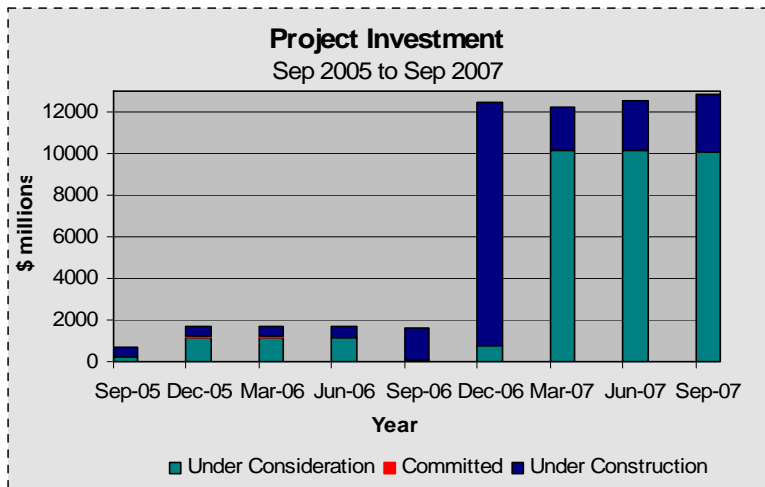




Regional Statistical Summary

Project Investment – Kimberley Region – September 2007



Source: Access Economics Investment Monitor, September 2007

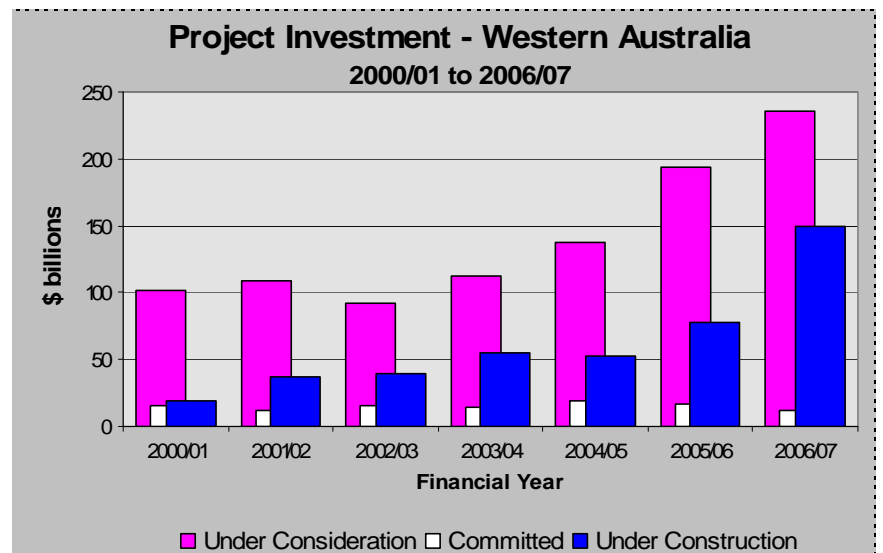
Project Investment is a barometer of structural change in the Western Australian economy, and of the investment climate, now and in the future. In general, it covers private and public non-residential building, such as transportation, mining, manufacturing and infrastructure projects.

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	15	123	116	0	0	0	0	0	0
Under Consideration	201	1141	1141	1141	60	779	10175	10155	10105
Under Construction	448	460	450	534	1559	11655	2032	2358	2723
Total	664	1724	1707	1675	1619	12434	12207	12513	12828

Project investment was \$664m for the Kimberley Region in the September quarter 2005 and \$12,828m in September 2007. A sharp increase in investment in December 2006 quarter lifted the value of new projects to a new plateau through to September quarter 2007. By September 2007 projects Under Consideration amounted to \$10,105m and projects Under Construction \$2,723m.

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

