

USAID/JORDAN INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Ensuring strong collaboration among USAID and its development partners is a critical priority in order to avoid duplication, harmonize our efforts wherever possible, and make us more strategic as a Mission about our programming. Responding to this priority, we have worked expeditiously to roll out two key tools that have significantly increased the visibility and transparency of our work in Jordan. These tools are DevResults and a Geographic Information System (GIS) – ArcGIS.

DevResults Snapshots







DevResults – Management Information System (MIS)

DevResults is a web-based platform that enables USAID Implementing Partners (IPs) to easily report their performance monitoring data in a standardized fashion across the entire USAID/Jordan portfolio. Gathering all data in a centralized database and a standard format ensures that Mission decisionmakers have ready access to up-to-date information on project performance. This allows USAID to be more strategic in its work with partners, facilitating adaptive management and reducing the reporting workload of IPs.

As a result of the successful deployment of DevResults, the Mission's 22 largest Activities have been directly inputting performance indicator data on a quarterly basis for the past two fiscal years (FY2015, FY2016) and the Mission now has the ability to generate reports of performance data at the Implementing Mechanism, Project and Development Objective (DO) levels as well as across the entire portfolio, streamlining reporting to Washington and other stakeholders.

DevResults also allows USAID to create and populate tailored performance reports. Custom reports can be built and saved based on the specific needs of users, increasing the efficiency of the system in meeting managers' priorities.

Demonstrating the utility of DevResults in supporting the Mission's data-driven decision-making, the Mission recently achieved the critical milestone of using the system to generate indicator data tables and visualizations for use in Portfolio Reviews and the Performance Plan and Report (PPR).



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USAID/JORDAN's GIS currently contains 9,000 records of interventions related to USAID-funded infrastructure, training and grants

Map produced by Geographic Information System – ArcGIS

ArcGIS - Geographic Information System (GIS)

As a result of its recently-achieved ability to effectively map USAID project interventions throughout Jordan, GIS is being utilized as a tool to increase collaboration and better understand the breadth of USAID's work. Detailed, accurate, and effective maps of USAID-funded interventions and results are essential in helping USAID and its partners quickly and clearly understand who is working in a given governorate, what sectors are being covered, and where there may be opportunities to further collaborate or de-conflict by working with local officials, ensuring a unified message or combining requests for support of a governor, for example.

The quality of maps and their effective use requires the most upto-date and accurate data on intervention locations and other characteristics. In order to ensure standardized, comprehensive and timely availability of geospatial data, reporting of GIS coordinates and corresponding activity-level details is required as a part of every award. These data are updated quarterly by IPs using both a standardized template uploaded through DevResults and quarterly reports submitted to USAID.

In a country the size of Jordan, with the resources entrusted to the Mission, there is a visible and imminent need to increase coordination to ensure that the Mission has the most tangible and sustainable impact possible. The successful population and use of DevResults and GIS help ensure that USAID and its partners have the information needed to reach our objectives and demonstrate our successes.

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