

# UNESCO HERITAGE Sites Analysis: A Global Preservation Initiative

## Overview

The analysis provides an insightful look into the distinguish distribution, types and current status of UNESCO Heritage Sites across the globe. The dashboard visualize key aspects such as the types of heritage sites their distribution across continents, sites at risk and transboundary sites.

### Distribution of Category:      Regional Distribution of Heritage Sites

Cultural sites dominate the list, with a total of 869 sites representing 79% of total heritage sites.

Natural Sites account for 123 entries, or 19% highlighting significant natural landmarks and ecosystems.

Mixed Sites (both cultural and natural) make up a small portion with 39 entries consisting 3% of the total.

### Sites on Danger List

88 sites are currently listed on the danger list, representing approximately 8% of all heritage sites.

These sites are under threat due to factors such as urbanization, conflict and natural disasters necessitating immediate preservation efforts.

Europe and North America hold the majority with 528 sites, making this region the most represented in UNESCO's heritage list. Asia and Pacific follow with 266 sites, showing the region's rich cultural and natural diversity.

Latin America and the Caribbean and Africa have 142 and 96 sites respectively while the Arab States account for 86 sites.

There are a few sites that span multiple regions, indicating their global significance.



## Trans boundary Sites:

39 transboundary sites are shared between multiple countries demonstrating international cooperation in preserving significant culture and natural heritage

The majority of sites 1,082 in total are contained within a single country's boundary

## Geographic and Size Analysis

The sites are very significantly in size with the smallest being just a few hectares and the largest covering over 67 million hectares. The median size of heritage sites is around 187 hectares while the majority of sites are relatively small, with 75% of them being under 13551 hectares

## Conclusion

The UNESCO World Heritage Sites dataset underscores the global commitment to preserving cultural and natural landmarks

Europe and North America dominate in the number of sites, but regions like Asia and Pacific and Latin America also play a crucial role in global heritage.

The presence of 88 sites on the danger list highlights the ongoing threats to these invaluable sites.

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The analysis serves as an tool for understanding the current state of World Heritage

sites and aids in the prioritization of preservation of efforts globally