

Aid in Support of Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment 2004-2005

Norway

Amounts are average commitments for 2004-2005, unless otherwise shown

Investment in gender equality and women's empowerment is vital for improving economic, social and political conditions in developing countries within the framework of sustainable development. A focus on gender equality and women's empowerment in development co-operation is a means to enhance the total effectiveness of aid (1).

An activity can target gender equality as a "principal objective" or "significant objective". **Principal** means gender equality was an explicit objective of the activity and fundamental in its design. **Significant** means gender equality was an important, but secondary, objective of the activity. Not targeted means that the activity was screened for promoting gender equality, but was found to not be targeted to it.

All activities have been screened against the gender marker: the gender coverage ratio is thus 100%.

Gender equality focus of donor's aid programme

USD million

	2004	2005
Principal objective	63	55
Significant objective	166	253
Not targeted	687	1085
Not screened	0	0
Total sector-allocable aid	915	1393
Gender equality focused aid (2)	25%	22%
<i>Memo:</i>		
Total non sector-allocable aid	420	555
Aid to Women's equality (3)	10	23

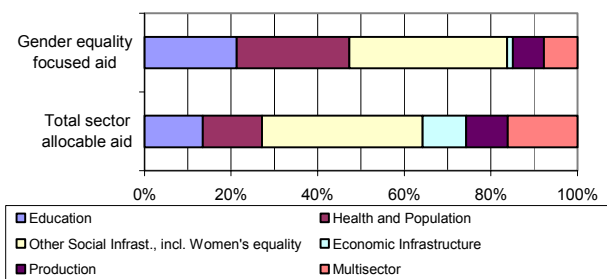
Related Millennium Development Goals

Promote gender equality and empower women (Goal 3)

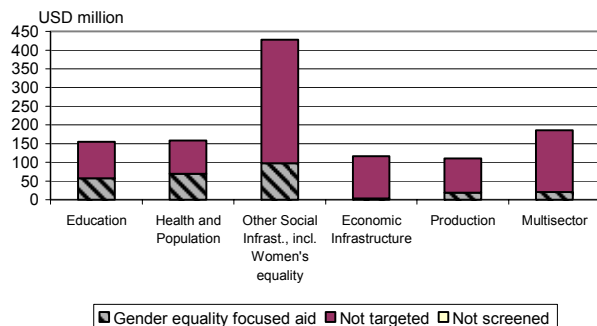
Eliminate gender disparity in primary and secondary education preferably by 2005, and at all levels by 2015 (Target 4)

Sector breakdown

Sectoral components of gender equality focused aid percentages



Gender equality focus of sectors USD million



Top ten recipients

Gender equality focus in aid to top ten recipients USD million

	Total aid	Total sector allocable aid	Gender equality focused aid (2)
Sudan	112	87	5%
Tanzania	81	81	18%
Malawi	72	36	83%
Afghanistan	63	19	32%
Palestinian adm.areas	58	43	13%
Mozambique	56	41	63%
Zambia	54	41	9%
Uganda	49	26	40%
Sri Lanka	48	39	10%
Pakistan	44	7	74%

Top ten recipients of gender equality focused aid USD million

	Gender equality focused aid (2)	%
Malawi	30	83%
Nepal	29	83%
Mozambique	26	63%
Tanzania	15	18%
Madagascar	14	73%
Angola	12	73%
Bangladesh	11	53%
Uganda	10	40%
Guatemala	8	76%
South Africa	8	43%

(1) DAC Guidelines for Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment in Development Co-operation, 1999

(2) % of sector allocable aid. Activities not screened against the gender equality marker have been excluded.

(3) Since 2005 flows, the WID sector is replaced by "Support to women's equality organisations and institutions", within the "Other social infrastructure" category.

Note: Statistics on gender focus exclude non sector-allocable aid since several members do not apply the gender marker on these forms of aid. This category includes programme assistance, debt relief and emergency aid.

Source: CRS Aid Activity database (Creditor Reporting System) at www.oecd.org/dac/stats/idonline