

Source: Access Economics Investment Monitor, September 2007

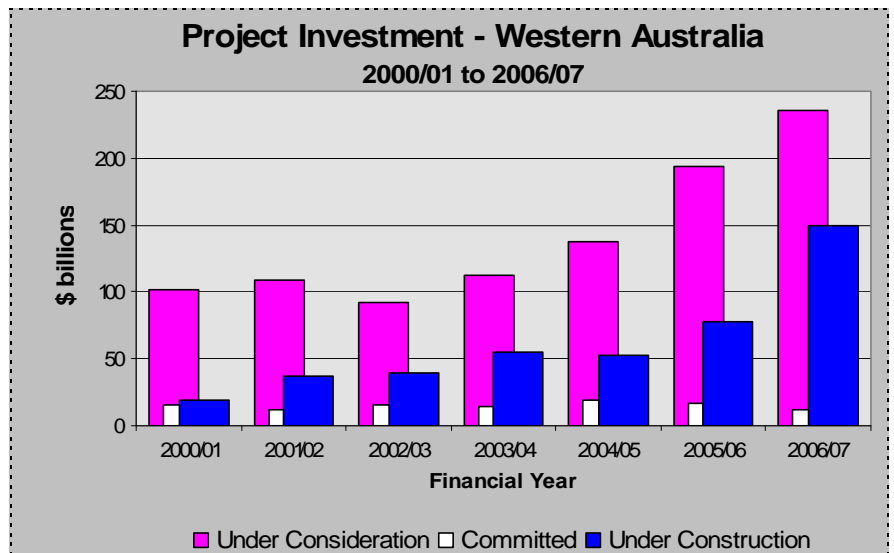
Project Investment is a barometer of structural change in the Western Australian economy, and of the investment climate, now and in the future. In general, it covers private and public non-residential building, such as transportation, mining, manufacturing and infrastructure projects.

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	9	9	9	49	40	35	40	0	230
Under Consideration	314	174	199	334	353	290	273	273	103
Under Construction	317	317	317	317	353	192	204	599	599
Total	640	500	525	700	746	517	517	872	932

Project investment was \$640m for the Wheatbelt Region in the September quarter 2005 and \$932m in September 2007. Investment values have fluctuated trending upwards to 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

