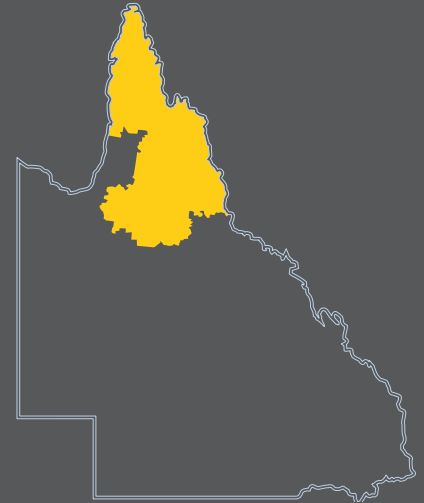


Regional Profile 2018-19

Far North



Construction will be firing on all cylinders. Employment in the industry has recently jumped amidst the growing workload on offer, outpacing growth in apprenticeships. The pick-up in activity across all sectors leaves tradespeople in high demand and an expected labour shortage through the medium term.



1.3%

expected annual population growth

285,000

population

7%

unemployment rate

10,200

employed in construction

760

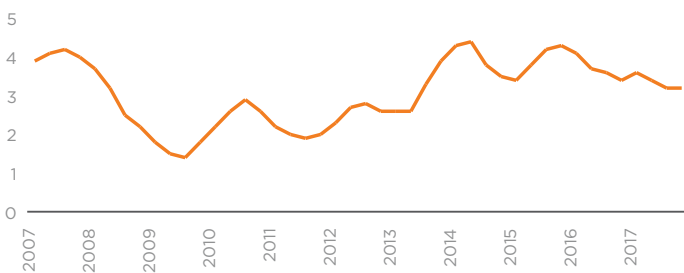
construction apprentices

5%

of QLD construction apprentices are in the Far North region

Construction Apprentice Intake Rate

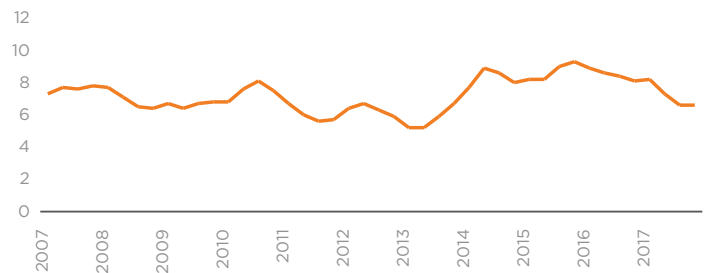
Apprentice commencements per 100 workers



Source: NCVER, ABS, CSQ

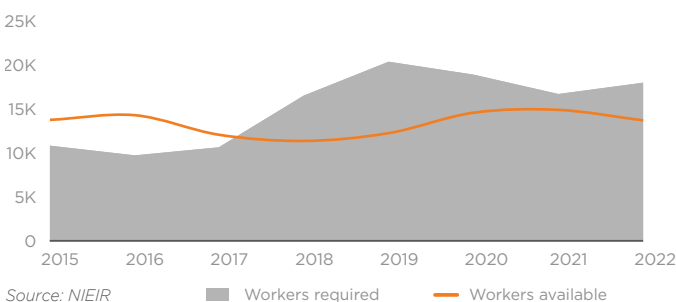
Construction Apprentice Training Rate

Apprentices in-training per 100 workers



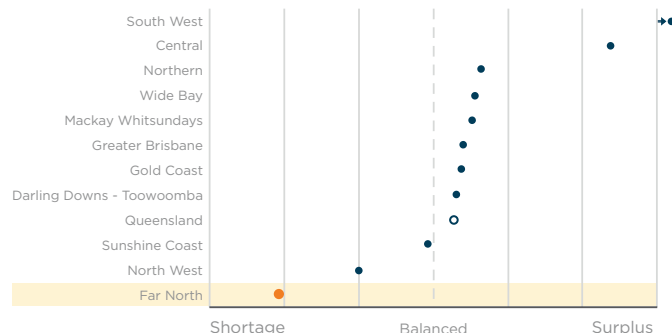
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Construction Workforce Outlook



Source: NIEIR

Trade Availability

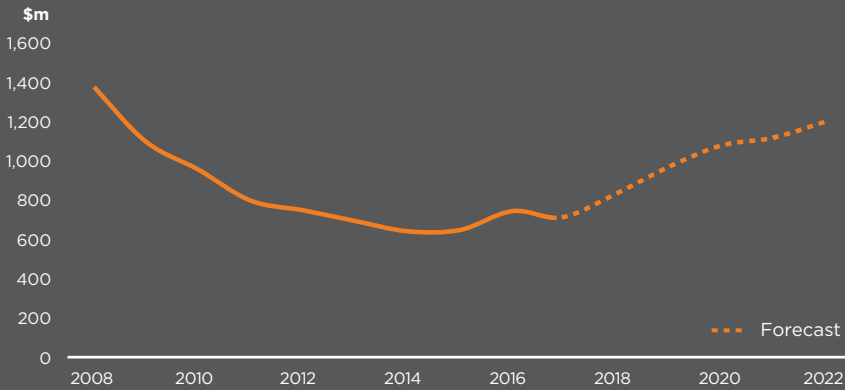


Source: NIEIR

NB: These figures reflect the overall balance of supply and demand for trades labour across all industries for 2019

Sectors in Focus for Far North 2018-19

Activity - Residential



Source: NIEIR



RESIDENTIAL - 27%
of overall activity in Far North

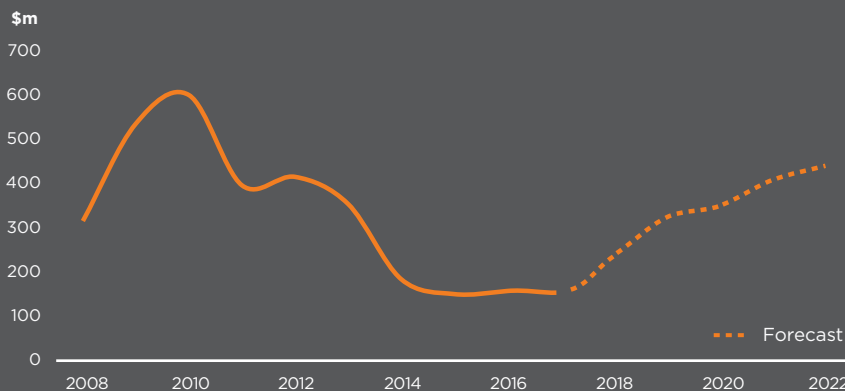


COMMERCIAL - 9%
of overall activity in Far North



ENGINEERING - 64%
of overall activity in Far North

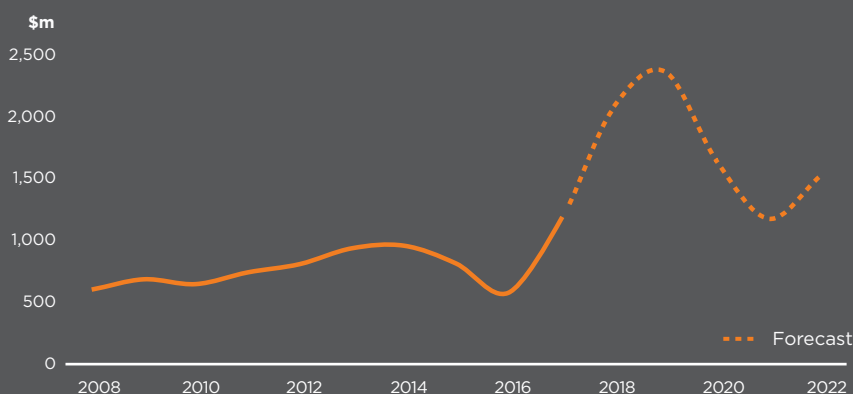
Activity - Commercial



Source: NIEIR

6%
of QLD construction
businesses are located in
this region

Activity - Engineering



Source: NIEIR



4,200
construction
businesses

- 58% Sole traders
- 41% SMEs (1-20)
- 1% Large (over 20)