

Fact sheet

Papua New Guinea



Total People Supported

45,600+*

Children Supported

11,300+

25

Districts we work with



5 Program Locations

23

Projects

4

Municipalities We Work In (of 13)

240

Staff



ABOUT WORLD VISION PAPUA NEW GUINEA

World Vision has more than 30 years of operational experience in Papua New Guinea.

Key focus areas are Health & Nutrition, Education, Economic Development, Disaster Risk Reduction, Water & Sanitation and Hygiene, and Gender Equality.

Human Development Index (HDI) rank

Papua New Guinea ranks 158 on the HDI list, placing it in the category of least developed countries on earth. In comparison, Australia ranks 2 and New Zealand ranks 9.

Tuberculosis Project:

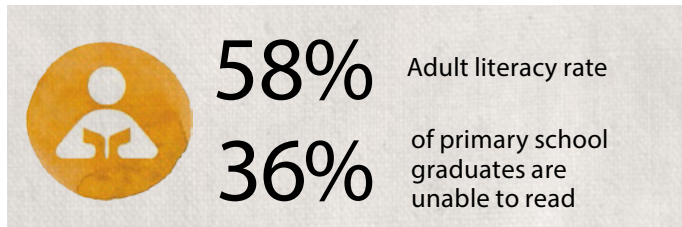
28,000 people supported

TB programs in all **13 PROVINCES**
(Global Fund and DFAT projects)

Of the 45,600+ people supported by WVPNG, TB Global Fund and DFAT projects currently support 28,000 TB patients.*

EDUCATED FOR LIFE

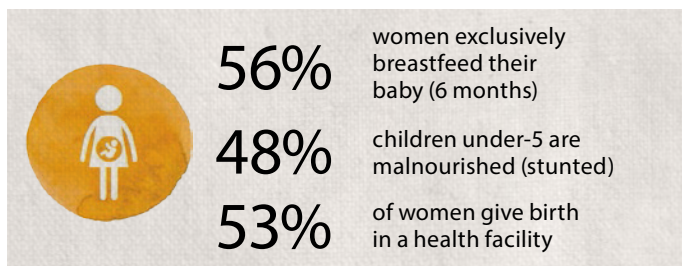
World Vision encourages education at an early age as an important step in promoting a culture of learning. By working with partners, including the community, schools and the Department of Education, we aim to ensure children achieve school readiness, functional literacy, and basic mathematics skills. To improve quality and access to education, we support government and communities in the development of culturally appropriate literacy training materials, and train early childhood educators. Our adult literacy programs are improving the economic, social and cultural well-being of communities.



HEALTHY CHILDREN & COMMUNITIES

World Vision, in partnership with public health centres, government departments and community leaders, works to educate communities on essential health and nutrition behaviours.

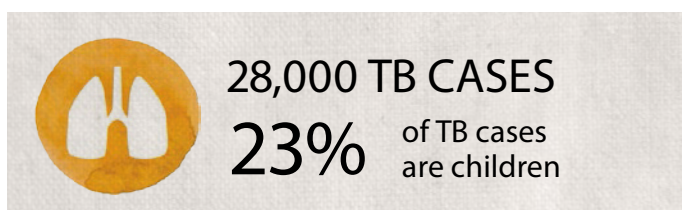
Infant mortality rates and malnutrition in PNG remains highest within the Asia Pacific. Our maternal & child health and nutrition (MCHN) projects focus on improving the health and nutritional status of mothers, children and babies. This includes improving the capacity of communities to prevent diseases and malnutrition.



TUBERCULOSIS PREVENTION & TREATMENT

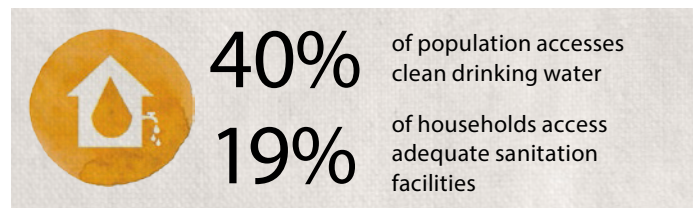
Tuberculosis rates in PNG are the highest in the Pacific, with an alarming increase in drug resistant strains. World Vision PNG, with support from Global Fund and Australian government, provide technical, human resource, and operational assistance to the National Department of Health to meet its objective of reducing TB prevalence and death rates in PNG.

We work with communities and TB health volunteers in 13 high TB-burden provinces to help TB patients complete their treatment. We also support the government in strengthening the country's health service delivery system with specific focus on enhancing laboratory diagnosis and procurement of medical supplies for TB, malaria, and HIV.



SAFE WATER & ACCESS TO SANITATION

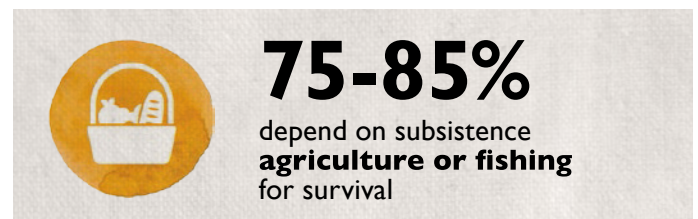
World Vision's Water & Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) projects promote practices like hand washing, and increase access to safe water and better sanitation. By working with other health partners, our school WASH program ensures caregivers provide well for children and improve community and access to safe water and better sanitation.



ECONOMICALLY DEVELOPED COMMUNITIES

Our Community Economic Development work aims to develop economically sustainable and resilient households. In partnership with government ministries, community groups, and local farmers we educate and empower communities to improve production and access markets. Producers and farmers also learn how to analyse markets, gain information, build relationships and act collectively to overcome market barriers, and increase their profits.

Economic Development teams help set up village-based savings and loans schemes. Members learn how the scheme operates and how to keep money circulating within the group.

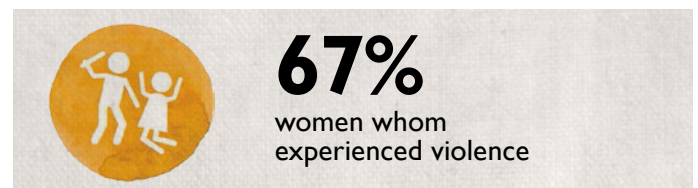


BUILDING RESILIENT COMMUNITIES

We work with communities in disaster prone areas to build their capacity to ensure they are prepared to respond to disaster and climate change. Training programs are conducted with communities and disaster partners in disaster preparedness, risk recognition, evacuation and early warning signs in potentially affected areas.

GENDER

Our program advocates and contributes to upholding the rights of women, ensuring their civic participation and respect of fundamental rights and freedom. While gender is a cross-cutting theme in all of our programming, the program also targets leaders at the highest level to ensure women and children are safe from abuse in families and communities.



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