

Figure 7.3.
Languages most commonly used by international organizations
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The data in this figure are extracted from Figure 7.2.

This figure lists languages in descending order of the number of international organizations (both intergovernmental and non-governmental) of Types A to D whose descriptions in Volume 1 of this Yearbook series specify the use, whether officially or informally, of those languages.

See 1.3. "Types of organization" for more information on organization types.

In addition, totals are given at the end of each row by cluster. The organization types allocated to each cluster are as follows:

- Cluster I (International organizations): Types A B C D F
- Cluster II (Dependent organizations): Types E K R
- Cluster III (Organizational substitutes): Types S T
- Cluster IV (National organizations): Types G N
- Cluster V (Dead, inactive and unconfirmed bodies): Types H J U

Language	CLUSTER					TOTAL A-U	Language	CLUSTER					TOTAL A-U		
	A-D	I	II	III	IV			V	A-D	I	II	III		IV	V
English	5824	8324	2260	11	611	2047	13253	Indonesian	5	8	10	0	4	3	25
French +	2086	3127	1061	2	211	1181	5582	Ukrainian	5	10	6	0	0	2	18
Spanish +	1110	1726	522	0	128	520	2896	Cantonese +	4	4	1	0	1	1	7
German +	927	1249	321	2	100	393	2065	Flemish	4	6	1	0	0	0	7
Portuguese +	365	561	169	0	31	133	894	Vietnamese	4	8	3	0	2	5	18
Italian +	270	434	167	0	37	108	746	Yiddish	4	4	0	0	1	5	10
Arabic +	244	387	179	0	33	142	741	Bahasa Malaysia + 3	5	4	0	0	1	0	10
Russian	222	366	162	0	31	94	653	Creole +	3	5	4	0	3	5	17
Swedish	154	215	77	0	7	152	451	Malay	3	5	0	0	0	0	5
Dutch +	139	226	88	1	51	82	448	Serbian +	3	7	9	0	3	1	20
Danish	136	191	63	0	3	121	378	Urdu +	3	7	3	0	4	2	16
Norwegian	127	164	43	0	1	112	320	Armenian	2	5	3	0	3	0	11
Chinese +	77	154	91	0	22	34	301	Basque	2	3	3	0	0	0	6
Icelandic	64	87	19	0	1	56	163	Belorussian +	2	2	0	0	0	1	3
Japanese	55	80	28	1	15	16	140	Castilian	2	2	1	0	0	0	3
Finnish	49	82	41	0	4	52	179	Galician	2	3	1	0	1	0	5
Faeroese	43	57	10	0	1	37	105	Gujarati +	2	3	0	0	0	0	3
Polish	33	64	45	0	6	13	128	Mongolian	2	2	0	0	1	2	5
Greek +	29	64	38	0	7	20	129	Occitan +	2	2	1	0	0	0	3
Hebrew	21	35	9	0	8	11	63	Sanskrit +	2	3	0	0	0	0	3
Esperanto	20	35	15	0	3	21	74	Welsh	2	3	0	0	0	0	3
Czech	19	45	32	0	3	10	90	Amharic	1	2	2	0	0	0	4
Korean	19	33	8	0	9	1	51	Bosnian	1	3	5	0	1	0	9
Celtic +	14	30	22	0	1	7	60	Brazilian	1	1	0	0	0	1	2
Hungarian	14	39	34	0	5	12	90	Breton	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
Serbo-Croatian +	14	30	30	0	5	3	68	Burmese	1	2	2	0	0	0	4
Slovakian	14	34	28	0	3	8	73	Cornish	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
Turkish	13	27	5	0	8	4	44	Filipino	1	5	4	0	1	1	11
Hindi +	11	28	16	0	12	7	63	Frisian	1	2	0	0	0	0	2
Romanian +	10	24	16	0	3	10	53	Gaelic	1	2	0	0	0	0	2
Slovene	10	30	31	0	0	5	66	Guarani	1	1	1	0	0	0	2
Estonian	9	28	25	0	1	5	59	Kiswahili	1	2	1	0	3	1	7
Lithuanian	9	27	23	0	1	5	56	Kyrgyz	1	2	0	0	0	1	3
Mandarin Chinese + 9	17	2	0	0	1	3	23	Macedonian	1	4	3	0	1	0	8
Afrikaans	8	11	1	0	0	0	12	Malayalam	1	4	1	0	0	0	5
Irish	8	21	22	0	0	5	48	Manx	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
Bahasa Indonesia + 7	16	12	0	0	4	3	35	Nepalese	1	5	4	0	0	0	9
Bulgarian	7	18	16	0	1	7	42	North Sámi	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
Catalan +	7	14	5	0	3	2	24	Papiamentu	1	2	0	0	0	1	3
Croatian +	7	16	12	0	1	0	29	Punjabi +	1	2	2	0	1	0	5
Latvian	7	27	23	0	2	5	57	Swahili +	1	11	2	0	5	6	24
Persian	7	14	4	0	5	4	27	Tagalog +	1	7	9	0	1	2	19
Latin	6	7	5	0	0	3	15	Tibetan +	1	2	1	0	0	0	3
Maltese	6	21	22	0	0	4	47	Uzbek	1	2	1	0	1	0	4
Tai +	6	16	8	0	2	1	27	Wolof +	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
Thai +	6	16	6	0	1	1	24								