

Question on Notice
No. 152
Asked on 9 March 2021

MR S ANDREW ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TOURISM INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION AND MINISTER FOR SPORT (HON S HINCHLIFFE) —

QUESTION:

Will the Minister (a) provide a list of all the sports stadiums that have been built, are in the process of being built or have been approved for building in Queensland since 2015, (b) advise the total construction cost for these stadiums, and (c) advise how many permanent regional jobs have been created as a result?

ANSWER:

As established in the 2018 Stadium Taskforce report, the Queensland Government recognises three main tiers of stadium – Mega, Major and Regional.

- Mega – 40,000+ seat stadium or 10,000+ seat indoor facility
- Major - 20,000-40,000 seat stadium or 5,000-10,000 seat indoor facility
- Regional – 10,000-20,000 seat stadium or 1,000-5,000 seat indoor facility

Since 2015, the Queensland Government has invested over \$300 million and contributed to supporting over 1490 jobs during construction of new permanent stadiums in Queensland.

The following table details the stadiums built by the Queensland Government since 2015, total constructions costs and jobs created: (Noting this does not include stadia which have been built without Queensland Government funding)

Stadiums and Indoor Sport Centres	City	Completed or expected completion date	QLD Govt investment to total project cost	Jobs supported during construction
Anna Meares Velodrome – Sleeman Sports Centre	Brisbane	Completed November 2016	\$23 million	185
Nissan Arena – Queensland Sports and Athletics Centre	Brisbane	Completed February 2019	\$34 million	132

University of Sunshine Coast	Sunshine Coast	Opened May 2019	\$9.05 million	29.9
Queensland Country Bank Stadium	Townsville	Completed December 2019	\$193.5 million	750
Great Barrier Reef Arena – Harrup Park (Stage 1)	Mackay	Expected completion date 2021-2022	\$10 million	81
AFLW Springfield	Ipswich	Expected completion date 2021-2022	\$18 million	231
Browne Park (Stage 1)	Rockhampton	Expected completion date 2022-2024	\$25 million	82
Total			\$312.55 million	*1490.9

*Where applicable jobs supported have been calculated using the Queensland Treasury guidelines for capital works 2021. Jobs supported figures are estimates only where projects have not yet commenced or are currently still in construction phase with project delivery across multiple years.

As the Queensland Government's investment is in capital expenditure during construction phase an update on permanent job creation post construction would need to be sought from relevant stadium operators.