

#### AUSTRALIA AND

# **Honduras**

# Warm relations based on growing trade and cooperation on international issues.

## Key engagement

Modest but growing trade links.

#### Outlook

Niche trade opportunities exist especially in coffee.

#### Bilateral relations

Australia and Honduras established diplomatic relations in 1984.

Australia's Ambassador to Mexico holds non-resident accreditation to Honduras. Australia has an Honorary Consul in Tegucigalpa.

Honduras does not have official representation in Australia.

### Foreign relations

Australia and Honduras are members of the World Trade Organisation (WTO), World Bank, IMF and United Nations (UN).

Both participate in the Forum for East Asia-Latin America Cooperation (FEALAC).

Honduras is a member of the Association of Caribbean States (ACS), the Organization of American States (OAS), Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC), Central American Integration System (SICA) and other regional organisations.

Honduras is a member of Petro Caribe.

Honduras and Australia are both observers of the Pacific Alliance.

Australia is an observer of SICA.



Foreign Policy White Paper: https://www.fpwhitepaper.gov.au

### **FAST FACTS**



Honduran visitors to Australia (2020 Dept of Home Affairs) #

0



Australian visitors to Honduras (primary destination) (2020 Dept of Home Affairs) # \*

100



Resident Australian population born in Honduras (2016 Census)

256



Australian residents of Honduran descent (2016 Census)

0



Honduran students in Australia (2020 Dept of Education)

23

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\* Honduras reports the number of Australian visitors as 7,797 (average of "rest of the world") in 2020 (ine.gob.hn).

# High level engagement

2017 February - Special Envoy for Human

Rights, the Hon Philip Ruddock MP,

visited Honduras.

## **Public diplomacy**

Through the <u>Direct Aid Program (DAP)</u>, the Australian Government supports projects coordinated by civil society, that empower women and girls, and advocate for the rights of indigenous communities, persons with disabilities and LGBTQI+ communities. DAP funds have also been used to help many of these disadvantaged groups recover from the economic impacts of COVID-19.

The Australian Embassy in Mexico has hosted a number of webinars in collaboration with sponsored NGOs to highlight the outcomes of these projects. In 2020-21, funding is being provided to support social and economic inclusion for vulnerable LGBTIQI+ communities.

## **Economic diplomacy**

The Australian Government supports Australian investors in Honduras by providing support and advice on political, economic and regulatory environments.

Further economic and trade information can be found in our <u>Economic Factsheet</u> for Honduras.

### **Business**

Austrade aims to attract foreign direct investment into Australia. It also identifies market opportunities and promotes the capabilities of Australian exporters and education providers.

#### Austrade

https://www.austrade.gov.au/contact/offices/country-index



# Agreements with Honduras

2019

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