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STATISTICAL NOTE

THE QLD STATE BUDGET 2019-20 & REGIONAL QUEENSLAND CAPITAL EXPENDITURE ⁽¹⁾

The following analysis of capital expenditure included in the budget indicates that in this aspect, the budgeted expenditure increases will primarily be in Greater Brisbane and the Southeast corner including Gold Coast and Sunshine Coast.

Total budgeted capital expenditure in regional Queensland outside the Southeast corner recorded a fall.

Table #1: Budgeted Capital Expenditure 2019-20 Compared with 2018-19 by Area

Area	2018-19 \$m	2019-20 \$m	Increase \$m	% Increase
Greater Brisbane SA4s	\$4,110	\$5,394	+\$1,284	31%
Gold Coast SA4	\$583	\$713	+\$130	22%
Sunshine Coast SA4	\$723	\$818	+\$95	13%
Sub Total SE Qld	\$5,416	\$6,925	+\$1,509	28%
Toowoomba/Darling Downs/Maranoa SA4s	\$1,154	\$661	(-\$493)	(-43%)
Wide Bay SA4	\$488	\$515	+\$27	6%
Central Qld SA4	\$918	\$975	+\$57	6%
Mackay SA4	\$453	\$462	+\$9	2%
Townsville SA4	\$736	\$765	+\$29	4%
Cairns SA4	\$412	\$633	+\$221	54%
Outback Qld SA4s	\$344	\$405	+\$61	18%
Sub Total Regionals	\$4,505	\$4,417	(-\$88)	(-2%)
)Overall Total	\$9,921	\$11,342	\$1,421	14%

While the fall is mainly due to a sharp fall in the Toowoomba/ Darling Downs area, only one region, the Cairns region, records a percentage increase larger than Brisbane.

The following table showing comparative per capital expenditure indicates that:

- a) The large decrease in the Toowoomba/ Darling Downs area was from very high per capita levels to about average per capita levels for the regions.
- b) The large increase in the Cairns region was from a very low per capita level up to about average levels.

Table #2: Comparative per Capita Capital Expenditure Levels by Main Regional Areas

Region	2018-19	2019-20
Toowoomba/ Darling Downs/ Maranoa SA4s	\$4,041	\$2,315
Wide Bay SA4	\$1,644	\$1,736
Central Qld SA4	\$4,070	\$4,325
Mackay SA4	\$2,626	\$2,679
Townsville SA4	\$3,113	\$3,234
Cairns SA4	\$1,635	\$2,512
Regional Average	\$2,855	\$2,800

Note (1): Queensland Budget Paper 3 Capital Statement – Table 2 Capital Purchases by Region.