



DFID in Nigeria

Winter Update 2014/15

UK Development Results

Results for 2011-2015 thanks to UK aid from the British people. All figures sourced from Operational Plan December 2014 or more recent sources.

In 2013-14, DFID's programme in Nigeria was £266 million.

GIRLS AND WOMEN

1.4 million pregnant women and children received help with nutrition in 2013-14.

4.7 million more pregnant women and children will have improved nutrition by the end of 2015.

JOBS AND GROWTH

In the last year we've helped **470,000 people** increase their incomes by more than 15% and since 2011 we've helped **over 7 million people** access formal financial services.

WATER, SANITATION, HYGIENE

2.3 million people have already benefitted from cleaner water and villages free from defecation in the street. By 2015 this will have increased to **5.5 million people**.

HEALTH

Since 2011 **4.5 million malaria bed nets** have been distributed and **430,000 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 **55 million people** are expected to 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 International

COUNTRY CONTEXT

Population - 179 million.

60 million people live below the national poverty line.

110 women die every day due to complications during pregnancy.

Nigeria has 13% of the world's child deaths.

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 5%.

NEWS

October 2014

The DFID Nigeria supported programme, [Propcom2](#), helped 230,000 poor Nigerian farmers increase their income in Nigeria.

November 2014

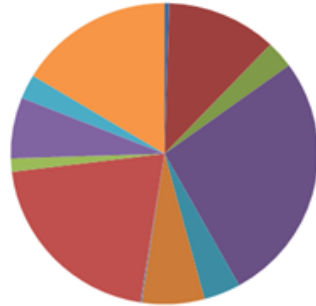
The Nigerian Ministry of the Environment launched a DFID supported Gas Flare Tracker in an effort to stop the practice. Gas flaring in Nigeria is a major cause of human and environmental health issues in the Niger Delta and releases large amounts of CO2 and pollutant gases into the atmosphere. Visit the tracker here: <http://gasflaretracker.ng/>

December 2014

The DFID Nigeria supported programme Enhancing Financial Innovation & Access (EFInA) released the results of its fourth biennial 'Access to Finance' survey for Nigeria. 45.4 million Nigerians now have access to formal finance services (such as bank accounts). This is up from 30.7 million 4 years ago.

WHERE UK AID MONEY GOES

Nigeria programmes by sector 2013-14 Total spend £266.2 million



DFID's APPROACH

DFID aims to support progress in Nigeria that will improve the lives of the poor, reduce internal conflicts, deepen democracy and build the confidence of investors. DFID's programme focuses on improving governance, helping the most impoverished states deliver health and education, helping change 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.

The Safe Schools Initiative was launched in May 2014 in the aftermath of the Chibok abductions. The initiative aims to support safe learning environments and respond to the increasing number of children who are out of school due to conflict and security concerns. It is a partnership between the Government of Nigeria, the UN, private sector and development partners. The UK has committed £1 million to support the development of the initiative. International Development Secretary Justine Greening said:

"Education offers a route out of poverty, giving girls the chance to shape their own future.... We need to work with the Government of Nigeria, with the United Nations, and with other partners, to support education in the country. And we need to continue to work across the world to keep schoolchildren everywhere safe."



Women attending the Jigawa State School for Midwifery in Northern Nigeria

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-winter-update-201415>

DFID Nigeria's Operational Plan: <http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dfid-nigeria-operational-plan-2014>

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