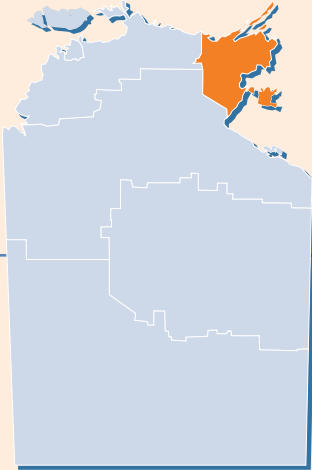


East Arnhem



The East Arnhem region covers East Arnhem Land and includes the neighbouring Groote Eylandt and Elcho Island, with major population centres Nhulunbuy and Alyangula. Access for travellers and freight is mainly by air or sea as roads to the region cross very difficult terrain.

Mining production, including the alumina/bauxite production on the Gove Peninsula and manganese on Groote Eylandt, is the region's main economic activity. Other industries in East Arnhem include buffalo farming, aquaculture and fishing. Traditional Indigenous cultural experiences and the remote and natural wilderness attract many tourists to the region.

About 62 per cent of the region's 14 400 population in 2006 were Indigenous. The region's population is relatively young and dispersed, with 48 per cent aged 24 years and under and less than 2 per cent aged 65 years and over.

Supporting Business

- › \$0.19M for aerial photography and mapping to assist industry activity relating to land and resources

Jobs and Training

- › \$4.46M for Charles Darwin University, Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education and other service providers to deliver vocational education and training
- › \$0.77M for Flexible Response Funding, leading to Indigenous employment, including Training for Remote Youth
- › \$60 000 for Revive and Refocus forums for remote Territory public servants

Safer Communities

- › \$6M for police, fire and emergency services, including two police stations, two police posts, one fire station and five volunteer groups, including \$0.34M for maintenance and works

- › \$0.73M for the expansion of the Raypirri Rom family violence program
- › \$0.44M for Groote Eylandt and Nhulunbuy Community Corrections to monitor and supervise adult and juvenile clients, including community reintegration
- › \$0.22M for courts to administer justice for regional and remote communities, including Nhulunbuy, Alyangula and Galiwinku, with registry services provided through Nhulunbuy courthouse

Better Schooling

- › \$30.02M for early childhood, primary and secondary education in 11 remote schools in the region
- › \$5.2M for primary and early childhood education at Nhulunbuy Primary School
- › \$4.7M for secondary education for students at Nhulunbuy High School
- › \$2.81M for the Indigenous Education Strategic Initiatives Program to improve Indigenous education outcomes
- › \$2.02M to provide student and school support services, including curricula and special needs support
- › \$1.63M for non-government schools
- › \$1.37M for Australian Government Targeted Programs including Literacy, Numeracy and Special Learning Needs and the National Drug Education Strategy
- › \$1.22M for the Territory Student Assistance Travel Scheme and teacher housing

Infrastructure Highlights

- › \$8.7M for Indigenous community housing organisations to construct and upgrade Indigenous housing
- › \$1M for repairs and maintenance along Central Arnhem Road
- › \$0.3M to replace the pontoon at Nhulunbuy
- › \$0.23M to finish the Gove District Hospital public health screening facility
- › \$0.74M to complete Nhulunbuy High School – new classrooms and school facilities for implementation of middle years schooling
- › \$0.4M to replace the emergency power generator at Gove District Hospital
- › \$0.18M to complete the upgrades for remote health centres at Galiwinku, Umbakumba and Ramingining
- › \$0.3M to complete the Yirrkala health clinic upgrade

Power and Water Projects

- › \$1.2M for Milingimbi to construct additional sewerage ponds

- › \$0.43M for programs to support students with a disability
- › \$0.16M in Back to School payments to assist students with the costs of essential school items
- › \$97 000 to employ Aboriginal and Islander education workers

Better Health

- › \$18.62M for acute care services, including road and aero-retrieval transport services and the Patient Assistance Travel Scheme
- › \$13.13M for non-acute health and community services in the region
- › \$0.1M to monitor the health, social and economic impact of kava use in East Arnhem communities
- › \$40 000 for volatile substance abuse treatment services in Angurugu

Community Development

- › \$2.6M for Indigenous community housing organisations to maintain and manage community housing
- › \$0.36M for two development coordinators to assist in developing and facilitating regional local government
- › \$0.23M to support Dhimurru Land Management's construction of new ranger and museum facilities
- › \$0.1M for the Indigenous Ranger Group Development Program for an extra ranger each year from 2007 in Galiwinku, Laynhapuy Homelands, Groote Eylandt and Nhulunbuy

Lifestyle and Environment

- › \$0.35M for library services at Nhulunbuy, Galiwinku, Milingimbi, Ramingining, Alyangula, Umbakumba and Angurugu
- › \$0.22M for environmental monitoring of operational and closed mine sites
- › \$0.21M to establish and operate Arnhem Fire Control district
- › \$82 000 for fire management and prescribed burning in parks
- › \$72 000 for feral animal control

Across the Territory

Some initiatives cannot be accurately apportioned between regions. A summary of these are provided here.

- › \$52.66M to subsidise tariffs for electricity, water and sewerage customers
- › \$9.29M for business and industry development and support services
- › \$6.69M to support mining in the Territory including Bringing Forward Discovery
- › \$3.56M assisting primary producers and land managers
- › \$24.69M for training, apprenticeships and employer incentives, including Jobs Plan 2 and 3
- › \$0.61M for 40 higher education scholarships
- › \$7.62M for legal and court-related services
- › \$4.35M for road safety reforms and policing
- › \$12.4M for Building Better Schools
- › \$2.69M to improve English literacy outcomes for students
- › \$1.51M for community education organisations
- › \$0.75M for renal dialysis and kidney disease health management services
- › \$0.48M for the rotavirus vaccination program for infants in the Territory
- › \$6.88M to implement new local government reform including \$4.95M for one-off establishment grants
- › \$33M improve access to affordable housing through rebates, grants and concessions
- › \$1.86M to encourage Indigenous business development and industry participation
- › \$13.65M to support sporting and recreation organisations
- › \$11.06M for renewable energy, water and environment projects
- › \$5.33M for major and key regional sporting, cultural and arts events
- › \$5.25M for grants and sponsorship including the Community Benefit Fund
- › \$67 000 to support the fire management project to offset greenhouse gas emissions
- › \$60 000 for the Marine Ranger Program, including financial and training support to Indigenous communities, monitoring of illegal activity, sacred site protection, feral animal and noxious plant control and community education
- › \$50 000 for Garma Festival
- › \$10 000 for Gove Peninsula Festival

Infrastructure

- › \$33.7M for housing-related projects
- › \$16.26M for new and continuing works on highways, local roads and blackspots
- › \$6.7M for Indigenous Essential Services minor works
- › \$33M in minor works across agencies

