STATISTICS ON GROSS PUBLIC EXPENDITURE (GPEX) ON INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Overview

This release provides statistics on Gross Public Expenditure (GPEX) on International Development from 2011/12 to 2016/17. The data covers expenditure by the Department for International Development, known as the DFID programme.

Box 1: Gross Public Expenditure (GPEX) on International Development

GPEX covers expenditure by official sources on aid to developing countries on the OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC) list of ODA eligible countries and multilateral organisations, and some other countries which meet the criteria for developmental Official Flows agreed by the DAC. GPEX is reported on a financial year basis and covers gross flows.

For further information on key terms please see the Glossary in Statistics on International Development.

GPEX statistics are published separately via this release after the <u>Statistics on International Development (SID)</u>, a report that focuses on UK Official Development Assistance (ODA), the key international measure of aid spend.

Users interested in making international comparisons should use UK ODA figures as published in *SID* as these follow international reporting practices. Users interested in the wider aid spend of DFID (not just ODA) should use the data published in this release covering GPEX.

List of GPEX Tables

The following tables are available to download in spreadsheet format from the DFID Statistics GPEX webpage.

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Background Notes

- The GPEX data for the DFID programme is sourced from DFID's internal accounting and management information system (ARIES) and the UK attributions of EC budgetary spending.
- 2. The GPEX statistics presented in this release are produced on a mainly cash basis and are broadly consistent with the standards followed in the reporting of ODA in SID. The statistics are therefore not directly comparable with the financial information reported in DFID's Annual Report and Accounts, which is shown on a resource basis.

Minor revisions and changes

We constantly seek to improve the quality of our statistics. Through our routine checks of historical GPEX data we may discover errors or make corrections, due to later data becoming available, and make minor revisions to previous years' data. Where we do so, the revised data will be clearly marked in the published tables by the symbol ^R.

This year we reviewed the "Other Financial Aid" funding category, which contains financial aid that is not general or sector budget support, due to concerns that inputters were misreporting this category. We found that some activities (approximately 25) were misclassified to this category, and these have been reallocated to the correct categories. For 2011/12 to 205/16 "Other Financial Aid" has decreased while other funding types, such as Multilateral" has increased. The overall totals remain unchanged.

In 2016, the methodology to estimate DFID's share of the EU development budget changed to report only the elements of the budget that are ODA eligible. Therefore, in 2016/17 non-ODA elements of the EU development budget are no longer included the European Commission figures; before 2016/17 under the previous methodology the figures contained ODA and non-ODA elements of the EU development budget.

Technical Notes

The following supporting information is published on the <u>DFID Statistics</u> GPEX webpage to help users understand and use the GPEX statistics:

- Guide to understanding GPEX statistics (Technical Note 1);
- Glossary of terms (Annex 2 from SID).

User engagement

We would also be particularly interested to know about how you use the data in this release to inform your work. Please send any feedback to statistics@dfid.gov.uk or post your suggestion to the International Development Statistics User group.

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