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the Inspector's view, the significant differences in the staffing of procurement units relative to volume shown in Table 3 are rather due to structural than functional factors.

**Table 3. Cost-effectiveness of procurement services in 2002<sup>20</sup>**  
(Thousands of US dollars)

Organization	Total spend	Total staff	Procured per staff	Staff costs	Staff costs % of total procured	Training budget
WFP	837 400	86	9 737	5 000	0.6	200
UNPD	521 000 <sup>21</sup>	71	7 338	7 522	1.4	21
UN/LM <sup>22</sup>	293 000	86 <sup>23</sup>	3 406	9 111 <sup>24</sup>	3.1	...
UNOPS	300 000	43	6 977	...	...	...
FAO	149 350	47	3 178	4 800	3.2	15
WIPO	149 053	17	8 768	2 425	1.6	9
UNFPA	112 860	18	6 270	1 850	1.6	...
UNON	99 000 <sup>25</sup>	24	4 125	577	0.6	...
IAPSO	82 000	22	3 727	2 764	3.4	79
WHO	76 710	28	2 740	...	...	...
IAEA	70 000	36	1 944	2 439	3.5	...
UNIDO	51 390	16	3 212	1 156	2.3	...
ILO	46 740	9	5 193	940	2.0	...
ICAO	39 167 <sup>26</sup>	11	3 560	755	1.9	...
UNESCO	29 319	21	1 396	1 202	4.1	...
ITU	11 521 <sup>27</sup>	10	1 152	1 048	9.1	26
IMO	4 500	1	4 500	...	...	...
WMO	4 440	2	2 220	...	...	...
UNOV	3 526	5	705	314	8.9	...
	<b>2 880 976</b>	<b>553</b>	<b>4 218</b> <b>(average)</b>	<b>2 794</b> <b>(average)</b>	<b>3.15</b> <b>(average)</b>	<b>350<sup>28</sup></b> <b>(total)</b>

The organizations with highly decentralized procurement operations in over 100 different locations, such as UNDP and UNICEF, not included in the table, would logically have more procurement staff overall than organizations with mostly centralized operations. A relevant methodology for the former group would be to

<sup>20</sup> Excluded from this table are organizations that either did not provide data on the staffing of their procurement services or that provided data which proved difficult to verify.

<sup>21</sup> Figure for UNPD only as reported on its web site.

<sup>22</sup> United Nations Local Missions (Peacekeeping missions) with own procurement staff, excluding other field-based entities such as regional economic commissions and information centres; data from UNPD web site.

<sup>23</sup> 1998 field staff data reported by OIOS in its report on the review of procurement reform (A/52/813, para. 23).

<sup>24</sup> Extrapolated by JIU from UNPD staff costs for its 71 staff members at Headquarters.

<sup>25</sup> UNON expenditure in 2001 was US\$188 million; average expenditure per staff member in 2001-2002 was US\$ 6 million procured per staff member.

<sup>26</sup> ICAO procurement in 2001 was valued at US\$89,410; average expenditure per staff member in 2001-2002 was US\$5,844 procured per staff member.

<sup>27</sup> ITU 2001 expenditure amounted to US\$ 33.6 million; average expenditure per staff member in 2001-2002 was US\$ 2,256.

<sup>28</sup> Total includes US\$100,000 for UNICEF not shown in the table.