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Joint Select Committee on Northern Australia
Inquiry into Northern Australia Workforce Development

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Topic: Government measure social infrastructure and liveability in Northern Australia

Ms Marion Scrymgour MP asked:

How could government better measure social infrastructure and liveability in Northern Australia, to track the effectiveness of policy?

Answer:

The Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts is currently developing a monitoring, evaluation and reporting framework to help quantify and communicate progress on the developing Northern Australia agenda. This includes indicators relating to social infrastructure and liveability such as education, employment, public housing spending, community involvement and health infrastructure spending.

The Regional Data Hub will be launched in 2023 and will be accessible through the department's website (<https://www.infrastructure.gov.au/research-data/bureau-communications-arts-and-regional-research/regions-and-cities/regional-data-hub-accessible-data-and-insights-australias-regions>). The Hub will provide information about Australia's regions including information on several measures of liveability.