

The IMF quota for finance:

Quota and Voting Shares Before and After Implementation of Reforms Agreed in 2008 and 2010—By Member  
(In percent)

	Quota Shares				Voting Shares			
	Pre-Singapore (i)	As of March 2, 2011 (ii)	Post-2008 Reform (iii)	Post-2010 Reform (iv)	Pre-Singapore (i)	As of March 2, 2011 (ii)	Post-2008 Reform (iii), (v)	Post-2010 Reform (v)
United States *	17.380	17.071	17.670	17.407	17.023	16.723	16.727	16.479
Japan *	6.228	6.118	6.556	6.464	6.108	6.000	6.225	6.138
Germany *	6.086	5.978	6.110	5.586	5.968	5.803	5.803	5.308
France	5.024	4.935	4.505	4.227	4.929	4.842	4.286	4.024
United Kingdom	5.024	4.935	4.505	4.227	4.929	4.842	4.286	4.024
China * (vi)	2.980	3.718	3.996	6.394	2.928	3.051	3.806	6.071
Italy *	3.301	3.242	3.306	3.161	3.242	3.185	3.154	3.016
Saudi Arabia	3.268	3.210	2.930	2.096	3.210	3.154	2.799	2.010
Canada	2.980	2.927	2.672	2.312	2.928	2.870	2.554	2.214
Russian Federation	2.782	2.732	2.494	2.706	2.734	2.680	2.386	2.587
India *	1.945	1.911	2.442	2.751	1.916	1.882	2.337	2.629
Netherlands	2.415	2.372	2.166	1.832	2.375	2.334	2.076	1.761
Belgium	2.155	2.110	1.932	1.345	2.120	2.083	1.855	1.300
Brazil *	1.420	1.395	1.783	2.316	1.402	1.377	1.714	2.218
Spain *	1.426	1.401	1.688	2.000	1.408	1.383	1.624	1.919
Mexico *	1.210	1.449	1.521	1.869	1.196	1.430	1.467	1.796
Switzerland	1.618	1.589	1.451	1.210	1.595	1.507	1.400	1.173
Korea, Republic of *	0.764	1.345	1.412	1.800	0.760	1.328	1.364	1.731
Australia	1.514	1.487	1.388	1.379	1.494	1.457	1.312	1.332
Venezuela, R.B. de	1.244	1.222	1.115	0.761	1.229	1.207	1.084	0.767
Sweden	1.121	1.101	1.005	0.929	1.108	1.089	0.979	0.907
Argentina	0.990	0.973	0.888	0.669	0.981	0.954	0.869	0.661
Austria *	0.876	0.800	0.867	0.825	0.869	0.854	0.867	0.809
Indonesia	0.973	0.955	0.872	0.975	0.964	0.947	0.854	0.951
Denmark *	0.769	0.755	0.793	0.721	0.764	0.750	0.779	0.711
Norway *	0.782	0.768	0.790	0.788	0.777	0.763	0.776	0.774
South Africa	0.874	0.859	0.784	0.640	0.867	0.852	0.770	0.634
Malaysia *	0.695	0.683	0.744	0.762	0.692	0.680	0.733	0.750
Nigeria	0.820	0.800	0.735	0.515	0.814	0.800	0.724	0.516
Poland *	0.640	0.629	0.708	0.859	0.638	0.627	0.699	0.841
Iran, Islamic Republic of	0.700	0.688	0.628	0.748	0.697	0.685	0.623	0.736
Turkey *	0.451	0.547	0.611	0.977	0.453	0.547	0.607	0.953
Thailand *	0.505	0.497	0.604	0.674	0.507	0.498	0.600	0.666
Singapore *	0.404	0.396	0.591	0.816	0.406	0.399	0.588	0.801
Kuwait	0.646	0.635	0.579	0.406	0.644	0.633	0.577	0.413

When a country joins the IMF, it is assigned an initial quota in the same range as the quotas of existing members that are broadly comparable in economic size and characteristics. The IMF uses a quota formula to guide the assessment of a member's relative position.

The current quota formula is a weighted average of GDP (weight of 50 percent), openness (30 percent), economic variability (15 percent), and international reserves (5 percent). For this purpose, GDP is measured as a blend of GDP based on market exchange rates (weight of 60 percent) and on PPP exchanges rates (40 percent). The formula also includes a "compression factor" that reduces the dispersion in calculated quota shares across members.

Quotas are denominated in Special Drawing Rights (SDRs), the IMF's unit of account. The largest member of the IMF is the United States, with a current quota of SDR 42.1 billion (about \$68 billion), and the smallest member is Tuvalu, with a current quota of SDR 1.8 million (about \$2.9 million).

REF: <http://www.imf.org/external/about/income.htm>