

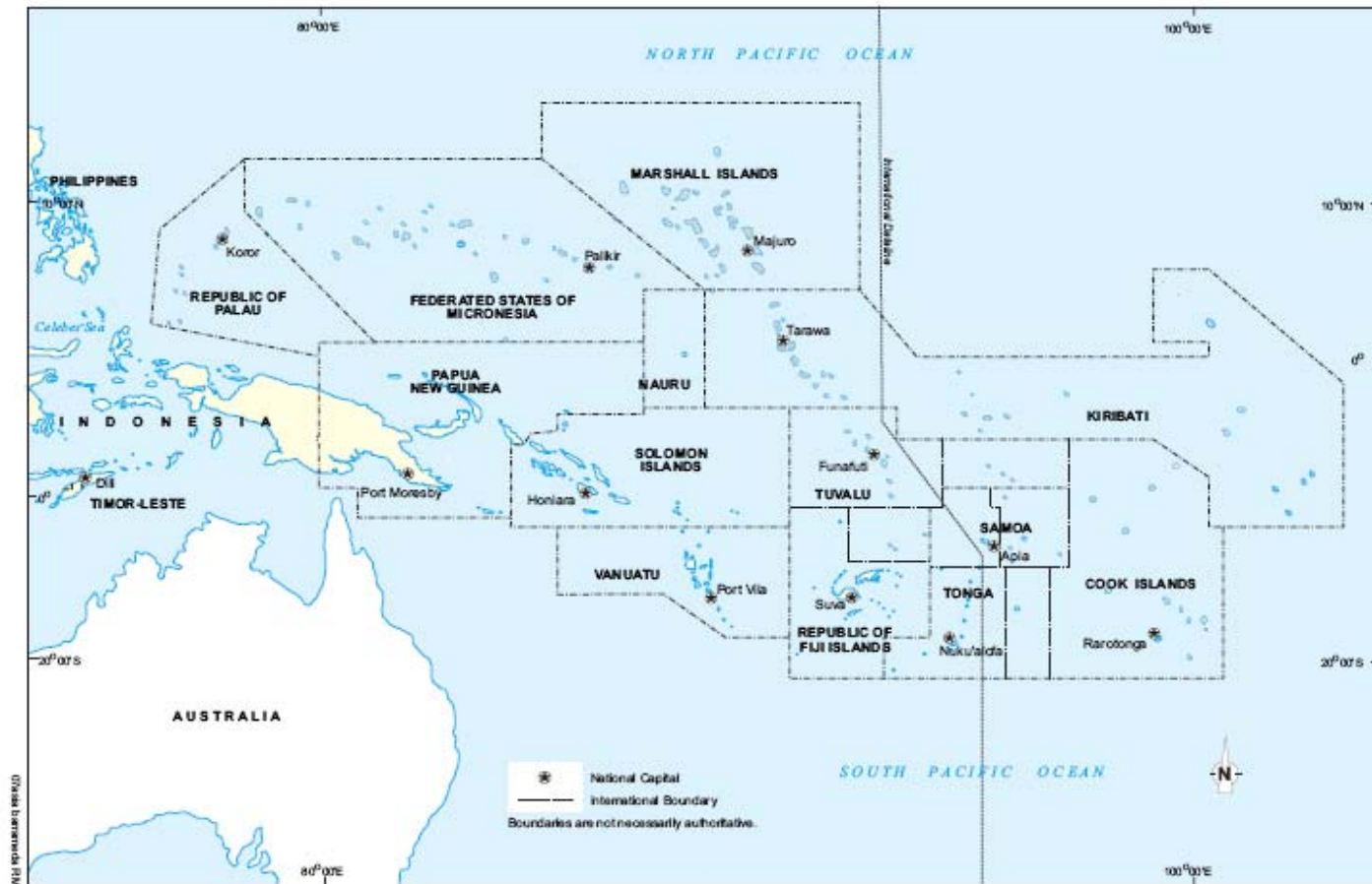
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**The Pacific:  
Perspectives and  
Operations**

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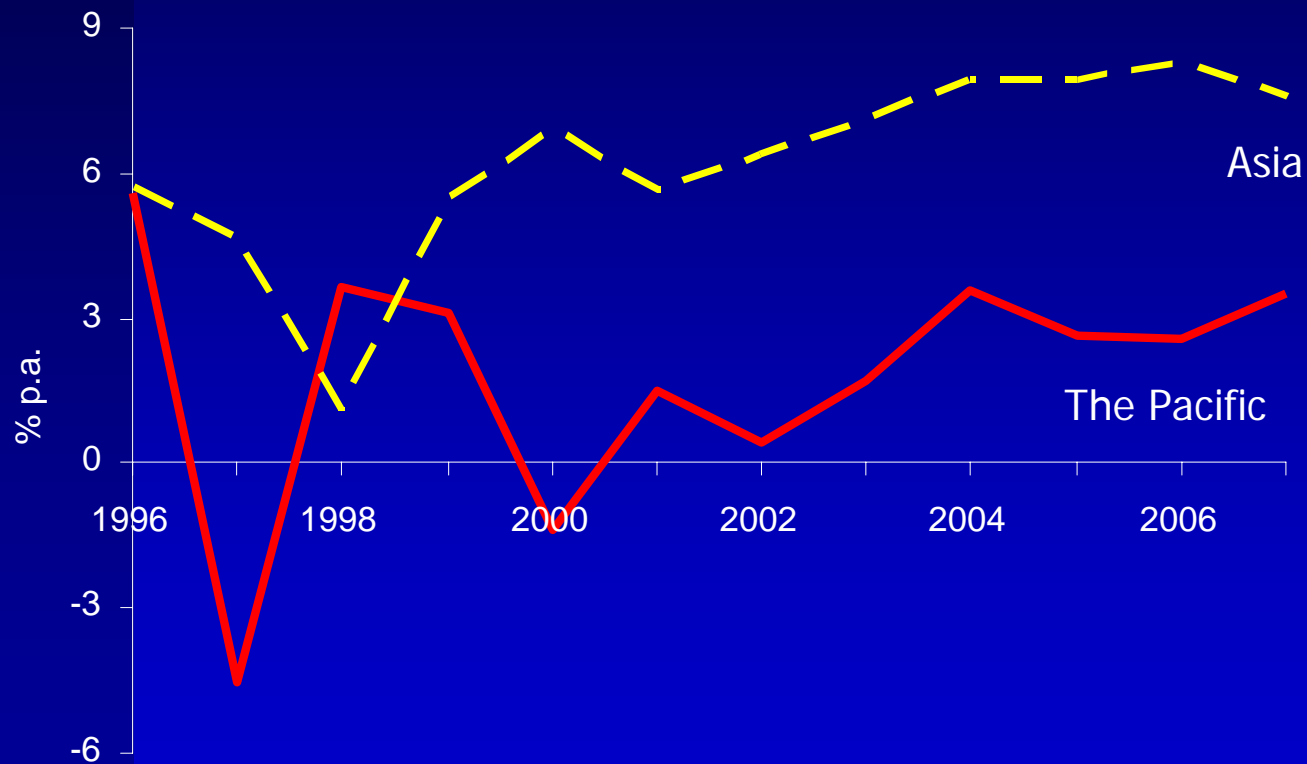


# Vulnerability

Environmental Vulnerability Index (EVI) Classification	PDMC
Extremely Vulnerable	Cook Islands, Kiribati, FSM, Nauru, Tonga and Tuvalu
Highly Vulnerable	Fiji Islands, Marshall Islands, Palau and Samoa

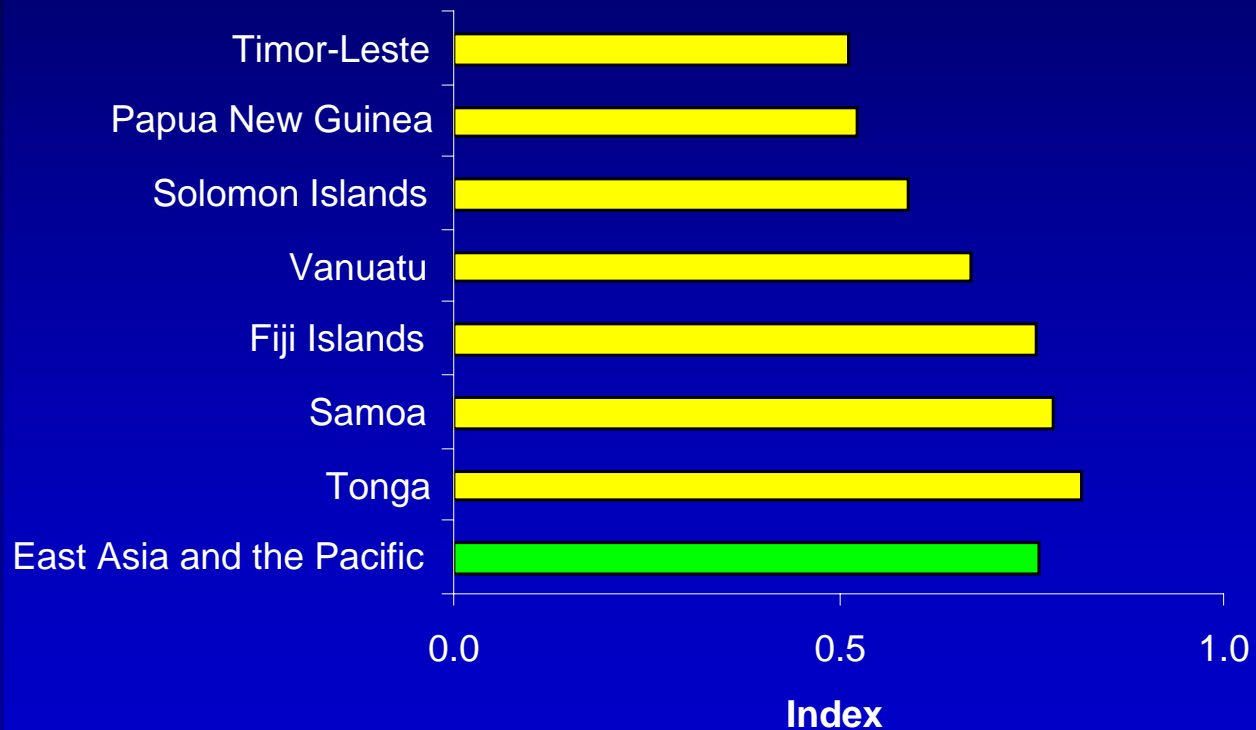
# Economic Vulnerability

## Economic Growth



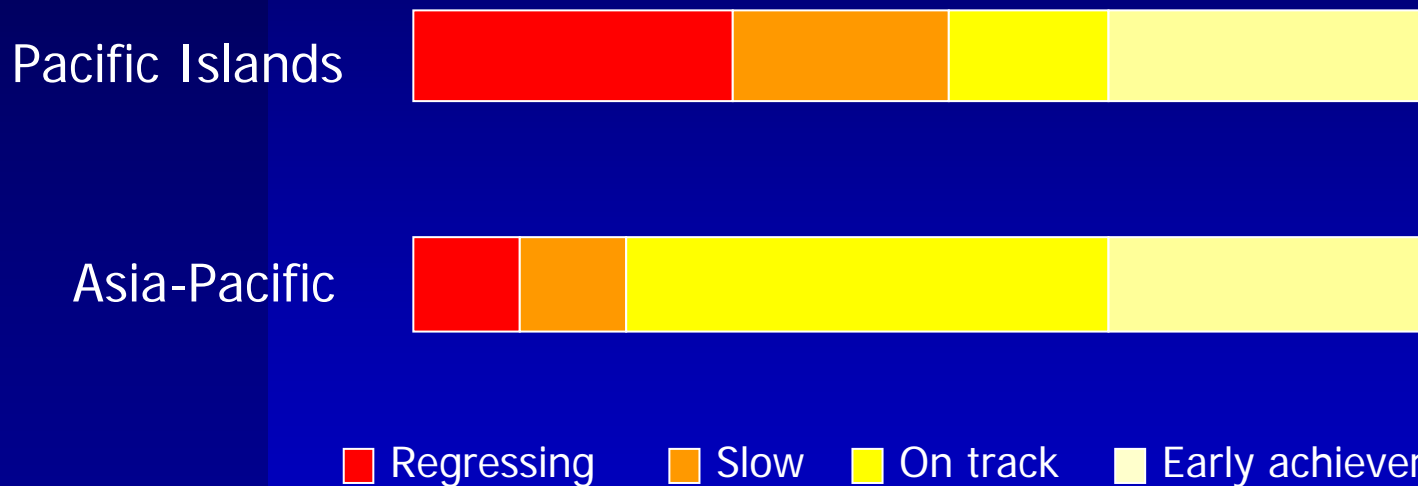
# Development Status

## Human Development Index in 2004



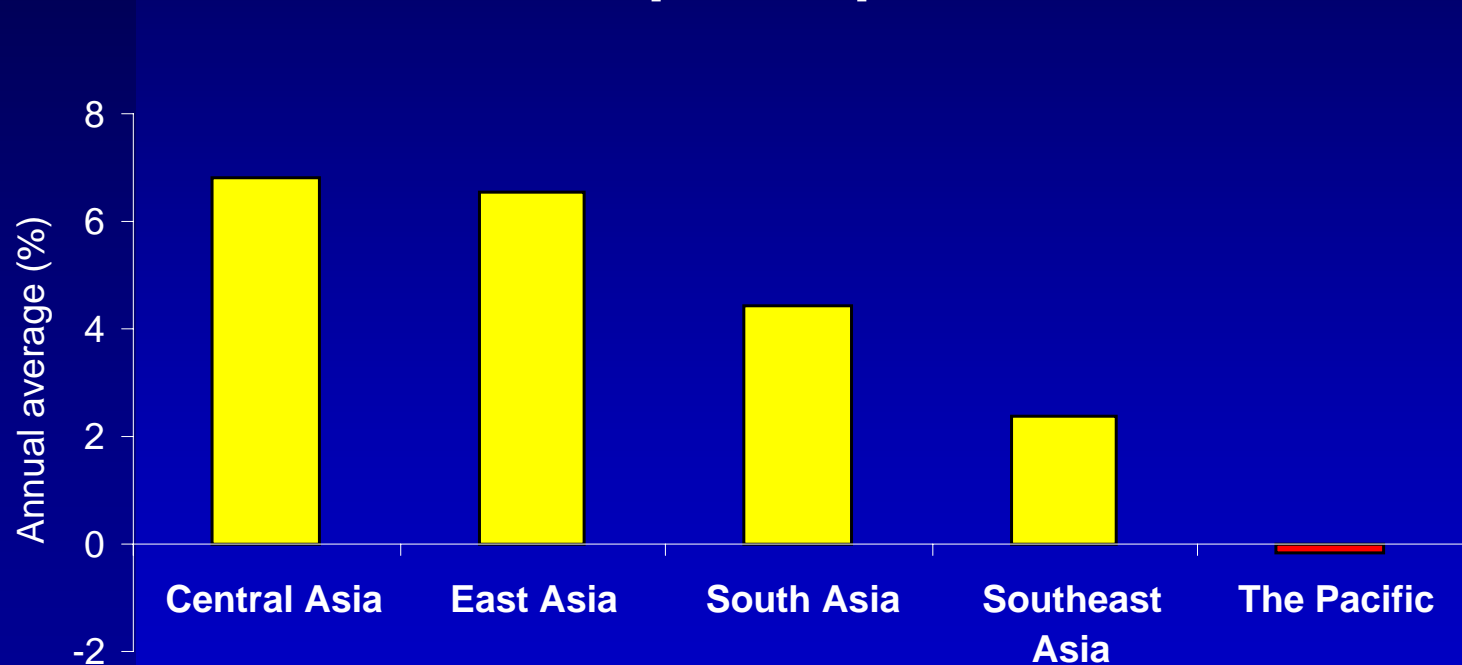
# Progress to the MDGs

## Status of Key Indicators



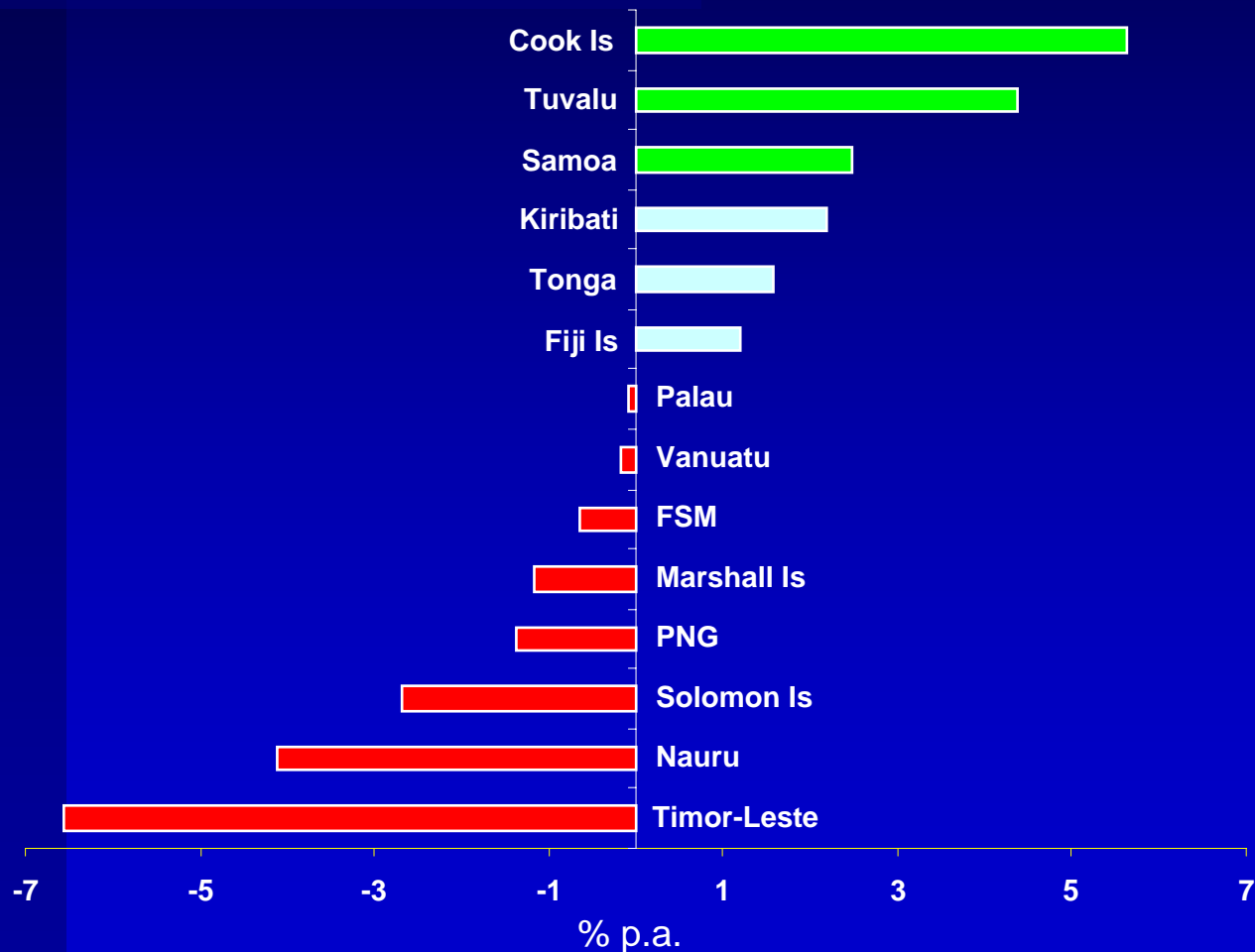
# Growth Performance

## Growth in Real GDP per Capita (1995 to 2006)



# Growth Across the Region

Growth in per capita GDP (most recent 10 year period)



# Economic Prospects

- The PDMCs can grow
  - When private sector led
  - And allowing for foreign investment
- But there is a deep inertia in some of the agriculture and fishing-based PDMCs
- Tourism, remittances, offshore investments and offshore fishing provide potential sources of growth

# Needs – a Synopsis

- Physical infrastructure
  - Populations are growing
  - Under-investment is lowering productivity
  - Some environments are under pressure
- Essential social services
- Improved governance
- Private sector friendly environments

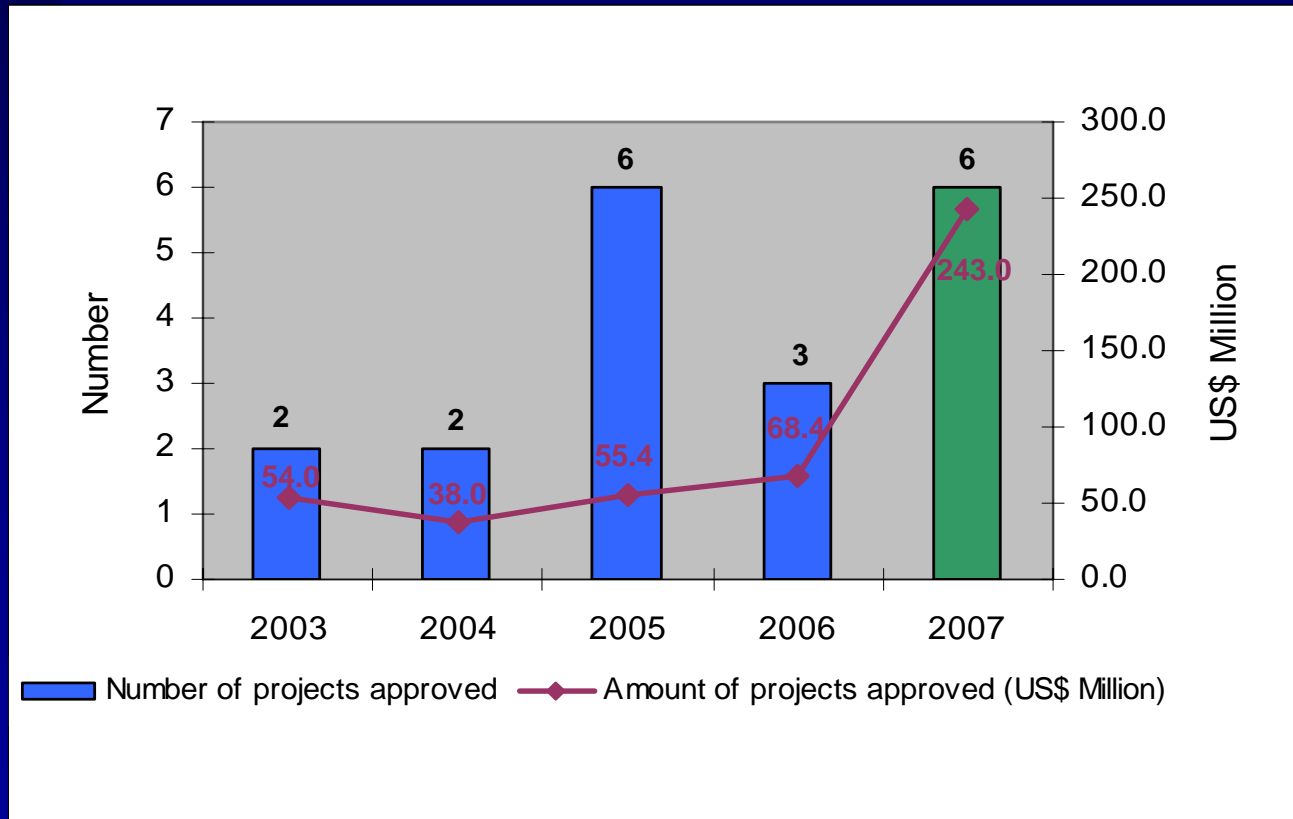
# ADB's Pacific Strategy – Key Pillars

- ❖ Private Sector Development
- ❖ Improved Delivery of Social Services
- ❖ Good Governance

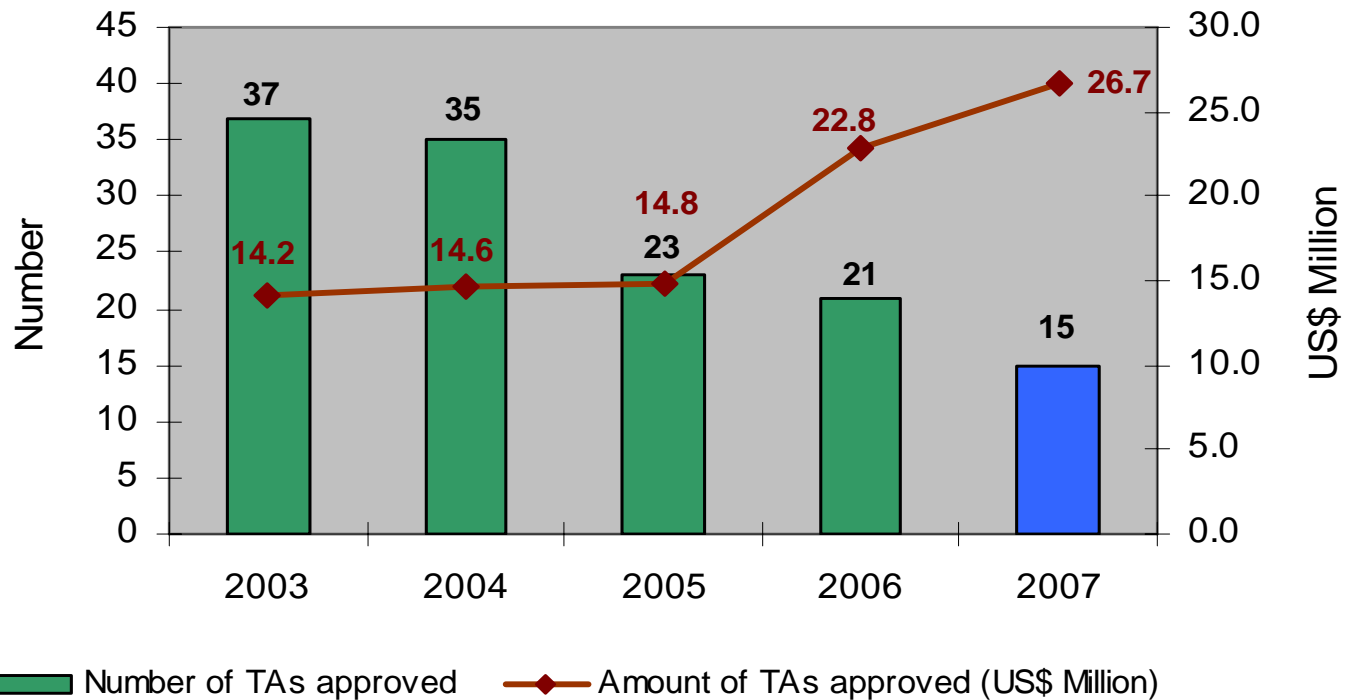
# Major Themes

- ❖ Results Management
- ❖ Policy Advice and Technical Assistance as ADB's Main Product in the Pacific
- ❖ Partnerships with Major Donors to Enable Harmonized and Well-Coordinated Approaches
- ❖ Participation and Consultation to Ensure Country Ownership
- ❖ Stronger Field Presence
- ❖ Support for Regional Cooperation and for the Pacific Plan

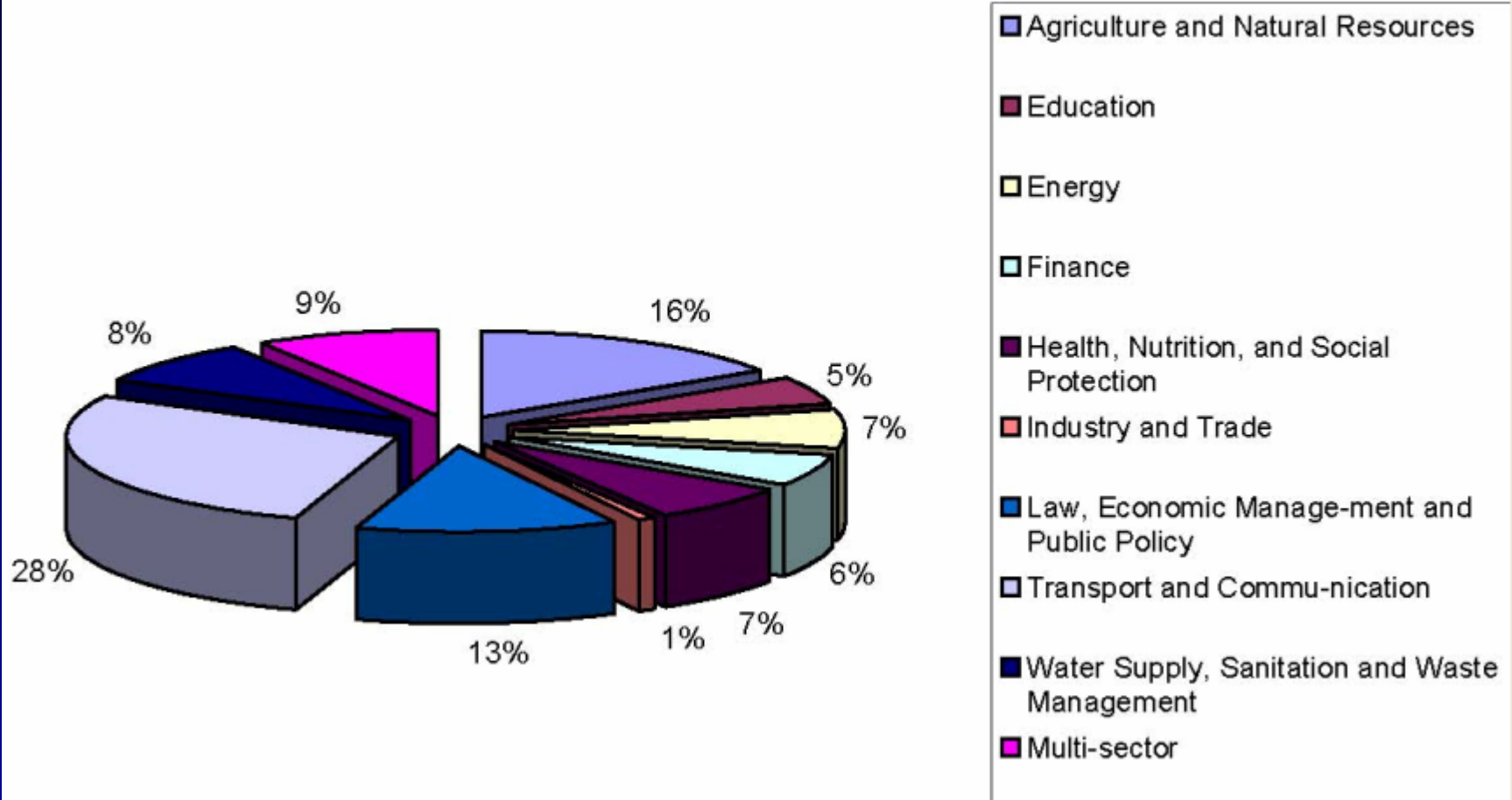
# ADB (Loan and ADF Grant) Projects for Pacific DMCs



# ADB Technical Assistance for Pacific DMCs



## Total Projects in the Pacific (by sector)



**Top 3 Sectors: Transport and Communications; Agriculture and Natural Resources; and Law, Economic Management, and Public Policy**

# 2007 Strategic Objectives

- ❖ **Strategic Focus.** Sharpen the strategic focus of PARD activities to make them more results oriented and responsive to country needs
- ❖ **Operational Quality and Efficiency.** Enhance the operational quality and efficiency of PARD operations
- ❖ **Knowledge Management.** Accelerate PARD efforts for evidence-based policy making

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