



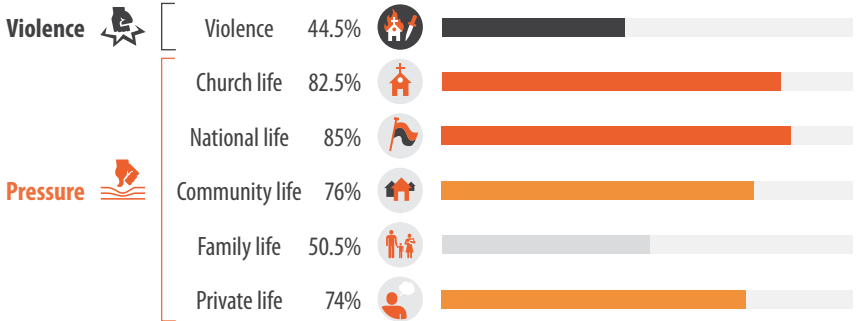
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Vietnam

Source of Persecution Communist and Post-communist Oppression
Population 95,415,000
Christians 8,368,000
Main Religion Buddhism
Government Communist State
Leader President Trần Đại Quang

Profile of Persecution

Based on World Watch List 2018 Data



Governmental Paranoia, Ethnic Tensions

The government persecutes the Christian minority. Ethnic group leaders exclude Christians and see them as traitors of their cultural identity. Historically Christian communities generally have more freedom—but, if they become politically active, they are targeted by the authorities and can be arrested.

Converts from folk religion and non-traditional Protestants are persecuted more intensely, especially if they are based in the rural areas of central and northern Vietnam.

Prayer Points

- Pray for proper discipleship of the many ethnic minorities coming to faith in rural areas.
- Pray for family members pressuring their relatives to return to traditional faiths and rituals. Pray they would see Christ through their Christian relatives.
- As the Christian minority grows, the government works hard to monitor churches. Pray for a loosening of restrictions and increased freedom.