

Figure 9.4.1. Long-term review Top international meeting countries in 1855-2004

This table lists the number of meetings of type A for the years 1855 to 2004 for countries with a total of at least 100 meetings of type A over the course of these 150 years.

Meetings counted under the heading “A” are “Meetings of international organizations”:

- meetings organized or sponsored by “international organizations”, i.e. non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and intergovernmental organizations (IGOs) that are included in the UIA's *Yearbook of International Organizations* (see the Introduction “What is an ‘international organization’”) and whose details are subject to systematic collection and updates on an annual basis by the UIA and
- with at least 50 participants, or number of participants unknown.

(*) **Note:** For this table the editors have chosen to group defunct countries under their current names in cases where exactly the same territory is covered. In practical terms for this edition, this affects only Germany and Yugoslavia.

Countries are listed in alphabetical order. Meetings are totalled in 25 year periods.

Caveat: When comparing consecutive years in flux, it should be remembered that both years' totals can be expected to change over time, the latest slightly more rapidly than the older. For the years presented here, the data can be assumed to be now reasonably stable.

Data for the years prior to 1983 require special mention. The UIA meetings database – the source of this statistics report and of the *International Congress Calendar* – contains, with few exceptions, only information since 1983, the year in which the UIA installed its own computerized data storage system. Most data in this report for the years prior to 1983 were collected not by the rigorous collection methods under which the *International Congress Calendar* operates, but by the more flexible (insofar as recording meeting activity is concerned) standards of the *Yearbook of International Organizations*. The *Yearbook* presents a general picture of an organization and its activities (including its events) while the *Calendar* focuses exclusively on documenting events. It should therefore not be assumed that the data for the years prior to 1983, in most cases extracted from the *Yearbook* and not from the *Calendar*, give a complete history of the meetings of all organizations and associations. The volume of data available for analysis in this section is, however, sufficient to make it indicative.

Country	Total meetings of type A					
	1855-1879	1880-1904	1905-1929	1930-1954	1955-1979	1980-2004
Algeria	0	0	2	4	38	183
Argentina	0	0	6	15	147	1391
Australia	0	0	3	6	232	4167
Austria	5	14	36	44	597	5246
Bahamas	0	0	0	0	8	150
Bahrain	0	0	0	0	2	119
Bangladesh	0	0	0	0	5	242
Barbados	0	0	0	0	14	251
Belgium	8	52	84	152	593	7559
Benin	0	0	0	0	3	137
Bolivia	0	0	0	1	13	212
Botswana	0	0	0	0	0	132
Brazil	0	0	2	28	188	2255
Brunei Darussalam	0	0	0	0	0	120
Bulgaria	0	0	0	0	119	577
Burkina Faso	0	0	0	0	4	207
Cameroon	0	0	0	0	19	238
Canada	0	0	7	30	417	5199
Chile	0	0	1	14	60	922
China	0	0	0	0	2	1865
Colombia	0	0	0	4	83	641
Costa Rica	0	0	0	1	37	535
Côte d'Ivoire	0	0	0	0	35	336
Croatia	0	0	0	0	0	448
Cuba	0	1	2	12	22	638
Cyprus	0	0	0	0	7	395
Czech Rep	0	0	0	0	0	1437
Czechoslovakia	0	0	11	21	154	619
Denmark	1	5	15	60	316	3454
Dominican Rep	0	0	0	1	18	318
Ecuador	0	0	0	0	35	449
Egypt	0	0	1	9	59	1132
El Salvador	0	0	0	1	20	108
Estonia	0	0	0	4	0	300
Ethiopia	0	0	0	0	21	377
Fiji	0	0	0	1	15	221
Finland	0	0	3	16	237	3266
France	14	93	94	261	1295	15484
Gabon	0	0	0	0	10	107
Gambia	0	0	0	0	1	110
Germany (*)	6	35	49	107	1337	10691
Ghana	0	0	0	0	35	326
Greece	0	2	2	6	191	2429
Guatemala	0	0	1	1	26	263

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	1855-1879	1880-1904	1905-1929	1930-1954	1955-1979	1980-2004
Guyana	0	0	0	0	15	96
Honduras	0	0	0	1	9	101
Hong Kong	0	0	0	0	49	1067
Hungary	1	4	21	13	148	2510
Iceland	0	0	0	0	22	539
India	0	0	0	15	180	2203
Indonesia	0	0	2	0	72	996
Iran Islamic Rep	0	0	0	0	45	176
Iraq	0	0	0	0	26	84
Ireland	0	0	1	6	147	1399
Israel	0	0	0	4	173	1318
Italy	3	25	58	158	955	9044
Jamaica	0	0	0	0	43	341
Japan	0	0	3	3	381	3989
Jordan	0	0	0	1	5	298
Kenya	0	0	0	2	59	845
Korea Rep	0	0	0	0	58	1591
Kuwait	0	0	0	0	4	97
Latvia	0	0	0	3	0	245
Lebanon	0	0	0	0	22	241
Libyan AJ	0	0	0	0	14	103
Lithuania	0	0	0	2	0	227
Luxembourg	1	0	4	20	71	739
Malaysia	0	0	0	0	69	1449
Mali	0	0	0	0	5	119
Malta	0	0	1	0	27	439
Mauritius	0	0	0	0	9	174
Mexico	0	2	1	20	250	1980
Monaco	0	0	2	6	52	360
Morocco	0	0	0	1	52	697
Nepal	0	0	0	0	7	249
Netherlands	3	14	59	129	621	6654
New Caledonia	0	0	0	1	8	115
New Zealand	0	0	1	4	57	809
Nicaragua	0	0	0	0	8	100
Niger	0	0	0	0	3	99
Nigeria	0	0	0	1	49	402
Norway	0	4	6	29	191	2472
Pakistan	0	0	0	4	15	310
Panama	0	0	1	0	44	304
Paraguay	0	0	0	0	12	151
Peru	0	0	0	13	63	570
Philippines	0	0	0	3	158	1293
Poland	0	0	10	15	198	1914

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Portugal	0	2	3	21	127	2592
Puerto Rico	0	0	0	2	45	296
Romania	0	0	1	16	67	547
Russia	3	5	1	0	0	1378
Saudi Arabia	0	0	1	0	19	156
Senegal	0	0	0	0	40	483
Singapore	0	0	0	0	71	1721
Slovakia	0	0	0	0	0	433
Slovenia	0	0	0	0	0	587
South Africa	0	0	0	1	39	1613
Spain	0	5	23	50	516	6618
Sri Lanka	0	0	0	2	26	318
Sudan	0	0	0	0	14	95
Sweden	2	4	24	70	436	3715
Switzerland	8	34	58	153	777	7128
Syrian AR	0	0	0	1	16	185
Taiwan	0	0	0	0	36	676
Tanzania UR	0	0	0	0	14	286

Country	Total meetings of type A					
	1855-1879	1880-1904	1905-1929	1930-1954	1955-1979	1980-2004
Thailand	0	0	0	1	88	1949
Togo	0	0	0	0	9	162
Trinidad-Tobago	0	0	0	0	19	311
Tunisia	0	0	0	1	56	603
Turkey	0	0	0	10	99	1279
Uganda	0	0	0	0	7	230
UK	5	32	91	200	1135	11278
Ukraine	0	0	0	0	0	257
United Arab Emirates	0	0	0	0	3	278
Uruguay	0	0	0	7	27	451
USA	1	18	47	129	1398	21511
USSR	0	0	1	1	194	516
Venezuela	0	0	0	3	123	640
Vietnam	0	0	0	0	2	260
Yugoslavia	0	0	0	14	235	474
Zambia	0	0	0	0	18	166
Zimbabwe	0	0	0	0	3	475