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Number of US workers continues to drop in 2024

The crisis year of 2023 saw the largest ever drop in the number of workers in the US, bringing the total number to 420, comparable with a century earlier when there were 442 workers in 1924. (You can see last year's data [here](#).)

I have again compiled all of the US workers lists for 2024-2025 and used this information to determine that there has been another significant drop in the total number of US workers. There are now just **395 active workers in the US**. This is an **overall drop of 25 workers** compared to 2023-2024. Because some state lists did not include information about inactive or overseas workers, it is difficult to calculate those numbers. (Note that workers who move to inactive status or move to an overseas field count as a "loss" to the number of active US workers. Likewise, when a worker returns to active status or to a US field from overseas, that counts as a "gain".) There are 28 workers who were active in 2023-2024 and are no longer on a list in any form. It is reasonable to assume that some who are newly "resting" this year will not return to active status and may not appear on a list in the future.

There are **13 new workers** this year, including 3 in California/Arizona, 4 in Illinois/Wisconsin, 1 in Kentucky/Tennessee, 1 in Minnesota/Iowa, 1 in Oregon, and 3 in Texas/New Mexico. In 2023, there were only 4 new workers overall.

This is the **fewest number of workers in the US since 1922** and is just **50% of the peak of 790 workers in 1980**. Overall, the church continues to decline at a rate comparable to the rate at which it grew a century ago. Again, while I did not compile data for Canada, or any other country, it is reasonable to assume that rates are similar in those countries.

Original data to 2022 compiled by Tim Jones.

Edited to include these statistics, first posted in the comments:



