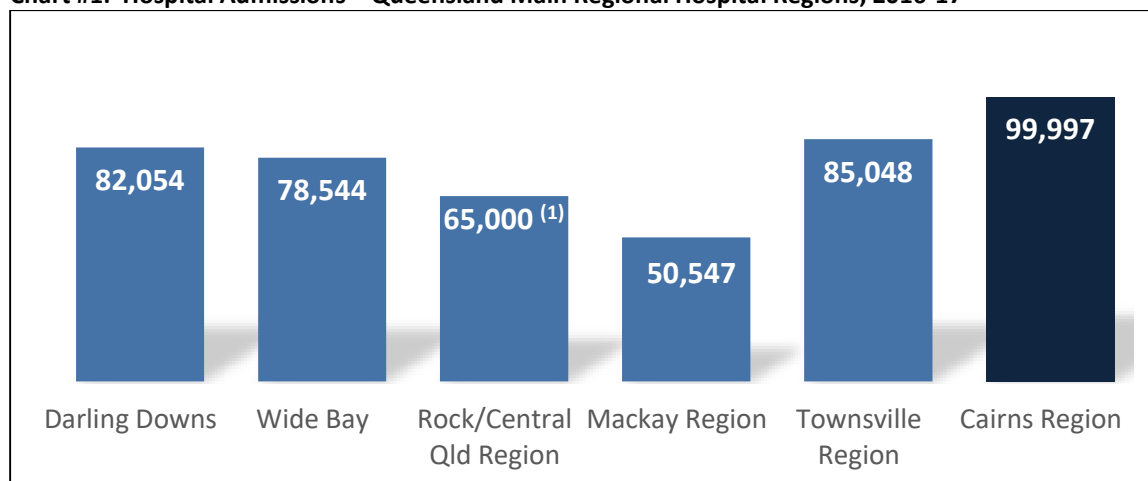


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STATISTICAL NOTE Hospital Funding – Cairns Region Compared

Cairns and Hinterland Hospital & Health Service now accounts for the largest number of hospital admissions in regional Queensland. See Table.

Chart #1: Hospital Admissions – Queensland Main Regional Hospital Regions, 2016-17

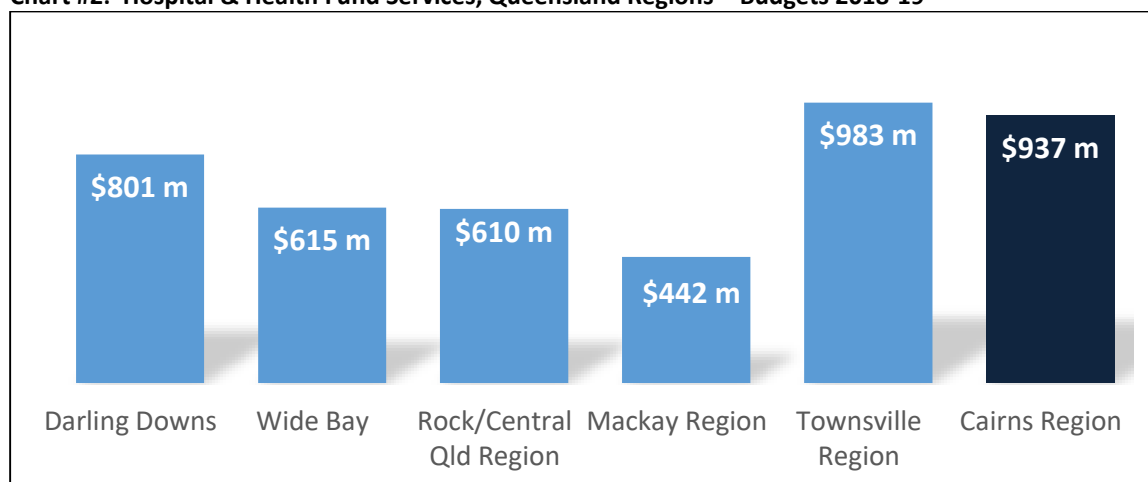


⁽¹⁾ Note: Central Queensland estimate based on 2015-16 figures.
 Source: Regional Hospital & Health Annual Reports, 2016-17.

However, funding announced in the State Budget falls well short of reflecting that position.

While Cairns Hospital admissions in 2016-17 were 18% higher than the next highest, the Townsville Hospital admissions, budget provision for Cairns at \$937 million is 5% lower than for Townsville at \$983 million.

Chart #2: Hospital & Health Fund Services, Queensland Regions – Budgets 2018-19



Source: Minister for Health.