

Figure 2.9.
Historical overview of number of international organizations by type
1909-2017

Presented in this table is the number of international organizations listed in past editions of the *Yearbook of International Organizations* and its precursors – notably the *Annuaire de la Vie Internationale*.

The organizations are totalled by type (see 1.3. “Types of organization”) and by whether they are intergovernmental or not.

To understand the policies governing the inclusion of types, and definitions of these types over time, see 1.4. “Continuity”.

This table suggests answers to the question “How many international organizations were there?” The comments given in Figure 2.1. are also applicable here.

Year/Edition		TYPES OF ORGANIZATION																TOTAL		
		A	B	C	D	ABCD	E	F	G	EFG	H	J	K	M	N	R	S		T	U
1909 ed. 0	IGO	-	-	-	-	37	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37
	NGO	-	-	-	-	176	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	176
	Total	0	0	0	0	213	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	213
1951 ed. 4	IGO	-	-	-	-	123	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	123
	NGO	-	-	-	-	832	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	832
	Total	0	0	0	0	955	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	955
1954 ed. 5	IGO	-	-	-	-	118	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	118
	NGO	-	-	-	-	997	-	-	-	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1008
	Total	0	0	0	0	1115	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1126
1956 ed. 6	IGO	-	-	-	-	132	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	132
	NGO	-	-	-	-	973	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	985
	Total	0	0	0	0	1105	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1117
1958 ed. 7	IGO	-	-	-	-	149	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	149
	NGO	-	-	-	-	1060	-	-	-	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1073
	Total	0	0	0	0	1209	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1222
1960 ed. 8	IGO	-	-	-	-	154	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	154
	NGO	-	-	-	-	1255	-	-	-	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1268
	Total	0	0	0	0	1409	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1422
1962 ed. 9	IGO	-	-	-	-	163	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	163
	NGO	-	-	-	-	1324	-	-	-	228	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1552
	Total	0	0	0	0	1487	0	0	0	228	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1715
1964 ed. 10	IGO	-	-	-	-	179	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	179
	NGO	-	-	-	-	1470	-	-	-	248	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1718
	Total	0	0	0	0	1649	0	0	0	248	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1897
1966 ed. 11	IGO	-	-	-	-	199	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	199
	NGO	-	-	-	-	1675	-	-	-	1155	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2830
	Total	0	0	0	0	1874	0	0	0	1155	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3029
1968 ed. 12	IGO	-	-	-	-	229	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	229
	NGO	-	-	-	-	1899	-	-	-	678	741	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3318
	Total	0	0	0	0	2128	0	0	0	678	741	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3547
1970 ed. 13	IGO	-	-	-	-	242	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	242
	NGO	-	-	-	-	1993	-	-	-	1386	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3379
	Total	0	0	0	0	2235	0	0	0	1386	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3621
1972 ed. 14	IGO	-	-	-	-	280	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	280
	NGO	-	-	-	-	2173	283	-	339	622	938	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3733
	Total	0	0	0	0	2453	283	0	339	622	938	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4013
1976 ed. 16	IGO	-	-	-	-	252	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	252
	NGO	-	-	-	-	2502	-	2653	-	2653	1067	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6222
	Total	0	0	0	0	2754	0	2653	0	2653	1067	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6474
1977 ed. 17	IGO	-	-	-	-	252	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	252
	NGO	-	-	-	-	2502	-	-	-	-	1067	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3569
	Total	0	0	0	0	2754	0	0	0	0	1067	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3821
1978 ed. 18	IGO	-	-	-	-	289	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	289
	NGO	-	-	-	-	2420	-	5927	-	5927	1174	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9521
	Total	0	0	0	0	2709	0	5927	0	5927	1174	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9810
1981 ed. 19	IGO	1	31	50	255	337	384	278	40	702	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1039
	NGO	43	370	859	2991	4263	1010	680	3443	5133	1393	539	-	-	-	-	-	-	1904	13232
	Total	44	401	909	3246	4600	1394	958	3483	5835	1393	539	0	0	0	0	0	0	1904	14271
1983 ed. 20	IGO	1	29	50	280	360	624	422	59	1105	174	-	-	-	0	-	910	-	-	2549
	NGO	45	394	838	3502	4779	1119	1111	4514	6744	1503	-	-	-	607	-	0	-	-	13633
	Total	46	423	888	3782	5139	1743	1533	4573	7849	1677	872	515	0	607	0	910	2010	-	19579
1984 ed. 21	IGO	1	30	51	283	365	643	450	72	1165	191	105	-	34	-	0	-	910	72	2842
	NGO	43	397	792	3383	4615	1285	1209	5577	8071	1549	925	-	888	-	605	-	0	2961	19614
	Total	44	427	843	3666	4980	1928	1659	5649	9236	1740	1030	0	922	0	605	0	910	3033	22456
1985 ed. 22	IGO	1	30	51	296	378	705	485	64	1254	197	125	-	33	-	0	34	1419	106	3546
	NGO	43	397	796	3440	4676	1532	958	6602	9092	1528	1175	-	0	-	599	344	0	3220	20634
	Total	44	427	847	3736	5054	2237	1443	6666	10346	1725	1300	0	33	0	599	378	1419	3326	24180

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		A	B	C	D	ABCD	E	F	G	EFG	H	J	K	M	N	R	S	T		U
2010	IGO	1	35	35	170	241	817	709	131	1657	765	53	376	-	0	0	136	2393	1923	7544
ed. 47	NGO	36	480	1134	6102	7752	2773	4334	6825	13932	4820	249	1114	-	3289	907	600	0	23190	55853
	Total	37	515	1169	6272	7993	3590	5043	6956	15589	5585	302	1490	0	3289	907	736	2393	25113	63397
2011	IGO	1	36	35	181	253	851	685	135	1671	781	57	369	-	1	0	137	2396	1943	7608
ed. 48	NGO	38	490	1214	6456	8198	2927	4432	7514	14873	4660	380	1122	-	2924	905	603	0	23169	56834
	Total	39	526	1249	6637	8451	3778	5117	7649	16544	5441	437	1491	0	2925	905	740	2396	25112	64442
2012	IGO	1	36	34	191	262	879	707	145	1731	780	60	367	-	1	0	137	2399	1942	7679
ed.49	NGO	38	495	1264	6585	8382	3033	4566	7770	15369	4669	603	1095	-	3057	907	609	0	23030	57721
	Total	39	531	1298	6776	8644	3912	5273	7915	17100	5449	663	1462	0	3058	907	746	2399	24972	65400
2013	IGO	1	37	35	192	265	894	715	147	1756	779	63	363	-	2	0	137	2403	1942	7710
ed.50	NGO	38	508	1345	6686	8577	3075	4657	8001	15733	4739	719	1089	-	3078	906	615	0	23132	58588
	Total	39	545	1380	6878	8842	3969	5372	8148	17489	5518	782	1452	0	3080	906	752	2403	25074	66298
2014	IGO	1	37	35	193	266	914	710	149	1773	801	61	356	-	2	0	138	2406	1953	7756
ed.51	NGO	37	523	1454	6612	8626	3127	4765	7875	15767	4980	691	999	-	3430	905	660	0	23325	59383
	Total	38	560	1489	6805	8892	4041	5475	8024	17540	5781	752	1355	0	3432	905	798	2406	25278	67139
2015	IGO	1	37	36	199	273	920	713	152	1785	812	61	324	0	1	0	138	2412	1951	7757
ed.52	NGO	38	532	1560	6846	8976	3189	4863	8007	16059	4919	884	936	-	3400	906	673	0	23519	60272
	Total	39	569	1596	7045	9249	4109	5576	8159	17844	5731	945	1260	-	3401	906	811	2412	25470	68029
2016	IGO	1	37	36	201	275	907	705	155	1767	842	62	266	-	1	0	88	2432	1924	7657
ed.53	NGO	38	540	1616	6814	9008	3244	4883	8245	16372	5120	1108	788	-	3375	907	673	0	23568	60919
	Total	39	577	1652	7015	9283	4151	5588	8400	18139	5962	1170	1054	-	3376	907	761	2432	25492	68576
2017	IGO	1	37	35	203	276	901	715	153	1769	859	48	226	-	1	0	88	2446	1945	7658
ed. 54	NGO	38	542	1715	6881	9176	3269	4995	8585	16849	5179	1116	634	-	3329	907	683	0	23809	61682
	Total	39	579	1750	7084	9452	4170	5710	8738	18618	6038	1164	860	-	3330	907	771	2446	25754	69340

