



ESTIMATED AUSTRALIAN ODA 2018-19	\$35.5 MILLION
GROSS NATIONAL INCOME PER CAPITA	US\$4,120 (2016)
POPULATION	195,125 (2016)

Australia has an enduring interest in the stability and prosperity of Samoa. Australia is Samoa's largest bilateral donor, and supports economic growth, health, education and governance.

Strategic direction

Australia's three strategic objectives in Samoa align with the Sustainable Development Goals: enable **economic growth**; support improved **health and education** outcomes; and **strengthen governance**. We will also continue to address the cross-cutting issues of **gender equality**, climate change adaptation, disaster resilience and preparedness, and supporting the needs of **people with a disability**.

Program highlights

- Australia assisted with the development of Samoa's inaugural **National Security Policy**.
- The new submarine **internet cable** provided by Australia, Asian Development Bank and the World Bank is expected to improve the speed and capacity of internet services and stimulate innovation, support efficient ways of doing business, and promote inclusive development.
- Australia has supported improved price predictability in Samoa's **electricity market**. Ninety per cent of consumers (35,000 households) now have payment meters installed.
- Australia offered 61 **Australia Awards** scholarships for Samoans to commence study in 2018 (Australia (31), Pacific (20), online (10)) and supported 37 **Australian Volunteers for International Development** in Samoa in 2017-18.
- Australia provided 1,889 **mobility devices** such as prosthetics to 1,367 Samoans (47.5% women; 75% rural areas) (Nov 2014-June 2018) through the Samoa Integrated Mobility Device Project. Samoa also has capacity now to produce 600 devices per year.

Key framework documents

- [Australia-Samoa Aid Partnership Arrangement 2016-2019](#)
- [Aid Investment Plan Samoa 2015-16 to 2018-19](#)

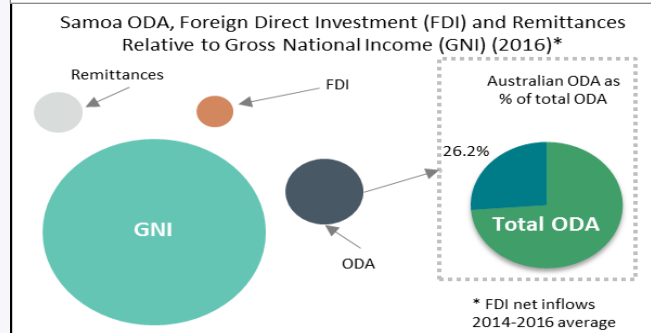
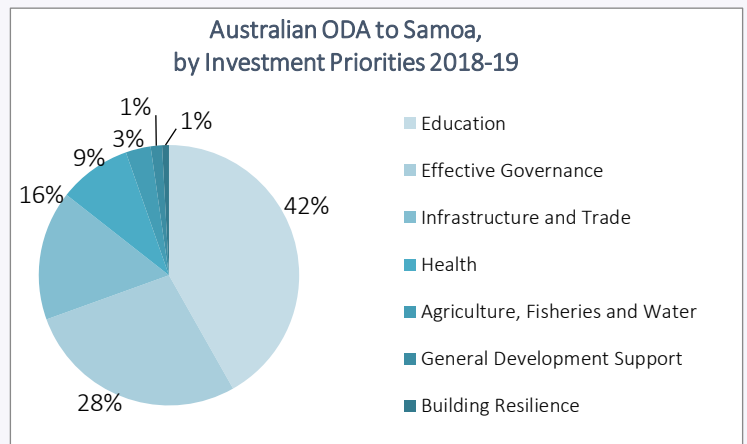
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Aid fact sheet: October 2018

Australian ODA	2016-17 Actual (\$m)	2017-18 Estimated Outcome (\$m)	2018-19 Budget Estimate (\$m)*
Country Programs	24.2	23.6	23.6
Regional	7.6	7.0	8.1
Global	1.9	1.6	1.7
Other Government Departments	1.8	2.8	2.1
Total Australian ODA to Samoa	35.4	35.0	35.5
% of Total Australian ODA	0.9%	0.9%	0.9%

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



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS