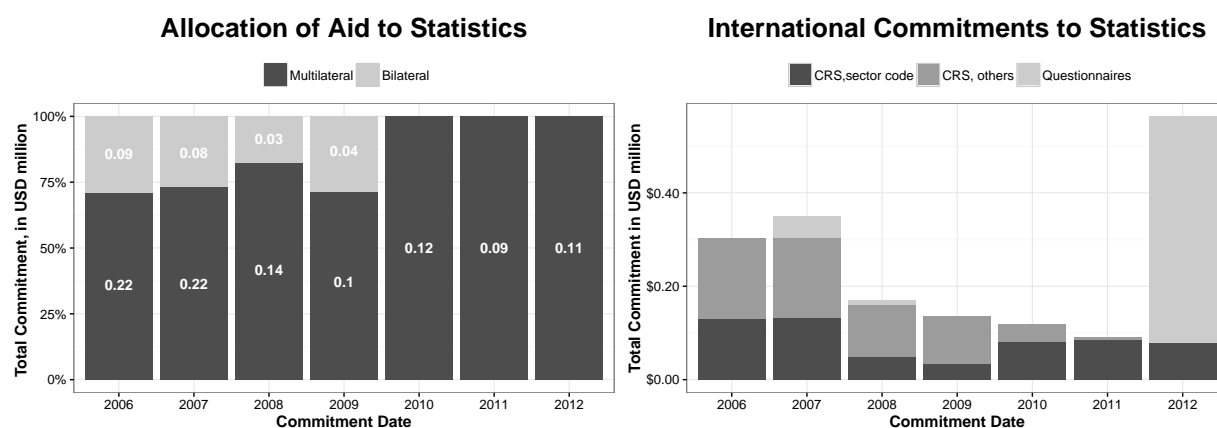


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The PRESS exercise is conducted annually to report on trends across time in support to statistics. The 2016 PRESS uses newly available data from an annual donor survey and the Creditor Reporting System (CRS) round of 2014 to update figures on aid to 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**

Multilateral<sup>1</sup>, 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-specific<sup>2</sup> aid diminished slightly between 2012 and 2014.

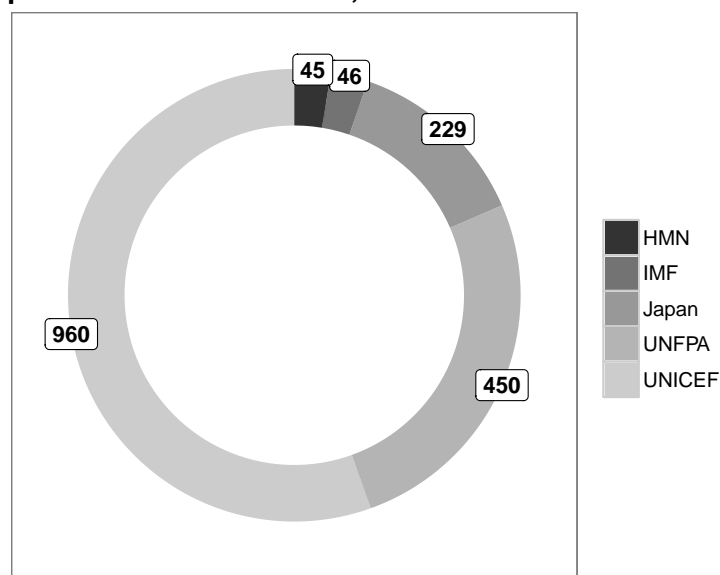
**Fig2. International Commitments to Statistics**

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

<sup>1</sup>Multilateral support in this context refers to support coming from multilateral institutions.

<sup>2</sup>Country-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
<b>HMN</b>	Strengthening of Health Information Systems	45	Grant	2007
<b>IMF</b>	Technical Assistance	11		2008
<b>IMF</b>	Statistics Department: Technical Assistance	12		2012
<b>IMF</b>	Statistics Department: Training Activities (1)	23		2012
<b>Japan</b>	TC AGGREGATED ACTIVITIES	86	Grant	2006
<b>Japan</b>	TC AGGREGATED ACTIVITIES	83	Grant	2007
<b>Japan</b>	TC AGGREGATED ACTIVITIES	25	Grant	2008
<b>Japan</b>	STATISTICAL CAPACITY BUILDING	35	Grant	2009
<b>UNFPA</b>	Enhanced national capacity to collect, analyse, disseminate and utilize disaggregated population data for decision-making, evidence-based policy formulation, programming and monitoring of national achievements with regard to relevant Millennium Developmen	350	Grant	2012

Provider	Projects	Amount	Type	Date
<b>UNFPA</b>	Strengthened national capacity to formulate and implement support programme for the family institution, and for female headed households and poor women	100	Grant	2012
<b>UNICEF</b>	LIBRARY AND DOCUMENTATION CENTRES	14	Grant	2006
<b>UNICEF</b>	BIRTH REGISTRATION (GENERAL)	132	Grant	2006
<b>UNICEF</b>	MONITORING AND REPORTING SYSTEMS ON CHILDREN/WOMEN	13	Grant	2006
<b>UNICEF</b>	BIRTH REGISTRATION FOCUSING ON THE MARGINALIZED	41	Grant	2006
<b>UNICEF</b>	BIRTH REGISTRATION FOCUSING ON THE MARGINALIZED	146	Grant	2007
<b>UNICEF</b>	BIRTH REGISTRATION (GENERAL)	26	Grant	2007
<b>UNICEF</b>	LIBRARY AND DOCUMENTATION CENTRES	20	Grant	2007
<b>UNICEF</b>	BIRTH REGISTRATION (GENERAL)	110	Grant	2008
<b>UNICEF</b>	BIRTH REGISTRATION	98	Grant	2009
<b>UNICEF</b>	BIRTH REGISTRATION	37	Grant	2010
<b>UNICEF</b>	NATIONAL STATISTICAL SYSTEMS	12	Grant	2010
<b>UNICEF</b>	SUPPORT TO DHS AND OTHER HOUSEHOLD SURVEYS	69	Grant	2010
<b>UNICEF</b>	SUPPORT TO MICS, DHS AND OTHER DATA COLLECTION SYSTEMS AND THEIR ANALYSES	81	Grant	2011
<b>UNICEF</b>	SUPPORT TO MICS, DHS AND OTHER DATA COLLECTION SYSTEMS AND THEIR ANALYSES	72	Grant	2012

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