

COUNTRY CAPACITY FACTSHEET

LAO PDR



World Vision's calling in Lao PDR

HOPE, JOY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL CHILDREN

World Vision is a **child-focused organisation** operating in Laos since 1968 initially through relief assistance provided to people displaced by the Indochina War until 1975. After the reopening in 1991, our mission to **build brighter futures for Lao children** has never stopped. Our grassroots approach allows us to create a life-changing experience for the communities we serve through **development, relief, and advocacy projects**, adapting to the continuously evolving challenges faced by the most fragile part of the population. Our programmes are now focusing **on the most vulnerable children**, especially in rural and remote areas, with ethnic communities different than Lao-Tai through the following priority sectors:



INTEGRATED HEALTH & NUTRITION



EDUCATION



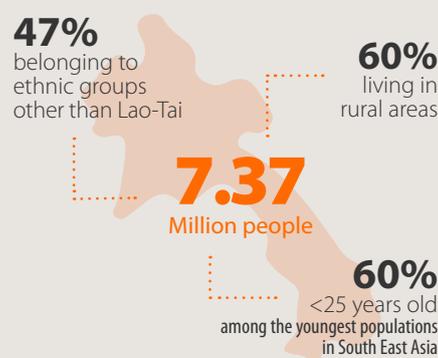
CHILD RIGHTS & EQUITY



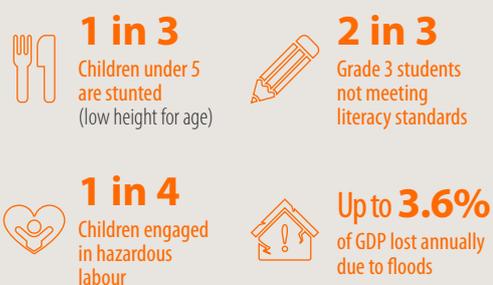
HUMANITARIAN & EMERGENCY AFFAIRS

Key Country figures*

DEMOGRAPHICS



CHALLENGES



OUR KEY SECTORS & APPROACHES



Health
Nutrition
Food Security & Livelihood
Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)



Early Child Development
Primary Education
Transition to Secondary Education
WASH in school



Child Protection & Participation
Climate Change
Gender Equality, Disability and Social Inclusion (GEDSI)
Faith & Development
Social Accountability/Governance

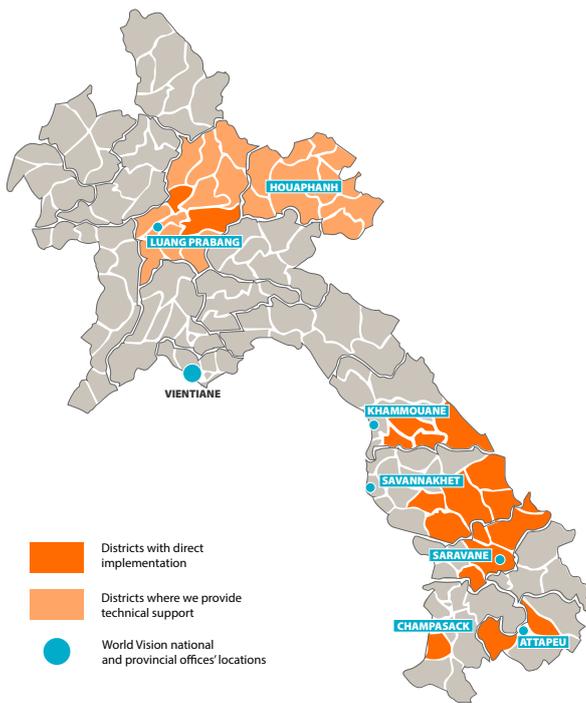


Disaster Preparedness
Emergency Response
Recovery & Rehabilitation

Advocacy
Community Ownership
Multi-Sectoral Coordination
Cash Programming
Digital Monitoring & Evaluation
Partnerships
Micro-projects

*References: World Bank Data (2022), Measuring Progress on Child Wellbeing in Lao PDR - UNICEF, SDGs and Children (2018), Lao Social Indicator Survey (LSIS) II - Lao Statistics Bureau (2018), Assessment of Students Learning Outcomes (ASLO) (2017), The Situation of Children and Women, Lao People's Democratic Republic - UNICEF (2019), Recovery and Resilience in Lao PDR - World Bank (2019).

Our presence in Lao PDR



8 provinces
23 districts

140 staff

350,000 people served in 2022

Our partners in 2022 and 2023

With the start of a new strategy cycle, we are grateful for the continuing support received from a wide range of stakeholders to make a difference in the lives of the most vulnerable children:

DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS & UNITED NATIONS



GOVERNMENT OF LAO PDR - LINE MINISTRIES



WORLD VISION'S SUPPORT OFFICES



What we achieved in 2022



Integrated Health & Nutrition

- 10,935 pregnant women, mothers, and caregivers** received knowledge on nutrition and infectious diseases with the support of **649 village health volunteers** trained by World Vision, and **66 Health Centres supported** with medical supplies
- 3,094 households** accessed financial services through new Saving Groups
- 3,726 households** improved their access to clean water
- 2,519 households** were trained and resourced to practice climate-sensitive agriculture, including improved home gardening and small animal raising techniques



Education

- 5,075 children** participated in our education programmes to enhance literacy
- 87 teachers and 91 volunteers** trained and supported through our education programmes
- 1,075 families** participated in nurturing care activities to enable a caring environment for the healthy development of children under 5
- 120 students** transitioned to lower secondary school through conditional education assistance programme



Humanitarian & Emergency Affairs

- 10,747 individuals**, including 1,101 children, supported with food assistance in COVID-19 quarantine centers
- 51 communities** trained on Community-Based Disaster Risk Reduction (CBDRR)
- 45 communities** in areas prone to flood have rehabilitated public assets through the Food For Assets project with World Food Programme



Child Rights & Equity

- 1,662 people with disabilities** supported by our programmes
- 4,843 children** participating in World Vision's Children's Day campaign
- 737 households** drafted their Community-Change plans
- 415 faith leaders** actively involved in our programmes
- Influenced and contributed to **7 national policies** for children in Lao PDR