

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	A-D	I	II	CLUSTER III	IV	V	TOTAL A-U	Language	A-D	I	II	CLUSTER III	IV	V	TOTAL A-U
English	196	486	503	0	8	237	1234	Scandin./Nordic +	6	12	5	0	0	8	25
French +	127	308	340	0	5	193	846	Swedish	6	17	29	0	0	21	67
Spanish +	67	164	181	0	1	88	434	Dutch +	4	17	23	0	1	10	51
Arabic +	50	99	101	0	0	57	257	Scandinavian	4	10	4	0	0	5	19
Russian	37	84	90	0	0	42	216	Nordic	2	2	1	0	0	3	6
Portuguese +	28	63	54	0	1	34	152	Turkish	2	4	0	0	0	1	5
German +	20	56	45	0	1	26	128	Finnish	1	12	20	0	0	11	43
Chinese +	17	40	55	0	0	16	111	Icelandic	1	3	2	0	0	2	7
Italian +	7	25	19	0	0	10	54	Japanese	1	1	5	0	0	1	7
Danish	6	16	24	0	0	17	57	Korean	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
Norwegian	6	10	16	0	0	15	41	Romanian +	1	4	9	0	0	5	18