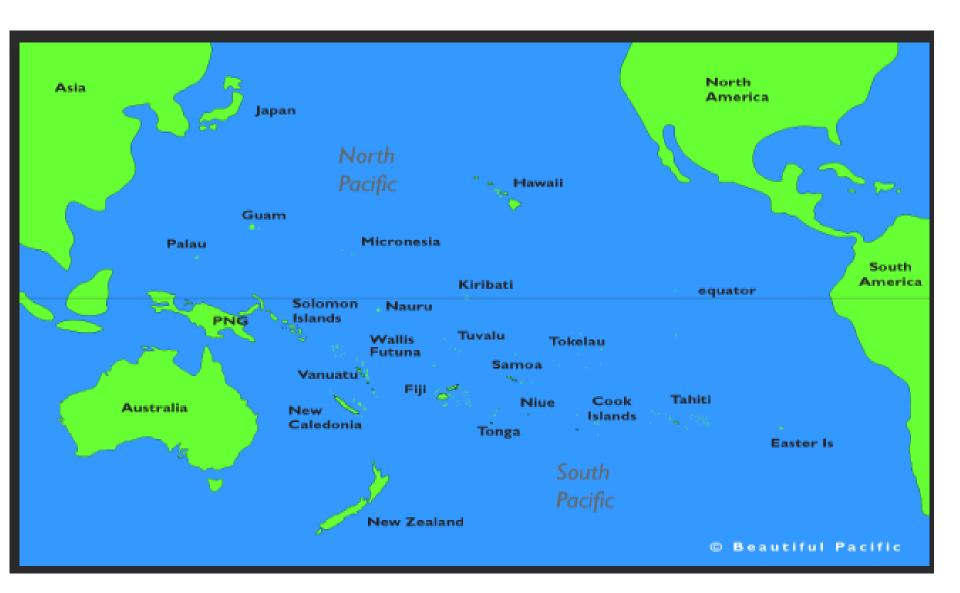
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Map of the Pacific Islands



Selected 11 island states

	Island country	NSO staff	Population
1	Fiji	140	905,500
2	Samoa	80	198,000
3	Tonga	33	140,000
4	Solomin Islands	28	611,300
5	Vanuatu	27	280,623
6	FS Micronesia	19	105,500
7	Cook Islands	9	21,069
8	Nauru	5	11,322
9	Tuvalu	5	11,287
10	Marshall Island	4	53,130
11	Niue	2	1,612

Way forward

- supports para 8, to respect national realities, capacities and policy priorities in the followup and review process
- supports para 11, to use the "Generic National Quality Assurance Framework" to assess countries readiness to coordinate collection of SDG indicators with recommendation to International Partners to support in this process for Pacific Islands

Way forward

- Fully supports the Overarching principles in Section iii and also Section iv and Section v.
- We appreciate the fact that Custodian Agencies will work collaboratively with individual states for all SDG indicators which will facilitate effective communications and promote durable partnerships especially for small statistical offices in the Pacific.
- This way will also prevent overlapping of technical support by partners.