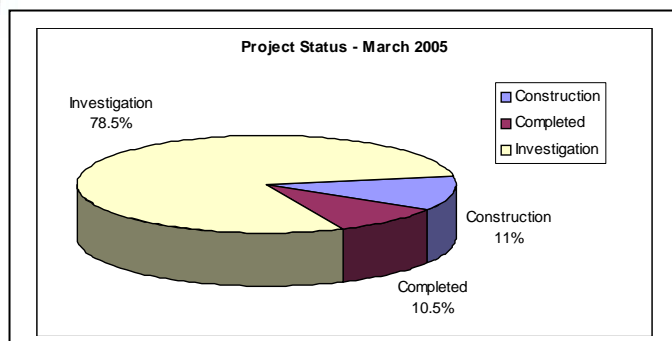


# THE GLADSTONE REGION PROJECT STATUS REPORT UPDATE JUNE 2005

## Highlighting Regional Projects

Project Status	\$ Value
Construction	1,893,630,000
Completed	1,542,280,000
Under Investigation	13,985,050,000
<b>Total Project Value</b>	<b>17,420,960,000</b>



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## THE GLADSTONE REGION

The Gladstone Region is located in Central Queensland, 450 kilometres north of Brisbane with a population of 62,666 it covers 26,289 square kilometres and includes coastal communities, city living as well as rich farmland and mining. The region takes in the four Local Government areas of, the Banana Shire, Calliope Shire, Miriam Vale Shire and Gladstone City

The resource rich region is recognised as a strategic and logical choice for large scale industry development. The region boasts:

- World class harbour facilities
- Extensive access to land
- Water, power, coal and natural gas
- Rich natural resource deposits including; coking and steaming coal, limestone, magnesite and mineral sands
- Internationally recognised Central Queensland University and Central Queensland Institute of TAFE
- Community support for responsible industrial development and
- A highly multi-skilled workforce.

## GLADSTONE AREA PROMOTION AND DEVELOPMENT LIMITED

Gladstone Area Promotion and Development Limited (GAPDL) is the leading economic development agency in the Gladstone Region. Operating since 1983, GAPDL is well resourced to promote both economic and tourism development in the region. Included in the Economic Development unit's activities is the attraction and retention of skilled employees and liaisons with potential investors to promote The Gladstone Region as an attractive investment, including publications such as The Gladstone Advantage, the Project Status Reports and Gladstone Region Overview.

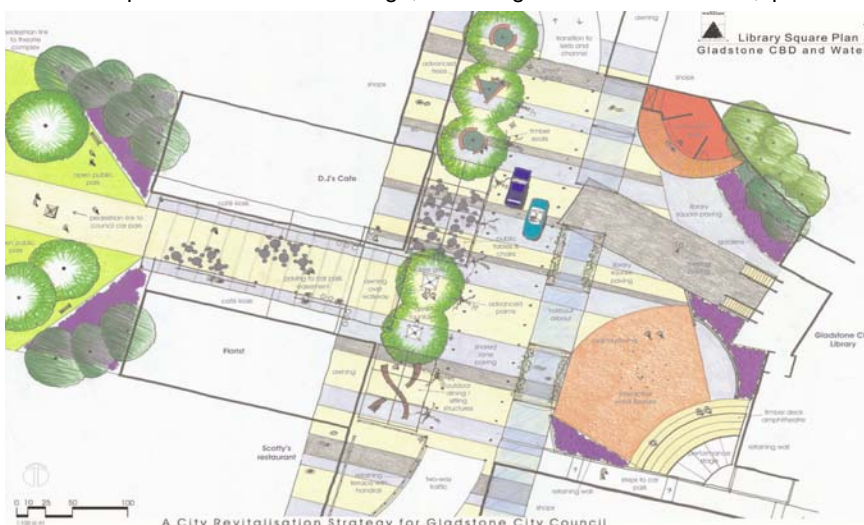
## PROJECT STATUS

Major industry projects currently underway include a \$230M upgrade to the RG Tanna Coal Facility by Central Queensland Ports Authority; continuing environmental and efficiency upgrades by major industry such as Queensland Alumina's \$233M investment in the reduction of alkali emissions and Boyne Smelter's installation of new anode rods used in the smelting process totalling over \$56M. The Banana Shire continues to see significant investment in the development of its rich coal and mineral reserves to keep up with the growing demand from China. There is considerable investment in infrastructure within the region including Ergon Energy's and Main Roads major projects throughout the region. Agnes Water and Town of 1770 continue to attract tourism investment including the \$150 million Sansarra Residential and Commercial Precinct in Agnes Water.

## GLADSTONE CBD AND WATERFRONT REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT

Gladstone City's \$4 million dollar CBD and Waterfront Redevelopment Project is due to commence with stage 1 in June 2005. The focus of the redevelopment will meet the changing needs of a growing region and its population. The planned development will take advantage of the city's strategic location with harbour views and proximity to the marina.

The redevelopment will initiate change, including a mix of residential, public and business spaces. A number of new multi-storied residential and business developments have been approved by the Gladstone City Council.



The redevelopment will include work on the Library Square Precinct. *The Square* will include a vibrant public space that will promote cultural activities attracting visitors and locals to the CBD. Shady, open air eating areas with integrated art works and alfresco dining will further enhance the precinct.

The project also includes a proposed redevelopment along Flinders Parade will include a waterfront promenade and the attraction of restaurants, kiosks and seafood outlets to the precinct.

*Plan of the Library Square Precinct Redevelopment*

MAJOR INDUSTRY – PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION			
PROJECT	CONSTRUCTION	OPERATION	DETAILS
<b>Air Liquide</b> Air Separation Plant G	Commence: Jan 2005 Cost: \$12-15M Workforce: 30 – 40	Commence: Mar 2006 Workforce: 3 – 4	The construction and operation of an Air Separation Plant on the Comalco site to provide Comalco's Alumina Refinery process with oxygen and nitrogen and to manufacture on site Liquid Oxygen, Nitrogen and Argon.
<b>Anglo Coal and Mitsui Co Ltd</b> Moura Mine Expansion B	Commence: 2005 Cost: \$800M Workforce: 200	Commence: 2007 Workforce: TBA	Anglo Coal and Mitsui & Co Ltd have announced plans to inject additional funds to increase production from 7M to 12.7M tonnes of coal per annum. The project will be known as the Dawson Complex.
<b>Boyne Smelters Limited</b> Hood Replacement Project C	Commence: 2005 Cost: \$2.3M Workforce: TBA	Commence: End 2006 Workforce: Current	The project includes the replacement of current hoods over a two year period. The newly developed light weight, ergonomically improved hoods will significantly reduce fluoride emissions.
<b>Boyne Smelters Limited</b> S230 Project C	Commence: Jan 2005 Cost: \$56M Workforce: 45	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	The S230 project will see the production and use of new anode rods in the smelting process, increasing aluminium production by 11,000 tonnes per year, taking the smelter's capacity to over 550,000 tonnes.
<b>Central Queensland Ports Authority</b> RG Tanna Coal Terminal Expansion Project. Increasing capacity at RG Tanna Coal Terminal from 40 to 62 million tonnes per annum (Mtpa). G	Commence: 2005 Cost: \$230M Workforce: 400	Commence: early 2007 Workforce: 460+	Project includes the construction and commissioning of a fourth berth (including dredging); a third rail unloading station; provision of a third shiploader, and construction of Stockpiles 17 and 18. This project will increase capacity at the RG Tanna Coal Terminal by 14 million tonnes in 2005/06 and a further 8 million tonnes in 2006/07.
<b>NRG Operating Services</b> Minor Projects for 2005 G	Cost: \$1.6M		NRG presently has around 15 small projects under construction.
<b>NRG Operating Services</b> PF pipe bend replacement G	Commence: Jan 2003 Cost: \$5.7M Workforce: 30 for 4 wks/unit	Commence: 2006 Workforce: Existing	Replacement of the pulverised fuel delivery pipe bends with ceramic lined bends on each unit during the scheduled four yearly outage.
<b>NRG Operating Services</b> Boiler Lt Reheater Refurbishment G	Commence: Jul 2005 Cost: \$0.75M Workforce: 25 for 8 wks/unit	Commence: Aug 2005 Workforce: Existing	Upgrade of Low Temperature Reheater Boiler Tube supports on unit 4.
<b>NRG Operating Services</b> Coal Chute Replacement G	Commence: May 2003 Cost: \$1.05M Workforce: 5	Commence: Mid 2005 Workforce: Existing	Upgrade of coal chutes in the coal handling plant.
<b>NRG Operating Services</b> Transformer Bushing Replacements G	Commence: Jul 2003 Cost: \$0.7M Workforce: 3 for 3 wks/unit	Commence: 2006 Workforce: Existing	The Transformer Bushings on units 1 to 4 are being replaced during the scheduled unit shutdowns.
<b>NRG Operating Services</b> 415 Turbine Distribution Switchboard Replacement G	Commence: Jan 2004 Cost: \$2.4M Workforce: 6 for 6 wks/unit	Commence: 2006 Workforce: Existing	The 415V Turbine Distribution Switchboard will be reorganized and new replacement Boards installed.
<b>NRG Operating Services</b> Installation of new hydrogen dryers on the generator G	Commence: Jan 2005 Cost: \$1.2M Workforce: 3 for 4 wks/unit	Commence: 2008 Workforce: Existing	The hydrogen dryer on each unit will be replaced on each of the scheduled shutdowns over the next four years.
<b>ORICA</b> Ammonium Nitrate Plant Expansion G	Commence: TBA Cost: \$135M Workforce: 200	Commence: 2006 Workforce: 20	The expansion of the Ammonium Nitrate Plant will increase production by 300 000 tonnes making the plant the second largest in the world.
<b>Queensland Alumina Limited</b> Environmental Improvement Investment G	Commence: 2004 Cost: \$233M	Commence: 2005/2006	The project includes addressing alumina dust, odour and noise issues. Further stages will also aim to implement programs to reduce alkali emissions.

MAJOR INDUSTRY – PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION continued.....			
PROJECT	CONSTRUCTION	OPERATION	DETAILS
<b>Queensland Alumina Limited</b> Rotary Kiln Demolition G	Commence: Jan 2005 Cost: \$10M Workforce: Approx 50		Moltoni Adams has been contracted for the removal of nine rotary kilns and supporting structures from Queensland Alumina Limited.
<b>Transpacific Industries</b> Development of TICOR Site C	Commence: TBA Cost: \$20M Workforce: 50-70	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Includes a three stage development of current TICOR site into a waste management site, implementing 'World's Best Practice' standards to service the Government and wider community.

INFRASTRUCTURE – PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION			
PROJECT	CONSTRUCTION	OPERATION	DETAILS
<b>Bauhinia Regional Rail Project</b> Queensland Rail The Prism Partnership Pty Ltd (Public Relations) B	Commence: Apr 2004 Cost: \$240M Workforce: 400	Commence: Nov 2005 Workforce: 8	The design and construction of a 110km spur and associated rail infrastructure from the Kinrola spur line to the new Rolleston Coal Mine, Bowen Basin, Central Queensland; plus up to 30km of duplicate track to Gladstone.
<b>Calliope Shire Council</b> Canoe Point Recreation Area Development – Stage 2 C	Commence: Nov 2004 Cost: \$0.7M Workforce: Council Staff	Commence: June 2005	Complementary addition to the Stage 1 Canoe Point Recreation Area Development completed in late 2004.
<b>Calliope Shire Council</b> Sewage Treatment Plant – Aldoga Industrial Estate C	Commence: Feb 2004 Cost: \$2.1M Workforce: Contract	Commence: TBA	Construction of a sewerage treatment plant to be located at the Aldoga Industrial Estate.
<b>Ergon Energy</b> Agnes Waters Project M	Commence: June 2004 Cost: \$31M Workforce: TBA	Commence: Feb 2007	Establishment of a 132/66k bulk sub-supply station adjacent to the QR Korenan substation; the construction of Granite Creek to Agnes Water line to supply the Agnes Water substation; and the establishment, development and construction of 66/22kv Agnes Water bulk substation.
<b>Ergon Energy</b> Moura / Theodore Project B	Commence: end 2004 Cost: \$TBA Workforce: TBA	Commence: Aug 2005	Upgrade to 66kv of line route length from Moura to Theodore
<b>Gladstone Airport</b> Extensions G	Commence: Mid 2004 Cost: \$TBA Workforce: TBA	Commence: 2005	Construction is nearly completed on extensions to the Gladstone Airport.
<b>Gladstone City Council</b> Callemondah Overpass G	Commence: Mar 2005 Cost: \$6M Workforce: TBA	Commence: Aug 2005	The project includes the construction of two overpass bridges and is an integral part of the Gladstone Integrated Regional Transport Project.
<b>Gladstone City Council</b> Dawson Highway Duplication G	Commence: Feb 2005 Cost: TBA Workforce: TBA	Commence: Jun/Jul 2005	Construction of an additional two lanes between Penda Avenue roundabout and Chapman Drive roundabout.
<b>Gladstone City Council</b> Kirkwood Road Project G	Commence: 2005 Cost: \$TBA Workforce: TBA	Commence: End of 2006	Includes the construction of the following roads: Kirkwood Road from Dixon Drive to Harvey Road; a connection from Kirkwood Road to Dixon Drive; Improvements to Harvey Road to render it fit to be a major traffic route from Kirkwood Road to Dawson Highway.
<b>Main Roads</b> Gladstone Integrated Transport Program C	Commence: Mar 2005 Cost: \$2.4M Workforce: TBA	Commence: Feb 2006	Construction of a new roundabout at the Boyne Island Turnoff
<b>Main Roads</b> Project No. 83/10D/45 M	Commence: Sept 2003 Cost: \$8.7M Workforce: TBA	Commence: Early 2005	Includes the realignment and upgrading of The Bruce Highway south of Miriam Vale involving the section from Fairbairn flats to Lavender Road.
<b>Main Roads</b> Dawson Highway C/B	Commence: Mar 2005 Cost: \$4.3M Workforce: TBA	Commence: Nov 2005	Major upgrade of the road between Calliope and Biloela taking in the road from Scrubby Creek to Branch Creek.

COMMERCE, COMMUNITY – PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION			
PROJECT	CONSTRUCTION	OPERATION	DETAILS
<b>Bindaree Lodge Management Board Inc and Blue Care</b> Glen Eden Gardens Aged Care Facility G	Commence: Sept 2004 Cost: \$TBA Workforce: TBA	Commence: Sept 2005 Workforce: TBA	Construction of a 48 bed High Care Facility for aged care accommodation.
<b>Calliope Central Childcare</b> C	Commence: 2004 Cost: \$0.85M Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Construction has begun on a 75 place childcare centre in Calliope.
<b>Celtic Pacific Properties</b> Night Owl Shopping Centre G	Commence: 2004 Cost: \$TBA Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Construction has started on stage 4 and 5 of the Night Owl Shopping Centre development. Including an Irish pub, supermarket and a seven screen cinema.
<b>Gladstone City Council</b> Redevelopment of the Gladstone Central Business District G	Commence: 2005 Cost: \$5M Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA	Redevelopment of the CBD includes: Stage 1: The creation of Library Square \$1.65M commencing early 2005 Stage 2: Civic Square \$1.45M commencing early 2005/06 Stage 3: Signage to the entrances of the CBD \$300,000 commencing 2005/06 Stage 4: Creation of a public space at the corner of Roseberry and Goondoon Streets to be developed in conjunction with the Grand Hotel \$350,000 commencing 2006/07/08

TOURISM, ACCOMMODATION AND VISITOR FACILITIES – PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION			
PROJECT	CONSTRUCTION	OPERATION	DETAILS
<b>1770 Great Barrier Reef Cruises</b> Renovation of 45 meter pontoon M	Commence: TBA Cost: \$0.5M Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Expansion of Day Cruise service to Lady Musgrave Island from the Town of 1770. Providing pontoon facilities in Lady Musgrave Lagoon. The facility will include underwater observatory and snorkelling platforms.
<b>Bexalaw Pty Ltd</b> Regent Place Barney Point G	Commence: Jan 2004 Cost: \$7.5M Workforce: 10-15	Commence: May 2005 Workforce: 2	Construction of 36 luxury ocean view apartments at 22 Barney Street Gladstone. (PRD Nationwide Tannum Sands – Project Marketing Agents)
<b>Blomfield Excavations</b> Billabong Estate G	Commence: 2004 Cost: \$TBA Workforce: 15	Commence: TBA	Stage 1 of 5. Being the release of 40 residential allotments.
<b>Denaid Pty Ltd</b> Lily Hills Estate, Boyne Island C	Commence: Jan 2005 Cost: \$1.2M Workforce: 5-6	Commence: Jun 2005	24 Lot residential sub-division on Boyne Island. (PRD Nationwide Tannum Sands – Project Marketing Agent)
<b>FKP</b> Emmadale Estate G	Commence: 2004 Cost: \$TBA Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA	Emmadale Estate comprises a total of approximately 750 lots of which 50% have been developed. Council approval has been received for a 335 development on the Southern side of Kirkwood Drive. Development is expected to commence early 2005.
<b>Gecko Valley Estate</b> Glenlyon Developments G	Commence: 2004 Cost: \$TBA Workforce: 15	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Stage 2 includes the development of 38 residential allotments.
<b>Mainbrace Constructions</b> Beecher Heights C	Commence: 2004 Cost: \$TBA Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Acreage accessed from Wyndham Road. Stage 1 land release almost all sold. Stage 2, 20 available 4 acre lots, some with sea views, good soil and easterly to north-easterly aspect.
<b>Mainbrace Constructions Agnes Water</b> Outrigger 1770 Resort M	Commence: 2003 Cost: \$65M Workforce: 50	Commence: 2005 Workforce: TBA	Construction of Stage 2 is underway. The resort will feature a mix of beachfront residences, beach houses, apartments and studio type rooms.
<b>Lizard Group Developments</b> Boles Street Townhouses G	Commence: Jan 2006 Cost: \$2.8M Workforce: TBA	Commence: Aug 2006 Workforce: TBA	Construction of modern double storey townhouses comprising 5 3 bedroom and 6 2 bedroomed townhouses.

TOURISM, ACCOMMODATION AND VISITOR FACILITIES – PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION			
PROJECT	CONSTRUCTION	OPERATION	DETAILS
<b>Property Down Under</b> Moura Subdivision B	Commence: May 2005 Cost: \$TBA Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA	3 Stage development of 50 blocks, currently in the design stage.
<b>Mountain View Estate</b> Miriam Vale M	Commence: 2004 Cost: \$0.88M Workforce: 6-10	Commence: TBA	Final of 3 stage residential subdivision comprising 78 lots of 5 acre blocks.
<b>Monique Apartments</b> 30 Parkside Street, Tannum Sands C	Commence: Jul 2004 Cost: \$1M Workforce: 3 – 6	Commence: Mar 2005	Construction of 4 Luxury 3 bedroom apartments, with water views on the Boyne River. (PRD Nationwide Tannum Sands - Project Marketing Agents)
<b>Riverdowns Development Pty Ltd.</b> Riverdowns Estate C	Commence: Mar 2005 Cost: \$0.8M Workforce: 4	Commence: Oct 2005	Residential Development of 30 one acre blocks. (PRD Nationwide Tannum Sands – Marketing Agents)
<b>Riverview Villas</b> Arthur Street, Boyne Island C	Commence: Feb 2005 Cost: \$1.2M Workforce: 4-6	Commence: Jul 2005	A total of six luxury three bedroom villas adjacent to the Boyne River. (PRD Nationwide Tannum Sands – Marketing Agents)

MAJOR INDUSTRY – PROJECTS COMPLETED IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS			
PROJECT	CONSTRUCTION	OPERATION	DETAILS
<b>Boyne Smelters Limited</b> Cast House Expansion C	Commence: 2003 Cost: \$20M Workforce: TBA	Commence: 2004	The extension accommodates a new casting machine and two furnaces to accommodate future increases in production.
<b>Comalco Aluminium Limited</b> Comalco Aluminium Refinery C	Commence: Dec 2001 Cost: \$1.4B Workforce: up to 2,150 (at peak)	Commence: End 2004 Workforce: 400 (stage 1)	Construction of the first stage of the plant is complete. The plant currently uses three million tonnes of Weipa bauxite to produce 1.4mt per annum of alumina and continues to run to schedule.
<b>Cracow Gold Mine</b> Cracow Joint Venture (Newcrest Mining/Sedimentary Holdings) B	Commence: 2003 Cost: \$48M Workforce: 160	Commence: Nov 2004 Workforce: 100	The mining and processing of new gold deposits on old gold mine sites. Initial production plans of 680,000 ounces per annum. .
<b>NRG Operating Services</b> Turbine Hall Cranes mid life Refurbishment G	Commence: Mar 2003 Cost: \$1.6M Workforce: 8	Commence: June 2004 Workforce: existing	The project included a mid life refurbishment of the two Turbine Hall overhead cranes.
<b>NRG Operating Services</b> Unit 2 Boiler Waterwall G	Commence: Jul 2004 Cost: \$1.7M Workforce: 40	Commence: Sep 2004 Workforce: existing	A 20 metre section of the western waterwall of Unit 2 boiler is being replaced during an eight week shutdown.

INFRASTRUCTURE – PROJECTS COMPLETED IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS			
PROJECT	CONSTRUCTION	OPERATION	DETAILS
<b>Calliope Shire Council</b> Calliope River Road and Landing Road Construction C	Commence: August 2003 Cost: \$8.7M Workforce: Council and Contract	Commence: Oct 2004	The road which is complete forms an important arterial link between the Bruce Highway and the Gladstone State Development Area. The road is designed as a dangerous goods and B-Double road.
<b>Calliope Shire Council</b> Canoe Point Recreation Area Development – Stage 1 C	Commence: Aug 2003 Cost: \$1.3M Workforce: TBA	Commence: late 2004	Stage 1 is complete. The project included a recreational and educational component and protection of the unique biodiversity of the area. The project complements the successful Millennium Esplanade.
<b>Calliope Shire Council</b> Sewerage Treatment Plant – Yarwun C	Commence: Aug 2003 Cost: \$1.8M Workforce: TBA	Commence: 2004	Sewerage treatment plant constructed at Yarwun has achieved practical completion and undergoing trials.

INFRASTRUCTURE – PROJECTS COMPLETED IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS			
PROJECT	CONSTRUCTION	OPERATION	DETAILS
<b>Gladstone Area Water Board</b> Pipeline from Toolooa to Mt Miller G	Commence: Aug 2003 Cost: \$15M Workforce: TBA	Commence: June 2004	Construction has been completed of a 17km pipeline to meet the needs of new industrial development including Comalco Alumina Refinery.
<b>Main Roads</b> Project No. 27/46A/302 C	Commence: May 2004 Cost: \$1.9M Workforce: TBA	Commence: Oct 2004	Project included the rehabilitation of a section of the Dawson highway west of Calliope from Lexlip Creek to the Monto turn off.
<b>Main Roads</b> Project No. 161/183/2 Construction of the Port Access Road. G	Commence: 2003 Cost: \$15M Workforce: TBA	Commence: Mar 2005	The construction of a sealed road and reinforced concrete bridge, between Glenlyon Street and the Port precinct, along the northern side of the existing rail corridor under Goondoon Street bridge and over Auckland Street.
<b>Miriam Vale Shire Council and Main Roads</b> Fingerboard Road M	Cost: \$2.8M Workforce: TBA	Commence: Sept 2004	The sealing of the 2.2km section of unsealed Fingerboard Road between Miriam Vale and Agnes Waters has been completed.
<b>St Francis Catholic Primary School</b> Tannum Sands C	Commence: May 2004 Cost: \$1.9M Workforce: 50	Commence: Jan 2005 Workforce: 8	A Catholic Primary School to serve the Boyne Island / Tannum Sands area. Government accreditation and approval has been received and construction commenced. The school began operation in the 2005 school year.

COMMERCE, COMMUNITY – PROJECTS COMPLETED IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS			
PROJECT	CONSTRUCTION	OPERATION	DETAILS
<b>1770 Development Pty Ltd</b> Heights Residential Estate M	Commence: TBA Cost: \$TBA Workforce: TBA	Commence: 2004 Workforce: TBA	Stage 1 and Stage 2 of the residential development has been completed.
<b>Boyne Island Ambulance</b> C	Commence: mid 2003 Cost: \$0.58M Workforce: TBA	Commence: 2004 Workforce: TBA	A replacement station has been built located to enhance response times for the area.
<b>Dawson Road Child Care Centre</b> G	Commence: June 2004 Cost: \$TBA Workforce: TBA	Commence: Jan 2005 Workforce: TBA	Construction has begun on a 150 place child care centre located on Dawson Road.
<b>Gladstone Fire Station</b> Stage 1 G	Commence: 2003 Cost: \$0.3M Workforce: TBA	Commence: 2004 Workforce: existing	An upgrade of the stations facilities has been undertaken.
<b>Tannum Sands Central Shopping Centre</b> Peninsula Development Group C	Commence: July 03 Cost: \$15M Workforce: TBA	Commence: Sept 04 Workforce: TBA	Development of a new shopping centre for the Tannum Sands business zone, including Coles Supermarket, 16 speciality stores and commercial premises and a 230 capacity car park.

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PROJECT	CONSTRUCTION	OPERATION	DETAILS
<b>1770 Development Pty Ltd</b> The Edge on Beaches M	Commence: 2003 Cost: \$6.7M Workforce: TBA	Commence: Sept 2004 Workforce: TBA	Construction of 57 one and two bedroom fully self-contained apartments. Resort style living. Onsite management. All stages of development complete September 2004

MAJOR INDUSTRY – PROJECTS UNDER INVESTIGATION / PLANNED			
PROJECT	CONSTRUCTION	OPERATION	DETAILS
<b>Aldoga Aluminium Smelter Pty. Ltd.</b> Aluminium Smelter (construction of two pot lines) C	Commence: 2004 Cost: \$2B Workforce: 2,200	Commence: TBA Workforce: 900	Site preparation has commenced for the smelter which is expected to output over 420,000 tonnes per year of aluminium for Australian and overseas markets. The project is currently nearing the end of the FEED stage.

MAJOR INDUSTRY – PROJECTS UNDER INVESTIGATION / PLANNED continued.....			
PROJECT	CONSTRUCTION	OPERATION	DETAILS
<b>Australian Transport And Energy Corridor Limited</b> Australian Inland Rail Expressway B	Commence: TBA Cost: \$200M Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA	A \$200 million rail link is currently being investigated and will connect the Darling Downs, Maranoa and Surat Coal Basins to the Port of Gladstone. The construction of a DVR will enable a major freight service between Toowoomba and Gladstone.
<b>Boyne Smelters Limited</b> Expansion of Reduction Lines C	Commence: Postponed until further notice Cost: \$700-\$800M Workforce: 650	Commence: Postponed until further notice Workforce: 100	An extra 80 cells each for Reduction Lines 1 and 2 and 48 cells for Reduction Line 3 would see production increase approximately 173,000 tpa from 535,000 tpa to 708,000 tpa.
<b>Coal Mine – Stage 1</b> Xstrata B	Commence: TBA Cost: TBA Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Potential coal mine development at Wandoan.
<b>Dawson Coal Mine</b> Anglo Coal B	Commence: 2005 Cost: \$150M Workforce: 100	Commence: TBA Workforce: 200	The potential development of a new coal mine in the Theodore area.
<b>Dawson Valley Rail Line</b> Australian Transport and Energy Corridor Ltd B	Commence: TBA Cost: \$200M Workforce: 250	Commence: TBA Workforce: 25	Currently conducting feasibility study on the construction of a new rail line from Wandoan to Banana.
<b>Dawson Valley Inland Rail Freight Centre</b> DVDA/Banana Shire Council B	Commence: TBA Cost: \$TBA Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: 20	Planning and feasibility investigations into the construction of a Freight Centre for the inland rail system with the Banana Shire
<b>Gladstone Nickel Project (GNP)</b> Pearce Matheson Group C	Commence: TBA Cost: \$4B Workforce: 700	Commence: 2008 Workforce: 450	The GNP is a fourth generation High Pressure Acid Leach (HPAL) Plant. Development in 3 stages, with the stage1- ore mined at Marlborough, producing 30,000 tpa of nickel and 1,400 tpa of cobalt metal. Stage 2 and 3, plant expansions and the importing of high-grade ore from the southwest Pacific.
<b>Irrigation Works</b> Private users B	Commence: TBA Cost: \$25M Workforce: 120	Commence: TBA Workforce: 450	Project development dependent on the Nathan Dam project.
<b>Lodestone Exploration</b> Exploration around Mt Morgan Gold and Copper Mine using advanced technologies, JV with BHP Billiton C	Commence: 2003 Cost: \$2M Workforce: TBA	Commence: 2006 subject to discovery Workforce: TBA	Exploration of 800 square kilometre tenement area commencing two kilometres outside Mt Morgan and stretching into the Calliope Shire. Seeking gold and copper repeats of the historic Mt Morgan Mine.
<b>Monto Minerals</b> Mount Goondicum Operations B	Commence: TBA Cost: \$25M Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: 53 - 60	A feasibility study has been completed for funding the building of a major extraction and concentrating plant at Mount Goondicum to process ilmenite, feldspar and apatite, and a feldspar washing plant in Gladstone.
<b>Nathan Dam and Duinga Weir</b> SUDAW Developments B	Commence: TBA Cost: \$170M Workforce: 450	Commence: TBA Workforce: 25	Dawson River Nathan Dam (AMTD 315.3) and Duinga Weir feasibility study.
<b>ORICA</b> Sodium Cyanide Plant Expansion G	Commence: Nov 2004 Cost: \$12M Workforce: TBA	Commence: May 2005 Workforce: 5 - 10	The expansion of the Sodium Cyanide Plant will increase production from 50,000 tpa to 60,000 tpa, with long term plans to increase annual production to 80000 tpa.
<b>Queensland Alumina Limited</b> Co-Generation Project Study G	Commence: TBA Cost: \$TBA Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	The co-generation project is looking at the options for Queensland Alumina's Limited additional steam and power requirements for the future.



MAJOR INDUSTRY – PROJECTS UNDER INVESTIGATION / PLANNED.....continued			
PROJECT	CONSTRUCTION	OPERATION	DETAILS
<b>Queensland Coke and Energy Pty.Ltd</b> Subsidiary of Macarthur Coal Limited and Stanwell Corporation Limited G	Commence: TBA Cost: \$1.8M	Commence: Pending approval	Queensland Coke and Energy Pty Ltd is conducting a feasibility study to build a state of the art coke plant and power station in the Stanwell Energy Park. The high quality coking coal will be railed to the Port of Gladstone for export where additional facilities will be developed for coal handling.
<b>Queensland Energy Resource Limited (QERL)</b> Stuart Oil Shale Project Commercial Production Module C	Commence: TBA Cost: \$TBA Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Currently evaluating technical and operational data from the Stage 1 demonstration facility to assess technology options and economic feasibility of a commercially sized oil shale processing facility. Stage 1 of the project was completed in October 2004 with shale oil production exceeding 1.5M barrels

INFRASTRUCTURE – PROJECTS UNDER INVESTIGATION / PLANNED			
PROJECT	CONSTRUCTION	OPERATION	DETAILS
<b>Calliope Shire Council</b> Boyne River Bridge C	Commence: TBA Cost: \$8.7M Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA	A new bridge across the Boyne River between Pioneer Industrial Estate and the Boyne Island Tannum Sands Country Club.
<b>Calliope Shire Council</b> Cemetary and Crematorium Boyne Island C	Commence: June 2005 Cost: \$2M Workforce: Contract	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	The project will include construction of a cemetery crematorium complex in a parkland setting.
<b>Calliope Shire Council</b> Sewerage Treatment Plant – Tannum Sands C	Commence: TBA Cost: \$11M Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Construction of a sewerage treatment plant to be located at Tannum Sands. The plant is currently being designed.
<b>Ergon Energy</b> Major Project G	Commence: TBA Cost: \$4M Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Major project scheduled for the Gladstone Region including a new \$3 million high voltage power line from Gladstone to Calliope and a \$1 million transformer augmentation at Gladstone's Friend Street Substation.
<b>Exxon Mobil</b> Papua New Guinea Pipeline G	Commence: TBA Cost: \$TBA Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Exxon Mobil assumed operatorship of the project in June 2001. The 3,200km onshore/offshore PNG to Queensland pipeline will transport natural gas to north, central and south-eastern Queensland markets. The project is currently in the Front End Engineering and Design (FEED) phase, costing \$145M and is expected to take between 12 and 18 months to complete.
<b>Gladstone Area Water Board</b> Fitzroy River Pipeline C	Commence: TBA Cost: \$TBA Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Feasibility studies will be conducted on a proposal to construct a 20,000 to 30,000 mega litre capacity pipeline from the Fitzroy River to Gladstone.

COMMERCE, COMMUNITY – PROJECTS UNDER INVESTIGATION / PLANNED			
PROJECT	CONSTRUCTION	OPERATION	DETAILS
<b>Calliope Shire Council</b> City Heart Pecinct for Boyne Island/Tannum Sands C	Commence: TBA Cost: \$TBA Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA	Shops, businesses, motels, accommodation and community facilities development at Tannum Sands.
<b>Central Queensland University Gladstone Campus</b> Student Campus G	Commence: TBA Cost: \$0.65M Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	The facility is to comprise a one-stop student support precinct with a range of spaces for formal and informal meetings, workshops, activities and social gatherings, along with catering amenities.
<b>Gladstone Community Health Services</b> G	Commence: 2008 Cost: \$1.8M Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	\$1.8M has been allocated to relocate dental and mental health facilities so that Gladstone's community-based health services are based in the Gladstone Hospital Grounds.

COMMERCE, COMMUNITY – PROJECTS UNDER INVESTIGATION / PLANNED .....continued			
PROJECT	CONSTRUCTION	OPERATION	DETAILS
<b>Gladstone Fire Station</b> Stage 2 G	Commence: TBA Cost: \$0.5M Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	An upgrade of the existing Fire Station is currently being investigated to provide an extension to the current Fire Engine Bay.
<b>Mulhern Developments</b> <b>Nixon Street Complex</b> G	Commence: TBA Cost: \$TBA Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Conversion of the current Cinema Complex into shops, offices and restaurant and the building of a 38 unit motel.

TOURISM, ACCOMMODATION AND VISITOR FACILITIES – PROJECTS UNDER INVESTIGATION / PLANNED			
PROJECT	CONSTRUCTION	OPERATION	DETAILS
<b>CBD Residential Apartment Development</b> <b>109 Goondoon Street</b> G	Commence: late 2005 Cost: \$TBA Workforce:	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Development of 80 key residential hotel apartments, including a restaurant and function / conference centre.
<b>Agnes Water Beach Club</b> Holiday Apartments M	Commence: TBA Cost: \$15M Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Proposed development of self sustaining, eco-friendly apartments. Planning approved for first stage.
<b>BLH NO.24 Pty Ltd</b> 26 Unit Motel with Restaurant and Managers Residence C	Commence: TBA Cost: \$3M Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Development Application. Modern Resort Style Motel, Hampton Drive, Tannum Sands.
<b>BT Joint Venture Group</b> BITS Redevelopment	Commence: 2006 Cost: \$80M Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	The project includes a Country Club hotel complex, comprising 80 units, 18 hole golf course and a mix of accommodation units surrounding the golf course; developed over the next 5 to 8 years.
<b>Gladstone Area Promotion and Development Limited</b> Gladstone Showcase G	Commence: 2005 Cost: \$3.5M Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	A remodelled Showcase is being proposed for development.
<b>Gladstone Men's Shelter</b> G	Commence: 2005 Cost: \$0.5M Workforce: 10	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Crisis accommodation Centre for homeless men. Location to be advised.
<b>Glen Eden Gardens</b> Aged Care Facility Bindaree Lodge Management Board and Blue Care G	Commence: Oct 2004 Cost: \$5M Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Aged care facility providing 48 high care beds, managed and staffed by Blue Care.
<b>Grand Hotel</b> Hotel/Motel Development G	Commence: TBA Cost: \$16M Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: 2	Development application for a 120 room motel at the rear of the Grand Hotel on Roseberry Street. The project has council approval to proceed.
<b>Ilios</b> <b>Roseberry Street</b> G	Commence: June 05 Cost: \$4M Workforce: TBA	Commence: Feb 06 Workforce: 2	16 Luxury apartments with state of the art layout and all with ocean views.
<b>Lagoons at 1770</b> Resort Units M	Commence: TBA Cost: \$TBA Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Approval has been given to build resort units at the Town of 1770.
<b>Lifestyle Developments</b> Wyndham on Boyne C	Commence: Mar 2005 Cost: \$5M Workforce: 8-10	Commence: Jan 2006	16 Luxury riverside apartments in Boyne Island. (PRD Nationwide Tannum Sands – Marketing Agents)
<b>Mijo Developments</b> Sansarra Residential and Commercial Precinct Agnes Water M	Commence: TBA Cost: \$150M Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Approval for the development of a 70 – 80 unit residential and commercial precinct to be located at Agnes Water.
<b>Mijo Developments</b> Treebar M	Commence: TBA Cost: \$3M Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Approval for the development of a restaurant, café and nine unit complex in Town of 1770.
<b>Platinum Property Holdings Pty Ltd</b> Park Avenue G	Commence: July/Aug 2006 Cost: \$14.9M Workforce: TBA	Commence: Oct 2006 Stage 1 Oct 2007 Stage 2	Currently waiting for final Council approval. Park Avenue Park Avenue is a boutique gated community consisting of forty five 3 and 4 bedroom Garden Homes, boasting a high level of progressive design and integration of modern features; including serviced and fully furnished apartments.

TOURISM ACCOMMODATION AND VISITOR FACILITIES – PROJECTS UNDER INVESTIGATION / PLANNED			
PROJECT	CONSTRUCTION	OPERATION	DETAILS
<b>Queensland Resort Enterprises Curtis Island Beach Resort</b> Monte Christo C	Commence: 2006 Cost: \$25M Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: 50	164 beachside apartments and villas. All government approvals secured.
<b>Reward Advantage P/L</b> Tannum Waters Township  C	Commence: late 2005 Cost: \$950M Workforce: TBA	Commence: 2006 Workforce: TBA	Approval has been given for the design and development stage of the project that will consist of 2,000 Residential A lots on 400 hectares; including shopping facilities, medical and business services, childcare facilities, re school and primary school, swimming and boating facilities and extensive pathways and cycleways.
<b>River City Terraces Pty Ltd</b> Serviced apartments G	Commence: TBA Cost: \$1M Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Council has approved an application for 60 serviced apartments in Roseberry Street. The development includes shops, conference facilities, office space and a restaurant.
<b>Sunrise at 1770</b> Agnes Water  M	Commence: TBA Cost: \$10M Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	Proposed construction of a resort, interpretive centre, beach club, units, shops and restaurant near Agnes Water.
<b>Stirling Park</b> Comprehensive Site Development C	Commence: Apr 2005 Cost: \$1.2M Workforce: 4-6	Commence: Nov 2005	Subdivision of river front land into multistorey motel and residential lots. (PRD Nationwide Realty – Marketing Agents)
<b>The Towers</b> Unit development G	Commence: TBA Cost: \$TBA Workforce: TBA	Commence: TBA Workforce: TBA	A proposed unit development for Goondoon and Lord Streets including part of the RSL facility.
<b>The Anchorage</b> 10 Wyndham Avenue, Boyne Island C	Commence: Aug 2005 Cost: \$5.3M Workforce: 4-6	Commence: Apr 2006	21 Luxury river front apartments. Selling off the plan in progress. (PRD Nationwide Realty – Marketing Agents)

Legend: G – Gladstone City; C – Calliope Shire; M – Miriam Vale Shire; B – Banana Shire

### GLADSTONE REGION POPULATION STATISTICS

The Gladstone Region has an estimated population of 62,666; the City of Gladstone has a population of 27,776, the Calliope Shire which includes Boyne Island and Tannum Sands has a population of 15,774, the Miriam Vale Shire which includes Agnes Water and Town of 1770 has a population of 4,817 and Banana Shire which includes the town of Biloela, Moura and Theodore has a population of 14,299.

Gladstone City area 160 sq km		Calliope Shire area 6600 sq km		Miriam Vale Shire area 3800 sq km		Banana Shire area 15,729 sq km		Gladstone Region area 26,289 sq km	
Year end 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Estimated Residential Population	Year end 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Estimated Residential Population	Year end 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Estimated Residential Population	Year end 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Estimated Residential Population	Year end 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Estimated Residential Population
1992	25,036	1992	11,509	1992	3,055	1992	14,762	1992	54,362
1993	25,449	1993	12,090	1993	3,215	1993	14,546	1993	55,300
1994	25,781	1994	12,643	1994	3,460	1994	14,272	1994	56,156
1995	26,209	1995	13,108	1995	3,719	1995	13,938	1995	56,974
1996	26,574	1996	13,579	1996	3,975	1996	13,881	1996	58,009
1997r	26,594	1997r	13,951	1997r	4,105	1997r	13,964	1997r	58,614
1998r	26,624	1998r	14,258	1998r	4,181	1998r	14,087	1998r	59,150
1999r	26,583	1999r	14,506	1999r	4,314	1999r	14,129	1999r	59,532
2000r	26,631	2000r	14,753	2000r	4,379	2000r	14,267	2000r	60,030
2001r	26,831	2001r	15,054	2001r	4,484	2001r	14,448	2001r	60,817
2002r	27,099	2002r	15,377	2002r	4,620	2002r	14,389	2002r	61,485
2003r	27,776	2003r	15,774	2003r	4,817	2003r	14,299	2003r	62,666

p= preliminary r = revised

Source: Department of Local Government and Housing Fact Sheets, August 2004

Population figure – variation between Census data and Local Government Area population figures. Local Government Area Population figures listed above are derived from the official Estimated Resident Population (ERP) data. ERP data differs from Census as it counts Australians in their usual place of residence, excludes overseas visitors and includes Australians who were overseas at the time of Census.

## GLADSTONE REGION POPULATION BY AGE

Age Group	Gladstone City		Calliope Shire		Miriam Vale Shire		Banana Shire	
	2001	2026	2001	2026	2001	2026	2001	2026
0-14	6,720	9,915	3,826	5,492	972	1,193	3,469	1,934
15-24	3,865	6,326	1,820	2,789	387	578	1,873	1,102
25-44	8,462	13,082	4,703	7,708	1,195	1,798	4,425	3,522
45-64	5,811	10,355	3,523	6,461	1,507	3,152	3,297	3,593
65+	1,973	5,445	1,182	3,832	423	3,386	1,384	2,330
Total Population	28,832	47,149	17,055	28,308	6,485	12,133	16,449	14,507
Median age	32	35	35	38	41	56	34	44

Source: Department of Local Government and Housing Fact Sheet, August 2004

## GLADSTONE REGION BUILDING APPROVALS

Year to June 30	Gladstone City			Calliope Shire			Miriam Vale Shire			Banana Shire		
	Houses	Other	Total	Houses	Other	Total	Houses	Other	Total	Houses	Other	Total
1999	155	69	224	107	0	107	63	16	79	36	4	40
2000	151	27	178	116	4	120	81	23	104	31	0	31
2001	86	4	90	60	0	60	67	0	67	17	0	17
2002	186	29	215	163	2	165	80	7	87	17	0	17
2003	248	38	286	216	6	222	74	60	134	20	6	26
2004	140	76	216	148	13	161	102	54	156	21	2	23

Source: Department of Local Government and Housing Fact Sheet, August 2004

## GLADSTONE REGION BUILDING APPROVALS FOR THE QUARTER MARCH QUARTER 2005

Jul to Sept 04	56	0	56	60	0	60	n/a	n/a	n/a	13	0	13
Oct to Dec	56	0	56	39	0	39	n/a	n/a	n/a	8	0	8
Jan to Mar	59	2	61	27	0	27	n/a	n/a	n/a	9	0	9
YTD 2005	171	2	173	126	0	126	n/a	n/a	n/a	30	0	30

Source: Gladstone Region Councils

## GLADSTONE REGION HOUSING SALES AND MEDIAN PRICES

MEDIAN HOUSE PRICE – Gladstone Region						
Location	Number of Sales Dec Qtr Dec 2004	\$ Dec Qtr 2004	\$ Sept Qtr 2004	% Change over Qtr	12 months to end of Dec 2004	12 months to end of Dec 1999
Gladstone	97	\$203,500	\$202,000	0.7%	\$195,000	\$110,000
Calliope			\$184,000		\$165,000	\$80,000
Boyne Island	15	\$256,000	\$246,000	4.1%	\$246,750	\$117,000
Tannum Sands	10	\$263,000	\$280,000	-6.1%	\$286,000	\$138,000
Miriam Vale			\$109,000		\$90,000	\$48,000
Agnes Water			\$627,500		\$415,000	\$160,000
Agnes Water ^	4	\$321,000	\$295,000	8.8%	\$297,000	\$112,500
Mount Maria ^	4	\$130,000	\$460,000	-71.7%	\$130,000	\$135,000
Town of 1770					\$1,100,000	\$385,000
Biloela	43	\$140,000	\$133,500	4.9%	\$126,000	\$118,000
Moura	17	\$93,000	\$88,500	5.1%	\$87,500	\$97,000

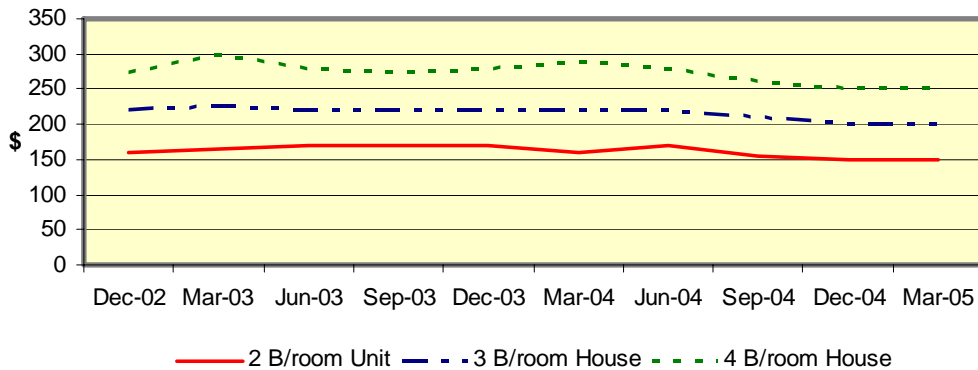
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Source: Real Estate Institute of Queensland's (REIQ) December 2004 quarter housing prices

## GLADSTONE REGION PROPERTY RENTS

Based on new bonds lodged with the Residential Tenancies Authority (RTA) for the third quarter to December 2004 the city of Gladstone has seen a decrease in median rental prices for 2 bedroom units of \$5 and 3 & 4 bedroom houses of \$10 per week.

### Weekly Rents



December 2004 to March 2005	Median Weekly Rents
2 bedroom unit	\$150
3 bedroom house	\$200
4 bedroom house	\$250

Source: Update – Residential Tenancies Authority March 2005 Edition

## GLADSTONE REGION RENTAL YIELDS COMPARISON

Profitability yield comparison based on a three bedroom investment house purchased in selected Queensland shires.

RENTAL YIELDS – BASED ON THREE BEDROOMED HOUSE			
Location	Median House Price	Median Weekly Rent	Gross Rental Yield
Gladstone	\$203,500	\$210	5.36%
Gold Coast	\$369,800	\$220	3.09%
Caboolture	\$268,000	\$200	3.88%
Hervey Bay	\$270,000	\$210	4.04%
Maroochy	\$357,000	\$260	3.79%
Redland	\$329,975	\$230	3.62%
Brisbane City	\$352,000	\$250	3.69%
Noosa	\$453,500	\$250	2.87%

Source: Real Estate Institute of Queensland (REIQ) and Residential Tenancies Authority December 2004

## NEW GLADSTONE RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT



### Park Avenue

Platinum Property Holdings Pty Ltd is currently furthering plans to develop Lots 1 & 2 Witney Street, Telina. The development, known as Park Avenue will include 46 Garden Homes ranging from three to four bedrooms in a number of combinations. Construction of Park Avenue is expected to commence between the mid to the end of the second quarter in 2005. Platinum Property Holdings Pty Ltd is looking to commission J M Kelly Pty Ltd To construct the development with notable projects completed in the local area including Flinders Parade Units in Gladstone and The Dreamtime Cultural in Rockhampton.

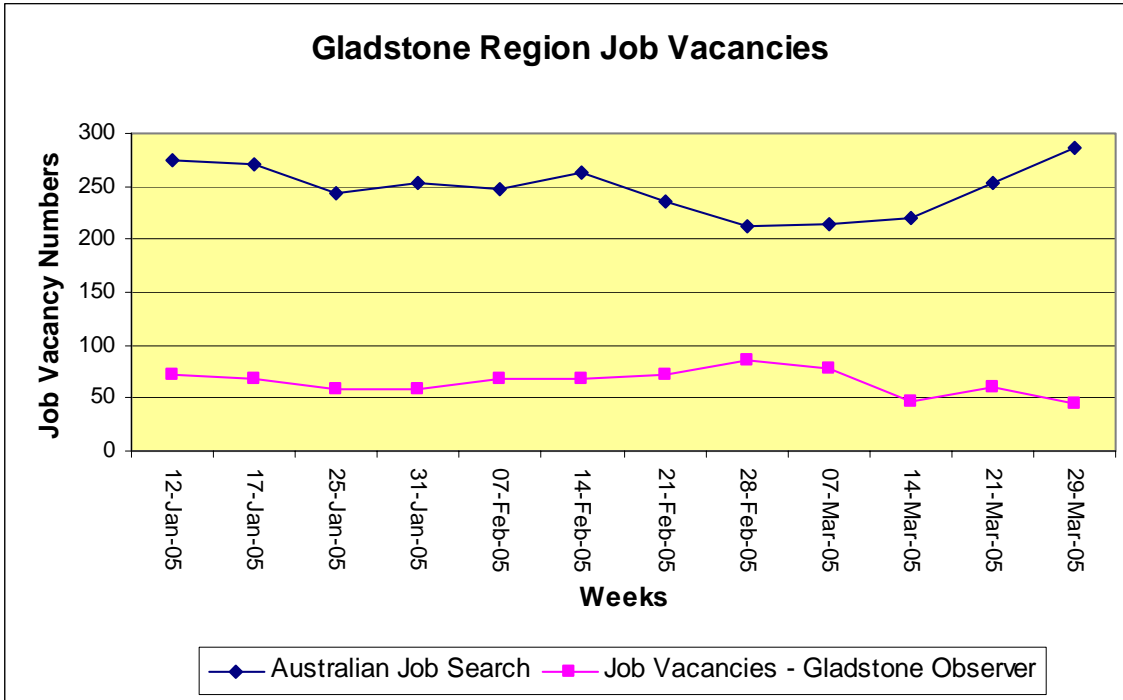
Park Avenue will be constructed on 18,153sqm of land with vast expanses dedicated to park and recreation facilities including a community clubhouse facility, swimming pool and putting green. Landscaping will be completed by award winning firm 'Site Image' who have also completed the landscaping for Stadium Australia – Olympic Park.

The development is state of the art for Gladstone with each floor plan maximising light and energy efficiency and offering a gated community lifestyle for residents. Park Avenue has been designed to appeal to various members of the community from all walks of life; young families to retirees to executives or investors.

Platinum Property Holdings Pty Ltd is involved in all aspects of Park Avenue including acquisition of the property, design, development, marketing and sales. The company is confident that "the Gladstone Market is undoubtedly one of the most active in the country and we have a strong presence in this market that will allow us to continue to focus on urban development for as long as the demand actively continues to support new residential production".

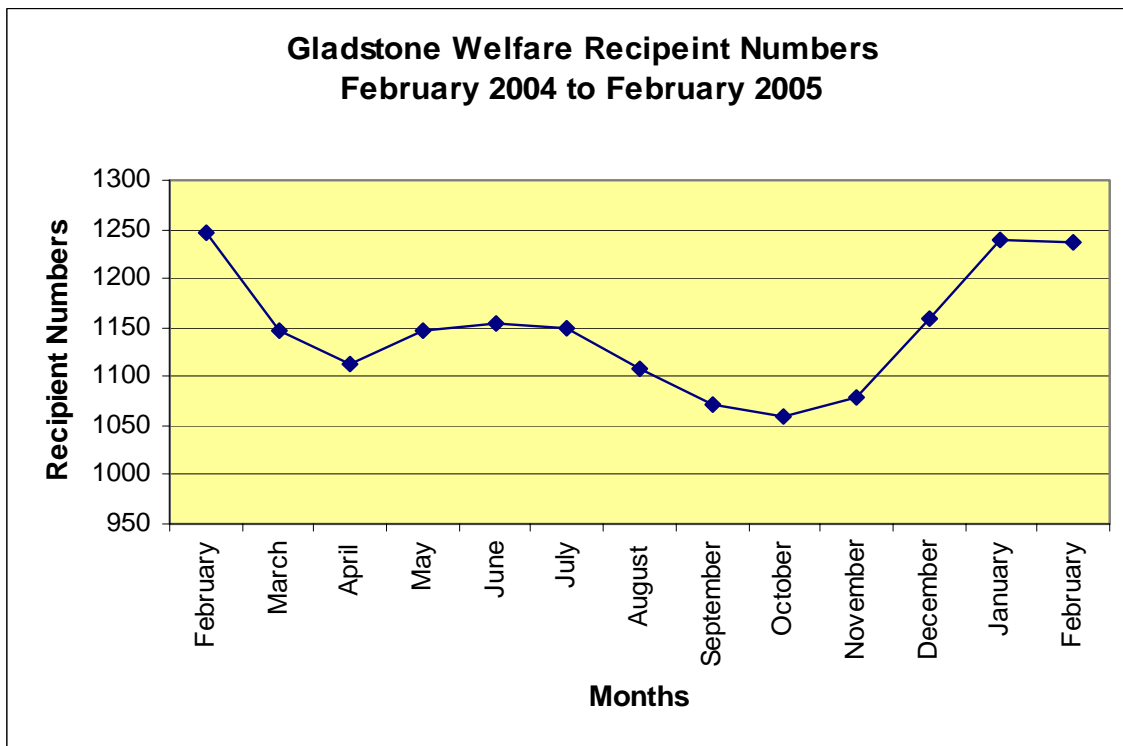
If plans are carried out as pre determined, Park Avenue should be completed approximately 12-14 months after the commencement of construction.

**GLADSTONE REGION JOB VACANCIES**



Source: [www.jobsearch.gov.au](http://www.jobsearch.gov.au) and Gladstone Observer - Job Vacancies Advertising 12/01/2005 to 29/03/05

**GLADSTONE REGION JOB SEEKERS**



Source: Gladstone's Welfare Recipient Number – February 2004 to February 2005 (number of jobseekers receiving New Start or Youth Allowance from Gladstone Centrelink Office).

## GLADSTONE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES

## GLADSTONE REGION JOB SEEKERS – Employment Status

Month	Part-Time	Casual	Full-Time	Contract	Total
January 2005	0	34	208	16	258
February 2005	0	34	262	5	301
March 2005	18	20	187	4	229
<b>Total</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>657</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>788</b>
<b>Percentage for the quarter</b>	<b>2.28%</b>	<b>11.17%</b>	<b>83.38%</b>	<b>3.17%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

Source: Gladstone Job Vacancies Advertising 12/01/2005 to 29/03/05

In a new initiative to identify employment trends within the region GAPDL has collected statistical data on job vacancies advertised in the Gladstone Observer each Saturday.

The first quarter of 2005 had a total of 788 job vacancies advertised within the Gladstone Region with 83.38% full-time positions offered, 2.28% part-time and 11.17% casual.

## GLADSTONE REGION JOB SEEKERS – Employment Position by Categories

Month	Apprentices Trainees	Managers Supervisors Admin	Professional	Trade	IT	Clerks/Sales/Service Industry	Labourers & related Workers	Total
January 2005	4	47	2	111	1	71	22	258
February 2005	27	48	4	122	1	70	29	301
March 2005	11	43	5	84	1	54	31	229
<b>Total</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>788</b>
<b>Percentage for the quarter</b>	<b>5.33%</b>	<b>17.51%</b>	<b>1.40%</b>	<b>40.23%</b>	<b>0.38%</b>	<b>24.75%</b>	<b>10.41%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

Source: Gladstone Job Vacancies Advertising 12/01/2005 to 29/03/05

In the first quarter of 2005 the Job Vacancies sourced from Saturday's edition of the Gladstone Observer each week were categorised according to the position being advertised.

During the quarter of the 788 job vacancies 40.23% were Trade positions, 24.75% clerical, sales and service industry, 17.51% managers, supervisors and administration, 10.41% labourers, 5.33% apprentices and trainees, 1.40% professional and 0.38% IT specialists.

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**Major Industry Websites**

- Boyne Smelters Limited (BSL) [www.comalco.com.au](http://www.comalco.com.au)
- Cement Australia (Queensland) [www.qcl.com.au](http://www.qcl.com.au)
- Central Queensland Ports Authority [www.cqpa.com.au](http://www.cqpa.com.au)
- Comalco Alumina Refinery (CAR) [www.comalco.com.au](http://www.comalco.com.au)
- Gladstone Power Station (NRG) [www.nrgqos.com.au](http://www.nrgqos.com.au)
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