



Pacific Disability Statistics Project

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The Pacific Group on Disability Statistics

A group of people came together for a disability analysis workshop at SPC Noumea in 2019, and decided to form the Pacific Group on Disability Statistics under the umbrella of the Washington Group (WG) on Disability Statistics.

The first (virtual) meeting of the Pacific Group on Disability Statistics (PGDS) was hosted by the Samoa Bureau of Statistics (SBS) in July 2020.

Collectively, they are the leaders who developed the vision, goals and funding proposal to boost capacity for disability statistics in the Pacific.

DISABILITY ANALYSIS WORKSHOP



Date September 2, 2019 - September 6, 2019

Location Noumea, New Caledonia

Five Goals by 2030

1) All data collections (census and national surveys) in the Pacific include the WG tools and implement them as intended.

2) Data are analysed in a consistent and uniform manner – according to standardized regional templates.

3) Results are disseminated according to region-specific framework.

4) A **Regional Guidebook** to Improve Disability Data Collection and Analysis in the Pacific Island Region.

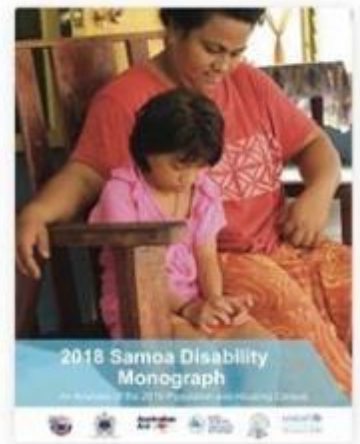
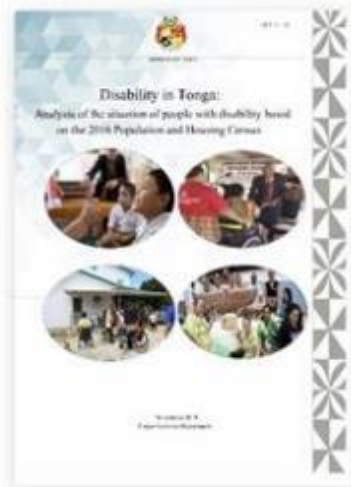
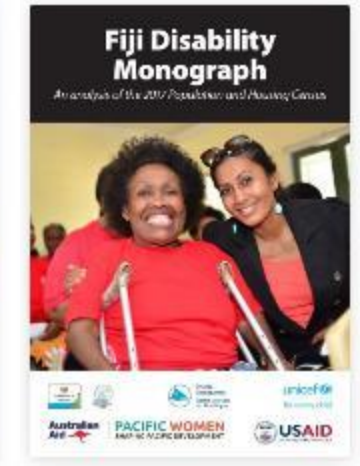
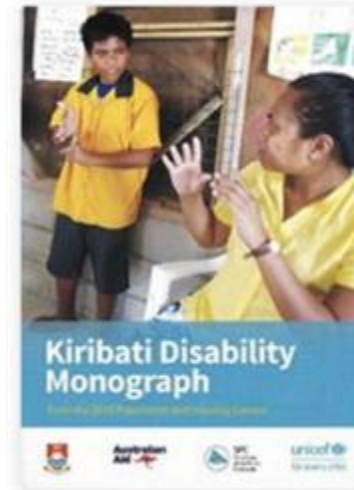
5) A **Pacific Regional Disability Monograph** is produced.



2030

Progress across the Pacific

- WG questions included in almost all recent Pacific Island Census and MICS collections
- National disability monographs produced by several countries
- Regional Disability Dashboard and pdh.stat dataset produced by SPC



Disability Dashboard

<https://pacificdata.org/disability-dashboard>

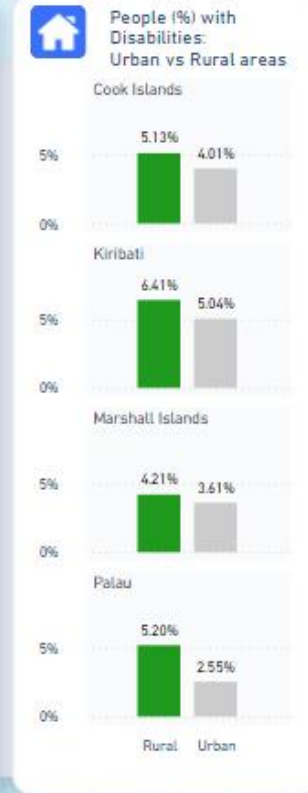
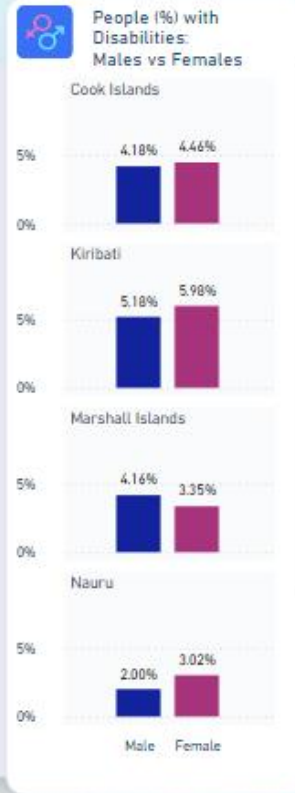
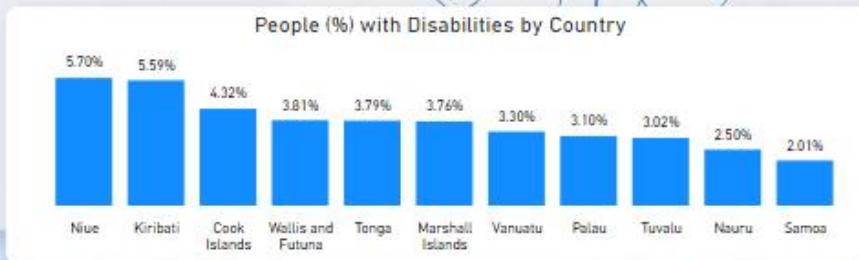
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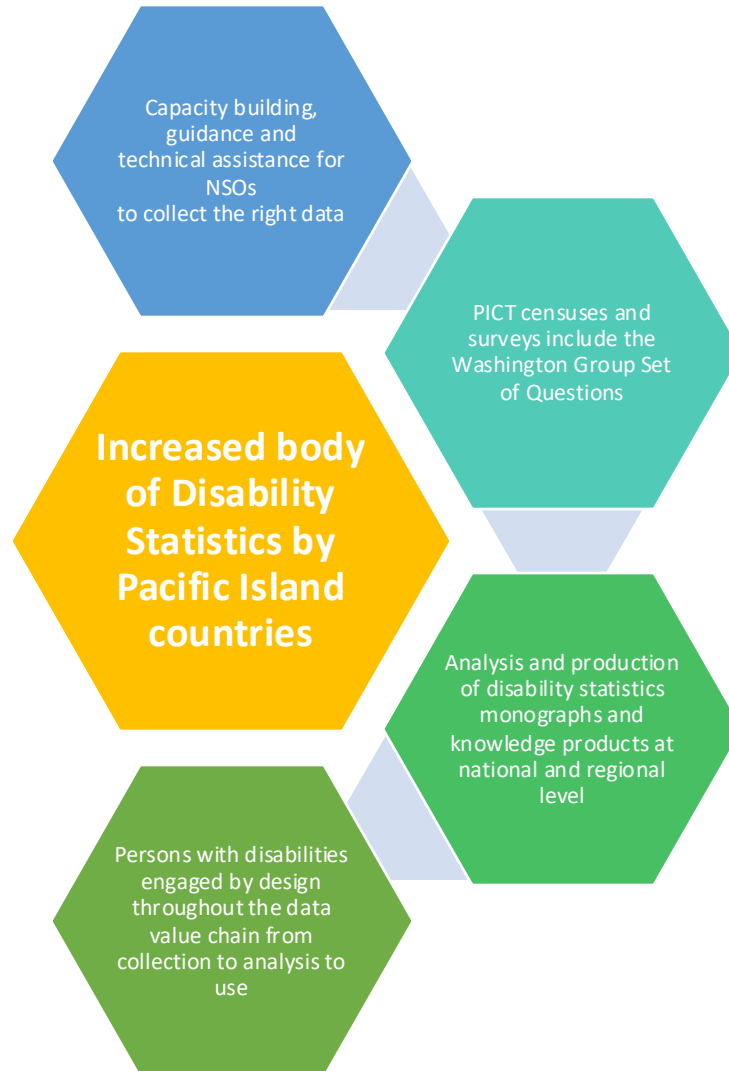
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24,642 people have disabilities in Kiribati, Cook Islands, Niue, Nauru, Marshall Islands, Palau, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Wallis and Futuna, Samoa

Feedback



PGDS Project 2024-2026



Australia has provided funding of **AUD \$2.6 million** to SPC and the Pacific Disability Forum to provide an enhanced PGDS Project supporting **coordination, analysis and capability building**, including:

- Coordination and support for the Pacific disability statistics programme governed by PGDS
- Capacity building using a range of modalities to strengthen NSOs
- Engagement with OPDs, PWDs and data users
- Analysis of data and production of monographs and other knowledge products
- Guidance and tools to enable data collection, analysis and use

2050 Vision Inclusion and Equity

Pacific Framework on
Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Strategic Framework
for Pacific Statistics

An inclusive, barrier-free, and rights-based society for men, women and children with disabilities, which embraces the diversity of all Pacific people

All Pacific peoples, economies and environments benefit from better data and evidence-based decision-making for sustainable development

Outcome

Quality, relevant, and timely Pacific Island disability statistics are available and used to advance social inclusion of persons with disability

Goal

Strong Pacific Island statistics systems that produce disability data that meet local and global needs for evidence-based policy, planning and monitoring

Components

1. Pacific Disability Statistics governance and coordination

2. Production and dissemination of disability statistics publications and technical guidance

3. Member countries capacity building and engagements

Results

1. PGDS has full membership and is active and meeting regularly
2. We know each country's current capacity and priorities for support.
3. WG questions included in all surveys and censuses

1. Regional Disability Statistics Guidebook published
2. Regional Disability Monograph published
3. National disability monographs or other knowledge products published for 6+ countries

1. All countries have benefitted from targeted capacity building activities
2. PWDs are included consistently in capacity building activities
3. Relationships are strong between NSOs, PDOs and partners

PGDS Planning – 2024



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Activities and themes by Year

2024

Establish project, recruit team and update PGDS
Set up communications
Map country needs and plan support
Develop Regional Guidebook
Launch calendar of training for 2025

2025

Launch Guidebook and run Pacific regional training
Provide in-country training, support and attachments
Develop national monographs and products

2026

Continue national monographs, in-country training, support and attachments
Develop and launch Pacific regional monograph
Run Pacific regional conference

Ongoing

Project coordination, regular meetings of PGDS-SC and PGDS
Communication and advocacy
Reports to relevant groups
Update Pacific Disability Dashboard
Connect Pacific with Washington Group on Disability Statistics

Pacific Group on Disability Statistics (PGDS) Project

Multi-Year Work Plan
2024-2026



Available for Pacific Island countries

Coordination and Assessments	Analysis, Monographs and Guidance	Capacity building and engagement
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mapping existing national disability data • SWOT analysis to identify needs and gaps • Research and access to new methods • Coordination with relevant sectors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analytical support for disability analysis • Development of national disability monographs, fact sheets and other products • Technical assistance with Washington Group (WG) methods • Standardised methods and tools for surveys, analysis, dissemination 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical assistance for NSOs • Conferences, trainings, webinars • Peer to peer (including south-south) attachments • Multistakeholder analysis workshops • Enumerator training on WG questions

The vision – our guiding compass

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