



# DFID in Nigeria

## Autumn Update 2013

### UK Development Results

Results for 2011-2015 thanks to UK aid from the British people. All figures sourced from Operational Plan June 2013.

**In 2013-14, DFID's programme in Nigeria will be £275 million.**

#### GIRLS AND WOMEN

**1.6 million pregnant women and children**

received help with nutrition between 2011 and 2012.

**2.3 million more pregnant women and children**

will have improved nutrition by 2015.

#### JOBES AND GROWTH

In the last year we've helped  
**680,000 people**  
increase their incomes and helped  
**over 7 million people**  
access formal financial services.

#### WATER, SANITATION, HYGIENE

**1 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

**3 million malaria bed nets**  
have been distributed.  
**180,000 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**  
will vote.



**Lynne Featherstone, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, May 2013** met Nuhu Ribadu, Chairman of the Petroleum Revenue Task Force. Photo: Nick Cavanagh.

### COUNTRY CONTEXT

**Population - 158 million.**

**68% of people live below \$1.25 a day.**

**136 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 6.9%.**

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

### NEWS

#### May 2013

In Abuja, Lynne Featherstone announced a £39 million UK programme which will work with over 120,000 girls as well as local and religious leaders to shift attitudes towards girls and women.

#### May 2013

During her visit to Nigeria, Lynne Featherstone discussed progress on the anti-corruption agenda with Nuhu Ribadu, Chairman of the Petroleum Revenue Task Force.

#### June 2013

The UK Prime Minister announced a partnership with Nigeria to improve land registration and security of land tenure for communities and commercial investors.

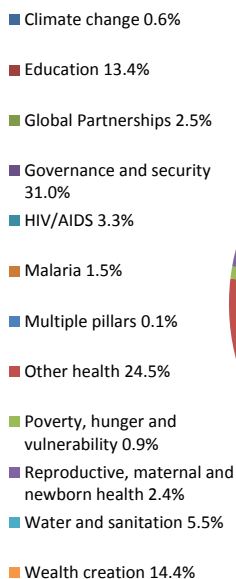
#### October 2013

Nigerian President handed over share certificates to the companies that have bought and paid for a stake in the newly privatized power sector. DFID were publicly thanked at the ceremony for their support.

## 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 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 through the Nigerian government, both to protect against corruption and to avoid substituting the country's own resources.

In Abuja in May, 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."*



Woman attends Health Education, Northern Nigeria

Photo: Susan Elden.

## 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>

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