

# 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

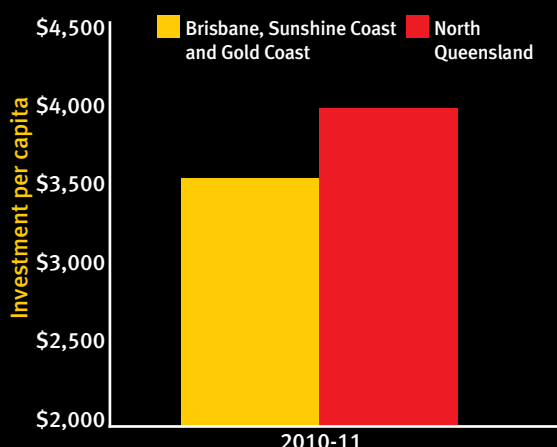
## Health

- 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

# 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.

Anna Bligh MP  
Premier  
and Minister for the Arts

## 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.

Andrew Fraser MP  
Treasurer and Minister for Employment  
and Economic Development

## Government services in North Queensland

Building Queensland	For Government initiatives in your region visit <a href="http://www.qld.gov.au/buildingqld">www.qld.gov.au/buildingqld</a>
Smart Service Queensland	For Government services call 13 13 04 or visit <a href="http://www.qld.gov.au">www.qld.gov.au</a>
State Emergency Service	Telephone: 132 500
13 Health	Telephone: 13 43 25 84

For more information about the 2010-11 State Budget

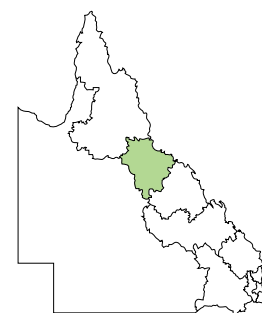
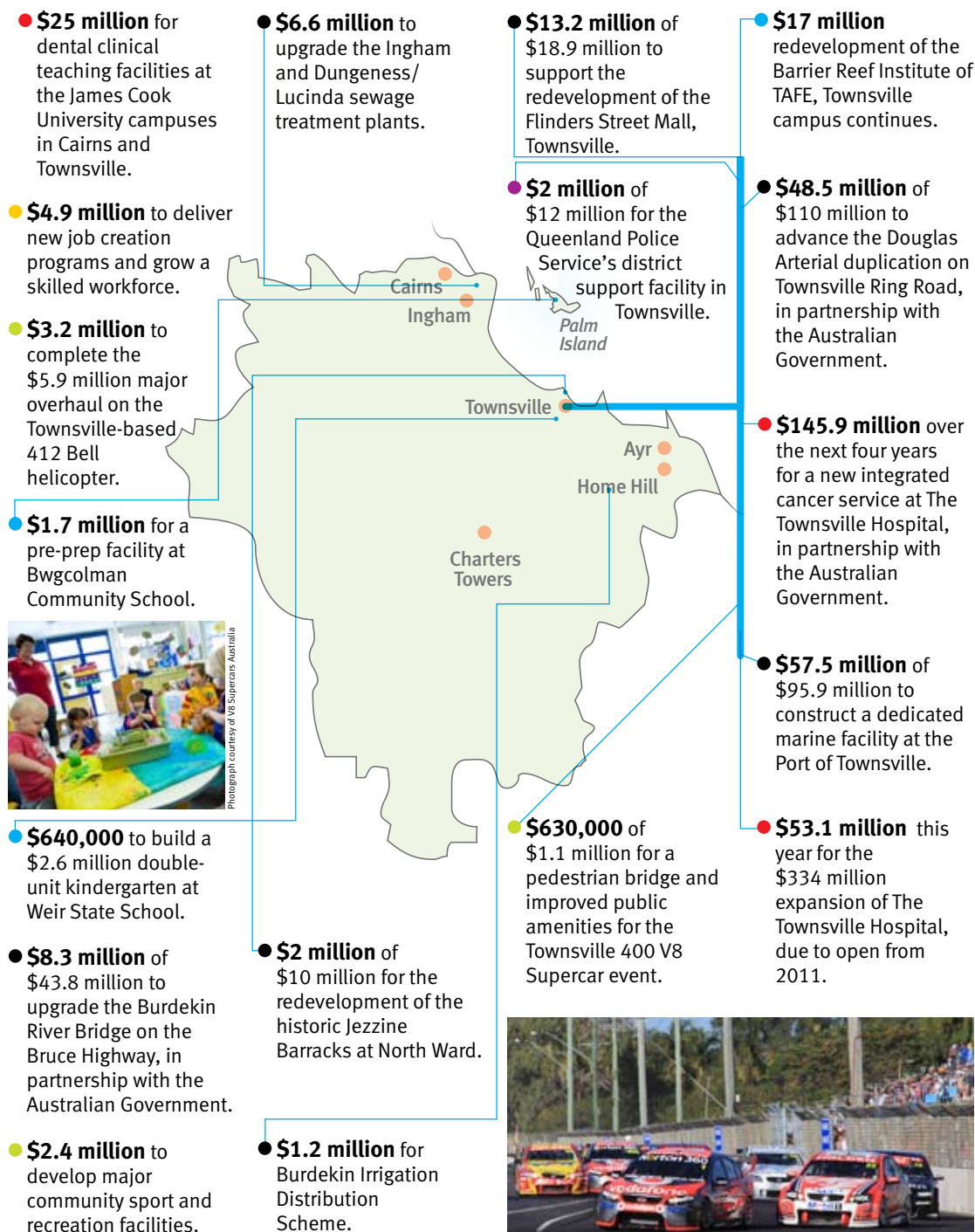
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Queensland Government

# 2010-11 Budget Highlights for North Queensland

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• **\$8.2 million** to the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority for the Marine Park's Field Management Program.

• **\$68 million** for vocational education and training, including apprenticeships and traineeships.



Key	
● Health	
● Environment	
● Education	
● Law and order	
● Infrastructure	
● Economic Development	
● Community	

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