



NORTH PACIFIC

Aid fact sheet: October 2018

ESTIMATED AUSTRALIAN ODA 2018-19	\$8.0 MILLION
GROSS NATIONAL INCOME PER CAPITA	
Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI)	USD4,800 (2017)
Federated States of Micronesia (FSM)	USD3,590 (2017)
Palau	USD12,350 (2017)
POPULATION	
Republic of the Marshall Islands	55,000 (2017)
Federated States of Micronesia	102,000 (2017)
Palau	18,000 (2017)



Australian ODA	2016-17 Actual (\$m)*	2017-18 Estimated Outcome (\$m)*	2018-19 Budget Estimate (\$m)*
Country Programs	5.0	5.0	5.0
Regional	5.1	2.1	2.2
Global	0.7	0.8	0.8
Other Government Departments	-	-	-
Total Australian ODA to the North Pacific	10.7	7.9	8.0
% of Total Australian ODA	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%

Australia has an enduring interest in the stability and prosperity of the North Pacific. Australia is investing in better water supply, improvements in early grade learning, gender equality and more reliable internet services.

Strategic direction

Australia's bilateral aid program in the North Pacific focuses on the quality of basic **education** (FSM), clean **water** and sanitation (RMI), reliable internet services (Palau), and **women's social and economic empowerment**.

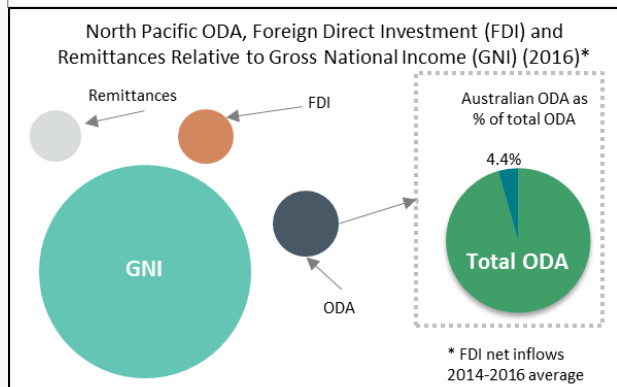
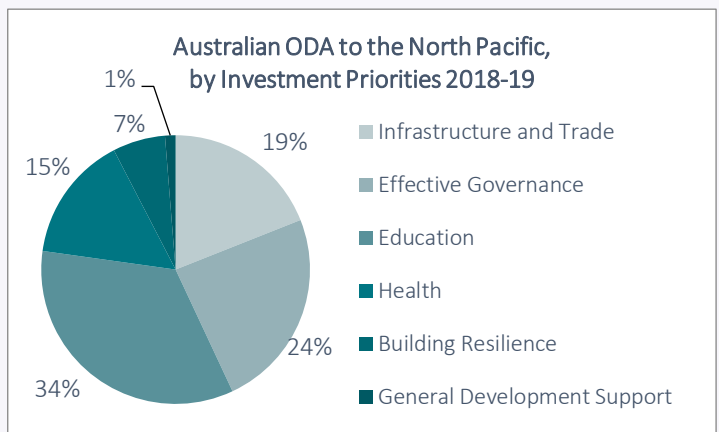
Program highlights

- A new salt-water reverse osmosis plant was installed on Ebeye Island in September 2017 to provide a reliable supply of fresh water to RMI's second largest urban area.
- Beginning in 2017 and co-financed with the Government of FSM and the Asian Development Bank, the Improving Quality Basic Education Project will improve the effectiveness and efficiency of FSM education systems to strengthen early grade learning in all schools.
- The permanent removal of 18,736 pieces of unexploded ordnance in Palau (2012-2017) freeing land and marine areas for infrastructure, agriculture, housing, tourism and community use.

Key framework documents

- [Australia-FSM Aid Investment Plan 2016-2019](#)
- [Australia-RMI Aid Investment Plan 2016-2019](#)
- [Australia-Palau Aid Investment Plan 2016-2019](#)

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



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS