



# DFID in Nigeria

## Spring Update 2014

### UK Development Results

Results for 2011-2015 thanks to UK aid from the British people. All figures sourced from DFID's Operational Plan June 2013 or more recent sources

**In 2012-13 DFID's programme spend was £196.2 million.**

#### GIRLS AND WOMEN

**4 million pregnant women and children** received help with nutrition between 2011 and 2012.

#### JOBS AND GROWTH

In 2013 we've helped **470,000 people** increase their incomes by more than 15% and since 2010 we have helped **over 7 million people** access formal financial services

#### WATER SANITATION, HYGIENE

**2.3 million people** have already benefitted from safer water and open-defecation free villages. By 2015 this will have increased to **5.5 million people**

#### HEALTH

Since 2010 **4.5 million malaria bed nets** have been distributed, and **300,000 births** have been attended by skilled health workers

#### GOVERNANCE

We supported elections where **40 million people** voted in 2011 and will support elections in 2015 when we expect **55 million people** will vote.



**Young Women in Zaria State, November 2013** being shown the proper use of fertiliser to improve crops. Photo: Nick Cavanagh/Propcom Mai-Kkarfi/ GRM

### COUNTRY CONTEXT

**Population - 169 million.**

**63% of people live below \$1.25** a day.

**110 women die every day** due to complications during pregnancy.

**Over 2,300 children under five** die every day from malnutrition or preventable diseases.

**10.5 million children do not go to school** – the most of any country in the world.

**25% of global malaria cases** are in Nigeria and the country is one of only three countries in the world where **polio is endemic.**

**GDP growth rate is 7%.**

**Nigeria's largest city Lagos**, is the second fastest growing city in Africa.

### NEWS

#### December 2013

DFID partnered with Fortis and Primlaks to support over 63,000 women entrepreneurs with working capital to grow their businesses.

#### January 2014

DFID's support to the Debt Management Office of Nigeria has been recognised as a success, and helped Nigeria to successfully manage its National Debt.

#### February 2014

Justine Greening attended the Global Partnership for Effective Development meeting in Abuja, and visited the Nigerian President to emphasise DFID's commitment to Nigeria.

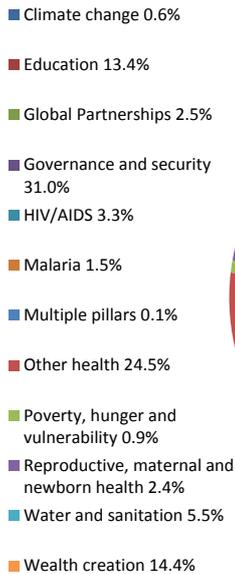
#### March 2014

DFID support for the privatisation of the Nigerian power sector continues with the successful selection of bidders for all 10 power plants being offered to the market as part of the National Integrated Power Project.

## WHERE UK AID MONEY GOES

### Nigeria programmes by sector 2012-13

Total spend £196.2 million



## DFID'S APPROACH

DFID aims to support progress in Nigeria that will help end aid dependency through growth and creating jobs, reduce internal conflicts, deepen democracy and build investors confidence. DFID's programme focuses on improving governance, helping to deliver health and education, helping improve the lives of girls and women, and supporting conflict reduction and job creation. A prosperous Nigeria will benefit UK trade and security interests, and help reduce crime, money laundering and illegal immigration.

As part of the UK cross-government team, we work with UN agencies, non-governmental organisations and the private sector to deliver results through the direct provision of services. No UK development money goes directly through the Nigerian government, both to protect against corruption and to avoid substituting the country's own resources.

In Abuja in May 2013, Lynne Featherstone said that high rates of maternal mortality and violence against women make Nigeria one of the toughest places in the world to be born a girl. She said:

*"What is good for girls and women is good for society as a whole. The government of Nigeria is making good progress on improving the opportunities for women in the country, yet the scale of the challenge remains huge.*

*"That is why the UK will help women and girls across the country to come together and find a united voice, improving access to health, education and jobs."*



Lynne Featherstone met Nuhu Ribadu chairman of the Petroleum Revenue TaskForce Nigeria

Photo: Nick Cavanagh.

## MORE INFORMATION

The UK coalition government believes that international development is not just the right thing to do, but the smart thing to do. It is in all our interests for countries around the world to be stable and secure, to have educated and healthy populations and to have growing economies. We're ending the need for aid by creating jobs, unlocking the potential of girls and women and leading the global effort to help save lives when humanitarian emergencies hit.

Main DFID website: <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-international-development>

This country brief: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dfid-in-nigeria-spring-update-2014>

DFID Nigeria's Operational Plan: <http://www.gov.uk/government/world/nigeria>

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