UN DESA's overall website visits increased by 15.2% over 2019.

5 most downloaded UN DESA publications in 2020

- Sustainable Development Goals Report: 237,176
- World Economic Situation and Prospects: 211,871
- UN E-Government Survey: 185,058
- World Urbanisation Prospects: 144,416
- World Cities: 119,904

In 2020 UN DESA's top 5 most popular publications were downloaded a combined 898,425 times, a more than 16 per cent increase over 2019.

- Sustainable Development Goals Report
- World Economic Situation and Prospects
- UN E-Government Survey
- World Urbanisation Prospects
- World Cities

Top 5 downloaded UN DESA Publications

Share of visits to UN DESA websites (By region, 2020) Total visits

- Europe: 31%
- North America: 23%
- Africa: 6%
- Asia: 29%
- Latin America: 9%
- Oceania: 2%
- World Cities: 119,904

Progress toward gender parity at the Professional level in UN DESA

As of 31 March 2021, UN DESA had achieved its target for gender balance at the ASG and P4 levels. The Department remains committed to the promise of gender parity and women’s empowerment within its workforce, operations and substantive approach.

Twitter

Combined followers across accounts managed by UN DESA: 800,938
Follower growth in 2020: 7%

Facebook

Combined Page Likes across accounts managed by UN DESA: 2,138,866
Growth in Page Likes in 2020: 0.31%

With the impact of the pandemic on travel, in 2020, UN DESA ran some 63 capacity-building projects and activities in more than 60 countries across the globe. The Department received more than 100 requests from Member States for capacity-building support.

UN DESA Staff represent more than 80 countries worldwide, from all world regions.