

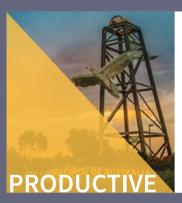
Established communities with well developed infrastructure, services and lifestyle opportunities.

WA's regional capitals are well established centres and are now home to over 250,000 people; that is half the population of regional WA.



Although each regional capital has a unique local context they share much in common.

WA's regional capitals are connected by global supply chains and are interacting with emerging global economies, each with capacity and prospects to grow.



Together regional capitals continue to contribute significantly to the national economy.

WA's regional capitals have high concentrations of employment with a number experiencing significant growth over the past five years.



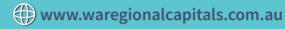
Each regional capital has a high capability to grow its population base and economic diversity.

WA's regional capitals collaborate to deliver transformative projects positioning them as ideal locations to focus Government and industry investment.

### ADVOCACY COLLABORATION REPRESENTATION

We lead the sustainable strategic growth of Western Australia's regional capitals, with a focus on excellence and opportunity creation.





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"Western Australia's ten regional capitals are 'home to over 250,000 people; that is half the population of regional Western Australia and the engine room of the nation."

 Chairman, Peter Long Mayor City of Karratha

## **OUR MEMBERS**





















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#### AGENDA FOR GROWTH

# Regional Capitals in the National Interest

### **RED TAPE**

- **1.** Reform Local Government for better regional decision making.
- 2. Streamline land tenure and native title processes.
- 3. Integrate project approvals.

  A single integrated land,
  planning, environment and
  development system.

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

- 1. Support skilled migration into regional capitals to match skill-based needs.
- 2. Reform FBT in remote regional Australia to incentivise work and living regionally.
- **3.** Develop a National settlement Strategy that focuses on regional capitals.

#### **TOURISM**

- **1.** Provide more support to promote iconic attractions in regional capitals.
- **2.** Reduce cost of regional airfares.
- **3.** Build better collaboration between regional capitals and Tourism Australia.
- **4.** Build tourism related infrastructure and facilities.

## **INFRASTRUCTURE**

- 1. Fast track regional capitals funding deals.
- 2. Adopt the Regional Investment Framework approach.
- **3.** Include regional capitals in National Energy Policy discussions.
- 4. Establish arts and cultural facilities funding program.

# REGIONAL CAPITALS ALLIANCE WESTERN AUSTRALIA: A BREAKDOWN

CThe combined value of trade exports from and through Western Australia's regional centres has consistently performed above expectations.



GROSS REGIONAL PRODUCT \$33BILLION



13% of WA's GSP PORT PRODUCTION \$71 BILLION

74% of WA's total exports









\$365K AVERAGE HOUSE PRICE

Significantly below the national average house price of \$571k



14% of WA's economy

