Figure 0.2.5. (b) Current overview

Location of international organization secretariats, principal and secondary offices: 2004

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 387 organizations classified as conventional international bodies (types A-D) that are headquartered in Africa; there are 436 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 2.1.7. 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	387	277	664	1428	601	2029	616	360	976
Unconventional international bodies	F	317	179	496	1218	315	1533	391	173	564
Total		704	456	1160	2646	916	3562	1007	533	1540

		Australasia / Oceania			Australasia / Oceania			Europe			The World		
Description	Yearbook types	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total			
Conventional international bodies	A-D	190	105	295	4745	1433	6178	7366	2776	10142			
Unconventional international bodies	F	92	49	141	2642	629	3271	4660	1345	6005			
Total		282	154	436	7387	2062	9449	12026	4121	16147			

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	294	193	487	680	232	912	370	197	567
Subsidiary and internal bodies	K	182	24	206	404	58	462	233	41	274
Religious orders and secular institutes	R	2	0	2	115	25	140	23	5	28
Total		478	217	695	1199	315	1514	626	243	869

		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	73	25	98	2084	492	2576	3501	1139	4640
Subsidiary and internal bodies	K	52	13	65	1106	227	1333	1977	363	2340
Religious orders and secular institutes	R	3	1	4	691	61	752	834	92	926
Total		128	39	167	3881	780	4661	6312	1594	7906

Organizational substitutes (Cluster III)

		Africa				America			Asia	
Description	Yearbook types	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total
Autonomous conference series	S	11	2	13	74	3	77	74	2	76
Multilateral treaties, intergov'tal agreements	Т	8	0	8	133	1	134	9	0	9
Total		19	2	21	207	4	211	83	2	85

		Australasia / Oceania				Europe			The World	
Description	Yearbook types	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total
Autonomous conference series	S	11	0	11	233	6	239	403	13	416
Multilateral treaties, intergov'tal agreements	Т	4	1	5	593	3	596	747	5	752
Total		15	1	16	826	9	835	1150	18	1168

National bodies (Cluster IV)

		Africa				America			Asia	
Description	Yearbook types	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total
Internationally oriented national organizations	G	295	45	340	2622	165	2787	551	48	599
National organizations	N	71	10	81	1945	89	2034	148	13	161
Total		366	55	421	4567	254	4821	699	61	760

		Aust	ralasia / Oce	ania		Europe			The World		
Description	Yearbook types	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total	
Internationally oriented national organizations	G	233	16	249	3098	241	3339	6799	515	7314	
National organizations	N	100	3	103	1234	82	1316	3498	197	3695	
Total		333	19	352	4332	323	4655	10297	712	11009	

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	249	21	270	306	29	335	173	7	180
Recently reported bodies - not yet confirmed	J	15	0	15	19	0	19	15	1	16
Currently excluded nonconventional bodies	U	769	43	812	2880	82	2962	1042	36	1078
Total		1033	64	1097	3205	111	3316	1230	44	1274

		Australasia / Oceania				Europe			The World	
Description	Yearbook Types	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total	Principal	Secondary	Total
Dissolved or apparently inactive conventional organizations	Н	16	3	19	683	64	747	1427	124	1551
Recently reported bodies - not yet confirmed	J	2	0	2	50	1	51	101	2	103
Currently excluded nonconventional bodies	U	170	7	177	4884	204	5088	9745	372	10117
Total		188	10	198	5617	269	5886	11273	498	11771

^{*} 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