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nbn targets 1.5 million Queensland premises in construction plan

Over 1.5 million additional premises are set to be in construction or complete by September 2018 according to **nbn**'s three-year construction plan released today.

The newly extended construction plan outlines where construction is scheduled to have begun for more than 1.5 million additional homes and businesses in Queensland by September 2018.

The expansion of the rollout of the **nbn**[™] network reflects the company's flexible broadband technology approach and is an important step toward reaching its goal of connecting eight million homes and businesses to the **nbn**[™] network nationally by 2020.

Communities in Queensland newly added to the plan include large areas of Brisbane, Logan, the Gold Coast and Sunshine Coast and regional areas like Gladstone, Mount Isa, Winton and Longreach.

A large number of premises are also set to be connected to the **nbn**[™] network in the Granite Belt region, as well as areas in Wide Bay and Proserpine.

Understandably, some people may be disappointed that their area may not have been included in today's announcement but ultimately no-one should miss out as we are building the **nbn**[™] network to be made available to every Australian family and business by 2020.

nbn[™] Corporate Affairs Manager for Queensland, Kylie Lindsay said:

"This is exciting news for the many regions, suburbs and towns that have been added to our construction schedule as it means work to build the **nbn**[™] network is expected to be underway or complete by September 2018.

Due to the nature and size of Queensland, we're planning to use a mix of technologies to deliver the network at the least cost to taxpayers and as quickly as possible, using the best fit solution for each area.

This means you may have seen your area listed before in a previous plan, but it may have moved due to a change in the anticipated technology in the new rollout plans.

Because **nbn** has adopted a mix of technologies, we have been able to accelerate the rollout of the **nbn**[™] network to homes and businesses across Queensland, with large swathes of the South East expected to be covered by hybrid fibre coaxial cable (HFC), more commonly known as pay TV network cabling.

By 2020, every home and business is expected to be able to benefit from the nationwide upgrade to Australia's broadband infrastructure."



Access to fast broadband is designed to provide a range of benefits for homes and businesses such as improved opportunities to work from home, better access to online education tools and more options for on-demand entertainment.*

At present more than 238,000 families and businesses are already able to access fast broadband by connecting to services over the **nbn**[™] network across Queensland and another 169,000 premises are currently under construction.*

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For everything you need to know Australia's broadband network, check out our special series nbn 101: <http://nbnco.com.au/blog/nbn101.html>

Full details including detailed suburb breakdowns are available at www.nbn.com.au/3yearplan

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Notes to editors

- This data in this plan is at 01 September 2015. At that time, there were approximately 1.3 million premises ready for service, and 700,000 premises in build. Added to the 7.5 million premises in this plan, this brings the total number of premises to be either ready for service or in build by September 2018 to almost 9.5 million.
- The full list of communities where construction on the rollout of the nbn[™] network is scheduled to begin before September 2018 can be viewed at www.nbnco.com.au/3yearplan
- Communities can also check the progress of the rollout of the nbn[™] network in their area by typing in their location or postcode into the interactive nbn[™] network rollout map.
- nbn intends to update the Construction Plan regularly.
- The Plan is provided for information purposes and is intended to be a guide only and should not be relied upon as representing nbn's final position on the rollout of the nbn[™] network.
- The exact number of premises and the regions covered by the Plan may vary once nbn has finalised its construction planning.
- The Plan does not include premises that are built, in-build or covered by satellite or new developments.
- The anticipated technology to be deployed in communities may change depending on a number of factors once the construction planning stage has been finalised. Some areas may be serviced by multiple technologies.
- The technology designation for each community will be guided by nbn's [Multi-Technology Deployment Principles](#).

* Your experience including the speeds actually achieved over the **nbn**[™] network depends on the technology over which services are delivered to your premises and some factors outside our control like your equipment quality, software, broadband plans and how your service provider designs its network.