Figure 0.2.5. (b) Current overview

Location of international organization secretariats, principal and secondary offices: 2002

These tables provide an overview of international organizations, of different types, with any secretariats (principal and/or secondary) in a given continent. The organization types are grouped within clusters* (as introduced in Figure 0.1). The summary is by type and continent, also distinguishing between principal (headquarters, legal seat) and secondary (specialised, regional) offices.

For example, there are 353 organizations classified as conventional international bodies (types A-D) that are headquartered in Africa; there are 386 organizations in Cluster I with secretariats (principal and/or secondary) in the Australasia / Oceania region.

Refer to Figure 0.2.5 (a) for the same data broken down by IGO and NGO, and Figures 0.2.6 and 0.2.7 for breakdowns by primary and secondary secretariats for IGOs and NGOs, respectively. See Figures 2.1.6 to 2.1.11 for more detail on secretariat locations.

For information on organization types in the Yearbook of International Organizations, see Appendix "Types of organization".

International organizations (Cluster I)

		Africa				America			Asia		
Description	Yearbook types	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total	
Conventional international bodies	A-D	353	264	617	1285	574	1859	536	338	874	
Unconventional international bodies	F	285	168	453	1162	311	1473	359	176	535	
tota		638	432	1070	2447	885	3332	895	514	1409	

		Austr	alasia / Ocea	ania	Europe			The World		
Description	Yearbook types	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total
Conventional international bodies	A-D	163	97	260	4391	1328	5719	6728	2601	9329
Unconventional international bodies	F	77	49	126	2498	636	3134	4381	1340	5721
to	al	240	146	386	6889	1964	8853	11109	3941	15050

Dependent bodies (Cluster II)

		Africa				America			Asia	
Description	Yearbook types	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total
Org's emanating from places, persons, bodies	Е	269	197	466	587	217	804	333	214	547
Subsidiary and internal bodies	K	168	23	191	418	84	502	226	31	257
Religious orders and secular institutes	R	2	0	2	50	5	55	23	5	28
total		439	220	659	1055	306	1361	582	250	832

		Australasia / Oceania				Europe			The World	
Description	Yearbook types	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total
Org's emanating from places, persons, bodies	Е	59	32	91	1891	466	2357	3139	1126	4265
Subsidiary and internal bodies	K	55	12	67	1100	187	1287	1967	337	2304
Religious orders and secular institutes	R	3	0	3	701	59	760	779	69	848
total		117	44	161	3692	712	4404	5885	1532	7417

Organizational substitutes (Cluster III)

		Africa				America			Asia	
Description	Yearbook types	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total
Autonomous conference series	S	11	1	12	22	2	24	77	2	79
Multilateral treaties, intergov'tal agreements	Т	8	0	8	37	0	37	7	0	7
total		19	1	20	59	2	61	84	2	86

		Australasia / Oceania				Europe			The World	
Description	Yearbook types	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total
Autonomous conference series	S	12	0	12	254	6	260	376	11	387
Multilateral treaties, intergov'tal agreements	Т	4	1	5	487	2	489	543	3	546
total		16	1	17	741	8	749	919	14	933

National bodies (Cluster IV)

		Africa				America			Asia		
Description	Yearbook types	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total	
Internationally oriented national organizations	G	249	39	288	1982	128	2110	447	38	485	
National organizations	N	64	10	74	1156	57	1213	139	11	150	
total		313	49	362	3138	185	3323	586	49	635	

		Australasia / Oceania				Europe			The World	
Description	Yearbook types	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total
Internationally oriented national organizations	G	196	15	211	2656	218	2874	5530	438	5968
National organizations	N	87	4	91	1172	72	1244	2618	154	2772
total		283	19	302	3828	290	4118	8148	592	8740

Inactive, unconfirmed and excluded bodies (Cluster V)

		Africa				America			Asia	
Description	Yearbook types	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total
Dissolved or apparently inactive conventional organizations	Н	266	32	298	395	39	434	218	16	234
Recently reported bodies - not yet confirmed	J	19	1	20	20	0	20	17	2	19
Currently excluded nonconventional bodies	U	782	50	832	3289	120	3409	1126	50	1176
total		1067	83	1150	3704	159	3863	1361	68	1429

		Australasia / Oceania				Europe			The World	
Description	Yearbook Types	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total
Dissolved or apparently inactive conventional organizations	Н	27	1	28	912	80	992	1818	168	1986
Recently reported bodies - not yet confirmed	J	0	0	0	51	4	55	107	7	114
Currently excluded nonconventional bodies	U	198	10	208	5401	252	5653	10796	482	11278
total		225	11	236	6364	336	6700	12721	657	13378

^{*} The 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