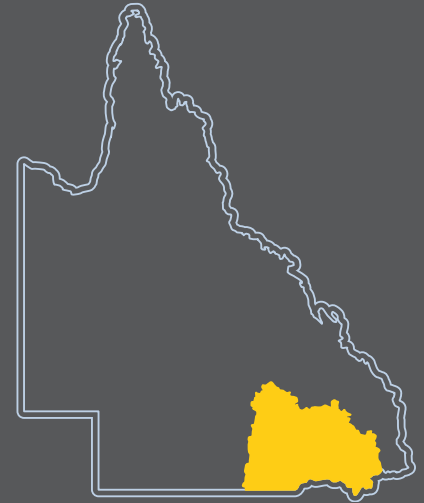


Regional Profile 2018-19

Darling Downs - Toowoomba



The second range crossing has provided the region a much needed sugar hit, keeping construction workers busy and expanding available apprenticeships. 2019 should see this project winding down and with no equivalent major projects on the immediate horizon, a labour surplus is expected to re-emerge upon its completion.



1.0%

expected annual population growth

284,000

population

5%

unemployment rate

12,300

employed in construction

1,000

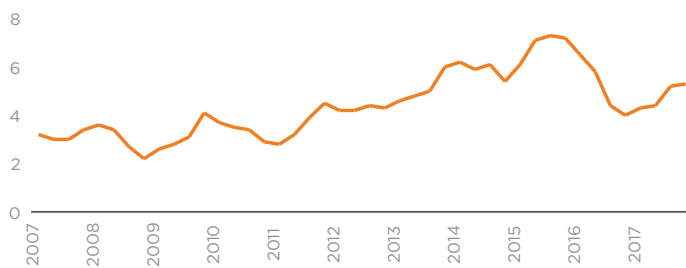
construction apprentices

7%

of QLD construction apprentices are in the Darling Downs-Toowoomba region

Construction Apprentice Intake Rate

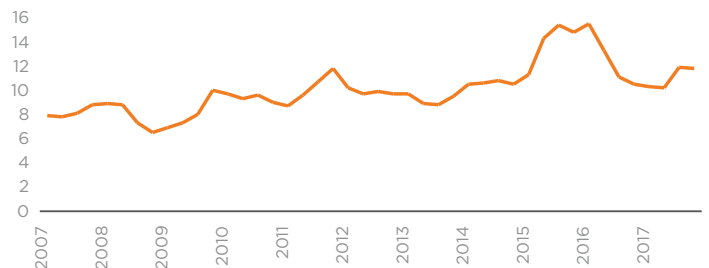
Apprentice commencements per 100 workers



Source: NCVER, ABS, CSQ

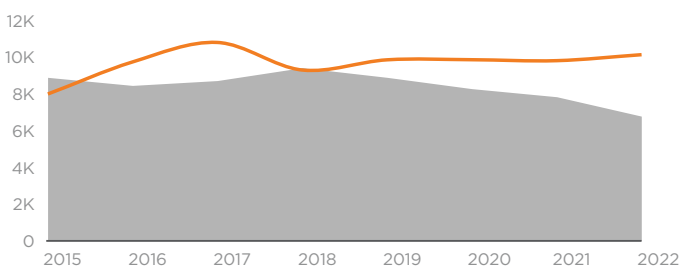
Construction Apprentice Training Rate

Apprentices in-training per 100 workers



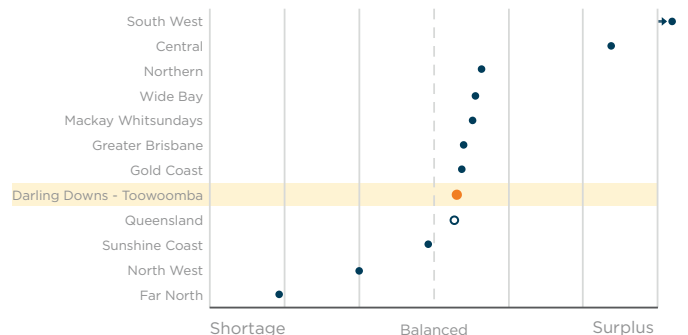
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Construction Workforce Outlook



Source: NIEIR

Trade Availability

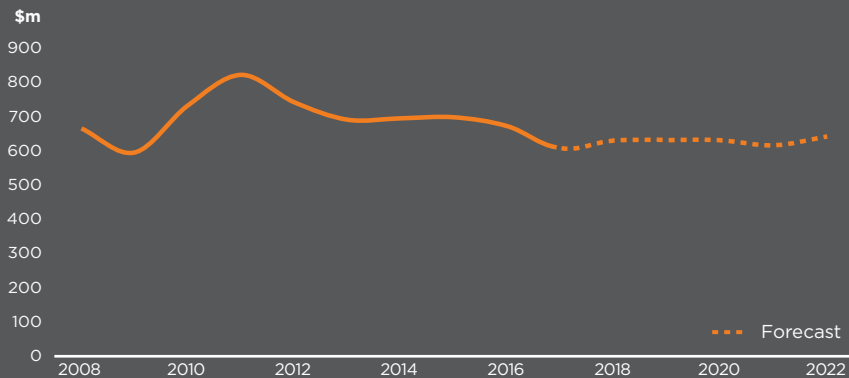


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NB: These figures reflect the overall balance of supply and demand for trades labour across all industries for 2019

Sectors in Focus for Darling Downs - Toowoomba 2018-19

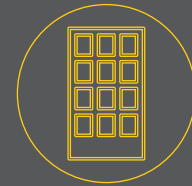
Activity - Residential



Source: NIEIR



RESIDENTIAL - 23%
of overall activity in Darling Downs - Toowoomba

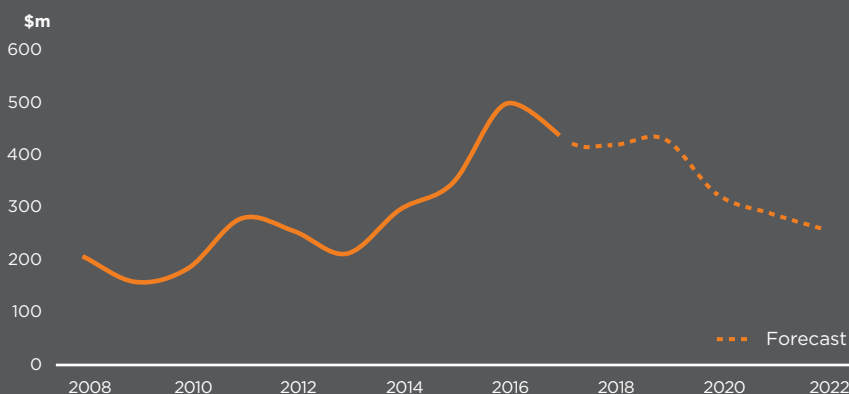


COMMERCIAL - 16%
of overall activity in Darling Downs - Toowoomba



ENGINEERING - 61%
of overall activity in Darling Downs - Toowoomba

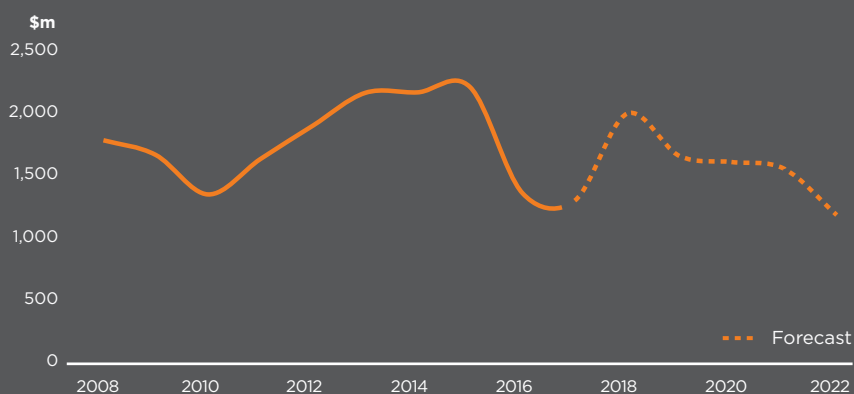
Activity - Commercial



Source: NIEIR

6%
of QLD construction businesses are located in this region

Activity - Engineering



Source: NIEIR



- 58% Sole traders
- 40% SMEs (1-20)
- 1% Large (over 20)