The following two pages captures UN-DESA’s performance on UN-SWAP 2.0 indicators for 2019.

In 2019, UN-DESA met or exceeded the requirements for 10 performance indicators out of 16 applicable, a significant improvement from 2018 results.
Most significant gains

- 2019 has been a year of great progress for UN-DESA. Most significantly, UN-DESA is now exceeding requirements for an additional three indicators: Policy, Gender-Responsive Performance Management and Knowledge and Communication.
- Also noteworthy is the improvement in Financial Resource Tracking from missing to approaching requirements.

Areas for improvement

- UN Women encourages UN-DESA to prioritize the three missing indicators and to reconsider the applicability of Evaluation.
- In particular, UN Women highlights the importance of Financial Resource Allocation, the Equal Representation of Women and Gender Architecture, emphasizing that sustained financial and human resources and gender parity are essential criteria for achieving gender equality.
In 2019, UN-DESA trailed the performance of both the Secretariat as a whole and the overall UN System. UN-DESA is missing requirements on more indicators than the averages for both the Secretariat entities and the overall UN System.

In 2019, UN-DESA exceeded requirements for 4 indicators, a great improvement from only 1 indicator in 2018. Additionally, 6 indicators have been met, thereby meeting and exceeding requirements on 59 per cent of the performance indicators, a 6 percentage point increase from 2018.

The share of indicators rated as not applicable has declined by 12 per cent.