

## Figure 0.1. Current overview

### Number of international organizations: 2002

These tables suggest answers to the question "How many international organizations are there?"

To be included in the *Yearbook of International Organizations* an organization must satisfy, or appear to satisfy, some understanding of being "non-profit" and "international" (see Appendix "Types of organization"). However, opinion may vary on what bodies are really eligible, or interesting. Each of five tables below is a different (and exclusive) cluster of international organizations that share similar broad characteristics. Each cluster is itself a grouping of more narrowly defined types of organization. There is also a summary table combining the five clusters.

For further discussion, and numbers of organizations according to a more detailed classification common with previous *Yearbooks*, see Figure 1.1.1.

**Figure 0.1.1. All bodies in Yearbook database**

Description	Yearbook types	Intergovernmental IGO		Nongovernmental NGO		Total	
Cluster I: International organizations	A-D, F	974	14%	10399	21%	11373	20%
Cluster II: Dependent bodies	E, K, R	1438	20%	4620	10%	6058	11%
Cluster III: Organizational substitutes	S, T	2429	34%	576	1%	3005	5%
Cluster IV: National bodies	G, N	105	1%	8981	18%	9086	16%
Cluster V: Dead, inactive and unconfirmed bodies	H, J, U	2269	31%	24895	50%	27164	48%
	all	7215	100%	49471	100%	56686	100%

**Figure 0.1.2. International organizations (Cluster I)**

Description	Yearbook types	Intergovernmental IGO		Nongovernmental NGO		Total	
Conventional international bodies	A-D	238	24%	6584	63%	6822	60%
Unconventional international bodies	F	736	76%	3815	37%	4551	40%
<b>Total organizations</b>		<b>974</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>10399</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>11373</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Figure 0.1.3. Dependent bodies (Cluster II)**

Description	Yearbook types	Intergovernmental IGO		Nongovernmental NGO		Total	
Org's emanating from places, persons, bodies	E	860	60%	2322	49%	3182	52%
Subsidiary and internal bodies	K	578	40%	1395	32%	1973	33%
Religious orders and secular institutes	R	0	0%	903	19%	903	15%
<b>Total organizations</b>		<b>1438</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>4620</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>6058</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Figure 0.1.4. Organizational substitutes (Cluster III)**

Description	Yearbook types	Intergovernmental IGO		Nongovernmental NGO		Total	
Autonomous conference series	S	136	6%	576	100%	712	24%
Multilateral treaties, intergov'tal agreements	T	2293	94%	0	0%	2293	76%
<b>Total organizations</b>		<b>2429</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>576</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>3005</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Figure 0.1.5. National bodies (Cluster IV)**

Description	Yearbook types	Intergovernmental IGO		Nongovernmental NGO		Total	
Internationally oriented national organizations	G	104	99%	5612	62%	5716	63%
National organizations	N	1	1%	3369	38%	3370	37%
<b>Total organizations</b>		<b>105</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>8981</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>9086</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Figure 0.1.6. Inactive, unconfirmed and excluded bodies (Cluster V)**

Description	Yearbook types	Intergovernmental IGO		Nongovernmental NGO		Total	
Dissolved or apparently inactive conventional organizations	H	614	27%	4191	17%	4805	18%
Recently reported bodies - not yet confirmed	J	94	4%	390	2%	484	2%
Currently excluded nonconventional bodies	U	1561	69%	20314	81%	21875	80%
<b>Total organizations</b>		<b>2269</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>24895</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>27164</b>	<b>100%</b>