

SDG Goal 8	Decent work and economic growth
SDG Target 8.a	Increase Aid for Trade support for developing countries, in particular least developed countries, including through the Enhanced Integrated Framework for Trade-related Technical Assistance to Least Developed Countries
SDG Indicator 8.a.1	Aid for Trade commitments and disbursements
Time series	ODA (commitments) for aid for trade

1. General information on the time series

- Date of national metadata: 7 December 2022
- National data: <http://sdg-indicators.de/8-a-1/>
- Definition: The time series measures the commitment of official development assistance (ODA) from Germany to developing countries. ODA is defined as aid provided by official agencies that promotes and specifically targets the economic development and welfare of developing countries. For ODA flows, data on the sector of destination are recorded using 5-digit codes so called purpose codes. Aid for trade is captured through purpose codes in the 331 series and the aid for trade marker. Purpose codes used as a proxy for aid for trade are:
 - Transport & Storage (210)
 - Communications (220)
 - Energy (230)
 - Banking & Financial Services (240)
 - Business & Other Services (250)
 - Agriculture (311)
 - Forestry (312)
 - Fishing (313)
 - Industry (321)
 - Mineral Resources & Mining (322)
 - Trade Policies & Regulations (331)
 - Tourism (332)

Aid for trade commitments might be overestimated, as they include the above mentioned purpose codes irrespective of whether there is an actual contribution to aid for trade.
- Disaggregation: Not available.

2. Comparability with the UN metadata

- Date of UN metadata: January 2024
- UN metadata: <https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/metadata/files/Metadata-08-0a-01.pdf>
- The time series is compliant with the UN metadata. It is one of the sub-indicators mentioned in the UN metadata.

3. Data description

- ODA is the resource flows to countries and territories on the OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC) List of ODA Recipients and to multilateral development institutions that are:
 - Provided by official agencies, including state and local governments, or by their executive agencies; and
 - Concessional (i.e. grants and soft loans) and administered with the promotion of the economic development and welfare of developing countries as the main objective.

The DAC list of countries eligible to receive ODA is updated every three years and is based on per capita income.

4. Access to data source

- OECD – Aid for trade:
<https://www.oecd.org/dac/aft/>
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5. Metadata on source data

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- General information on ODA as well as recent and future changes in methodology:
<http://www.oecd.org/dac/financing-sustainable-development/development-finance-standards/What-is-ODA.pdf>
- List of ODA recipient countries:
<http://oe.cd/dac-list>

6. Timeliness and frequency

- Timeliness: t + 12 months
- Frequency: Annual

7. Calculation method

- Unit of measurement: Million EUR
- Calculation:

$$\text{Aid for trade commitments} = \frac{\text{ODA commitments to the relevant sectors [Mn USD]}}{\text{Deflators for resource flows [base year = 100]}}$$

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