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TANZANIA

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 49 percent of the population living on less than \$1.90 per day (World Bank, 2011). 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. 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 improving 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 vital 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.

Private Sector Engagement: Private sector engagement is an essential component of the economic development of Tanzania and the country's efforts to reach middle-income status by 2025. Businesses in Tanzania are at the forefront of growth through job creation, innovation, generating tax revenue, and fair competition. Currently employing about 70% of the youth in Tanzania, the private sector provides a critical pathway to self-reliance. USAID seeks more sustainable and enterprise-driven outcomes from our activities. USAID focuses on accelerating growth in rural-based, job-creating sectors (e.g., agriculture and food production and processing and natural resource-based tourism) while reducing constraints to private sector investment in these areas.

Democracy, Rights, and Governance: Strengthening democratic governance is a cross-cutting priority integrated throughout U.S. Government assistance to Tanzania. USAID activities support platforms for dialogue that promote inclusive civic participation and improve oversight of political processes and elections. Activities also include strengthening media and civil society organizations so they can provide more accurate and impartial information. USAID complements this assistance with technical support to Government of Tanzania institutions of oversight and accountability, such as the Ethics Secretariat. USAID also supports local government authorities in improving service delivery across sectors and enhance civic engagement. Programs work across the country portfolio to increase principles of democracy and good governance.

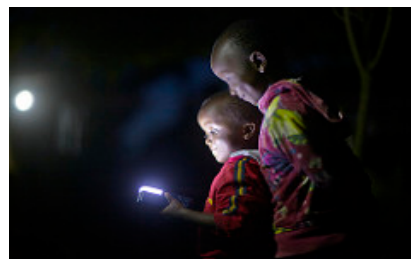
Education: USAID's education activities in Tanzania aim to improve early grade learning for 1.4 million primary school children by increasing the availability and use of quality learning materials, improving teacher skills and behaviors, and enhancing parental and community support in over 3,000 primary schools. These activities are complemented by reading and math assessments every other year 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 interventions that increase adolescent girls' enrollment and retention in secondary school.



The President's Malaria Initiative works with the Zanzibar Malaria Elimination Program to sustain gains in malaria control.
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Feed the Future integrates women into agricultural value chains and ensures all household members benefit from expanded economic activities in Tanzania.
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Power Africa supports Tanzania's energy sector through transaction assistance for priority generation projects, technical support, and institutional capacity building.
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Gender and Youth: Empowering women and youth is a key focus of USAID's strategy in Tanzania to sustainably reduce extreme poverty, build healthy communities, and promote inclusive growth. 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. USAID's activities 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 integrates gender equality, women's empowerment, and youth inclusion across its entire portfolio, and the Tanzania mission is one of only two USAID missions globally to have a development objective focused on gender and youth.

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