



\$546.3 MILLION ESTIMATED AUSTRALIAN ODA 2017-18

US2,240 (2014) GROSS NATIONAL INCOME PER CAPITA*

7.5 MILLION (2014) POPULATION*

As our nearest neighbour and close regional partner, a stable and prosperous PNG is in Australia's national interest.

Strategic direction

Australia's development partnership with PNG focuses on inclusive economic growth, with targeted investments in private sector-led growth, health and education. We are increasingly working together to strengthen governance in line with PNG's own policy priorities.

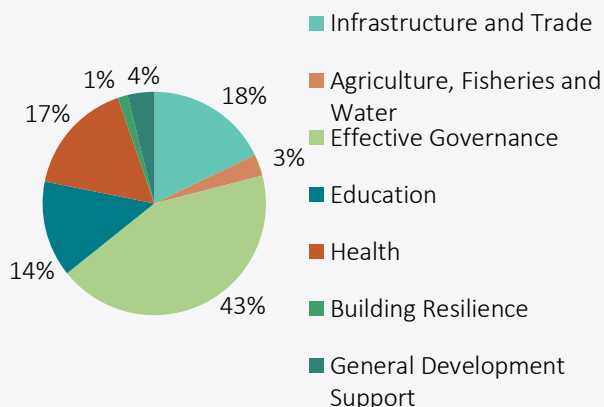
The development partnership has three strategic objectives:

- promoting effective governance
- enabling economic growth
- enhancing human development.

Gender equality is a cross-cutting issue for all programs.

Australia's work contributes towards PNG achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and Sustainable Development Goals. We supported over 1,100 **Australia Awards** scholars to study in Australia and in PNG in 2015-16, with a focus on ensuring that women have equal opportunity to study. We placed 35 new **Australian Volunteers for International Development** in PNG in 2015-16, to join 33 on-going volunteers.

Australian ODA to PNG, by Investment Priorities 2017-18



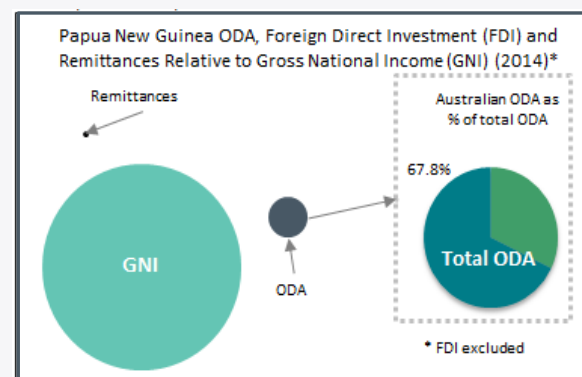
	2016-17 Estimated Outcome (\$m)	2017-18 Budget Estimate (\$m)
Country Programs	478.7	472.9
Regional	18.6	22.6
Global	15.3	12.1
Other Government Departments	34.5	38.7
Total Australian ODA to PNG	547.1	546.3
% of Total Australian ODA	14.3%	14.0%

Program highlights

- The Pacific Leadership and Governance Precinct has delivered courses to more than 1,700 PNG students since 2015 in support of PNG's public service leadership renewal.
- In 2015-16 we built 150 classrooms, 55 teachers' houses and 57 ablution blocks, benefiting 5,000 children.
- We supported over 1,500 survivors of family and sexual violence to access counselling, case management and in some cases repatriation and reintegration in 2015-16.
- During 2015 Australia funded PNG to maintain and upgrade approximately 1,400 km of PNG's 8,700 km national road network.

Key framework documents

- [Aid Investment Plan for Papua New Guinea 2015-19](#)
- [PNG-Australia Aid Partnership Arrangement 2016-17](#)
- [Joint Understanding between Australia and Papua New Guinea on further bilateral cooperation on health, education and law and order \(2013\)](#)



ODA = Official Development Assistance