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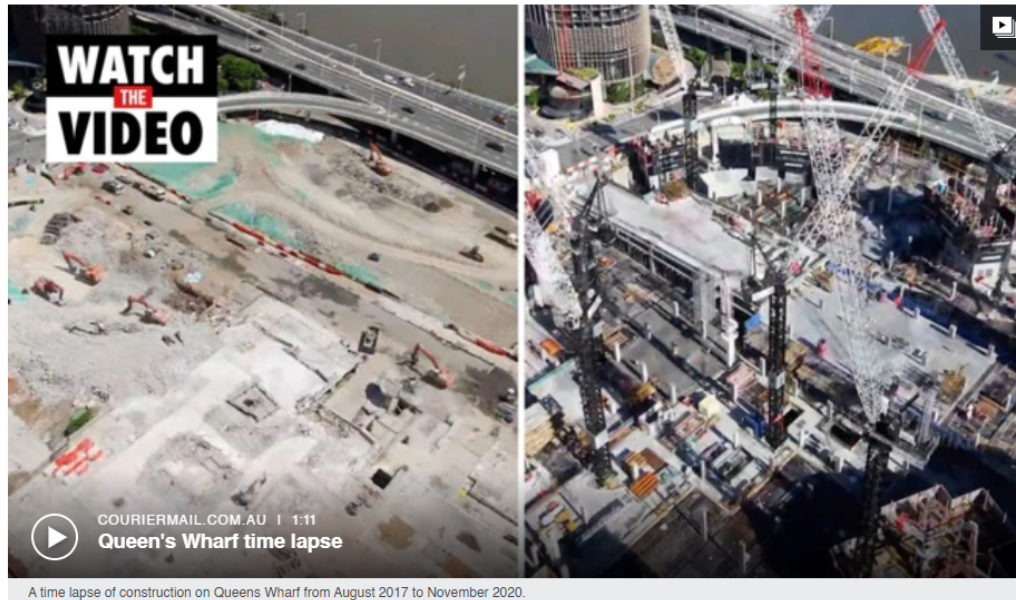
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## 'Once in a generation boom' SEQ investment hits \$60 billion

Queensland's population has grown faster than every other state combined over the last year with more than \$60 billion worth of major projects in the southeast alone to try and keep up. SEE THE LIST

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A time lapse of construction on Queens Wharf from August 2017 to November 2020.

Queensland is in the midst of a 'once in a generation' infrastructure and project boom.

The population has grown faster than every other state combined over the last year with over \$60 billion worth of major projects in the southeast alone to try and keep up.

From March 2020 to March 2021, Queensland's population grew by 44,000 with more than 30,000 people moving from interstate.

Projects like the Queens Wharf and the Cross River Rail in Brisbane, the Star Broadbeach Island Masterplan on the Gold Coast and the Aura project on the Sunshine Coast are all a part of the plan to keep evolving the city.



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The Queen's Wharf development is creating 8000 jobs.

Deputy Premier and Minister State Development Steven Miles said the state is in the box seat to seize the momentum.

“Queensland is in the box seat to seize the opportunities ahead of us over the next two decades,” he said.

“We already have a huge head start, with a \$52.2 billion infrastructure pipeline over the next four years that will turbocharge more jobs and boost Queensland’s economic recovery.”

### Brisbane major projects

#### **Brisbane Live**

Brisbane

\$2,000,000,000

2000 jobs

#### **Northshore Hamilton**

Brisbane

\$5,000,000,000

#### **200 Turbot Street**

Brisbane

\$670,000,000

#### **Queen’s Wharf**

Brisbane

\$3,600,000,000

8000 jobs

#### **Cross River Rail**

Brisbane

\$6,800,000,000

#### **Brisbane Metro**

Brisbane

\$944,000,000

2600 during design and construction.

#### **Waterfront Brisbane**

Brisbane

\$2,100,000,000

14000 jobs

#### **Victoria Park**

Brisbane

\$83 million \*master plan still being finalised

#### **Green Bridges**

Brisbane

\$550 million

300 jobs during construction

#### **New Performing Arts Venue (NPAV)**

Brisbane

\$150,000,000

Social Researcher Mark McRindle said in a time when Australia as a whole isn’t growing,

Queensland is and it is a trend he said is likely to continue.

“We know population growth leads to economic growth, with the population comes the infrastructure investment, construction boom, the asset price increase, so it has an economic increase and Queensland will get some of that,” he said.

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“But if the planning doesn’t keep pace, the infrastructure and investment doesn’t keep pace with the population increase, then you end up overshooting the amenity so that Liveability people went there for ends up diminishing.”



An artist's impression of Proxima, a state government project planned for the Gold Coast Health and Knowledge Precinct at Southport

Brisbane Lord Mayor Adrian Schrinner said all of these projects are a part of Brisbane’s shift into a global city.

“Brisbane is in the middle of a once-in-a-generation boom,” he said.

“From private sector projects like the Queens Wharf development to public transport initiatives like our Brisbane Metro, the incredible city we live in today will be even better tomorrow.”

Sunshine Coast Mayor Mark Jamieson said the momentum in the region is undeniable.

“Today the Sunshine Coast is home to approximately 340,000 people. By 2041, it is estimated we will grow to a region of over 500,000 people,” Mr Jamieson said.

“Building approvals on the Sunshine Coast reached a record level of \$1.9 billion for the 2020/21 financial year. This includes a spike in residential development applications which reached 18,500 and a further 2463 new lots were created to meet market demand.”

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15,000 jobs

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17000 jobs

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Gold Coast

\$5,000,000,000

14,000 jobs

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Gold Coast

\$2,000,000,000

3,000 jobs



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