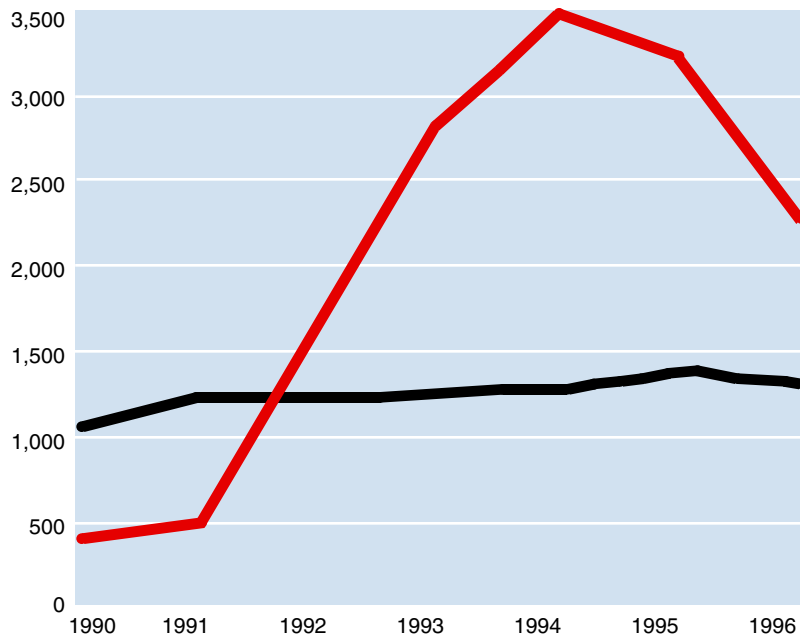


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Ups and Downs of UN Peacekeeping



The UN's Peacekeeping and "Regular" Budgets

The cost of United Nations peacekeeping operations began to surge in 1991—the result of growing UN involvement in Somalia and the Balkans—and continued to rise for several years, hitting a peak in 1994 (Fig. 1). Since then, outlays have experienced a precipitous decline. Meanwhile, the “regular” UN budget has remained level. The drop in peacekeeping outlays reflects the fact that other organizations, most notably NATO, have taken over peacekeeping operations in Bosnia, and Russia has for the most part supplanted the UN in Georgia and Tajikistan.

■ Peacekeeping Budget
■ Regular Budget

Ongoing UN Peacekeeping Missions

1948	UNTSO	UN Truce Supervision Organization (Mideast)
1949	UNMOGIP	UN Military Observer Group in India and Pakistan
1964	UNFICYP	UN Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus
1974	UNDOF	UN Disengagement Observer Force (Golan Heights)
1978	UNIFIL	UN Interim Force in Lebanon
1991	MINURSO	UN Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara
1991	UNIKOM	UN Iraq–Kuwait Observation Mission
1993	UNOMIG	UN Observer Mission in Georgia
1993	UNOMIL	UN Observer Mission in Liberia
1994	UNMOT	UN Mission of Observers in Tajikistan
1995	UNMIBH	UN Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina
1995	UNPREDEP	UN Preventive Deployment Force (Macedonia)
1996	UNMOP	UN Mission of Observers in Prevlaka (Croatia)
1996	UNTAES	UN Transitional Administration for Eastern Slavonia, Baranja, and Western Sirmium
1997	MONUA	UN Observer Mission in Angola
1997	UNTMIH	UN Transition Mission in Haiti

Note: Year indicates the start of the operation.

In its 52-year history, the UN has undertaken 45 peacekeeping missions. Of those 45 missions, 33—or about 73 percent—were launched in the past decade. Of those 45, the UN has 16 ongoing operations (Fig. 2).

Source: United Nations