



REGIONAL ACTION PLAN

CREATING JOBS FOR MACKAY-WHITSUNDAY

The Queensland Budget will directly support job creation in the Mackay-Whitsunday region with significant expenditure including:

Infrastructure

\$583M

for productivity-enhancing infrastructure and capital works, estimated to support around **1,900 jobs** in this region in 2020-21.

Health

\$493M

for Mackay Hospital and Health Services.

Education

\$43.2M

to maintain, improve and upgrade schools in Mackay-Whitsunday.

The Mackay-Whitsunday region will also benefit from:

Greater Barrier Reef Arena Development Project

\$10M

in 2020-21 to deliver stage 1 of the Great Barrier Reef Arena Development Project at Harrup Park, jointly funded with the Australian Government and Harrup Park Country Club.

Great Barrier Reef Island Resorts Rejuvenation Program

\$24.9M

to help industry rejuvenate the Great Barrier Reef Island Resorts and offer world-class experiences to visitors.

Equipping TAFE for our Future

\$100M

for new and improved TAFE facilities throughout Queensland, including \$7.5 million to expand the Mackay Ooralea Trade Training Centre to cater for heavy vehicle automotive training and apprenticeship needs.

Delivering for the Mackay-Whitsunday region

Building our Regions

\$34.7 million allocated to 16 projects in Mackay-Whitsunday to assist local councils to deliver critical infrastructure and support 234 jobs during construction.

(March 2015 to October 2020)

Recovery and resilience against natural disasters

An estimated \$79.1 million for the provision of financial assistance for capital and resilience works to disaster affected communities in 2020-21.

Small Business COVID-19 Adaption Grants

\$6 million provided to 677 businesses highly impacted by COVID-19 shutdown restrictions in Mackay-Whitsunday to help these businesses adapt and sustain their operations and build their resilience.

(March 2020 to November 2020)

Works for Queensland

\$49.4 million provided to regional councils to undertake 137 job-creating maintenance and minor infrastructure projects in Mackay-Whitsunday.

(February 2017 to November 2020)

Restoring frontline services for Mackay-Whitsunday

(March 2015 to September 2020)



272 extra nurses, up 36.2%



121 extra doctors, up 58.7%



99 extra teachers, up 5.8%



44 extra police officers, up 12.9%



CREATING JOBS FOR

Mackay-Whitsunday

1 Abbot Point Port
\$1.8 million in 2020-21 to progress general port development works for the Port of Abbot Point.

2 Salisbury Plains Industrial Precinct
\$250,000 in 2020-21 out of a \$9.3 million total spend to help establish significant industrial developments and provide for the establishment of essential services and infrastructure corridors.

3 Agricultural Centre of Excellence
\$3.4 million to build a new Agricultural Centre of Excellence at Bowen TAFE.

4 Bowen State High School
\$160,000 in 2020-21 out of a \$1.6 million total spend to install a covered walkway, as well as an aquaculture facility to be completed over three years.

5 Bowen Hospital
\$8.1 million in 2020-21 out of a \$17.5 million total spend for construction projects to improve facilities at the Bowen Hospital site, including a new Computed Tomography Scanner. Delivered in partnership with the Australian Government.

6 Flagstaff Hill Conference and Cultural Centre
\$1 million in 2020-21 out of a \$2.5 million total spend to build a conference and cultural centre at Flagstaff Hill that will complement the site's visually stunning natural environment.

7 Marine Park major vessel replacement
\$2.4 million in 2020-21 out of a \$4.3 million total spend to replace Tamoya vessel.

8 Cannonvale State School
\$6.7 million in 2020-21 out of a \$9.5 million total spend to provide additional classrooms and a new administration and resource centre.

12 Lake Proserpine Barramundi Fishing and Recreational Precinct
\$750,000 in 2020-21 out of a \$2 million total spend to enhance tourism opportunities for the region by providing the infrastructure needed to better service the fishing, caravan and camping markets.

16 Mackay District Special School
\$60,000 in 2020-21 to install a lifting hoist.

17 Glenella State School
\$460,000 in 2020-21 to provide equitable access to classrooms.

18 Bluewater Trail and Queens Park revitalisation
\$4.7 million in 2020-21 out of a \$8.9 million total spend to undertake significant structural and environmental enhancements to the trail and park following damage from Severe Tropical Cyclone Debbie.

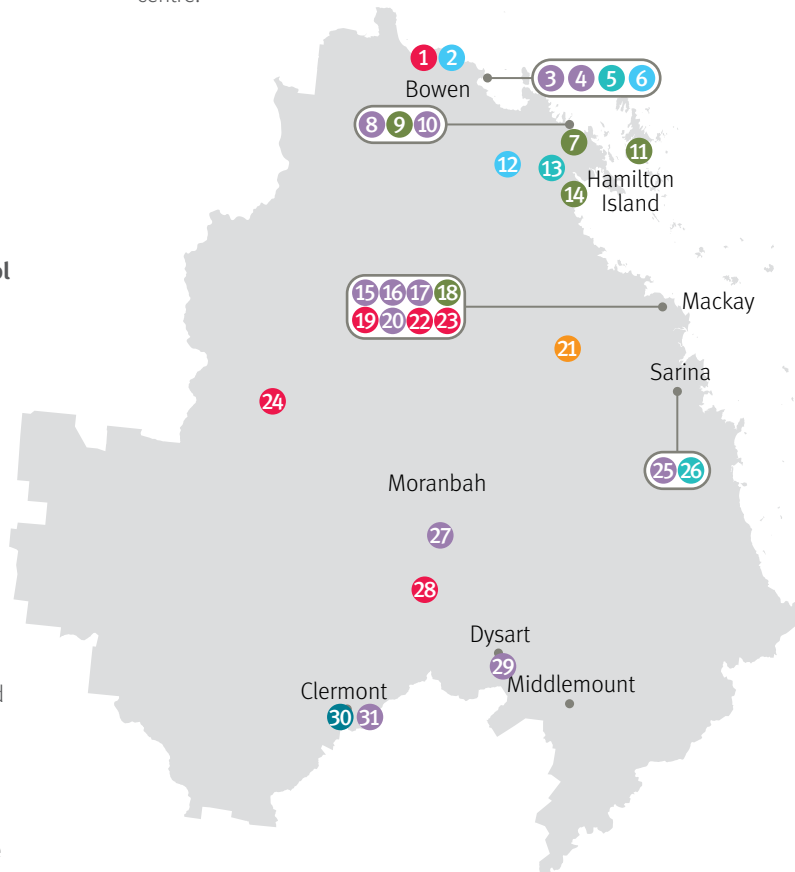
19 Mackay Ring Road, construct new two lane road
\$23.1 million in 2020-21 out of a \$497.4 million total spend to continue ring road connection works. Delivered in partnership with the Australian Government.

20 Mackay Ooralea Trade Training Centre expansion
\$7.5 million to expand the heavy automotive facilities at Mackay Ooralea Trade Training Centre.

21 Teemurra Dam improvement project
\$1.6 million in 2020-21 out of a \$10 million total spend to continue planning works for enhancements to meet future extreme weather events.

22 Mackay Port Access, Bruce Highway to Mackay - Slade Point Road
\$1.5 million in 2020-21 out of a \$350 million total spend to construct a new two-lane road to connect the Bruce Highway with Mackay-Slade Point Road.

23 Walkerston Bypass
\$12.2 million in 2020-21 out of a \$150 million total spend to construct a new two lane highway connecting Peak Downs Highway to the Mackay Ring Road. Delivered in partnership with the Australian Government.



9 Whitsunday Sports Park
\$1.7 million in 2020-21 out of a \$2.1 million total spend for Whitsunday Sports Park Inc. to construct a second storey for the clubhouse at Airlie Beach.

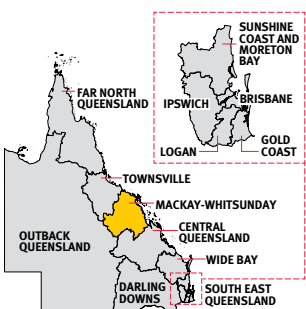
10 Aquaculture Training Centre
\$2 million for a new Aquaculture Training Centre at Cannonvale TAFE.

11 Whitsunday Islands National Park Ngaro walking track upgrade
\$3.1 million in 2020-21 out of a \$8.8 million total spend to improve visitor access and infrastructure in Whitsunday Islands National Parks, including the Ngaro walking track.

13 Proserpine Hospital
\$100,000 in 2020-21 out of a \$6.6 million total spend for the refurbishment of the clinical assimilation training area, and acute primary care clinic upgrade.

14 Proserpine Entertainment Centre
\$6.3 million in 2020-21 out of a \$13.7 million total spend for the Proserpine Entertainment Centre to assist with recovery from Severe Tropical Cyclone Debbie.

15 Mackay Northern Beaches State High School
\$1.2 million over three years to upgrade facilities to industry standards for digital engineering, early childhood, arts and business sectors.



24 Bowen Developmental Road (Collinsville - Belyando Crossing), Rockingham Creek to Mount Coolon, pave and seal

\$7.6 million in 2020-21 out of a \$28.8 million total spend to pave and seal the Bowen Developmental Road between Rockingham Creek and Mount Coolon. Delivered in partnership with the Australian Government.

25 Sarina State High School

\$10.2 million to construct a new multi-purpose performing arts and sports hall and to provide equitable access to amenities.

26 Sarina Hospital

\$655,000 in 2020-21 out of a \$31.5 million total spend for a new greenfield site, to deliver a purpose-built hospital and staff accommodation.

27 Moranbah State High School

\$6.5 million for a new shade structure and for the completion of the new hall.

28 Peak Downs Highway (Clermont to Nebo)

\$7.8 million in 2020-21 out of a \$35 million total spend to strengthen and widen pavement on the Peak Downs Highway between Wuthung Road and Caval Ridge Mine. Delivered in partnership with the Australian Government.

29 Dysart State High School

\$900,000 over three years to build a commercial standard kitchen.

30 Clermont police facility

A commitment for a replacement police facility at Clermont.

31 Clermont State High School

\$1.4 million over three years to enclose open verandas and build a commercial standard kitchen.

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

32 Future Foods Biohub Mackay

\$1 million in 2020-21 to support the development of a business case to attract the industry or university sectors to co-develop the Future Foods Biohub Mackay.

33 Manufacturing Hub in Mackay

\$2 million in 2020-21 out of a \$4 million total spend to create a new manufacturing hub and grants program focusing on the manufacturing of bioproducts from crops grown in the region.

34 Pioneer Valley mountain bike trail

\$500,000 in 2020-21 towards the design and assessment of the Pioneer Valley Mountain Bike Trail.

35 Whitsunday Skyway project

Assessing a proposal to develop a cableway, summit café and Indigenous cultural interpretive centre to support tourism and jobs in the Whitsunday region.

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

Harrup Park game changer

Mackay will become a hub for marquee cricket and AFL events through the staged redevelopment of the Harrup Park sporting complex. The Queensland Government has earmarked \$10 million for stage 1 of the Great Barrier Reef Arena development to create an international standard sporting event venue.

The redevelopment will include seating for more than 6,000 people including a 4,050-seat grandstand, outdoor broadcast and other facilities. Queensland Government funding is contingent on partner contributions from the Australian Government (\$10 million) and the Harrup Park Country Club (\$4.2 million), and final cost estimates. The project will support around 80 jobs during construction.



Harrup Park



Olive Downs mining

The recently approved Olive Downs coal mine project, located 40 kilometres south-east of Moranbah in the heart of the Bowen Basin, will provide local jobs for generations during its 79-year lifetime. Olive Downs will be a large-scale mine of metallurgical coal, producing up to 15 million tonnes per year to be carried by rail from the mine to Dalrymple Bay Coal Terminal for export to key international markets.

The resource industry is central to Queensland's economic recovery and future. Construction of the mine and its associated infrastructure will create around 500 jobs and will employ up to 1,000 local workers once operational. During its lifespan it will contribute an estimated \$8 billion to the local economy and more than \$10 billion to Queensland's economy.

Construction of the mine is expected to begin in 2021. In addition to its commitment to the environment and jobs creation, the Queensland Government is proactively engaging with stakeholders including establishing a strong relationship with Barada Barna, the traditional owners of the land, with whom the Government has an Indigenous Land Use Agreement and Cultural Heritage Management Plan in place.

BUDGET 2020–21 AT A GLANCE

Jobs supported by infrastructure investment in 2020–21	46,000
Total infrastructure program over four years	\$56B
Percentage of capital spend outside Greater Brisbane	58%
Total spend on road and transport infrastructure in 2020–21	\$6.3B
COVID-19 economic stimulus measures to date	\$7B
Education and training in 2020–21	\$17.5B
Health in 2020–21	\$21.8B
Concessions and lowering the cost of living	\$6.3B
Building trains in Queensland over 10 years	\$1B
Social housing improvements in 2020–21	\$526.2M

Tax Relief Package

The Government provided significant tax relief to support Queensland businesses, landlords, tenants, pubs and clubs, including:

- Payroll tax refunds, waivers and deferrals for eligible businesses, targeted at small to medium businesses
- A payroll tax exemption for wages subsidised by the JobKeeper payment
- Land tax rebates, waivers and deferrals for eligible taxpayers.

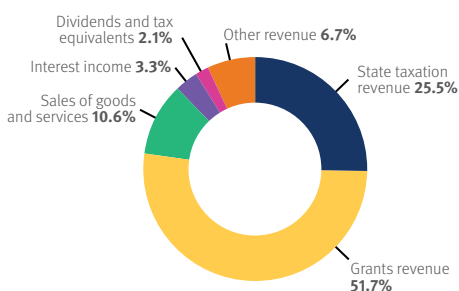
An estimated 320 businesses in Mackay-Whitsunday will also benefit in 2020-21 from the higher payroll tax threshold.

STATEWIDE HIGHLIGHTS

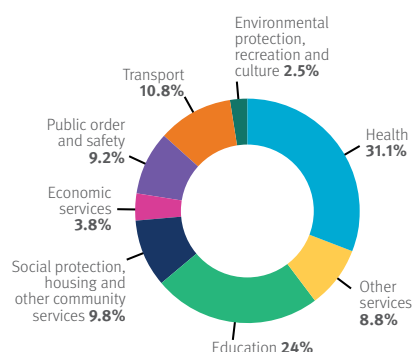
This Budget is focused on creating jobs and getting our economy moving sooner. Initiatives include:

- Driving the largest infrastructure program in over a decade - \$14.8 billion in 2020–21, directly supporting 46,000 jobs. Around 58% of the capital program and 28,700 of the jobs supported will be outside the Greater Brisbane area.
- Growing our regions and supporting key industries such as tourism, agriculture and mining. An additional \$200 million will be provided to the Works for Queensland program to support local governments outside South East Queensland.
- Enhancing frontline services. The Budget will support funding for additional frontline health staff including 5,800 nurses, 1,500 doctors and 1,700 allied health professionals through to 2024.
- Providing more Queenslanders with access to the skills and training they need for rewarding careers. \$100 million has been provided over three years to upgrade TAFE campuses.
- Backing small businesses to support jobs and communities. More than \$7 billion in COVID-19 stimulus measures have been provided so far, including reducing business costs through payroll tax relief and other tax relief measures, and accelerating projects to unlock development and increase economic activity.
- Providing concessions and easing the cost of living, with an estimated \$6.3 billion in 2020–21 in targeted discounts, fee waivers, rebates, and subsidies.
- Protecting the environment. The Great Barrier Reef will benefit from an additional \$40 million worth of support. This includes \$10 million for a Reef Assist Program and \$6 million over four years for the GBR Island Arks project to deliver ecotourism in the region.
- Increasing investment in manufacturing including \$1 billion to make trains again in Queensland.
- Delivering lower debt than New South Wales and Victoria.

2020–21 Revenue



2020–21 Expenses



Queensland's Labour Market Forecasts

