

2021 - 2026

Economic Development Strategy

The Lockyer Valley is a region of choice for investment opportunities that promote, facilitate and enable the development of a resilient, diverse and sustainable economy and community.

Economic Pillars



Agriculture



Manufacturing



Education



Construction



Transport & Logistics

Emerging Pillars



Advancing Health & Social Services

Regional Hospital
Opportunities to age in place
Diversification of health opportunities



Protecting the Environment

Protect scenic amenity
Offsets



Innovation & Technology

Waste to energy
Renewables
Gas pipeline value add
Aerospace technology



Tourism

Product development
Nature based tourism

Strategic Partners

- Australian Government
- Queensland Government
- Neighbouring Councils
- Regional Development Australia
- Council of Mayors, South East Qld.
- Local Government Assoc. Qld.
- Southern Queensland Country Tourism
- Urban Utilities
- University of Queensland
- ARTC
- TSBE (on as needed basis)
- University of Southern Qld
- Lockyer Chamber of Commerce & Industry
- Lockyer Valley Growers
- Lockyer Valley Tourism Assoc.

Key Themes

Lockyer Business

Our business community is a thriving and inclusive network where it is easy to do business. We create opportunities and encourage innovation that inspires business confidence and collaborative partnerships.



Lockyer Farming

As custodians we manage our water and land assets to ensure our farming future. We pride ourselves on our innovation and clean, green reputation. We work together to support our farmers of current and future generations.

Lockyer Livelihood

We are a community where lifelong learning opportunities exist. Our quality education facilities are highly regarded and provide diverse career pathways. We look to develop skills and generate job opportunities for all.

Strategic Priorities

- SP1. Advocate for, support and enable the diversification and growth of the region's economy through the identification of value add and investment opportunities that align with the region's economic and emerging pillars.
- SP2. Enable and promote the Lockyer Valley as a region of choice for Vibrant Rural Living with abundant opportunities for people to live, work and invest. Utilise the region's tourism and events to leverage opportunities to attract residents to the region.
- SP3. Advocate for the necessary enabling infrastructure required to support the orderly and sequential growth and development of a strong, resilient and sustainable region including the development of a regional health facility, opportunities for residents to age in place, increased internet connectivity, available land supply and access to formal and informal recreation spaces.
- SP4. Collaborate with our strategic partners to promote, facilitate and enable a diverse, resilient, prosperous and connected business community with an emphasis on opportunities to "Buy Local".
- SP5. Advocate for and enable the region to realise the economic, social and environmental benefits of infrastructure projects such as Inland Rail, Stage 2 of the Queensland Correctional Facility redevelopment and the proposed Lockyer Valley Equine Precinct.
- SP6. Advocate for and assist with the strategic positioning of a sustainable water supply through the Lockyer Valley & Somerset Water Collaborative to ensure the diversification and sustainability of the region's economy.



Performance Measures



Employment Data



Business growth



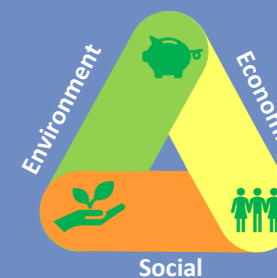
Population growth



Industry Output



Visitor Numbers



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