

**Figure 7.1.1. (b) Organizations: language use**  
**Languages used by intergovernmental organizations: 2000**

The description of an organization printed in Volume 1 of this Yearbook series may include details of the languages which that organization uses, whether officially or informally.

This table gives the number of intergovernmental organizations whose descriptions specify the use of a given language. Only those languages mentioned in the description of at least 1 intergovernmental organization are included here. If no language is specified in the organization's description, then that organization is not included in this table.

The organizations are totalled by type, indicated by the letter code at the head of each column. (See the appendix "Types of organization" for more information.)

| Language                   | Types of organization |           |           |            |            |            |          |           |          |           |          |          |          |          |           | Total      |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|------------|
|                            | A                     | B         | C         | D          | E          | F          | G        | H         | J        | K         | N        | R        | S        | T        | U         |            |
| Arabic                     | 1                     | 15        | 8         | 25         | 48         | 27         | 0        | 16        | 0        | 11        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 20        | 171        |
| Bangla                     | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0        | 0         | 0        | 1         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 1          |
| Bulgarian                  | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0        | 1         | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 2         | 3          |
| Chinese                    | 1                     | 13        | 3         | 0          | 22         | 9          | 0        | 2         | 0        | 6         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 7         | 63         |
| Creole                     | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0        | 0         | 0        | 1         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 1          |
| Croatian                   | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 2         | 2          |
| Czech                      | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0        | 1         | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 1          |
| Danish                     | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 8          | 17         | 9          | 0        | 4         | 0        | 2         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 5         | 45         |
| Dutch                      | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 2          | 14         | 11         | 0        | 1         | 0        | 1         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 3         | 32         |
| English                    | 1                     | 35        | 28        | 107        | 255        | 144        | 1        | 67        | 1        | 22        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 64        | 725        |
| Estonian                   | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 1          | 0          | 1          | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 2          |
| Faeroese                   | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 0          | 1          | 0          | 1        | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 2          |
| Finnish                    | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 4          | 12         | 9          | 0        | 2         | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 3         | 30         |
| French                     | 1                     | 34        | 22        | 63         | 200        | 108        | 0        | 61        | 1        | 18        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 51        | 559        |
| German                     | 0                     | 5         | 2         | 12         | 26         | 28         | 0        | 9         | 1        | 5         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 6         | 94         |
| Greek                      | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 0          | 8          | 8          | 0        | 1         | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 2         | 19         |
| Greenlandic                | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 0          | 1          | 0          | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 1          |
| Hindi                      | 0                     | 1         | 0         | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0        | 0         | 0        | 1         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 2          |
| Hungarian                  | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0        | 1         | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 1         | 2          |
| Icelandic                  | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 1          | 2          | 2          | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 5          |
| Indonesian                 | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 0          | 1          | 0          | 0        | 0         | 0        | 1         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 2          |
| Irish                      | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 0          | 0          | 1          | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 1          |
| Italian                    | 0                     | 3         | 2         | 2          | 14         | 15         | 0        | 2         | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 2         | 40         |
| Japanese                   | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 1          | 1          | 0          | 0        | 1         | 0        | 2         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 5          |
| Kiswahili                  | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0        | 0         | 0        | 1         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 1          |
| Latvian                    | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 1          | 0          | 1          | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 2          |
| Lithuanian                 | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 1          | 0          | 1          | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 2          |
| Norwegian                  | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 8          | 11         | 3          | 1        | 3         | 0        | 2         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 4         | 32         |
| Persian                    | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 1          | 0          | 1          | 0        | 1         | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 3          |
| Polish                     | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0        | 1         | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 1          |
| Portuguese                 | 0                     | 3         | 1         | 20         | 34         | 20         | 0        | 10        | 0        | 4         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 8         | 100        |
| Romanian                   | 0                     | 0         | 1         | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 2         | 3          |
| Russian                    | 1                     | 18        | 3         | 9          | 42         | 23         | 0        | 9         | 0        | 7         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 19        | 131        |
| Saami                      | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 0          | 1          | 0          | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 1          |
| Scandinavian/Nordic        | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 7          | 4          | 3          | 0        | 3         | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 2         | 19         |
| Serbo-croatian             | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 2         | 2          |
| Spanish                    | 1                     | 29        | 7         | 26         | 116        | 53         | 0        | 17        | 0        | 12        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 31        | 292        |
| Swahili                    | 0                     | 1         | 0         | 0          | 1          | 0          | 0        | 1         | 0        | 1         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 4          |
| Swedish                    | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 10         | 18         | 9          | 1        | 5         | 0        | 2         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 6         | 51         |
| Turkish                    | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 1          | 0          | 1          | 0        | 0         | 0        | 1         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 3          |
| Urdu                       | 0                     | 0         | 0         | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0        | 0         | 0        | 1         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0         | 1          |
| <b>Total organizations</b> | <b>1</b>              | <b>35</b> | <b>32</b> | <b>147</b> | <b>302</b> | <b>172</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>98</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>29</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>88</b> | <b>908</b> |