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Summary

Starting January 1, 2001, the United States was assessed to pay 22% of the annual United Nations regular budget. For calendar year 2005, 22% of the U.N. regular budget amounted to \$439,611,612. Prior to January 1, 2001, the assessment level for the United States was 25%. This report shows, for the years 1989 through 2005, the assessment level, actual payment, and total outstanding contributions for the United States and each of the other U.N. members assessed at 1% or higher. For 2004 and 2005, a new category was added: the eight countries with assessments at 0.5% or larger but less than 1%. Three of these countries had, at some time since 1989, been assessed at 1%. Aggregated figures are provided for the rest of the U.N. membership. In 2005, the United States and 16 other nations were assessed to pay 86.408% of the U.N. budget. Contributors in the middle category were collectively assessed to pay 5.986%.

In 2005, of the top 17 assessed countries, Brazil and the United States failed to pay their entire assessment and maintained unpaid or outstanding contributions. The matter of U.S. funding to the United Nations has been a high-profile congressional issue for a number of years. This report is updated annually, as the U.N. document upon which the data is based is published.

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Background

During consideration of funding requests for U.S. participation in international organizations, the 110th Congress may raise questions regarding the assessment level for the United States for its contributions to the United Nations regular budget. Prior to January 1, 2001, the U.S. assessment level was 25%. On December 23, 2000, the U.N. General Assembly lowered the ceiling for the largest contributor to the U.N. regular budget — that is, the United States — from 25% to 22%. This Assembly action was in response to Administration efforts to satisfy the conditions set by Congress for release of funds appropriated for U.S. payment of its arrearages to the U.N. regular budget and U.N. peacekeeping accounts.¹

Determining Scale of Assessments

Article 17 of the U.N. Charter specifies that the U.N. General Assembly will determine the basis for payment of the expenses of the organization and the Assembly has decided that these expenses will be assessed “broadly according to capacity to pay.” An 18-member expert Committee on Contributions meets annually to review the scale of assessments.² Every third year, the Committee reevaluates the scale in preparation for a General Assembly decision approving the scale for the following three-year period. A revised scale for the years 2007-2009 is under discussion before the 2006 Assembly session.

On December 23, 2003, the U.N. General Assembly approved a revised scale for the years 2004-2006. According to information provided in a United Nations online pamphlet, *Image and Reality*, the Committee uses estimates of each member State’s gross national product (GNP) and a number of adjustments, including data for external debt and for low per capita incomes. The General Assembly has also directed that percentage shares range from a minimum of 0.001% to a maximum of 22%, and a maximum of 0.01% for those nations designated as “least developed countries.” According to the U.N. information, the 22% ceiling for the largest

¹ Detailed information on this congressional action can be found under the heading, “The Helms-Biden Agreement and Payment of Arrears” in CRS Report RL33611, *U.N. System Funding: Congressional Issues*, by Marjorie Ann Browne.

² A U.S. national has always been a member of this Committee.

contributor benefits the “United States, whose share of total membership GNP is approximately 27 percent.”³

Explanation of Tables

Congress often raises a number of questions about U.N. assessments. Some of the most commonly asked questions include What nations are assessed at levels similar to the U.S. level? How much does the United States pay annually and how much is outstanding at the end of the year? How does the U.S. record on payment of its assessed contributions to the U.N. regular budget compare with the rest of the membership, especially with the record of other major contributors? Which U.N. members pay the largest proportion of the U.N. regular budget?⁴

This report answers these questions by highlighting — for each of the past 17 years — the actual calendar year payment and the total (combined current year and prior year) outstanding contributions. (These annual payments, however, may not match the assessment for any given year.) The tables list countries that are assessed at 1% or more, their assessment level, actual payment, and contributions outstanding. Most of these countries pay their assessment in full during the calendar year. Of the countries with assessment rates of 1% or more, Argentina, Brazil, Ukraine, USSR/Russian Federation, and the United States have, on occasion, failed to pay the entire assessment and maintained unpaid or outstanding contributions. Four of the five permanent U.N. Security Council members are identified in each table and information on the fifth permanent Council member, China, is given in a footnote. Starting in 2001, China is included among the major contributors because its assessment level since 2001 exceeded 1%.

For 2004 and 2005, a new category — Middle Contributors — provides data on the eight nations that are assessed at 0.5% and over but less than 1%. This group includes three countries that formerly were assessed at 1% or over. Lastly, an aggregated figure is provided for the rest of the U.N. membership.

³ See “Image and Reality: Chapter 5, ‘How are membership dues calculated?’” [<http://www.un.org/geninfo/ir/index.asp>]. A “Briefing on Methodology for Preparing the Scale of Assessments,” found on the website of the Assembly’s Fifth Committee for the 61st session, notes that the “concept of GNP... has been renamed GNI (Gross National Income)... Like GNP, GNI is an income concept, which is defined as the total income accruing to the owners of the factors of production who reside in the country regardless of where production takes place.” See slide 14 at [<http://www.un.org/ga/61/fifth/scale-method.pps>].

⁴ For a brief discussion of the question, How is this assessment level determined?, see CRS Report RL33611, *U.N. System Funding: Congressional Issues*, by Marjorie Ann Browne.

**United Nations Regular Budget Contributions
Calendar Year 1989**

Country	Assessment (%)	Payment (actual, not assessed)	Contributions Outstanding as of Dec. 31, 1989
United States **	25.00	\$158,840,023	\$365,131,467
Other Major Contributors:			
Japan	11.38	\$ 85,017,027	0
USSR (Soviet Union) **	9.99	\$ 79,208,962	\$ 2,640,479
Germany, Fed. Rep.	8.08	\$ 60,363,583	0
France **	6.25	\$ 46,692,128	0
United Kingdom **	4.86	\$ 36,307,798	0
Italy	3.99	\$ 29,808,254	0
Canada	3.09	\$ 23,091,430	0
Spain	1.95	\$ 14,567,943	0
Netherlands	1.65	\$ 12,326,721	0
Australia	1.57	\$ 11,729,062	0
Brazil	1.45	\$ 3,610,858	\$ 7,221,715
German Dem. Rep.	1.28	\$ 9,562,547	0
Ukraine	1.25	\$ 9,910,457	\$ 885,136
Sweden	1.21	\$ 9,039,595	0
Belgium	1.17	\$ 8,740,766	0
Saudi Arabia	1.02	\$ 7,620,155	0
Subtotal (16)	60.19	\$447,597,286	\$ 10,747,330
Subtotal + U.S.			
	85.19	\$606,437,309	\$375,878,797
Rest of Membership (142)*	14.81	\$103,786,622	\$ 85,358,945
GRAND TOTAL	100.00	\$710,223,931	\$461,237,742

* Membership at end of 1989: 159. Information from U.N. document, *Status of Contributions as at 31 December 1989*. [ST/ADM/SER.B/325].

** Permanent members of the U.N. Security Council. China was assessed 0.79%, paid \$5,901,883 in 1989, and was current in its contribution.

**United Nations Regular Budget Contributions
Calendar Year 1990**

Country	Assessment (%)	Payment (actual, not assessed)	Contributions Outstanding as of Dec. 31, 1990
United States ***	25.00	\$302,615,852	\$296,169,865
Other Major Contributors:			
Japan	11.38	\$ 90,000,904	0
USSR (Soviet Union) ***	9.99	\$ 79,007,823	\$ 2,640,479
Germany *	9.36	\$ 74,025,349	0
France ***	6.25	\$ 49,429,319	0
United Kingdom ***	4.86	\$ 38,436,237	0
Italy	3.99	\$ 31,555,677	0
Canada	3.09	\$ 24,437,854	0
Spain	1.95	\$ 15,421,948	0
Netherlands	1.65	\$ 13,049,341	0
Australia	1.57	\$ 12,416,645	0
Brazil	1.45	\$ 5,221,715	\$ 13,467,602
Ukraine	1.25	\$ 9,885,864	\$ 885,136
Sweden	1.21	\$ 9,569,516	0
Belgium	1.17	\$ 9,253,169	0
Saudi Arabia	1.02	\$ 8,066,864	0
Subtotal (15)	60.19	\$469,778,225	\$ 16,993,217
Subtotal + U.S.	85.19	\$772,394,077	\$313,163,082
Rest of Membership (143) **	14.81	\$112,634,830	\$ 89,788,561
GRAND TOTAL	100.00	\$885,028,907	\$402,951,643

* The GDR and FRG united, becoming Germany, effective October 3, 1990.

** Membership at end of 1990: 159. Information from U.N. document, *Status of Contributions as at 31 December 1990*. [ST/ADM/SER.B/345].

*** Permanent members of the U.N. Security Council. China was assessed 0.79%, paid \$6,247,866 in 1990, and was current in its contribution.

**United Nations Regular Budget Contributions
Calendar Year 1991**

Country	Assessment (%)	Payment (actual, not assessed)	Contributions Outstanding as of Dec. 31, 1991
United States **	25.00	\$301,326,450	\$266,407,875
Other Major Contributors:			
Japan	11.38	\$104,844,802	0
USSR (Soviet Union) **	9.99	\$ 48,659,792	\$ 46,019,313
Germany	9.36	\$ 86,234,389	0
France **	6.25	\$ 57,581,723	0
United Kingdom **	4.86	\$ 44,775,548	0
Italy	3.99	\$ 36,760,172	0
Canada	3.09	\$ 28,514,721	0
Spain	1.95	\$ 17,965,497	0
Netherlands	1.65	\$ 15,201,575	0
Australia	1.57	\$ 14,464,529	0
Brazil	1.45	\$ 9,002,601	\$ 17,823,960
Ukraine	1.25	\$ 6,643,308	\$ 5,758,172
Sweden	1.21	\$ 11,147,821	0
Belgium	1.17	\$ 10,779,298	0
Saudi Arabia	1.02	\$ 9,397,337	0
Subtotal (15)	60.19	\$501,973,113	\$ 69,601,445
Subtotal + U.S.			
	85.19	\$803,299,563	\$336,009,320
Rest of Membership (150) *			
	14.82	\$122,983,510	\$103,374,625
GRAND TOTAL	100.01	\$926,283,073	\$439,383,945

* Membership at end of 1991: 166. Information from U.N. Document, *Status of Contributions as at 31 December 1991*. [ST/ADM/SER.B/362]

** Permanent members of the U.N. Security Council. China was assessed 0.79%, paid \$7,278,329 in 1991, and was current in its contribution.

**United Nations Regular Budget Contributions
Calendar Year 1992**

Country	Assessment (%)	Payment (actual, not assessed)	Contributions Outstanding as of Dec. 31, 1992
United States **	25.00	\$325,495,230	\$239,531,646
Other Major Contributors:			
Japan	12.45	\$122,609,322	0
Russian Fed. **	9.41	\$ 28,580,000	\$110,110,295
Germany	8.93	\$ 87,943,875	0
France **	6.00	\$ 59,088,830	0
United Kingdom **	5.02	\$ 49,437,654	0
Italy	4.29	\$ 42,248,513	0
Canada	3.11	\$ 30,662,414	0
Spain	1.98	\$ 19,499,313	0
Brazil	1.59	\$ 4,465,801	\$ 29,016,698
Australia	1.51	\$ 14,870,688	0
Netherlands	1.50	\$ 14,772,207	0
Ukraine	1.18	\$ 70,000	\$ 17,308,974
Sweden	1.11	\$ 10,931,433	0
Belgium	1.06	\$ 10,439,026	0
Subtotal (14)	59.14	\$495,619,076	\$156,435,967
Subtotal + U.S.			
	84.14	\$821,114,306	\$395,967,613
Rest of Membership (161) *			
	15.88	\$155,133,570	\$104,640,052
GRAND TOTAL	100.02	\$976,247,876	\$500,607,665

* Membership at end of 1992: 164. Three new members — Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania — were assessed the following year for 1992 and thus not included in this listing. Information is from United Nations document, *Status of Contributions as at 31 December 1992*. [ST/ADM/SER.B/395].

** Permanent members of the U.N. Security Council. China was assessed 0.77%, paid \$7,583,066 in 1992, and was current in its contribution.

**United Nations Regular Budget Contributions
Calendar Year 1993**

Country	Assessment (%)	Payment (actual, not assessed)	Contributions Outstanding as of Dec. 31, 1993
United States **	25.00	\$289,062,441	\$260,392,163
Other Major Contributors:			
Japan	12.45	\$127,053,643	0
Germany	8.93	\$ 91,131,650	0
Russian Fed. **	6.71	\$121,006,035	\$ 43,459,468
France **	6.00	\$ 61,230,672	0
United Kingdom **	5.02	\$ 51,229,662	0
Italy	4.29	\$ 43,779,930	0
Canada	3.11	\$ 31,743,607	0
Spain	1.98	\$ 20,206,121	0
Ukraine	1.87	\$ 7,090,299	\$ 29,302,234
Brazil	1.59	\$ 32,833,789	\$ 12,409,037
Australia	1.51	\$ 15,409,719	0
Netherlands	1.50	\$ 15,307,668	0
Sweden	1.11	\$ 11,327,675	0
Belgium	1.06	\$ 10,817,419	0
Subtotal (14)	57.13	\$640,167,889	\$ 85,170,739
Subtotal + U.S.			
	82.13	\$929,230,330	\$345,562,902
Rest of Membership (169)*			
	17.35	\$147,777,694	\$132,440,466
GRAND TOTAL	99.48 *	\$1,077,008,024	\$478,003,368

* Membership at end of 1993: 184. Information is from United Nations document, *Status of Contributions as at 31 December 1993*. [ST/ADM/SER.B/424]. Assessment total fell, on December 31, from 100.03% to 99.48%, due to dissolution of the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, effective December 31, 1993.

** Permanent members of the U.N. Security Council. China was assessed 0.77%, paid \$7,857,936 in 1993, and was current in its contribution.

**United Nations Regular Budget Contributions
Calendar Year 1994**

Country	Assessment (%)	Payment (actual, not assessed)	Contributions Outstanding as of Dec. 31, 1994
United States **	25.00	\$310,800,851	\$247,851,724
Other Major Contributors:			
Japan	12.45	\$126,652,158	0
Germany	8.93	\$ 90,843,676	0
Russian Fed. **	6.71	\$111,259,468	\$ 459,918
France **	6.00	\$ 61,037,185	0
United Kingdom **	5.02	\$ 51,067,778	0
Italy	4.29	\$ 43,641,587	0
Canada	3.11	\$ 31,637,608	0
Spain	1.98	\$ 20,142,271	0
Ukraine	1.87	\$ 6,920,000	\$ 41,405,490
Brazil	1.59	\$ 12,409,037	\$ 16,174,854
Australia	1.51	\$ 15,361,025	0
Netherlands	1.50	\$ 15,259,297	0
Sweden	1.11	\$ 11,291,880	0
Belgium	1.06	\$ 10,783,237	0
Subtotal (14)	57.13	\$608,306,207	\$ 58,040,262
Subtotal + U.S.			
	82.13	\$919,107,058	\$305,891,986
Rest of Membership (170)*			
	17.93	\$150,827,011	\$174,063,001
GRAND TOTAL	100.06	\$1,069,934,069	\$479,954,987

* Membership at end of 1994: 185. Information is from United Nations document, *Status of Contributions as at 31 December 1994*. [ST/ADM/SER.B/458].

** Permanent members of the U.N. Security Council. China was assessed 0.77%, paid \$7,833,106 in 1994, and was current in its contribution.

**United Nations Regular Budget Contributions
Calendar Year 1995**

Country	Assessment (%)	Payment (actual, not assessed)	Contributions Outstanding as of Dec. 31, 1995
United States **	25.00	\$150,130,049	\$414,423,874
Other Major Contributors:			
Japan	13.95	\$152,442,506	0
Germany	8.94	\$ 97,694,337	0
France **	6.32	\$ 69,063,558	0
Russian Fed. **	5.68	\$ 62,529,698	0
United Kingdom **	5.27	\$ 57,589,390	0
Italy	4.79	\$ 52,344,057	0
Canada	3.07	\$ 33,548,279	0
Spain	2.24	\$ 24,478,223	0
Brazil	1.62	\$ 33,877,855	0
Netherlands	1.58	\$ 17,265,889	0
Ukraine	1.48	\$ 16,480,300	\$ 41,098,302
Australia	1.46	\$ 15,954,555	0
Sweden	1.22	\$ 13,331,889	0
Belgium	0.99	\$ 10,818,500	0
Subtotal (14)	58.61	\$657,419,036	\$ 41,098,302
Subtotal + U.S.			
	83.61	\$807,549,085	\$455,522,176
Rest of Membership (170)*			
	16.39	\$244,807,611	\$108,515,395
GRAND TOTAL	100.00	\$1,052,356,696	\$564,037,571

* Membership at end of 1995: 185. Information is from United Nations document, *Status of Contributions as at 31 December 1995*. [ST/ADM/SER.B/484].

** Permanent members of the U.N. Security Council. China was assessed 0.72%, paid \$7,868,000 in 1995, and was current in its contribution.

**United Nations Regular Budget Contributions
Calendar Year 1996**

Country	Assessment (%)	Payment (actual, not assessed)	Contributions Outstanding as of Dec. 31, 1996
United States **	25.00	\$359,040,601	\$376,775,346
Other Major Contributors:			
Japan	15.4350	\$167,886,832	0
Germany	9.0425	\$ 98,355,470	0
France **	6.4075	\$ 69,694,517	0
United Kingdom **	5.3150	\$ 57,811,371	0
Italy	5.1975	\$ 56,533,321	0
Russian Fed. **	4.4500	\$ 48,402,747	0
Canada	3.1025	\$ 33,745,960	0
Spain	2.3625	\$ 25,696,964	0
Brazil	1.6200	\$ 11,620,775	\$ 6,000,000
Netherlands	1.5875	\$ 17,267,272	0
Australia	1.4800	\$ 16,097,993	0
Sweden	1.2275	\$ 13,351,545	0
Ukraine	1.1400	\$ 19,730,000	\$ 33,768,107
Belgium	1.0075	\$ 10,958,599	0
Subtotal (14)	59.3750	\$496,153,366	\$ 39,768,107
Subtotal + U.S.			
	84.3750	\$855,193,967	\$416,543,453
Rest of Membership (170)*			
	15.6350	\$335,413,332	\$ 94,177,098
GRAND TOTAL	100.01	\$1,190,607,299	\$510,720,551

* Membership at end of 1996: 185. Information is from United Nations document, *Status of Contributions as at 31 December 1996*. [ST/ADM/SER.B/505].

** Permanent members of the U.N. Security Council. China was assessed 0.7350%, paid \$7,994,611 in 1996, and was current in its contribution.

**United Nations Regular Budget Contributions
Calendar Year 1997**

Country	Assessment (%)	Payment (actual, not assessed)	Contributions Outstanding as of Dec. 31, 1997
United States **	25.00	\$315,585,677	\$373,239,953
Other Major Contributors:			
Japan	15.65	\$166,684,838	0
Germany	9.06	\$ 96,496,142	0
France **	6.42	\$ 68,378,061	0
United Kingdom **	5.32	\$ 56,662,194	0
Italy	5.25	\$ 55,916,639	0
Russian Federation **	4.27	\$ 45,478,867	0
Canada	3.11	\$ 33,123,952	0
Spain	2.38	\$ 25,348,876	0
Brazil	1.62	\$ 6,550,336	\$ 16,703,941
Netherlands	1.59	\$ 16,934,753	0
Australia	1.48	\$ 15,763,167	0
Sweden	1.23	\$ 13,100,469	0
Ukraine	1.09	\$ 27,715,573	\$ 17,661,894
Belgium	1.01	\$ 10,757,297	0
Subtotal (14)	59.48	\$638,911,164	\$ 34,365,835
Subtotal + U.S.			
	84.48	\$954,496,841	\$407,605,788
Rest of Membership (170)*			
	15.53	\$193,602,698	\$ 65,985,875
GRAND TOTAL	100.01	\$1,148,099,539	\$473,591,663

* Membership at end of 1997: 185. Information is from United Nations document, *Status of Contributions as at 31 December 1997*. [ST/ADM/SER.B/521].

** Permanent members of the U.N. Security Council. China was assessed 0.74%, paid \$7,881,584 in 1997, and was current in its contribution.

**United Nations Regular Budget Contributions
Calendar Year 1998**

Country	Assessment (%)	Payment (actual, not assessed)	Contributions Outstanding as of Dec. 31, 1998
United States **	25.00	\$355,262,548	\$315,704,661
Other Major Contributors:			
Japan	17.981	\$189,093,100	0
Germany	9.630	\$101,271,707	0
France **	6.494	\$ 68,292,675	0
Italy	5.394	\$ 56,724,775	0
United Kingdom **	5.076	\$ 53,380,600	0
Russian Federation **	2.873	\$ 30,213,251	0
Canada	2.825	\$ 29,708,471	0
Spain	2.571	\$ 27,037,337	0
Netherlands	1.619	\$ 17,025,845	0
Brazil	1.514	\$ 1,906,000	\$ 30,719,578
Australia	1.471	\$ 15,469,437	0
Sweden	1.099	\$ 11,557,384	0
Belgium	1.096	\$ 11,525,835	0
Subtotal (13)	59.643	\$613,206,417	\$ 30,719,578
Subtotal + U.S.			
	84.643	\$968,468,965	\$346,424,239
Rest of Membership (171) *			
	15.357	\$174,571,813	\$ 70,594,933
GRAND TOTAL	100.000	\$1,143,040,778	\$417,019,172

* Membership at end of 1998: 185. Information is from United Nations document, *Status of Contributions as at 31 December 1998*. [ST/ADM/SER.B/536].

** Permanent members of the U.N. Security Council. China was assessed 0.901%, paid \$9,475,161 in 1998, and was current in its contribution.

**United Nations Regular Budget Contributions
Calendar Year 1999**

Country	Assessment (%)	Payment (actual, not assessed)	Contributions Outstanding as of Dec. 31, 1999
United States **	25.00	\$452,203,605	\$167,896,611
Other Major Contributors:			
Japan	19.984	\$207,651,846	0
Germany	9.808	\$101,913,996	0
France **	6.540	\$ 67,956,519	0
Italy	5.432	\$ 56,443,396	0
United Kingdom **	5.090	\$ 52,889,706	0
Canada	2.754	\$ 28,616,552	0
Spain	2.589	\$ 26,902,053	0
Netherlands	1.631	\$ 16,947,566	0
Russian Federation **	1.487	\$ 15,451,275	0
Australia	1.482	\$ 15,399,321	0
Brazil	1.470	\$ 20,768,594	\$ 25,225,615
Belgium	1.103	\$ 11,461,168	0
Sweden	1.084	\$ 11,263,741	0
Argentina	1.024	\$ 8,364,497	\$ 10,640,287
Subtotal (14)	61.48	\$642,030,230	\$ 35,865,902
Subtotal + U.S.			
	86.48	\$1,094,233,835	\$203,762,513
Rest of Membership (173) *			
	13.52	\$162,284,820	\$ 40,471,912
GRAND TOTAL	100.000	\$1,256,518,655	\$244,234,425

* Membership at end of 1999: 188. Information is from United Nations document, *Status of Contributions as at 31 December 1999*. [ST/ADM/SER.B/554].

** Permanent members of the U.N. Security Council. China was assessed 0.973%, paid \$10,110,351 in 1999, and was current in its contribution.

**United Nations Regular Budget Contributions
Calendar Year 2000**

Country	Assessment (%)	Payment (actual, not assessed)	Contributions Outstanding as of Dec. 31, 2000
United States **	25.00	\$303,576,746	\$164,629,456
Other Major Contributors:			
Japan	20.573	\$216,404,978	0
Germany	9.857	\$103,684,629	0
France **	6.545	\$ 68,846,089	0
Italy	5.437	\$ 57,191,167	0
United Kingdom **	5.092	\$ 53,562,152	0
Canada	2.732	\$ 28,737,588	0
Spain	2.591	\$ 27,254,426	0
Netherlands	1.632	\$ 17,166,817	0
Australia	1.483	\$ 15,599,503	0
Brazil	1.471	\$ 19,143,000	\$ 21,555,891
Belgium	1.104	\$ 11,612,847	0
Argentina	1.103	\$ 22,242,615	\$ 10,305,287
Sweden	1.079	\$ 11,349,875	0
Russian Federation **	1.077	\$ 11,328,837	0
Republic of Korea	1.006	\$ 10,581,996	0
Subtotal (15)	62.782	\$674,706,519	\$ 31,861,178
Subtotal + U.S.			
	87.782	\$978,283,265	\$196,490,634
Rest of Membership (173) *			
	12.197	\$121,604,882	\$ 25,865,614
GRAND TOTAL	99.977	\$1,099,888,147	\$222,356,248

* Membership at end of 2000: 189. Information is from United Nations document, *Status of Contributions as at 31 December 2000*. [ST/ADM/SER.B/570].

** Permanent members of the U.N. Security Council. China was assessed 0.995%, paid \$10,466,289 in 2000, and was current in its contribution.

**United Nations Regular Budget Contributions
Calendar Year 2001**

Country	Assessment (%)	Payment (actual, not assessed)	Contributions Outstanding as of Dec. 31, 2001
United States **	22.00	\$328,206,625	\$165,423,794
Other Major Contributors:			
Japan	19.629	\$203,019,591	0
Germany	9.825	\$ 98,179,401	0
France **	6.503	\$ 64,985,093	0
United Kingdom **	5.568	\$ 55,641,372	0
Italy	5.094	\$ 50,911,592	0
Canada	2.573	\$ 26,612,126	0
Spain	2.534	\$ 25,326,511	0
Brazil	2.231	\$ 18,431,344	\$ 20,728,059
Netherlands	1.748	\$ 17,460,781	0
Republic of Korea	1.728	\$ 13,631,862	0
Australia	1.636	\$ 16,589,914	0
China **	1.541	\$ 15,328,088	0
Russian Federation **	1.200	\$ 12,411,407	0
Argentina	1.156	\$ 5,742,730	\$ 17,695,835
Belgium	1.136	\$ 11,358,507	0
Mexico	1.093	\$ 10,859,982	0
Sweden	1.033	\$ 10,329,394	0
Subtotal (17)	66.228	\$656,819,695	\$ 38,423,894
Subtotal + U.S.			
	88.228	\$985,026,320	\$203,847,688
Rest of Membership (171)*			
	11.772	\$ 71,493,537	\$ 35,700,109
GRAND TOTAL	100.000	\$1,056,519,857	\$239,547,797

* Membership at end of 2001: 189. Information is from United Nations document, *Status of Contributions as at 31 December 2001*. [ST/ADM/SER.B/585].

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**United Nations Regular Budget Contributions
Calendar Year 2002**

Country	Assessment (%)	Payment (actual, not assessed)	Contributions Outstanding as of Dec. 31, 2002
United States **	22.00	\$258,168,464	\$190,331,651
Other Major Contributors:			
Japan	19.669	\$218,412,768	0
Germany	9.845	\$ 109,322,981	0
France **	6.516	\$ 72,356,378	0
United Kingdom **	5.579	\$ 61,951,540	0
Italy	5.104	\$ 56,676,942	0
Canada	2.579	\$ 28,638,290	0
Spain	2.539	\$ 28,194,114	0
Brazil	2.093	\$ 7,029,601	\$ 36,940,002
Republic of Korea	1.866	\$ 20,720,841	0
Netherlands	1.751	\$ 19,443,834	0
Australia	1.640	\$ 18,211,243	0
China **	1.545	\$ 17,156,324	0
Russian Federation **	1.200	\$ 13,325,300	0
Argentina	1.159	\$ 662,311	\$ 29,903,543
Belgium	1.138	\$ 12,636,826	0
Mexico	1.095	\$ 12,159,337	0
Sweden	1.035	\$ 11,493,071	0
Subtotal (17)	66.353	\$708,391,701	\$ 66,843,545
Subtotal + U.S.	88.353	\$966,560,165	\$257,175,196
Rest of Membership (173) *	11.647	\$ 117,497,776	\$ 47,607,025
GRAND TOTAL	100.000	\$1,084,057,941	\$304,782,221

* Membership at end of 2002: 191. Information is from United Nations document, *Status of Contributions as at 31 December 2002*. [ST/ADM/SER.B/600].

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**United Nations Regular Budget Contributions
Calendar Year 2003**

Country	Assessment (%)	Payment (actual, not assessed)	Contributions Outstanding as of Dec. 31, 2003
United States **	22.00000	\$263,845,890	\$267,960,871
Other Major Contributors:			
Japan	19.51575	\$244,424,847	0
Germany	9.76900	\$131,893,753	0
France **	6.46600	\$ 87,299,111	0
United Kingdom **	5.53600	\$ 74,742,944	0
Italy	5.06475	\$ 68,380,478	0
Canada	2.55800	\$ 34,536,208	0
Spain	2.51875	\$ 34,006,285	0
Brazil	2.39000	\$ 15,336,937	\$ 53,871,063
Republic of Korea	1.85100	\$ 24,990,822	0
Netherlands	1.73800	\$ 23,465,180	0
Australia	1.62700	\$ 21,966,540	0
China **	1.53200	\$ 20,683,922	0
Switzerland	1.27400	\$ 17,200,598	0
Russian Federation **	1.20000	\$ 16,201,505	0
Belgium	1.12900	\$ 15,242,916	0
Mexico	1.08600	\$ 10,402,795	\$ 4,259,567
Sweden	1.02675	\$ 13,862,413	0
Subtotal (17)	66.28200	\$854,637,254	\$ 58,130,630
Subtotal + U.S.	88.282	\$1,118,483,144	\$326,091,501
Rest of Membership (173) *	12.805	\$ 153,826,541	\$115,655,305
GRAND TOTAL	101.087	\$1,272,309,685	\$441,746,806

* Membership at end of 2003: 191. Information is from United Nations document, *Status of Contributions as at 31 December 2003*. [ST/ADM/SER.B/619].

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**United Nations Regular Budget Contributions
Calendar Year 2004**

Country	Assessment (%)	Payment (actual, not assessed)	Contributions Outstanding as of Dec. 31, 2004
United States **	22.000	\$390,293,007	\$240,520,860
Other Major Contributors (1% and over):			
Japan	19.468	\$298,629,134	0
Germany	8.662	\$124,389,166	0
United Kingdom **	6.127	\$ 87,985,732	0
France **	6.030	\$ 86,592,781	0
Italy	4.885	\$ 70,150,205	0
Canada	2.813	\$ 40,395,605	0
Spain	2.520	\$ 36,188,028	0
China **	2.053	\$ 29,481,755	0
Mexico	1.883	\$ 31,300,066	0
Republic of Korea	1.796	\$ 25,791,150	0
Netherlands	1.690	\$ 24,268,955	0
Australia	1.592	\$ 22,861,643	0
Brazil	1.523	\$ 28,355,676	\$ 47,386,167
Switzerland	1.197	\$ 17,189,314	0
Russian Federation **	1.100	\$ 15,796,362	0
Belgium	1.069	\$ 15,351,191	0
Subtotal (16)	64.408	\$954,726,763	\$ 47,386,167
Middle Contributors (bet. 0.5% and 1%):			
Sweden ***	0.998	\$ 14,331,608	0
Argentina ***	0.956	\$ 38,838,952	\$ 15,932,676
Austria	0.859	\$ 12,335,522	0
Denmark	0.718	\$ 10,310,716	0
Saudi Arabia ***	0.713	\$ 5,574,400	\$ 4,664,515
Norway	0.679	\$ 9,750,663	0
Finland	0.533	\$ 7,654,056	0
Greece	0.530	\$ 7,610,975	0
Subtotal (8)	5.986	\$106,406,892	\$ 20,597,191
Rest of Membership (166) *	7.606	\$ 116,110,780	\$ 59,939,319
GRAND TOTAL	100.000	\$1,567,537,442	\$368,443,537

* Membership at end of 2004: 191. Information is from United Nations document, *Status of Contributions as at 31 December 2004*. [ST/ADM/SER.B/642].

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**United Nations Regular Budget Contributions
Calendar Year 2005**

Country	Assessment (%)	Payment (actual, not assessed)	Contributions Outstanding as of Dec. 31, 2005
United States **	22.00	\$428,280,567	\$251,851,905
Other Major Contributors (1% and over):			
Japan	19.468	\$346,434,802	0
Germany	8.662	\$154,141,065	0
United Kingdom **	6.127	\$109,030,513	0
France **	6.030	\$107,304,389	0
Italy	4.885	\$86,929,012	0
Canada	2.813	\$50,057,586	0
Spain	2.520	\$44,843,626	0
China **	2.053	\$36,533,318	0
Mexico	1.883	\$33,508,154	0
Republic of Korea	1.796	\$31,959,981	0
Netherlands	1.690	\$30,073,701	0
Australia	1.592	\$28,329,783	0
Brazil	1.523	\$42,760,683	\$31,727,405
Switzerland	1.197	\$21,300,722	0
Russian Federation **	1.100	\$19,574,599	0
Belgium	1.069	\$19,022,951	0
Subtotal (16)	64.408	\$1,161,804,885	\$31,727,405
Middle Contributors (bet. 0.5% and 1%):			
Sweden ***	0.998	\$17,759,499	0
Argentina ***	0.956	\$10,741,262	\$22,203,520
Austria	0.859	\$15,258,982	0
Denmark	0.718	\$12,776,875	0
Saudi Arabia ***	0.713	\$17,352,414	0
Norway	0.679	\$12,082,866	0
Finland	0.533	\$9,484,783	0
Greece	0.530	\$9,431,397	0
Subtotal (8)	5.986	\$104,915,078	\$22,203,520
Rest of Membership (166) *	7.606	\$156,508,189	\$38,815,511
GRAND TOTAL	100.000	\$1,851,508,719	\$344,598,341

* Membership at end of 2005: 191. Information is from United Nations document, *Status of Contributions as at 31 December 2005*. [ST/ADM/SER.B/673].

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