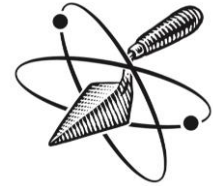




Society for Archaeological Sciences (SAS)
General Secretary's Report 2023
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The SAS General Secretary functions to maintain the membership database, run the annual renewal process, handle taxes, tally the bi-annual elections, and tend to a variety of other general business for the Society.

For the membership database, we are using Microsoft Access. SAS membership numbers from 2024 are slightly lower than 2023, but are up over the past five years. The membership breakdown in 2022 included 94 Regular members, 96 Lifetime members, 63 Student members, and 8 Retired members. Roughly 49% of our membership in 2023 was from the United States, followed by Europe (non-UK) at 22%, and the UK at 8%. Note that the current numbers from 2024 show that about 52% of our membership is from the U.S.

Banking is done with Decorah Bank & Trust Co. in Decorah, Iowa. Membership payments have been made using PayPal or by check.

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES				
	2024	2023	2022	2021
Regular	67	94	101	107
Student	48	63	67	53
Retired	5	8	8	9
Lifetime (new)	91(4)	96(3)	93(10)	84 (11)
TOTAL	223	264	276	253

* 2024 numbers are as of 5/11

OPTIONAL JOURNALS				
	2024	2023	2022	2021
JAS (paper)	11	15	13	18
ARCM (paper/electronic)	8/2	9/3	11/5	12/3
AAS (paper/electronic)	5/3	5/2	10/7	4/3

* 2024 numbers are as of 3/5

MEMBER COUNTRIES				
	2024	2023	2022	2021
USA	97	121	136	129
Canada	13	17	20	18
Non-USA or Canada	87	91	120	105
UK	12	16	24	24
Europe (non-UK)	45	43	60	48
Australia/NZ	11	11	16	13
Asia	10	9	10	11
Africa	4	3	3	3
Mexico/South America	4	9	7	6
TOTAL	193	229	276	252

* 2024 numbers are as of 3/5

PAYMENT METHODS				
	2024	2023	2022	2021
PayPal	96	130	185	174
Check	1	4	5	7
Gift	1	6	7	3

* 2024 numbers are as of 3/5