



FACT SHEET

STATE INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING

Measure description

This measure will provide the States and Territories (the States) with a new infrastructure fund.

This will make infrastructure funding a permanent structural feature of State and Commonwealth budgets.

- The infrastructure fund will be paid to the States each year, with an initial total amount of \$700 million in 2012-13.
- Funding will be distributed in a manner which recognises that resource rich States face large associated infrastructure demands.

Rationale

World class infrastructure is essential to ensure that Australia continues to be an attractive place to set up a business, creating new jobs for now and the future. The new infrastructure fund will help the States to invest in the nation building infrastructure necessary to support improved living standards.

Investing in major infrastructure will help improve our potential to grow the economy into the future. Key capacity-building infrastructure, like ports and roads, are vital for all Australian industries, and for Australian workers.

Key facts

The total amount of the infrastructure fund will start at \$700 million in 2012-13 and will grow over time.

This infrastructure fund will be distributed to the States in a manner which recognises that resource-rich States face large associated infrastructure demands. Resource-rich States will receive relatively more funding which can be used to support investment in infrastructure, including that necessary for the ongoing development of the resource industry.

Indicative timeline

The final details for the infrastructure fund will be negotiated with the States.

The infrastructure fund will be paid to the States each year from 2012-13 to coincide with the introduction of the RSPT.