

Asian Development Bank & Australia

FACT SHEET

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) is dedicated to reducing poverty in the Asia and Pacific region through pro-poor sustainable economic growth, social development, and good governance.

Established in 1966, it is owned by 67 member nations—48 from the region—who have committed \$167.1 billion in loans to the vision of a region free of poverty.

Despite the region's many successes, it remains home to two-thirds of the world's poor: 1.8 billion people who live on less than \$2 a day, with 903 million struggling on less than \$1.25 a day.

Australia is the fifth largest shareholder and has contributed \$3.17 billion in capital subscription as of 1 April 2009. Australia has contributed and committed \$2.33 billion to special funds since joining in 1966.

Australian companies and consultants have been awarded \$1.42 billion in procurement contracts (based on nationality of contractor) on ADB-financed projects since 1967.

In 2010, lending volume was \$11.46 billion (106 projects), with technical assistance at \$175 million (243 projects) and grant-financed projects at \$982 million (40 projects). In addition, \$3.67 billion in direct value-added loan, grant, and technical assistance cofinancing was generated.

From 1 January 2006 to 31 December 2010, ADB's annual lending volume averaged \$10.3 billion. In addition, technical assistance and investment grants funded by ADB and special funds resources averaged \$692.6 million and \$175.4 million in technical assistance over the same period.

As of 31 December 2010, the cumulative totals excluding cofinancing were \$167.1 billion in loans for 2,328 projects in 42 countries, \$4.4 billion in 163 grants, and \$3.15 billion in technical assistance grants, including regional technical assistance grants.

With headquarters in Manila, ADB has 30 offices around the world with 2,833 staff from 59 members as of 31 December 2010.

Shareholding and Voting Power

Australia is the fourth largest shareholder in ADB among its regional members. Overall, Australia is the fifth largest shareholder.

Figures are as of 1 April 2009, before ADB's Board of Directors voted to adopt the fifth general capital increase. The process is ongoing, and the final figures are expected to be available by 30 June 2011. Current subscription levels are available from the Office of the Secretary.

Number of shares held:	204,740 (5.77% of total shares)
Votes:	217,972 (4.92% of total membership, 7.56% of total regional membership)
Overall capital subscription:	\$3.17 billion
Paid-in capital subscription:	\$221.93 million

Contributions to Special Funds Resources

Australia has contributed to the Asian Development Fund (ADF), which is ADB's window for concessional lending to its borrowing members; to the Technical Assistance Special Fund (TASF), which provides grants to borrowing members to help prepare projects and undertake technical or policy studies; to the Asian Tsunami Fund (ATF), which provides emergency grant financing to developing member countries (DMCs) affected by the 2004 tsunami; to the Pakistan Earthquake Fund (PEF); and to the Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI).

Contributions to the ADF (including committed funds):	\$2.25 billion
Contributions to the TASF (including committed funds):	\$55.90 million
Contributions to the ATF (including committed funds):	\$3.80 million
Contributions to the PEF (including committed funds):	\$15.04 million
Contributions to the ADBI (including committed funds):	\$0.44 million

Cofinancing

ADB arranges cofinancing from bilateral, multilateral, export credit agencies, and commercial sources in the form of grants for technical assistance and components of investment projects, loans, and syndications. Cofinancing brings additional resources to ADB's project financing. In 2010, total direct value-added (DVA) cofinancing amounted to \$3.67 billion for 156 projects of which \$3.52 billion was for 43 investment projects and \$151.0 million for 113 technical assistance projects. Cumulative DVA cofinancing for the period 1970–2010 amounted to \$19.8 billion for 1,670 projects, of which \$18.8 billion was for 495 investment projects and \$988.0 million was for 1,175 technical assistance projects.

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As of 31 December 2010

Cofinancing with Australia from 1 January 2006 to 31 December 2010 comprised the following:

Projects*: 15 projects, cofinancing of \$160.81 million
 Grants: 15 projects, cofinancing of \$160.81 million
 Technical Assistance Grants: 40 projects, cofinancing of \$91.02 million

*A project with more than one source of cofinancing is counted once.

Trust Funds

Trust funds are key instruments to mobilize and channel grants from external sources to finance technical assistance and components of investment projects. They play an important role in complementing ADB's own grant resources. So far, bilateral, multilateral, and private sector partners have contributed about \$3.3 billion in grants to ADB operations. Initially, trust funds were established through single-donor channel financing agreements targeting a number of specific sectors. Overtime, ADB has been increasingly switching to multidonor trust funds covering thematic issues. A more recent development is the establishment of trust funds under theme-focused umbrella initiatives called financing partnership facilities, which support priority areas in ADB Strategy 2020, such as water, clean energy, regional cooperation and integration, and urban sector financing.

Australia has contributed to the following trust funds:

Single-Donor Trust Fund

- Memorandum of Understanding on Channel Financing established in 1993
 Cumulative commitment: A\$67.9 million
- Memorandum of Understanding on Channel Financing for the ADB–Australia South Asia Development Partnership Facility established in 2006 for enhanced governance, urban development, inclusive growth, human resource development and regional cooperation and integration for Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, the Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka.
 Cumulative commitment: A\$11.0 million
- Carbon Capture and Storage Fund established in 2009 under the Clean Energy Financing Partnership Facility established in 2008
 Cumulative commitment: A\$21.5 million

Multidonor Trust Fund

- Gender and Development Cooperation Fund – established in 2003
 Cumulative commitment: A\$1.0 million
- Cooperation Fund for Regional Trade and Financial Security established in 2004
 Cumulative commitment: A\$1.5 million
- Water Financing Partnership Trust Fund established under the Water Financing Partnership Facility in 2006
 Cumulative commitment: A\$10.0 million
- Clean Energy Financing Partnership Trust Fund under the Clean Energy Financing Partnership Facility established in 2007
 Cumulative commitment: A\$7.0 million

Share of ADB's Procurement Contracts

Each year, ADB provides loans to fund projects and activities in its Asian and Pacific developing members and several billion dollars in contracts to procure goods and consulting services.

Procurement contracts for goods and related services, civil works, and consulting services under loan and technical assistance operations totaled \$10.74 billion in 2009 and \$6.92 billion in 2010. Cumulative procurement, as of 31 December 2010, was \$105.44 billion. Most contracts were awarded on the basis of international competition, which is open to firms and individuals from any ADB member country, regional or nonregional.

Australia's Share of Procurement Contracts, 2009–2010 Loans (Project and Program Loans Combined) and Technical Assistance Based on Nationality of Contractor

Item	2009		2010		Cumulative (as of 31 Dec 2010)	
	Amount (\$ million)	% of Total	Amount (\$ million)	% of Total	Amount (\$ million)	% of Total
Goods and Works	1.38	0.01	3.36	0.05	663.66	0.68
Consulting Services	39.79	9.17	36.07	8.68	753.91	9.69

Investment Projects Cofinanced with Australia, 1 January 2006–31 December 2010

Country	Project	ADB Amount ^a		Cofinancing Amount		Type of Cofinancing ^b
		(\$ million)	(\$ million)	(\$ million)	(\$ million)	
Cambodia	Greater Mekong Subregion Southern Coastal Corridor	7.00		8.00		G
	Road Asset Management	6.00		4.80		G
	Greater Mekong Subregion Rehabilitation of the Railway in Cambodia (Supplementary)	42.00		21.50		G
Lao People's Democratic Republic	Northern Greater Mekong Subregion Transport Network Improvement	27.00		14.50		G
Papua New Guinea	HIV/AIDS Prevention and Control in Rural Development Enclaves	15.00		3.50		G
	Microfinance Expansion	13.00		6.00		G
Samoa	Power Sector Expansion	42.00		11.66		G
Solomon Islands	Post Conflict Emergency Rehabilitation (Supplementary)	11.56		2.00		G
	Road Improvement (Sector) (Supplementary)	0.35		8.65		G
	Second Road Improvement (Sector)	15.00		4.78		G
	Transport Sector Development ^c	12.00		30.00		G
Sri Lanka	North East Community Restoration and Development II (Supplementary)			7.28		G
Viet Nam	Greater Mekong Subregion Southern Coastal Corridor	75.00		25.50		G
	Health Human Resources Sector Development	30.00		11.00		G

^a Loan, grant, or blend.

^b G = grant cofinancing.

^c The Australian Government is providing funding for this project in parallel to ADB's funding.

Contractors/Suppliers Involved in ADB Projects

From 1 January 1968 to 31 December 2010, contractors and suppliers were involved in 186,186 contracts for ADB loan projects worth \$97.66 billion. During the same period, contractors and suppliers from Australia were involved in 993 contracts for ADB loan projects worth \$663.66 million.

Contractors/Suppliers from Australia Involved in ADB Loan Projects, 1 January 2006–31 December 2010

Contractor/Supplier	Sector	Contract Amount (\$ million)
HSBC Bank Australia Ltd.	Transport and ICT	10.00
Infrastructure Construction	Water Supply and Other Municipal Infrastructure and Services	4.19
Flinders University	Education	2.09
Janison-Gensoft Joint Venture	Education	1.51
La Trobe University	Education	1.14
Griffith University	Education	0.93
South Astral Pty. Ltd.	Energy	0.56
University of Canberra	Public Sector Management	0.51
Education Queensland International	Education	0.44
Man Diesel	Energy	0.38

ICT = information and communication technology.

Consultants Involved in ADB Projects

From 1 January 1968 to 31 December 2010, consultants were involved in 11,643 contracts for ADB loan projects worth \$4.63 billion. During the same period, consultants from Australia were involved in 466 contracts for ADB loan projects worth \$348.36 million.

Top Consultants (Individual Consultants and Consulting Firms) from Australia Involved in ADB Loan Projects, 1 January 2006–31 December 2010

Consultant	Number of Times Contracted	Contract Amount (\$ million)
SMEC International Pty., Ltd.	19	47.81
Sinclair Knight Merz	4	7.03
Cardno Emerging Markets (Australia) Pty., Ltd.	6	6.85
GHD Pty., Ltd.	4	3.43
Cardno Acil Pty., Ltd.	3	3.34
Hassall and Associates Pty., Ltd. (Australia)	2	2.12
Brisbane City Ent. Pty., Ltd	2	1.72
PDP Australia Ltd.	2	1.68
Bonnice Mann Consulting	3	0.65
Urnee Ltd. University of Melbourne	1	0.52
Individual consultants	17	1.41

From 1 January 1968 to 31 December 2010, consultants were involved in 22,350 contracts for ADB technical assistance projects worth \$3.15 billion. During the same period, consultants from Australia were involved in 1,988 contracts for ADB technical assistance projects worth \$405.55 million.

Top Consultants (Individual Consultants and Consulting Firms) from Australia Involved in ADB Technical Assistance Projects, 1 January 2006–31 December 2010

Consultant	Number of Times Contracted	Contract Amount (\$ million)
GHD Pty., Ltd.	21	15.48
Sinclair Knight Merz Pty., Ltd. (AUS)	4	13.36
SMEC International Pty., Ltd.	16	12.53
Kellogg Brown and Root Pty., Ltd.	12	9.48
PDP Australia Pty., Ltd.	9	7.61
CARDNO Emerging Markets (Australia) Pty., Ltd.	4	3.66
Anu Enterprise Pty., Ltd.	5	2.04
Illawarra Technology Corporation Ltd.	4	1.97
Uniquet Pty., Ltd.	3	1.69
World Vision Australia	2	1.39
Individual consultants	573	31.95

Depository Libraries

ADB's Depository Library Program was established in response to increasing public interest in the activities of multilateral development institutions. Many ADB documents available to the public are stored in 155 depository libraries worldwide.

ADB Depository Libraries in Australia

Host Institution	Contact Information
National Library of Australia	Janice Duckworth Parkes Place Gift and Exchange Unit (IG5/1) Canberra, ACT 2600 Australia Tel +61 2 6262 1701 Fax +61 2 6273 4322 giftexch@nla.gov.au jduckwor@nla.gov.au
State Library of New South Wales	Christine Farn 2nd Floor, Macquarie Street Sydney, NSW 2000 Australia Tel +61 2 9273 1661 Fax +61 2 9273 1246 library@sl.nsw.gov.au
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ADB Governor

The Honorable Wayne Swan, MP, Deputy Prime Minister and Treasurer of Australia, is the Governor for Australia in ADB.

ADB Alternate Governor

The Honorable David Bradbury, MP, Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer, is Alternate Governor for Australia in ADB.

ADB Executive Director

Mr. Phil Bowen is the ADB Executive Director for Australia. Mr. Bowen, who is from Australia, was Deputy Secretary and Head of the Budget Group of the Department of Finance and Administration before joining ADB.

ADB Alternate Executive Director

Mr. Dereck Rookan-Smith is the ADB Alternate Executive Director for Australia. Mr. Rookan-Smith, who is from Australia, was previously an Assistant Director General of the Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID).

ADB Executive Director's Advisors

Mr. Rhinehart Silas (who is from Palau) and **Zurab Bregvadze** (who is from Georgia), together with the Executive Director and Alternate Executive Director, also provide technical advice and assist interested parties of the constituency member countries in their contacts with ADB.

Constituency Represented

The constituency that Executive Director Bowen and Alternate Executive Director Rookan-Smith represent on ADB's Board of Directors also includes Azerbaijan; Cambodia; Georgia; Hong Kong, China; Kiribati; the Federated States of Micronesia; Nauru; Palau; Solomon Islands; and Tuvalu.

ADB Staff Members

As of 31 December 2010, there were 56 international staff members from Australia in ADB (41 men and 15 women), which represents 5.47% of the total international staff, including eight senior staff members.

Commercial Liaison to ADB

The Australian Trade Commission (Austrade) at the Australian Embassy in Manila provides technical advice and assists Australian firms in pursuing business opportunities resulting from ADB activities. The Australian Embassy is located at Level 23-Tower 2, RCBC Plaza, 6819 Ayala Avenue, Makati City, Philippines.

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Annual Meeting

ADB's second Annual Meeting was held in Sydney on 10–12 April 1969.

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