

Veto statistics adjusted to show votes on issues of international peace and security

Total number of vetoes (blocking adoption of 249 proposals, public and private)		TOTAL VETOES CAST BY EACH PERMANENT MEMBER, 1946-present				
		China	France	USSR/ Russian Federation	United Kingdom	United States
Total vetoes on all proposals as identified	301	19 ¹	18	148 ²	30	86
Vetoes on applications for UN membership	59	2 ¹	0	51	0	6
Recorded vetoes on Secretary-General candidates (members unofficially identified)	2	0	0	1 ³	0	1 ³
Total vetoes on peace and security issues	242	17 <i>(16 since 1990)</i>	18 <i>(none since 1990)</i>	97 <i>(34 since 1991)</i>	30 <i>(none since 1990)</i>	80 <i>(19 since 1990)</i>

¹ The 1955 Chinese veto of Mongolia’s application for UN membership occurred during the time when the Republic of China occupied China’s seat on the Security Council. The subsequent 18 vetoes cast by China have occurred since the People’s Republic of China has held the seat.

² Of this total, 114 vetoes were cast under the name of the Soviet Union and 34 under the name of the Russian Federation.

³ Because the vetoing permanent member was not officially identified, this veto has not been included in the totals, but is only for information.