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**Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade**

## TIMOR-LESTE

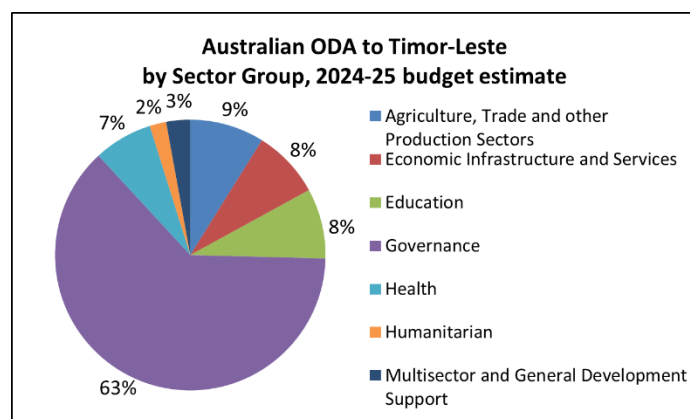
### Development Cooperation Factsheet May 2024



**Estimated Australian ODA:** 2024-25: \$123.3m  
**Gross National Income Per Capita:** US1,980 (2022)  
**Population:** 1.3 mil (2022)

Australian ODA	2022-23 Actual (\$m)*	2023-24 Budget Estimate (\$m)*	2024-25 Budget Estimate (\$m)*
Country Programs	77.4	79.1	82.8
Regional	40.0	17.9	19.9
Global	19.7	17.3	19.9
Other Government Departments	0.4	3.7	0.8
<b>Total ODA to Timor- Leste</b>	<b>137.6</b>	<b>118.0</b>	<b>123.3</b>

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



## PRIORITY SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



### Australia and Timor-Leste are close neighbours and friends that share deep and enduring ties.

Australia has been at the forefront of international support for Timor-Leste since independence in 2002 and remains Timor-Leste's largest development and security partner. We have a strong interest in Timor-Leste's future prosperity, and we continue to review and adapt our assistance to support Timor-Leste's development priorities.

### Strategic direction

Australia's development assistance contributes to the shared goal of a resilient, prosperous and secure nation. This is consistent with Timor-Leste's Strategic Development Plan 2011-2030 and the global Sustainable Development Goals.

Australia is complementing existing long-term partnerships with increased investment in Timor-Leste's economic resilience through infrastructure projects such as the submarine fibre-optic cable. We are listening to, and delivering on, Timor-Leste's priorities, including by expanding support for participants in the Pacific Australia Labour Mobility scheme, Timor-Leste's accession to ASEAN and WTO, biosecurity and humanitarian partnerships, and the Blue economy.

### Program highlights

- Since 2012, more than 11,000 Timorese workers have participated in Australian labour mobility programs, contributing skills and remittances to Timor-Leste's economy.
- Supporting Timor-Leste's rabies response, including providing human and animal vaccines and treatments, training for healthcare and veterinary workers, and awareness campaigns.
- Strengthening food security through improved seed storage technology, allowing longer storage and better protection from pests and disease.
- Providing more than 15,500 legal, medical, psychosocial and referral services to women and children experiencing violence in 2023.
- Improving production, processing and marketing of premium coffee, and helping coffee farmers address climate change impacts.
- Australia was Timor-Leste's primary partner in its response to, and recovery from, COVID19 and following the severe flooding experienced after Cyclone Seroja in April 2021.