



MONGOLIA

Development cooperation
fact sheet: April 2019



ESTIMATED AUSTRALIAN ODA 2019-20	9.8 Million
GROSS NATIONAL INCOME PER CAPITA	US\$3,270 (2017)
POPULATION	3.1 Million (2017)

Australia and Mongolia have a long-standing relationship spanning trade, investment, people-to-people links, defence and aid. Australia continues to assist Mongolia's economic development through building human resource capacity in the public and private sectors, and supporting an open, inclusive and well-managed economy.

Strategic direction

Australia has two development cooperation objectives for Mongolia:

1. **Developing the skills and qualifications of Mongolia's government, civil society and private sector.** Australia is supporting education opportunities for Mongolians by:

- providing **scholarships** for postgraduate study in Australia
- strengthening the **technical skills** of young Mongolians in construction and mechanical engineering to provide skills relevant to industry needs.

2. **Supporting Mongolians to benefit from a well-governed mining industry.** We are utilising Australian expertise and experience in the extractives sector to promote a more stable and equitable **regulatory environment** in Mongolia's mining sector. This includes working with the Ministry of Mining in geoscience, gold industry regulation, mine safety and mineral valuation.

Program highlights

- In 2018-19, 37 Mongolian postgraduate students received scholarships through the **Australia Awards**.
- 32 **Australian Volunteers for International Development** undertook placements in Mongolia in 2017-18.
- The MonGeoCat geospatial database has modernised and improved access to mining resources information under the **Australia Mongolia Extractives Program**.
- The Direct Aid Program is supporting 10 Mongolian organisations to implement projects including in **public health** and **vulnerable communities**.
- Support for tertiary vocational education and training is **strengthening the technical skills** of young Mongolians in areas of industry need.
- The **Women's Leadership Program** is increasing the skills and opportunities for women to fill senior decision-making roles in the public and private sectors.

Australian ODA	2017-18 Actual (\$m)	2018-19 Estimated Outcome (\$m)	2019-20 Budget Estimate (\$m)
Country Programs	5.7	7.3	5.9
Regional	2.5	2.8	1.7
Global	1.3	1.7	2.1
Other Government	0.2	0.2	0.1
Total ODA to Mongolia	9.7	11.9	9.8
% of Total Australian ODA	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%

