

To overcome these challenges, Canada's country program directs its assistance to sectors that meet the needs of the poorest and most vulnerable people. This is based on the vision of the Emerging Senegal Plan. Canada will assist in the areas of:

- human dignity;
 - through education, vocational training, and sexual and reproductive health
- inclusive governance;
 - through public finance management and human rights; and
- growth that works for everyone
 - through agriculture and water management.

Key results

In the education sector, Canada's assistance helped to distribute 1.5 million textbooks in 2016-2017. This improved access to, and the quality of, primary education for students in grades 5 and 6 throughout Senegal.

With regard to governance, Canada plays a key role in supporting the implementation of the Emerging Senegal Plan. It also supports the implementation of major reforms to improve the performance of Senegal's public institutions and the growth of its economy. The Emerging Senegal Plan has secured general budget support. As a result, Senegal was able to contain inflation and reduce the public deficit to a level close to the West African Economic and Monetary Union target. The country also achieved economic growth of 6.6%.



Canada is also helping the most vulnerable populations in Senegal to increase their income from agricultural activities. More efficient and environmentally friendly food-processing technologies have now been introduced. Thanks to this, Canada-supported farmers in Casamance have increased their annual revenues by more than 25% over the past year.