Section 2	Assistan	ce for Each R	edion

Challenges and problems vary according to country and region. In view of the increasingly diverse, complex, and broaderbased development challenges and the progress in globalization in the international community today, it is necessary to implement cooperation that caters to the needs and characteristics of each region while maintaining a global perspective. Based on an understanding of the economic and social backgrounds of these problems, Japan strives to solve the problems faced by developing countries through providing more focused development cooperation in a strategic, effective, and agile manner while coping flexibly with ever changing situations.

Chart II-7 Japan's Bilateral ODA by Region (2015)

Type Region	Bilateral ODA						Net Disbursement		(US\$ million) Gross Disbursement			
		Grants			Loan		aid					
	Gran	t aid Grants provided through multilateral institutions	Technical cooperation	Total	Amount disbursed (A)	Amount recovered (B)	(A)-(B)	Total	Change from the previous year (%)	Total	Percentage of total (%)	Change from the previous year (%)
Asia	634.03	97.19	548.24	1,182.27	5,150.81	4,706.75	444.06	1,626.33	-17.7	6,333.08	52.8	-12.9
East Asia	448.24	39.99	364.18	812.43	2,721.54	3,594.14	-872.60	-60.17	-223.8	3,533.97	29.5	-15.3
Northeast Asia	15.63	_	30.33	45.97	206.29	911.75	-705.46	-659.49	16.1	252.26	2.1	-3.7
Southeast Asia	428.08	35.47	328.54	756.62	2,515.25	2,682.39	-167.14	589.49	-28.6	3,271.88	27.3	-16.2
South Asia	112.64	36.60	142.43	255.06	2,212.16	1,018.20	1,193.96	1,449.02	-1.3	2,467.23	20.6	-3.3
Central Asia and the Caucasus	62.64	10.55	25.94	88.58	214.59	94.41	120.19	208.76	22.1	303.17	2.5	17.9
ODA for multiple countries in Asia	10.51	10.04	15.69	26.20	2.51	_	2.51	28.71	-90.1	28.71	0.2	-90.1
Middle East And North Africa	552.70	450.67	129.70	682.40	738.13	556.77	181.36	863.76	-6.8	1,420.53	11.8	-8.9
Sub-Saharan Africa	724.95	353.19	332.86	1,057.81	809.17	78.18	730.99	1,788.80	14.9	1,866.98	15.6	13.6
Latin America and the Caribbean	82.53	9.11	129.89	212.42	225.34	454.48	-229.14	-16.72	-156.2	437.76	3.7	0.8
Oceania	71.48	6.00	42.16	113.64	15.47	17.49	-2.02	111.62	2.5	129.11	1.1	0.8
Europe	33.62	5.37	22.92	56.54	55.24	63.66	-8.42	48.12	-63.5	111.78	0.9	-41.9
Assistance encompassing multiple regions	527.52	504.67	1,166.36	1,693.88	_	_	_	1,693.88	25.2	1,693.88	14.1	25.2
Total	2,626.83	1,426.19	2,372.14	4,998.96	6,994.16	5,877.33	1,116.83	6,115.80	0.5	11,993.13	100.0	-4.7

*1 Due to rounding, the total may not match the sum of each number.

*2 [-] indicates that no assistance was provided.

*3 Including assistance to graduated countries.

*4 Grant aid includes aid provided through multilateral institutions that can be classified by country.

*6 Disbursements under "ODA for multiple countries in Asia" utilize figures based on the OECD-DAC criteria, and therefore, include disbursements for multiple countries in Asia" utilize figures based on the OECD-DAC criteria, and therefore, include disbursements for multiple countries.

*7 Negative numbers appear when the recovered amount of loans, etc. exceeds the disbursed amount.