

# Solomon Islands

The World Bank's support to Solomon Islands is focused on improving access and lowering prices for electricity, strengthening resilience, creating jobs, and achieving sustainable growth. The World Bank is also supporting the government by sharing knowledge and applying context specific solutions to address the challenges the country faces.



## Energy & Extractives



The World Bank is supporting the [Tina River Hydropower Project](#) that will curb Solomon Islands' reliance on imported diesel, lowering power prices for families and businesses across the country. Additional work in solar has enabled over 2,400 new electricity connections to low-income households, community infrastructure and microenterprises in urban and rural areas. The World Bank is also financing an additional 2.25 MW of grid-connected solar through the [Solomon Islands Electricity Access and Renewable Energy Expansion Project](#) which will more than double the amount of grid connected solar on the Honiara electricity network.

## Transport



The World Bank is supporting the government with over US\$50 million under the [Solomon Islands Roads and Aviation Project \(SIRAP\)](#) that is upgrading key roads in Malaita and two of the country's biggest airports, Honiara and Munda airports, that will benefit tens of thousands of people across the country with impacts on tourism, health, education and other sectors.

## Governance



With support from the Australian Government the World Bank is helping communities [in some of the most remote and isolated parts of the country](#) to build lasting peace through an innovative approach to dispute resolution that also improves connections between communities and the state.

## Social & Jobs



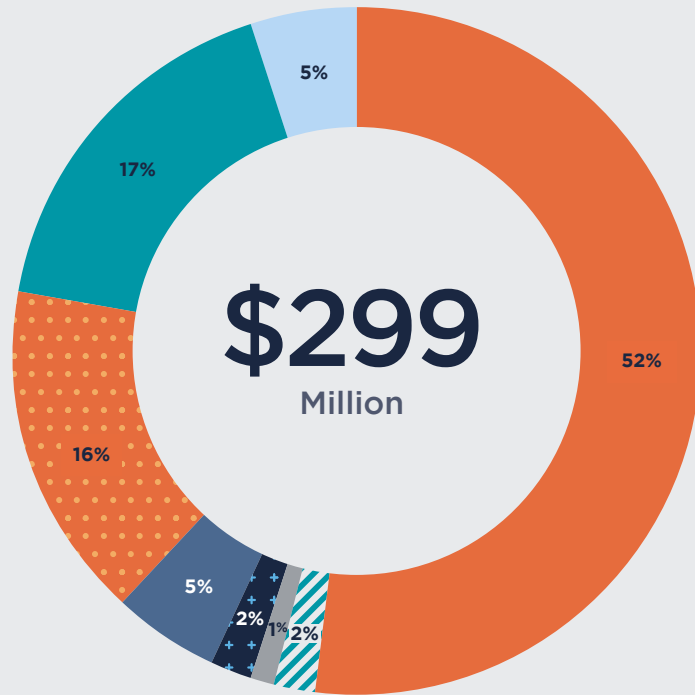
In Honiara, more than 16,000 young people have undertaken more than 960,000 days of work and training through the [Rapid Employment Project](#) and its successor, the [Community Access and Urban Services Enhancement Project](#), which has now expanded to other major towns, including Auki, Gizo, Noro and Munda.

## Trade & Investment



The World Bank committed [US\\$15 million to build sustainable growth in Solomon Islands](#), which supports moves to fight corruption, grow businesses and improve public financial management. This assistance is supporting the country to meet the challenges of COVID-19's impact on economic growth and government revenue.

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## Current Projects

As of the 25 February 2021 there are 11 active projects in Solomon Islands.

Tina River Hydropower Development Project

Electricity Access & Renewable Energy Expansion Project

Pacific Islands Regional Oceanscape Program

Community Governance & Grievance Management Project

Transition to Sustainable Growth Policy Operation

Rural Development Program II

Community Benefit Sharing Pilot Project

Community Access & Urban Services Project

Roads & Aviation Project

Urban Water Supply & Sanitation Sector Project

COVID-19 Emergency Response Project

\*based on 25 February 2021 data.

Total World Bank financing is \$162m, but partner and Trust Fund contributions bring the total to \$299m.