

- The OECD has developed a comprehensive system for measuring aid in support of climate-related objectives. This is based on detailed project-level reporting against carefully defined policy markers.¹
- Figures for 2011 show that total bilateral climate change-related aid by members of the OECD's Development Assistance Committee (DAC) was USD 17.1 billion in 2011, representing about 13% of total official development assistance.
- Of this total, two-thirds was for mitigation, and one-third for adaptation.
- For 44% of the climate-related activities, mitigation or adaptation was the primary objective; for the remainder it was a significant objective.
- Detailed project-by-project data are available at www.oecd.org/dac/stats/rioconventions.

1. The developed countries that signed the three Rio Conventions in 1992 committed themselves to assist developing countries in the implementation of these Conventions. Since 1998 the DAC has monitored aid targeting the objectives of the Rio Conventions through its "Creditor Reporting System" (CRS) using the so-called "Rio markers". Every aid activity reported to the CRS should be screened and marked as either (i) targeting the Conventions as a 'principal objective' or a 'significant objective', or (ii) not targeting the objective. There are four Rio markers, covering: biodiversity, desertification, climate change mitigation, and climate change adaptation. The adaptation marker was introduced in 2010.

Bilateral climate change-related aid by DAC members

Climate change mitigation-related aid was estimated at USD 12.4 billion in 2011, and climate change adaptation-related aid at USD 8.3 billion. In certain cases, the same activity was tagged as both mitigation and adaptation-related. This overlap amounts to about USD 3.6 billion (see Table 1 and Chart 2).

Table 1. Climate change mitigation- and adaptation-related aid by DAC members in 2011
USD million, current prices

	Bilateral contributions marker-based statistics, commitments, USD million					Total climate change-related aid (a+b+c+d-e)
	Climate change mitigation-related aid		Climate change adaptation-related aid		for reference aid marked both mitigation and adaptation (e)	
	Principal objective (a)	Significant objective (b)	Principal objective (c)	Significant objective (d)		
Australia	66.8	208.8	96.7	480.0	227.7	624.6
Austria	16.7	16.9	6.1	8.9	6.4	42.2
Belgium	20.9	144.0	6.4	129.3	51.9	248.7
Canada	351.5	41.8	39.3	183.0	31.3	584.2
Denmark	72.9	188.7	36.2	160.6	174.8	283.7
EU Institutions	273.8	1078.3	257.7	1000.3	871.2	1739.0
Finland	19.8	201.6	32.9	224.2	116.3	362.2
France	498.0	317.9	0.8	0.8	0.0	817.5
Germany	1501.0	1648.3	259.9	2004.0	814.1	4599.1
Greece	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Iceland
Ireland	50.8	0.0	32.1	0.0	0.0	82.9
Italy	7.7	45.5	5.7	36.3	28.4	66.8
Japan	3190.4	171.9	664.3	1239.1	565.7	4699.8
Korea	3.8	64.0	0.0	7.3	6.5	68.7
Luxembourg	0.4	6.4	0.8	20.8	6.4	22.0
Netherlands	90.0	59.8	4.2	120.0	42.9	231.0
New Zealand	8.9	11.1	1.7	21.5	8.0	35.3
Norway	402.1	324.1	123.1	110.1	127.2	832.3
Portugal	5.6	18.7	0.2	1.5	1.3	24.7
Spain	7.1	90.6	13.1	148.7	88.8	170.7
Sweden	44.6	271.5	72.6	335.6	290.7	433.4
Switzerland	49.1	191.5	58.3	169.4	54.5	413.8
United Kingdom	251.1	78.8	64.5	88.6	95.3	387.8
United States	322.6	0.0	73.0	0.0	0.0	395.6
Total	7255.6	5180.3	1849.4	6490.1	3609.5	17166.0

Notes: EU institutions are a full member of the DAC. Data in this table refer in all cases to DAC members' own contributions to developing countries (including through CIFs), not to their contributions to multilateral agencies which are presented in Table 2. Thus, for EU members, the figures exclude their contributions to the EU institutions; however, the outflows of EU institutions to developing countries are shown against the relevant line. Data for France could be revised.

Chart 1. Trends in climate change mitigation-related aid
2006-11, bilateral commitments, USD billion, constant 2010 prices

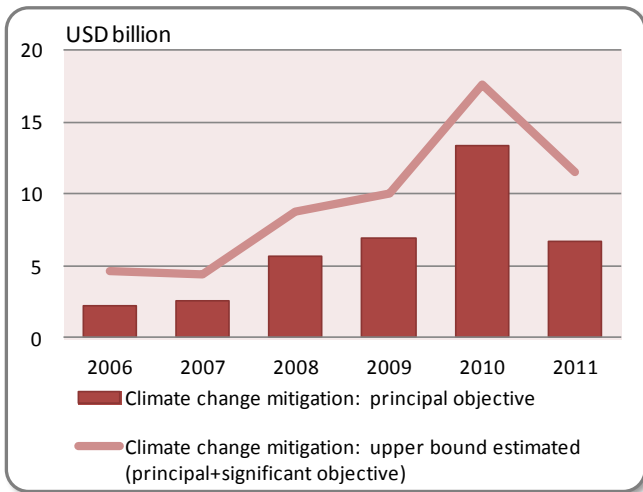
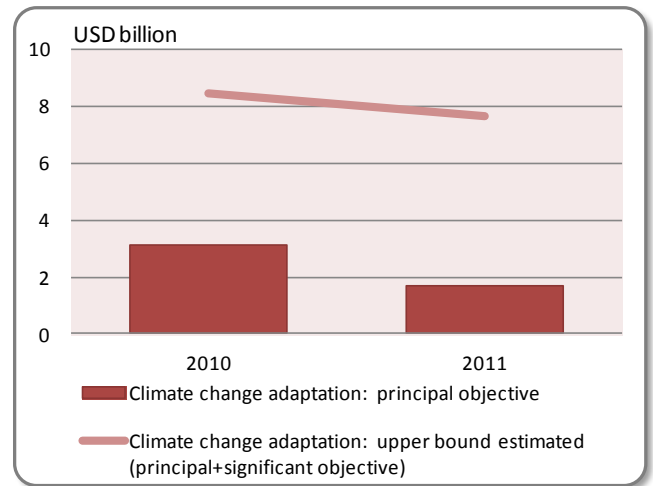


Chart 2. Trends in climate change adaptation-related aid
2010-11, bilateral commitments, USD billion, constant 2010 prices



Climate change mitigation-related aid is on average, in the period shown in Chart 1, increasing. The ‘upper bound’ estimate exceeded **USD 12.4 billion in 2011**.

Multilateral climate change-related aid

Finance for climate change mitigation and adaptation also flows through the multilateral system. The total of DAC members’ contributions to specific climate funds (except Climate Investment Funds which are included in Table 1) plus the climate-related share of DAC members’ core contributions to multilateral organisations was **USD 882 million in 2011**. The DAC Secretariat is working on the climate change markers with multilateral development banks and other agencies to refine these data.

Table 2. DAC countries’ multilateral aid to climate change in 2011

Contributions to climate funds and climate-related shares of contributions to multiple-purpose organisations
USD million, current prices

GEF (32%)	IDA (2.4%)	Montreal Protocol 100%	GEF LDC fund (100%)	GEF special climate change fund (100%)	UNFCCC (61%)	Total
377.2	206.0	100.4	123.6	56.1	18.7	882.0

Notes: The share of IDA’s outflows targeted at climate change (2.4% for the period 2010-11) was applied to members’ contributions to IDA. This share is based on World Bank’s reporting to the CRS on their climate change theme. Data will be revised upon the implementation of the Bank’s new system to track projects with climate co-benefits. The share of the GEF’s outflows targeted at climate change (32% for the period 2008-09) was applied to members’ contributions to the GEF. This share is based on GEF data available at www.gefonline.org (climate change focal area and prorated portion of multifocal area).

Watch out for double counts!

The same activity can be marked for both mitigation and adaptation, since a single activity can target both. Therefore, care needs to be taken not to double count these amounts when compiling the total for *aid to climate change mitigation/adaptation*.

Chart 2 illustrates the composition of the USD 17.1 billion estimated amount for total climate change-related aid. The bulk of activities are marked for one objective only.

Chart 2. Total climate change-related aid in 2011
Bilateral commitments, USD billion, current prices

