

FAR NORTH QUEENSLAND MAJOR PROJECTS PIPELINE



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Overview

In 2022-23 the Queensland Government will deliver a \$1.2 billion capital works program in the Far North Queensland (FNQ) region, providing essential infrastructure to meet the increasing service needs of residents and directly support an estimated 3,900 jobs. 📍

The Queensland Government is strengthening FNQ with significant expenditure in 2022–23 through capital works spending, including record investment in health, education and training, and transport infrastructure, to support employment and stimulate the economy.

The data contained within the 2022 FNQ Major Projects Pipeline booklet incorporates detailed information sourced from private developers and investors, plus specified projects noted within the *Queensland Government Capital Statement 2022-23*. Also included is a breakdown of Cape York public capital projects and a list of planned renewable energy and mining projects.

This booklet provides information on projects currently under construction but not yet completed, as well as committed and planned projects in the pipeline.

This information can be used by local contractors and suppliers to ensure they are ready to take advantage of the future opportunities and steady construction activity that FNQ is currently experiencing.

With this strong capital program for the Far North Queensland region, we are confident that the pipeline of projects will create the jobs of tomorrow, sustain economic growth and support a more secure future for the region.

This booklet aims to:



assist businesses to be ‘job ready’ to take advantage of opportunities



support and grow jobs in Far North Queensland



inform government and private sectors of future peak demand for labour and resources



assist with future infrastructure planning and construction timing, so that job levels are sustained over the longer term




promote further investment and growth by minimising bottlenecks and cost increases thereby retaining jobs in our region.

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About the department

As Queensland's population and economy grows, the department is future focused, we think ahead and act now, to secure responsible economic development and liveable communities. 



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The department achieves outcomes by connecting with industry, business, community and government at all levels to create place-based solutions that leverage regional strengths and unlock sustainable growth.

We are directly supporting Queensland businesses through the \$3.34 billion Queensland Jobs Fund, to boost the state's industry footprint, create jobs and strengthen the economy.

To strengthen your regional supply chain, please contact the Far North Queensland Regional Office (details on back cover) to discuss how we:

- › assist major contractors and subcontractors to develop local content strategies
- › build regional supply chain capability and capacity
- › mentor regional businesses to prepare effective capability statements
- › advise regional businesses on government and private-sector tendering processes
- › link regional industry with project information
- › connect industry with government support.

Summary of public and private project spend

Far North Queensland, in particular Cairns (SA4)*, is experiencing a downward trend in the unemployment rate, currently 4.6 per cent**, similar to the Queensland average. Following the loss of workers from overseas due to COVID-19 restrictions, international borders are opening and with increased interstate net migration, we are seeing positive employment growth (5.5 per cent), and an increased participation rate of 69.0 per cent compared with 66.1 per cent in June 2021. The construction industry made up 8.1 per cent of employment and had a gross revenue of \$4.3 billion in Far North Queensland in 2021***.

Although these figures look positive, they hide the reality that we are experiencing skill shortages across Australia. In combination with materials shortages and inflation, construction costs have increased considerably since the start of the pandemic. This has put pressure on building companies and developers, delaying projects across Queensland.

There are several major private developments in the pipeline, with the majority of projects in the residential sector. Botanica Lifestyle Resort is continuing its strong sales with six stages sold out, and PPNQ Developments' The Palms Masterplanned Estate will see Cairns' northern beaches continue its strong growth. South of Cairns continues to have strong residential growth in Mount Peter and Gordonvale, with Cutters Rise selling Stage 2 and areas like the Cairns South State Development Area earmarked for medium and heavy industrial development.

Looking forward over the next few years, it is estimated that \$2.4 billion

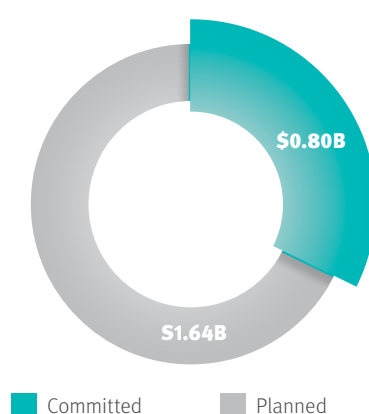
worth of investment on major private projects is committed or planned, refer Figure 1.

The amount of public capital investment in Far North Queensland over the next few years is considerable, with almost \$4 billion committed and planned, refer Figure 2.

New and continuing major public projects like Bruce Highway – Southern Access Corridor upgrades, Kennedy Highway upgrades and other road projects, Cairns Mental Health Unit and other health projects, Cairns Convention Centre expansion, Cairns Marine Precinct wharf upgrades, state school projects, and considerable investment in social housing will see approximately half a billion dollars invested by the Queensland Government in the region this financial year.

In addition to the Australian Department of Defence's commitment to delivering \$155 million for the HMAS Cairns upgrade and new wharf project, the Australian Government and Queensland Government have committed a combined \$300 million towards a Common User Facility in the Cairns Marine Precinct. This investment will assist in the diversification of the region and support the FNQ economy by enhancing

Figure 1
FNQ major private projects in the pipeline – 2022/23 and beyond



Source: FNQ Major Projects Pipeline spreadsheet

*Source - Cairns Statistical Area Level 4 (SA4) is comprised of five statistical area level 3s of Cairns - North, Cairns - South, Innisfail – Cassowary Coast, Port Douglas - Daintree and Tablelands (East) - Kuranda.

**Source – Queensland Government Statistician's Office – June 2022

***Source – Remplan

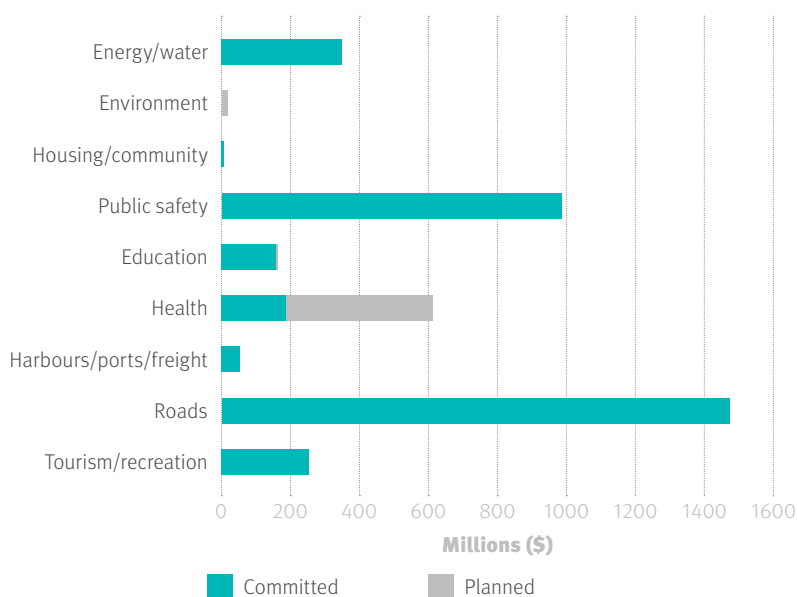
the infrastructure capacity and capabilities in the precinct, optimising the use of waterfront land, and capitalising on emerging defence and marine industry opportunities.

A summary of Torres and Cape York public capital projects shows a commitment of \$363.7 million for current and upcoming public projects refer *Figure 3*, with a budgeted spend of \$201.1 million this financial year (2022–23) across several project categories.

Mining (particularly new economy minerals) and renewable energy projects are a focus not just in Queensland and Australia, but also globally, and it is important to note projects across Far North Queensland. Whilst it is appreciated that planning and environmental approvals and finance take time to secure in order to bring these projects to reality, the level of activity and interest shown by potential proponents results in an estimated \$4.2 billion in the pipeline, refer *Figure 4* and *Figure 5*. These and other similar projects will be essential in meeting net zero targets in the future.

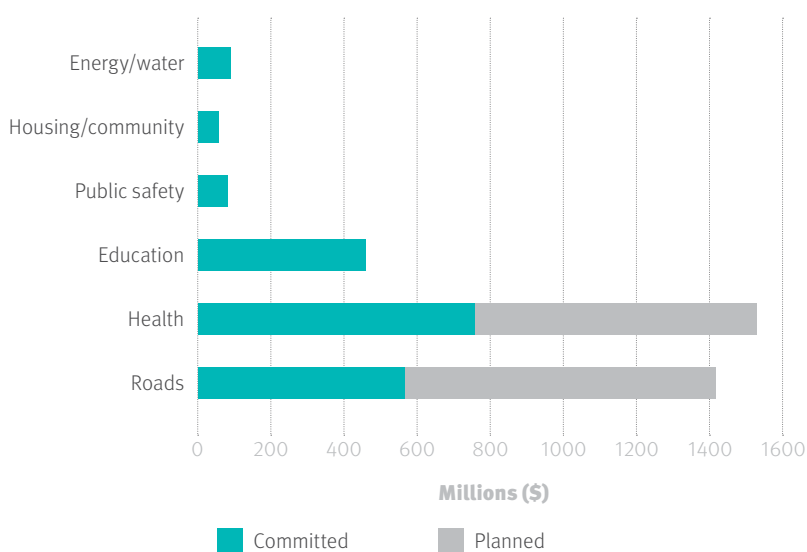
As this high level of construction activity is expected to decrease over the coming years, it is important for developments to be staggered to maintain employment levels over the longer-term. This has the added benefit of mitigating bottlenecks in both the availability of materials and subsequent labour requirements. This approach will ensure that flow-on economic benefit continues and will promote future investment and growth in our region.

Figure 2
FNQ public capital projects in the pipeline – 2022/23 and beyond



Source: Queensland Government Capital Statement 2022–23

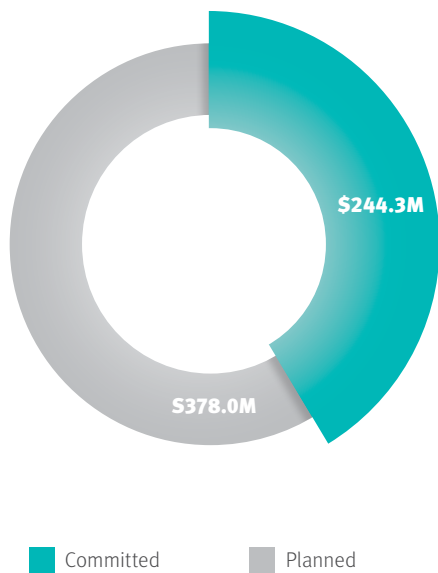
Figure 3
Cape York public capital projects in the pipeline – 2022–23 and beyond



Source: Queensland Government Capital Statement 2022–23

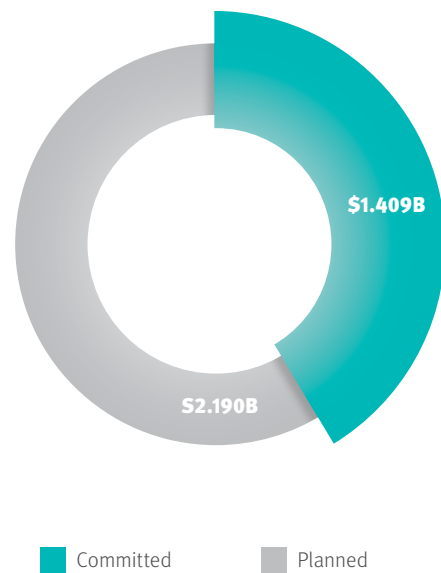


Figure 4
FNQ mining projects in the pipeline –
2022–23 and beyond



Source: Private proponents and public news articles


Figure 5
FNQ renewable energy projects in the pipeline –
2022–23 and beyond



Source: Private proponents and public news articles,
EPW Electricity Generation Map

FNQ Construction Outlook

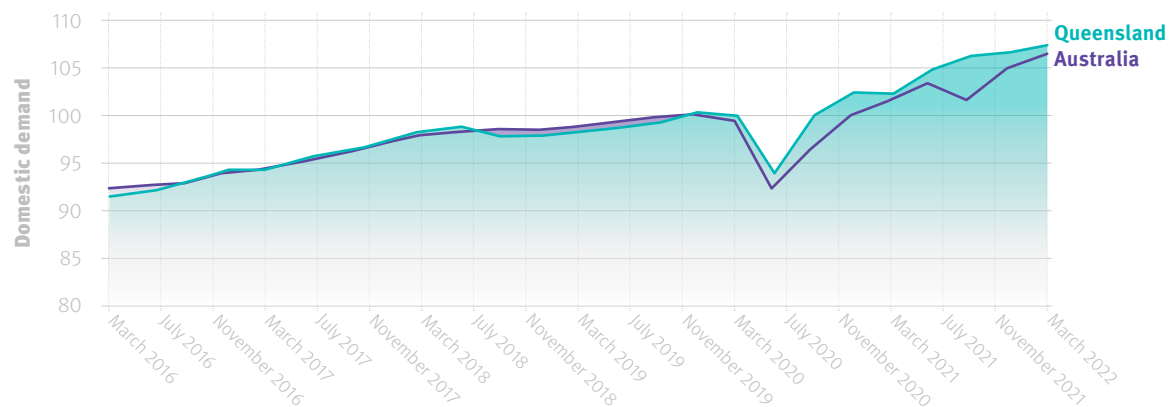
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During the last 12 months, Queensland moved out of the ‘emergency’ phase of the pandemic and passed through the ‘reopening’ without incident. The next 12 months will be a period of ‘normalisation’ as authorities attempt to restore normal functioning to the economy. 

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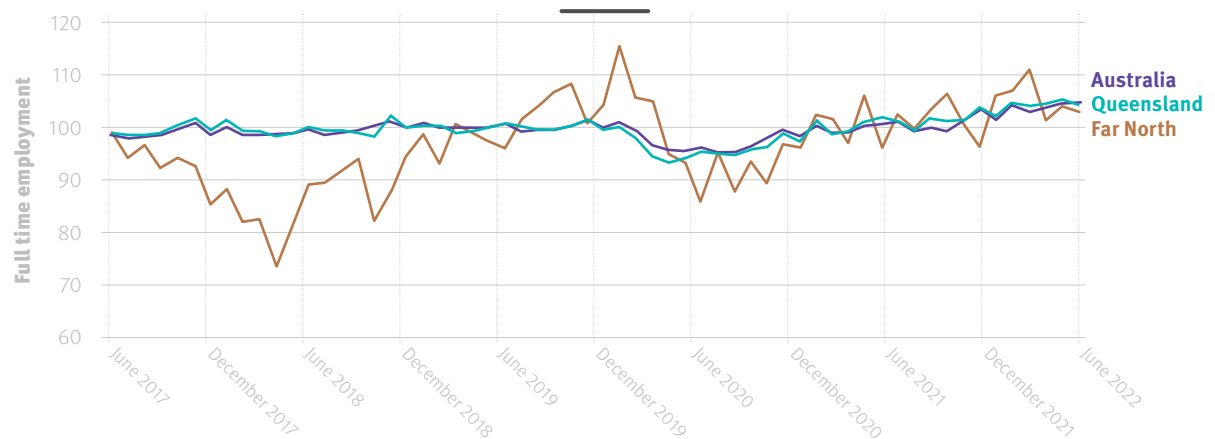
It is important to note the strong economic position in which Queensland finds itself as we embark on what is hopefully the final chapter of the pandemic. Queensland's economy recovered quicker and stronger than the nation as-a-whole and is now tracking well above its pre-pandemic path. The labour market has also not been this healthy in nearly a decade.

Figure 6
Economic activity index



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics

Figure 7
Employment index

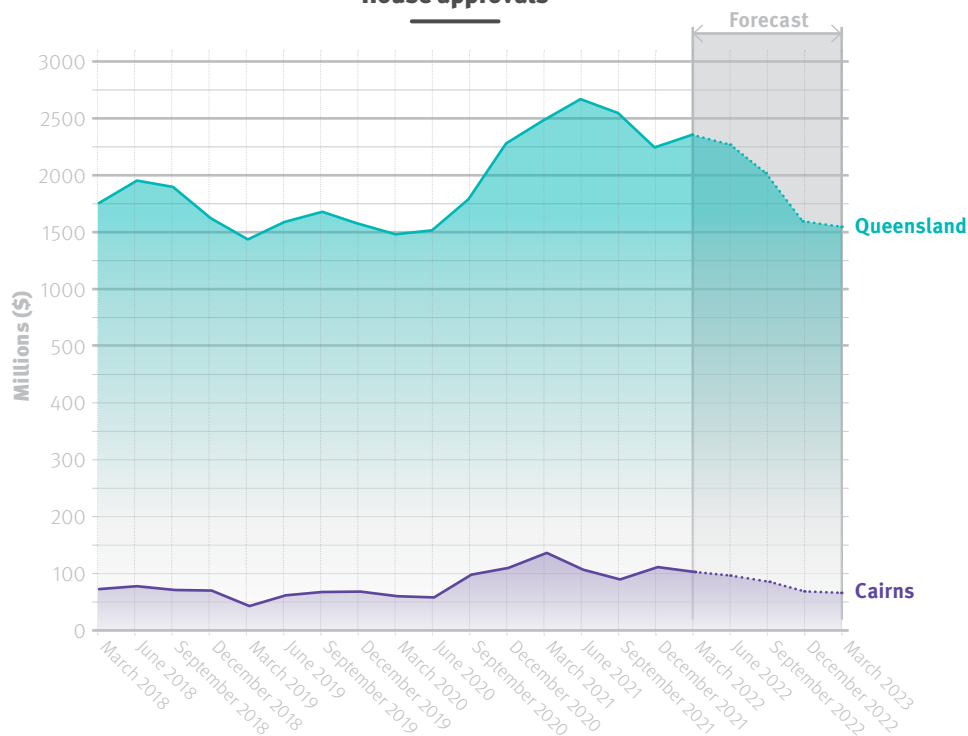


Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics

Housing boom leaving a long echo

Far North Queensland (FNQ) received its fair share of the house building boom that gripped Australia during the pandemic. And while other regions have seen the market fall as quickly as it climbed, FNQ seems to be staying higher for longer. Housing approvals have clearly peaked, but the flow of new projects remains stronger than we would expect given the state of the market.

Figure 8
House approvals



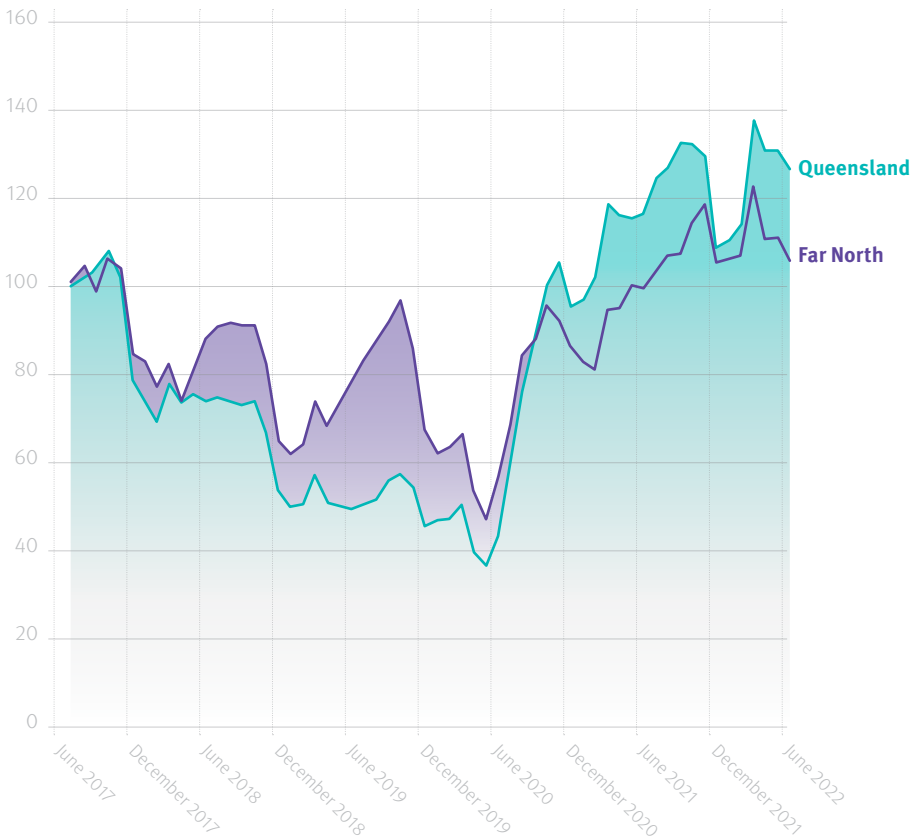
Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics

This steep run-up in approvals has left behind a large backlog of projects that will keep FNQ's builders and trades busy well into 2023. This high level of demand will be exacerbated by constraints on the supply-side. While material bottlenecks are beginning to clear, the effects of the pandemic on migration continue to be felt across the labour market.

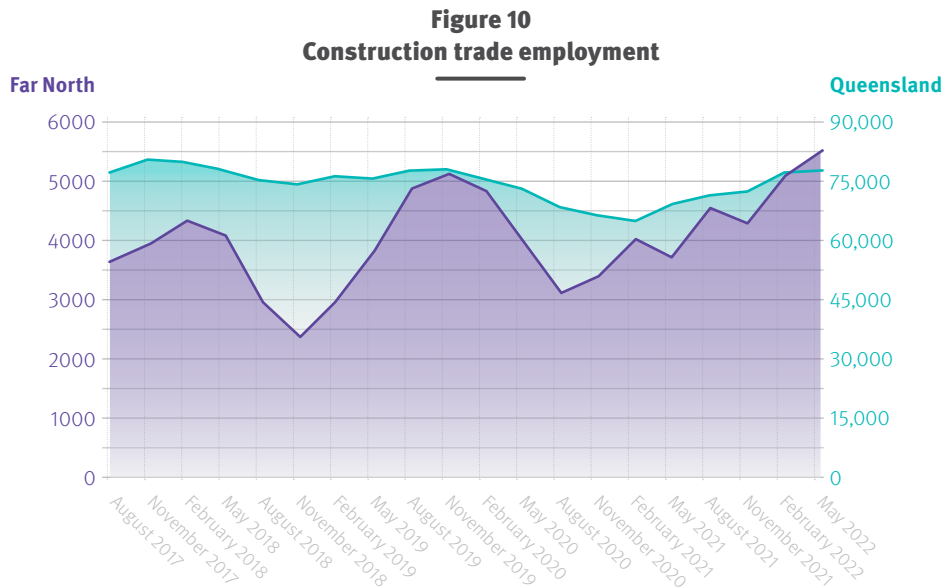
Labour market remains extremely tight

The FNQ region continues to face significant labour shortages. While job advertisements for construction trade workers are 40 per cent above pre-pandemic levels, trade employment has only just regained its pre-pandemic level. Trade employment is now on a welcome upward trend, but it is more sluggish than it needs to be given the high level of demand for construction services.

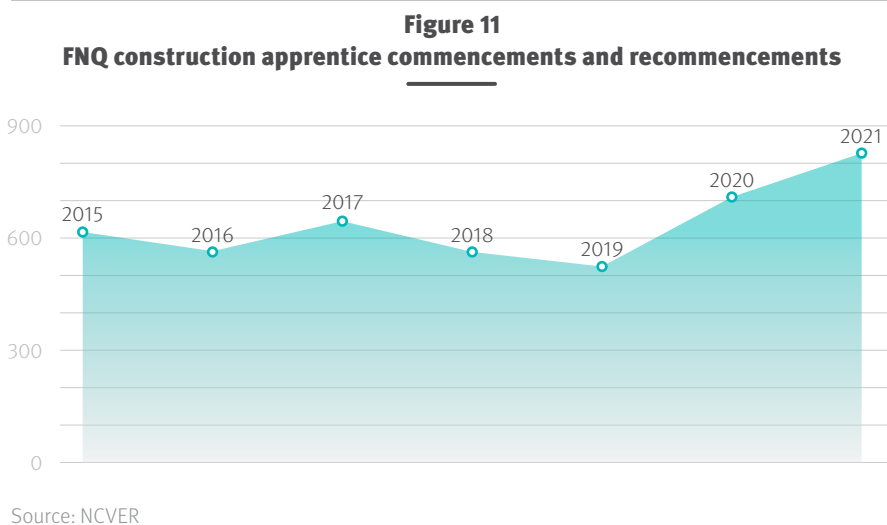
Figure 9
Construction trade job advertisements



Source: NSC



While the labour market remains very challenging in the short-term, this has been offset by a doubling of apprentice starts during the pandemic. And although that line is now back to normal levels, its work has been done – there are now a record 1,500 construction apprentices in-training in FNQ. Soon enough, these trainees will be converted into a valuable crop of freshly-minted tradespeople ready to tackle the region's next phase of growth.

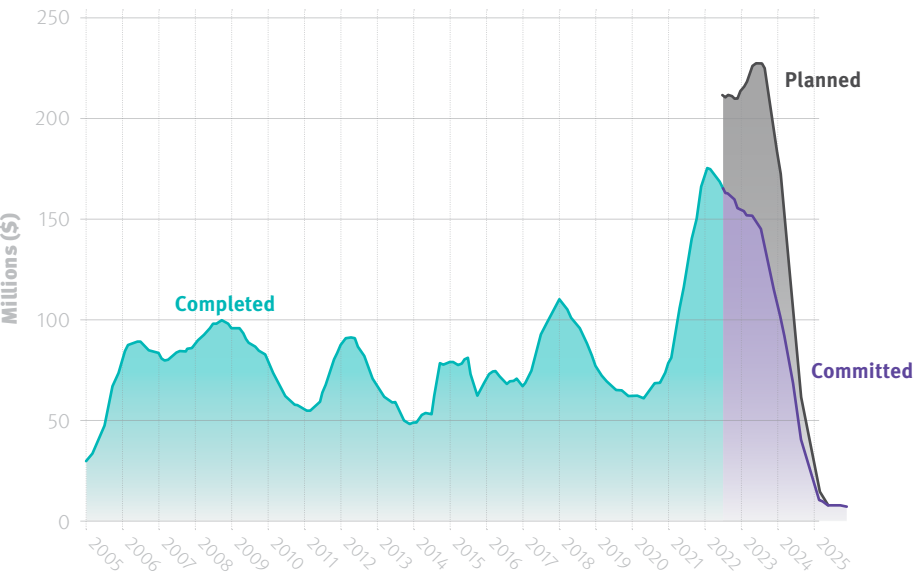


Major project pipeline continues to build

Labour shortages and strong housing demand provide the backdrop to our major projects outlook. CSQ is currently tracking a significant pipeline of major projects across Far North Queensland – over 700 projects. Of these, roughly half are committed and either underway or will begin in the next year or so.

This pipeline of public and private projects amounts to \$3.2 billion worth of construction activity to be undertaken over the next 2-3 years, with another \$1.6 billion in projects planned but not yet committed. Historically speaking, this is a significant pipeline of work.

Figure 12
Major projects activity outlook



Source: CSQ

The majority of these committed projects are in the heavy and civil sector, often sponsored by governments. The Queensland Government, for example, has budgeted a record amount of capital investment in the region – nearly \$1 billion for 2022-23 alone.

The increasing importance of renewables

The other notable aspect of this year's outlook is the increased presence of renewables-related projects in the pipeline. Some very significant projects are now in play, including Kaban's Green Power Hub, Genex's Kidston Hydroelectric Project and the Daintree Microgrid.

Our latest research report, developed with CSIRO, reveals the scale of the impact of the renewables transition on northern Queensland's project pipeline out to 2050. The challenge is significant. Our modelling suggests construction activity will need to increase between 80 and 140 per cent to absorb the demand from renewables investment between now and 2050.

The existing workforce will not be sufficient to digest this level of investment. We estimate that parts of the construction workforce will need to expand by between 75 and 100 per cent to absorb this level of additional activity in the northern region.

Our full report, Queensland's Renewable Future, and further detailed analysis is available at csq.org.au/renewables.

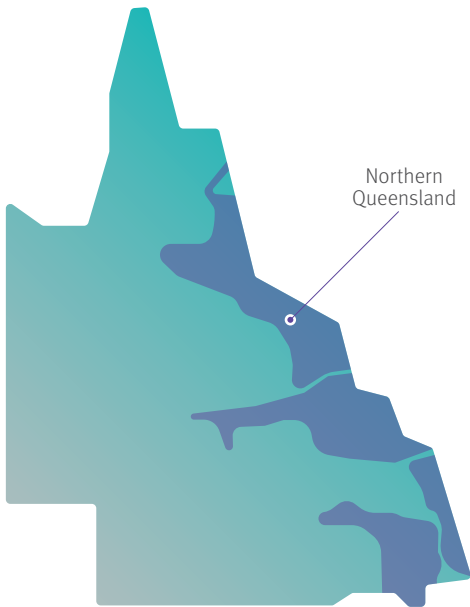
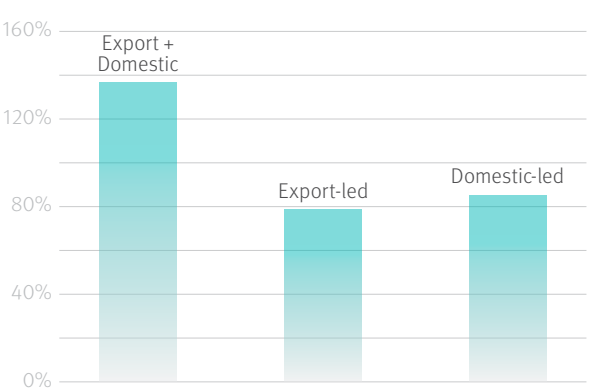


Figure 13
Impacts on construction activity



Source: CSQ

Figure 14
Impacts on construction labour



Source: CSQ

About Construction Skills Queensland



Construction Skills Queensland partners with major projects to develop a ready supply of skilled workers for every stage of these high impact projects.

CSQ helps industry understand future workforce requirements and supports **targeted workforce plans** that provide security and sustainability to project budgets and timeframes.

CSQ respects that each region and every project is unique and, therefore, encourages **local training solutions** that are tailored for individual project demands.

We provide the most **up-to-date thinking** on construction skills and training, underpinned by research and analysis on the drivers that will impact current and future workforce requirements.

This **empowers industry** with a line of sight to the future and the ability to stay one step ahead of potential challenges.

CSQ works alongside project teams to:

- collaborate on workforce plans
- identify any potential skills gaps for projects and provide meaningful solutions
- identify project-specific training and funding solutions
- provide guidance and support where needed around the Queensland Government Building and Construction Training Policy (Training Policy), and other Government procurement policies targeting social inclusion and local content.

CSQ's Workforce Planning capability provides free-of-charge support to industry to:

Save time and cost



Meet contract requirements including navigating Qld Procurement Policy



Navigate industry licensing and the VET apprenticeships/traineeship system



Establish strategies to attract, retain and develop your workforce



Identify funding opportunities and registered training organisations (RTOs)



Connect to a network of industry stakeholders



If you would like to explore how CSQ may assist your project, sector or region please contact us

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FNQ public capital projects

Location	Proponent / Developer / Department	Project	Status	Total project (\$m)	Expenditure to 30/06/22 (\$m)	2022/23 (\$m)	2023/24 and beyond (\$m)
ROADS							
Cairns	Department of Transport and Main Roads	Bruce Hwy - Southern Access Corridor - STAGE 3 - Edmonton to Gordonvale	Commenced	481.000	356.850	117.398	6.752
		Bruce Hwy - Southern Access Corridor - STAGE 5 - Foster Road upgrade intersection	Committed	225.000	2.287	3.750	218.963
		Cairns Southern Access Cycleway	Commenced	24.029	10.551	2.937	10.541
		Cairns Ring Road	Committed	359.000	8.403	10.471	340.126
		Cairns Western Arterial Road, Redlynch Connector Road to Captain Cook Hwy duplication	Committed	300.000	9.057	18.200	272.743
Cairns to Mareeba		Kennedy Highway (Cairns to Mareeba) road safety enhancement works	Commenced	12.826	1.899	9.027	1.900
Kuranda		Kennedy Highway, Kuranda Range, Intelligent Transport System	Commenced	35.000	12.130	12.870	10.000
Cowley		Bruce Highway, Liverpool Creek to Aldridge Road (Cowley), realign and widen pavement	Committed	24.900	2.380	6.150	16.370
Northern Beaches	Cairns Regional Council	Kewarra Beach and Trinity Beach link road	Commenced	4.950	1.200	3.750	
		Northern Beaches Leisure Trail	Commenced	5.600	0.700	4.900	
HEALTH							
Cairns	Queensland Health - Cairns and Hinterland Hospital and Health Service	Cairns Hospital Emergency Department expansion	Committed	30.000	6.811	20.400	2.789
		Cairns Hospital Mental Health Unit	Commenced	70.000	10.962	38.190	20.848
		Cairns Health Innovation Centre building	Planned	160.000			160.000
		Capacity Expansion Program, additional beds & new 32-bed surgical centre	Planned	250.000			250.000
		Cairns AODS residence	Planned	TBA			TBA
Atherton		Atherton Hospital redevelopment	Commenced	74.800	62.600	12.200	
Cow Bay		Cow Bay Primary Health Care Centre replacement	Committed	14.000			14.000
Cairns	Queensland Health - Queensland Ambulance Service	Cairns Ambulance Station and Operations Centre redevelopment	Committed	14.415	0.796	3.444	10.175

■ Possible/Planned

Location	Proponent / Developer / Department	Project	Status	Total project (\$m)	Expenditure to 30/06/22 (\$m)	2022/23 (\$m)	2023/24 and beyond (\$m)
HEALTH							
Mareeba	Mission Australia / Australian Government	10-bed mental health facility	Committed	TBA			TBA
EDUCATION							
Cairns	Department of Education	Edge Hill State School administration upgrades	Commenced	4.680	1.657	2.207	0.816
		Redlynch State College Junior & Senior Campuses upgrade existing hall facilities	Committed	6.256	0.056	4.030	2.170
		Trinity Bay State High School new hall facility	Committed	10.350	0.343	5.204	4.803
		Woree State School new hall facility	Committed	1.530	0.225	1.305	
		Cairns State High School additional specialist classrooms	Committed	0.606		0.606	
		Cairns State Special School additional classrooms	Committed	9.141		2.190	6.951
		Cairns West State School amenities upgrades	Commenced	0.840	0.309	0.531	
Gordonvale		Gordonvale State High School additional specialist classrooms	Committed	0.565		0.565	
Innisfail		Innisfail State College additional specialist classrooms	Committed	0.364		0.364	
Tully		Tully State High School additional classrooms	Committed	2.168		2.168	
Malanda		Malanda State High School additional classrooms	Commenced	10.580	2.053	6.395	2.132
Atherton		Atherton State High School two court undercover training centre and two outdoor courts	Committed	2.500		2.500	
Cairns	Department of Employment, Small Business and Training - TAFE	Cairns Advanced Manufacturing Hub and Cairns Cyber Security Training Operation Centre	Committed	5.600	0.420	5.180	
Mareeba	Department of Agriculture and Fisheries	Mareeba research facility upgrades	Commenced	3.360	0.840	2.520	
Cairns	Catholic Education	Northern Beaches Catholic Primary School - The Palms	Committed	5.700*			5.700

■ Possible/Planned

*Private and public funding

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EDUCATION							
Cairns	James Cook University	FNQ Health and innovation Precinct / Cairns Tropical Enterprise Centre	Committed	50.000*			50.000
Cairns	CQ University	New city campus - Grafton Street	Committed	50.000*			50.000
TOURISM/RECREATION							
Cairns	Department Energy and Public Works	Cairns Convention Centre Upgrade & Expansion	Commenced	172.171	126.080	46.091	
Port Douglas	Department of Tourism, Innovation and Sport	Wangetti Trail	Commenced	35.891	6.915	8.922	20.054
Cairns		Barlow Park light upgrade	Committed	10.000		4.000	6.000
Cairns	Department of the Premier and Cabinet	Screen Queensland - Far North Queensland film studio	Committed	12.600	0.500	12.100	
Daintree	Department of Environment and Science	Daintree National Park - Eastern Yalanjiwarra Culture and Tourism Hub and Visitor Centre	Commenced	3.438	0.338	0.310	2.790
Atherton Tablelands		Crater Lakes National Park walking track upgrade	Commenced	3.300	0.850	0.500	1.950
Great Barrier Reef		Great Barrier Reef Investment Marine park reef trails	Commenced	2.500	0.750	1.000	0.750
Cairns	Cairns Regional Council	Cairns Gallery Precinct (current stage)	Commenced	10.000	1.550	8.000	0.450
		Kenrick Street Park and Fisher Road Park	Commenced	6.700	0.275	3.425	3.000
		Sugarworld Adventure Park upgrades	Committed	1.000		1.000	
PUBLIC SAFETY							
Cairns	Queensland Police Service	Cairns police facility upgrade	Commenced	17.412	11.099	6.313	
		Cairns West new police facility	Commenced	2.050	1.046	1.004	
		Woree replacement police facility	Commenced	9.223	3.178	6.045	
Cairns	Department of Defence	HMAS Cairns - demolish and reconstruct including expansion and new wharf	Committed	155.000	155.000		
Greenvale		Australia-Singapore Military Training Initiative at Greenvale	Committed	155.000	800.000		

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HARBOURS/PORTS/FREIGHT							
Cairns	Queensland Government / Far North Queensland Ports Corporation Ltd	Cairns Marine Precinct wharf upgrades early works	Commenced	32.000	10.303	7.279	14.418
Cairns	Department of Transport and Main Roads	Yorkeys Knob Boat Ramp	Commenced	12.033	5.108	6.225	0.700
Cairns	Queensland Government / Air Freight Handling Services	Agricultural export centre Cairns Airport - Regional Trade Distribution Centre	Commenced	10.000	10.000		
Cairns	Queensland Rail	Cairns Train Station upgrades	Planned	TBA			TBA
Cairns	Australian Government / Queensland Government	Cairns Marine Precinct Common User Facility	Planned	TBA			TBA
HOUSING/COMMUNITY							
Cairns	Department of Communities, Housing and Digital Economy	Construct social housing in Cairns	Committed	ongoing	ongoing	25.848	
		Upgrade existing social housing in Cairns	Committed	ongoing	ongoing	25.747	
		Lyons Street Diversionary Centre expansion	Committed	4.350	1.350	3.000	
		Atherton Neighbourhood and Community Centre	Committed	1.907		1.907	
ENVIRONMENT							
Cairns and FNQ	Regional Development Australia Tropical North	Plastics recycling hub	Planned	14.000			14.000
ENERGY/WATER							
Cairns	Department of Energy and Public Works - Energy Queensland	McLeod Street depot redevelopment Stage 2	Commenced	18.500	0.702	11.877	5.921
		Network augmentation	Commenced	ongoing	ongoing	17.330	
		8MWh grid-connected battery	Committed	TBA		TBA	
Davies Creek		Davies Creek to Bayview Heights 275 kilovolt refit	Commenced	42.000	1.164	1.671	39.165
Mossman		Mossman Substation, transmission plant and timber feeder replacement	Commenced	28.150	1.918	3.026	23.206
Cairns	Department of Energy and Public Works - Cleanco Qld	Barron Gorge Hydro other projects	Committed	ongoing	ongoing	1.051	
Cardstone		Kareeya Hydro other projects	Committed	ongoing	ongoing	2.022	
Cairns	Cairns Regional Council	Mount Peter water reservoir	Committed	17.800	0.300	5.500	12.000
		Cairns Water Security – Stage 1	Committed	248.000*	7.800	5.800	234.400

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*Joint funding arrangement with Queensland Government and Australian Government

Cape York public capital projects

Location	Proponent / Developer / Department	Project	Status	Total project (\$m)	Expenditure to 30/06/22 (\$m)	2022/23 (\$m)	2023/24 and beyond (\$m)
ROADS							
Coen to Weipa	Department of Transport and Main Roads	Peninsula Developmental Road, Archer River Crossing, construct bridge project and southern approach pave and seal project	Commenced	56.329	8.657	30.421	17.251
Cooktown to Weipa		Cooktown to Weipa Corridor Upgrade, future priorities, funding commitment	Planned	85.625			85.625
HEALTH							
Torres Strait	Queensland Health - Torres and Cape Hospital and Health Service	Thursday Island Hospital redevelopment and separate primary health care centre	Commenced	46.000	31.397	11.000	3.603
		Mer (Murray) Island Primary Health Care Centre building replacement	Commenced	8.800	1.192	7.608	
		Northern BMS & Generators	Commenced	1.910	1.167	0.743	
		Thursday Island CT Scanner	Committed	2.142		2.142	
		Moa Island, St Pauls Primary Health Care Centre and Kubin Primary Health Care Centre upgrades	Planned	4.000	0.098	0.200	3.702
Thursday Island Renal - design stage		Planned	1.457	0.150	1.307		
Weipa		Weipa Hospital HVAC and birthing centre upgrades	Committed	6.853	0.937	5.916	
Bamaga, Cooktown & Weipa		Isolation Project - planning stage	Committed	3.000		3.000	
Pormpuraaw		Pormpuraaw Primary Health Care Centre replacement	Committed	TBA			TBA
Bamaga		Bamaga Primary Health Care Centre replacement	Committed	TBA			TBA
		Bamaga Employee Accommodation - design stage	Planned	1.315	0.054	1.261	
Kowanyama		Kowanyama Renal - design stage	Planned	0.300	0.096	0.204	
Cooktown		Cooktown Hospital redevelopment	Planned	77.000			77.000
PUBLIC SAFETY							
Aurukun	Queensland Police Service	Aurukun police facility upgrade	Commenced	7.800	6.020	1.780	

■ Possible/Planned

Location	Proponent / Developer / Department	Project	Status	Total project (\$m)	Expenditure to 30/06/22 (\$m)	2022/23 (\$m)	2023/24 and beyond (\$m)
EDUCATION							
Aurukun	Department of Education	Aurukun State School administration upgrades	Commenced	2.220	0.555	1.665	
Weipa		Western Cape College, Weipa additional classrooms	Committed	10.115		2.753	7.362
Torres Strait		Tagai State College, Thursday Island Primary Campus	Committed	6.300	0.200	6.100	
		Tagai State College, Kazi Meta Boarding Centre, Horn Island	Committed	13.100	0.500	11.600	1.000
Far North Region		Education facilities in discrete communities - planning	Committed	14.500		4.500	10.000
HOUSING/COMMUNITY							
Torres & Cape	Department of Communities, Housing and Digital Economy	Construction of and upgrades to social housing dwellings in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities (Property, Plant and Equipment)	Committed	ongoing	ongoing	27.100	
		Construction of and upgrades to Social housing dwellings in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, and undertake land infrastructure development (Capital Grants)	Committed	ongoing	ongoing	74.300	
Torres Strait	Department of Seniors, Disability Services and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships	Thursday Island Splash Park	Commenced	3.000	0.389	2.611	
Pajinka	Department of Tourism, Innovation and Sport	Campsite, carpark and boardwalk	Committed	2.000		2.000	
Tores Strait		Thursday Island Tourism Information and Business Centre	Committed	1.000		0.800	0.200
ENERGY/WATER							
Northern Peninsula Area	Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning	NPA water supply system, replacement of pipelines,water supply rectification and repair works	Commenced	9.000	5.582	3.418	
Lakeland	Australian Government	Lakeland Irrigation Area Scheme project	Planned	TBA			TBA

FNQ mining and renewable energy projects

Location	Proponent / Developer / Department	Project	Status	Total project (\$m)	2022/23 (\$m)	2023/24 and beyond (\$m)
MINING						
Aurukun	Glencore / Mitsubishi	Aurukun Bauxite project	Committed	165.000		165.000
Mt Carbine	Specialty Metals International Ltd	Mt Carbine Tungsten	Committed	51.000		51.000
Weipa	Metro Mining Ltd	Bauxite Hills Mine Stage 2 expansion	Committed	28.300	28.300	
Einasleigh	Aurora Metals Limited	Einasleigh Joint Venture Copper project	Planned	122.000		122.000
Aurukun	Advanced Energy Minerals	Kendall Kaolin Mine project	Planned	125.000		125.000
Cape Bedford	Diatreme Resources / Hope Vale Congress	Galalar Silica Sand project	Planned	32.000		32.000
Cape Flattery	Metallica Minerals	Cape Flattery Silica Sand project	Planned	79.000		79.000
Chillagoe	R3D Resources	Chillagoe copper mine	Planned	TBA		TBA
Laura	Pacgold	Alice River Gold project	Planned	20.000		20.000
Mt Garnet / Ravenshoe	Fomento Group / Tablelands Mining Group	Mount Garnet iron ore operations expansion	Planned	TBA		TBA
RENEWABLE ENERGY						
Ravenshoe	Neoen	Kaban Green Power Hub	Under construction	373.000	373.000	
Lakeland	Windlab Ltd	Lakeland Wind Farm	Committed	200.000		200.000
Daintree	Australian Government	Daintree Microgrid project	Committed	19.000	19.000	
South of Cairns	Queensland Government / Powerlink	Transmission line upgrades	Committed	40.000	40.000	
Kidston	Genex Power Limited	Kidston Pumped Storage Hydro project	Under construction	777.000	777.000	
Kidston	Genex Power Limited	Kidston Solar project (Stage 2)	Planned	TBA		TBA
Kidston	Genex Power Limited	Kidston Wind Farm 150MW	Planned	TBA		TBA
Atherton	NESI Australia (Qingdao New Energy Solutions Inc.)	Atherton Solar Farm	Planned	TBA		TBA
Lakeland	Lyon Group	Cape York Solar Storage	Planned	150.000		150.000
Cooktown	Wind Power Queensland	Archer Point Wind Farm	Planned	288.000		288.000
Evelyn	Ratch Australia	High Road Wind Farm	Planned	90.000		90.000
Ravenshoe	Epuron	Chalumbin Wind Farm	Planned	1200.000		1200.000
Forsyth	Iberdrola (Infigen) Energy	Forsyth Wind Farm	Planned	250.000		250.000
Weipa	First Solar	Weipa Solar Farm (Stage 2)	Planned	12.000		12.000
Mareeba	CleanGen	Mareeba Solar Farm	Planned	100.000		100.000
Mareeba	Tilt Renewables	Chewko Solar Farm	Planned	100.000		100.000

■ Committed

■ Possible/Planned

FNQ major private projects

Location	Proponent / Developer / Department	Project	Status	Total project (\$m)	2022/23 (\$m)	2023/24 and beyond (\$m)
COMMITTED						
Cairns	Botanica Property Group	Botanica retirement resort & residential estate	Under construction	200.000	200.000	
	Angaet Property Management	Raintree Shopping Centre refurbishment		20.000	20.000	
	Cairns Airport	Cairns Airport T1 Refresh Program (International Terminal)	Development approval	40.000	40.000	
	Fabcot	Woolworths Trinity Beach		18.000	18.000	
	PPNQ Developments	The Palms Masterplanned Estate		330.000	330.000	
	St John's Community Care	Retirement Village - Clifton Beach		TBA	TBA	
	Noipo Investments Pty Ltd	Citi Tower - 26-30 Sheridan St		60.000	60.000	
	Brothers Leagues Club	Stan Williams Park Manunda - upgrades		12.000	12.000	
Gordonvale	Estate of Rose Straguszi	Retirement Facility and Cutters Rise residential subdivision		65.000	65.000	
	Kroymans Developments Pty Ltd	Pinecrest Master Planned Community		39.400	39.400	
Port Douglas	Port Pacific Developments	Retirement Resort - 111-119 Port Douglas Rd		12.000	12.000	
PLANNED						
Port Douglas	Graben Pty Ltd / Northbreak Developments	Northbreak Wave Pool and Resort	Development approval	300.000		317.000
Ellis Beach	Bellbird Park Developments Pty Ltd	Eco-resort at Ellis Beach		100.000		100.000
East Trinity	Mandingalbay Yidinji Aboriginal Corporation	Eco Cultural Tourism Infrastructure Project		46.000		46.000
Cairns	Billion Century Group	Hotel and Apartment complex - 346 Sheridan St		30.000		30.000
	Mararna Street Pty Ltd	Trinity Beach apartments - Moore Street		24.000		24.000
	Donnmark Investments Pty Ltd	Aria on the Park apartment complex - 122-126 Sheridan St		20.500		20.500
	Drawbridge Developments	Terraces on the Hill - Mooroolool		12.000		12.000
	Hardwick Pty Ltd	Three-storey apartment building - 27-29 Bruce Hwy Edmonton		10.800		10.800

Location	Proponent / Developer / Department	Project	Status	Total project (\$m)	2022/23 (\$m)	2023/24 and beyond (\$m)
PLANNED						
Cairns	Yendis Entertainment Pty Ltd	Residential development - Johanna Rd Trinity Beach	Development approval	5.200		5.200
	M Deeb, MG Deeb & J P Deeb	Luxury apartment tower - 191-193 The Esplanade		TBA		TBA
	Cityview Group Pty Ltd	Luxury apartment tower - 239-245 The Esplanade		TBA		TBA
	ITK Enterprises	Early learning centre - 15-17 Marino St Whitfield		TBA		TBA
	Liral Holdings	Four-storey office building - 102 McGregor Rd		TBA		TBA
Mission Beach	Neville Smith Family	Castaways redevelopment		70.000		70.000
Cairns	Best Beach Resort Pty Ltd / Benny Wu	Acacia Court redevelopment - Retirement facility & short-term accommodation	Development application	80.000		80.000
	Palm Cove Nominees Pty Ltd	Cedar Road Residential & Resort Complex		22.000		22.000
	Bryant Development	Apogee Apartments - 157-159 Lake St		17.000		17.000
	Otto Pfeiffer	Canopy Lakes apartment complex		15.000		15.000
	North Storage Pty Ltd	Self storage (5) buildings - 920 Captain Cook Hwy		11.000		11.000
	Bohemia Investment	Residential and commercial development - 60 Kowinka St White Rock		10.800		10.800
	Bob Simkin and David Quigley	Luxury apartments - 17 Veivers Rd Palm Cove		TBA		TBA
Gordonvale	Stateland Pty Ltd	Service station and industrial subdivision - Riverstone Rd		TBA		TBA
Mareeba	Mareeba 232 Pty Ltd	Shopping Centre - Cnr Byrnes and Rankin Sts		50.000		50.000
Port Douglas	Chiodo Corp	Fairmont Accor 253-room resort	Planned	300.000		300.000
	Great Barrier Reef Legacy	The Living Coral Biobank		70.000		70.000
	GA Group	Crystalbrook Superyacht Marina		250.000		250.000
Cairns	GA Group	Lake St (carpark site)		150.000		150.000
	Cazalys	Cazalys AFL stadium upgrades		25.000		25.000
Weipa	Space Centre Australia	Large-scale, multi-use spaceport		TBA		TBA

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Featured Far North Queensland projects



CQUniversity New Campus

Construction of a purpose-built university campus in Cairns city. The new facilities will cater for double the current number of students enrolled at CQU in Cairns.

Project value: \$50 million

Project status: Final design stage



Cairns Marine Precinct Common User Facility (CUF)

An infrastructure investment business case completed in December 2021 identified the potential for a CUF to capitalise on emerging defence and marine industry opportunities in Far North Queensland. The CUF would include a 5,000 tonne shiplift, blast and paint facilities, wet berth, and hardstand areas for vessels up to 120 metres.

Project value: The Australian and Queensland Governments have committed to joint funding of \$150 million each toward the project

Project status: further investigations stage



Cairns Tropical Enterprise Centre (CTEC)

James Cook University's CTEC project within the Far North Queensland Health and Innovation Precinct is a multi-disciplinary centre of research and education. Areas of research include medical and health-related programs, data science and Internet of Things, and applying cutting-edge technology to the challenges facing health professionals and their remote, rural and Indigenous patients.

Project value: \$50 million

Project status: Final design stage

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Thursday Island Hospital and separate Primary Health Care Centre (PHCC)

The redeveloped Thursday Island Hospital will have 31 inpatient beds, seven emergency department spaces, operating theatre with four recovery spaces, and birthing suite. The project when complete will provide: a new operating theatre, new birthing suite with birthing bath, negative pressure rooms, new central sterile services, additional public access points, future CT scanner, increased telehealth, and full roof replacement.

Project value: \$46 million

Project status: Thursday Island PHCC completed March 2022. Thursday Island Hospital to be completed late 2023.

Far North Queensland

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The 2022-23 Queensland Budget supports **good jobs**, provides **better services** for all Queenslanders and protects our **great lifestyle**. In Far North Queensland it provides:

\$1.2B

on infrastructure

for productivity enhancing infrastructure and capital works estimated to support around

3,900 JOBS in this region.

\$1.5B

on health

for the Torres and Cape and Cairns and Hinterland Hospital and Health Services.

\$66.5M

on education

to maintain, improve and upgrade schools in Far North Queensland.

\$172.9M

for social housing

to expand and improve social housing in Far North Queensland. Delivered in partnership with the Australian Government.

\$20.6M

for Screen Queensland - Far North Queensland film studio

including \$13.4 million in 2022-23 for the construction and operation of a new film studio in Cairns.

\$6.6M

for Skilling Queenslanders for Work

to fund more training opportunities and increase workforce participation.

Delivering for the Far North Queensland region



Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements

An estimated \$403.2 million total grants paid and payable to Local Government Authorities in Far North Queensland for reconstruction, betterment and other projects to recover from natural disaster events that occurred between 2019 and 2022. The program is jointly funded by the Queensland Government and the Australian Government.



Works for Queensland

\$46.7 million provided to regional councils to undertake 70 maintenance and minor infrastructure projects in Far North Queensland.
(July 2021 to June 2024)



Back to Work

\$63.2 million of payments have been paid to 5,453 employers in Far North Queensland to employ 2,456 eligible unemployed jobseekers.
(July 2017 to April 2022)



First Home Owners' Grant

2,204 grants worth \$37.3 million paid to home buyers to help them buy their first home in Far North Queensland.
(July 2015 to April 2022)

Delivering better services in Far North Queensland

Growth from March 2015 to March 2022



838 extra
nurses
up **38.3%**



271 extra
doctors
up **56.9%**



185 extra
teachers
up **6.1%**



18 extra
firefighters
up **12.2%**

Far North Queensland

1 Mer (Murray) Island Primary Health Care Centre

\$5 million in 2022-23 out of a \$7 million total spend for the replacement of the existing primary health care centre to support the provision of quality and safe services to current and future healthcare needs.

2 Thursday Island Hospital

\$11 million in 2022-23 out of a \$50.7 million total spend for the redevelopment of the hospital and the separate primary health care centre.

3 The Olkola Cultural Knowledge Centre

\$100,000 in 2022-23 out of a \$981,748 total spend for delivery of a multi-dimensional, unique tourism product and culturally significant experience for Cape York Olkola Country. Part of the Growing Indigenous Tourism in Queensland Fund.

4 Northern Peninsula Area Water Supply System - water supply rectification and repair program of works

\$1.3 million in 2022-23 out of a \$4 million total spend to undertake an annual capital works program for the Northern Peninsula Area Water Supply System for a 10-year period commenced in 2020-21.

5 Mapoon Short Stay Accommodation - Stage 3

\$250,000 in 2022-23 out of a \$1 million total spend to expand the existing Mapoon Short Stay Accommodation Complex to meet the strong demand for accommodation options in this remote shire. Part of the Building our Regions program.

6 Western Cape College - Weipa

\$3 million in 2022-23 out of a \$11 million total spend to construct a new building for additional learning spaces.

7 Peninsula Developmental Road (Coen - Weipa), Archer River Crossing, construct bridge

\$25.3 million in 2022-23 out of a \$44.9 million total spend towards a bridge at the Archer River Crossing on the Peninsula Developmental Road between Coen and Weipa. Part of the Cape York Region Package Stage 2 through the Roads of Strategic Importance initiative, delivered in partnership with the Australian Government.

8 Indigenous Land and Sea Ranger Program

\$1.3 million in 2022-23 to protect environmental and Indigenous cultural heritage values in Aurukun, and engage Aurukun youth in school and training to pathways to Ranger careers. Part of the Indigenous Land and Sea Ranger Program, providing \$21 million statewide in 2022-23.

9 Kowanyama Visitor Camping and Tours pilot

\$225,000 in 2022-23 out of a \$250,000 total spend for Kowanyama Visitor Camping and Tours pilot to deliver and pilot unique eco-tourism products and culturally significant experiences for the Kowanyama region. Part of the Growing Indigenous Tourism in Queensland Fund.

10 Gateway to the Cape - tourist Information Centre and interactive sculpture park

\$286,574 in 2022-23 out of a \$998,000 total spend to deliver a tourist Information Centre and interactive sculpture park, providing an avenue for the promotion of Cape York businesses and organisations. Part of the Building our Regions program.

11 Splash Parks for Port Douglas and Mossman

\$1.1 million in 2022-23 out of a \$1.5 million total spend for construction of a Splash Park in Port Douglas and a Splash Play area in Mossman at the existing pool site.

12 Wanggetti Trail

\$9.4 million in 2022-23 for a 94 kilometre walking/ mountain biking trail from Palm Cove to Port Douglas, with public and eco-accommodation facilities. Part of the National Icons Package, delivered in partnership with the Australian Government.

13 Cairns Ambulance Station and Operation Centre

\$3.4 million in 2022-23 out of a \$10.4 million total spend to redevelop the Cairns Ambulance Station and Operations Centre to support communities through the delivery of pre-hospital ambulance responses services.

17 Trinity Bay State High School

\$5.8 million in 2022-23 out of a \$11.5 million total spend to deliver a new performing arts facility.

18 Cairns Water Security Program

\$107.5 million to complete stage one of the Cairns Water Security Program, subject to a business case and matching Australian Government funding.

19 Cairns Convention Centre expansion & refurbishment

\$46.2 million in 2022-23 out of a \$176 million total spend towards the refurbishment and expansion of the Cairns Convention Centre to capitalise on the national and international convention markets.

20 Screen Queensland - Far North Queensland film studio

\$13.4 million in 2022-23 out of a \$20.6 million total spend for the construction and operation of a new film studio in Cairns.

21 Lyons Street Diversionary Centre Expansion

\$3 million in 2022-23 out of a \$4.4 million total spend for the expansion of Lyons Street Diversionary Centre.

22 Woree police facility expansion

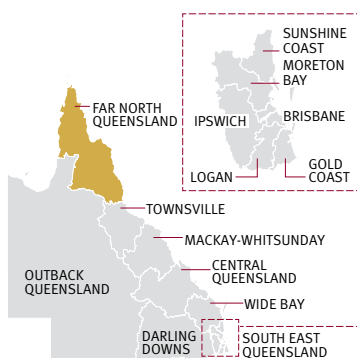
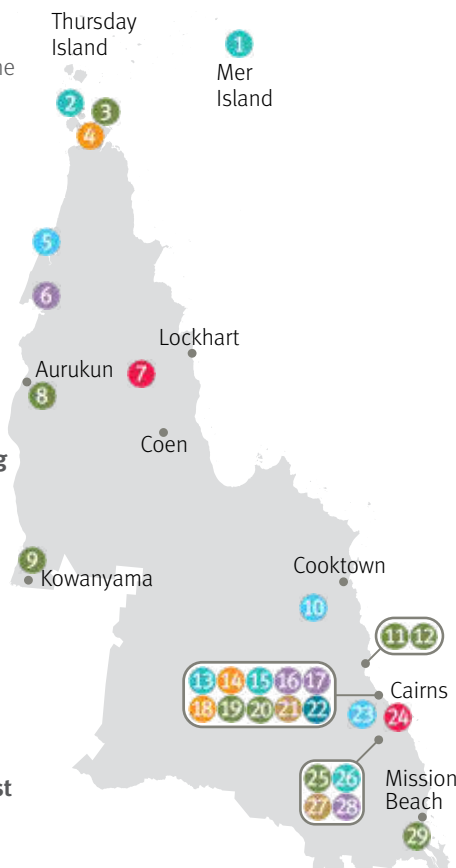
\$6 million in 2022-23 out of a \$9.2 million total spend to complete the expansion of the police facility at Woree.

23 Upgrade to Mareeba research facility

\$2.5 million in 2022-23 out of a \$3.4 million total spend to upgrade fruit handling laboratories enabling scientists to provide research services to the expanding and new horticultural industries at Mareeba.

24 Bruce Highway, Cairns Southern Access Corridor (Stage 3), Edmonton to Gordonvale, construction

\$117.4 million in 2022-23 out of a \$481 million total spend towards the upgrade of the Bruce Highway between Edmonton to Gordonvale. Delivered in partnership with the Australian Government.



September 2022

Far North Queensland Major Projects Pipeline

25 Crater Lakes National Park visitor facilities upgrade

\$500,000 in 2022-23 out of a \$3.3 million total spend to upgrade visitor infrastructure at Crater Lakes National Park.

26 Atherton Hospital

\$12.2 million in 2022-23 out of a \$74.8 million total spend for the redevelopment of the existing facility, including a new clinical services building as well as a community allied and mental health services building. Part of the Advancing Queensland Health Infrastructure Program.

27 Atherton Neighbourhood and Community Centre

\$4.1 million in 2022-23 to design and construct the Atherton Neighbourhood and Community Centre. Delivered in partnership with the Australian Government.

28 Malanda State High School

\$7 million in 2022-23 out of a \$11.5 million total spend to construct a new building for additional learning spaces.

29 Cardwell Mountain Bike Trail

\$191,000 in 2022-23 out of a \$491,000 total spend to support Cassowary Coast Regional Council's investigations into the Cardwell Tropical Mountain Bike Network.

30 Backing Indigenous Arts Festivals

\$670,000 in 2022-23 out of a \$2.7 million total spend to build and celebrate culture, create economic opportunity for Queensland Indigenous artists and provide platforms for cultural exchange.



31 Continuation of fisheries reform

\$16.2 million in 2022-23 out of a \$82.8 million total spend for improvements to on-ground biological monitoring, stock assessments and compliance to support evidence-based catch limits and fishing rules. Part of the *Queensland Sustainable Fisheries Strategy 2017-2027*.

32 Health Capacity Expansion Program

\$9.785 billion over 6 years for the Capacity Expansion Program to deliver around 2,200 additional overnight beds at 15 facilities across Queensland, including expansion of the Cairns Hospital.

KEY

-  Community wellbeing
-  Utilities
-  Health
-  Education
-  Transport and roads
-  Justice and safety
-  Government services
-  Recreation and culture
-  Statewide/region-wide
-  Relates to government election commitment

33 Hear her voice - Report one

\$71.9 million in 2022-23 out of a \$363 million total spend over 5 years to respond to the recommendations of the Queensland Women's Safety and Justice Taskforce in *Hear her voice - Report one - Addressing coercive control and domestic and family violence in Queensland*.

34 Mobile Police Beats

\$1.6 million in 2022-23 out of a \$3.8 million total spend as part of the commitment for 25 new mobile police beats across the state.

35 Rural and Remote Health Program - Phase 2

\$943.5 million over 7 years for delivery of the Building Rural and Remote Health Program - Phase 2 to replace regional health facilities and staff accommodation, including improvements at Bamaga Hospital, Cow Bay Primary Health Centre, and Pormpuraaw Primary Health Care Centre.

Please note: Not all government expenditure for the region is shown. Dollar amounts may include capital and operating expenditure, though may not represent the entire funding allocated.

To see more Palaszczuk Government initiatives visit budget.qld.gov.au

\$150M investment in Cairns Marine Precinct

The Queensland Government is investing \$150 million in a major expansion to the Cairns Marine Precinct to establish Far North Queensland as a leading maritime maintenance, repair and overhaul hub.

The expansion will enable Cairns to secure larger defence and maritime contracts, further supporting around 4,600 jobs in the region's marine sector. Construction of a new Common User Facility will include a 5,000-tonne shiplift, allowing ships of up to 120 metres in length to be repaired and maintained on hardstand areas. The expansion will open up significant opportunities for local service providers to pursue new business opportunities, increase capabilities and create additional skilled jobs throughout the supply chain.

The Queensland Government will now seek a cost-sharing arrangement for the project with the Australian Government.

The \$150 million expansion is in addition to the \$32 million Cairns Marine Precinct Early Works, to progress infrastructure upgrades including the delivery of 2 new wharves at the Port of Cairns.



Cairns Marine Precinct



Artist impression of new mental health unit

New mental health unit for Cairns patients

Construction is underway for a new \$70 million, 53-bed mental health unit at Cairns Hospital as part of the hospital's ongoing expansion.

It will provide a more flexible response to acute mental health services in a therapeutic environment, providing improved services for local patients and their families. The 3-storey building will also include a 10-bed mental health intensive care unit. The infrastructure project is boosting the Cairns economy, creating nearly 70 full time jobs during the construction phase. The build is expected to be completed by the end of 2023, with the facility opening its doors in early 2024.

The new mental health unit is part of the government's \$82.2 million health investment in Far North Queensland for 2022-23, which includes the Atherton Hospital redevelopment and the Cairns Hospital Emergency Department expansion.

At a Glance

Total health funding in 2022-23	\$23.6B	New jobs since COVID-19 began – the largest rise in the nation	206,000
Health capacity expansion: estimated additional beds over 6 years	2,200	Total infrastructure program over 4 years	\$59.1B
Total education and training funding in 2022-23	\$19.6B	Percentage of capital spend outside of Greater Brisbane in 2022-23	63.3%
Recovery and reconstruction following the 2021-22 disaster season	over \$3B	Concessions lowering the cost-of-living for Queenslanders in 2022-23	\$6.8B

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Deliver even better services right across Queensland

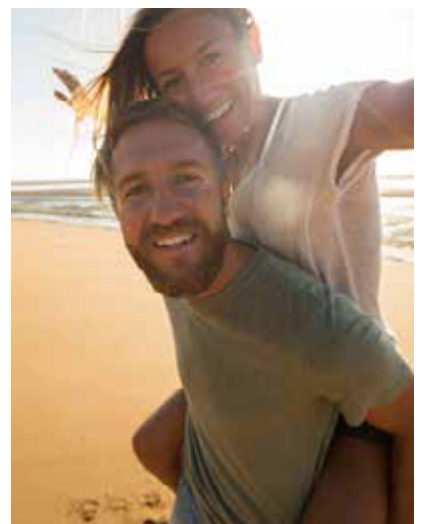
A growing economy will allow the government to deliver better services across the state, including in education, justice and social services. High-quality services improve the lives of Queenslanders and help everyone to participate fully in our economy and our community.

Protecting Queenslanders' lifestyle

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Protect and enhance our Queensland lifestyle as we grow

Our great Queensland lifestyle will be protected while the economy grows. The Queensland Government is investing in crucial infrastructure to support our growing population, reducing cost-of-living pressures and taking care of our natural environment.




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