



\$187 MILLION ESTIMATED AUSTRALIAN ODA 2018-19

US\$1,880 (2016) GROSS NATIONAL INCOME PER CAPITA

599,419 (2016) POPULATION

Australia has an enduring interest in supporting stability in Solomon Islands, underpinned by viable institutions and economic growth.

### Strategic direction

Australia's assistance focuses on three objectives:

- supporting stability: governance, law and justice, policing;
- enabling economic growth: resource and economic management, infrastructure, private sector engagement, aid for trade; and
- enhancing human development: health, education, gender equality, disability inclusive development.

A strong partnership with the Solomon Islands Government is key to achieving our objectives. Australia delivers a third of bilateral aid to Solomon Islands through partner government systems.

Our program draws on expertise from across the Government of Australia, including the Australian Federal Police and Australian Electoral Commission, to deliver capacity support and advice to the Solomon Islands Government. The bilateral program continues its gradual shift to investments that directly facilitate economic growth including working more with the private sector.

### Program highlights

- Australia's support has improved access to primary healthcare services across the 10 provinces which has resulted in better health outcomes, including reduced maternal mortality (from 24 deaths in 2015 to 15 in 2017).
- Australia supported 39 Solomon Islanders (up from 33 in 2015-16) to commence tertiary studies in Australia and the Pacific region under the prestigious Australia Awards Scholarships program. Almost half of the scholarships awarded to women were in non-traditional areas such as science, engineering and IT.
- Through Australian support for the National Transport Fund, the Solomon Islands Government maintained or rehabilitated 19 bridges and 692km of roads in 2017 (the represents a steady increase from 255km in 2011 and well above the annual target of 420km).

# SOLOMON ISLANDS

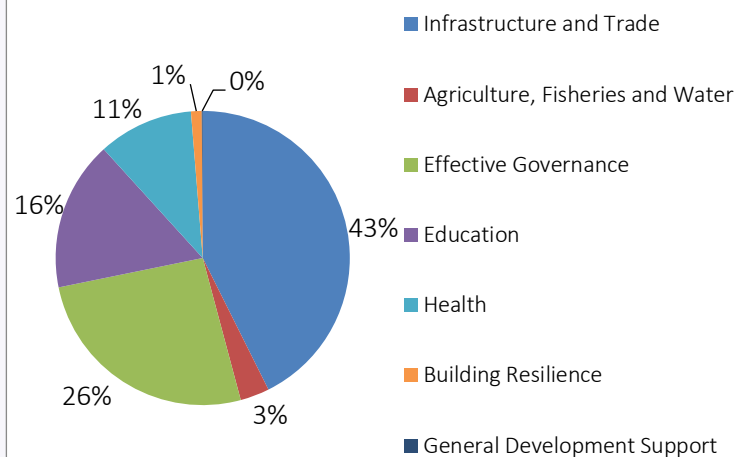
Aid fact sheet: May 2018



	2017-18 Estimated Outcome (\$m)	2018-19 Budget Estimate (\$m)
Country Programs	92.7	146.1
Regional	11.9	12.7
Global	9.0	9.4
Other Government Departments	23.4	18.9
<b>Total Australian ODA to Solomon Islands</b>	<b>136.9</b>	<b>187.0</b>
<b>% of Total Australian ODA</b>	<b>3.4%</b>	<b>4.6%</b>

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

Australian ODA to Solomon Islands, by Investment Priorities 2018-19



## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

Key framework documents

[Aid Investment Plan Solomon Islands: 2015-16 to 2018-19](#)