



Source: Access Economics Investment Monitor, September 2007

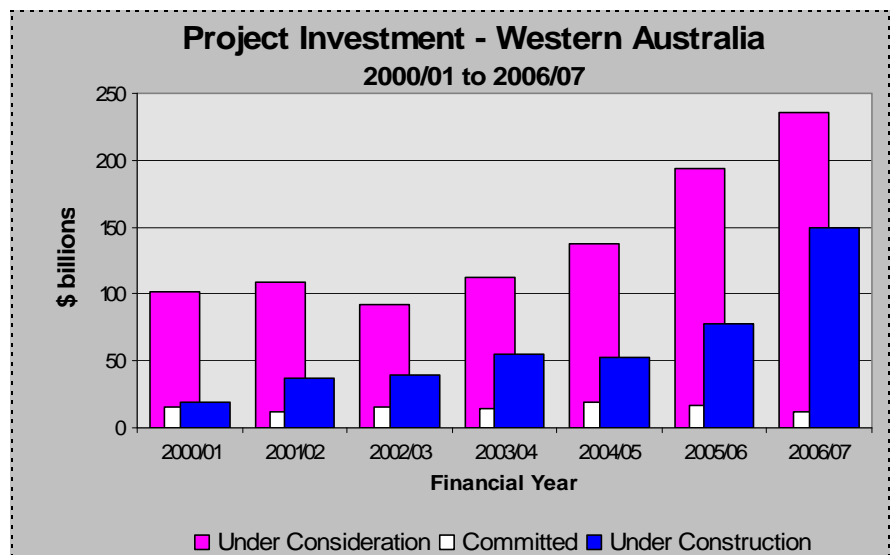
Project Investment is a barometer of structural change in the Western Australian economy, and of the investment climate, now and in the future. In general, it covers private and public non-residential building, such as transportation, mining, manufacturing and infrastructure projects.

The three major types of project status used are Under Consideration, Committed and Under Construction. If a project has been identified but not all government or financial approvals obtained then the project is Under Consideration. If the means to proceed with a project was obtained, but construction has not yet started the project is said to be Committed. When the physical building commences the project is said to be Under Construction.

Status	Sep-05	Dec-05	Mar-06	Jun-06	Sep-06	Dec-06	Mar-07	Jun-07	Sep-07
Committed	20	220	220	220	300	9	26	52	26
Under Consideration	0	0	0	1700	1700	14	1093	1098	1445
Under Construction	117	117	119	119	94	1452	356	385	411
Total	137	337	339	2039	2094	1475	1475	1535	1882

Project investment was valued at \$137m for the Great Southern Region in the September quarter 2005 and fluctuated to \$1,882m in September 2007. Investment increased for this region in year 2006/07, as investors developed new opportunities. In addition, many projects that were Committed commenced Construction between June 2006 to June 2007.

By contrast the State's investment was \$135.8b in 2000/01 surging in total to \$397.1b by 2006/07 reflecting the economic boom experienced by Western Australia as a whole.



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Table: WA Project Investment from financial year 2000/01 to 2006/07 (\$billion)

Financial Year	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07
Committed	15	12.1	15.5	14	19.6	16.6	12.3
Under Consideration	102	108.8	92.4	111.9	137.7	193.6	235.6
Under Construction	18.8	37.1	39	54.9	52.2	77.7	149.2
Total	135.8	158	146.9	180.8	209.5	287.9	397.1

