

# Counting the Cardinals



United States  
Conference of  
Catholic Bishops

**252** Total number in the  
College of Cardinals

**135** Total number of  
cardinal electors

**117** Total number  
of non-electors

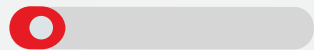
Living Cardinals according to  
the pontificate of their creation:

**St. John Paul II**

36 Non-electors



5 electors

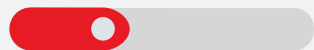


**Benedict XVI**

40 Non-electors



22 electors



**Francis**

41 Non-electors



108 electors



Countries that the  
cardinal electors represent **72**



**USA 10  
cardinal  
electors**



**Italy 16  
cardinal  
electors**

Number of countries  
with one cardinal elector **55**

The continents of Asia and Europe  
both have **18** countries represented  
in the conclave, Africa will have **17**.

Countries that the College  
of Cardinals represents **95**

The oldest member of the college of  
cardinals is Cardinal Angelo Acerbi  
who will turn **100** on Sept. 23rd.

The youngest member of the college of  
cardinals is Cardinal Mykola Bychok,  
C.S.s.R., Eparchial Bishop of Saints Peter  
and Paul of Melbourne of the Ukrainians  
who was born in **Feb. 1980**.