



NEPAL

Development Cooperation Factsheet

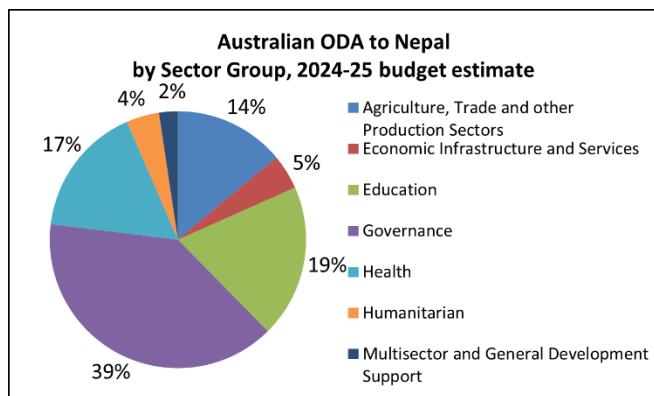
May 2024



Estimated Australian ODA:	2024-25: \$26.1m
Gross National Income Per Capita:	US\$1,340 (2022)
Population:	30.5 mil (2022)

Australian ODA	2022-23 Actual (\$m)*	2023-24 Budget Estimate (\$m)*	2024-25 Budget Estimate (\$m)*
Country Programs	9.6	9.1	9.1
Regional	4.2	6.0	5.9
Global/Other	9.5	10.9	10.1
Other Government Departments	0.8	1.1	1.0
Total ODA to Nepal	24.1	27.2	26.1

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



PRIORITY SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



Australia and Nepal celebrated 60 years of diplomatic relations in 2020. The relationship is built on a long-standing history of development partnership and close people-to-people links. We support Nepal's transition to a middle-income country by 2026 and its contributions to a prosperous and stable Indo-Pacific region.

Strategic direction

In line with the Sustainable Development Goals, Australia's development cooperation program with Nepal aims to:

- support the roll-out of federalism, helping to improve intergovernmental coordination and clarify roles and responsibilities between the three tiers of government;
- build climate and disaster resilience, including through support to localise climate adaptation, promote green livelihoods and strengthen systems for early warning;
- promote gender, disability and social inclusion across all our programming and partnerships; and
- support human resource development through the Australia Awards Scholarships program.

Program highlights

- The Sub-National Governance Program has: supported over 15,000 Nepali citizens to engage in annual planning at the local level; provided technical support to municipalities to develop gender, disability and social inclusion policies; organised multi-stakeholder dialogues, benefiting close to 16,000 stakeholders; and resolved disputes related to the roll-out of federalism.
- Over 19 million people received voter education and over 100 accessible polling stations were constructed during the local, provincial, federal and by-elections between 2022 and 2024 under a partnership with the International Foundation for Electoral Systems.
- We continue to support Australian NGOs and their national counterparts to improve livelihood opportunities and health and education outcomes for the most marginalised and vulnerable communities in Nepal.
- Since 2009, we have provided over 300 long-term Australia Awards scholarships to Nepali students to undertake study in Australia; almost 50 per cent of beneficiaries were female.