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

The fundamental role statistics play in development is widely understood.

However, this is not always translated into increased aid to statistics for development.

Without timely and accurate data, countries will not be able to meet the demands of the Sustainable Development Goals.

So, how much financial and technical support are developing countries receiving?

Support to statistics amounted to USD 470 million for 2014. This was on par with the USD 448 million commitments for 2013.

The share of Official Development Assistance (ODA) dedicated to statistics was 0.25% in 2014, mirroring the similarly low level of 0.24% in 2013.

Demographic and social statistics received the most support (USD 141 million), followed by economic statistics (USD 128 million) and general and methodological issues (USD 104 million).

The top five providers of development co-operation in statistics (Canada; European Commission/EUROSTAT; FAO of the United Nations; IMF; World Bank) provided 72% of total commitments in 2014.

Many countries still struggle to meet statistical demands.

Benefits of aid to statistics in 2014

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