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**3 MILLION (2015)** POPULATION\*\*

Australia and Mongolia have a long-standing bilateral relationship spanning trade, investment, diplomatic and people-to-people links, defence and aid. Australia continues to assist Mongolia's economic development through building human resource capacity in the public and private sectors, and supporting an open, inclusive and well managed economy.

### Strategic direction

The main focus of Australia's aid to Mongolia is support for tertiary education and mining industry and resources governance, helping to meet the Mongolian Government's National Development Strategy in areas of Australia's expertise. Australia contributes towards achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development Goal 8: Promote inclusive and sustainable economic growth, employment and decent work for all. Building workforce skills is a key issue for Mongolia's competitiveness. Our aid program builds skills, relationships and capacity in the public and private sectors, through scholarships for study in Australia and by improving technical and vocational education in Mongolia.

Good management of the mining sector attracts further investment and ensures benefits flow to all Mongolians. It is central to Mongolia's goal of leveraging private investment to reduce poverty. We are assisting the Mongolian Government to improve governance, regulation and engagement with the mining industry, working with the Ministry of Mining in geoscience, gold industry regulation, mine safety, mineral valuation and communications.

### Program highlights

- In 2017-18, 40 Mongolian postgraduate students will commence study in Australia through **Australia Awards**.
- 17 **Australian Volunteers for International Development** will undertake placements in Mongolia.
- The MonGeoCat geospatial database was established to improve access to and modernise mining information and resources with assistance from the Australia-Mongolia Extractives Program.
- \$240,000 from the Direct Aid Program is supporting 12 Mongolian organisations to implement projects including in public health and vulnerable communities.
- A teacher training and curriculum development program at Dalanzadgad Polytechnic in the South Gobi is helping to provide people with skills to fill jobs in the mining industry.
- The Women's Leadership Program is increasing the skills and opportunities for women to fill senior decision-making roles in the public and private sectors.

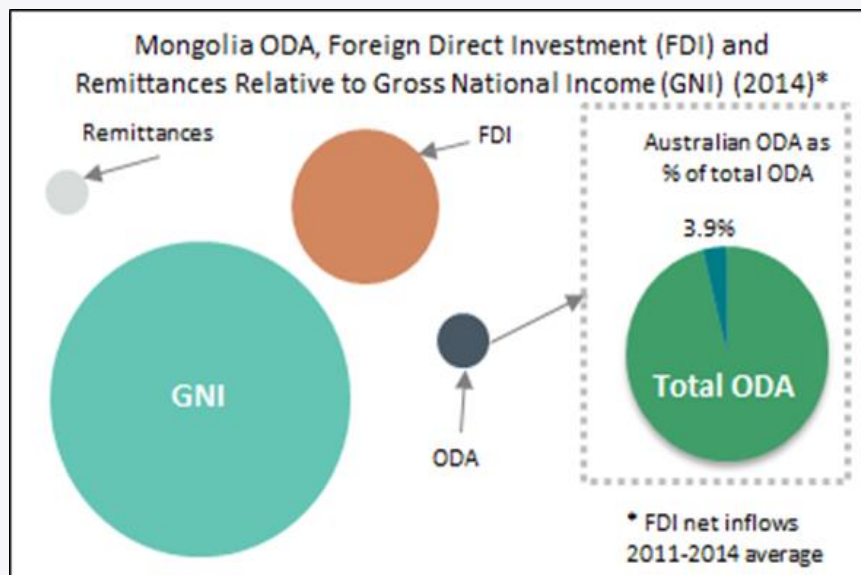
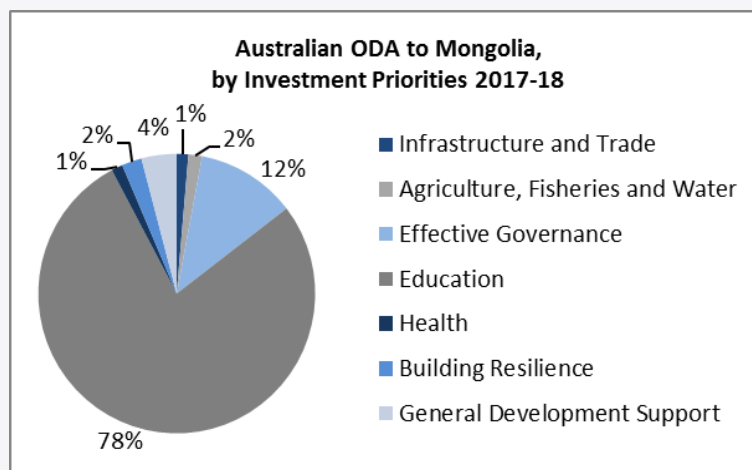
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	2016-17 Estimated Outcome (\$m)*	2017-18 Budget Estimate (\$m)*
Country Programs	6.0	5.9
Regional	3.2	3.6
Global	1.2	1.3
Other Government Departments	0.1	0.1
<b>Total ODA to Mongolia</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>10.9</b>
<b>% of Total Australian ODA</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>0.3%</b>

\*Due to rounding, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.



**SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS**