

PRESS 2016 - COUNTRY FACTSHEETS

Azerbaijan

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.

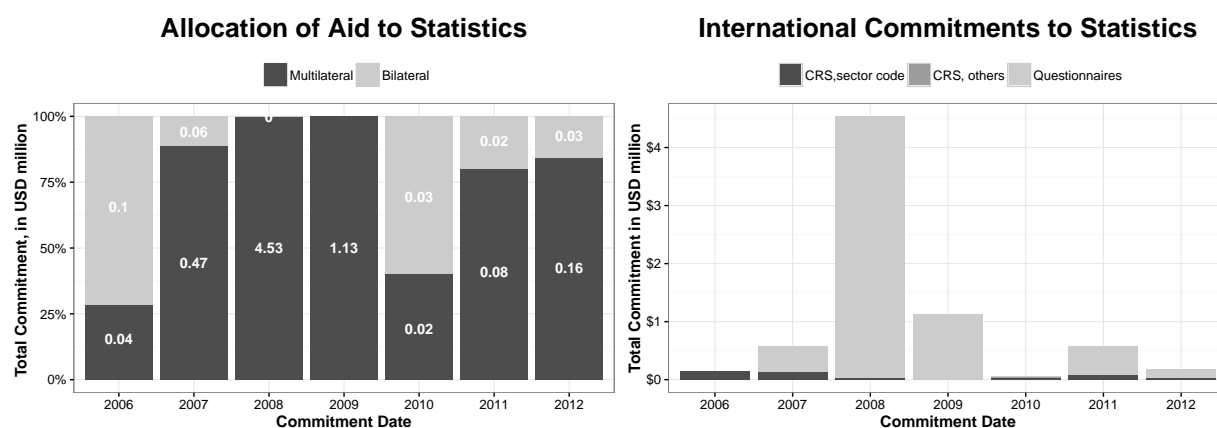


Fig1. Allocation of Aid to Statistics

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

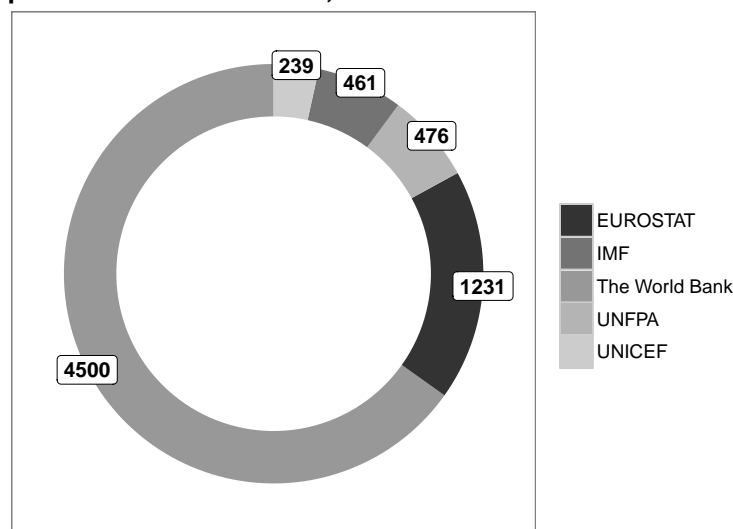


Fig3. Top 5 Donors

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
EUROSTAT	Twinning'Support to the State Statistical Committee of the Republic of Azerbaijan (SSC) to reach European standards in national accounts, non-observed economy, business statistics and producer price index"	1128	Grant	2009
EUROSTAT	SUPPORT TO THE STATE STATISTICAL COMMITTEE OF THE REPUBLIC OF AZERBAIJAN FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A TWINNING FICHE	103	Grant	2012
HMN	Strengthening of Health Information Systems	50	Grant	2007
IMF	Technical Assistance	392		2007
IMF	Statistics Department: Technical Assistance	14		2010
IMF	Statistics Department: Technical Assistance	55		2012
Japan	TC AGGREGATED ACTIVITIES	97	Grant	2006
Japan	TC AGGREGATED ACTIVITIES	55	Grant	2007
Japan	TC AGGREGATED ACTIVITIES	35	Grant	2010
Japan	STATISTICAL CAPACITY BUILDING	18	Grant	2011
Japan	TC AGGREGATED ACTIVITIES	18	Grant	2012
The World Bank	Second Education Sector Development Project	4500	Loan/credit	2008

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UNFPA	The availability and use of population data, disaggregated by sex and age, are improved as a basis for formulating, implementing and monitoring national policies and programs	476		2011
UNICEF	DEVINFO DBASE DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE	12	Grant	2006
UNICEF	DATABASES AND DATA DISSEMINATION	10	Grant	2006
UNICEF	RAPID ASSESSMENT SURVEYS IN EMERGENCIES	18	Grant	2007
UNICEF	DOCUMENTATION ON LESSONS LEARNED/INNOVATIONS	29	Grant	2007
UNICEF	YOUTH PARTICIPATION	74	Grant	2011

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