PRESS 2016 - COUNTRY FACTSHEETS

Armenia

The PRESS exercise is conducted annually to report on trends across time in support to statistics. The 2016 PRESS uses newly available data from an annual donor survey and the Creditor Reporting System (CRS) round of 2014 to update figures on aid to statistics for 2006 to 2013 (previously reported in the 2015 PRESS) and report new figures for commitments in 2014. The new 2014 figures are expected to be adjusted upwards to the levels of previous years 2011-2013 as additional projects for 2014 will be reported later this year. All findings should therefore be interpreted with this caveat in mind.

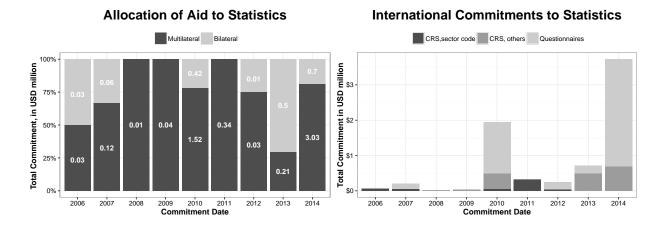


Fig1. Allocation of Aid to Statistics

Multilateral¹, country-specific assistance remains globally the most popular means through which donors channel support to countries. Considering all recipients reported in the PRESS, support from multilateral bodies accounted for less than 50% of total aid to statistics in 2009-2010 but increased to approximately 70% in 2011 and 2012, respectively. However, the shares of country-specific² aid diminished slightly between 2012 and 2014.

Fig2. International Commitments to Statistics

Support to statistics remains globally low. Considering all recipients reported in the PRESS, total 2014 commitments to statistical development of about USD 470 million show a 20% decrease from previous years 2011 and 2013. The decrease in commitments in 2014 led to a drop in the share of ODA dedicated to statistics from 0.31% in 2012 and 2013 to 0.25% in 2014. This should, however, not be interpreted as a general trend because commitments often span multiple years and fluctuations in annual figures are therefore common

¹Multilateral support in this context refers to support coming from multilateral institutions.

²Country-specific assistance refers to projects for which there is a single country recipient.

Top Five Donors 2006-2014, in USD thousands

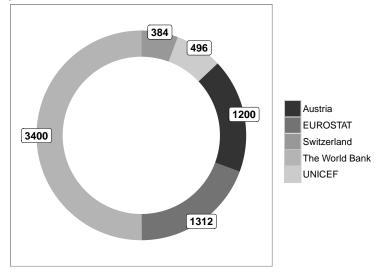


Fig3. Top 5 Donors

A large share of global support to statistics continues to come from a very small number of providers. The top five providers of development co-operation in statistics for all countries reported in the PRESS (European Commission/EUROSTAT; The World Bank; IMF; FAO; Canada) provided 72% of total commitments in 2014. While Canada is strongly engaged in country-specific aid to statistics, the United Kingdom and Norway are among the top donors for unallocated commitments. Country-Specific commitments accounted for approximately 74% (USD 350 million) in 2014.

This table displays all projects whose Financing Amount is at least 10 000 USD.

Table 1: List of Projects 2010-2014 (USD thousands)

		Amount		Date
Provider	Projects		Type	
Austria	SUPPORT TO COMPREHENSIVE	504	Grant	2013
	AGRICULTURAL CENSUS IN ARMENIA -			
	PHASE 1: PILOT PHASE			
Austria	SUPPORT TO COMPREHENSIVE	696	Grant	2014
	AGRICULTURAL CENSUS			
EUROSTAT	Support to the National Statistical Service of the	1312	Grant	2010
	Republic of Armenia through twinning			
FAO	Preparatory Assistance for the First Agricultural	200	Grant	2012
	Census			
HMN	Strengthening of Health Information Systems	24	Grant	2007
\mathbf{IMF}	Technical Assistance	20		2007
\mathbf{IMF}	Statistics Department: Technical Assistance	33		2010
\mathbf{IMF}	Statistics Department: Technical Assistance	10		2013
\mathbf{IMF}	Statistics Department: Technical Assistance	31		2014
Italy	CENSUS IN ARMENIA: SUPPORT TO LESS	16	Grant	2010
	ADVANTAGES AND POOR FAMILIES			
Japan	TC AGGREGATED ACTIVITIES	26	Grant	2006
Japan	TC AGGREGATED ACTIVITIES	56	Grant	2007
Japan	TC AGGREGATED ACTIVITIES	23	Grant	2010
Switzerland	CONTRIBUTION TO POPULATION CENSUS	384	Grant	2010

		Amount		Date
Provider	Projects		Type	
The World Bank	Statistical Master Plan Development and Technical Assistance in Strengthening of Statistical Capacity - TFSCB	100	Grant	2007
The World Bank	Piloting and Preparatory Work for 2011 Armenia Population Census - TFSCB	100	Grant	2010
The World Bank	Statistical Capacity Building and Implementation Support for Armenia's Pilot Agricultural Census	200	Grant	2013
The World	Education Improvement Project	3000	Loan/credit	2014
Bank UNICEF	DEVINFO DBASE DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE	11	Grant	2006
UNICEF	CHILD PROTECTION DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS	16	Grant	2009
UNICEF	DEVINFO DBASE DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE	22	Grant	2009
UNICEF	SUPPORT TO DHS AND OTHER HOUSEHOLD SURVEYS	31	Grant	2010
UNICEF	DEVINFO DBASE DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE	45	Grant	2010
UNICEF	SUPPORT TO DEVINFO AND OTHER DATABASES	25	Grant	2011
UNICEF	SUPPORT TO MICS, DHS AND OTHER DATA COLLECTION SYSTEMS AND THEIR ANALYSES	35	Grant	2011
UNICEF	SUPPORT TO DEVINFO AND OTHER DATABASES	24	Grant	2012
UNICEF	USE OF EVIDENCE FOR SOUND POLICY	52	Grant	2011
UNICEF	OT 1.1 USE OF EVIDENCE FOR SOUND POLICY	206	Grant	2011

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