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# Belize



**Shared international perspectives, modest trading, and sporting ties.**

### Key engagement

Pursuit of common interests in multilateral fora, particularly the UN and the Commonwealth.

### Outlook

Trade and investment opportunities exist in Belize for Australian businesses, including in agriculture, education, tourism and transport and related industries.

### Bilateral relations

Australia and Belize established diplomatic relations in 1982.

Australia's High Commissioner to Trinidad and Tobago has non-resident accreditation to Belize. Belize has an Honorary Consul in Sydney.

### Foreign relations

Australia and Belize are members of the Commonwealth, International Maritime Organisation (IMO), World Trade Organisation (WTO) and United Nations (UN).

Australia and Belize are Co-Chairs with Mauritius of the Commonwealth Blue Charter Action Group on Coral Reef Protection and Restoration, and members of the International Coral Reef Initiative.

Belize is a member of the the Caribbean Community (CARICOM), the Association of Caribbean States (ACS), the Africa, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) Group of States, the Organization of American States (OAS) and other regional organisations. It is a member of the Small Island Developing States (SIDS) grouping, which includes small island states in the Caribbean, Pacific and Indian Oceans.



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

### FAST FACTS



Belizean visitors to Australia  
([2020 Dept of Home Affairs](#)) # 0



Australian visitors to Belize (primary destination) ([2020 Dept of Home Affairs](#)) # 0



Resident Australian population born in Belize  
([2016 Census](#)) 64



Australian residents of Caribbean Islander descent  
([2016 Census](#)) 3,650



Belizean students in Australia ([2020 Dept of Education](#)) 6

### Australian High Commission in Trinidad and Tobago

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## High level engagement

2018	November – Belize’s Deputy Prime Minister, Patrick Faber, visited Queensland.
2017	July – Foreign Minister Julie Bishop met Belize’s Foreign Minister Elrington in Grenada



## Agreements with Belize

2010

[Tax Information Exchange Agreement](#)

## Public diplomacy

Through the [Direct Aid Program](#), the Australian Government provides financial support to a range of projects in Belize. Recent DAP projects including activities that promote the rights of children with disabilities, vulnerable women, indigenous communities, and support food security and small-scale agriculture.

## Economic diplomacy

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

Further economic and trade information can be found in our [Economic Factsheet](#) for Belize.

## Business

Austrade’s Mexico City Office aims to attract foreign direct investment from Belize into Australia, identifies market opportunities in Belize, and promotes the capabilities of Australian exporters and education providers.

### Austrade

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

Travel



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[smartraveller.gov.au](https://www.smartraveller.gov.au)