



Gold Coast City

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Gold Coast: (It won't stop growing!)

- Australia's 6th largest city
- Australia's 2nd largest Municipal Government
- A resident population over 500,000 persons
- City population projected to grow to 840,000 by 2037
- Annual population growth rate of 3.5% compared to 1.2% for Australia



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Sun, surf, sand...and business

- Fast growing regional economy, with a focus on knowledge industries
- High employment growth – more than 5% above national average
- Australia's second largest tourism destination
- An average 80,000 visitors per day to the City
- 3 universities with a focus on ICT/Games/Security

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Key Projects

- Griffith Knowledge Precinct
- TechnologyGC
- Online Services and e-Security

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Griffith Knowledge Precinct

- Centre for learning, knowledge creation and commercialisation
- Partnership between government, education and private sector
- Incubation and growth of knowledge workers critical to Gold Coast's economic growth



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Griffith Knowledge Precinct

- 200ha medical/technology precinct
- Will incorporate start up technology firms, research and development facilities, established companies and ancillary firms
- Gold Coast Innovation Centre assisting university/ commercial sector research and development



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TechnologyGC

- 10 year project designed to:
 - increase students in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics disciplines;
 - Increase scientific research and development;
 - Increase establishment and attraction of science and technology based industry
 - Increase in teacher numbers, skills and qualifications in science and technology subjects
- Alignment with Griffith Knowledge Precinct and collaboration with universities



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TechnologyGC - 2009

- Support for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics projects on the Gold Coast;
- Ongoing research and analysis into scientific industry and fields of specialisation;
- InSci Film Competition showcasing local film making talent and highlighting science and engineering capabilities in secondary students;
- Development of IT cluster workshops and support for export growth.



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GCCC Online Services

- Online Services is a project designed to provide 'self service' access to:
 - property searches, tenders, road closures etc;
 - customer service and complaints;
 - Council reports and information;
 - Application submission including permits;
 - Online bookings and library services;
 - Licencing and e-forms;
 - Disaster management information.



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■ Initial work includes:

- Development of 'Toolbox' for online completion and submission of regulatory licences and permits
- Alignment to the Mobility Program to provide increased access to mobile devices for office and field workers
- Integration with overhauled ICT Strategy and e-Security projects
- New security framework for business continuity, new offsite data centre construction, new offsite disaster recovery operations centre




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