

# Regional Profile 2017-18

## Mackay – Whitsundays



Conditions have been weak for the last several years, largely due to significant falls in mining investment. This has affected employment and apprentice levels. Conditions are forecast to improve over the next 12 months.



**1.5%**

average annual population growth

**181,800**

population

**7.0%**

unemployment rate

**8,300**

construction workers

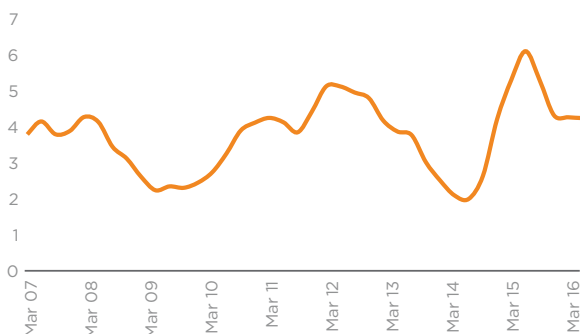
**600**

apprentices

**3.9%**

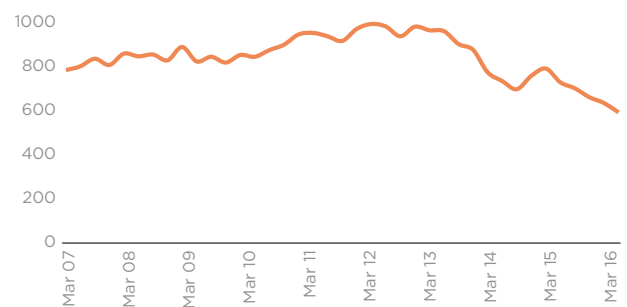
of construction apprentices in QLD are in the Mackay region

### Apprentices per 100 Workers



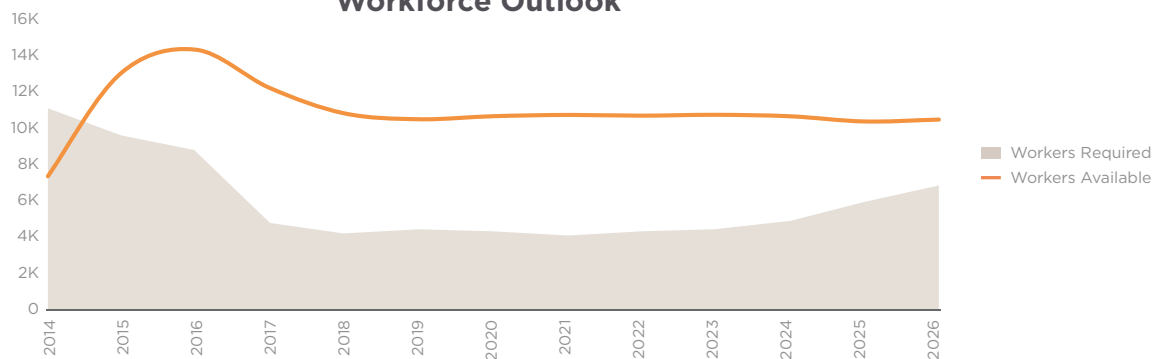
Source: NCVER, ABS, CSQ

### Apprentices in Training



Source: NCVER, CSQ

### Workforce Outlook



Source: NIEIR

# Sectors in Focus for Mackay – Whitsundays 2017-18



## RESIDENTIAL



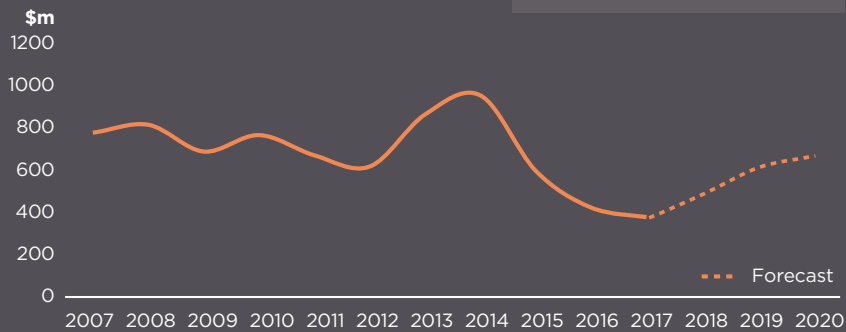
## COMMERCIAL



## CIVIL

### Activity - Residential

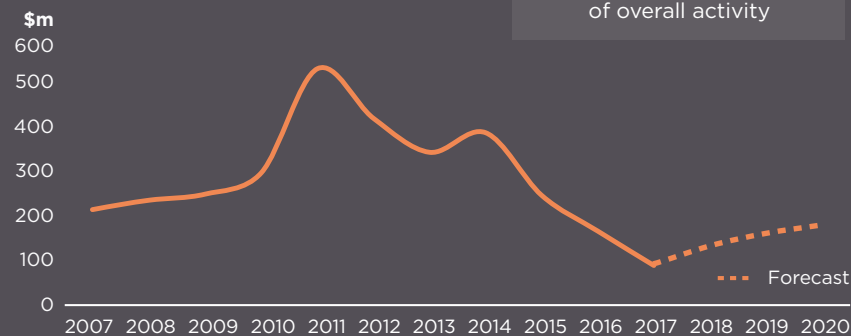
**20%**  
of overall activity



Source: NIEIR

### Activity - Commercial

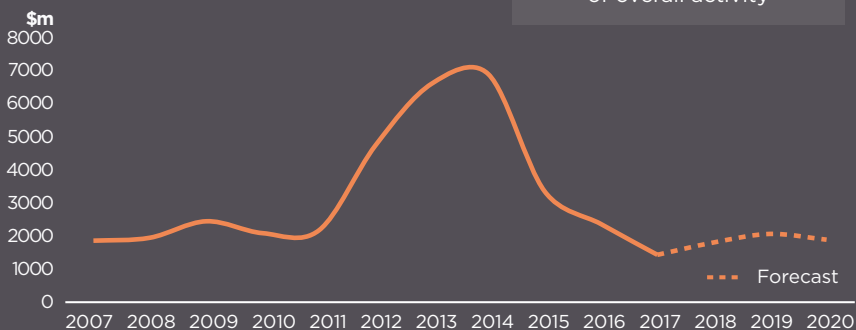
**6%**  
of overall activity



Source: NIEIR

### Activity - Engineering

**75%**  
of overall activity



Source: NIEIR

### Residential Products

- Single dwelling
- Attached dwelling
- Semi-attached dwelling
- Renovations and additions
- Apartments
- Townhouses and flats

### Commercial Products

- Hospital
- Hotel/Motel
- Airport
- Offices
- Commercial facilities
- Retail
- Schools
- Entertainment complex

### Civil Products

- Roads
- Residential or Industrial Subdivisions
- Bridges
- Ports
- Foundations
- Earthworks
- Rail
- Airports
- Water / Wastewater (utilities)
- Tunnels
- Power
- Pipelines
- Dredging



**2,450**  
construction  
businesses

- Sole Traders 54.0%
- SMEs (1-20) 45.3%
- Large (over 20) 1.5%

**3.4%**  
of QLD construction  
businesses are located in  
this region

## About CSQ

Construction Skills Queensland (CSQ) is an independent industry-funded body supporting employers, workers, apprentices and career seekers in the building and construction industry.

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