

State & Territory Budgets Overview

2026-27



BUDGET OVERVIEW

Transport Australia has prepared the below overview of the 2026-27 budgets for each State and Territory.

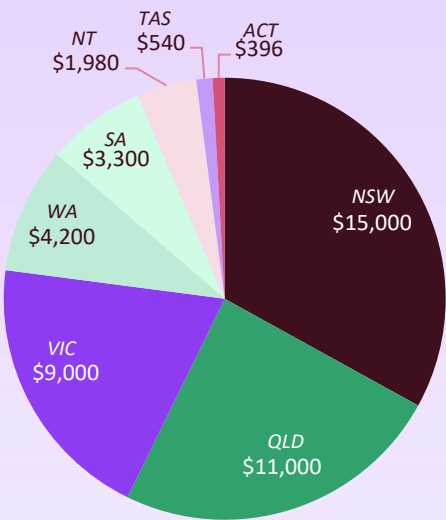
This document provides a jurisdiction-by-jurisdiction overview of the 2026-27 State and Territory budgets, covering forecast economic performance and planned government expenditure on transport infrastructure and services.

Each entry is drawn directly from published budget papers and captures funding commitments across both newly announced initiatives and continuing projects and programs. The aim is to give transport professionals a clear, comparable picture of where funding has been committed this year – supporting an assessment of investment priorities across regions and potential opportunities across project lifecycles and supply chains.

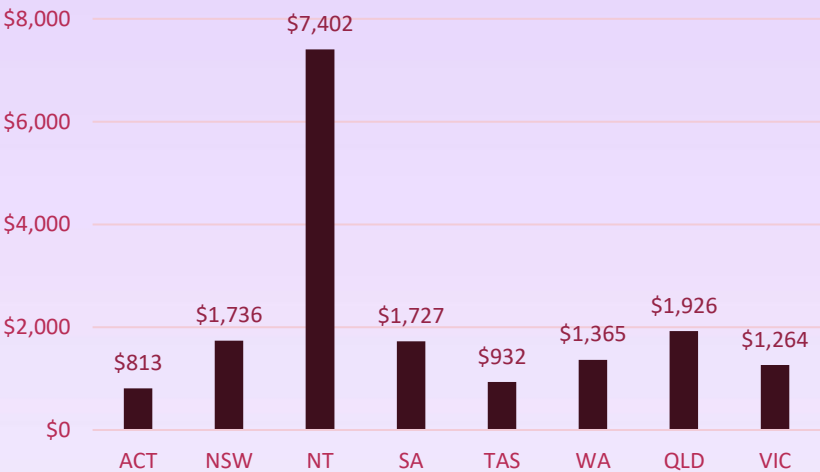
As each jurisdiction aggregates and presents its budget differently, some variation in how figures are reported is unavoidable. Where possible, allocations have been presented as the funding provision for this financial year only, rather than totals across forward estimates. This approach gives greater certainty about confirmed commitments, recognising that forward estimate pipelines are subject to change as project scopes and economic conditions evolve.

Based on this overview it is clear that the vast majority of state-based transport infrastructure investment remains across Australia’s eastern seaboard with New South Wales, Queensland, and Victoria representing over three quarters of all state budget dollars invested in transport infrastructure.

However, of note is that when population variances are taken into consideration, the Northern Territory is expected to invest the most on a per person basis – noting that much of this funding is provided in conjunction with funding from the Federal Government.



Total Capital Expenditure (\$m's)



Per Capita Transport Capital Expenditure

ACT

State of the Economy

Economic growth in the ACT is forecast to remain stable at 3.25 percent rising to 3.75 per cent in forward estimates.

Employment to fall to 1.75 per cent in 2026-27 and remain stable over the coming years.

A net operating deficit is forecast of \$323 million in 2026-27 and is expected to move to surplus by 2028-29.

Net debt is forecast to reach \$12.4 billion in 2026-27 growing to \$14 billion in forward estimates.

Core Government revenue is expected to increase to \$9.5 billion in 2026-27 and to grow to 10.9 billion in the forward estimates.

Government expenditure is expected to increase to \$10.2 billion in 2026-27 and continue to climb to \$10.9 billion over the forward estimates.

\$396 million in transport capital expenditure is outlined in the 2026-27 budget.



Transport Infrastructure and Services

- \$88 million for upgrades to the Monaro Highway
- \$56 million for Canberra Light Rail to deliver Stage 2A, depot expansion and new rolling stock
- \$53 million for Molongolo Bridge enabling works
- \$35 million for the duplication of William Hovell Drive
- \$30 million for Central Capital Provisions
- \$24 million for Athllon Drive duplication works
- \$21 million for major road rehabilitation
- \$14 million for bus electrification
- \$10 million for bus network improvements
- \$8 million for general road surfacing improvements
- \$5.2 million for active travel infrastructure maintenance
- \$4.7 million for Road Safety Program components
- \$4.4 million for improvements to traffic and parking systems
- \$4.3 million under the Asset Renewal Program
- \$4 million for Supporting Active Travel programs
- \$4 million for construction of the Garden City Cycleway Stage 2
- \$2.9 million for Parks Way early works
- \$2.8 million for design work on the Molongolo Parkway-Drive Connector
- \$2.4 million for road improvements under the Black Spot program
- \$2.4 million for stage 3 works of the duplication of Gundaroo Drive
- \$2.1 million for improving safety on public transport
- \$1.9 million for construction of light rail to woden
- \$1.9 million for upgrades to the City Services depot at Holder
- \$1.8 million for local roads safety improvements
- \$1.6 million for bus fleet repairs and maintenance
- \$1.4 million for expanding the traffic camera network
- \$814,000 of funding under the Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program
- \$710,000 for improvements to active travel infrastructure in Hall Village
- \$570,000 to improve speeding and seatbelt detection capability
- \$546,000 for procurement under the Better Buses initiative
- \$380,000 for Gungahlin Road improvements early planning

NEW SOUTH WALES



State of the Economy

Economic growth in New South Wales is forecast to slow from 1.5 per cent in 2025-26 to 1 per cent in 2026-27.

Employment to grow from 0.75 per cent to 1.25 per cent in 2026-27.

The unemployment rate is forecast to remain stable at 4.5 per cent in 2026-27 and largely remain stable in the forward estimates.

A net operating deficit is forecast of \$2.3 billion in 2026-27 before returning to surplus in 2027-28.

Gross debt is forecast to reach \$193.8 billion in 2026-27 representing 20.5 per cent of GSP.

Total Government revenue is expected to increase to \$130 billion in 2026-27.

Government expenditure is expected to grow to \$133 billion in 2026-27.

\$15.2 billion in transport capital expenditure is outlined in the 2026-27 budget.

Transport Infrastructure and Services

The NSW budget specifies Government expenditure forecast from the current 2026-27 financial year through to 2029-30, as such figures below do not necessarily reflect expenditure to be made this year. In addition to the below direct projects, the budget includes a forecast \$64 million in revenue for the 2027-28 budget arising from the future NSW Rod User Charge.

- \$12.9 billion for delivery of Sydney Metro West between Parramatta and Sydney CBD
- \$3.5 billion for the Connecting Sydney Roads Program including
 - \$976 million for upgrades to Elizabeth Drive
 - \$816 million for Mamre Road Stage 2 works between Erskine Park Road to Kerrs Road
 - \$471 million for upgrades to Richmond Road between the M7 and Townson Road
 - \$289 million for upgrades to Garfield Roads East
 - \$265 million for works on Mona Vale Road West from McCarrs Creek Road to Powder Works Road
 - \$191 million for Mulgoa Road stage 2 between Glenmore Parkway to Jeanette Street
 - \$170 million for upgrades to The Horsley Drive between the M7 and Cowpasture Road
 - \$153 million for upgrades to Appin Road
 - \$98 million in funding for Western Sydney long term strategic transport corridor preservation
 - \$61 million for works on Wakehurst Parkway
- \$2.4 billion for the continuation of the Bus Electrification Program
- \$2.3 billion for the Western Harbour Tunnell Upgrade
- \$2.2 billion for delivery of Sydney Metro – Western Sydney Airport
- \$1.4 billion for construction of Parramatta Light Rail Stage 2
- \$1.2 billion for upgrades along the Princes Highway
- \$1.1 billion for Road Safety initiatives as part of the delivery of the Road Safety Action Plan
- \$1.1 billion for the Rail Service Improvement Program of rail network maintenance and upgrades
- \$1 billion for planning and delivery of the Fifteenth Avenue upgrades between Liverpool and Bradfield
- \$988 million for delivery of the Sydney Metro City and Southwest between Sydenham and Bankstown
- \$844 million for delivery of the new Regional Rail fleet

- \$746 million for the delivery of the new Mariyung intercity rail fleet
- \$563 million for the New Richmond Bridge
- \$505 million for the M6 extension stage 1
- \$494 million to delivery of the Opal 2.0 program
- \$467 million for the Safe, Accessible Transport Program of accessibility upgrades at train stations
- \$450 million for new bus procurement across NSW
- \$396 million for works to extend the operational life of the Tangara fleet of trains
- \$390 million to continue the Pacific Motorway extension to Raymond Terrace
- \$365 million for the Windsor Road upgrade business case and delivery
- \$331 million to finalise planning and delivery of upgrades of the Pacific Highway in Wyong Town Centre
- \$302 million for the Newell Highway Upgrade
- \$277 million for new Western Sydney bus services to connect with Western Sydney Airport and Bradfield
- \$258 million for early works of the Muswellbrook Bypass
- \$245 million for the M5 motorway, Moorebank Avenue and Hume Highway intersection upgrade
- \$234 million for planning and delivery of grade separations at Tichborne and Harris Gate
- \$233 million to upgrade Henry Lawson Drive between Auld Avenue and the M5
- \$227 million for construction of the Coffs Harbour Bypass
- \$186 million for the construction of the Mount Ousley interchange
- \$181 million for the Homebush Bay Drive and Australia Avenue Intersection upgrade
- \$151 million for planning works of the Future Fleet Program of future rolling stock
- \$139 million for the Richmond Road upgrade between Elara Boulevard and Heritage Road
- \$126 million for the duplication of the Barton Highway
- \$123 million for the Epping Station Bridge replacement
- \$121 million for the Mamre Road Stage 1 works between the M4 and Erskine Park Road
- \$119 million for construction of the Singleton Bypass
- \$111 million to deliver the RegStar program managing vehicle registration data
- \$108 million for delivery of the Terrigal Drive upgrade
- \$103 million in funding for the Pinch Points program for small scale traffic improvement works
- \$100 million in funding for planning of the Nowra bypass and network upgrades
- \$98 million for the Bells Line of Road upgrade program
- \$95 million in funding for Active Transport project delivery programs
- \$91 million for the Macquarie Park Precinct and Bus Interchange project
- \$89 million in funding for the Regional Roads Fund including
- \$87 million for works to duplicate Nelson Bay Road between Williamstown and Bobs Farm
- \$66 million for planning delivery of the Picton Road upgrade
- \$66 million to duplicate portions of Heathcote Road
- \$63 million to deliver the Bus Transport Management System for bus tracking and data management
- \$59 million in funding for planning and maintenance for Swan Hill bridge
- \$54 million for new and upgraded Western Sydney heavy vehicle rest areas
- \$53 million for the Hill Road Upgrade between Parramatta Road and Old Hill Link Road
- \$52 million for Planning works of key corridors in South West Sydney
- \$49 million for planning and delivery of the Western Sydney Freight Line and Intermodal terminal
- \$48 million for upgrades to the Pitt Town Bypass
- \$47 million for the pacific highway and Harrington Road intersection upgrade
- \$44 million for the Airport Precinct Safety and Access Program at Western Sydney Airport
- \$42 million for the planning and commencement of the Mandalong Road upgrade
- \$42 million for works as part of the Fixing Country Rail program
- \$41 million for the Richmond Road Corridor upgrade business case between the M7 and The Driftway
- \$39 million for maritime infrastructure upgrades at NSW ferry wharves

- \$39 million for the delivery of upgrades to Avoca Drive
 - \$38 million for the Newcastle Inner City Bypass between Rankin Park to Jesmond
 - \$36 million to upgrade the Hillsborough Road and Crockett Street Intersection
 - \$35 million for duplication of Goonoo Goonoo Road section of the New England Highway
 - \$31 million for signalling the Yass, Bungendore and Ellerton Drive roundabout
 - \$31 million for the Tumby Road Intersection upgrade on the Central Coast Highway
 - \$30 million for investigations along the M1 at Tweed Heads and Byron Bay
 - \$30 million for upgrades ITS works on the M1 between Wahroonga and Beresfield
 - \$30 million for planning and design of Gosford Bypass
 - \$28 million for delivery of the Western Sydney Airport Wayfinding upgrade program
 - \$26 million for delivery of the Sydney Fish Markets Ferry Wharf
 - \$26 million for planning works for upgrades to key Western Sydney Roads
 - \$23 million for business case planning for the Devonshire Link Road and Bradfield Metro Link Road
 - \$22 million for works as part of the Waterfall Way upgrade
 - \$21 million for planning of new entry/exit ramps to the M1 at Dapto
 - \$19 million for the Southwest Sydney Rail Business Case for to connect existing rail networks and Bradfield
 - \$17 million for continuing works on the Warringah Freeway Upgrade
 - \$14 million for the Marshalls Creek Bridge construction on the Sturt Highway
 - \$14 million for the Driftway Roundabout in Londonderry
 - \$13 million for the Devonshire Road to Mamre Road business case
 - \$13 million for planning works on Townson and Burdekin Roads between Richmond Road and Jersey Road
 - \$13 million for planning works on Garfield Road West between Richmond Road and Denmark Road
 - \$12 million for the Speers Point intersection upgrade
 - \$11 million for resurfacing of the Hume Highway at Marulan
 - \$11 million for the Alphadale Crossroads and Bruxner Highway intersection upgrade
 - \$10 million for the Business Case planning for Sydney Metro Western Sydney Airport Northern Extension
 - \$10 million for planning of the Picton Bypass
 - \$9 million for planning works on the Spring Farm Parkway between Menangle Park and Spring Farm
 - \$8.5million for corridor planning along the Hume Highway
 - \$3.1 million for upgrades to the Tuross Head and Princess Highway Intersection
 - \$1.9 million for upgrades at Bank Street.
 - \$1.7 million for the business case of construction of a new Francis Road Rail Overpass at Rooty Hill
 - \$500,000 for the planning works for the Flushcombe Road and Bungarribee Road Intersection upgrade
- *The budget also includes uncosted line items for the Regional Corridors Upgrade Program, noting specific projects of Muswellbrook to Armidale (Phase 2), Euston to Tocumwal, and Newcastle to Dubbo (phase 2)*

NORTHERN TERRITORY



State of the Economy

Economic growth in the Northern Territory is forecast to grow from 2.7 per cent in 2025-26 to 5.8 per cent in 2026-27.

The overall Territory GSP is calculated as \$34.6 billion

Business investment is forecast to contract through the rest of 2026 as major projects complete, with further moderate reductions forecast towards 2027.

Employment to grow 5.2 per cent in 2026 before declining to 4.6 per cent in forward estimates.

The unemployment rate is forecast to increase from 4.6 per cent in 2025-26 to 5.2 per cent in 2026-27 before falling to 4.6 in forward estimates.

A net operating deficit is forecast of \$42 million in 2026-27 before returning to a surplus of \$199 million in 2027-28.

Net debt is forecast to reach \$12.56 billion in 2026-27 with a debt to revenue ratio of 117 per cent.

Net revenue is expected to increase to \$10.7 billion in 2026-27.

Government expenditure is expected to increase to \$12.78 billion in 2026-27 and then stabilise at \$12.32 billion in forward estimates.

\$1.9 billion in capital expenditure for transport infrastructure in 2026-27.

Transport Infrastructure and Services

- \$278 million in funding for upgrades to the Tanami Road corridor
- \$201 million in funding for the Central Arnhem Road upgrade program
- \$166 million for the Northern Territory Strategic Roads Package to upgrade remote and regional roads
- \$144 million for stage 3 of the Northern Territory National Highway upgrades program
- \$133 million for upgrades to the Outback Way corridor
- \$109 million for Buntine Highway upgrades
- \$107 million for works on Northern Territory gas industry roads
- \$89 million for upgrades to Port Keats Road between Wadeye and Palumpa
- \$81 million for the Road Asset Modernisation Program (RAMP)
- \$79 million for Arnhem Highway duplication between the Stuart Highway and Kostka Road
- \$68 million for Stage 2 works of the Northern Territory national network highway upgrades program
- \$62 million to upgrade Jabiru Road within Kakadu National Park
- \$57 million for Tennant Creek to Townsville corridor priority projects
- \$49 million for upgrades to remote community access roads
- \$41 million for priority projects along the Newman to Katherine corridor
- \$41 million to upgrade roads on the Tiwi Islands
- \$37 million for the Road Safety Program initiatives
- \$32 million under the Roads to Recovery program for works on targeted local roads
- \$27 million for Sandover Highway upgrades.
- \$24 million for the Tanami Road and Central Arnhem Road future priorities program
- \$22 million for the National network highway flood resilience upgrades
- \$17 million for the priority projects along the Alice Springs to Darwin corridor
- \$15 million for upgrades on the Carpentaria Highway
- \$12 million for duplication of Roystone Avenue between Terry Drive and Lambrick Avenue

- \$12 million for the Tiger Brennan Drive and Berrimah Road interchange
- \$11 million for regional level crossing upgrades
- \$10 million for floodplain upgrades on the Arnhem Highway
- \$10 million for road upgrades under the Rebuilding our Economy program
- \$8.1 million for the Schwarz Crescent and Stuart Highway intersection upgrade
- \$7 million to upgrade the Kirkland Road and Woodlake Boulevard intersection to a roundabout
- \$4.7 million to upgrade five heavy vehicle rest areas on the Buntine Highway
- \$4.2 million for targeted road safety projects on the Stuart Highway
- \$4 million for phase 1 works of the Northern Territory national network highway upgrades program
- \$4 million for targeted road safety works under the Black Spot Program
- \$1.1 million of funding under the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program
- \$1 million for upgrades to Maryvale Road
- \$348,000 for the Culvert Replacement Program
- \$216,000 for ‘Shovel-Ready Projects’
- \$139,000 to construct a new Katherine Heavy Vehicle compliance inspection shed

SOUTH AUSTRALIA



State of the Economy

Economic growth in South Australia is forecast to slow from 2.25 per cent in 2025-26 to 1.75 per cent in 2026-27.

Employment to fall to 1 per cent in 2026 (from 3.25 per cent in 2025-26) and remains stable in forward estimates.

A net operating surplus is forecast of \$223 million (2.6 per cent in 2026-27) and is expected to increase to up to \$348 million in forward estimates.

General Government debt is forecast to reach \$28.8 billion in 2026 growing to \$40 billion in forward estimates.

Government revenue is expected to grow by 3.6 per cent in 2026-27 to \$33 billion.

Government expenditure is expected to increase 3.5 per cent in 2026-27 to \$33.6 billion.

\$3.3 billion in transport investment is outlined in the 2026-27 budget.

Transport Infrastructure and Services

- \$2.3 billion this year for the North-South Corridor – River Torrens to Darlington project
- \$90 million for upgrades to the Horrocks Highway
- \$80 million to undertake upgrades to the Adelaide and Hawthorn Road interaction, with \$17 million budgeted for this financial year
- \$60 million in funding this year for works on the Princes Highway Corridor
- \$47 million in additional funding for the Southeastern Freeway Upgrade
- \$36 million in additional funding for the Adelaide Hills Productivity and Road Safety Package
- \$31 million in additional funding for the Freight Highway Upgrade Program
- \$29 million for the upgrades to the Womma Road intersection
- \$25 million in additional for Marion Road between Anzac Highway to Cross Road
- \$23 million for the Bus Fleet Replacement program
- \$21 million for upgrades to Main South Road from Myponga to Cape Jervis
- \$20 million in funding allocated for unspecified small projects
- \$17 million for Mobile Phone Detection Cameras
- \$16 million for intersection upgrades along Happy Valley Drive
- \$15 million for AUKUS planning and business cases, with \$5 million budgeted this year
- \$15 million in additional funding for the Curtis Road and Heaslip Road Roundabout
- \$15 million in additional funding for the Curtis Road Level Crossing Removal
- \$15 million for Regional Road Safety initiatives and infrastructure
- \$14 million for the New Road Safety Program
- \$13 million in additional funding for state 1 works for the High Productivity Vehicle Network
- \$13 million in additional funding for the Mount Barker Roundabout upgrade
- \$12 million for the Mike Turtur Bikeway
- \$11 million in additional funding for targeted investments to improve national supply chain resilience
- \$10 million in additional funding for the Roads of Strategic Importance Initiative – Cockburn to Burra
- \$10 million for the Roads Safety Maintenance program
- \$9 million in additional funding for the Seaford Lines Automated Protection System
- \$9 million in additional funding to the Betterment of State Road Infrastructure program in addition to a further \$12.5 million in general road repairs as part of recovery from ex-tropical cyclone Tiffany

- \$7.3 million in additional funding for planning of the Riverland Network Flood Resilience upgrades
- \$7 million to develop a new Park ‘N’ Ride at the Torrens Park Railway Station
- \$6.7 million in additional funding under the Roads to Recovery program
- \$5.6 million for heavy vehicle rest stops
- \$5.4 million for road safety camera initiatives with \$600,000 budgeted for 2026-27
- \$5.4 million in funding for the Roads of Strategic Importance Initiative - Eyre Peninsula Road upgrades
- \$5 million for resurfacing of Montacute Road
- \$4 million for increased detection of unregistered and uninsured vehicles on the network
- \$4 million for resurfacing of St Bernards Road
- \$4 million in additional funding for the Marion Road and Sir Donald Bradman Dr intersection upgrade
- \$3.5 million of funding for a battery electric train trial, with \$500,000 budgeted this year
- \$3.5 million in additional funding for works as part of Hahndorf Traffic improvements
- \$3 million in additional funding for Brighton Road Intersection Improvement works
- \$2.5 million in additional funding for the Gawler Line electrification
- \$2.3 million in additional funding for the implementation of 40 km/h at schools
- \$2.2 million of additional funding for Adelaide bus fleet decarbonisation planning
- \$2.1 million in additional funding for High Productivity Vehicle network planning
- \$2 million of additional funding for works to Adelaide Railway Station
- \$2 million in additional funding for rail network extension planning
- \$1.9 million in additional funding for the Truro Bypass
- \$1.7 million for Level Crossing Removal Planning Program
- \$1.6 million in additional funding for the North East Public Transport Park ‘N’ Ride
- \$1.6 million in additional funding for Wynn Vale Drive upgrades
- \$1.5 million for the Bridgewater pedestrian crossing project, with \$200,000 budgeted this year
- \$1.5 million of additional funding under the School Crossings Program
- \$1.5 million for pedestrian crossing improvement for Star of the Sea
- \$1.2 million in additional funding for the River Murray Road Repair Package

TASMANIA



State of the Economy

Economic growth in Tasmania is forecast to slow from 2.25 per cent in 2025-26 to 0.75 per cent in 2026-27.

Employment rate to fall to negative 0.5 per cent in 2026 (from 0.75 per cent in 2025-26) before rising to above 1 per cent in forward estimates.

Unemployment to rise to 5 per cent in 2026-27 from 4.25 per cent in 2025-26 before falling to 4.75 per cent in forward estimates.

A net operating deficit is forecast of \$596.7 million in 2026-27 and is expected to move to surplus in forward estimates.

General Government debt is forecast to reach \$8.4 billion in 2026 growing to up to \$9.9 billion in forward estimates before reducing by 2029-30.

Government revenue is expected to grow 4.9% to \$10.1 billion in 2026-27.

Government expenditure is expected to increase 1.4 per cent in 2026-27 to \$10.7 billion.

\$540 million allocated to transport in the 2026-27 budget, including \$437 million for roads and bridges infrastructure.

Transport Infrastructure and Services

- \$117 million for infrastructure maintenance of state roads, including bridge strengthening
- \$91 million allocated to Roads and Rail Funding Nation Building program
- \$56.9 million in funding for Roads of Strategic Importance
- \$52 million as part of the Greater Hobart Traffic Solution program
- \$45 million for the Macquarie Wharf 6 redevelopment at the Port of Hobart
- \$32 million for various road safety projects
- \$27 million for the Urban Congestion Fund
- \$24 million for the Tasman Bridge Upgrade
- \$23 million for the upgrades to the Bass Highway Corridor
- \$20 million for road corridor works
- \$19 million for the Tasman Highway corridor
- \$18 million for the Midland Highway corridor between Campbell Town and Cleveland
- \$13 million for upgrades along the East and West Tamar Valley Corridor
- \$11 million for the New Bridgewater Bridge
- \$11 million for the Bell Bay Line to reconnect freight rail to Bell Bay Wharf
- \$9.3 million for the Safer Local Roads Program
- \$8.5 million for the Safer Local Roads Program
- \$7.9 million for Automated Traffic Enforcement initiatives
- \$7.9 million for upgrades to the Stanley Highway
- \$7.4 million for the South East Traffic Solution project
- \$7 million for Algonia Interchange and Kingston Bypass project
- \$6.9 million for Northern Region State Road upgrades
- \$6 million for the Rokeby Stage 3 Pass Road to Oakdowns project
- \$5.2 million for the Common Ticketing project
- \$5.1 million for works under the Targeting Congestion Package
- \$5 million for the Derwent Ferry Terminal upgrades
- \$5 million for upgrades to the Arther Highway corridor including widening the Sorell Bridge

- \$3.9 million for new park and ride facilities in Greater Hobart
- \$3.9 million for the retention of traffic management and engineering services
- \$3.4 million for the Northern Park and Ride project in Launceston
- \$3.2 million for the Urban Congestion Fund
- \$2.1 million for the Mountain River Road intersection upgrade
- \$2.1 million for future network planning work
- \$2 million for safety upgrades in Cygnet Township
- \$2 million for Northern Region State Road upgrades
- \$1.2 million for upgrades along the Devonport to Cradle Mountain corridor
- \$1 million for the Launceston Skybus trial
- \$500,000 for the Launceston and Tamar Valley Traffic Vision program
- \$250,000 for planning works along the Lyell Highway corridor
- \$199,000 in funding for Infrastructure Stimulus funding

WESTERN AUSTRALIA



State of the Economy

Economic growth in Western Australia is forecast to fall from 3.25 per cent in 2025-26 to 2.25 per cent in 2026-27.

Business investment is forecast to grow 1 per cent in 2026-27 down from 6.75 per cent in 2025-26.

Employment to grow 1.75 per cent in 2026-27 up from 1.5 per cent in 2025-26.

The unemployment rate is forecast to rise from 4 per cent in 2025-26 to 4.25 per cent in 2026-27.

A net operating surplus is forecast of \$2.4 billion in 2026-27 with further surpluses forecast in forward estimates.

Net debt is forecast to rise to 8.2 per cent of GSP reaching \$40.2 billion in 2026-27.

Revenue is expected to grow by 4.4 per cent to \$54.9 billion in 2026-27.

Government expenditure is expected to grow 6.9 per cent to \$52.5 billion in 2026-27 and forecast to fall to \$50 billion in forward estimates.

\$4.2 billion in asset investment programs for Transport in 2026-27.

Transport Infrastructure and Services

- \$409 million for rail High-Capacity Signalling program of work
- \$408 million for the grade separation and extensions on the Tonkin Highway
- \$207 million for the Kwinana Freeway Widening under the Southern Suburbs Road Package
- \$179 million for various projects on METRONET including Byford Rail and Yanchep Rail extensions
- \$176 million for the construction of the Queen Victoria Street traffic bridge
- \$166 million for the bus electrification program
- \$166 million for projects under the upgrades to the Mitchell Highway
- \$141 million for works under the Rail Infrastructure Program
- \$118 million for the Thomas Road - Southwestern Highway to Tonkin Highway Dual Carriageway
- \$91 million for the capitalisation of the Reseal Program
- \$89 million for various projects under the Reid Highway upgrade
- \$86 million various projects as part of upgrades to the Great Northern Highway
- \$83 million for upgrades to Toodyay Road between Dryandra to Toodyay
- \$82 million for the Tonkin Highway North Ellenbrook Interchange
- \$81 million for the Manuwarra Red Dog Highway from Karratha to Tom Price
- \$73.2 million for the Bunbury Outer Ring Road
- \$70 million for planning and construction of the grade separation of Nicholson Road and Garden Street
- \$65 million for the Great Eastern Highway upgrades at Coates Gully, Walgoolan to Southern Cross and Ghooli to Benari
- \$53 million for the Bus Infrastructure Program
- \$50 million for the Roe Highway - Great Eastern Highway Bypass
- \$48 million for transport improvements to the Murdoch Health and Knowledge Precinct
- \$47 million for duplication of Wanneroo Road between Dunstan Road to Romeo Road
- \$47 million for the Stirling Bus Interchange
- \$41 million for improvements to the Western Australian Agricultural Supply Chain

- \$36.2 million in funding for Westport Marine and Port Infrastructure works
- \$35 million for the METRONET on Swan ferry expansion project
- \$26 million for minor works - including black spot works and urgent works
- \$25 million for grade separation of Menang Drive and Chester Pass Road
- \$24 million for the stage 1 and 2 freight upgrades of Thomas and Anketell Roads
- \$23 million for various projects under the Regional Road Safety program
- \$22 million for the Road Safety Commissions and associated projects
- \$22 million for Anketell Road Construction
- \$20 million for the Indian Ocean Drive from Jurien Bay to Brand Highway
- \$20 million for public transport parking facility upgrades
- \$17 million the Northern Suburbs Roads Package
- \$16 million for updating the SmartRider system and technology assets
- \$16 million for planning works for the Orrong Road Upgrade
- \$16 million for regional level crossing upgrades
- \$16 million for Realignment and Bridge Replacement on Northam Pithara Road
- \$13 million for the Safer Roads and Bridges Program
- \$12 million for the removal of the level crossing at Caledonian Avenue
- \$10 million for the Canning Bridge Bus Interchange
- \$10 million for Forrest Highway and Vittoria Road intersection and road upgrades
- \$9 million for a Fuel Support Payment to enable all WA drivers licence holders to receive \$100 reimbursement
- \$9 million for the Principal Shared Path Program
- \$8 million for rail station upgrades
- \$8 million for projects as part of upgrades to the Leach Highway
- \$6 million for the Congdon Street Bridge Replacement
- \$5 million for Stage 1 Signalised pedestrian crossings program
- \$5 million for stage 1 and stage 2 of Pinjarra Heavy Haulage Deviation
- \$5 million for the Rail Crossing Program
- \$4.4 million for projects enabled under the active transport fund via Commonwealth Grants
- \$3.6 million for planning works for the Kwinana Freeway widening
- \$3.2 million for the Chidlow-York Road and Forrest Street intersection upgrade
- \$3 million for road upgrades to the Kwinana Strategic Industrial Area
- \$2.4 million for established a Digital Drivers Licence ecosystem
- \$2.1 million for access upgrades to the QEII Medical Centre
- \$2 million for works on the South Coast Highway between Kojaneerup and Shannon
- \$1.2 million for Kemerton Strategic Industrial Area road upgrades
- \$1 million for the duplication of Mandurah Estuary Bridge
- \$1 million for planning works for Morrison Road
- \$990,000 for the Brooking Channell Bridge Replacement
- \$500,000 for the On-Demand Transport Capital program
- \$500,000 for upgrades to the Ashburton North Strategic Industrial Area access road
- \$200,000 for the Bob Hawke College Pedestrian Crossing

QUEENSLAND



State of the Economy

Economic growth in Queensland is forecast to slow from 3.5 per cent in 2025-26 to 1.75 per cent in 2026-27.

Business investment is forecast to slow in 2026-27 reducing from 4 per cent in 2025-26 to 1.75 per cent in 2026-27.

Employment to drop 0.25 per cent in 2026-27 to 1.25 per cent from 1.5 per cent in 2025-26.

The unemployment rate is forecast to increase from 4.25 per cent in 2025-26 to 4.75 per cent in 2026-27

A net operating deficit is forecast of \$6.1 billion in 202-27 and forecast to return to surplus by 2029-30.

Net debt is forecast to reach \$51 billion in 2026-27 growing to \$98 billion in forward estimates.

Government revenue is expected to increase to \$99 billion in 2026-27.

Government expenditure is expected to increase to \$105 billion in 2026-27 and continue to climb to \$111 billion over the forward estimates.

\$11 billion in transport infrastructure investment is outlined in the 2026-27 budget.

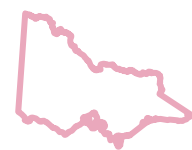
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- \$1.2 billion for statewide construction works on non-specified projects and programs
- \$941 million allocated for various upgrades to the State Road Network
- \$898 million for the Bruce Highway Targeted Safety Program
- \$651 million for the Logan and Gold Coast Faster Rail project
- \$650 million for the Coomera Connector Stage 1 project between Coomera and Nerang
- \$624 million in funding for the continued delivery of Cross River Rail
- \$460 million for construction of stage 1 of The Wave
- \$430 million for the delivery of the Rockhampton Ring Road
- \$410 million in funding for the Queensland Train Manufacturing program
- \$333 million in funding for statewide passenger transport infrastructure improvements
- \$252 million in funding for statewide improvements to the Queensland Rail network
- \$251 million for the Beerburrum to Nambour Rail Upgrade (stage 1)
- \$236 million for maintenance of the Queensland Rail regional network
- \$242 million for delivery of stage 3 of the Gold Coast Light Rail
- \$211 million in rail infrastructure improvements across all regions
- \$209 million for maintenance of the Queensland Rail network in Southeast Queensland
- \$167 million for construction of the Clapham Yard stabling at Moorooka
- \$159 million for disability access improvements at Queensland Rail stations
- \$151 million for various other construction works across the South Coast region
- \$143 million for various other construction works across the North Coast region
- \$136 million to implement the European Train Control Signalling Program on the Brisbane City Network
- \$135 million in funding for ongoing upgrades to the Bruce Highway
- \$128 million in funding for the Natural Disaster Recovery program
- \$124 million for the Brisbane to Gympie Bruce Highway upgrades

- \$123 million for various other construction works across the Darling Downs region
- \$115 million for new Gold Coast Stations at Pimpama, Hope Island and Merrimac
- \$114 million for various other construction works across the Wide Bay Burnett region
- \$114 million to implement European Train Control Signals between Beenleigh and Varsity Lakes
- \$112 million for various other construction works across the Far North region
- \$111 million for various other construction works across the Metropolitan region
- \$103 million for various other construction works across the Fitzroy region
- \$77 million for upgraded rail signalling to enable new generation rolling stock
- \$76 million for the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme to fund Local Governments
- \$73 million under the Captain Cook Highway disaster recovery program between Cairns and Mossman
- \$66 million for various other non-region-specific statewide construction works
- \$61 million for various other construction works across the South West region
- \$59 million for various other construction works across the Northern region
- \$56 million in rail infrastructure upgrades for new generation rolling stock
- \$54 million in funding for the Gateway Motorway upgrade project between Bracken Ridge and Pine River
- \$54 million for various other construction works across the Central West region
- \$53 million for various other construction works across the Mackay Whitsunday region
- \$52 million under the Kennedy Highway disaster recovery program between Cairns and Mareeba
- \$51 million for various other construction works across the North West region
- \$48 million for initiatives under the road safety infrastructure 2026-2030 program
- \$48 million for upgrades at Mayne Yard for vehicle and pedestrian access
- \$45 million for the Centenary Bridge upgrade
- \$43 million under the Cycling Program grants
- \$43 million for the School Bus upgrade program grants
- \$42 million for rail signalling integration works
- \$39 million for the Loganlea Train Station relocation
- \$38 million for enabling works of the Queensland Train Manufacturing Program
- \$36 million for targeted road safety initiatives
- \$35 million for the Inland Freight Route between Charter Towers and Mungindi
- \$34 million for the Beams Road rail level crossing project
- \$34 million for the Gladstone to Rockhampton Bruce Highway upgrade
- \$33 million for the Bruce Highway and Kooltandra Road intersection upgrade
- \$33 million to implement European Train Control Signals between Kuraby and Beenleigh
- \$32 million for the Station Upgrades Program between Fairfield and Salisbury
- \$30 million for the Country Roads Connect Program grants
- \$30 million for the Black Spots Program grants
- \$30 million for ongoing safety upgrades to the Bruce Highway
- \$30 million under the Mount Spec disaster recovery program
- \$27 million for works under the Queensland Beef Corridors program
- \$23 million for upgrades to the Warrego Highway and Bremer River Bridge
- \$20 million for the Upper Ross Road duplication
- \$19 million to upgrade the intersection at Booral Road and Boundary Road
- \$16 million for Queensland Rail for the Mount Isa line resilience improvements
- \$16 million for works under the Springbrook Road upgrade
- \$13 million for upgrades to the National Land Transport Network
- \$13 million under the Rosewood - Marburg Road disaster recovery program
- \$12 million under the Gillies Range Road disaster recovery program
- \$11 million for Safer Roads Better Transport program grants
- \$11 million for Prosperine - Shuteharbour Road upgrades

- \$8.8 million under the Gregory Developmental Road disaster recovery program
- \$8.1 million for the Burleigh Connection Road bus upgrade project
- \$8.1 million for the Brisbane Valley Highway Safety upgrades
- \$8 million for floodway upgrades on the Castlereagh Highway between St George and Hebel
- \$7 million for pavement strengthening on the Brisbane Valley Highway between Ipswich to Harlin
- \$6.7 million for Dawson Development Road upgrades (Springsure to Tambo)
- \$6.5 million for safety upgrades on Ross River Road from Mabin Street to Rolfe Street
- \$5.7 million under the Lamington National Park Road Disaster recovery program
- \$5 million for the construction of a new bus stop at Chermside
- \$5 million for Public Transport disability access upgrades at stops and stations
- \$4.5 million for the Burdekin River Bridge rehabilitation program
- \$4.5 million for floodway and culvert upgrades on Dajarra Road
- \$3 million for upgrades to the Loganlea Park ‘N’ Ride
- \$2.5 million for Cecil Plains Road Pavement Strengthening
- \$2 million for the Burke Developmental Road pavement widening (Cloncurry to Normantown)
- \$2 million for integration works for New Generation Rolling Stock
- \$1 million under the Centenary Motorway Disaster Recovery program from Ellen Grove to Toowong

VICTORIA



State of the Economy

Economic growth in Victoria is forecast to decline from 1.75 per cent in 2025-26 to 1.5 per cent in 2026-27.

Business investment is forecast to grow 0.5 per cent in 2026-27 to account for 2.5 per cent of real GDP.

Employment to grow 1.25 per cent in 2026-27 with further growth in forward estimates of up to 1.75 per cent.

The unemployment rate is forecast to remain stable from 4.75 per cent in 2025-26 through each of the forward estimates.

A net operating surplus is forecast to grow to \$1 billion in 2026-27 increasing to an average surplus of \$1.9 billion in forward estimates.

Net debt is forecast to reach \$175.6 billion in 2026-27 equivalent to 29.5% of GDP.

Net revenue is expected to be \$115.6 billion in 2026-27 and forecast to grow 2.7 per cent annually in the forward estimates.

Government expenditure is expected to be \$114.5 billion in 2026-27 and forecast to grow 2.5 per cent annually in future years.

\$9 billion in capital expenditure for Transport Infrastructure in 2026-27.

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- \$1.6 billion for the Eastern Freeway Upgrade (Springvale to Hoddle) as part of the North East Link Program
- \$981 million for level crossing removals
- \$785 million for the M80 Ring Road Upgrade (Greensborough)
- \$587 million for road maintenance under various existing programs (including the Road Blitz), including \$133 million in additional funding
- \$481 million for North East Link Connections (Bulleen/Watsonia)
- \$246 million as part of the Northern Roads Upgrade and South Eastern Roads stream of the Suburban Roads Upgrade program
- \$133 million additional funding for statewide road maintenance
- \$79 million for upgrades at the Port of Hastings to enable the Victorian Renewable Energy Terminal
- \$92 million for work progressing under various Metropolitan road upgrade programs, including an additional \$20 million of new funding
- \$83 million of funding to deliver further works of the Road Safety Action Plan 2, as well as \$57 million of new funding for Road Safety Action delivery
- \$72 million for works progressing under various Regional Roads Upgrade Programs including an additional \$19 million of new funding
- \$60 million for the Clyde Road Upgrade
- \$46 million for the Pakenham Roads Upgrade
- \$46 million for the Werribee Main Road Interchange upgrade
- \$45 million for the Ballarat Freight Hub
- \$45 million for upgrades of the Princes Highway corridor
- \$44 million for the Great Ocean Road Renewal project

- \$37 million of funding to progress works under the statewide Improving Bus and Ferry Services program as well as an additional \$16 million for new works
- \$24 million for targeted road safety works
- \$22 million as part of the San Remo Bridge rehabilitation project
- \$18 million for duplication of the Western Highway between Ballarat and Stawell
- \$16 million for the Camerons Lane Intersection improvements at Beveridge
- \$16 million for repairs to state transport assets damaged in severe weather
- \$12 million for West Gate Bridge resilience works
- \$11 million of funding to progress works previously identified under the statewide critical upgrades for public and active transport program plus an additional \$2 million of new funding
- \$11 million in funding for the Port-Rail Shuttle intermodal system
- \$9 million for the Delivering Better Local Roads program
- \$8 million in funding to continue the Metropolitan Critical public and active transport program
- \$8 million for upgrades to the Calder Highway under the Roads of Strategic Importance program
- \$7 million for upgrades to the Green Triangle freight routes under the Roads of Strategic Importance program
- \$6 million for the Keeping Trams Moving program
- \$6 million for the Western highway between Stawell and the SA border under the Roads of Strategic Importance program
- \$5 million for the Kilmore Bypass project
- \$5 million for the Genoa Road Upgrade in Mallacoota
- \$3 million for delivering the statewide Bus Plan
- \$3 million for planning of the Shepparton Bypass
- \$3 million as of ongoing stage 2 walking and cycling upgrades
- \$2 million for public transport accessibility and amenity upgrades
- \$2 million of additional funding under the Securing the Safety and Productivity of Victorian Road Network program
- \$1.8 million for local port critical maintenance on top of \$1 million of carried over funding
- \$1 million for bus service improvements in Fisherman's Bend

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