

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

Japan

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	122	170
Significant objective	487	1148
Not targeted	7582	7819
Not screened	0	0
Total sector-allocable aid	8191	9136
Gender equality focused aid (2)	7%	14%
<i>Memo:</i>		
Total non sector-allocable aid	4070	7408
Aid to Women's equality (3)	0	0

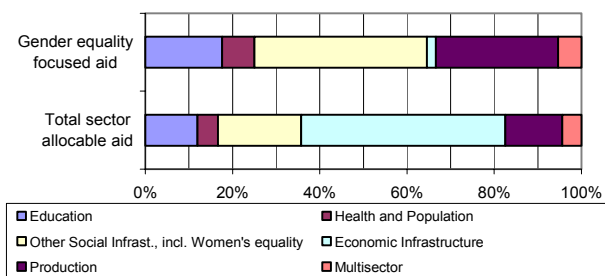
Related Millennium Development Goals

Promote gender equality and empower women (Goal 3)

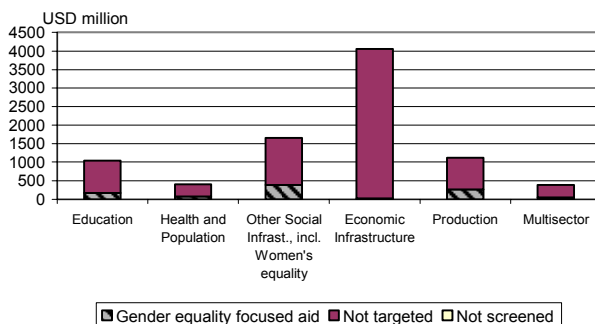
Eliminate gender disparity in primary and secondary education preferably by 2005, and at all levels by 2015 (Target 4)

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)
Iraq	2097	8	0%
Indonesia	1530	1176	1%
India	1223	1222	36%
China	1171	1043	1%
Viet Nam	876	849	2%
Ghana	541	32	0%
Turkey	463	462	0%
Thailand	445	441	0%
Malaysia	416	414	0%
Zambia	393	32	43%

Top ten recipients of gender equality focused aid USD million

	Gender equality focused aid (2)	
India	437	36%
Pakistan	65	41%
Bangladesh	58	58%
Sri Lanka	54	34%
Morocco	41	40%
Cambodia	24	18%
Viet Nam	20	2%
Zambia	13	43%
China	13	1%
East Timor	13	47%

(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/idsonline