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INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT TAKES A BACK SEAT PRE-ELECTION

The Albanese Government has delivered few changes for the infrastructure sector in its 2025-26 Federal Budget, says industry think tank Infrastructure Partnerships Australia.

“The fiscal realities of this Budget, and the political demand to meet immediate cost of living relief, means there is little for those hoping to arrest the national decline in transport infrastructure investment.

Federal general government infrastructure funding is now at \$60.7 billion over the four years to FY2028-29, only \$118 million greater than last year’s Budget allocation, but a \$493 million decline in real terms.

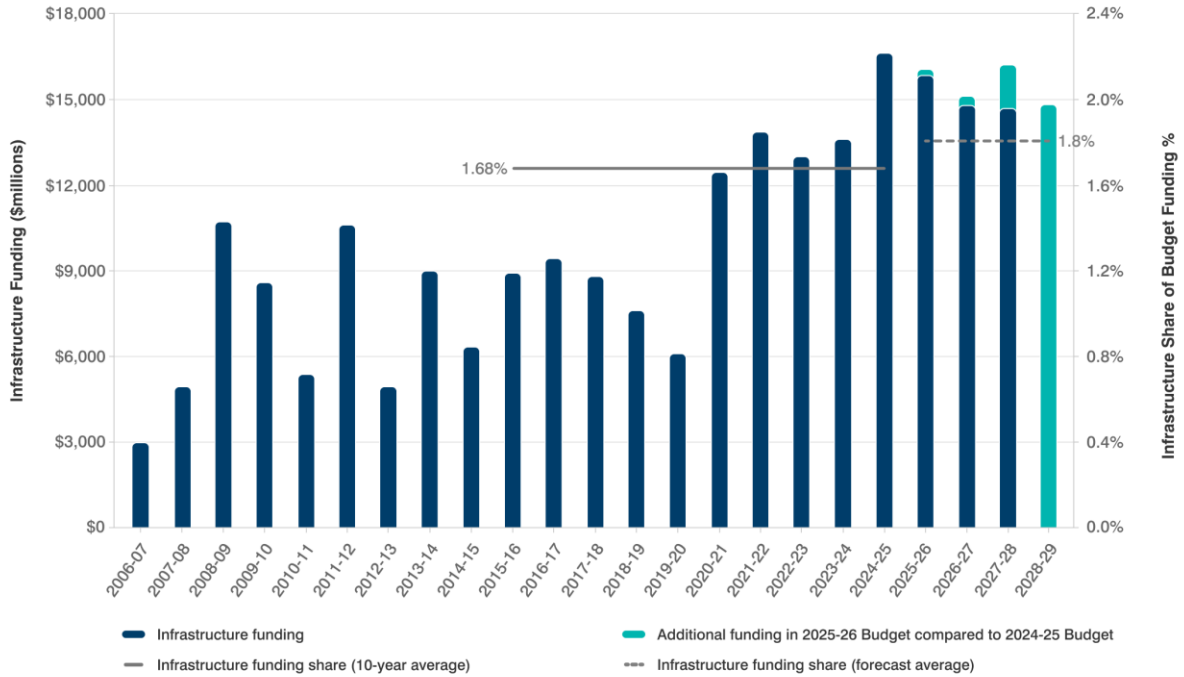
“We saw in the 2024-25 Budget, that year-on-year growth in infrastructure expenditure was now in the rear view and that trajectory has continued,” said Mr Dwyer.

Infrastructure Partnerships Australia is the nation’s industry think tank providing independent policy research focused on excellence in social and economic infrastructure.





Committed Federal general government infrastructure funding 2006-07 to 2028-29



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