



ESTIMATED AUSTRALIAN ODA 2021-22	\$11.1 Million
GROSS NATIONAL INCOME PER CAPITA*	
Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI)	USD4,860 (2018)*
Federated States of Micronesia (FSM)	USD3,400 (2018)*
Palau	USD16,490 (2019)*
POPULATION*	
Republic of the Marshall Islands	58,791 (2019)*
Federated States of Micronesia	113,815 (2019)*
Palau	18,008 (2019)

Australia works in partnership with Republic of Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, and Palau to promote stability and prosperity in the North Pacific.

Strategic direction

Australia's North Pacific development cooperation program focuses on the quality of **basic education** (FSM), **clean water** and **sanitation** (RMI), reliable **internet services** (Palau), as well as **women's social and economic empowerment** (SDG5) across all three countries. Australia also reoriented our development program in 2020 to **mitigate the impacts of COVID-19**, with a focus on health and gender initiatives.

Program highlights

- Co-financed with the Government of RMI and the Asian Development Bank, Australia is supporting the installation of a salt-water reverse osmosis plant on Ebeye Island (RMI) to provide a reliable fresh **water supply**, improved sewerage infrastructure and services, while promoting **hygiene** (SDG6) awareness and behaviours.
- Beginning in 2017 and co-financed with the Government of FSM and the Asian Development Bank, the Improving Quality Basic Education Project is improving the effectiveness and efficiency of FSM **education systems** (SDG4) to strengthen early grade learning in all schools.
- Australia is part of a multi-partner effort to reform Palau's ICT sector and increase access to **high quality, low-cost internet services** (SDG17). Through the Australian Infrastructure Financing Facility for the Pacific (AIFFP) and the bilateral development program, Australia is co-financing, with the US and Japan, construction of an undersea cable to Palau.

NORTH PACIFIC

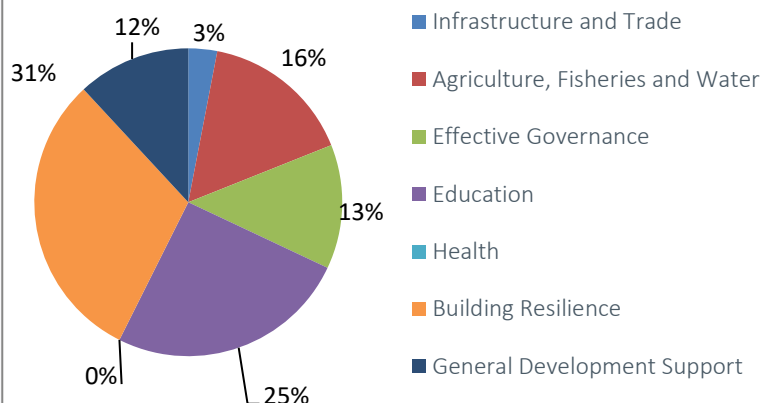


Development Cooperation Factsheet: May 2021

Australian ODA	2019-20 Actual (\$m)*	2020-21 Budget Estimate (\$m)*	2021-22 Budget Estimate (\$m)*
Country Programs	5.4	5.0	5.0
Regional	11.6	4.9	4.1
Global	1.4	0.7	2.0
Other Government Departments	-	-	-
Total Australian ODA to the North Pacific	18.5	10.6	11.1
% of Total Australian ODA	0.5%	0.3%	0.3%

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

**Australian ODA to the North Pacific,
by Investment Priorities 2021-22 Budget Estimate**



For more details:

- [Australia-FSM Aid Investment Plan 2016-2019](#)
- [Australia-RMI Aid Investment Plan 2016-2019](#)
- [Australia-Palau Aid Investment Plan 2016-2019](#)