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A postal Diplomacy genzine giving the number of games of Diplomacy, its variants and other games started, finished and in progress in British postal Diplomacy zines. Published by Richard J. Walkerdine, 'Cheriton', 15 Crouch Oak Lane, Addlestone, Surrey, KT15 2AN, England.

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	1969	1970	1971	1972	1973	1973 O-D	1974 J-M	1974 A-J	1974 J-S
<u>Postal Games Started</u>									
Regular Diplomacy	2	5	7	32	85	27	29	22	20
Multi-player Variants	-	-	2	13	63	21	10	9	4
Total	2	5	9	45	148	48	39	31	24
Two-player Variants	-	-	-	-	-	-	25	8	8
Other Games	-	-	-	5	10	5	4	2	2
Grand Total	2	5	9	50	158	53	68	41	34
<u>Postal Games Finished</u>									
Regular Diplomacy	-	1	3	3	12	3	8	9	5
Multi-player Variants	-	-	-	1	6	3	1	2	2
Total	-	1	3	4	18	6	9	11	7
Two-player Variants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	3
Other Games	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	2	1
Grand Total	-	1	3	5	20	6	9	17	11
<u>Postal Games In Progress</u>									
Regular Diplomacy	2	6	10	39	112	112	133	146	161
Multi-player Variants	-	-	2	14	71	71	80	87	89
Total	2	6	12	53	183	183	213	233	250
Two-player Variants	-	-	-	-	-	-	25	29	34
Other Games	-	-	-	4	12	12	16	16	17
Grand Total	2	6	12	57	195	195	254	278	301

Notes: (1). The 'Two-player Variants' category contains games of 'Intimate Diplomacy'.

(2). The 'Other Games' category contains games of 'Strategy 1', 'Origins of World War 2', '4000AD', 'Risk', 'Decline and Fall', 'Sleuth', 'Parliament' and 'Mastermind'.

Comments:

Another quarter in which the number of new games started was below the figure for the previous quarter - the second successive time this has happened - means that new game-starts are now back to the level of early 1973. The main reason for the continuing drop is the continuing lessening of interest in variants: the Regular game is showing very little sign of entering any serious decline and should certainly continue at its present level for as long as the present large influx of new members to the hobby continues.

The next issue of this genzine should appear in January/February 1975 and will be a two or three page document giving a more detailed breakdown of the hobby size and a complete end-of-year summary.