

# Darling Downs

## Key facts



**79,521 km<sup>2</sup>** Area covered by location <sup>1</sup>



**5.65%** Population of Queensland <sup>1</sup>



**3,889 km** Other state-controlled road network



**644 km** National Land Transport Network <sup>2</sup>



**687 km** National rail network <sup>2</sup>



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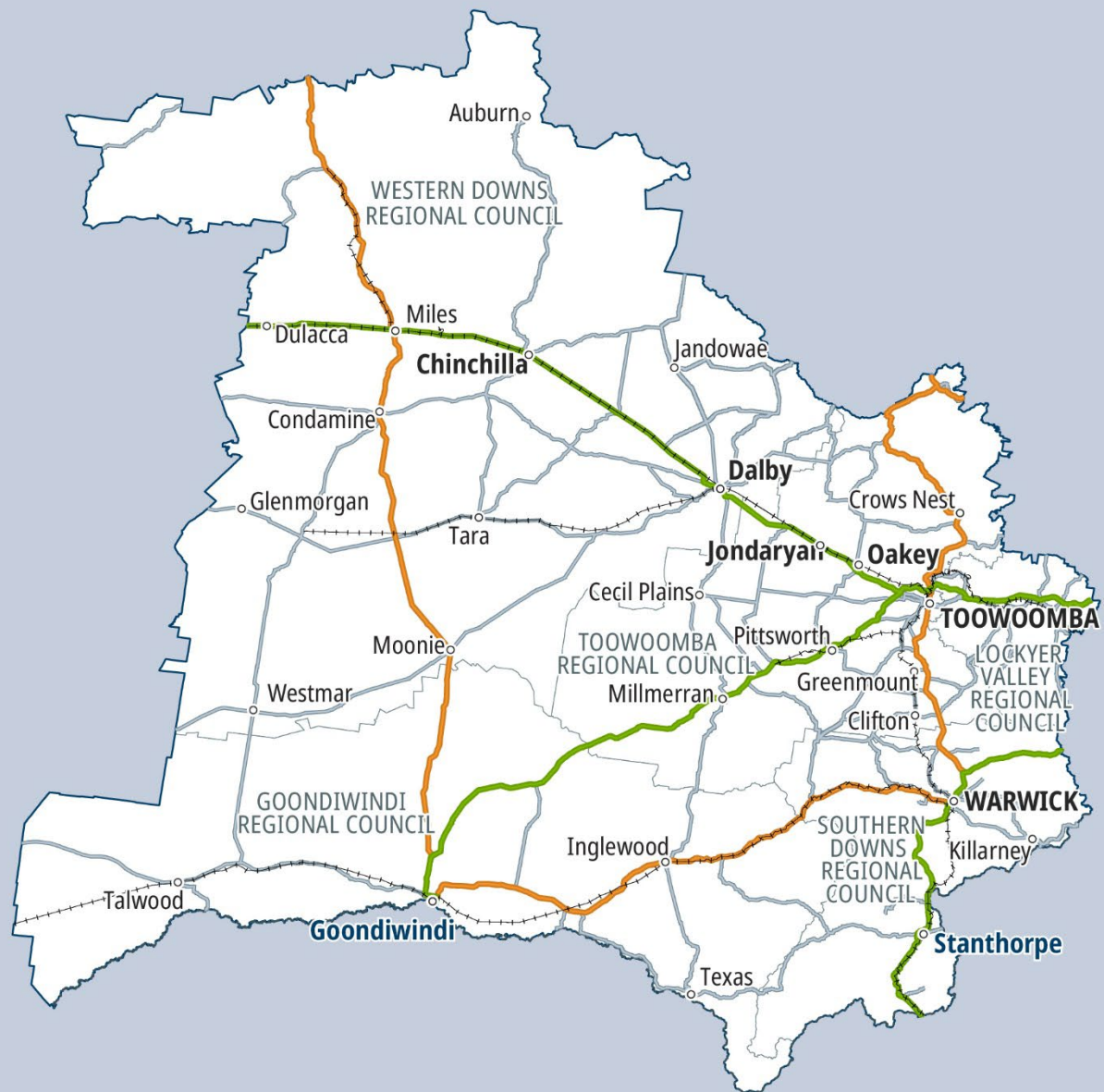
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See **Reference section** (Notes for Map Pages)  
for further details.





### Legend

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|------------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| National road network        | State regional and other district road | National rail network |
| State strategic road network | Local government boundary              | Other railway         |



## Planned investments

### Projects: Up to \$250 million

AG = Australian Government funding, QG = Queensland Government funding, Local/Other = Local Government or other funding partners.

Investment ID	Project title	AG	QG	Local/Other	Planning	Procurement	Construction Start	Notes
3044774	<b>Bunya Highway (Dalby - Kingaroy) and Patrick Street, upgrade intersection</b>		●		✓	Mid 2025	Early 2026	Safer Roads Sooner Program
1521429	<b>Cecil Plains - Moonie Road, improve safety on curves</b>		●	●	-	-	2027-28	Grant to Local Government under the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme.
3044646	<b>Dalby - Cooyar Road, install guardrail and delineation</b>		●		✓	Mid 2025	Early 2026	Safer Roads Sooner Program
3045066	<b>Dalrymple Creek Road, Forde Street and Warwick Street intersection (Allora), raised roundabout retrofit</b>		●		✓	✓	Late 2025	Safer Roads Sooner Program
2614872	<b>Gatton - Helidon Road (Spencer Street) and William Street intersection, improve safety</b>		●		Underway	-	-	
2615428	<b>Gore Highway (Millmerran - Goondiwindi), improve safety</b>		●		✓	Late 2025	Mid 2026	Safer Roads Sooner Program
2671946	<b>Gore Highway (Toowoomba - Millmerran) and Toowoomba - Athol Road, improve safety</b>		●		✓	✓	Late 2025	High Risk Roads Initiative
1203047	<b>Gore Highway, funding allocation</b>	●	●		Underway	-	-	Project details and timing subject to further planning and negotiation with the Australian Government.
2820368	<b>High Risk Rural Roads, improve intersections</b>		●		✓	Late 2025	Mid 2026	
2687377	<b>Inverramsay Road (Goomburra), upgrade and widen pavement</b>		●	●	-	-	2028-29	Grant to Local Government under the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme.

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3564133	Moonie Highway, Esk - Hampton Road, Surat Development Road, guardrail safety package, install guardrail		●		✓	2026-27	2026-27	Safer Roads Sooner Program
2615000	Murphy's Creek Road (Murphy's Creek), improve safety		●		✓	Early 2026	Mid 2026	Safer Roads Sooner Program
2615431	New England Highway (Toowoomba - Warwick), improve safety		●		✓	Late 2025	Mid 2026	Safer Roads Sooner Program
3563947	New England Highway (Warwick - Wallangarra), Rosenthal Heights, The Glen and Thulimbah, upgrade package, undertake safety improvements		●		✓	2026-27	2026-27	Safer Roads Sooner Program
3481320	New England Highway (Warwick - Wallangarra), undertake safety improvements		●		✓	Late 2025	Late 2025	
3517602	New England Highway (Yarraman - Toowoomba), Chalk Drive, Neil Street and Ruthven Street intersections, improve active transport facilities	●	●		Underway	Mid 2026	2026-27	Australian Government Active Transport Fund
3130875	Safety and critical maintenance program, planning		●		Early 2026	-	-	
3631389	School safety upgrades in Wilsonton, Newtown and Highfields, undertake safety improvements		●		Underway	-	2026-27	Further scope and timelines subject to negotiation with local government.
3563836	Warrego Highway (Ipswich to Toowoomba) and James Norman Hedges Park intersection (Helidon Spa), improve intersection	●	●		Underway	2026-27	2026-27	Safer Roads Sooner Program
3044921	Warrego Highway (Toowoomba - Dalby), undertake safety improvements		●		✓	Late 2025	Mid 2026	Safer Roads Sooner Program

# Contractually committed investments

AG = Australian Government funding, QG = Queensland Government funding, Local/Other = Local Government or other funding partners.

Investment ID	Project title	AG (\$'000's)	QG (\$'000's)	Local/ Other (\$'000's)	Committed total budget (\$'000's)	Estimated expenditure to 30 June 2025 (\$'000's)	2025-26 (\$'000's)	Post 2025-26 (\$'000's)	Notes
2673200	Toowoomba - Cecil Plains Road, improve safety		27,031		27,031	2,485	18,500	6,046	High Risk Roads Initiative
2392873	Cunningham Highway (Ipswich - Warwick), Tregony to Maryvale, improve safety	20,160	5,040		25,200	848	19,312	5,040	Cunningham Highway Safety Package
2677439	Cunningham Highway (Warwick - Inglewood), improve safety		18,100		18,100	2,372	10,727	5,001	High Risk Roads Initiative
2729338	Highfields Road, Kratzke Road and O'Brien Road, upgrade intersection		3,521	11,600	15,121	400		3,121	
2207362	Esk - Hampton Road, Perseverance Creek, replace culvert		12,161		12,161	3,513	7,494	1,155	
2383987	Toowoomba - Cecil Plains Road, strengthen and widen pavement		10,500		10,500	11	9,689	800	
2742683	Carpendale Road (Carpendale), Flagstone Creek, Mahon Bridge, replace bridge	4,994		4,994	9,989	2,120	2,875		Australian Government Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program
2325017	New England Highway Bikeway, Highfields to Toowoomba (Stage 2), construct shared path		9,396		9,396	4,649	3,158	1,589	
2580092	Branchview Road (Branchview), replace bridge	3,800		3,800	7,600	1,606	2,194		Australian Government Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program
2805115	Roma - Condamine Road (Condamine), rehabilitate and widen pavement		5,290		5,290			5,290	Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme
2296209	Tenthill Creek Road (Tenthill), rehabilitate pavement		2,289	2,289	4,579		763	1,526	



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2624444	Bowenville - Moola Road (Bowenville) (Stage 1a), widen and seal	2,160		2,160	4,320	888	1,272		Australian Government Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program
2392874	Cunningham Highway (Ipswich - Warwick), various locations, improve safety	2,920	730		3,650	460	2,840	350	Cunningham Highway Safety Package
1521280	Haden - Crows Nest Road, strengthen and widen pavement		1,750	1,750	3,500		1,000	750	
1977221	New England Highway Bikeway, Highfields to Toowoomba CBD (Stage 3), design shared path		3,245		3,245	1,985	1,260		
2287642	Darling Downs District, priority freight network flood study, planning		3,141		3,141	2,991	150		
1890956	Clifton - Pittsworth Road, various locations, strengthen and widen pavement		1,500	1,500	3,000		1,000	500	
2624474	Oakey Biddeston Road and Oakey Crosshill Road, upgrade and widen	1,796		449	2,245	790	1,006		Australian Government Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program
1834567	Cunningham Highway (Ipswich - Warwick), Tregony to Sladevale, improve safety		2,130		2,130	443	444	1,243	Safer Roads Sooner Program
1175233	Toowoomba Central Active Transport Link, business case		1,997		1,997	1,752	245		
3442049	Bunya Highway (Dalby - Kingaroy), 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	1,316	439		1,754	100	1,359	295	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
2690925	Yelarbon - Keetah Road (Stage 4), widen pavement		1,623		1,623	1,004	319	300	Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme
2751205	Toowoomba - Cecil Plains Road (Taylor Street), Tor Street to Boundary Street, design separated cycle track		1,450		1,450	500	950		

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3045577	Warwick - Allora Road (Victoria Street) and Palmerin Street (Warwick), wombat crossing upgrade		1,371		1,371	217	1,022	132	
2751529	Toowoomba City Cycle Paths, Karrool Street and Goode Street, construct active transport facilities		1,314		1,314	968	346		

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2025–26 FY total investment: \$302 million

2026–27 FY total investment: \$179 million

2027–28 to 2028–29 FY total investment: \$255 million

Darling Downs total investment over four years (2025–26 to 2028–29): \$736 million <sup>5</sup>