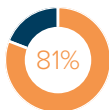


How do LDCs feel about Aid for Trade?

LDC responses to the 2019 OECD-WTO Aid-for-Trade Monitoring and Evaluation Exercise

LDC RESPONDENTS

38 out of 47
LDCs participated

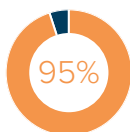


Among LDC respondents, there was **unanimity** in policy prioritization of **economic diversification**



THIS IS THE HIGHEST RESPONSE RATE FROM LDCS SINCE THE LAUNCH OF THE AID-FOR-TRADE INITIATIVE IN 2006

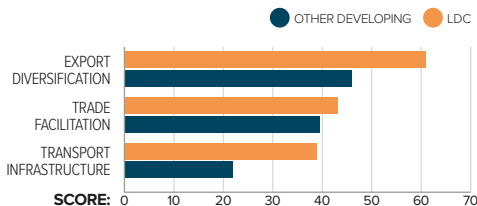
The share of LDCs reporting progress in **economic diversification** was **50% higher** than other developing country respondents



95% of LDC respondents identified **economic empowerment** as a priority in their national or regional development strategies

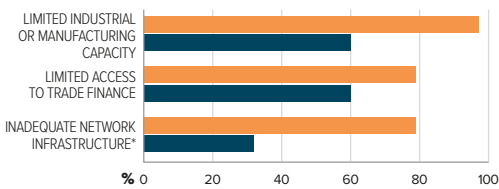
AID-FOR-TRADE PRIORITIES

Export diversification is the top aid-for-trade priority for LDCs. **Transport infrastructure** is of higher priority for LDCs than other developing countries.



CHALLENGES TO ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION

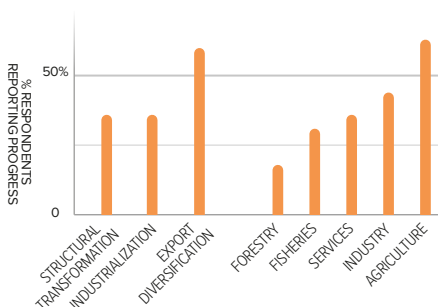
Inadequate **network infrastructure** poses a much greater challenge to LDCs than other developing partner countries.



* (POWER, WATER, TELECOMMUNICATION)

PROGRESS IN ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION

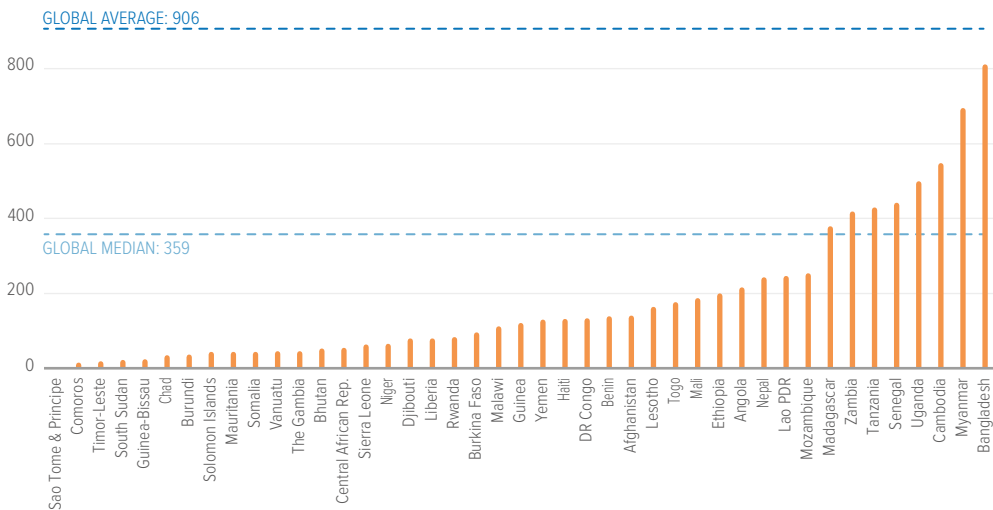
Most LDC respondents reported progress in **export diversification** and **agriculture**.



A brief look at trade statistics

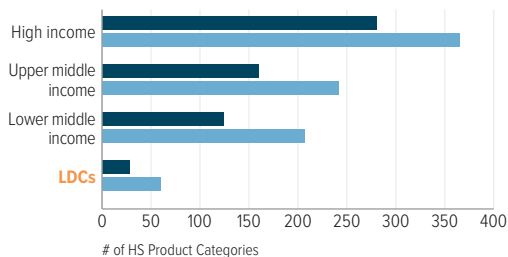
EXPORT PRODUCT DIVERSIFICATION OF LDCS

Total number of HS product categories 2017

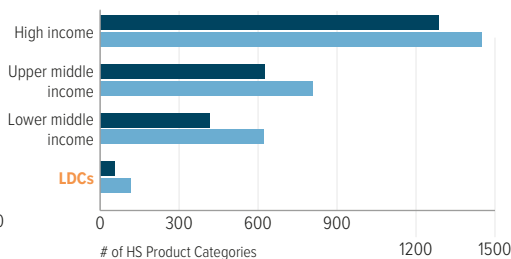


EXPORT DIVERSIFICATION BY INCOME GROUP

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS



INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS



YEAR: ● 2000 ● 2017



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