

INTRODUCTION

This report is a requirement of the *Official Development Assistance Accountability Act* and presents a summary of the Government of Canada's official development assistance (ODA) activities and initiatives. It describes the collective efforts of 16 federal departments and agencies which—along with key partners of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development Canada—worked to advance Canada's ODA priorities in 2014–2015.

Poverty alleviation through development assistance is an expression of Canadians' compassion and generosity for the less fortunate. Canada's development assistance is reducing global poverty and making the world safer while also advancing Canada's security, prosperity and values at home and abroad.

In 2014–2015, Canada disbursed a total of \$5.37 billion in ODA. This report provides highlights of results achieved. Where available, results specific to 2014–2015 are included. In cases where data for 2014–2015 is not yet available, longer-term development outcomes are referenced. A second report, the *Statistical Report on International Assistance*, presents a detailed financial report of the Government of Canada's international assistance expenditures and will be published on the [DFATD website](#) in March 2016.

Since 2009–2010, Canada has focused on five thematic priorities for the delivery of its international assistance:

- Stimulating sustainable economic growth;
- Increasing food security;
- Securing the future of children and youth;
- Advancing democracy; and
- Promoting stability and security.



Stimulating sustainable economic growth



Increasing food security



Securing the future of children and youth



Advancing democracy



Promoting stability and security

