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More than one-and-a-half-million new premises in NSW added to **nbn** construction plan

nbn updates national three year construction plan

NSW continues to lead the country in relation to the rollout of the **nbn**[™] network, with the majority of the state now either in the construction plan, or able to connect.

nbn today released a three-year national construction plan, adding nearly 1.6 million premises in cities, suburbs and towns across New South Wales, bringing the total number in the entire three-year plan to more than 2.21 million.

The enormous expansion of the rollout of the **nbn**[™] network reflects the company's flexible multi-technology approach. For the first time the plan includes the full mix of technologies that includes utilising existing cable tv networks (HFC – Hybrid Fibre Coaxial cable) installed principally in metropolitan areas. This is an important step toward in its goal of connecting 8 million premises to the **nbn**[™] network by 2020.

The use of HFC technology has meant the addition of more than one million homes and businesses in many parts of greater Sydney, including Botany Bay, Belrose, Pyrmont, Ultimo, Surry Hills and many more.

Many other areas across the state have also been included in the plan for the first time, from Tweed Heads in the north to Eden in the south, Broken Hill out west, Tamworth and many in between.

nbn's recent announcement to significantly increase the workforce is an important part of meeting these targets.

The three year construction plan provides an indicative schedule of work to commence before quarter-end September 2018, and means more than 2.8 million NSW homes and businesses are either in plan, in build, or can already make the switch.

nbn[™] spokesperson Kelly Stevens said:

"This plan is nearly four times the size of the previous one and is great news for NSW. It really demonstrates that it's full steam ahead for the project, and we are well on our way to achieving our goal of 8 million connections by 2020.

"This is exciting news for the suburbs, towns and areas added to our construction schedule, because work to deliver access to fast broadband is expected to be underway by September 2018."

"The nationwide upgrade to Australia's broadband infrastructure means improved opportunities to work from home, better access to online education tools and more options for on-demand entertainment.

"Ultimately no-one should miss out on the **nbn**[™] network as it will be made available to every Australian family and business by 2020."

Currently more than 350,000 homes and businesses across New South Wales are already able to connect to services over the **nbn**[™] network.

The full three year construction plan, including the new additions can be found 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 scheduled to be 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](#).



The construction plan does not include satellite technology or rollout to new developments.