

Pre-Release Access to National Statistics

Pre-release access arrangements within FCDO are in line with *The Pre-release Access to Official Statistics Order 2008* which came into force on 1 December 2008. In particular, pre-release access is only allowed for a maximum of 24 hours.

The list below shows those FCDO ministers and officials, from both FCDO and other spending departments, who receive access in advance of publication under the terms of the Order to the following annual publications:

Statistics for International Development: Provisional UK Aid Spend 2020

The officials on this restricted list are either involved in the production of briefing for FCDO ministers or are regularly called upon to give direct advice to ministers to enable them to comment on the figures shortly after publication.

There are a limited number of other HMG staff who will have pre-release access to the information because they are involved in the compilation or quality assurance of the data, or required to prepare comments for their respective departments.

PRE-RELEASE ACCESS LIST (roles are FCDO unless stated otherwise)

- Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs
- Minister for Africa
- Permanent Under-Secretary
- Special Advisers to the Secretary of State (3 persons)
- Private Office to the Secretary of State (4 persons)
- Private Office to Minister for Africa (1 person)
- Chief Statistician
- Expert policy advisor
- Director General, Finance and Corporate Performance
- Director, Finance, Commercial & Delivery
- Deputy Director, Finance and Performance Department
- Director of Communication
- Deputy Director, Communications
- Heads of News
- Press Officer (2 persons)
- Legal Counsellor (1 persons)
- FCDO Legal Adviser (1 persons)
- Head of ODA (former FCO)
- ODA reporting lead for Science & Research (BEIS)
- ODA reporting lead for Energy and Climate Change (BEIS)
- Head of CSSF Communications and Engagement (CSSF)
- Senior Policy Official – International Development (HM Treasury)
- Policy Adviser- International Development (HM Treasury)
- ODA Reporting and External Assurance Lead (Home Office)