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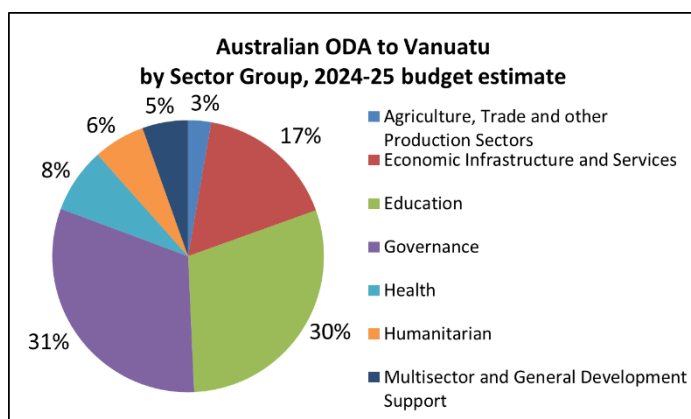


Estimated Australian ODA:	2024-25: \$83.2 mil
Gross National Income Per Capita:	USD 3,650 (2022)
Population:	326,740 (2022)

Australian ODA	2022-23 Actual (\$m)*	2023-24 Budget Estimate (\$m)*	2024-25 Budget Estimate (\$m)*
Country Programs	50.4	50.0	50.0
Regional	42.5	20.4	19.0
Global	18.1	12.5	12.8
Other Government Departments	1.4	1.6	1.4
Total ODA to Vanuatu	112.5**	84.6	83.2

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

**Included additional funding for Tropical Cyclones Judy and Kevin and COVID response



PRIORITY SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



Australia is Vanuatu's largest development, economic and humanitarian partner. We have shared priorities and deep people-to-people links, built over 44 years of diplomatic relations.

Our partnership aligns with Vanuatu's [*National Sustainable Development Plan \(NSDP\)*](#). It covers a range of sectors including health, education, skills, infrastructure, governance, justice, policing, economic development and humanitarian response and recovery.

Strategic direction

Our development partnership is focused on supporting Vanuatu's development priorities as outlined in the NSDP. It is delivering high-quality outcomes for Vanuatu across a broad range of sectors including health, education, infrastructure, skills, governance, policing and justice, with a particular focus on supporting vulnerable groups, and rural and remote communities. Australia is also committed to supporting Vanuatu's inclusive long-term economic recovery from COVID-19 and from Tropical Cyclones (TCs) Judy, Kevin and Lola in 2023. Australia is supporting Vanuatu to address the impacts of climate change and to build its resilience against future disasters.

Program highlights

- In 2023, Australia provided over \$17.6m towards TCs Judy, Kevin and Lola response and early recovery activities including providing humanitarian supplies, supporting livelihoods and food security and repairing health and education infrastructure.
- In 2023, Australia supported the training of 578 policing and justice officials in areas including child interviewing, investigations and disability inclusion.
- Australia is investing in climate resilient roads for rural communities, including delivering a new 3.76km road in Sola. Built by local contractors, this road connects to the airport, schools and hospital, improving access to essential services in Sola.
- Australia upskilled 1,278 people (50 per cent female, 37 people with disabilities) in 2023, across agriculture, construction, plumbing, handicrafts, and tourism sectors, to support livelihoods and grow businesses.
- Between December 2021 and April 2024 Vanuatu has exported over 61 tonnes of kava to Australia, benefitting growers and suppliers.
- Australia is working with the Vanuatu Ministry of Health to fast-track its Vanuatu Hospital Master Plan. This will ensure Vanuatu's six hospitals are fit to deliver essential primary healthcare services.