



## EFFECTIVE GOVERNANCE

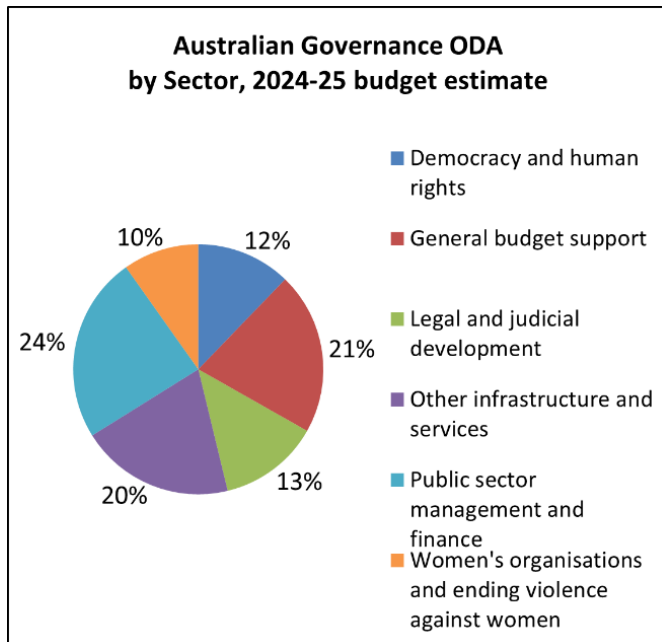
### Development Cooperation Factsheet

June 2024

**Estimated Australian Effective Governance ODA:  
 2024-25: \$1,118.0m**

Region	2022-23 Actual \$m	2023-24 <sup>^</sup> Budget Estimate \$m	2024-25 Budget Estimate \$m
Pacific	515.5	602.0	645.6
Southeast Asia	321.7	319.0	295.6
South and Central Asia	31.9	47.8	55.6
Middle East and Africa	12.6	7.6	7.1
Rest of the World*	115.1	121.6	114.0
<b>Total Governance ODA</b>	<b>996.9</b>	<b>1,098.0</b>	<b>1,118.0</b>

\*Includes ODA that is not attributed to particular countries or regions.



## PRIORITY SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



**Effective governance is central to the vision of building a peaceful, stable and prosperous Indo-Pacific.**

Australia prioritises investments in governance because it **underpins effective, accountable states that can sustain their own development, deliver for and engage all citizens, and are resilient in the face of external pressures and shocks.** Where governance is effective, all other development outcomes are also stronger. Governance is Australia’s largest sector investment.

### Strategic direction

Australian investments are tailored to each local context. They support local leadership, foster accountable and inclusive governance policies and practices, improve access to basic services and support businesses to thrive.

Australia partners with public institutions such as parliaments, audit and law enforcement agencies, elections administrations, as well as multilateral, civil society and private sector organisations.

Our Governance work directly contributes to SDG1’s target of poverty eradication, SDG5’s commitment to gender equality and SDG 16’s focus on peaceful and just societies, and effective and inclusive institutions.

### Program highlights

- **Building anti-corruption advocates in the Solomon Islands:** Australian-funded Transparency International Indo-Pacific Partnerships (TI IPP) Program includes training to build Solomon Islands’ (predominantly youth) citizens’ knowledge and understanding of democratic processes and their political, legal, and civil rights.
- **Working in partnership with Pacific Island Countries (PICs) to negotiate maritime boundaries:** through the Pacific Maritime Boundaries Program Australia supports PICs to negotiate and establish shared boundaries with neighbouring States.
- **Establishing the first ‘Counter Trafficking in Persons Centre’ in South-East Asia:** under the ASEAN-Australia Counter-Trafficking Program, Australia partnered with the Government of Thailand to establish the Centre as a hub for research and thought leadership around countering trafficking in persons.