

MALI: CIDA REPORT



THEMATIC FOCUS

CIDA's programming in Mali aligns with the country's Poverty Reduction Strategy. The strategy has resulted in the creation of national plans for health, education, public sector reform, justice reform, public sector management, and financial management reform. In response, CIDA support in Mali is focused on:

Children and Youth

- Increasing teacher training and gross enrolment in primary school education
- Improving the primary school book-to-student ratio
- Improving access to health services for children and women

Food Security

- Implementing more effective irrigation systems and use of new methods and techniques to help farmers increase their production
- Improving access to credit for poor farmers, leading to higher agricultural output and the ability to export

KEY DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES

- Pressure from a fast-growing, young population
- High rates of infant and maternal mortality, disease and malnutrition
- Weak government institutions
- Illiteracy rate of 75 percent

KEY PROJECTS

Mali's Ten-Year Health and Social Development Plan

- Supports the Government of Mali in strengthening the capacity of decentralized health facilities in the north

FACTS AT A GLANCE

- Population (2010): **13.3 million¹**
- HDI rank (2010): **160th of 169 countries²**
- Percentage of population living on less than US\$1.25 per day (2006): **51.4%³**
- Gross national income per capita (2008): **US\$580⁴**
- Total CIDA development assistance: **C\$117.62 million⁵**

1. United Nations Population Fund

2. Human Development Index (HDI), *Human Development Report 2010*, United Nations Development Programme

3, 4. Country Indicators, World Bank; World Development Indicators Online. 2009

5. Canadian International Development Agency funding: 2009-2010

Implementing Decentralized Management of Basic Education

- Supports decentralization of basic education, particularly in the Kayes and northern regions

Agricultural Sector Supply Chains

- Supports improvements in the performance of certain agricultural supply chains by intervening in critical phases of production, processing, and marketing in rural communities
- Seeks to strengthen equality between women and men
- Helps thousands of rice, millet, sorghum, and maize producers to obtain farm loans, enabling them to get fair prices and generate stable incomes

With support from CIDA and other donors, Mali remains on track to achieve the Millennium Development Goals of primary education, food security, and safe drinking water for all by 2015.

CIDA's work in Mali is part of Canada's contribution to the global effort to reach the Millennium Development Goals.



2009-2010 HIGHLIGHTS

Children and Youth (2008–2009)

- Helped increase the proportion of assisted births by six percent
- Helped increase the proportion of people living within five kilometres of a functional community health centre to 58 percent
- Helped increase access to basic education by 4.7 percent for both boys and girls



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Food Security

- Through support of Mali's rice initiative, helped rice producers (both women and men) produce a record 1,604,647 tonnes of paddy rice, with production continuing to grow
- Through Canadian volunteer technical support in microcredit, helped select rural women's associations achieve a 38-percent increase in their revolving loan fund, so that 90 percent of their members were able to diversify their food production and increase their revenue



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MOVING FORWARD: ANTICIPATED RESULTS

Between 2010 and 2015, CIDA will focus primarily on improving the quality of primary education and health, and increasing food production. Key anticipated results include:

Children and Youth

- Help increase the rate of assisted childbirth from 58 percent to 65 percent by 2011
- Help decrease the mortality rate for children under the age of five to 150 per 1,000 by 2011
- Train 14,000 community school teachers by 2015
- Help increase primary school enrolment rates from 80 percent in 2008 to 100 percent by 2015

Food Security

- 4,000 additional hectares of land will be made available for small-scale rice farmers
- 300 small-scale organizations will share new techniques with rural families
- Close to 100,000 families will benefit from Canadian support to rural areas

KEY PARTNERS

Government of Mali

Canadian: SOGEMA, Office of the Auditor General, University of Montréal, SOCODEVI, Consortium WUSC-CECI, Plan International Canada, USC Canada

Multilateral: World Food Programme, World Bank, Malaria Consortium, UNICEF, Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, AfDB, UNDP, United Nations Population Fund

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