



COOK ISLANDS

Development Cooperation
fact sheet: April 2019



ESTIMATED AUSTRALIAN ODA 2019-20	\$3.7 MILLION
GROSS NATIONAL INCOME PER CAPITA	Not available
POPULATION	17,434 (2016)

Australian assistance is aligned with the Cook Islands Sustainable Development Strategy.

Strategic direction

Australia works with New Zealand through a delegated cooperation arrangement to support Cook Islands improve its economic prosperity. Australia supports development activities that seek to:

- Improve **water and sanitation** by upgrading septic tanks to a reticulated sanitation system and providing technical assistance to strengthen the regulatory environment;
- Improve quality of **education** through budget support; and
- Improve **women's economic participation** and eliminate violence against women.

Program highlights

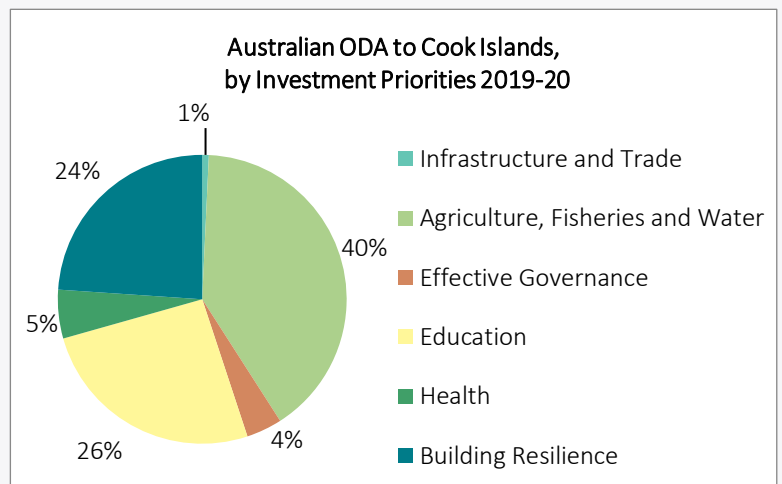
- Supported the establishment of a crown-controlled entity, To Tatou Vai, to operate and maintain Rarotonga's reticulated water and wastewater systems.

For more detail:

[Joint Commitment for Development between New Zealand and the Cook Islands](#)

Australian ODA	2017-18 Actual (\$m)*	2018-19 Estimated Outcome (\$m)*	2019-20 Budget Estimate (\$m)*
Country Programs	1.6	1.9	1.9
Regional	1.8	1.2	1.6
Global	0.2	0.2	0.2
Other Government Departments	-	-	-
Total Australian ODA to Cook Islands	3.6	3.3	3.7
% of Total Australian ODA	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%

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



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

