

PRESS 2016 - COUNTRY FACTSHEETS

Gabon

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.

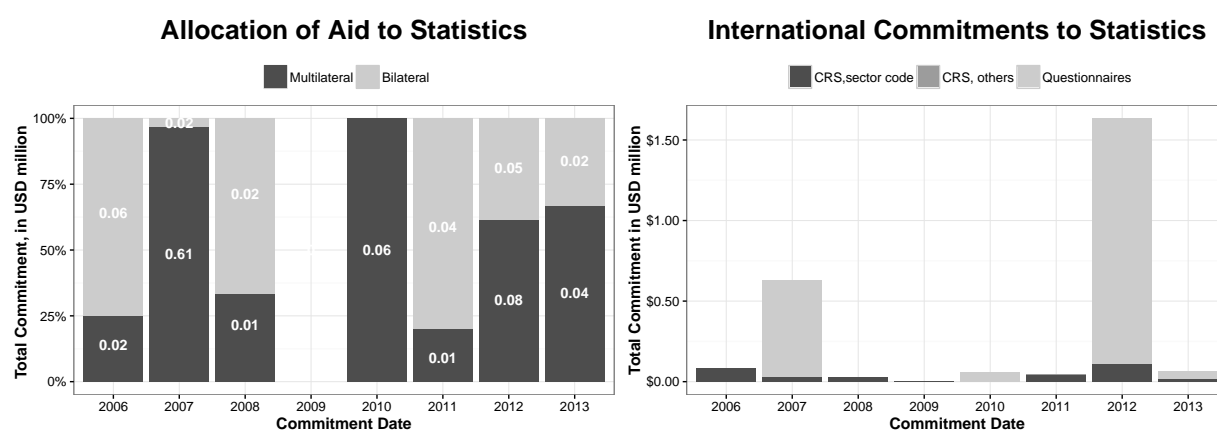


Fig1. Allocation of Aid to Statistics

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

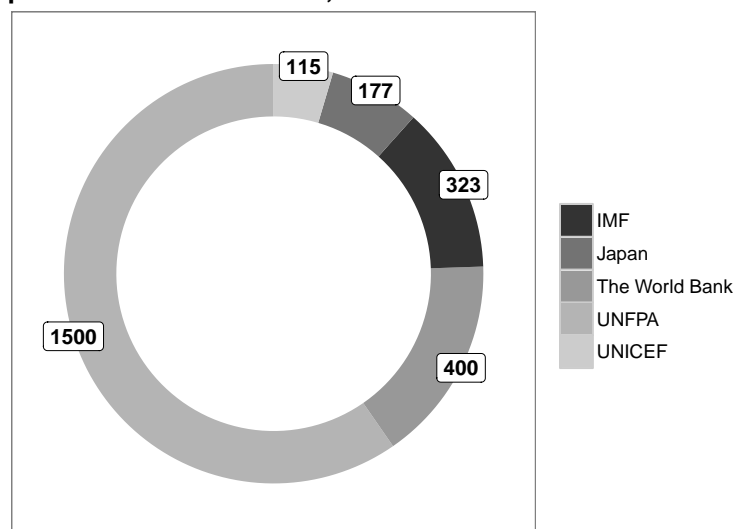


Fig3. Top 5 Donors

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)

Provider	Projects	Amount	Type	Date
Germany	STATISTICAL INFORMATION SYSTEMS FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN SUB-SAHARA AFRICA	15	Grant	2008
Germany	STATISTICAL TRAINING MANAGEMENT FOR IMPROVED POLICY DEVELOPMENT IN CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN AFRICA	13	Grant	2011
IMF	Technical Assistance	196		2007
IMF	Statistics Department: Technical Assistance	60		2010
IMF	Statistics Department: Technical Assistance	23		2012
IMF	Statistics Department: Technical Assistance	44		2013
Japan	TC AGGREGATED ACTIVITIES	57	Grant	2006
Japan	TC AGGREGATED ACTIVITIES	20	Grant	2007
Japan	STATISTICAL CAPACITY BUILDING	28	Grant	2011
Japan	TC AGGREGATED ACTIVITIES	51	Grant	2012
Japan	TC AGGREGATED ACTIVITIES	21	Grant	2013

Provider	Projects	Amount	Type	Date
The World Bank	Statistical Capacity Building - TFSCB	400	Grant	2007
UNFPA	Données démographiques et socio-économiques désagrégées disponibles et accessibles au niveau national sectoriel et décentralisé pour la mise en oeuvre et le suivi des plans de développement et des OMD	1500	Grant	2012
UNICEF	MD/MDG MONITORING	11	Grant	2006
UNICEF	DONNÉES DÉSAGRÉGÉES UTILISÉES-POLITIQUES	50	Grant	2012

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