

DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION FACTSHEET

Palestine

MAY 2025



Overview

Estimated Australian ODA: \$31.6m (2025-26)

Gross National Income Per Capita: US\$4,180 (2023)

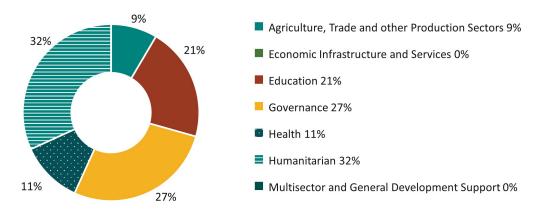
Population: 5.2m (2023)

Table 1: Australian ODA to Palestine, 2023-24 to 2025-26

Australian ODA	2023-24 Actual (\$m)*	2024-25 Budget Estimate (\$m)*	2025-26 Budget Estimate (\$m)*
Country Programs	19.9	20.0	20.0
Regional	0.7	1.1	0.3
Global / Other	60.2	11.1	11.3
Other Government Departments	-	-	-
Total ODA Palestine	80.7	32.2	31.6
Percentage total Australian ODA	1.7%	0.6%	0.6%

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

Figure 1: Australian ODA to Palestine by Sector Group, 2025-26 budget estimate



Sustainable Development Goals



The Palestine is one of the poorest regions in the Middle East. Australia's development cooperation and humanitarian assistance is a demonstration of our commitment to support enduring peace and a two-state solution where Israelis and Palestinians can live side by side in peace and security within internationally recognised borders.

Australia has a long history of supporting Palestinians. Our annual \$32 million bilateral development commitment focuses on inclusive economic growth and provision of basic services. Since 7 October 2023, Australia has also committed over \$130 million in humanitarian assistance to conflict affected civilians in the Palestine and Lebanon. Australia continues to call for safe, unimpeded and sustained humanitarian access to and within Gaza for the delivery of lifesaving humanitarian assistance.

Strategic direction

Australia's development and humanitarian assistance to Palestine and to Palestinian refugees in Lebanon, Jordan and Syria, reflects and responds to urgent humanitarian needs, the protracted refugee crisis in the region and supports Australia's interest in a stable and secure Middle East.

Program highlights

Through a range of multilateral partners Australia supported:

- emergency food assistance to 428,750 severely food-insecure Palestinians affected by the ongoing conflict in Gaza;
- improved access to water, sanitation and hygiene services across Gaza and the West Bank through the provision of safe drinking water, wastewater infrastructure, sanitation services and dignity supplies to 1.5 million people;
- coordination of access and logistics support for humanitarian personnel and supplies into Gaza;
- improved access to essential services that protect sexual and reproductive health, prevent and respond to gender-based violence, and support the rights and well-being of women, girls and young people; and
- the protection of civilians and promotion of International Humanitarian Law throughout the Palestine.

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