

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

Denmark

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.

Not all activities have been screened against the gender marker: the coverage ratio for sector-allocable activities is **98%**.

Gender equality focus of donor's aid programme

USD million

	2004	2005
Principal objective	54	47
Significant objective	240	283
Not targeted	854	961
Not screened	48	0
Total sector-allocable aid	1196	1291
Gender equality focused aid (2)	26%	26%
<i>Memo:</i>		
Total non sector-allocable aid	470	251
Aid to Women's equality (3)	1	3

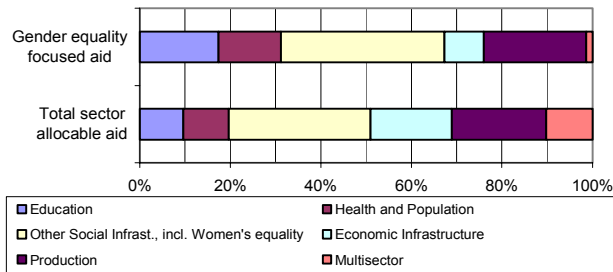
Related Millennium Development Goals

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)

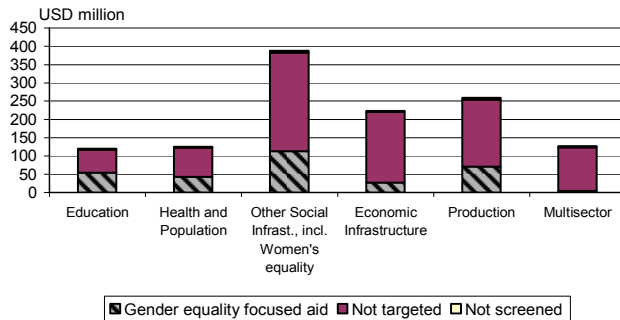
Sector breakdown

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)
Tanzania	145	123	1%
Viet Nam	110	81	23%
Benin	106	98	44%
Burkina Faso	93	80	30%
Uganda	86	83	72%
Nicaragua	83	83	20%
Bangladesh	81	81	1%
Bolivia	58	56	90%
Mozambique	54	37	4%
Zambia	48	46	24%

Top ten recipients of gender equality focused aid

USD million

	Gender equality focused aid (2)
Uganda	59 72%
Bolivia	49 90%
Benin	43 44%
Kenya	26 55%
Burkina Faso	24 30%
Viet Nam	18 23%
Nepal	17 89%
Nicaragua	16 20%
Zambia	11 24%
Sudan	10 55%

(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