

**Figure 7.2.**  
**Languages most commonly used by international organizations**  
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The data in this figure are extracted from Figure 7.1.

This figure lists languages in descending order of the number of international organizations (both intergovernmental and non-governmental) 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	CLUSTER						TOTAL A-U	Language	CLUSTER						TOTAL A-U
	A-D	I	II	III	IV	V			A-D	I	II	III	IV	V	
English (I)	6597	9669	2545	12	1358	2553	16137	Bengali (I)	2	5	3	0	4	2	14
French (I)	2114	3338	1150	2	430	1403	6323	Creoles and pidgins (F)	2	3	3	0	3	4	13
Spanish (I)	1257	2021	591	1	266	601	3480	Serbo-Croatian (M) 2	3	1	0	0	2	6	
German (I)	916	1304	335	2	203	473	2317	Welsh (I)	2	4	0	0	2	6	
Portuguese (I)	461	714	195	0	59	148	1116	Belarusian (I)	2	2	0	0	2	5	
Italian (I)	309	500	183	0	85	137	905	Zulu (I)	2	2	0	0	2	5	
Arabic (M)	278	467	228	0	74	171	940	Gujarati (I)	2	3	0	0	1	4	
Russian (I)	227	390	186	0	54	122	752	Occitan (I)	2	3	1	0	0	4	
Swedish (I)	161	222	64	0	16	167	469	Papiamentu (I)	2	3	0	0	0	4	
Dutch (I)	154	267	89	1	91	108	556	Interlingua (I)	2	2	0	0	0	2	
Danish (I)	144	192	49	0	11	134	386	Sotho (I)	2	2	0	0	0	2	
Norwegian (M)	134	170	39	0	10	121	340	EU languages (O)	1	7	12	0	0	20	
Chinese (M)	92	175	102	0	36	40	353	Armenian (I)	1	6	4	0	4	15	
Icelandic (I)	66	89	16	0	3	58	166	Mon-Khmer languages (F)	1	5	4	0	4	13	
Finnish (I)	62	99	31	0	15	59	204	Albanian (M)	1	5	2	0	4	12	
Japanese (I)	62	101	31	1	28	16	177	Nepali (I)	1	4	4	0	1	9	
Polish (I)	42	81	33	0	11	19	144	Irish Gaelic (I)	1	5	3	0	0	8	
Faroese (I)	37	47	8	0	1	39	95	Amharic (I)	1	3	3	0	1	7	
Irish Gaelic (I)	32	56	37	0	17	27	137	Georgian (I)	1	4	1	0	2	7	
Korean (I)	28	49	11	0	28	3	91	Sinhala (I)	1	4	3	0	0	7	
Czech (I)	22	41	19	0	6	17	83	Telugu (I)	1	3	3	0	0	7	
Hebrew (I)	22	36	11	0	14	11	72	Kurdish (M)	1	2	0	0	4	6	
Esperanto (I)	20	33	14	0	2	24	73	Galician (I)	1	3	1	0	1	5	
Mandarin Chinese (I)	20	36	6	0	4	1	47	Laotian (I)	1	2	2	0	1	5	
Hungarian (I)	19	40	22	0	6	15	83	Uzbek (M)	1	2	1	0	1	5	
Turkish (I)	19	39	7	0	14	5	65	Azerbaijani (M)	1	1	2	0	1	4	
Romanian (I)	18	39	13	0	11	17	80	Guarani (M)	1	3	1	0	0	4	
Slovakian (I)	17	30	13	0	3	13	59	Malayalam (I)	1	3	1	0	0	4	
Lithuanian (I)	13	24	12	0	2	8	46	UN languages (O)	1	3	1	0	0	4	
Latvian (M)	13	24	10	0	2	8	44	Tibetan (I)	1	2	1	0	0	3	
Indonesian (I)	12	30	16	0	6	4	56	Tswana (I)	1	1	0	0	1	3	
Slovene (I)	12	24	20	0	0	8	52	Breton (I)	1	2	0	0	0	2	
Ukrainian (I)	11	19	9	0	3	3	34	Cornish (I)	1	2	0	0	0	2	
Estonian (M)	10	22	14	0	2	8	46	Friulian (I)	1	2	0	0	0	2	
Thai (I)	10	30	10	0	3	3	46	Haitian (I)	1	1	0	0	1	2	
Persian (M)	10	17	5	0	8	5	35	Kashmiri (I)	1	1	0	0	1	2	
Greek (I)	10	19	10	0	5	0	34	Ladin (I)	1	2	0	0	0	2	
Hindi (I)	9	30	15	0	14	6	65	Ndebele (I)	1	2	0	0	0	2	
Bulgarian (I)	9	21	13	0	2	11	47	Wolof (I)	1	1	0	0	1	2	
Croatian (I)	9	26	15	0	3	3	47	Xhosa (I)	1	1	0	0	1	2	
Afrikaans (I)	8	15	1	0	2	0	18	Arawak (I)	1	1	0	0	0	1	
International Sign Language (I)	8	12	2	0	1	0	15	French-based creoles and pidgins (F)	1	1	0	0	0	1	
Swahili (I)	7	24	4	0	20	6	54	Germanic languages (F)	1	1	0	0	0	1	
Maltese (I)	7	12	10	0	0	6	28	Hawaiian (I)	1	1	0	0	0	1	
Catalan (I)	6	15	6	0	6	4	31	Ladakh (I)	1	1	0	0	0	1	
Vietnamese (I)	6	16	5	0	3	4	28	Lithuanian Sign Language (I)	1	1	0	0	0	1	
Latin (I)	6	6	6	0	0	5	17	Manx (I)	1	1	0	0	0	1	
Serbian (I)	5	12	10	0	8	3	33	Northern Sami (I)	1	1	0	0	0	1	
Malay (I)	5	9	5	0	3	2	19	Odia (I)	1	1	0	0	0	1	
Tamil (I)	4	10	4	0	5	2	21	Romance languages (F)	1	1	0	0	0	1	
Yiddish (M)	4	4	0	0	1	5	10	Romansh (I)	1	1	0	0	0	1	
Mongolian (M)	4	4	0	0	2	2	8	Saint Lucian Creole French (I)	1	1	0	0	0	1	
Filipino (I)	3	11	5	0	4	2	22	Tsonga (I)	1	1	0	0	0	1	
Bosnian (I)	3	6	5	0	1	1	13								
Kirghiz (I)	3	4	0	0	0	1	5								
Sanskrit (I)	3	5	0	0	0	0	5								
Kazakh (I)	3	4	0	0	0	0	4								
Tajik (I)	3	3	0	0	0	0	3								
Urdu (I)	2	6	3	0	8	4	21								