

About Zambia

Zambia is a landlocked country in southern Africa, with a tropical climate and consists mostly of high plateaus with some hills and mountains, dissected by river valleys. As per 2010 Zambian census, Zambia's population was 13,092,666. Zambia is one of the most highly urbanized countries in sub-Saharan Africa with 44% of the population concentrated in a few urban areas along the major transport corridors, while rural areas are sparsely populated.

Zambia has in the last 15 years experienced a strong economic growth raising the average per capita income to over \$1,290 and made it a lower-middle-income nation. The major income for the country comes from the copper production followed by agriculture. Despite this growth much remains to be done to advance equitable development throughout the population. Inequality has increased significantly and according to the World Bank Country Diagnosis 2018, Zambia has the second highest inequality in the southern Africa Region with three out of four Zambians still living in extreme poverty.

The country faces a myriad of challenges, including low agricultural productivity, high unemployment, poor education outcomes, and health crises caused by the HIV/AIDS epidemic, TB, malaria and other diseases. The effect of global warming increases the vulnerability in rural communities, especially in the southern parts of the country.

About DAPP Zambia

DAPP Zambia strives, through the implementation of its projects, to work with the people by providing knowledge, skills and tools that empower them and their families to face and overcome the challenges of everyday life, and thereby improving their livelihoods. Over the past 29 years, DAPP Zambia has adopted a slogan “Fighting shoulder to shoulder with the poor” and wants to see people themselves become the driving force in development. Activities include community development, health, agriculture, environment, education and human rights.

Currently, DAPP Zambia in collaboration with the Government of the Republic of Zambia and other local and international partners in development are implementing projects in all the 9 provinces of the country reaching over 1 million people.

DAPP Zambia in numbers, 2018

DAPP worked in all provinces and 30 district of Zambia in 2018 reaching over 1.1 million people directly with developmental activities. Additional over estimated 1.5 million was reached, through

the 33 DAPP Clothes and Shoes retail shops. DAPP had in 2018 a workforce of 950 employees and worked with 18,321 volunteers in the 156 project units.