

Indicator 2.a.2

Indicator Name, Target and Goal

Indicator 2.a.2 Total official flows (official development assistance plus other official flows) to the agriculture sector

Target 2.a Increase investment, including through enhanced international cooperation, in rural infrastructure, agricultural research and extension services, technology development and plant and livestock gene banks in order to enhance agricultural productive capacity in developing countries, in particular least developed countries

Goal 2 End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture

Definition and Rationale

○ Definition

Gross disbursements of total ODA to the agriculture sector.

○ Concepts

The DAC defines ODA as “those flows to countries and territories on the DAC List of ODA Recipients and to multilateral institutions which are

i) provided by official agencies, including state and local governments, or by their executive agencies; and

ii) each transaction is administered with the promotion of the economic development and welfare of developing countries as its main objective; and is concessional in character and conveys a grant element of at least 25 per cent (calculated at a rate of discount of 10 per cent).

The agriculture sector is as defined by the DAC and comprises all CRS sector codes in the 311 series.

○ Rationale and Interpretation:

Total ODA flows to developing countries quantify the public effort that donors provide to developing countries for agriculture.

Data Sources and Collection Method

The OECD/DAC has been collecting data on official and private resource flows from 1960 at an aggregate level and 1973 at an activity level through the Creditor Reporting System (CRS data are considered complete from 1995 for commitments

at an activity level and 2002 for disbursements).

The data are reported by donors according to the same standards and methodologies.

Data are reported on an annual calendar year basis by statistical reporters in national administrations (aid agencies, Ministries of Foreign Affairs or Finance, etc.

A statistical reporter is responsible for the collection of DAC statistics in each providing country/agency.

This reporter is usually located in the national aid agency, Ministry of Foreign Affairs or Finance etc.

Method of Computation and Other Methodological Considerations

- Computation Method

The sum of ODA flows to developing countries in the agriculture sector.

- Comments and limitations

Data in the Creditor Reporting System are available from 1973. However, the data coverage is considered complete since 1995 for commitments at an activity level and 2002 for disbursements.

Data Disaggregation

This indicator can be disaggregated by donor, recipient country, type of finance, type of aid (project agriculture sub-sector) etc.

References

URL: www.oecd.org/dac/stats

References: See all links here:

<http://www.oecd.org/dac/stats/methodology.htm>

Custodian Ministries of Data

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Custodian Ministries of Related Policies

Cabinet Office

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries

International Organizations

Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)