In 2018-19, the BMGF and BBVA MF remained by far the most significant private providers but other foundations proved to be important actors too.

USD 8.8 billion per year in 2018-19 on average

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Mainly driven by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, health remained the main sector targeted, followed by economic and other social sectors.

2018-19 average, USD million, gross disbursements, 2019 prices

- Health and reproductive health: 4,360
- Agriculture, forestry and fishing: 970
- Government and civil society: 583
- Trade (incl. wholesale and retail): 519
- Education: 419
- Environment Protection: 387
- Banking, financial and business services: 379
- Transport, energy and communications: 273
- Other soc. infrastructure and services: 272
- Water supply and sanitation: 144
- Humanitarian aid: 143
- Other sectors: 369

*Also includes core contributions to the Global Fund and Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance and debt relief by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.*

Almost half of region-allocable foundations’ finance was allocated to Africa.

2018-19 average, gross disbursements, 2019 prices

- Africa: USD 2.1 billion (44%)
- Asia & Oceania: USD 1.1 billion (23%)
- Europe: USD 0.02 billion (45%)

In addition, foundations provided USD 3.5 billion per year on average for activities with a global focus or no geographic allocation. This also includes core contributions to multilateral organisations.

Top 20 recipients of foundations’ financing

2018-19 average, USD million, gross disbursements, 2019 prices

- Peru: 627
- India: 468
- Colombia: 406
- Nigeria: 230
- Kenya: 171
- Ethiopia: 161
- Dominican Rep.: 141
- Pakistan: 135
- Tanzania: 109
- Uganda: 108
- China (Pr. of): 101
- Rwanda: 88
- South Africa: 87
- Indonesia: 65
- Brazil: 62
- Ghana: 60
- Bangladesh: 56
- Mexico: 49
- DR of the Congo: 46
- Barbica Faso: 40

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