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<p><b>Members</b></p>	<p><b>135</b></p> <p><b>90</b></p> <p><b>36</b></p> <p><b>9</b></p>	<p>national standards bodies, comprising</p> <p>member bodies</p> <p>correspondent members</p> <p>subscriber members</p>
<p><b>Technical Committee structure</b></p>	<p><b>2 867</b></p> <p><b>187</b></p> <p><b>572</b></p> <p><b>2 063</b></p> <p><b>45</b></p>	<p>technical bodies, comprising</p> <p>technical committees</p> <p>subcommittees</p> <p>working groups and ad hoc study groups</p> <p>For details, see <i>ISO Memento</i></p>
<p><b>Staff</b> Technical secretariats</p> <p>Central Secretariat in Geneva</p>	<p><b>35</b></p> <p><b>500</b></p> <p><b>161</b></p> <p><b>18</b></p>	<p>member bodies provide the administrative and technical services for the secretariats of technical committees (TC) and subcommittees (SC)</p> <p>These services equal a full-time staff of persons</p> <p>full-time staff from</p> <p>countries coordinate the worldwide activities of ISO</p>
<p><b>Financing</b></p>	<p><b>150</b></p> <p><b>80</b></p> <p><b>35</b></p> <p><b>20</b></p>	<p>million CHF per year is estimated as the operational expenditure for the ISO work, of which</p> <p>percent is financed directly by member bodies holding TC and SC secretariats, and</p> <p>percent through member body subscriptions and publications income, covering the costs of the Central Secretariat</p>

<p><b>Development of International Standards</b></p> <p>Total at 31 December 1999</p>	<p><b>12 524</b></p> <p><b>356 427</b></p>	<p>International Standards and standards-type documents</p> <p>These standards represent a total output of pages in English and French (terminology is also often provided in other languages)</p>
<p>in 1999</p>	<p><b>961</b></p> <p><b>42 422</b></p>	<p>International Standards and standards-type documents published</p> <p>This output represents a total of pages for 1999</p> <p>For details, see <i>ISO Catalogue</i></p>
<p><b>Work in progress</b> at 31 December 1999</p>	<p><b>4 975</b></p> <p><b>1 668</b></p> <p><b>1 163</b></p> <p><b>2 144</b></p>	<p>work items appear on the programmes of work of the technical committees</p> <p>The breakdown is as follows:</p> <p>new work items at preparatory stage</p> <p>committee drafts</p> <p>draft International Standards (DIS) and final draft International Standards (FDIS)</p>
<p>in 1999</p>	<p><b>589</b></p> <p><b>623</b></p> <p><b>1 959</b></p>	<p>new work items registered</p> <p>committee drafts registered</p> <p>draft International Standards and final draft International Standards registered</p> <p>For details, see <i>ISO Technical Programme</i></p>

## PRODUCTION BY TECHNICAL SECTOR

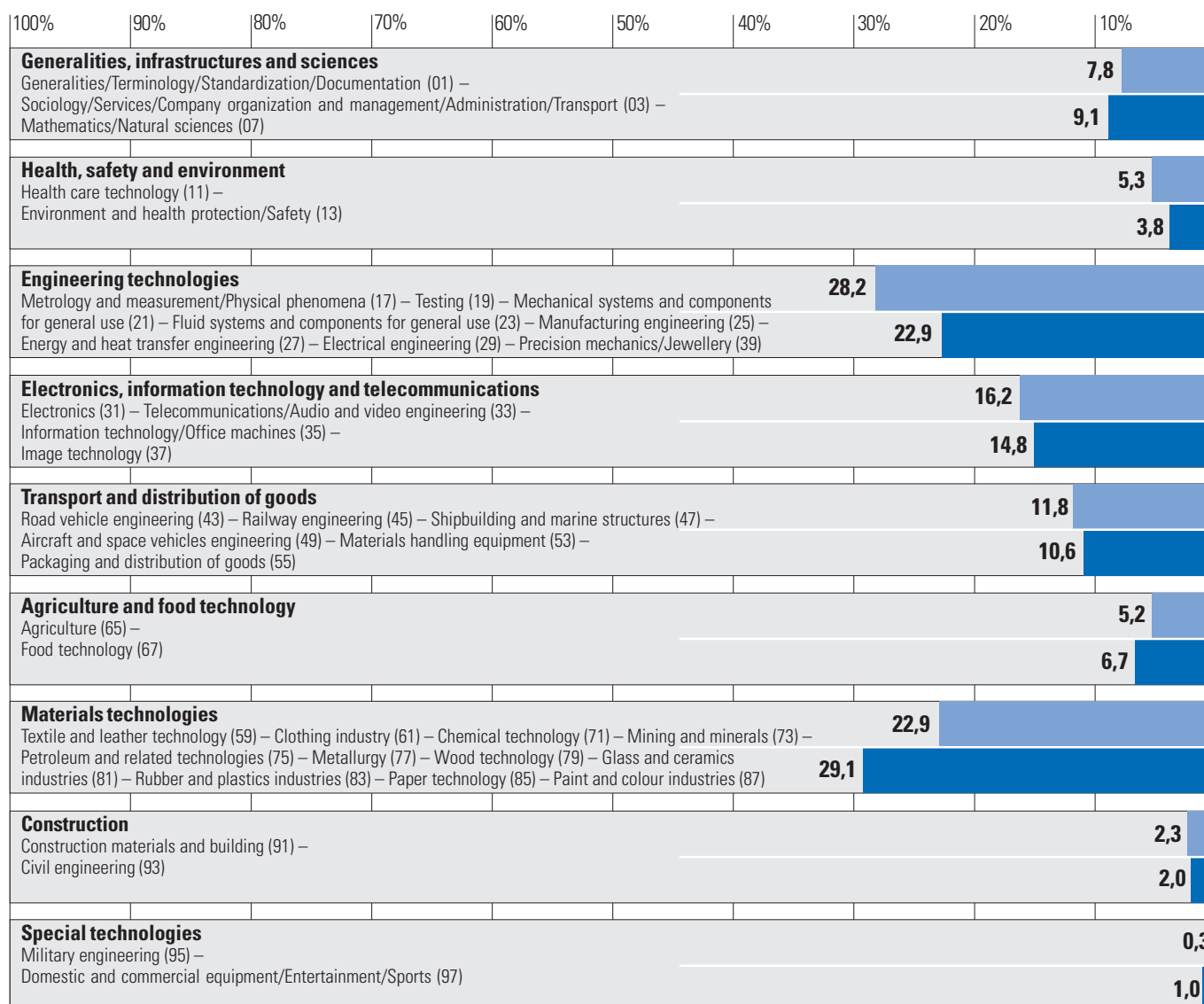
Sectors as based on the International Classification for Standards (ICS)	DIS/FDIS		INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS			
	New	Total	New	No. of pages	Total	No. of pages
<b>Generalities, infrastructures and sciences</b>	144	167	85	3 314	1 145	30 981
<b>Health, safety and environment</b>	108	114	53	1 582	472	12 018
<b>Engineering technologies</b>	531	605	253	12 414	2 867	85 332
<b>Electronics, information technology and telecommunications</b>	359	347	203	14 553	1 852	107 349
<b>Transport and distribution of goods</b>	214	254	72	1 938	1 329	28 146
<b>Agriculture and food technology</b>	108	113	42	1 291	835	14 936
<b>Materials technologies</b>	462	490	236	6 774	3 652	68 457
<b>Construction</b>	29	50	14	498	257	6 553
<b>Special technologies</b>	4	4	3	58	115	2 655
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1 959</b>	<b>2 144</b>	<b>961</b>	<b>42 422</b>	<b>12 524</b>	<b>356 427</b>

**New:** between 1 January and 31 December 1999

A **new** draft can be registered as both DIS and FDIS in the same year

**Total:** at 31 December 1999

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



Note – Figures in brackets correspond to ICS fields.

DIS/FDIS

International Standards

<p><b>Meetings</b></p> <p>in 1999</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p><b>1 493</b></p> <p><b>94</b></p> <p><b>370</b></p> <p><b>1 029</b></p>	<p>technical meetings are in progress, on average, each working day of the year somewhere in the world</p> <p>technical meetings were held in 32 countries, comprising</p> <p>meetings of technical committees</p> <p>meetings of subcommittees</p> <p>meetings of working groups or ad hoc groups</p>
<p><b>Liaisons</b></p>	<p><b>538</b></p>	<p>international organizations are in liaison with ISO technical committees and subcommittees</p> <p>For details, see <i>ISO Liaisons</i></p>
<p><b>Electronic access to technical information</b></p>	<p><b>12 524</b></p> <p><b>4 975</b></p> <p><b>700 000</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 <b>ISO Online</b>, accessible on the Web at the following address: <a href="http://www.iso.ch">www.iso.ch</a></p> <p>Users will find here</p> <p>bibliographic data items on ISO International Standards</p> <p>bibliographic data items on draft ISO International Standards.</p> <p>Through ISO Online, by accessing <i>World Standards Services Network (WSSN)</i>, users can also easily and directly access information on standardization developments within a number of international, regional and national standardizing bodies on some</p> <p>standards, technical regulations and other standards-type documents from all over the world.</p>