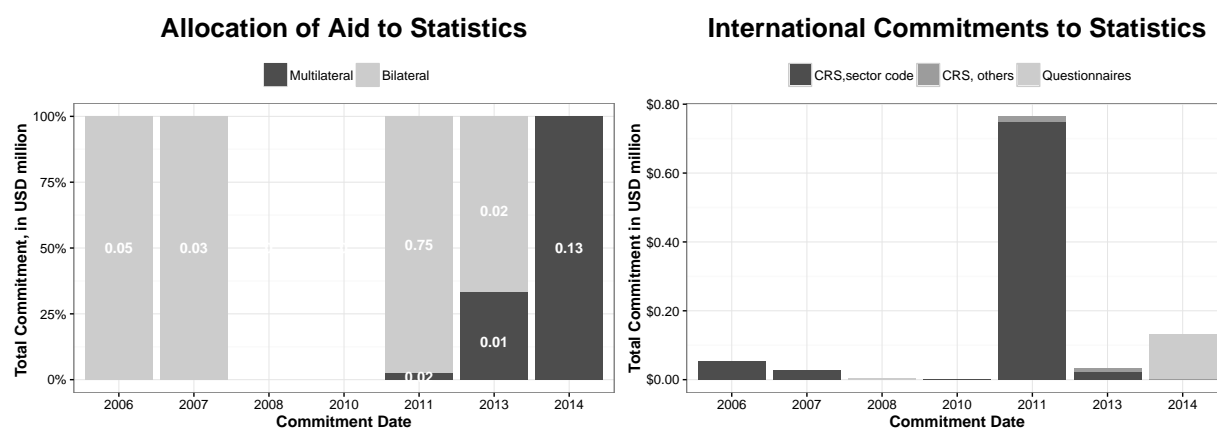


# PRESS 2016 - COUNTRY FACTSHEETS

## Marshall Islands

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.

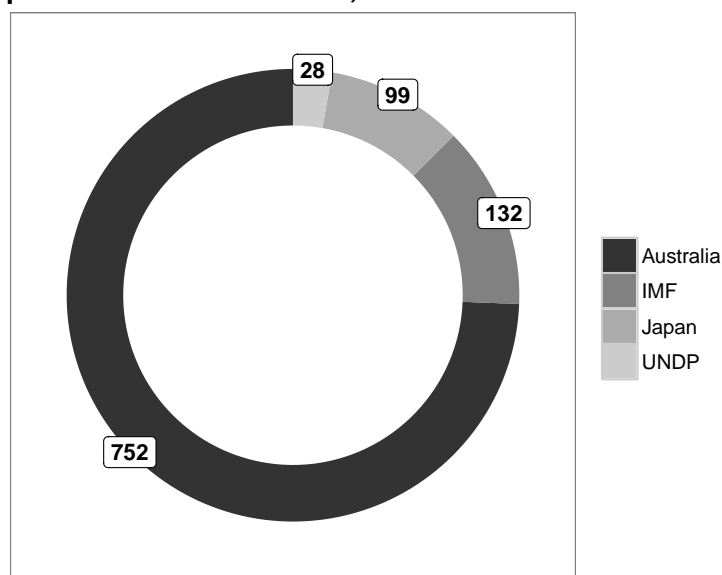
**Fig2. International Commitments to Statistics**

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>Australia</b>	ABS PACIFIC PROGRAM	61	Grant	2011
<b>Australia</b>	SPC STATISTICS	118	Grant	2011
<b>Australia</b>	FUNDING FOR PARIS21	22	Grant	2011
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<b>Australia</b>	SPC STATISTICS	186	Grant	2011
<b>Australia</b>	ABS PACIFIC PROGRAM	52	Grant	2011
<b>Australia</b>	STRENGTHEN PACIFIC STATISTICS: PARIS21	21	Grant	2011
<b>Australia</b>	STRENGTHEN PACIFIC STATISTICS: SECRETARIAT OF THE PACIFIC COMMUNITY STATISTICS	180	Grant	2011

Provider	Projects	Amount	Type	Date
<b>Australia</b>	STRENGTHEN PACIFIC STATISTICS: AUSTRALIAN BUREAU OF STATISTICS PACIFIC PROGRAM	48	Grant	2011
<b>Australia</b>	AUSTRALIAN BUREAU OF STATISTICS PACIFIC PROGRAM	28	Grant	2011
<b>IMF</b>	Statistics Department: Technical Assistance	129		2014
<b>Japan</b>	TC AGGREGATED ACTIVITIES	53	Grant	2006
<b>Japan</b>	TC AGGREGATED ACTIVITIES	29	Grant	2007
<b>Japan</b>	TC AGGREGATED ACTIVITIES	11	Grant	2013
<b>UNDP</b>	RMI MDG PLANNING PROJECT	17	Grant	2011

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