



FIJI



Aid fact sheet: October 2018

ESTIMATED AUSTRALIAN ODA 2018-19	\$58.1 MILLION
GROSS NATIONAL INCOME PER CAPITA	US \$4,750 (2016)
POPULATION	898,760 (2016)

Australia has an enduring interest in a stable and prosperous Fiji, and is supporting Fiji's most vulnerable communities while helping to strengthen democratic governance.

Strategic Direction

Australia's aid to Fiji focuses on supporting inclusive economic growth to reduce poverty through targeted investments in private sector development and human development. Working in partnership with the Government of Fiji, our assistance provides support to Fiji's most vulnerable communities. Our major investments in education, effective governance, private sector development, health and gender equality contribute towards achieving objectives in Fiji's National Development Plan and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Australia's aid objectives include:

- supporting increased **private sector development**;
- improving **human development**; and
- **supporting Fiji's recovery** from Tropical Cyclone Winston.

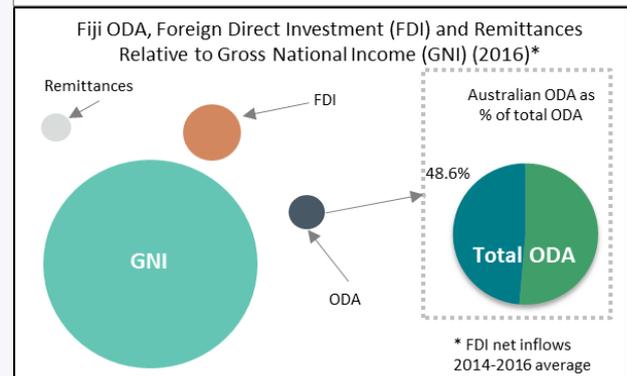
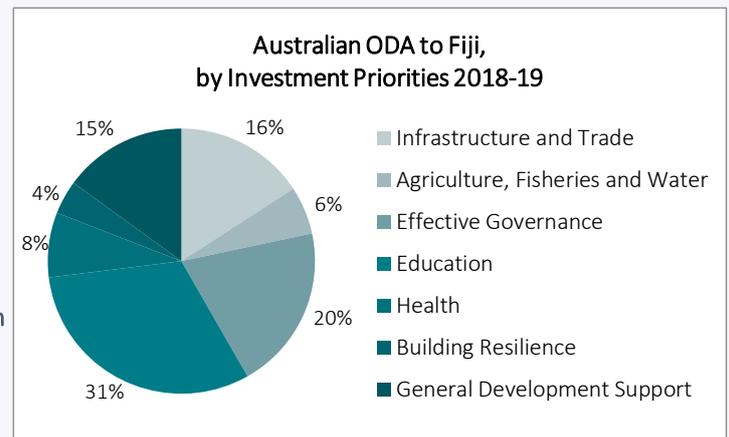
In 2017-18, 124 **Australia Awards** scholars from Fiji studied in tertiary institutions in Australia and the Pacific. We also supported **82 Australian Volunteers for International Development** in Fiji (including 40 new volunteers) who worked within 52 partners across Government, Regional Organisations, the private sector and civil society.

Program highlights

- As part of Australia's \$35 million assistance to Fiji for **Tropical Cyclone Winston**, 29 schools have been repaired or rebuilt and work on a further five schools will be completed in 2019.
- In 2017, with support from Australia, the International Finance Corporation worked with the Reserve Bank of Fiji to issue the first sovereign Green Bond by a developing country to fund **climate change** mitigation and adaption.
- In 2017-18, 3,306 **women survivors of violence** received counselling, legal and medical services.
- In 2017-18 Australia supported Fiji to establish a **Vaccine Preventable Disease Unit** and provided one million dollars towards the Ministry of Health's national meningococcal vaccination campaign.
- In 2017, Australia handed over the **financial education program** to the Ministry of Education, contributing to the money management and entrepreneurial skills of 205,000 students annually.
- In 2017, Australia's co-funded Pacific Horticultural and Agricultural Market Access program supported Fiji to introduce its first quality standard and manual to improve the quality of kava for export. This commodity helps **support the livelihoods** of about 10,400 farmers.

Australian ODA	2016-17 Actual (\$m)*	2017-18 Estimated Outcome (\$m)*	2018-19 Budget Estimate (\$m)*
Country Programs	50.2	40.2	35.0
Regional	18.2	13.2	14.5
Global	5.8	5.8	5.6
Other Government Departments	2.5	2.6	3.0
Total Australian ODA to Fiji	76.7	61.7	58.1
% of Total Australian ODA	1.9%	1.5%	1.4%

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



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

Key framework document

- [Aid Investment Plan for Fiji 2015-19](#)