

Figure 7.5.
Languages most commonly used by intergovernmental organizations
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The data in this figure are extracted from Figure 7.2.

This figure lists languages in descending order of the number of intergovernmental organizations of Types A to D whose descriptions in Volume 1 of this Yearbook series specify the use, whether officially or informally, of those languages.

See 1.3. "Types of organization" for more information on organization types.

In addition, totals are given at the end of each row by cluster. The organization 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

LANGUAGE	TYPES OF ORGANIZATION CLUSTERS						Total A-U
	A-D	I	II	III	IV	V	
English	189	463	466	0	5	233	1167
French +	124	295	320	0	2	191	808
Spanish +	67	160	175	0	1	87	423
Arabic +	48	95	96	0	0	60	251
Russian	37	81	81	0	0	42	204
Portuguese +	27	60	49	0	1	35	145
German +	18	53	42	0	0	26	121
Chinese +	17	41	53	0	0	16	110
Italian +	7	23	18	0	0	10	51
Danish	6	15	23	0	0	17	55
Norwegian	6	9	13	0	0	14	36
Scandinavian/Nordic +	6	9	5	0	0	8	22
Swedish	6	18	27	0	0	20	65
Dutch +	4	17	22	0	0	9	48
Scandinavian	4	7	4	0	0	5	16
Finnish	2	14	18	0	0	10	42
Icelandic	2	3	0	0	0	2	5
Nordic	2	2	1	0	0	3	6
Turkish	2	3	0	0	0	1	4
Japanese	1	1	5	0	0	1	7
Korean	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
Romanian +	1	3	7	0	0	5	15