

Pre-Release Access to National Statistics

Pre-release access arrangements within DFID 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 now only allowed for a maximum of 24 hours.

The list below shows those DFID ministers and officials who receive access in advance of publication under the terms of the Order to the following annual publications:

- Statistics on International Development (SID)

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

As well as the people on this list, there are a limited number of other DFID staff who will have pre-release access SID data because they are involved in the compilation or quality assurance of the data and will see it more than 24 hours before publication. Some members of the Communications Division will see the release, but only within the 24 hour pre-release period, because they place the data on the website.

Some of the non-DFID data in the release is collected from other UK government departments and agencies and as such will be seen by a number of people within these departments in advance of publication of the statistics. Direct access to the statistics in the release will be minimised and those with this access will ensure that the information is not passed on to anyone with no operational need to see it in advance of the publication.

Pre-release access list

Statistics on International Development (SID) – October 2013

- Secretary of State for International Development – Justine Greening
- Minister of State – Alan Duncan
- Parliamentary Under Secretary of State – Lynn Featherstone
- Permanent Secretary – Mark Lowcock
- Special Advisers to the Secretary of State – Victoria Crawford/Guy Levin
- Director General, Finance and Corporate Performance – Richard Calvert
- Director, Value for Money - Liz Ditchburn
- Head, Finance, Performance and Impact Department – Jennie Barugh
- Chief Statistician, DFID – Neil Jackson
- Press Officers (DFID) – Gemma Blackburn/Tim Saunders
- FCO Head of ODA – Tiffany Sadler
- DECC ODA reporter – Georgia Bottomley

Other named officials with access to SID in October 2013

Communications Division:

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