

Section 9: Table 4.2. Long-term review

Top international meeting cities in 1858-2007

This table lists the number of meetings of type A for the years 1858 to 2007 for cities 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: In this table cities, while being listed under the country in which they are currently located, have been grouped and totalled by city, regardless of any changes in country name. Equally, cities with names known by various spellings have been grouped and totalled. For example, Prague is listed as “Prague, Czech Rep”, regardless of the year. Cities so treated are indicated by a “*” after the name.

Cities 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.

City	Total meetings of type A					
	1858-1882	1883-1907	1908-1932	1933-1957	1958-1982	1983-2007
Aachen, Germany *	0	0	0	2	18	146
Aberdeen, UK	0	0	0	0	12	121
Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire	0	0	0	0	40	267
Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates	0	0	0	0	6	100
Abuja, Nigeria	0	0	0	0	0	161
Acapulco, Mexico	0	0	0	0	29	151
Accra, Ghana	0	0	0	1	37	300
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	0	0	0	0	30	434
Adelaide, Australia	0	0	0	0	16	412
Aix-en-Provence, France	0	0	0	2	19	157
Alborg, Denmark	0	0	0	0	8	144
Albuquerque NM, USA	0	0	0	0	5	139
Alexandria, Egypt	0	0	0	1	7	129
Algiers, Algeria	0	1	1	5	43	170
Amman, Jordan	0	0	0	1	11	306
Amsterdam, Netherlands	1	4	25	63	295	2439
Anaheim CA, USA	0	0	0	0	15	206
Ankara, Turkey	0	0	0	1	18	130
Ann Arbor MI, USA	0	0	0	0	22	82
Antalya, Turkey	0	0	1	0	1	213
Antwerp, Belgium	2	9	14	11	69	541
Århus, Denmark	0	0	0	1	29	292
Arlington VA, USA	0	0	0	0	2	102
Arusha, Tanzania UR	0	0	0	0	9	179
Asunción, Paraguay	0	0	0	0	18	149
Athens, Greece	0	3	1	9	197	1355
Atlanta GA, USA	0	0	1	1	40	565
Auckland, New Zealand	0	0	0	2	26	355
Austin TX, USA	0	0	0	1	7	110
Avignon, France	1	0	0	1	13	92
Baghdad, Iraq	0	0	0	1	34	71
Bali, Indonesia	0	0	0	0	16	317
Baltimore MD, USA	0	0	0	0	15	365
Bamako, Mali	0	0	0	0	7	134
Banff, Canada	0	0	0	1	11	153
Bangalore, India	0	0	0	1	18	203
Bangkok, Thailand	0	0	0	3	112	1688
Banjul, Gambia	0	0	0	0	3	111
Barcelona, Spain	0	0	10	19	122	2295
Basel, Switzerland	0	7	0	13	58	314
Bath, UK	0	0	0	1	14	113

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	1858-1882	1883-1907	1908-1932	1933-1957	1958-1982	1983-2007
Beijing, China	0	0	0	0	4	1436
Beirut, Lebanon	0	0	0	0	23	226
Belfast, UK	0	0	0	1	4	142
Belgrade, Serbia *	0	0	0	9	81	252
Bergen, Norway	0	0	0	1	38	426
Berkeley CA, USA	0	0	0	2	16	112
Berlin, Germany *	2	18	30	27	259	2547
Berne, Switzerland *	3	10	12	22	72	304
Biarritz, France	0	1	0	1	7	137
Bilbao, Spain	0	0	0	1	3	120
Birmingham, UK	0	0	1	0	38	440
Bled, Slovenia *	0	0	0	1	11	141
Bologna, Italy	1	0	1	3	34	360
Bonn, Germany *	0	1	0	3	61	486
Bordeaux, France	0	3	2	2	28	326
Boston MA, USA	0	0	2	5	66	625
Boulder CO, USA	0	0	0	0	12	160
Bournemouth, UK	0	0	0	4	6	90
Brasilia, Brazil	0	0	0	0	27	172
Bratislava, Slovakia *	0	0	0	0	15	411
Brazzaville, Congo Brazzaville	0	0	0	0	5	105
Bremen, Germany *	1	3	0	0	10	139
Brighton, UK	0	0	0	3	67	392
Brisbane, Australia	0	0	0	2	13	483
Bristol, UK	0	0	0	1	15	136
Brno, Czech Rep *	0	0	0	0	14	129
Bruges, Belgium	0	0	1	1	32	267
Brussels, Belgium	6	43	66	124	471	5891
Bucharest, Romania	0	0	5	7	75	361
Budapest, Hungary	1	10	18	14	184	2292
Buenos Aires, Argentina	0	0	6	15	146	1175
Busan, Korea Rep	0	0	0	0	1	132
Cairns, Australia	0	0	0	0	0	150
Cairo, Egypt	0	0	0	9	72	1049
Calgary, Canada	0	0	0	0	14	176
Cambridge MA, USA	0	0	0	5	15	173
Cambridge, UK	0	4	7	13	99	526
Canberra, Australia	0	0	0	0	52	282
Cancún, Mexico	0	0	0	0	7	320
Cannes, France	0	0	0	5	66	339
Cape Town, South Africa	0	0	0	0	10	616
Caracas, Venezuela	0	0	0	6	125	427
Cardiff, UK	0	0	0	1	16	185
Cartagena de Indias, Colombia	0	0	0	1	10	302
Casablanca, Morocco	0	0	0	0	16	139
Chennai, India	0	0	0	4	8	180
Chiang Mai, Thailand	0	0	0	0	5	236
Chiba, Japan	0	0	0	0	0	103
Chicago IL, USA	0	2	3	21	61	918
Christchurch, New Zealand	0	0	0	0	18	161
Cincinnati OH, USA	0	0	0	1	9	116
Cleveland OH, USA	0	0	1	5	11	97
Coimbra, Portugal	0	0	0	1	0	112
Cologne, Germany *	2	2	5	7	52	362
Colombo, Sri Lanka	0	0	0	4	38	285
Como, Italy	0	0	0	2	5	96
Copenhagen, Denmark	1	6	19	68	328	2412
Cork, Ireland	0	0	0	0	5	103
Cotonou, Benin	0	0	0	0	9	137
Dakar, Senegal	0	0	0	0	63	508
Dallas TX, USA	0	0	0	1	10	330
Damascus, Syrian AR	0	0	0	2	26	148
Dar es Salaam, Tanzania UR	0	0	0	0	10	101
Davos, Switzerland	0	0	1	3	14	128
Delft, Netherlands	0	0	1	1	15	147
Denver CO, USA	0	0	1	0	16	292
Detroit MI, USA	0	0	1	3	12	94
Dhaka, Bangladesh	0	0	0	0	8	226
Dijon, France	0	0	0	2	20	107
Doha, Qatar	0	0	0	0	4	105
Dresden, Germany *	0	1	5	3	22	300
Dubai, United Arab Emirates	0	0	0	0	1	219
Dublin, Ireland	0	0	2	7	161	1175
Dubna, Russia *	0	0	0	0	1	111
Dubrovnik, Croatia *	0	0	0	6	50	289
Durban, South Africa	0	0	0	0	7	304
Durham, UK	0	0	0	0	5	103
Düsseldorf, Germany *	0	2	1	3	44	250
Edinburgh, UK	0	2	3	12	132	907
Edmonton, Canada	0	0	0	0	12	110
Eindhoven, Netherlands	0	0	0	0	9	93
Espoo, Finland	0	0	0	0	6	316

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Estoril, Portugal	0	0	0	2	19	97
Florence, Italy	2	1	2	18	100	799
Frankfurt-Main, Germany *	1	1	4	8	51	429
Fukuoka, Japan	0	0	0	0	0	132
Gaborone, Botswana	0	0	0	0	3	121
Gdansk, Poland	0	0	2	0	7	132
Geneva, Switzerland	4	12	23	38	236	4321
Genoa, Italy	0	1	0	1	12	211
Ghent, Belgium	0	1	3	4	33	288
Glasgow, UK	0	1	0	2	27	515
Gold Coast, Australia	0	0	0	0	1	136
Gothenburg, Sweden	0	0	3	5	55	535
Granada, Spain	0	0	0	0	9	237
Graz, Austria	0	0	0	0	28	312
Grenoble, France	0	1	1	4	51	236
Groningen, Netherlands	0	0	1	1	16	140
Guadalajara, Mexico	0	0	0	0	9	143
Guatemala City, Guatemala	0	0	1	2	25	203
Halifax, Canada	0	0	0	0	8	136
Hamburg, Germany *	2	3	1	5	183	621
Hannover, Germany *	0	1	0	5	44	236
Hanoi, Vietnam	0	0	0	0	0	254
Harare, Zimbabwe	0	0	0	0	5	400
Havana, Cuba	0	1	2	15	28	636
Heidelberg, Germany *	0	3	1	3	29	326
Helsingor, Denmark	0	0	1	0	19	156
Helsinki, Finland	0	0	3	26	225	1885
Hiroshima, Japan	0	0	0	0	0	105
Hobart, Australia	0	0	0	0	3	127
Hong Kong, Hong Kong	0	0	0	0	79	1266
Honolulu HI, USA	0	0	3	1	45	464
Houston TX, USA	0	0	0	1	33	302
Hyderabad, India	0	0	0	0	2	113
Indianapolis IN, USA	0	0	0	0	1	141
Innsbruck, Austria	0	0	2	4	39	287
Interlaken, Switzerland	0	0	1	3	23	132
Islamabad, Pakistan	0	0	0	0	6	149
Istanbul, Turkey	0	0	0	20	71	1117
Jakarta, Indonesia	0	0	0	0	62	443
Jeju, Korea Rep	0	0	0	0	0	164
Jerusalem, Israel	0	0	0	3	123	705
Johannesburg, South Africa	0	0	0	0	23	345
Kampala, Uganda	0	0	0	0	6	238
Karachi, Pakistan	0	0	0	3	13	97
Kathmandu, Nepal	0	0	0	1	8	232
Khartoum, Sudan	0	0	0	0	18	112
Kiev, Ukraine *	0	0	0	0	6	172
Kingston, Jamaica	0	0	0	0	29	167
Kobe, Japan	0	0	0	0	3	167
Kolkata, India	0	0	0	1	8	93
Krakow, Poland	0	0	4	1	28	450
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia *	0	0	1	1	86	1222
Kyoto, Japan	0	0	1	1	105	584
Lagos, Nigeria	0	0	0	1	50	120
Las Vegas NV, USA	0	0	0	0	23	407
Lausanne, Switzerland	0	1	12	13	133	456
Leeds, UK	0	0	0	0	14	100
Leiden, Netherlands	0	1	5	5	20	217
Leipzig, Germany *	0	1	2	4	16	179
Leuven, Belgium	0	0	0	1	35	323
Libreville, Gabon	0	0	0	0	16	111
Liège, Belgium	2	10	6	17	81	270
Lille, France	1	0	0	3	10	199
Lillehammer, Norway	0	0	0	0	6	95
Lima, Peru	0	0	0	15	84	547
Limassol, Cyprus	0	0	0	0	1	124
Linz, Austria	0	0	0	0	10	110
Lisbon, Portugal	1	3	2	25	113	1761
Liverpool, UK	1	2	0	1	13	128
Ljubljana, Slovenia *	0	0	0	1	20	430
Lomé, Togo	0	0	0	0	26	146
London, UK	7	33	71	154	706	4282
Long Beach CA, USA	0	0	0	1	9	98
Los Angeles CA, USA	0	0	5	3	59	459
Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium	0	0	0	0	13	133
Lucerne, Switzerland	0	2	3	10	52	192
Lugano, Switzerland	0	0	1	4	10	117
Lund, Sweden	0	0	1	1	22	196
Lusaka, Zambia	0	0	0	0	19	139
Luxembourg, Luxembourg	1	0	5	23	76	817
Lyon, France	0	1	4	4	52	682
Maastricht, Netherlands	0	0	0	1	13	888

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Madison WI, USA	0	0	0	1	15	109
Madrid, Spain	1	4	16	42	311	1938
Malaga, Spain	0	0	1	0	10	89
Malmö, Sweden	0	0	0	3	20	188
Manchester, UK	0	0	1	0	27	407
Manila, Philippines	0	0	0	6	224	1062
Maputo, Mozambique	0	0	0	0	4	97
Mar del Plata, Argentina	0	0	0	0	13	101
Marrakech, Morocco	0	0	0	1	4	275
Marseille, France	0	1	1	3	34	316
Melbourne, Australia	0	0	0	5	73	968
Mexico City, Mexico	0	3	1	32	252	826
Miami FL, USA	0	0	0	2	44	562
Milan, Italy	4	7	7	24	92	667
Minneapolis MN, USA	0	0	0	2	24	258
Monaco, Monaco	0	1	1	6	30	143
Monte Carlo, Monaco	0	0	0	1	55	233
Monterey CA, USA	0	0	0	0	3	125
Montevideo, Uruguay	0	0	0	10	20	384
Montpellier, France	0	0	0	1	32	437
Montréal, Canada	0	0	1	10	182	1452
Montroux, Switzerland	0	0	0	6	61	215
Moscow, Russia *	0	2	0	4	153	972
Mumbai, India *	0	0	0	3	26	247
Munich, Germany *	0	2	3	27	283	1219
Nagoya, Japan	0	0	0	0	14	205
Nairobi, Kenya	0	0	0	1	90	823
Nancy, France	0	0	1	2	16	128
Nantes, France	0	0	0	0	6	133
Naples, Italy	0	0	3	8	25	252
Nashville TN, USA	0	0	0	0	3	183
Nassau, Bahamas	0	0	0	0	13	93
New Delhi, India	0	0	0	12	137	1102
New Orleans LA, USA	0	0	1	4	57	595
New York NY, USA	2	5	12	23	173	2370
Newcastle upon Tyne, UK	0	0	0	1	13	108
Niamey, Niger	0	0	0	0	11	106
Nice, France	0	0	1	4	71	671
Nicosia, Cyprus	0	0	0	0	15	188
Nijmegen, Netherlands	0	0	0	0	10	93
Noordwijk, Netherlands	0	0	0	1	13	354
Noordwijkerhout, Netherlands	0	0	0	0	24	212
Nottingham, UK	0	0	0	0	9	144
Nouméa, New Caledonia	0	0	0	1	7	113
Nuremberg, Germany *	0	1	2	1	18	147
Odense, Denmark	0	0	0	1	6	122
Orlando FL, USA	0	0	0	0	9	795
Osaka, Japan	0	0	0	0	18	277
Oslo, Norway	0	1	7	32	150	1233
Ottawa, Canada	0	0	2	2	88	544
Otzenhausen, Germany *	0	0	0	0	0	109
Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso	0	0	0	0	6	222
Oulu, Finland	0	0	0	0	9	115
Oxford, UK	1	0	10	23	80	485
Padua, Italy	0	0	0	0	14	101
Palermo, Italy	0	0	0	2	9	131
Palm Beach FL, USA	0	0	0	0	4	97
Palma de Mallorca, Spain	0	0	0	2	25	161
Panama, Panama	0	0	0	1	37	282
Paris, France	17	85	99	241	766	7280
Pattaya, Thailand	0	0	0	0	14	114
Penang, Malaysia	0	0	0	0	7	150
Perth, Australia	0	0	0	0	15	334
Philadelphia PA, USA	0	0	4	6	53	391
Phoenix AZ, USA	0	0	0	1	11	204
Pisa, Italy	0	0	0	0	11	135
Pittsburgh PA, USA	0	0	0	1	7	201
Port of Spain, Trinidad-Tobago	0	0	0	0	0	165
Portland OR, USA	0	0	0	0	13	161
Porto Alegre, Brazil	0	0	0	0	4	100
Porto, Portugal	0	0	0	2	10	371
Potsdam, Germany *	0	0	0	0	0	109
Poznan, Poland	0	0	1	0	9	144
Prague, Czech Rep *	0	1	13	19	134	1893
Pretoria, South Africa	0	0	1	0	5	195
Punta del Este, Uruguay	0	0	0	0	8	96
Québec, Canada	0	0	1	2	35	393
Quito, Ecuador	0	0	0	2	48	347
Rabat, Morocco	0	0	0	1	33	212
Reading, UK	0	0	0	0	12	107
Reno NV, USA	0	0	0	0	3	105
Reykjavik, Iceland	0	0	0	0	31	484

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Rhode St Genese, Belgium	0	0	0	0	0	100
Rhodes, Greece	0	0	0	0	11	173
Riga, Latvia *	0	0	1	1	3	295
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	0	1	1	23	123	883
Rome, Italy	0	20	34	111	363	2568
Rotterdam, Netherlands	0	1	0	1	62	428
Salamanca, Spain	0	0	0	1	8	101
Salt Lake City UT, USA	0	0	0	0	9	166
Salvador da Bahia, Brazil	0	0	0	0	1	142
Salzburg, Austria	0	0	0	6	66	458
San Antonio TX, USA	0	0	0	0	4	303
San Diego CA, USA	0	0	0	1	39	771
San Francisco CA, USA	0	0	4	6	133	937
San Jose CA, USA	0	0	0	0	2	138
San José, Costa Rica	0	0	0	0	43	468
San Juan, Puerto Rico	0	0	1	1	44	222
San Salvador, El Salvador	0	0	0	1	17	111
Santa Cruz, Bolivia	0	0	0	0	5	110
Santafé de Bogota, Colombia	0	0	0	4	70	265
Santiago de Compostela, Spain	0	0	0	0	8	120
Santiago, Chile	0	0	1	16	54	758
Santo Domingo, Dominican Rep	0	0	0	1	32	257
São Paulo, Brazil	0	0	0	14	73	522
Sapporo, Japan	0	0	0	0	12	105
Saragossa, Spain	0	0	0	1	7	112
Scottsdale AZ, USA	0	0	0	0	1	123
Seattle WA, USA	0	0	0	0	25	421
Sendai, Japan	0	0	0	0	6	107
Seoul, Korea Rep	0	0	0	0	91	1642
Seville, Spain	0	0	1	1	22	458
Shanghai, China	0	0	0	0	1	418
Sheffield, UK	0	0	0	2	11	99
Siena, Italy	0	0	0	3	8	108
Singapore, Singapore	0	0	0	0	114	2503
Sofia, Bulgaria	0	0	0	1	52	384
Sorrento, Italy	0	0	0	2	10	107
Southampton, UK	0	0	0	0	8	101
St Andreasberg Germany *	0	0	0	0	0	133
St Louis MO, USA	0	5	1	4	24	214
St Petersburg, Russia *	3	4	3	0	28	576
Stavanger, Norway	0	0	0	0	4	166
Stockholm, Sweden	2	7	28	69	329	1994
Strasbourg, France	0	0	0	8	109	2474
Stuttgart, Germany *	0	3	0	14	26	263
Suva, Fiji	0	0	0	0	15	118
Sydney, Australia	0	0	1	2	118	1500
Taipei, Taiwan	0	0	0	0	46	680
Tallinn, Estonia *	0	0	0	1	4	285
Tampa FL, USA	0	0	0	0	7	125
Tampere, Finland	0	0	0	0	13	337
Taormina, Italy	0	0	0	0	6	96
Teheran, Iran Islamic Rep	0	0	0	1	43	177
Tel Aviv, Israel	0	0	0	4	64	244
The Hague, Netherlands	2	11	37	52	179	1121
Thessaloniki, Greece	0	0	0	0	24	314
Tokyo, Japan	0	0	2	8	372	1720
Toronto, Canada	0	0	3	13	127	1024
Toulouse, France	0	1	0	1	32	370
Tours, France	0	0	0	3	15	91
Trier, Germany *	0	0	0	0	5	238
Trieste, Italy	0	0	0	1	17	691
Tripoli, Libyan AJ	0	0	0	1	19	101
Tromso, Norway	0	0	0	0	9	153
Trondheim, Norway	0	0	0	1	15	265
Tsukuba, Japan	0	0	0	0	3	129
Tucson AZ, USA	0	0	0	0	11	139
Tunis, Tunisia	0	0	0	1	53	462
Turin, Italy	2	3	4	4	49	373
Turku, Finland	0	0	0	0	25	317
Uppsala, Sweden	0	0	0	8	43	290
Utrecht, Netherlands	0	1	2	8	29	292
Valencia, Spain	0	0	0	4	24	387
Valletta, Malta	0	0	0	0	2	177
Vancouver, Canada	0	0	0	3	62	1025
Varna, Bulgaria	0	0	0	0	74	123
Venice, Italy	1	4	2	17	116	668
Verona, Italy	0	0	0	1	13	120
Versailles, France	0	0	0	2	25	114
Victoria, Canada	0	0	0	0	3	120
Vienna, Austria	5	22	33	56	493	4416
Vilnius, Lithuania *	0	0	0	0	3	272
Wageningen, Netherlands	0	0	0	3	12	188

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Warsaw, Poland	0	0	5	13	137	927
Washington DC, USA	1	7	16	33	277	2416
Wellington, New Zealand	0	0	0	1	19	168
Wiesbaden, Germany *	0	1	0	6	43	93
Wroclaw, Poland	0	0	0	0	5	96
Yaoundé, Cameroon	0	0	0	0	22	197
Yokohama, Japan	0	0	0	0	4	345
York, UK	0	0	0	0	20	169
Zagreb, Croatia *	0	0	0	7	39	270
Zürich, Switzerland	3	7	7	56	148	673