




Speech By
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MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Budget

 **Hon. DF CRISAFULLI** (Broadwater—LNP) (Premier and Minister for Veterans) (9.36 am): This budget lays the foundation for a fresh start. It delivers what we said we would do. We promised to restore safety to Queensland communities. The 2025-26 budget funds the rollout of the Making Queensland Safer Laws alongside our early intervention and rehabilitation programs to help break the cycle of crime. We committed to put victims of crime first. This budget will also deliver a new Victims Advocate Service and 1,600 new police recruits will bolster the front line. We will provide police with the resources and the support they need to keep Queenslanders safe. We will invest in our courts to ensure justice is served.

This budget also delivers generational infrastructure for the future of the state. A record investment in road, rail and public transport infrastructure will help get Queenslanders home sooner. Our historic 80-20 funding deal for the Bruce Highway is locked in. Work is already underway on improvements. Investments in projects like the Wave, the Logan to Gold Coast faster rail, the Barron River bridge, the Bribie Island bridge and the Mooloolah River Interchange are all critical to our state's future.

This budget also lays the foundation for affordable, reliable and sustainable energy. To keep Queenslanders' power stations running more reliably and put downward pressure on prices, we have established an Electricity Maintenance Guarantee. It will ensure our existing assets are properly maintained and operating efficiently, which is something Labor never did. Real funding will flow for CopperString, taking the government's commitment to \$2.4 billion.

This budget will also start implementing the 2032 Delivery Plan for the games, just as we promised.

Fifteen new schools, including two new primary schools and six new special schools, will help our kids catch up, keep up and stay in school.

Queensland's population is growing, and with that comes the need for more housing. We want more Queenslanders to have a place to call home. That is why our budget includes nation-leading support for home owners. We axed a Labor tax and removed stamp duty for first home buyers. We extended the first home owner grant, and this budget invests in a new Boost to Buy program to reduce the deposit gap and help get more Queenslanders into the property market. This budget also delivers a record investment in social and community homes. It is all part of our record spend on housing.

This budget lays the foundation for a fresh start and delivers a plan for Queensland's future.