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COUNTRY PROFILE

Tanzania has one of Africa's fastest growing economies with nearly 7 percent annual GDP growth since 2000. While the Tanzanian economy has grown by leaps and bounds, widespread poverty persists with over 46 percent (2011) of the population living on less than \$1.90 per day. USAID programs in Tanzania are consistent with U.S. foreign policy and the Government of Tanzania's national development goals. By empowering Tanzanian women and youth, achieving inclusive, broad-based, and sustainable economic growth, and improving effective democratic governance, these programs aim to advance Tanzania's socioeconomic transformation toward middle-income status by 2025.

OUR WORK

Health: U.S. Government health programs in Tanzania focus on HIV/AIDS, malaria, tuberculosis, family planning, reproductive health, nutrition, global health security, and maternal, newborn, and child health. USAID supports the Government of Tanzania's strategies for improving the health of citizens and fulfilling the targets laid out in the UN Sustainable Development Goals. In order to improve the quality, availability, and use of preventive and curative health services, these programs focus on three interconnected areas: quality integrated services, health systems strengthening, and healthy behaviors. These efforts support the Government of Tanzania's commitment to improve health and health care services, focusing on increased efficiency, effectiveness, and accountability.

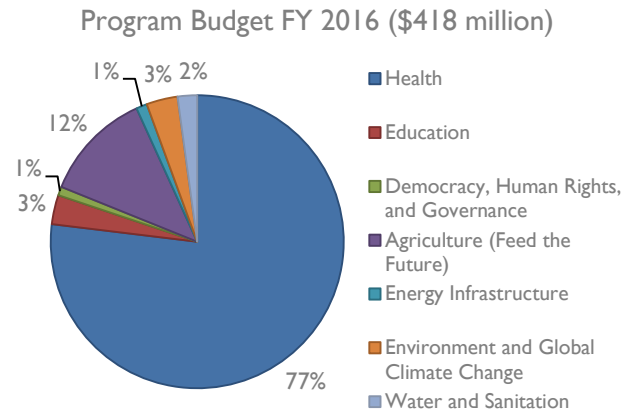
Food Security and Nutrition: Feed the Future is the U.S. Government's global hunger and food security initiative. In partnership with the Government of Tanzania, donor partners, civil society, and the private sector, Feed the Future aims to improve smallholder farmer income and nutritional status. In Tanzania, Feed the Future investments are focused within the Southern Agricultural Growth Corridor and on specific crops such as rice, maize, and horticulture. Feed the Future construction projects, such as improved roads and irrigation, complement activities to improve farmer productivity, nutrition, and product processing, storage, and marketing. Private sector investment and policy initiatives improve the business enabling environment to promote agricultural growth, while research activities help build the capacity necessary for long-term agricultural development.

Natural Resource Management: USAID partners with Tanzanians to build sustainable livelihoods and support natural resource management by developing and implementing national environmental policies, as well as supporting community-based conservation. These programs take a sustainable approach to landscape management that targets

critical ecosystems. Key objectives of U.S. Government assistance include: sustaining critical wildlife habitats, reversing land degradation, restoring watersheds, and improving community livelihoods through conservation enterprises. Activities also target sustainable agriculture and agroforestry, trade, and private sector initiatives in areas such as tourism, honey, and coffee.

Democracy, Human Rights, and Governance:

Strengthening democratic governance is a cross-cutting priority integrated throughout U.S. Government assistance to Tanzania. These programs work across the country portfolio to increase principles of democracy and good governance, especially in the areas of health, natural resource management, and among civil society organizations. USAID complements this assistance through technical and direct support to Government of Tanzania institutions of oversight and accountability, such as the Ethics Secretariat. In the near future, efforts will focus on strengthening media and civil society organizations to provide more accurate and impartial information; strengthening platforms for dialogue that promote more inclusive civic participation; and improving oversight of political processes and elections.



Energy: Tanzania is a focus country under Power Africa, a U.S. Government interagency initiative to double access to power in sub-Saharan Africa. In support of these efforts, USAID assists the Government of Tanzania in advancing private-sector energy transactions, as well as adopting and implementing the policy and regulatory reforms necessary to attract private investment in the energy and power sectors. Power Africa support also includes technical assistance to utilities, regulatory authorities, and government institutions to improve the feasibility of proposed energy projects, as well as capacity building to improve the public sector’s ability to engage with financial institutions and the private sector to finance power projects.



The President’s Malaria Initiative works with the Zanzibar Malaria Elimination Program to sustain gains in malaria control. MORGANA WINGARD/USAID



Feed the Future integrates women into agricultural value chains and ensures all household members benefit from expanded economic activities in Tanzania. USAID/TANZANIA



Power Africa supports Tanzania’s energy sector through transaction assistance for priority generation projects, technical support, and institutional capacity building. MATTHIEU YOUNG

Education: USAID’s education activities in Tanzania aim to improve early grade learning for 1.4 million primary school children by increasing the availability and use of quality learning materials, improving teacher skills and behaviors, and enhancing parental and community support in over 3,000 primary schools. This is complemented by annual reading and math assessments to track gains in learning and guide future strategy, policies, and programs. USAID also partners with local government authorities, school and community leaders, teachers, and parents to provide a holistic package of interventions to increase adolescent girls’ enrollment and retention in secondary school.

Gender and Youth: Empowering women and youth is a key focus of USAID’s strategy in Tanzania. As some of the most marginalized and underutilized citizens, Tanzanian women and youth must have greater access to and control of resources, opportunities, and decision-making power in order to sustainably reduce extreme poverty, build healthy communities, and promote inclusive growth. USAID’s activities work to strengthen the national-level enabling environment for women and youth, promote women’s equality and youth inclusion at the local government and community levels, and ensure Tanzanian women and youth are healthier and more productive. USAID/Tanzania integrates gender equality, women’s empowerment, and youth inclusion across its entire portfolio, and is one of only two USAID missions globally to have a development objective focused on gender and youth.