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	CLUSTER II	CLUSTER III	IV	V	TOTAL A-U
English	197	490	508	0	9	240	1247
French +	128	312	342	0	7	196	857
Spanish +	69	166	181	0	0	89	436
Arabic +	51	101	102	0	0	56	259
Russian	37	84	90	0	1	42	217
Portuguese +	29	62	58	0	1	35	156
German +	19	56	44	0	1	26	127
Chinese +	17	40	55	0	0	16	111
Italian +	7	26	19	0	1	10	56
Danish	6	16	23	0	0	17	56
Norwegian	6	10	16	0	0	15	41

Language	A-D	I	CLUSTER II	CLUSTER III	IV	V	TOTAL A-U
Scand./Nordic +	6	12	5	0	0	8	25
Swedish	6	17	28	0	0	21	66
Dutch +	4	17	22	0	1	10	50
Scandinavian	4	10	4	0	0	5	19
Nordic	2	2	1	0	0	3	6
Turkish	2	4	0	0	0	1	5
Finnish	1	12	19	0	0	11	42
Icelandic	1	3	2	0	0	2	7
Japanese	1	1	5	0	0	1	7
Korean	1	1	0	0	0	0	1
Romanian +	1	4	9	0	0	5	18