



Pre-Release Announcement: Statistics on International Development 2010 (incorporating final estimates of UK Official Development Assistance 2009)

The Department for International Development (DFID) will publish the 2010 edition of *Statistics on International Development* on Thursday 7th October. The release will be available from the <u>DFID website</u> and from the Office for National Statistics <u>Publications Hub</u>.

This pre-release announcement provides details of changes to classifications that will be introduced in *Statistics on International Development 2010*.

Pension payments

In previous editions, pension payments made to ex-members of the UK Overseas Civil Service who were employed directly by developing countries governments were classed as DFID bilateral expenditure. While administered by DFID these payments are not sourced from DFID's core budget. These payments have been reclassified to "Bilateral Aid from other UK Official Sources". This change means that the breakdown of DFID expenditure is now consistent with the classification of spending under Departmental Expenditure Limits (DEL) agreed with HM Treasury. This reclassification has been implemented for all tables within SID and for all years shown.

Central Emergency Relief Fund

The Central Emergency Relief Fund (CERF) is a global partnership which provides emergency humanitarian assistance to developing countries. DFID contributions to CERF were previously recorded as "Non Region Specific". In 2009/10 CERF expenditure has been allocated to countries based on known disbursements from the fund to partner countries. This change affects Tables 9, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15. This treatment more accurately reflects the final destination of DFID funds.

Previous Publication

The 2009 edition of *Statistics on International Development* is available from the <u>DFID</u> website.

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