



PAKISTAN



Development cooperation fact sheet:
October 2019

ESTIMATED AUSTRALIAN ODA 2019-20	\$32.2 MILLION
GROSS NATIONAL INCOME PER CAPITA	US\$ 1,580 (2018)*
POPULATION	212.2 MILLION (2018)*

Australia's bilateral interests in Pakistan reflect the country's size, economic potential and strategic position in South Asia. We support Pakistan to build economic prosperity, and promote sustainable, equitable development.

Strategic direction

Australian development cooperation is contributing to Pakistan's sustainable, **inclusive economic growth** (SDG8) and **poverty reduction** (SDG1) by:

- generating employment through increased **trade** and investment, improved **agricultural** productivity (SDG2), and **water resources** management (SDG6);
- investing in Pakistan's people with a focus on **women and girls** (SDG5); and
- supporting **stability and resilience** (SDG8).

All of Australia's development cooperation investments promote women's empowerment, stability and good governance in Pakistan.

In 2019, 35 students commenced studies under new Australia Award scholarships, including 21 women.

Program highlights

- Australia worked with **agricultural** businesses in 2018-19 to increase the incomes of 24,000 poor people - half of whom were women – by a total of USD 19 million.
- Australia helped Pakistan's Ministry of Commerce in 2018-19 promote **inclusive trade and investment** by delivering more enabling policies, institutions and regulations.
- Australia provided better services, local infrastructure and livelihood opportunities to 150,000 Pakistanis in **conflict and disaster**-affected areas in 2018-19.
- Australia provided **nutrition**-related services to 344,000 women and children in 2018-19.
- In 2018-19, Australia supported the **education** of over 32,000 children in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province.
- Australia provided critical support services to more than 2,900 women survivors of **domestic violence** in 2018-19.

For more details

[Pakistan Aid Investment Plan 2015-16 to 2018-19](#)

Australian ODA	2017-18 Actual (\$m)	2018-19 Estimated Outcome (\$m)*	2019-20 Budget Estimate (\$m)*
Country Programs	39.8	39.2	19.0
Regional	5.9	4.9	5.7
Global	4.9	4.9	4.9
Other Government Departments	2.7	3.0	2.5
Total Australian ODA to Pakistan	53.3	52.0	32.2
% of Total Australian ODA	1.3%	1.2%	0.8%

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

