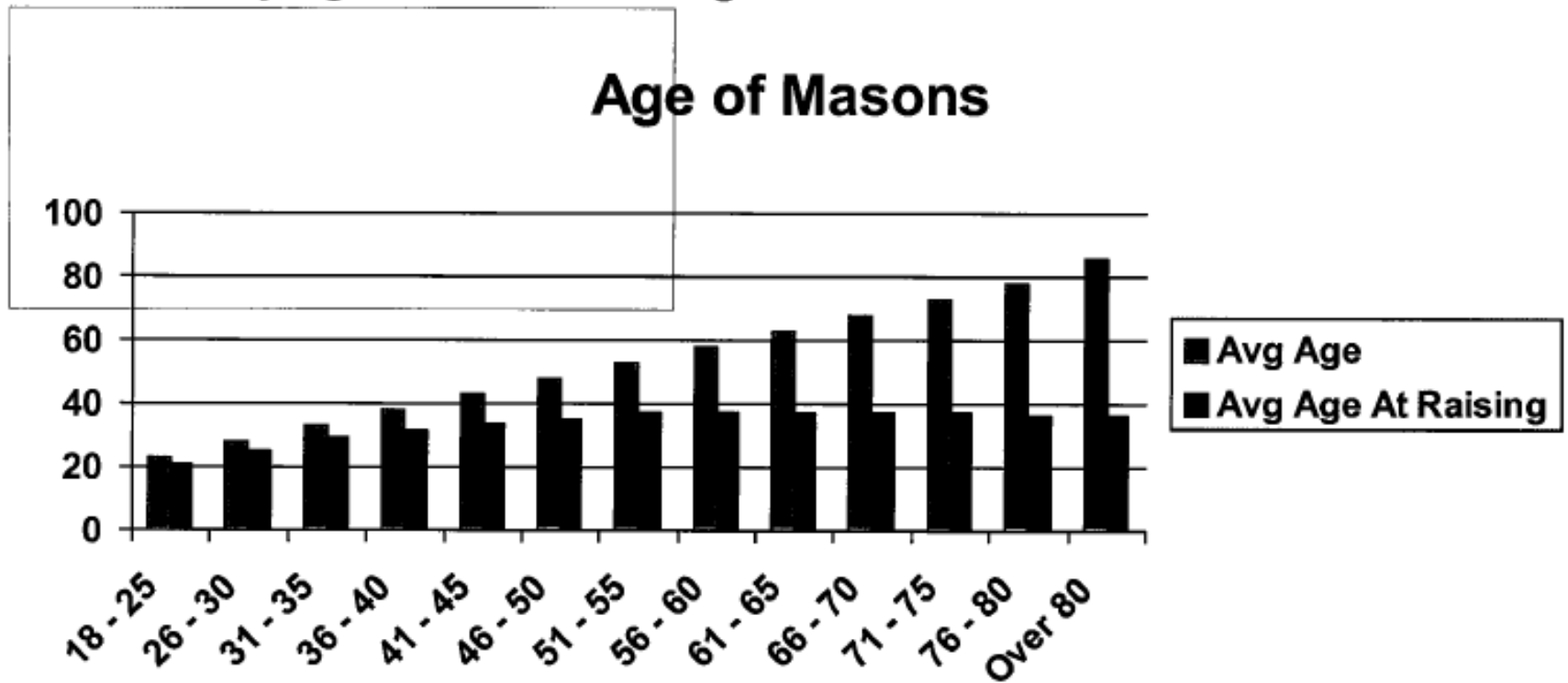
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## Summary of membership by type:

Regular (dues paying)	29,697
LMIP (life members)	5,760
Veterans (50, 60, 70 year)	4,764
Total	40,221

# Grand Lodge AF & AM of Virginia

## Distribution By Age of Masons in Virginia



Age Range:	Avg Age:	Count	Pct of Count	Avg Age At Raising:
18 - 25	22.88	412	1.15%	21
26 - 30	28.16	708	1.97%	25
31 - 35	33.16	1088	3.03%	29
36 - 40	38.11	1538	4.29%	32
41 - 45	43.08	1813	5.05%	34
46 - 50	48.04	2184	6.09%	35
51 - 55	53.12	2735	7.62%	37
56 - 60	58.11	3444	9.60%	37
61 - 65	62.97	4179	11.65%	37
66 - 70	67.93	4328	12.06%	37
71 - 75	72.96	3901	10.87%	37
76 - 80	78.00	3950	11.01%	36
Over 80	86.01	5601	15.61%	37
	53.27	35881		33.39

Memberships on File 40169

Individual Members 37114

Veteran Members: 4764

Members w/o Birthdate 1211

Members with invalid Birthdate 1233

