

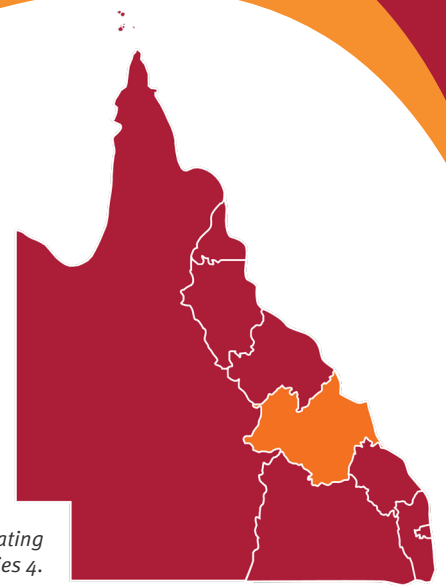
Backing good jobs

Central Queensland

- \$2 billion Big Build investment creating 5,600 jobs
- Australia's largest beef producer
- Hydrogen industry development
- Renewable energy generation
- Significant minerals processing
- Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline
- Rockhampton Ring Road

More than
138,800
employed
by 2025-26

Jobs Queensland (2023), *Anticipating Future Skills (AFS) Series 4.*



BACK TO WORK* **3,301** job seekers
1,438 local businesses supported by \$35.51 million

SKILLING QUEENSLANDERS FOR WORK*

4,142
employed

\$55.12 million
in community programs

Big Build figures: *Central Queensland Regional Action Plan, Queensland Budget 2023-24.*

*As at 30 April 2024

Top 5 largest employing industries



19,368 employed

Health care and social assistance

Aged and disability carers, registered nurses, child carers



13,008 employed

Retail trade

Sales assistants (general), retail managers, checkout operators and office cashiers, shelf fillers



12,089 employed

Construction

Electricians, carpenters and joiners, construction managers, plumbers



11,680 employed

Education and training

Primary school teachers, secondary school teachers, education aides



11,309 employed

Mining

Drillers, miners and shot firers, metal fitters and machinists, other building and engineering technicians, electricians

Central Queensland region projected workforce sizes by 2025-26. Source: Jobs Queensland (2023), *Anticipating Future Skills (AFS) Series 4.*

Good Jobs, Great Training

Queensland Skills Strategy 2024 – 2028 delivering for

Central Queensland

4,554

Free TAFE students and apprentices

Commencements from 2023 (as at 30 April 2024)

Popular free courses Central Queensland	Aligned jobs	Average salaries seek.com.au
Certificate III in Individual Support	Aged and disability carers	\$60,000 - \$70,000
Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care	Early childhood educator	\$60,000 - \$65,000
Certificate III in Engineering - Fabrication Trade	Structural steel and welding trades workers	\$70,000 - \$75,000
Certificate III in Engineering - Mechanical Trade	Metal fitters and machinists	\$70,000 - \$90,000
Certificate III in Electrotechnology Electrician	Electricians	\$90,000 - \$110,000



More Free TAFE
upskilling Queenslanders while driving costs down



More local training
delivering for local communities



More TAFE Trade Tasters
plus skills for school students aligned to good, local jobs



Apprentices and trainees
supported across traditional and emerging industries, plus more pre-apprenticeships and Work Skills Traineeships



Skills employers need
expanded industry input on workforce needs and priorities



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Breeanne Brereton, Rockhampton | TAFE student

Breeanne grows a career in childcare

The demand for kindergarten and daycare educators is growing and CQUniversity TAFE Early Childhood Education and Care student Breeanne Brereton is one of many eager to meet that demand.

Breeanne decided to study the Certificate III in Early Childhood Education and Care, one of several courses available through Free TAFE delivered by CQUniversity TAFE.

“I choose to pursue my childcare course as it’s something I enjoy doing,” she said.

“I’ve always loved young children and watching them grow.

“I love the aspects of being one of their role models in their young learning lives.”

Bree’s choice has already paid off, as she’s secured employment at Green Leaves Early Learning Centre.

CQUniversity is the state’s TAFE provider in Central Queensland, offering a range of free and subsidised training programs.



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