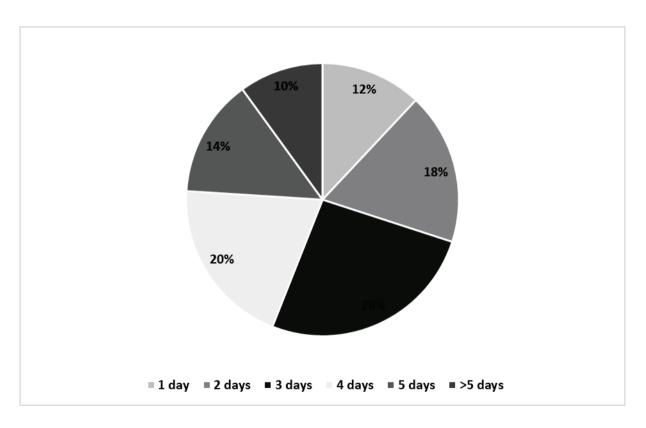
2.5 Meeting duration

2.5.1 Meeting duration for 20 years

This table shows the total number of international association meetings of Type "A" of different durations from 1999 to 2018.*

Number of Type "A" meetings by duration in 1999-2018								
DAYS	total meetings 1999- 2018	average meetings per year	% of total meetings 1999 2018					
1 day	23,246	1,162.3	12.1%					
2 days	35,643	1,782.2	18.5%					
3 days	50,163	2,508.2	26.1%					
4 days	38,102	1,905.1	19.8%					
5 days	26,788	1,339.4	13.9%					
> 5 days	18,541	927.1	9.6%					



The data in this report are drawn from the UIA database, the source of the *International Congress Calendar* and the *Yearbook of International Organizations*.

Caveat: The number of meetings in the database for the year just past will, on average, increase by about 11% over the next year, by about 34% over the following five years, and by about 37% over the following seven years.

Definitions of meetings of Type "A", of Type "B", and of Type "C" can be found in "Research methodology".

2.5.2 Meeting duration per year

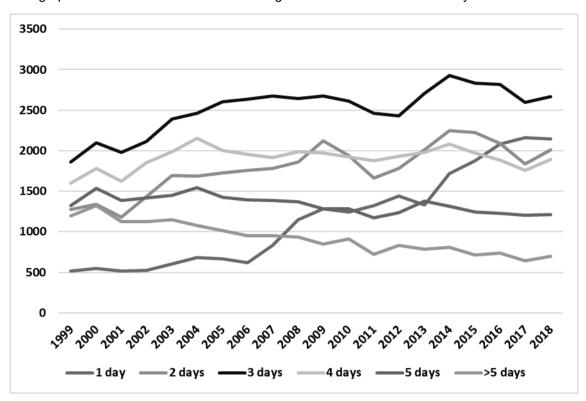
This table shows the number of international association meetings of Type "A" of different durations per year from 1999 to 2018.*

YEAR	1 day	2 days	3 days	4 days	5 days	> 5 days
1999	519	1,273	1,862	1,597	1,321	1,195
2000	545	1,338	2,096	1,784	1,539	1,322
2001	517	1,181	1,979	1,620	1,387	1,123
2002	522	1,435	2,113	1,852	1,418	1,127
2003	605	1,695	2,387	1,985	1,452	1,148
2004	682	1,684	2,464	2,156	1,547	1,079
2005	663	1,726	2,601	1,999	1,425	1,016
2006	617	1,755	2,633	1,952	1,394	950
2007	830	1,783	2,674	1,913	1,386	953
2008	1,150	1,857	2,645	1,988	1,368	932
2009	1,283	2,125	2,672	1,968	1,286	845
2010	1,247	1,938	2,609	1,922	1,281	913
2011	1,320	1,663	2,465	1,875	1,170	719
2012	1,439	1,778	2,428	1,933	1,237	835
2013	1,331	2,009	2,703	1,976	1,381	783
2014	1,720	2,250	2,927	2,081	1,311	810
2015	1,877	2,223	2,831	1,974	1,243	710
2016	2,079	2,089	2,814	1,881	1,224	741
2017	2,159	1,833	2,592	1,755	1,204	644
2018	2,141	2,008	2,668	1,891	1,214	696
Total 1999-2018	23,246	35,643	50,163	38,102	26,788	18,541
Average meetings per year	1,162.3	1,782.2	2,508.2	1,905.1	1,339.4	927.1
% of total meetings 1999-2018	12.1%	18.5%	26.1%	19.8%	13.9%	9.6%

For example: In 1999 there were 519 international association meetings lasting 1 day. In 2018 there were 696 international association meetings lasting more than 5 days.

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This graph shows how the duration of meetings has evolved over the last 20 years.



2.5.3 Meeting duration per month

This table shows the number of international association meetings of Type "A" of differing durations per month from 1999 to 2018.*

MONTH	1 day	2 days	3 days	4 days	5 days	> 5 days
January	1,246	1,425	1,485	863	674	629
February	1,612	1,949	2,093	1,271	981	610
March	2,214	3,122	3,522	2,101	1,412	938
April	2,064	3,279	4,119	2,845	1,844	1,165
May	2,397	4,312	6,050	4,552	2,865	1,744
June	2,587	4,178	6,462	5,508	3,406	2,074
July	1,208	1,456	2,726	3,083	2,943	2,964
August	951	1,047	2,491	2,414	2,532	2,463
September	2,195	4,081	7,253	6,024	4,180	2,549
October	2,767	4,635	6,867	5,092	3,211	1,985
November	2,842	4,596	5,409	3,399	2,156	1,176
December	1,352	1,852	2,027	1,194	775	338
Total meetings	23,435	35,932	50,504	38,346	26,979	18,635
Average meetings per year	1,171.8	1,796.6	2,525.2	1,917.3	1,349.0	931.8
% of total meetings	12.1%	18.5%	26.1%	19.8%	13.9%	9.6%

For example: In the month of January from 1999 to 2018 there were 1,246 international association meetings lasting 1 day. In the month of January over this 20-year period there were 23,435 international association meetings lasting 1 day, for an average of 1,171.8 meetings a year. Meetings lasting 1 day represent 12.1% of all meetings in this 20-year period.

Definitions of meetings of Type "A", of Type "B", and of Type "C" can be found in "Research methodology". Only meetings with a known **month** are included in this table.

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This graph shows the distribution of meetings from the last 20 years by duration and by month

