



DOING WHAT MATTERS FOR BRISBANE AND REDLANDS



REGIONAL ACTION PLAN QUEENSLAND BUDGET 2024-25

The 2024-25 Queensland Budget supports Queenslanders. In Brisbane and Redlands it provides:

\$1,300

electricity bill support

for Queensland households – an upfront \$1,000 Cost of Living Rebate from the Queensland Government and a \$300 rebate paid in quarterly instalments from the Australian Government.

\$9.2B

for health

for the Metro North, Metro South and Children’s Hospital and Health Services.

\$342M

for education

to maintain, improve and upgrade schools in Brisbane and Redlands.

\$5.2B

for the Big Build

for productivity-enhancing infrastructure and capital works, estimated to support **13,000** jobs in Brisbane and Redlands.

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Free Kindy

Up to 15,698 children eligible for free kindy in Brisbane and Redlands, for 15 hours per week, 40 weeks per year.

(January 2024 to May 2024)



Fee-Free TAFE

19,025 fee-free TAFE courses commenced by people in Brisbane and Redlands wanting to train, retrain or upskill in priority industries.

(January 2023 to March 2024)



First Home Owner Grant

9,773 grants worth \$166.5 million paid to home buyers to help them buy their first home in Brisbane and Redlands.

(July 2016 to April 2024)



Apprentice and Trainee Payroll Tax Rebate

\$89.1 million of rebates claimed by 2,685 businesses to reinvest and support employment in Brisbane and Redlands.

(July 2015 to April 2024)

Delivering better services for BRISBANE AND REDLANDS

Growth from March 2015 to March 2024



3,272 extra nurses, **up 33.9%**



2,302 extra teachers, **up 25%**

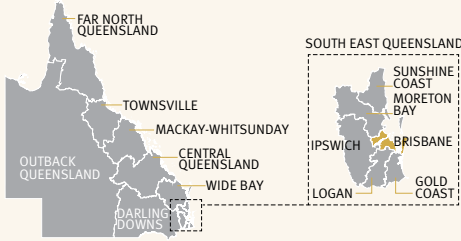


1,118 extra doctors, **up 35.8%**



461 extra ambulance officers, **up 50.6%**

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For an even more extensive list of initiatives, see the Budget Map

1 New Queensland Cancer Centre



\$98 million in 2024-25 out of a \$1.18 billion total spend to deliver the new Queensland Cancer Centre (QCC) as part of the Capacity Expansion Program. In 2022-23, the Queensland Government committed \$750 million in support of delivering the new centre. In the October 2022 Federal Budget, the Australian Government also committed \$375 million in support of QCC. The new centre will be based within the Herston Health Precinct at the Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital and will provide 150 beds (an increase of 91 beds), a chemotherapy service, outpatient consult rooms, multiple operating theatres, pathology, pharmacy, and imaging services, as well as access to cutting-edge technologies and the latest treatments. Part of the Capacity Expansion Program and the Community Health and Hospitals Program, delivered in partnership with the Australian Government.

2 Cross River Rail



\$513.6 million in 2024-25 towards the Cross River Rail project. This transformative transport project involves a new 10.2km rail line from Dutton Park to Bowen Hills, including 5.9km of twin tunnels under the Brisbane River and CBD and four new high-capacity underground stations (at Boggo Road, Woolloongabba, Albert Street and Roma Street). Cross River Rail is into its fifth year of major construction, with work underway at 16 worksites across South East Queensland. Delivered in partnership with the private sector.

3 Redland Hospital Expansion - Stage 1



\$27 million in 2024-25 out of a \$77.9 million total spend for Stage 1 of the Redland Hospital. \$77.9 million is jointly funded by the Queensland Government, which has allocated \$47.9 million, and the Australian Government, which has allocated \$30 million. The Stage 1 Expansion will provide an additional 37 beds on the campus, including the delivery of a new 12-bed Intensive Care and High Dependency Unit, and a 25-bed inpatient ward. Part of the Community Health and Hospitals Program.

4 Growth projects in Brisbane and Redlands



\$108.7 million in 2024-25 out of a \$202.1 million total spend to deliver additional learning spaces in Brisbane and Redlands. It is critical that plans for additional education and training infrastructure incorporate innovative solutions and designs to complement existing assets in the growing Brisbane and Redlands region. The education and training infrastructure strategies currently implemented in Brisbane and Redlands will continue to deliver successful outcomes for students in 2024 and beyond.

5 Skilling Queenslanders for Work



\$16.8 million in 2024-25 towards Skilling Queenslanders for Work and to fund community based not-for-profit organisations to deliver place-based projects and provide tailored support and specialist assistance to disadvantaged Queenslanders as they undertake vocational education and training. Nationally recognised training will be delivered across a range of industry sectors to address local skill shortages. There is no cost to participants. Skilling Queenslanders for Work represents a commitment to increasing workforce participation, driving job growth and strengthening the economy by improving skills development and work opportunities for unemployed and underemployed Queenslanders. In 2024-25, over 2,700 people will receive foundation and employability skills, training and jobs.

6 Social housing



\$140.8 million in 2024-25 to expand and improve social housing. Social housing provides safe, secure, and sustainable homes to some of the most vulnerable people in Queensland. The Queensland Government has set a social housing delivery target of 53,500 homes by 2026 as part of Homes for Queenslanders. Investment into new social housing will help to address demand as the state grows, reduce pressure on homelessness services, and provide more housing choices for individuals and families. Delivered in partnership with the Australian Government.





Artist impression

Major beds boost in PA Hospital expansion

The Queensland Government is investing \$350 million to significantly expand and refurbish the Princess Alexandra (PA) Hospital – delivering 219 new acute inpatient and 30 new ICU beds, 13 new cancer treatment bays and reconfiguring specialist treatment spaces. Construction begins later this year, supporting more than 1,150 construction jobs. Five new floors will be constructed on top of the hospital's existing emergency department, delivering 26 per cent more bed capacity in additional space equivalent to almost three rugby league fields. When complete in the second half of 2026, the expansion will improve patient flows and provide greater access to acute care, intensive care and emergency services in Brisbane's south.

The project is in addition to the \$5.8 million refurbishment and expansion of the hospital's renal high-dependency unit, which is delivering an additional three treatment spaces. The new-look PA is a key part of the Queensland Government's Health Big Build, investing more than \$14 billion delivering new and upgraded facilities right across the state.

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Sandgate Ambulance Station relocation
 \$8.1 million in 2024-25 out of a \$10.8 million total spend for replacement with a modern ambulance station to deliver a 24/7 operational ambulance service facility to continue servicing the community. Part of the Queensland Ambulance Services Infrastructure Enhancements.
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Banyo train station upgrade
 \$30.2 million in 2024-25 out of a \$65.7 million total spend towards design and construction of station accessibility upgrades at Banyo Station.
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The Prince Charles Hospital Expansion
 \$32 million in 2024-25 out of a \$360 million total spend to construct a new clinical services building (on the existing site) comprising an emergency department, acute inpatient units and support services. Part of the Capacity Expansion Program.
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Queensland Fire Department state headquarters
 \$175 million in 2024-25 out of a \$275 million total spend to commence refurbishment of the new Queensland Fire Department State Headquarters.
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Northshore Hamilton Capital Works Program
 \$32.3 million in 2024-25 out of a \$410.8 million total spend to continue the urban renewal development of Queensland's largest waterfront project.
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Darling Point Special School
 \$8.4 million in 2024-25 out of a \$30 million total spend to construct a new building for additional learning spaces.
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New performing arts venue at the Queensland Performing Arts Centre
 \$5.4 million in 2024-25 out of a \$184 million total spend for the construction of the new 1500-seat state-of-the-art theatre at the Queensland Performing Arts Centre, delivered in partnership with Queensland Performing Arts Trust.
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Brisbane Metro, Woolloongabba Station, funding commitment
 \$4.2 million in 2024-25 out of a \$450 million total spend committed towards Brisbane Metro, Woolloongabba Station. Delivered in partnership with the Australian Government and the Brisbane City Council.
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Queensland Spinal Cord Injury Service
 \$24.3 million in 2024-25 out of a \$29.3 million total spend to deliver interim infrastructure upgrades to the existing Queensland Spinal Cord Injury facilities located at Princess Alexandra Hospital.
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QEII Jubilee Hospital expansion
 \$63 million in 2024-25 out of a \$465 million total spend to construct a new clinical services building on the existing QEII Jubilee Hospital site to deliver additional capacity, acute beds, and facility support services. Part of the Capacity Expansion Program.
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Boundary Road (Coopers Plains), upgrade rail level crossing, funding commitment

 \$63.1 million in 2024-25 out of a \$399 million total spend towards upgrading the rail level crossing at Boundary Road (Coopers Plains). Delivered in partnership with the Australian Government and the Brisbane City Council.
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Advance Queensland Program


 \$2.7 million in 2024-25 out of a \$20.1 million total spend to drive a more diversified Queensland economy, stronger economic growth and new job creation through innovation.
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Brisbane Festival

 \$4.8 million in 2024-25 out of a \$19.2 million total spend to fund the delivery of the annual festival showcasing artistic excellence across all art forms, employing Queensland, national and international artists and companies.
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Disaster Management Reforms

 \$30 million in 2024-25 to progress the government's commitment from the Independent Review of Queensland Fire and Emergency Services. Part of the government's Emergency Management Reforms.
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Free TAFE Nursing

 \$58 million in 2024-25 out of a \$162.6 million total spend to provide 6,500 training places for eligible Queenslanders who are passionate about healthcare to study the Diploma of Nursing for free in 2024 and 2025.
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Homelessness services

 \$232.2 million in 2024-25 to provide essential housing and support services for people experiencing or at risk of homelessness.
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Homes for Queenslanders



 \$600,000 in 2024-25 to support improved housing outcomes for people with disability and those experiencing domestic and family violence in Queensland.
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Integrated Zero Emissions Vehicles charging infrastructure

 \$8 million in 2024-25 out of a \$12 million total spend for electric vehicle charging infrastructure and to explore innovative "smart" integration and management of the infrastructure. Part of Queensland's Zero Emission Vehicle Strategy and the National Electric Vehicle Strategy.
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Quantum Strategy and Academy

 \$279 million in 2024-25 out of a \$89.7 million total spend to develop and deliver the whole-of-government Queensland Quantum and Advanced Technologies Strategy and Queensland Quantum Academy.
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Queensland Cultural Centre - Capital Works, Asset Upgrades and Refurbishment Projects
 \$32 million in 2024-25 out of a \$58.1 million total spend to address capital asset renewal works, compliance and safety improvements, and amenity upgrades at the Queensland Cultural Centre.
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Queensland Fire and Rescue appliances

 \$23.8 million in 2024-25 for replacement and new fire and rescue appliances.
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Queensland Resources Common User Facility

 \$43 million in 2024-25 out of a \$75 million total spend to support pilot and demonstration scale trials of processing methods and technologies for critical minerals and rare earth elements. Part of the Common User Infrastructure.
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Queensland Skills Strategy 2024-28

 \$96.7 million in 2024-25 out of a \$203.1 million total spend to further strengthen the state's training system to deliver skills needed for our economy and provide access to good jobs with better pay for Queenslanders. Delivered in partnership with the Australian Government.
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Raise, repair and retrofit homes

 \$76.7 million in 2024-25 out of a \$231 million total spend for eligible homeowners to rebuild, repair or retrofit their homes with flood-resilient design and materials to reduce the impacts of future flood events. Part of the Resilient Homes Fund.
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Recruitment Drive - additional police personnel

 \$25.9 million in 2024-25 out of a \$87.5 million total spend to support the recruitment of additional police personnel.
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Saving Queensland's koalas

 \$7 million in 2024-25 out of a \$31.3 million total spend to extend and accelerate conservation of koalas in South East Queensland.
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South East Queensland Liveability Fund

 \$85 million in 2024-25 out of a \$200 million total spend to support South East Queensland local government projects that create liveable, creative, sustainable and healthy communities. Part of the South East Queensland City Deal, delivered in partnership with the Australian Government and the Council of Mayors - South East Queensland.
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Youth Co-Responder Teams

 \$6.7 million in 2024-25 out of a \$20.4 million total spend to deliver and expand the youth co-responder model to divert high risk young people, including those on bail, and those subject to electronic monitoring. Part of the government's Youth Justice Investment.

Project key

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

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QUEENSLAND COST OF LIVING ACTION

AT A GLANCE

Total concessions including cost-of-living relief measures available in 2024-25	\$11.2B	Total Big Build over 4 years	\$107.3B
Total health funding in 2024-25	\$28.9B	Jobs supported by the Big Build program in 2024-25	72,000
Community Safety Plan for Queensland	\$1.3B	Percentage of Big Build spend outside of greater Brisbane in 2024-25	68.5%
Putting Queensland Kids First Plan	\$502M	Total capital investment to support the Queensland Energy and Jobs Plan over 4 years	\$26B
Homes for Queenslanders	\$3.1B		
Investment in school and early education facilities	\$1.3B		

Everyone is feeling cost-of-living pressures. Find support to manage household costs including bills, transport, housing, health care and education. In tough times, every little bit helps.

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