

## DevData CSV downloads: explainer

DevData (<https://devdata.mfat.govt.nz/>) is a New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) website that enables users to explore up-to-date, detailed information on New Zealand's international development cooperation activities. Activity and transaction data can be downloaded into comma-separated values (CSV) files. CSV downloads are currently available for each country, regional area, and sector category<sup>1</sup>.

The information on DevData primarily conforms to the International Aid Transparency Initiative (IATI) standard. The IATI standard draws heavily on codelists that are maintained by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development – Development Assistance Committee (OECD-DAC). For more information, see:

- [https://iatistandard.org/en/iati-standard/203/activity-standard/;](https://iatistandard.org/en/iati-standard/203/activity-standard/) and
- <https://www.oecd.org/dac/financing-sustainable-development/development-finance-standards/dacandcrscodelists.htm>.

This document provides information on the two types of CSV file available for download from DevData: [Activity](#) and [Transaction](#).

### Activity CSV file

Field/column heading	Explanation
last_updated_datetime	The date/time that the IATI data for this specific activity was last updated. This date/time changes when the value of any field related to that Activity is modified.
humanitarian	True or false to indicate whether the activity relates to humanitarian aid.
iati_identifier	A unique identifier for the activity. All activities have the prefix "NZ-1-ACT-"
title_narrative	A short title that contains a meaningful summary of the activity.
description_narrative	A longer description containing a meaningful summary of the activity.
implementing_partner_name	Partner organisations are the actors with whom New Zealand cooperates. Not all partners are currently listed.
activity_status_code_name	The stage the Activity was at when the data was extracted. Activities in design, implementation, or closing stages are active and activities in closed stage have been completed.
activity_date_planned_start	The date in which the activity was initially estimated to enter implementation stage.

<sup>1</sup> Bespoke files based on user search criteria are not currently available, although it is hoped they will be available in future.

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activity_date_actual_start	The date in which the activity entered implementation stage. For some activities where no implementation date was recorded due to a system change on 17 April 2017, the first transaction date has been used.
activity_date_planned_end	The date in which the activity was estimated to enter closed stage.
activity_date_actual_end	The date in which the activity entered closed stage.
recipient_country_name	<p>The country or countries that will benefit from this activity. Activities can benefit more than one country (and more than one regional area).</p> <p>The country lists are based on the ISO 3166-1 part of the ISO 3166 standard. For more information: <a href="https://iatistandard.org/en/iati-standard/203/codelists/country/">https://iatistandard.org/en/iati-standard/203/codelists/country/</a></p>
recipient_country_percentage	The percentage of the total activity expenditure that is apportioned to the identified country(ies) or region(s). The figures in this field and the recipient_region_percentage field, will total to 100.
recipient_regions_name	<p>The supranational region or regions that will benefit from this activity. Activities can benefit more than one region (and more than one country).</p> <p>The regions listed are based on the OECD-DAC region listings. For more information, see: <a href="https://iatistandard.org/en/iati-standard/203/codelists/region/">https://iatistandard.org/en/iati-standard/203/codelists/region/</a></p>
recipient_region_percentage	The percentage of the total activity expenditure that is apportioned to the identified country(ies) or region(s). The figures in this field and the recipient_country_percentage field, will total to 100.
sector_code_name	<p>The code and name that classifies the purpose of the activity. Describes the area of the recipient's economy or social structure that the development activity is designed to assist.</p> <p>An activity can have multiple sectors, which are each displayed on a separate line, with a percentage allocation that totals to 100% for the activity.</p> <p>The sectors listed are based on the OECD-DAC 5-digit Purpose Codes. For more information see: <a href="http://www.oecd.org/dac/stats/purposecodessectorclassification.htm">http://www.oecd.org/dac/stats/purposecodessectorclassification.htm</a></p> <p>For definitions of each sector code name, refer to the purpose codes codelist found here: <a href="https://www.oecd.org/dac/financing-sustainable-development/development-finance-standards/dacandcrscodelists.htm">https://www.oecd.org/dac/financing-sustainable-development/development-finance-standards/dacandcrscodelists.htm</a></p>

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sector_percentage	The percentage of the total activity expenditure that is apportioned to the identified sector(s). An activity can have multiple sectors, which are each displayed on a separate line, with a percentage allocation that totals to 100% for the activity.
default_currency	A three letter ISO 4217 code for the original currency of the amount. This is always NZD.
transactions	The number of financial transactions against an activity.
transaction_expenditure_to_date_total	The total value of financial transactions against an activity during the activity's lifetime to date. Note that in the case of an activity with multiple sectors, this number is repeated across multiple lines.
transaction_expenditure_to_date_by_sector	The total value of financial transactions against an activity during the activity's lifetime to date by sector. This is based on apportioning the identified sector_percentage against the transaction_expenditure_to_date_total.
gender_equality_policy_marker	There are a range of policy markers that identify the policies or themes addressed by the activity.  Each activity is assessed to determine the extent to which it contributes to a policy objective, and is marked as either principal objective, significant objective, or not targeted.  The score 'principal' means the policy objective was an explicit objective of the activity and fundamental in its design (i.e. the activity would not have been undertaken without this objective).  The score 'significant' means the policy objective was an important, but secondary, objective of the activity (i.e. not one of the principal reasons for undertaking the activity).  For more information, see <a href="https://iatistandard.org/en/iati-standard/203/codelists/policymarker/">https://iatistandard.org/en/iati-standard/203/codelists/policymarker/</a>
aid_to_environment_policy_marker	
participatory_development_good_governance_policy_marker	
trade_development_policy_marker	
aid_targeting_the_objectives_of_the_convention_on_biological_diversity_policy_marker	
aid_targeting_the_objectives_of_the_framework_convention_on_climate_change_mitigation_policy_marker	
aid_targeting_the_objectives_of_the_framework_convention_on_climate_change_adaptation_policy_marker	
aid_targeting_the_objectives_of_the_convention_to_combat_desertification_policy_marker	
reproductive_maternal_newborn_and_child_health_policy_marker	
disaster_risk_reduction_policy_marker	
disability_policy_marker	
collaboration_type_code_name	The type of collaboration involved in the activity's disbursements, e.g. "bilateral" (flows directly to the recipient country(ies)) or "multilateral" (flows to multilateral agencies which use them to fund their own

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	development programmes. Multilateral agencies are governed by representatives of governments).
default_flow_type_code_name	Whether the activity is funded by Official Development Assistance (ODA), Other Official Flows (OOF), or various types of private finance.
default_finance_type_code_name	The type of finance (e.g. grant, loan, debt relief, etc). This the default value for all transactions in the activity report. For New Zealand, this is always Standard grant.
default_aid_type_code_name	The modality in which the development cooperation is delivered (project-type intervention, budget support, debt relief, etc.).  The modalities listed are based on the OECD-DAC cooperation modalities codelist. For definitions of each aid type code name, refer to the cooperation modalities codelist found here: <a href="https://www.oecd.org/dac/financing-sustainable-development/development-finance-standards/dacandcrscodelists.htm">https://www.oecd.org/dac/financing-sustainable-development/development-finance-standards/dacandcrscodelists.htm</a>
default_tied_status_code_name	Whether the aid is untied, tied, or partially tied.  Tying status describes the extent to which funding is limited (tied) to procurement of New Zealand goods and services, or if procurement can be sourced from any country. Tied aid is considered to prevent recipients from receiving good value for money for services, goods, or works.
contact_info_organisation_narrative	The name and contact details of the organisation to contact for more information about the activity.  For all activities, the organisation is the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, and the contact details are:  Development Capability and Insights Division Phone: +64 4 439 8000 Email: <a href="mailto:enquiries@mfat.govt.nz">enquiries@mfat.govt.nz</a> Website: <a href="https://www.mfat.govt.nz/">https://www.mfat.govt.nz/</a> Address: 195 Lambton Quay, Private Bag 18 901, Wellington 6160, New Zealand
contact_info_department_narrative	
contact_info_telephone	
contact_info_email	
contact_info_website	
contact_info_mailing_address_narrative	

## Transaction CSV file

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last_updated_datetime	The date/time that the IATI data for this specific activity was last updated. This date/time changes when the value of any field related to that Activity is modified.
iati_identifier	A unique identifier for the activity. All activities have the prefix "NZ-1-ACT-"
title_narrative	A short title that contains a meaningful summary of the activity.
transaction_ref	A reference number linking this transaction back to MFAT's financial management system.
transaction_date_iso_date	The date on which the transaction was made.
default_currency	A three letter ISO 4217 code for the original currency of the amount. This is always NZD.
transaction_value	The value of the transaction.
transaction_receiver_org_type_narrative	The type of organisation receiving the money from the transaction.