
Disability Data

KEY ISSUES

Disability Inclusive Development

Our Development for All 2015-2020 strategy commits Australia to strengthening disability-inclusive development in our aid program. The strategy recognises that if we fail to account for the needs of people with disabilities we seriously undermine our efforts to drive inclusive and sustainable economic growth.

- A key component of our strategy is to bolster the evidence base to support better monitoring of outcomes for people with disabilities.
- Consistent with the strategy, Australia supports a number of initiatives that strengthen disability data collection and analysis globally.

The ability to collect accurate disability data enhances the visibility of people with disabilities in the global development agenda. Without adequate data, we will not know who is being left behind in our development efforts.

Strengthened Disability Statistics

Australia is a leading global advocate on disability data. DFAT currently supports improved data through several key initiatives.

1. Supporting the institutional capacity of the Washington Group on Disability Statistics
2. UNICEF partnership on disability-inclusive data collection
3. ABS Supplementary Disability Survey