

## **ABOUT STATISTICS ON INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (SID)**

This annual report shows the deployment of official UK financial resources to support international development and how this funding is broken down by destination country or organisation, type of assistance and purpose. Previous editions of *SID* have also included tables showing indicators of development progress (using Millennium Development Goal 'MDG' statistics). This information has been excluded this year since it is widely available elsewhere and sources of such information are provided in Annex 3. The report is structured as follows:

### **Sections 1- 5**

1. **Understanding Aid Statistics** provides vital background information for users of the report, describing what counts as development assistance – or aid - and explaining key distinctions in the report, such as the difference between the DFID programme, Gross Public Expenditure on Development and UK Official Development Assistance (ODA).
2. **How much is the UK Expenditure on International Development?** shows total aid volumes and summarises spend according to the type of aid. Figures for both the UK and DFID are presented. Progress towards the target of spending 0.7% of gross national income as ODA is shown and international comparisons are made.
3. **Where does the UK Expenditure on International Development Go?** shows how DFID's bilateral programme is divided among countries and regions and how DFID's multilateral programme is divided among different institutions. Data are also presented on the destination of UK ODA. This section also shows disbursements via civil society organisations.
4. **What is the purpose of UK Expenditure on International Development?** reports on the sectors to which the DFID bilateral aid programme is directed and how this aid is expected to impact on the Millennium Development Goals.
5. **Debt Relief** explains UK debt relief and the amounts reported.

### **Annexes 1 - 3**

1. **Recipient country information** shows such facts as whether a country is in a low, middle or high income group, where it appears on the DAC list, its HIPC status and other data.
2. **Glossary** of development terms used in the report.
3. **Data Sources** explains where data used in *SID* come from and gives sources of information on MDG progress (including a UN chart showing the current position). This annex also includes a table showing a 'read across' from this year's *SID* to previous editions.