

PERSONAL NAME 7**RDA elements**

RDA REF	RDA ELEMENT	DATA RECORDED
9.2.2	Preferred name for the person +	Benedict XVI
9.2.3	Variant name for the person	Ratzinger, Joseph
9.2.3	Variant name for the person	Ratzinger, Josephus
9.2.3	Variant name for the person	Benedictus XVI
9.2.3	Variant name for the person	Benedikt XVI
9.2.3	Variant name for the person	Benedicto XVI
9.2.3	Variant name for the person	Benoît XVI
9.2.3	Variant name for the person	Benedetto XVI
9.2.3	Variant name for the person	Bento XVI
9.3.2	Date of birth ++	1927
9.4	Title of the person +	Pope
9.7	Gender	male
9.8	Place of birth	Marktl am Inn, Germany
9.17	Biographical information	Joseph Alois Ratzinger was born on April 16, 1927, in the Bavarian village of Marktl am Inn. German law compelled Ratzinger to join the Hitler Youth when he turned 14; he refused to attend the meetings, however, and set his sights on entering the seminary. Shortly after the war, Joseph and his brother Georg entered Saint Michael Seminary in Traunstein, and they then studied at the Ducal Georgianum of the Ludwig-Maximilian University of Munich. On June 29, 1951, they were ordained into the priesthood. In 1977 he was consecrated as the archbishop of Munich and Freising; later that year Pope Paul VI named him a cardinal. On November 25, 1981, Pope John Paul II appointed him prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. In assuming his new post, Cardinal Ratzinger resigned the Munich archdiocese in early 1982 and became cardinal bishop of Velletri-Segni in 1993. In 1998 he became vice-dean of the College of Cardinals and in 2002 dean. He was elected by his fellow cardinals on April 19, 2005, as the 264th successor to St. Peter, the apostle of Jesus Christ, first bishop of Rome, and

		first pope. The new pope took the name Benedict XVI
9.18	Identifier for the person	Library of Congress control number: n79106175
32.1	Related corporate body ¹	Catholic Church. Pope (2005- : Benedict XVI)
32.1	Related corporate body ²	Library of Congress control number: n2005028574
8.10	Status of identification	fully established
8.12	Source consulted	Die Geschichtstheologie des heiligen Bonaventura, 1959: title page (Dr. Joseph Ratzinger)
8.12	Source consulted	Faith, philosophy, and theology, ©1985: title page (Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger) introduction (Cardinal Ratzinger)
8.12	Source consulted	Vatican WWW site, April 20, 2005 (habemus Papam ... Josephum ... Cardinalem Ratzinger, qui sibi nomen imposuit Benedictum XVI; Benedikt XVI; Benedict XVI; Benedicto XVI; Benoît XVI; Benedetto XVI; Bento XVI)
8.12	Source consulted	Encyclopædia Britannica online, June 4, 2008 (Benedict XVI, Pope; Joseph Alois Ratzinger, born April 16, 1927; Joseph Ratzinger was elected by his fellow cardinals on April 19, 2005 and took the name Benedict XVI)

¹ Related corporate body recorded using an authorized access point

² Related corporate body recorded using an identifier