

Australian Volunteers Program at a glance July 2018 – June 2019

The Australian Volunteers Program matches skilled Australians with organisations across 26 countries to help those organisations to deliver on their own objectives.

In 2018/19 the program conducted a range of activities and targeted partnerships to enhance the program's reach, impact and visibility, while also finalising the program's strategic scaffolding and embedding of new systems and processes to build strong foundations for the next five to 10 years.

Critical to the progress achieved in 2018/19 was the time spent building respectful and open relationships with program stakeholders, including partner organisations, Australian organisations, and between DFAT and the program (both in Australia and around the world).

Some of the major achievements of this period included:

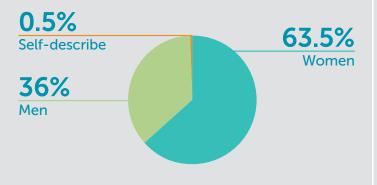
- » Supporting 1,017 volunteer assignments, filled by 943 Australian volunteers, which included 611 new volunteer assignments during the reporting period.
- » Working with 633 partner organisations across 26 countries, facilitating many partnership workshops, and commencing the roll-out of partnership plans to support a strategic approach to capacity building.
- » Engaging with over 70 Australian organisations to support a range of assignments, and providing high-level support to a select number of strategic partnerships.

The program supported 1094 Australians to live and volunteer overseas, completing 1017 assignments. Assignments were filled by 943 volunteers who were accompanied by 151 family members. 611 assignments started this year and 406 continued assignments from previous years.

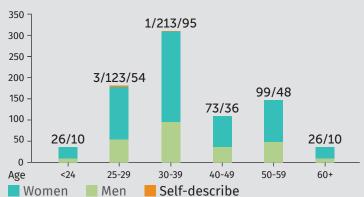
1.7% of volunteers who identify as having a disability.

3.5% of volunteers identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander

Gender of volunteers



Age range by gender and assignments



67%

67% of volunteers thought they made good or excellent progress achieving their assignment objectives.¹

68%

68% of volunteers satisfied or very satisfied with the program.²

^{1.} Volunteers reported their progress on a scale of '5 – Excellent Progress' to '1 – Minimal Progress'.

Of those who responded 26% reported level 5, 41% reported level 4, 23% reported level 3, 5% reported level 2, and 5% reported level 1

Total budget

\$37.3M

Our partner organisations



Most common sectors partner organisations work in



76% of partner organisations reported good or excellent progress against assignment objectives³



3. Volunteers reported their progress on a scale of '5 – Excellent Progress' to '1 – Minimal Progress'. Of those who responded 38% reported level 5, 38% reported level 4, 17% reported level 3, 4% reported level 2, 3% reported level 1.

87% of partners were satisfied or very satisfied with the program⁴



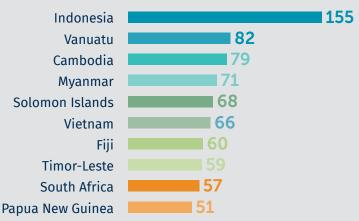
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4. Volunteers reported their satisfaction on a scale of '5 – Very satisfied' to '1 – Very dissatisfied'. Of those who responded, 48% reported level 5, 39% reported level 4, 12% reported level 3, 1% reported level 2, and 0% reported level 1.

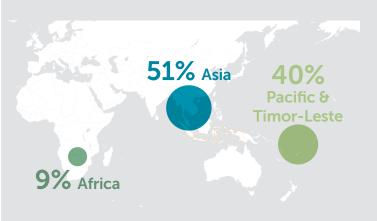
Number of partner organisations supported

633

Top ten countries by assignment (out of 26 countries)



Where volunteers went



Top eight SDGs that assignments have aligned with over the year



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