

THE ISO SURVEY OF MANAGEMENT SYSTEM STANDARD CERTIFICATIONS – 2023 – EXPLANATORY NOTE

The ISO Survey

The ISO Survey of Certifications is an annual survey of the number of valid certificates to some ISO management system standards worldwide. The providers of data are the certification bodies accredited by the IAF MLA Members.

2023 Results

Overall figures

The table below displays the total number of valid certificates and the total number of sites for each standard covered by the survey. A certificate is the document issued by a certification body once the client has demonstrated conformity to the standard and a "site" is a permanent location where an organization carries out work or provides a service.

Standards	Number of certificates	Number of sites
ISO 9001:2015	837 978	1 250 243
ISO 14001:2015	300 410	526 046
ISO 45001:2018	185 166	309 056
ISO IEC 27001:2013	48 671	81 264
ISO 22000:2018	30 011	36 630
ISO 13485:2016	32 963	52 950
ISO 50001:2018	24 924	61 370
ISO 20000-1:2018	3 670	6 652
ISO 37001:2016	7 894	15 952
ISO 22301:2019	3 524	11 232
ISO 39001:2012	1 670	2 982
ISO 55001:2014	668	2 134
ISO 20121:2012	293	433
ISO 29001:2020	206	244
ISO 44001:2017	132	163

Full results

The detailed results for each standard are available on https://www.iso.org/the-iso-survey.html. For each of the standards, the number of certificates and the number of sites are displayed next to each other.

Contribution from IAF CertSearch

As for the ISO Survey 2022 results, some additional data was provided from IAF CertSearch, the database established by the International Accreditation Forum (IAF) to allow users to search and validate the status of accredited certification. This collaboration provided a substantial level of data reported to the ISO Survey, improving the accuracy of the results.

Results highlights

- This year, results were impacted by the missing participation of the accreditation body of China, who was not able to share its data for the ISO Survey. The impact is significant due to the large amount of data reported by it in past ISO Surveys.
- > Apart from this, the overall participation of certification bodies has been good and consistent with the previous edition of the Survey.
- Data for ISO 28000 could not be collected this year due to an error in the data collection file but will be reinstated in the next Survey.
- As with previous editions of the survey, the results show some fluctuations at the country level that are explained by factors related to participation. For example:
 - For ISO 9001, UK, Germany, India, USA, Australia and Czech Republic show a decrease that is mainly due to non-participation of certification bodies or a decrease of data reported by providers that took part in the previous Survey.
 - Italy, Korea, USA, Romania and Poland show growth for the number of certificates for ISO 9001, due to the increase in the data reported by some providers and by some certification bodies that did not participate the year before.

Disclaimer

The ISO Survey is not a database. The providers of the data are the certification bodies accredited by IAF members, and they participate on a voluntary basis. The level of participation fluctuates from one edition of the survey to another and can impact the survey results especially at the country level. Interpretations of the results and any conclusions on the trends should be made with these considerations in mind.