



# VANUATU

Development cooperation  
 fact sheet: April 2019



ESTIMATED AUSTRALIAN ODA 2019-20	\$66.2 MILLION
GROSS NATIONAL INCOME PER CAPITA	US\$2,920 (2017)
POPULATION	276,244 (2017)

Australia has an enduring interest in a stable and prosperous Vanuatu and is Vanuatu's largest bilateral donor.

### Strategic direction

Australia's development cooperation aligns with the priorities identified in the Government of Vanuatu's National Sustainable Development Plan and contributes toward achieving the Sustainable Development Goals. Our investments focus on four strategic objectives:

- building resilient infrastructure and an environment for economic opportunity;
- improving early education and essential health services;
- improving community safety and resilience; and
- supporting cyclone recovery and reconstruction.

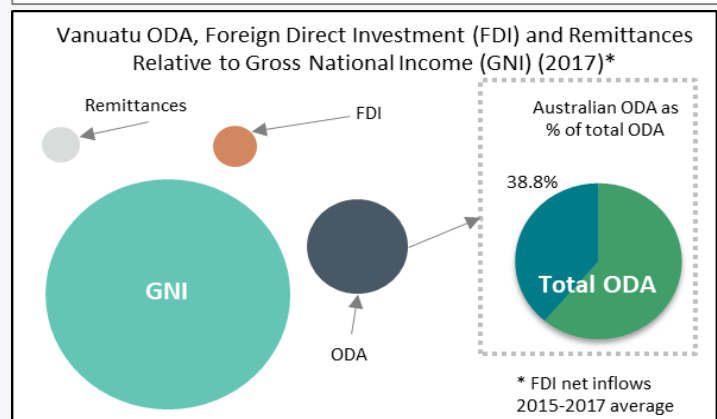
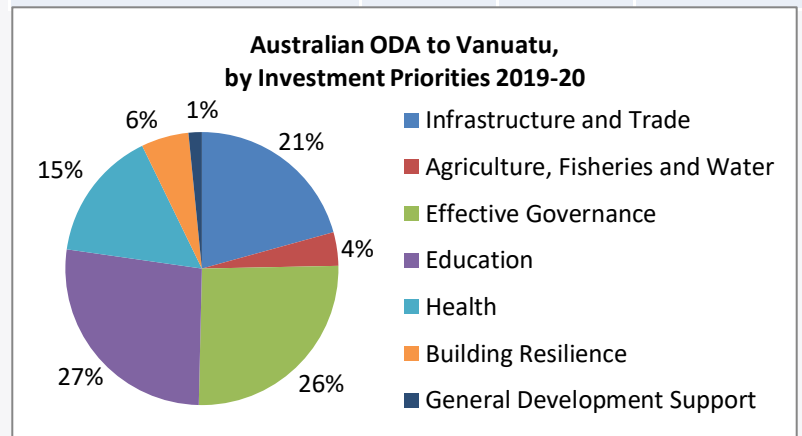
### Program highlights

- Australia's \$35 million assistance for Tropical Cyclone Pam recovery contributed to the completion of 71 health facility buildings, 95 classrooms, 51 public buildings, 80 water systems and 27 tourism bungalows.
- Australia supported the Vanuatu Public Works Department to complete maintenance and rehabilitation on 525 km of rural roads, linking communities to services and markets.
- Over 6,000 women and children survivors of violence received counselling and support services.
- Australia provided \$5.55 million to support evacuation and resettlement of over 11,000 people impacted by the Ambae island volcano eruptions.
- Year 3 school curriculum development and teacher training was completed, and reading material translated into 59 languages and distributed to over 270 schools.
- Training of over 100 health professionals, including medical interns and midwives, boosted Vanuatu's medical workforce.
- Supporting 20 ni-Vanuatu Australia Awardees to study at Australian tertiary institutions in 2019.
- 85 Australian Volunteers undertook capacity building placements in Vanuatu in 2017-18.

### For more details:

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

Australian ODA	2017-18 Actual (\$m)*	2018-19 Estimated Outcome (\$m)*	2019-20 Budget Estimate (\$m)*
Country Programs	45.6	43.9	41.9
Regional	15.2	7.2	11.2
Global	9.5	10.1	11.9
Other Government Departments	2.1	1.8	1.2
<b>Total Australian ODA to Vanuatu</b>	<b>72.3</b>	<b>63.0</b>	<b>66.2</b>
% of Total Australian ODA	1.8%	1.5%	1.6%



## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

