

Table 2.6 Total number of BITs and ISDS by country groups and decade, South vs. North, 1959-2015.

		1959-69	1970-79	1980-89	1990-99	2000-09	2010-15
North-Rest of South	BITs	49	30	76	246	252	34
	ISDS	0 (0)	0 (0)	1 (0)	6 (0)	41 (0)	27 (0)
North-Emerging South	BITs	19	47	90	487	156	13
	ISDS	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	26 (1)	212 (3)	120 (6)
Rest of South-Rest of South	BITs	2	2	0	75	159	40
	ISDS	0	0	0	1	0	3
Emerging South-Emerging South	BITs	0	3	18	363	156	20
	ISDS	0	0	0	3	30	20
Emerging South-Rest of South	BITs	1	9	32	371	326	64
	ISDS	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	12 (4)	22 (15)

Notes: Numbers in parenthesis for ISDS refer to the number of investor state dispute settlement cases files in the opposite direction by country pairs. BITs do not include other investment instrument agreements.

Source: UNCTAD (2015c, ch.5, 2015d, 2015e).