

KEY QUESTIONS

the big six



How much ODA does France provide?

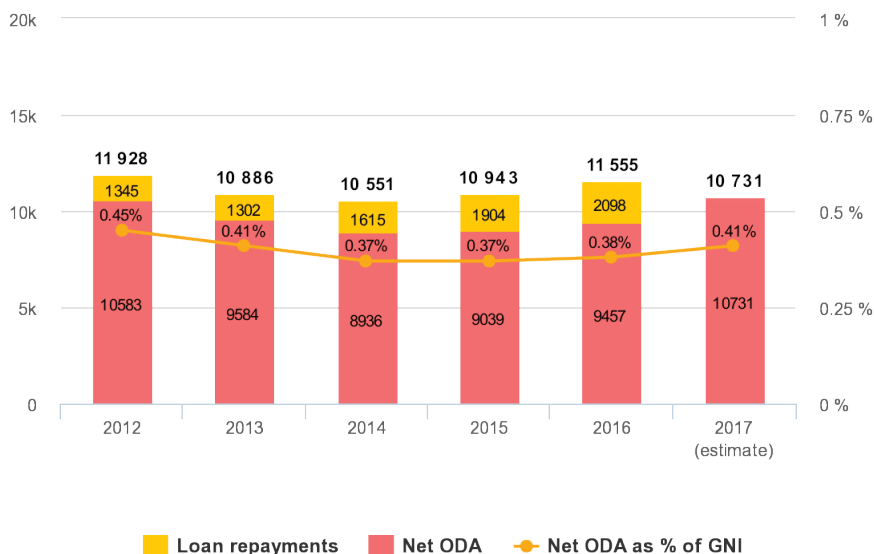
France is the 5th-largest donor; ODA is expected to increase by more than €4 billion by 2020

France was the fifth-largest donor country in 2016. It spent US\$9.5 billion (in 2016 prices; US\$9.5 billion in 2015 prices), or 0.38% of its GNI on net ODA. In recent years, cuts in public spending have put pressure on France’s ODA. However, at the UN General Assembly in September 2015, former President Hollande announced that France would provide an additional €4 billion (US\$4.4 billion) in ODA in the form of loans per year by 2020. This would bring up French ODA to approximately €12 billion (US\$13.3 billion) in 2020. Half of the increase is earmarked for climate-related programs. In addition, France will provide €400 million in additional ODA grants per year. In line with this commitment, and with the steady increases since 2014, net ODA rose by 5% between 2015 and 2016, driven by increases in bilateral loans.

In 2017, ODA is expected to increase to 0.41% of France’s GNI, to reach €9.7 billion (US\$10.7 billion). To finance this increase, France draws on both innovative financing mechanisms and on budgetary sources. Allocations to the two main ODA-relevant budget lines increased by 5% between 2016 and 2017 (from €2.5 billion to €2.6 billion, including an €83.5-million increase in the form of grants). In parallel, proceeds of the French financial transaction tax (FTT) – a tax introduced in 2012 to generate more resources for development and climate programs – that are allocated to development are expected to increase from an estimated €528 million in 2016 to €798 million.

FRANCE'S GROSS/NET ODA DISBURSEMENTS

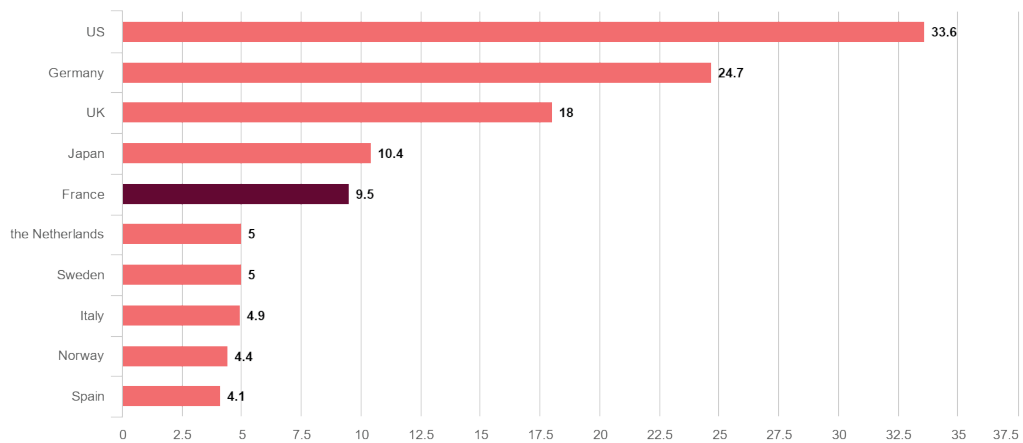
US\$ millions; in 2015 prices



OECD DAC. 2016 data according to OECD preliminary data (April 2017). ODA estimates for 2017 are based on government data.

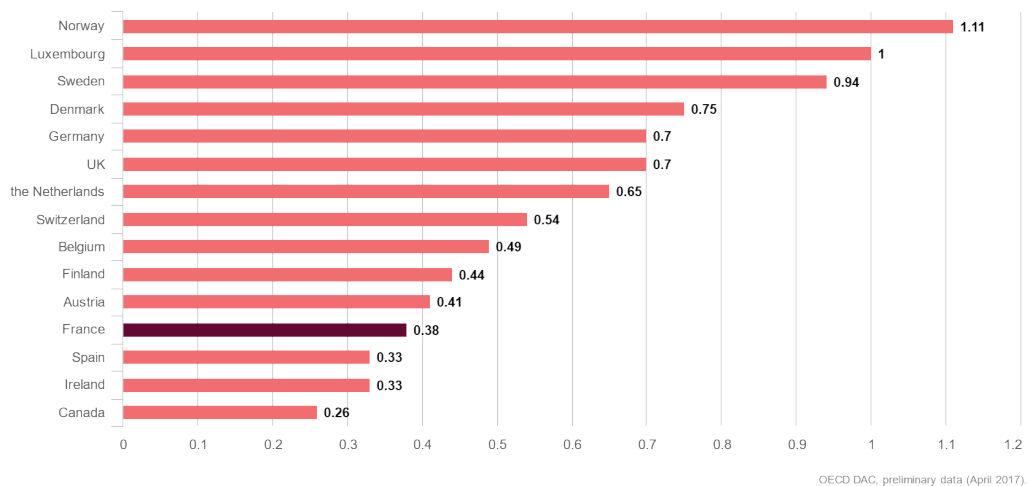
TOP 10 DAC DONOR COUNTRIES, 2016

Net ODA disbursements; US\$ billions; 2016 prices



TOP 15 DAC DONOR COUNTRIES, 2016

Net ODA as % of GNI



¹ '2016 prices' refers to the actual ODA amount disbursed in 2016. This figure is commonly used when comparing ODA across donors in 2016. To compare ODA levels in 2016 with ODA levels provided in previous years, figures need to be measured in constant prices. This means that the ODA amounts for each year are adjusted to take into account the effect of inflation and of exchange rate fluctuations. In this profile, we generally state ODA figures in '2015 prices', meaning that we use 2015 as a base year, to ensure data is comparable over time.