

Section 9: Table 4.1. Long-term review

Top international meeting countries in 1858-2007

This table lists the number of meetings of type A for the years 1858 to 2007 for countries with a total of at least 100 meetings of type A over the course of these 150 years.

Meetings counted under the heading “A” are “Meetings of international organizations” and meet all the following criteria:

- meetings organized or sponsored by “international organizations”, i.e. international non-governmental organizations (INGOs) and intergovernmental organizations (IGOs) that are included in the UIA’s *Yearbook of International Organizations* (see the Introduction “What is an ‘international organization’”) and whose details are subject to systematic collection and updates on an annual basis by the UIA
- with at least 50 participants, or number of participants unknown.

Note: For this table the editors have chosen to group defunct countries under their current names in cases where exactly the same territory is covered. In practical terms for this edition, this affects only Germany.

Countries are listed in alphabetical order. Meetings are totalled in 25 year periods.

Caveat: When comparing consecutive years in flux, it should be remembered that both years’ totals can be expected to change over time, the latest slightly more rapidly than the older. For the years presented here, the data can be assumed to be now reasonably stable.

Data for the years prior to 1983 require special mention. The UIA meetings database – the source of this statistics report and of the *International Congress Calendar* – contains, with few exceptions, only information since 1983, the year in which the UIA installed its own computerized data storage system. Most data in this report for the years prior to 1983 were collected not by the rigorous collection methods under which the *International Congress Calendar* operates, but by the more flexible (insofar as recording meeting activity is concerned) standards of the *Yearbook of International Organizations*. The *Yearbook* presents a general picture of an organization and its activities (including its events) while the *Calendar* focuses exclusively on documenting events. It should therefore not be assumed that the data for the years prior to 1983, in most cases extracted from the *Yearbook* and not from the *Calendar*, give a complete history of the meetings of all organizations and associations. The volume of data available for analysis in this section is, however, sufficient to make it indicative.

Country	Total meetings of type A					
	1858-1882	1883-1907	1908-1932	1933-1957	1958-1982	1983-2007
Algeria	0	1	1	5	48	215
Argentina	0	0	6	18	203	1673
Australia	0	0	3	12	339	5199
Austria	5	22	35	78	778	6383
Bahamas	0	0	0	0	23	162
Bahrain	0	0	0	0	6	155
Bangladesh	0	0	0	0	9	262
Barbados	0	0	0	0	28	269
Belgium	10	66	92	172	839	8629
Benin	0	0	0	0	9	160
Bolivia	0	0	0	2	19	254
Botswana	0	0	0	0	4	156
Brazil	0	1	1	41	272	2762
Brunei Darussalam	0	0	0	0	0	146
Bulgaria	0	0	0	1	149	696
Burkina Faso	0	0	0	0	7	247
Cambodia	0	0	0	0	1	123
Cameroon	0	0	0	0	26	268
Canada	0	0	9	39	648	6093
Chile	0	0	1	19	78	1104
China	0	0	0	0	5	2736
Colombia	0	0	0	5	106	768
Congo Brazzaville	0	0	0	0	6	111
Congo DR	0	0	0	1	25	86
Costa Rica	0	0	0	2	52	591
Côte d'Ivoire	0	0	0	0	45	339
Croatia	0	0	0	0	0	672
Cuba	0	1	2	15	32	746
Curaçao	0	0	0	0	8	98
Cyprus	0	0	0	0	21	510
Czech Rep	0	0	0	0	0	1932
Czechoslovakia	0	0	15	21	213	596
Denmark	1	6	20	79	469	3904
Dominican Rep	0	0	0	1	42	363
Ecuador	0	0	0	2	56	512
Egypt	0	0	1	10	82	1350
El Salvador	0	0	0	2	19	132
Estonia	0	0	0	4	0	418
Ethiopia	0	0	0	0	30	445
Fiji	0	0	0	2	22	250
Finland	0	0	4	27	334	4025
France	21	105	113	334	1770	17561
Gabon	0	0	0	0	16	115

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Gambia	0	0	0	0	4	124
Germany	9	47	58	179	1763	12503
Ghana	0	0	0	1	41	391
Greece	0	3	1	11	265	2943
Guatemala	0	0	1	4	30	313
Guyana	0	0	0	0	20	108
Honduras	0	0	0	2	10	109
Hong Kong	0	0	0	0	79	1268
Hungary	1	10	19	14	231	2938
Iceland	0	0	0	0	38	649
India	0	0	0	26	257	2627
Indonesia	0	0	2	2	109	1223
Iran Islamic Rep	0	0	0	1	47	233
Iraq	0	0	0	1	36	73
Ireland	0	0	2	10	199	1641
Israel	0	0	0	10	250	1342
Italy	11	36	56	236	1234	10661
Jamaica	0	0	0	0	61	389
Japan	0	0	3	9	586	4969
Jordan	0	0	0	1	11	363
Kenya	0	0	0	2	101	972
Korea Rep	0	0	0	0	99	2298
Kuwait	0	0	0	0	14	118
Latvia	0	0	1	2	0	352
Lebanon	0	0	0	0	25	285
Libyan AJ	0	0	0	1	22	123
Lithuania	0	0	0	2	0	373
Luxembourg	1	0	5	26	83	865
Malawi	0	0	0	0	7	101
Malaysia	0	0	1	0	111	1799
Mali	0	0	0	0	7	147
Malta	0	0	1	0	34	553
Mauritius	0	0	0	0	10	212
Mexico	0	3	1	35	366	2291
Monaco	0	1	1	7	85	394
Morocco	0	0	0	3	74	818
Mozambique	0	0	0	0	4	112
Namibia	0	0	0	0	0	113
Nepal	0	0	0	1	9	269
Netherlands	3	19	71	160	846	7909
New Caledonia	0	0	0	1	10	120
New Zealand	0	0	1	6	91	968
Nicaragua	0	0	0	0	13	109
Niger	0	0	0	0	11	109
Nigeria	0	0	0	2	81	446
Norway	0	4	10	37	276	2853
Pakistan	0	0	0	4	25	360
Panama	0	1	0	1	60	350
Paraguay	0	0	0	0	19	167
Peru	0	0	0	15	96	672
Philippines	0	0	0	7	260	1432
Poland	0	0	14	14	243	2399
Portugal	1	3	2	31	184	3195
Puerto Rico	0	0	1	2	63	348
Qatar	0	0	0	0	5	114
Romania	0	0	5	12	95	694
Russia	3	6	2	0	0	1767
Samoa	0	0	0	0	8	100
Saudi Arabia	0	0	1	0	36	168
Senegal	0	0	0	0	65	543
Serbia-Montenegro	0	0	0	0	0	121
Singapore	0	0	0	0	114	2503
Slovakia	0	0	0	0	0	574
Slovenia	0	0	0	0	0	804
South Africa	0	0	1	1	66	2069
Spain	1	4	29	78	697	7996
Sri Lanka	0	0	0	5	50	360
Sudan	0	0	0	0	18	119
Sweden	2	7	32	94	594	4344
Switzerland	10	42	63	206	1005	8133
Syrian AR	0	0	0	2	26	211
Taiwan	0	0	0	0	53	885
Tanzania UR	0	0	0	0	21	344
Thailand	0	0	0	4	144	2374
Togo	0	0	0	0	26	157
Trinidad-Tobago	0	0	0	0	31	361
Tunisia	0	0	1	1	75	696
Turkey	0	0	1	21	110	1748
Uganda	0	0	0	0	7	291
UK	11	44	101	252	1645	12811
Ukraine	0	0	0	0	0	326
United Arab Emirates	0	0	0	0	9	394

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Uruguay	0	0	0	10	31	534
USA	3	24	66	181	2175	25579
USSR	0	0	2	5	253	487
Venezuela	0	0	0	6	167	667
Vietnam	0	0	0	1	1	381
Yugoslavia	0	0	0	32	288	137
Yugoslavia (SFRY)	0	0	0	0	5	290
Zambia	0	0	0	0	26	185
Zimbabwe	0	0	0	0	9	491