

# Governance Assessment Profile

## The IMF and the World Bank's Reports on the Observance of Standards and Codes (ROSC)

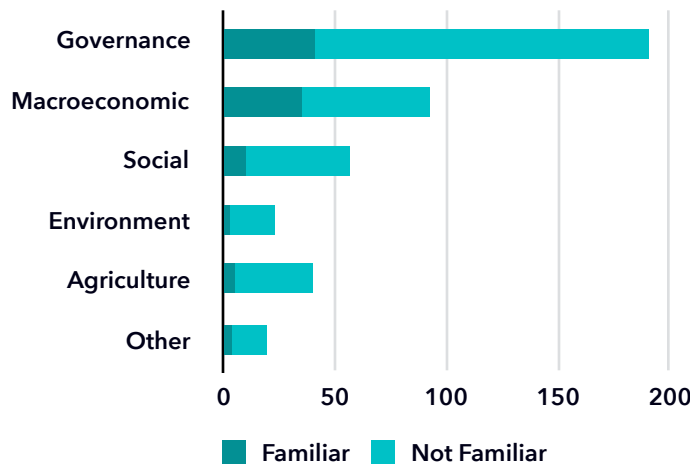
### Summary

The IMF and the World Bank's *Reports on the Observance of Standards and Codes* (ROSC) summarize the degree to which countries observe certain internationally recognized standards and codes. The ROSC cover 12 areas that the IMF and the World Bank have identified as useful for their operational work. The information below was compiled from responses to AidData's 2016 GDA Snap Poll, which asked public, private and civil society leaders to answer 11 questions about whether, when, and why they use governance data in their work. A total of 101 participants to the snap poll indicated familiarity with the ROSC.

# 101

survey respondents were familiar with the ROSC.

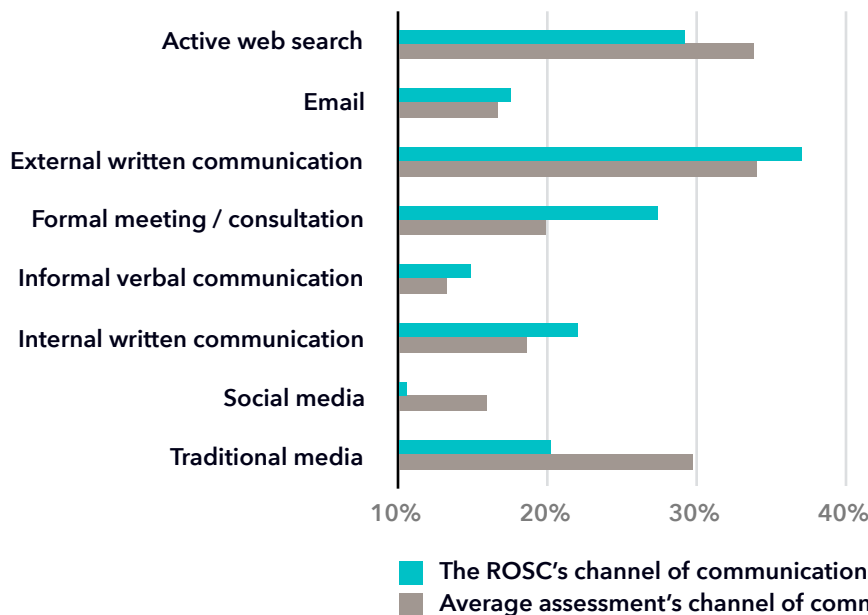
### Who is familiar with the ROSC (by policy domain)?



# 39%

36 (39%) out of 93 data users working within the macroeconomic domain were familiar with the ROSC.

### How did data users become familiar with the ROSC?\*



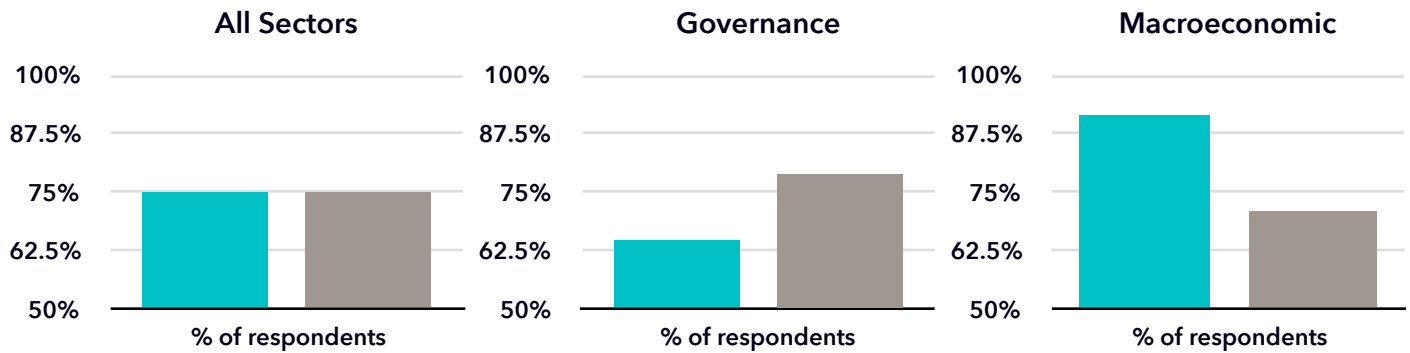
# 37%

of data users became familiar with the ROSC through external written communication

\*Snap poll participants could select multiple channels of communications for how they became familiar with a particular assessment.

## How many data users found the ROSC to be *important* or *essential* to their work?

■ The ROSC ■ Avg. Assessment



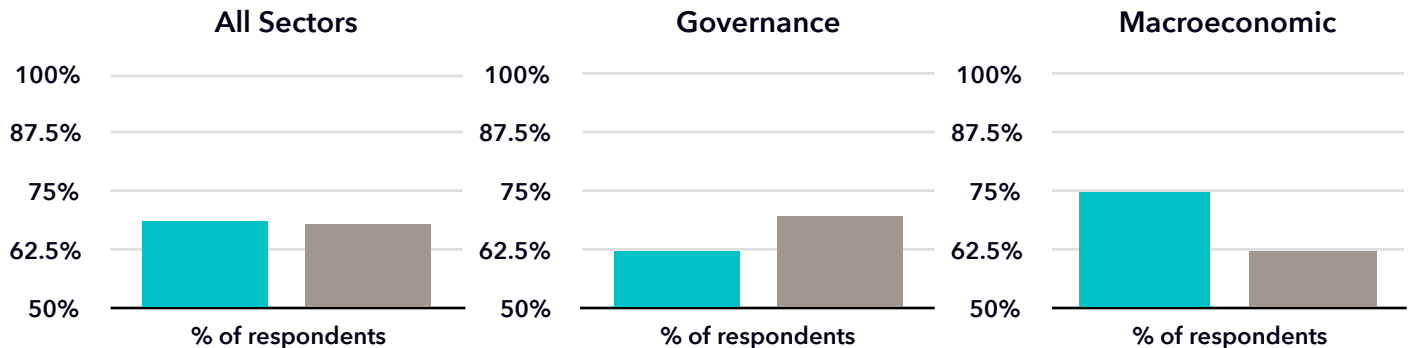
**75%**  
of all data users considered the ROSC to be *important* or *essential* to their work, the same as the average assessment.

**65%**  
of data users in the governance domain considered the ROSC to be *important* or *essential* to their work.

**91%**  
of data users in the macroeconomic domain considered the ROSC to be *important* or *essential* to their work.

## How many data users found the ROSC to be *helpful* or *very helpful* to their work?

■ The ROSC ■ Avg. Assessment



**68%**  
of all data users evaluated the ROSC to be *helpful* or *very helpful* to their work, the same as the average assessment.

**63%**  
of data users in the governance domain evaluated the ROSC to be *helpful* or *very helpful* to their work.

**75%**  
of data users in the macroeconomic domain evaluated the ROSC to be *helpful* or *very helpful* to their work.

### Background

Designed and fielded by AidData at the College of William & Mary, the 2016 Governance Data Alliance Snap Poll offers a unique window into the experiences of public, private, and civil society leaders in advancing reforms in their countries and the role of a broad range of governance data in that process. Respondents answered 11 questions about whether, when, how, and why they use governance data in their work. 3000+ policy-makers and practitioners in low- and middle-income countries received an invitation to participate in the online snap poll. 515 individuals in 111 countries participated, yielding a response rate of 17.7%.

### Citation

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