

PRESS 2017

This year's PRESS provides a snapshot of on-going financial support to statistical development.

The Partner Report on Support to Statistics (PRESS) 2017, which analyses trends in aid for statistics in developing and emerging economies, says ending a shortfall in funding for statistics would boost the chances of achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Using newly available data, the PRESS 2017 provides a comprehensive snapshot of resources for statistics, showing that financing remains too modest to match targets and expectations. The report calls for more support to build capacity of National Statistics Offices (NSOs), including through technical and other training. More support to statistics are on the horizon with two positive trends found by PRESS 2017: the increase in the percentage of official development assistance (ODA) allocated to data and statistics, and the expansion and diversification of the pool of donors (i.e. Gates and Hewlett Foundations).

Key Numbers

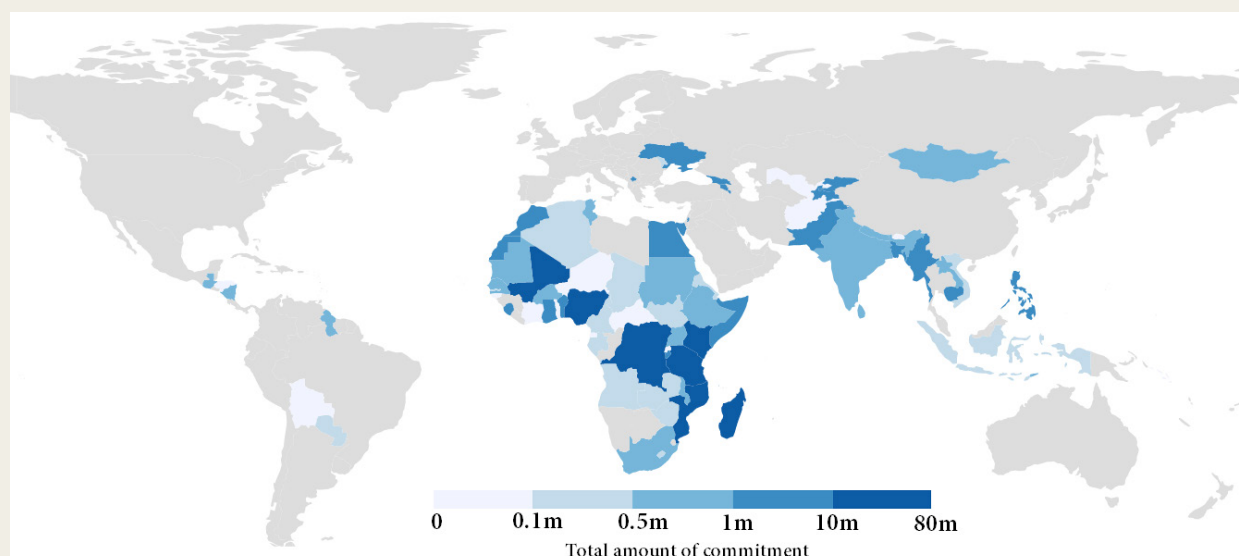
\$541 M → Support to statistics amounted to USD 541 million in 2015.

0.30% ↑ The share of Official Development Assistance (ODA) focused on data and statistics was 0.30% in 2015, a slight improvement on last decade's average (0.27%).

40% ↑ General statistical items and methodology received the most support (40% of total commitments). With new priorities in the SDG agenda, donors should strike a balance in funding to social, environmental and multi-domain statistics.

75% ↓ The top 5 donors of development co-operation in statistics (Canada; AfDB; European Commission/Eurostat; UNFPA; World Bank) provided 75% of total commitments in 2015. This represents a shift in the key donors from previous years.

Beneficiaries of aid to statistics in 2015



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