



MEMBERS	120	national standards bodies, comprising
	86	member bodies
	25	correspondent members
	9	subscriber members

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE STRUCTURE	2 850	technical bodies comprising
	184	technical committees
	597	subcommittees
	2 034	working groups and ad hoc study groups
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For details, see **ISO Memento**

STAFF <i>Technical secretariats</i>	35	member bodies provide the administrative and technical services for the secretariats of technical committees (TC) and subcommittees (SC)
	500	These services equal a full-time staff of persons
<i>Central Secretariat in Geneva</i>	170	full-time staff from
	16	countries coordinate the worldwide activities of ISO

FINANCING	150	million CHF per year is estimated as the operational expenditure for the ISO work, of which
	80 %	is financed directly by
	35	member bodies holding TC and SC secretariats, and
	20 %	through member body subscriptions and publications income, covering the costs of the Central Secretariat

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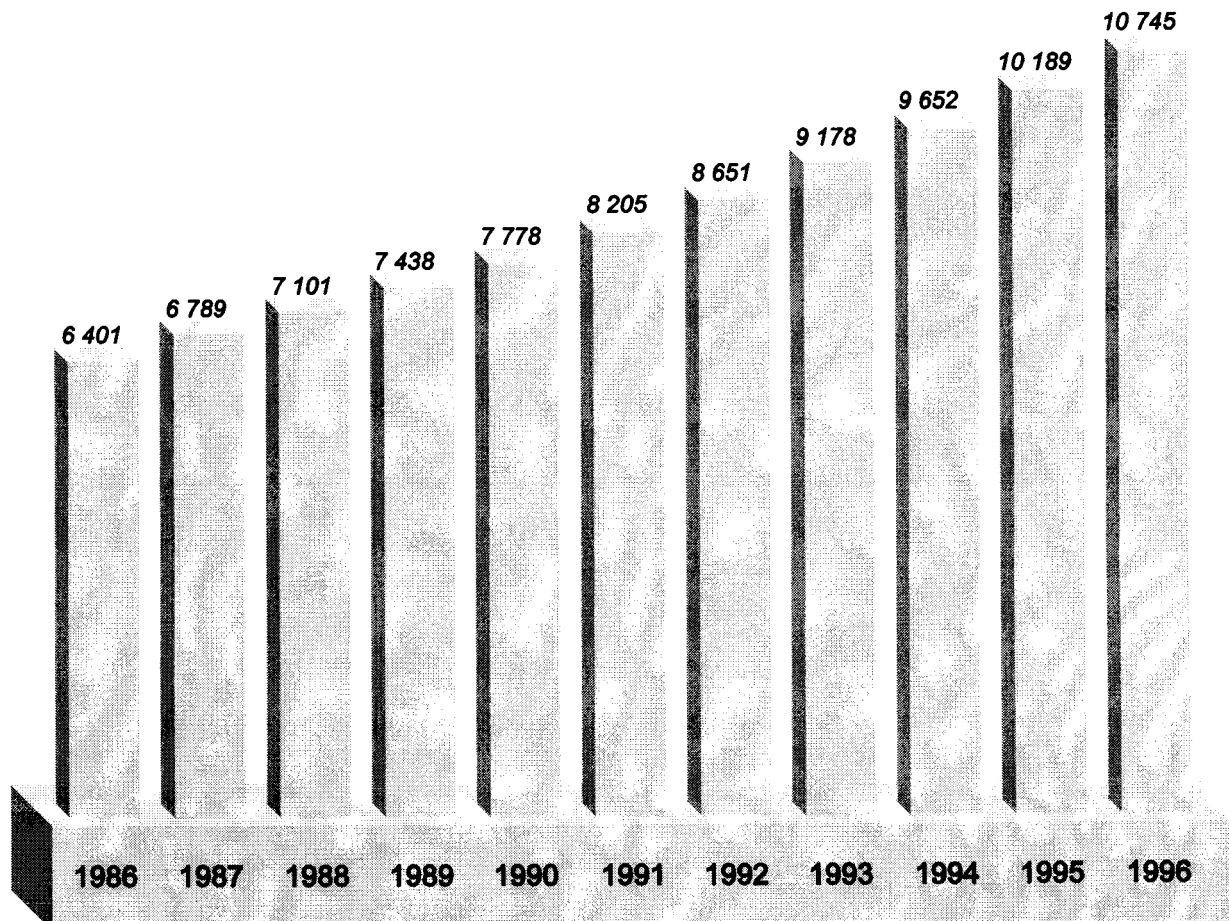
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DEVELOPMENT OF INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS

<i>Total at 31 December 1996</i>	10 745	International Standards (including 322 technical reports)
	275 866	These standards represent a total output of pages in English and French (terminology is also often provided in other languages)
<i>in 1996</i>	817	new and revised International Standards published (including 28 technical reports)
	33 199	This output represent a total of pages for 1996
		For details, see ISO Catalogue
<hr/> <i>In addition to the above</i>	39	ISO and ISO/IEC Guides have been published

International Standards published



WORK IN PROGRESS

at 31 December 1996 7 175 work items appear on the programmes of work of the technical committees

The breakdown is as follow:

2 725 new work items which have not yet reached the committee draft stage

1 754 committee drafts registered

2 696 draft International Standards

in 1996 794 new work items registered
 739 new work items progressed to committee draft stage
 1 105 committee drafts registered as draft International Standards

For details, see **ISO Technical Programme**

ISO work by technical fields	Work items			Committee drafts			Draft International Standards			International Standards published		
	new	total	%	new	total	%	new	total	%	new	total	%
Mechanical engineering	232	819	30,1	169	495	28,2	324	824	30,6	197 (6 110)	3 077 (66 881)	28,6 (24,2)
Basic chemicals	37	159	5,8	62	148	8,4	75	189	7,0	31 (583)	1 147 (18 182)	10,7 (6,6)
Non-metallic materials	60	190	7,0	79	189	10,8	101	269	10,0	64 (1 446)	1 137 (18 663)	10,6 (6,8)
Ores and metals	44	162	5,9	32	92	5,2	39	127	4,7	26 (803)	824 (16 061)	7,7 (5,8)
Information processing, graphics and photography	200	482	17,7	206	286	16,3	253	472	17,5	277 (17 289)	1 704 (91 006)	15,8 (33,0)
Agriculture	70	114	4,2	66	155	8,8	44	145	5,4	27 (656)	751 (10 573)	7,0 (3,8)
Building	19	179	6,6	21	99	5,6	14	136	5,0	12 (334)	407 (8 616)	3,8 (3,1)
Special technologies	41	214	7,9	38	87	5,0	91	194	7,2	47 (1 512)	420 (12 650)	3,9 (4,6)
Health and medicine	41	179	6,6	20	92	5,2	68	125	4,6	72 (1 703)	448 (11 153)	4,2 (4,0)
Basic subjects	17	106	3,9	19	40	2,3	39	83	3,1	17 (693)	337 (9 428)	3,1 (3,4)
Environment	31	97	3,6	26	59	3,4	51	115	4,3	41 (1 826)	320 (9 045)	3,0 (3,3)
Packaging/ Distribution of goods	2	24	0,9	1	12	0,7	6	17	0,6	6 (244)	173 (3 068)	1,6 (1,3)
Total	794	2 725	100,0	739	1 754	100,0	1 105	2 696	100,0	817 (33 199)	10 745 (275 866)	100,0 (100,0)

Note: New between 1 January 1996 and 31 December 1996.

Total: at 31 December 1996.

Figures in brackets refer to the number of pages.

MEETINGS	15	technical meetings are in progress, on average, each working day of the year somewhere in the world
<i>in 1996</i>	1 721	technical meetings were held in 37 countries, comprising
	80	meetings of technical committees
	347	meetings of subcommittees
	1 294	meetings of working groups and ad hoc groups

LIAISONS 523 international organizations are in liaison with ISO technical committees and subcommittees

For details, see **ISO Liaisons**

TECHNICAL INFORMATION 82 national standards information centres of ISONET provide rapid access to more than 500 000 standards, technical regulations and other standards-type documents

10 750 bibliographic data items on ISO International Standards, and

2 700 bibliographic data items on draft ISO International Standards are available to users via Internet on the ISO WWW (World Wide Web) server. The electronic information service providing the above data and other information on ISO's standardization activities is called **ISO Online**.

The path (Uniform Resource Locator – URL) to **ISO Online** is

<http://www.iso.ch/>

Through **ISO Online** (section: *Other Web servers providing standards information*), users can also easily access information on standardization developments within a number of international and national standardizing bodies.
