State-wide Highlights

A stronger economy and stronger finances

- Economic growth to strengthen to 3.75% as the recovery builds
- Lower deficit, lower debt and a return to surplus sooner
- New \$18 million exploration program to support resource industry

More jobs

- Jobs growth to strengthen, unemployment to fall
- \$17.1 billion capital works program supporting 106 000 jobs
- 125% payroll tax rebate for apprentices and trainees extended
- New Skills Commission to tackle skills shortages

Helping Queenslanders

- \$24 cut to CTP insurance on car registration
- \$12.6 million increase for electricity rebates for seniors
- Land tax exemption for supported accommodation providers

Providing for a growing population

- An additional 720 nurses, 180 doctors and 300 allied health professionals
- 203 new police, 316 new teachers and teacher aides, 75 ambulance officers
- Five new schools and bring forward of 40 new kindergarten services
- 6 new ambulance stations and 3 new fire stations
- \$4,000 Regional First Home Owner Boost to support house construction outside South East Queensland
- Springfield rail line to be fast-tracked and delivered two years earlier

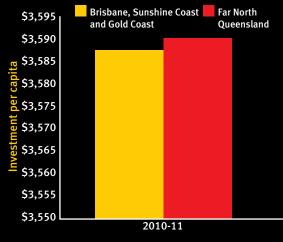
Health

- Record \$1.6 billion building program for new hospitals and redevelopments
- Boost for cochlear hearing implants funding for children
- \$31 million boost to medical research
- \$194 million for new regional cancer treatment services

Environment

- \$56 million over five years for national parks
- New waste programs to reduce waste and promote recycling
- \$115 million for solar power projects, including \$5.8 million for solar power in kindergartens

Capital expenditure per person



Queensland State Budget 2010-11

Regional Budget Statement

Far North Queensland

The 2010-11 State Budget demonstrates our plan to build a recovery is working.

The tough decisions we have taken are strengthening our State's economy and our

finances.



While the recovery is now underway, we are not out of the woods yet. Our massive building program will

continue to deliver jobs today and the infrastructure of the future.

Our growing population means we need to invest in more teachers, more police, more health workers and this Budget delivers on our priorities.

A new Regional First Home Owner Boost of \$4,000 for new homes will help guide growth to the regions. Our commitment to building the regions once again sees over 57% of the building program being undertaken outside the Brisbane area.

This State Budget shows we are on track to build a better future.

In a world that is dominated by an uncertain recovery, this State Budget delivers a growing economy and more jobs.

Through strong discipline we



are seeing the deficit and debt lowered and we are on track to return to surplus.

The economic reform agenda

we put in place is working – and we need to stick to our plan in the face of global uncertainty.

Our strategy means we can continue to deliver more hospitals and schools and other vital infrastructure our growing population needs.

Through our determination we are building a stronger economic recovery, delivering jobs and preparing our State for a prosperous future.

Anna Bligh MP
Premier
and Minister for the Arts

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Treasurer and Minister for Employment
and Economic Development

Government services in Far North Queensland

Building Queensland For Government initiatives in your region visit www.qld.gov.au/buildingqld
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2010-11 Budget Highlights for Far North Queensland

Thursday Island

Torres Strait

Bamaga

Weipa

Coen

For more information about Government initiatives in your region, visit www.qld.gov.au/buildingqld

• **\$9.4 million** of \$10 million for the Badu Island Police



- **♦ \$15.1 million** to build new bridges and approaches on the Peninsula Developmental Road at Carols Crossing and Ruth Creek, and seal the final section between Lakeland and Laura, in partnership with Australian Government.
- \$88.4 million of \$442.8 million to expand and redevelop the Lotus Glen Correctional Centre.
- \$2.8 million to complete the \$3.1 million replacement ambulance stations at Ravenshoe and Gordonvale.



• \$95.7 million for vocational education and training, including apprenticeships and traineeships.

Croydon



- **\$28.3 million** towards the \$38.2 million relocation of Tagai State College, Mer Campus.
- **\$200,000** of \$1.6 million for the Thursday Island Water Police office and boat shed.
- \$25 million for dental clinical teaching facilities at the James Cook University campuses in Cairns and Townsville.
- Mossman Cairns Atherton Mareeba Malanda Ravenshoe Innisfail

Cardwell

Tully

Cooktown

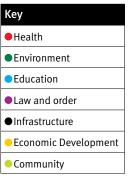
- \$2.2 million to complete the widening and sealing of a section of the Kennedy Developmental Road, south of Mount Garnet.

- \$15.6 million to continue implementing the Cape York Welfare Reform initiative in Aurukun, Coen, Mossman Gorge and Hope Vale.
- \$2.5 million for the Cairns Cultural Precinct, and a \$40 million land contribution.
- \$80 million of \$446.3 million to redevelop the Cairns Base Hospital, with staged completion between 2010 and 2014.
- **\$5.6 million** to complete the \$12.7 million Cairns Central Community Health Centre.
- \$26.7 million to upgrade the Innisfail sewage treatment plant.
- \$24.1 million of \$26.2 million to redevelop the Tropical North Queensland Institute of TAFE, Cairns campus.
- \$3.4 million to build pre-prep facilities at Tagai State College, Mer Campus and at Pormpuraaw State School.
- \$10.8 million to deliver new job creation programs and grow a skilled workforce.





- \$8.2 million to the **Great Barrier Reef** Marine Park Authority for the Marine Park's Field Management Program.
- \$8 million towards the \$20 million new Jubilee Bridge in Innisfail.
- \$1.4 million towards the Wild River Rangers program.



Queensland's regions – our strength

Growing our State's regions is critical to maintaining Queensland's strength.

- The 2010-11 State Budget commits more than 57% of the building program outside Brisbane.
- We have introduced a \$4,000 Regional First Home Owner Boost for new homes, on top of the

\$7,000 grant already provided by the State Government.

- Our business incentives program has earmarked two-thirds of its funding for business attraction initiatives outside the Greater Brisbane area.
- We are building or redeveloping eight regional hospitals and investing \$173 million (over four

years) in new cancer treatment services in regional Queensland.

 A \$1.301 billion investment in roads outside the south-east corner and new infrastructure plans will guide regional growth.

The Far North Queensland region's uniqueness and diversity are among the key building blocks of this State.