

# Statistical Summary

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Australian Agency for International Development  
The Australian Government's  
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The Australian Government's Development Cooperation Program covers all official aid expenditure managed by AusAID and the Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research (ACIAR). The full scope of Australia's Official Development Assistance includes the Development Cooperation Program as well as expenditure administered by other Commonwealth, State and local government bodies (Other Government Departments, OGDs). It is shown in the publication *Australia's Overseas Aid Program 1999-2000*.

As the diagram overleaf shows, the aid program is divided into five main sub-programs: Country and Regional, Global, Corporate Services, ACIAR, and Other Government Department (OGD) expenditure. Most funding is channelled through AusAID's Country and Regional and Global sub-programs. Each of these sub-programs is further broken down into a number of components. The individual country programs are agreed annually with the recipient countries. In addition, Global programs may also contain other activities which will benefit the same countries but which may be part of funding provided to international organisations, such as the World Bank, the Asian Development Bank and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), for their own country programs.

ODA expenditure is also provided through other Australian government departments, Commonwealth, State and, very occasionally, local government. For example, some contributions to the International Financial Institutions go through Treasury appropriations.

On occasion, Government grants to countries not officially eligible to receive Official Development Assistance may be channelled through AusAID for administrative convenience. For example, AusAID has administered programs on behalf of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. Expenditure under these programs would not be considered, or reported, as official development assistance.

The Aid Program budget structure looks at aid statistics from the perspective of Australia as a donor and not from the perspective of the recipient or of international financial flows, which is the domain of the DAC statistical system. Other features which differentiate Australia's reporting approach from the DAC approach, are that figures are expressed in Australian dollars and are reported on an Australian Financial Year (July to June) basis.

## Appendix 4: Aid program structure (continued)

