New Zealand Summary

This development partner profile showcases different dimensions of performance and the distribution of development finance of New Zealand. The information below was compiled from two sources: AidData’s 2014 Reform Efforts Survey and 2004-2013 Core Database. The 2014 Reform Efforts Survey asked public, private, and civil society leaders in 126 low- and middle-income countries questions about the most pressing problems they face, their top policy priorities, and how aid agencies can partner with them most effectively. Leaders evaluated the degree to which New Zealand’s influenced the policy agenda (n=61), provided useful advice (n=49), and how helpful this development partner was in implementation (n=37). The 2004-2013 Core Database represents the most comprehensive dataset tracking international development finance.

Where does New Zealand's Development Finance go?

Top Partner Countries

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<th>Rank</th>
<th>Partner</th>
<th>Amount of Development Finance (in millions USD)</th>
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<td>1.</td>
<td>Solomon Islands</td>
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<td>Papua New Guinea</td>
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<td>Tokelau</td>
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<td>Vanuatu</td>
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<td>Tonga</td>
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Source: AidData’s 2004-2013 Core Database

In which countries is New Zealand performing the best?

New Zealand’s performance in helping to shape the policy agenda, providing useful advice, and being helpful in implementation can be assessed through various indicators. Here’s a summary of New Zealand’s performance in different policy domains:

- **Influences the policy agenda (0-5)**
  - Solomon Islands
  - Vanuatu
  - Tuvalu
  - Samoa
  - Tonga

- **Provides useful advice* (1-5)**
  - Samoa
  - Tuvalu
  - Tonga
  - Vanuatu
  - Solomon Islands

- **Helpful in implementation (0-5)**
  - Tonga
  - Vanuatu
  - Solomon Islands
  - Samoa
  - Tuvalu

* The usefulness of advice scale ranged from 1 to 5.

Source: AidData’s 2014 Reform Efforts Survey, Q14, Q21, Q25
How do in-country stakeholders perceive New Zealand's performance?

**Influences the policy agenda**

Survey respondents gave an average score of 2.3 to New Zealand's agenda-setting influence, 0.3 above the average country.

**Provides useful advice**

Survey respondents gave a score of 3.3 to New Zealand's usefulness of advice.

*The usefulness of advice scale ranged from 1 to 5.

**Helpful in implementation**

Survey respondents gave a score of 3.5 to New Zealand's helpfulness in policy reform implementation.

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**New Zealand's Useful Advice, Amount of Development Finance, and Influence by Policy Area**

**Policy Domain**

- **Economic policy**
- **Social and environmental policy**
- **Governance policy**

**Agenda-setting influence**

0 = no influence at all
5 = maximum influence

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Governance: land, decentralization, anti-corruption & transparency, democracy, public administration, justice & security, tax, customs, and public expenditure management
Economic: macroeconomic management, trade, business regulatory environment, investment, labor, energy & mining, infrastructure, and finance, credit & banking
Environment & Social: health, education, family & gender, social protection & welfare, environmental protection, and agriculture & rural development

**The amount of development finance is log-transformed to account for skewed distribution of aid across sectors.**

Source: AidData’s 2004-2013 Core Database and 2014 Reform Efforts Survey, Q14, Q21

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