



Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation

Data Release Information Sheet

Data Summary

Dataset name: Development Assistance for Health Database 1990-2021

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Summary:

This version of the Development Assistance for Health (DAH) Database includes estimates for 1990-2021, which are based on project databases, financial statements, annual reports, IRS 990s, and correspondence with agencies. The DAH Database enables comprehensive analysis of trends in international disbursements of grants and loans for health projects in low- and middle-income countries from key agencies. The data are disaggregated by source of funds, channel of funding, country and geographic region, health focus areas, and program areas.

To better understand the data and how to use it, please refer to the IHME DAH Database 2021 User Guide.

Relevant publications and visualizations:

- Global Burden of Disease 2021 Health Financing Collaborator Network. Global investments in pandemic preparedness and COVID-19: tracking development assistance and domestic spending on health, 1990–2026. *The Lancet*. 24 January 2023.
- [Financing Global Health visualization](#)

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Data Files Information

File Inventory

File Name	Description	Version Date
IHME_DAH_DATABASE_1990_2021_Y2023M03D06.CSV	Data file [CSV]	March 6, 2023
IHME_DAH_DATABASE_1990_2021_Y2023M03D06.DTA	Data file [DTA]	March 6, 2023
IHME_DAH_DATABASE_1990_2021_CODEBOOK_Y2023M01D24.CSV	Codebook [CSV]	January 24, 2023
IHME_DAH_DATABASE_1990_2021_USER_GUIDE_Y2023M01D24.PDF	User Guide	January 24, 2023
IHME_DAH_DATABASE_1990_2021_INFO_SHEET_Y2023M03D06.PDF	Data Release Information Sheet	March 6, 2023

Locations IDs for the geographic variables in this dataset (Recipient Country, World Bank Region, GBD Region) come from an IHME database that creates and stores unique identifiers for locations of various location types. These include countries, nonsovereign regions, states/provinces, GBD Regions, World Bank regions, and bespoke administrative locations, such as the "multi-region" GBD locations created here for disbursements that covered more than one GBD region.

These Location IDs are not defined in the Evaluation **IHME DAH Database (2021) User Guide** ([IHME_DAH_DATABASE_1990_2021_USER_GUIDE_Y2023M01D24.PDF](#)); all other variables and coding are described in the guide.

Codebooks

Variable names, labels, and value encoding can be found in the machine-actionable codebook file [IHME_DAH_DATABASE_1990_2021_CODEBOOK_Y2023M01D24.CSV](#).

Additional Information

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