



# ISO in figures

for the year 2011 (at 31 December)

<b>Members</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>163</b> national standards bodies, comprising<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>110</b> member bodies</li><li>➤ <b>43</b> correspondent members</li><li>➤ <b>10</b> subscriber members</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>Technical committee structure</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>3335</b> technical bodies, comprising<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>224</b> technical committees</li><li>➤ <b>513</b> subcommittees</li><li>➤ <b>2516</b> working groups</li><li>➤ <b>82</b> ad hoc study groups</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>Staff</b>	
<b>Technical secretariats</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>38</b> member bodies provide the administrative and technical services for the secretariats of committees of the ISO technical programme</li></ul> <p>These services involve a full-time staff equivalent of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>500</b> persons</li></ul>
<b>Central Secretariat in Geneva</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>151</b> full-time staff from<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>20</b> countries coordinate the worldwide activities of ISO</li></ul></li></ul>

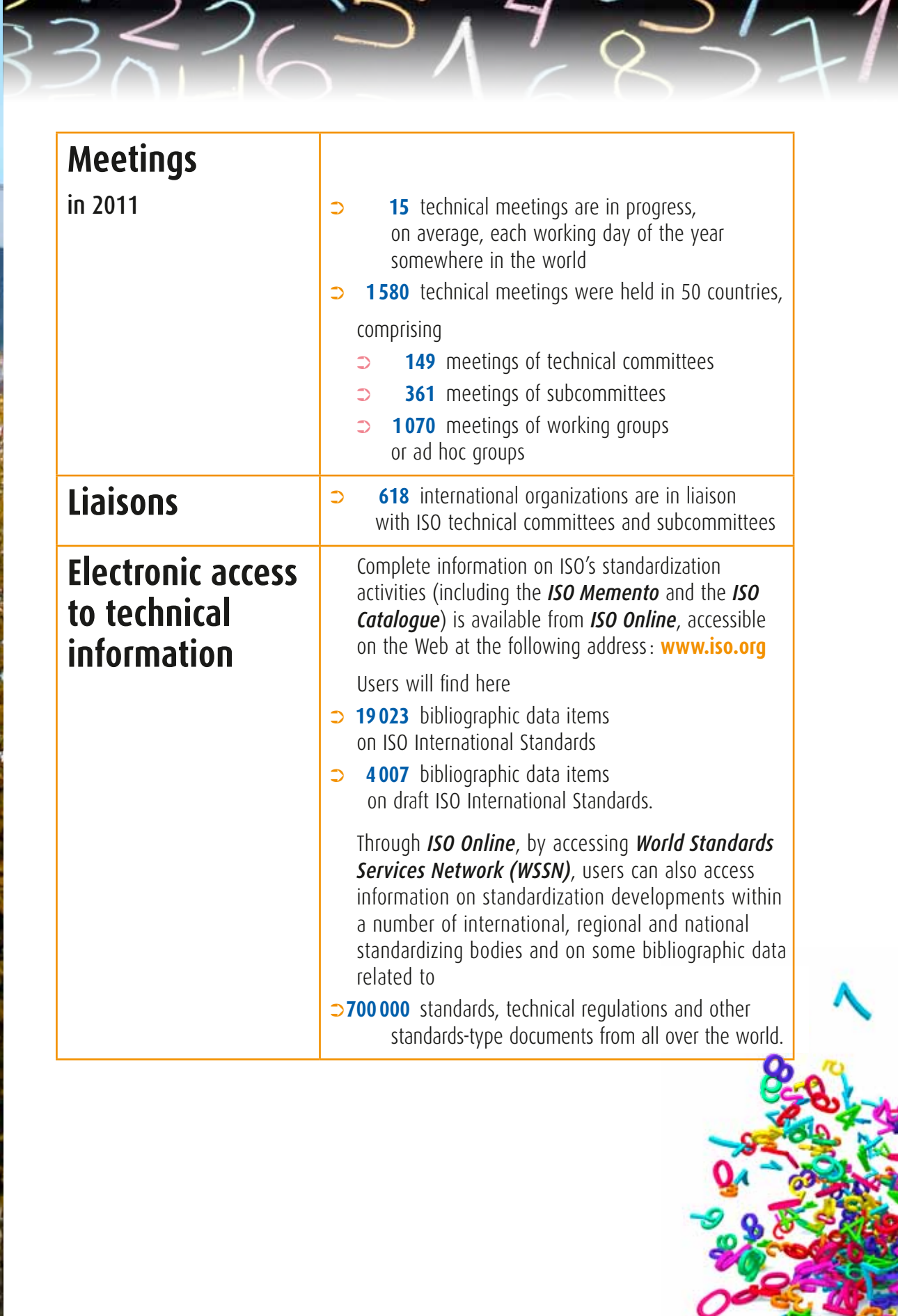




<b>Financing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>140</b> million CHF per year is the estimated cost for the operation of committee secretariats financed by<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>38</b> member bodies holding these secretariats</li></ul></li><li>➤ <b>37</b> million CHF represents the operational cost of the ISO Central Secretariat financed<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>55</b> through membership fees</li><li>➤ <b>45</b> through sales of publications and other income from services</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>Development of International Standards</b> in 2011  <b>Total at 31 December 2011</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>1 208</b> International Standards and standards-type documents published This output represents a total of<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>75 161</b> pages for 2011</li></ul></li><li>➤ <b>19 023</b> International Standards and standards-type documents</li><li>➤ <b>749 209</b> These standards represent a total output of pages in English and French (terminology is also often provided in other languages)</li></ul>
<b>Work in progress</b> in 2011  <b>Total at 31 December 2011</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>1 419</b> new projects (work items) registered</li><li>➤ <b>4 007</b> work items appear on the programmes of work of the technical committees The breakdown is as follows:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>1 094</b> work items at preparatory stage</li><li>➤ <b>1 101</b> committee drafts</li><li>➤ <b>1 812</b> draft International Standards (DIS) and final draft International Standards (FDIS)</li></ul></li></ul> <p>For details, see <a href="http://www.iso.org/iso/iso_catalogue">www.iso.org/iso/iso_catalogue</a></p>







<p><b>Meetings</b> in 2011</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>15</b> technical meetings are in progress, on average, each working day of the year somewhere in the world</li><li>➤ <b>1580</b> technical meetings were held in 50 countries, comprising<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>149</b> meetings of technical committees</li><li>➤ <b>361</b> meetings of subcommittees</li><li>➤ <b>1070</b> meetings of working groups or ad hoc groups</li></ul></li></ul>
<p><b>Liaisons</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>618</b> international organizations are in liaison with ISO technical committees and subcommittees</li></ul>
<p><b>Electronic access to technical information</b></p>	<p>Complete information on ISO's standardization activities (including the <i>ISO Memento</i> and the <i>ISO Catalogue</i>) is available from <i>ISO Online</i>, accessible on the Web at the following address: <a href="http://www.iso.org">www.iso.org</a></p> <p>Users will find here</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>19023</b> bibliographic data items on ISO International Standards</li><li>➤ <b>4007</b> bibliographic data items on draft ISO International Standards.</li></ul> <p>Through <i>ISO Online</i>, by accessing <i>World Standards Services Network (WSSN)</i>, users can also access information on standardization developments within a number of international, regional and national standardizing bodies and on some bibliographic data related to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ <b>700 000</b> standards, technical regulations and other standards-type documents from all over the world.</li></ul>

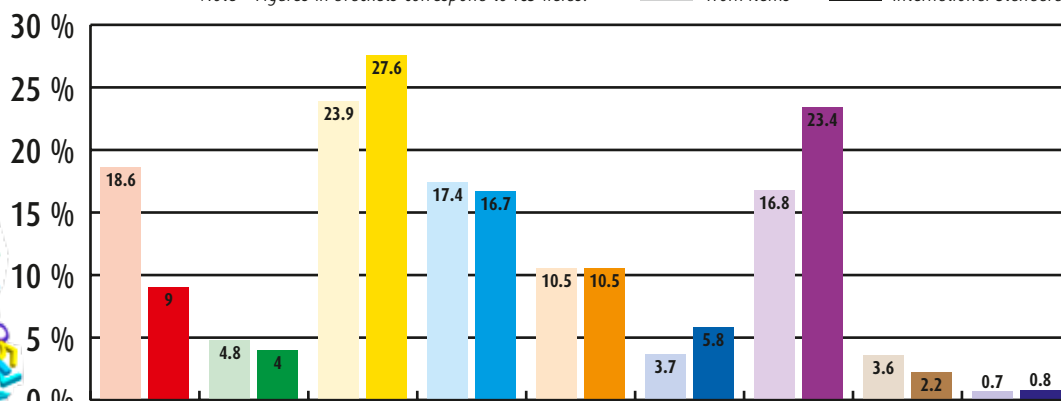
# Production by technical sector

SECTORS (as based on the International Classification for Standards [ICS])	Work Items		International Standards			
	New	Total	New	No. of pages	Total	No. of pages
Generalities, infrastructures and sciences	72	746	103	6 556	1 703	72 691
Health, safety and environment	82	193	58	2 642	773	32 883
Engineering technologies	378	958	352	14 900	5 242	226 283
Electronics, information technology and telecommunications	313	698	268	36 811	3 186	231 970
Transport and distribution of goods	167	422	89	3 497	1 988	57 700
Agriculture and food technology	66	150	50	1 427	1 094	28 283
Materials technologies	275	671	242	7 628	4 460	124 058
Construction	58	143	35	1 459	423	16 479
Special technologies	8	26	11	241	154	3 862
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1 419</b>	<b>4 007</b>	<b>1 208</b>	<b>75 161</b>	<b>19 023</b>	<b>794 209</b>

## Proportion by sector (by percent) of total output

- Generalities, infrastructures and sciences:** Generalities/Terminology/Standardization/Documentation (01) – Services/ Company organization, management and quality/Administration/Transport/Sociology (03) – Mathematics/Natural sciences (07)
- Health, safety and environment:** Health care technology (11) – Environment/Health protection/Safety (13)
- Engineering technologies:** Metrology and measurement/Physical phenomena (17) – Testing (19) – Mechanical systems and components for general use (21) – Fluid systems and components for general use (23) – Manufacturing engineering (25) – Energy and heat transfer engineering (27) – Electrical engineering (29) – Precision mechanics/Jewellery (39)
- Electronics, information technology and telecommunications:** Electronics (31) – Telecommunications/Audio and video engineering (33) – Information technology/Office machines (35) – Image technology (37)
- Transport and distribution of goods:** Road vehicle engineering (43) – Railway engineering (45) – Shipbuilding and marine structures (47) – Aircraft and space vehicles engineering (49) – Materials handling equipment (53) – Packaging and distribution of goods (55)
- Agriculture and food technology:** Agriculture (65) – Food technology (67)
- Materials technologies:** Textile and leather technology (59) – Clothing industry (61) – Chemical technology (71) – Mining and minerals (73) – Petroleum and related technologies (75) – Metallurgy (77) – Wood technology (79) – Glass and ceramics industries (81) – Rubber and plastics industries (83) – Paper technology (85) – Paint and colour industries (87)
- Construction:** Construction materials and building (91) – Civil engineering (93)
- Special technologies:** Military engineering (95) – Domestic and commercial equipment/Entertainment/Sports (97)

Note – Figures in brackets correspond to ICS fields.  Work items  International Standards



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