

ficant gains made by Catholic and Protestant missionary activity (see Table 9:1).

Table 9:1
Religious Sects in Natufa by Household, 1974

Religion or Sect	Number of Households	% Households
Muslims	114	38.4
Orthodox	99	33.9
Catholic	67	22.9
Protestant	9	3.1
Total Christian	175	60.9
Not Known	16	4.3

Source: Author's Household Survey of Natufa, NHS, 1974:9
(N=305 households)

Another significant distinction is one, not reflected in the census data, between the resident population and the migrant population. Natufa municipal records for 1980 indicate a total estimate of 5,000 population divided into:²

3,750 residents (Muqimeen)	75%
1,500 refugees (Naziheen)	15%
250 emigrants (Mughtaribeen)	10%

Since the distinction between a 'resident' and an 'emigrant' is established rather subjectively in the municipal tax records, and the former category includes a substantial number of the population who are "temporarily" abroad (e.g. college students), the actual number of village permanent residents (first two categories) are considerably less -- as I