



FACT SHEET #4

Participation Rates for the 2008 Treaty Event

% Participation As of 02 September 2008	Number of Parties*	Treaty	Date of Adoption / Conclusion
99%	193	Convention on the Rights of the Child	20 November 1989
99%	192	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change	9 May 1992
95%	185	Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women	18 December 1979
95%	183	Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change	11 December 1997
90%	173	International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination	7 March 1966
88%	172	Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal	22 March 1989
84%	162	International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights	16 December 1966
82%	159	International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights	16 December 1966
81%	159	Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants	22 May 2001
80%	156	Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations	13 February 1946
80%	156	Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction	18 September 1997
80%	157	United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea	10 December 1982
76%	148	Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety to the Convention on Biological Diversity	29 January 2000
74%	145	Convention against Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman, or Degrading Treatment or Punishment	10 December 1984

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74%	144	Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty	10 September 1996
73%	140	Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide	9 December 1948
66%	128	Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child in the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography	25 May 2000
63%	122	Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of Child on the involvement of Children in Armed Conflict	25 May 2000
62%	122	United Nations Convention against Corruption	31 October 2003
60%	116	Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies	21 November 1947
58%	111	Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights	16 December 1966
55%	108	Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court	17 July 1998
55%	107	Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (with Protocols I, II and III)	10 October 1980
47%	91	Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby-Traps and Other Devices as amended on 3 May 1996 (Protocol II as amended on 3 May 1996) annexed to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects	3 May 1996
47%	91	Additional Protocol to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (Protocol IV, Entitled Protocol on Blinding Laser Weapons)	13 October 1995
47%	90	Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women	6 October 1999

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43%	84	Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel	9 December 1994
41%	79	Convention concerning Customs Facilities for Touring	4 June 1954
37%	72	Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea - Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks	4 August 1995
36%	69	Customs Convention on the International Transport of Goods under Cover of TIR Carnets	14 November 1975
35%	68	Convention on Road Traffic	8 November 1968
35%	67	Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights - Abolition of the Death Penalty	15 December 1989
33%	64	Amendment to the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal	22 September 1995
32%	62	Amendment to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects	21 December 2001
30%	57	Convention on Road Signs and Signals	8 November 1968
28%	53	Convention on the Contract for the International Carriage of Goods by Road	19 May 1956
27%	52	The International Convention on the Harmonization of Frontier Control of Goods	21 October 1982
24%	46	Protocol on Explosive Remnants of War to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects (Protocol V)	28 November 2003
21%	41	Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-Making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters	25 June 1998

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20%	39	Customs Convention on Containers	2 December 1972
20%	39	Protocol to the Convention on the Contract for the International Carriage of Goods by Road	5 July 1978
20%	39	Convention on Transit Trade of Land-locked States	8 July 1965
19%	37	International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families	18 December 1990
19%	37	Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents	17 March 1992
18%	36	Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes	17 March 1992
18%	35	Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment	18 December 2002
18%	35	Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities	13 December 2006
11%	21	Protocol on Water and Health to the 1992 Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes	17 June 1999
10%	20	Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities	13 December 2006
9%	18	Amendment to the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-Making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters	27 May 2005
8%	16	Convention on the Law of the Non-Navigational Uses of International Watercourses	21 May 1997
7%	14	Convention on Customs Treatment of Pool Containers used in International Transport	21 January 1994
7%	14	Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel	8 December 2005

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5%	10	International Tropical Timber Agreement, 2006	27 January 2006
5%	10	Amendments to Articles 25 and 26 of the Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes	17 February 2004
5%	9	Basel Protocol on Liability and Compensation for Damage Resulting from Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal	10 December 1999
5%	10	Protocol on Pollutant Release and Transfer Registers	21 May 2003
4%	7	Amendment to Annex B of the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change	17 November 2006
2%	4	International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance	20 December 2006
0,5%	1	Protocol on Civil Liability and Compensation for Damage Caused by the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents on Transboundary Waters to the 1992 Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes and to the 1992 Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents	21 May 2003
0%	0	United Nations Convention on the Use of Electronic Communications in International Contracts	23 November 2005

* The participation rate for each treaty highlighted in the 2008 Treaty Event has been calculated based on the total of all possible parties. For those treaties open to "All States" and/or regional economic integration organizations, for example, this total will be more than the 192 Member States of the United Nations.