

South Australia's Strategic Plan Summary of Targets

South Australia's Strategic Plan, *Creating Opportunity*, contains 79 targets. They are set out below, with Plan reference numbers (T1.1 etc) in brackets.

Objective 1: Growing Prosperity

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| Jobs: | Better the Australian average employment growth rate within 10 years. (T1.1) |
| Unemployment: | Equal or better the Australian average within 5 years. (T1.2) |
| Youth unemployment: | Equal or better the Australian average within 5 years. (T1.3) |
| Competitive business Climate: | Maintain Adelaide's rating as the least costly place to set up and do business in Australia (KPMG Competitive Alternatives study) and continue to improve our position internationally. (T1.4) |
| Economic growth: | Exceed the national economic growth rate within 10 years. (T1.5) |
| Investment: | Match or exceed Australia's ratio of business investment as a percentage of the economy within 10 years. (T1.6) |
| Total population: | Increase South Australia's population to 2 million by 2050, rather than the projected population decline. (T1.7) |
| Interstate migration: | Reduce net loss to interstate to zero by 2008 with a positive inflow from 2009 (T1.8) |
| Overseas migration: | Match South Australia's share of international migrants to Australia with the State's share of the overall national population over the next 10 years. (T1.9) |
| Productivity: | Exceed Australia's average productivity growth within 10 years. (T1.10) |
| Industrial relations: | Achieve the lowest number of working days lost per thousand employees in Australia within 10 years. (T1.11) |
| Exports: | Treble the value of South Australia's export income to \$25 billion by 2013, with exporters assisted by the work of the industry-led Export Council which was established in 2004. Industry-agreed sectoral goals that will assist in meeting the overall target include \$7.5 billion by 2013 by the food industry in meeting the Food Plan target, over \$3 billion nationally by the wine industry by 2010, further developing our exports of motor vehicles, increasing the current 20% per annum sales and revenue growth of the electronics industry and further consolidating Adelaide as the defence industry capital of Australia and developing defence industry exports. Minerals will also contribute to the overall target by achieving ambitious exploration and processing targets. We will work to more than double our share of national service exports and increase our exports of elaborately transformed manufactures. (T1.12) |
| Tourism industry: | Increase visitor expenditure in South Australia's tourism industry from \$3.4 billion in 2001 to \$5.0 billion by 2008 by increasing visitor numbers and length of stay and, more importantly, by increasing tourist spending. (T1.13) |
| Share of overseas students: | Double South Australia's share of overseas students within 10 years. (T1.14) |
| Minerals and exploration: | Make South Australia a favoured mineral investment destination for private investment by 2010, with exploration expenditure targeted to almost treble to \$100 million by 2007, and minerals production to reach \$3 billion by 2020, with a further \$1 billion worth of minerals processing by that time. (T1.15) |

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| Strategic infrastructure: | Increase investment in strategic areas of infrastructure, such as transport, ports and energy to support and achieve the targets in South Australia's Strategic Plan. (T1.16) |
| Credit rating: | Achieve a AAA credit rating, in line with other mainland States, within 3 years. (T1.17) |
| Performance improvement in the South Australian public sector – productivity: | Lead the nation in cost effectiveness of government services within 5 years. (T1.18) |
| Performance improvement in the South Australian public sector – quick decision-making: | Lead Australian governments in timely and transparent government decision-making within 5 years. (T1.19) |

Objective 2: Improving Wellbeing

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| Quality of life: | Improve Adelaide's quality of life ranking on the William M. Mercer Quality of Life index to be in the top 20 cities in the world within 10 years. (T2.1) |
| Healthy South Australians: | Increase healthy life expectancy of South Australians to lead the nation within 10 years. (T2.2) |
| Infant mortality: | Continue to be the best performing State in Australia. (T2.3) |
| Psychological distress: | Equal or lower than the Australian average within 10 years. (T2.4) |
| Smoking: | Reduce the percentage of young cigarette smokers by 10% within 10 years. (T2.5) |
| Overweight: | Reduce the percentage of South Australians who are overweight or obese by 10% within 10 years. (T2.6) |
| Sport and recreation: | Exceed the Australian average for participation in sport and physical activity within 10 years. (T2.7) |
| Crime rates: | Reduce crime rates to the lowest in Australia within 10 years. (T2.8) |
| Road safety: | Reduce road fatalities by 40% by 2010, with an ongoing focus on reductions in fatalities and serious injuries across all modes. (T2.9) |
| Greater safety at work: | Achieve the nationally agreed target of 40% reduction in injury by 2012 (<i>National OHS Strategy 2002–2012</i> , National Occupational Health and Safety Commission). (T2.10) |

Objective 3: Attaining Sustainability

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| The River Murray: | Increase environmental flows by 500 GL in the Murray-Darling and major tributaries by 2008 as a first step towards improving sustainability in the Murray-Darling Basin, with a longer-term target to reach 1500 GL by 2018. (T3.1) |
| Energy consumption – government: | Reduce energy consumption in Government buildings by 25% within 10 years and lead Australia in wind and solar power generation within 10 years. (T3.2) |
| Greenhouse emissions: | Achieve the Kyoto target during the first commitment period (2008–12). (T3.3) |
| Land biodiversity: | Have five well-established biodiversity corridors linking public and private lands across the State by 2010. (T3.4) |

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| Marine biodiversity: | Create 19 Marine Protected Areas by 2010. (T3.5) |
| Native vegetation: | Any clearance of native vegetation being offset by significant biodiversity benefit by 2005 (T3.6) Integrate native vegetation/biodiversity management in South Australia's eight Natural Resource Management regional plans by 2010. (T3.7) Lose no species. (T3.8) |
| Use of public transport: | Double the use of public transport to 10% of weekday travel by 2018. (T3.9) |
| Ecological footprint: | Reduce our ecological footprint to reduce the impact of human settlements and activities within 10 years. Actions will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ increasing the use of renewable electricity so that it comprises 15% of total electricity consumption within 10 years ■ extending the existing Solar Schools Program so that at least 250 schools have solar power within 10 years ■ extending the One Million Trees program so that 3 million trees will be planted in Adelaide within 10 years ■ increasing energy efficiency of dwellings by 10% within 10 years, by such means as the introduction of a five-star energy requirement for new houses by May 2006. (T3.10) |
| Zero waste: | Reduce waste to landfill by 25% within 10 years. (T3.11) |

Objective 4: Fostering Creativity

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| Creativity: | Achieve a ranking in the top 3 regions of Australia in Richard Florida's Creativity Index within 10 years. (T4.1) |
| Commercialisation of research: | Increase patent applications to exceed our population share of all Australian applications within 5 years. (T4.2) |
| Film, television, audio visual and digital content: | Significantly grow and expand South Australia's share of the national feature film industry to match our population share. (T4.3) Double our share of television production within 10 years. (T4.4) Match the Australian average rate of growth in the audiovisual sector within 10 years. (T4.5) |
| Investment in science, research and innovation: | Exceed the national average of business expenditure on research and development (as a percentage of GSP) and approach the OECD average within 10 years. (T4.6) |
| Internet usage: | Increase the level of internet use in metropolitan and regional South Australia by 20% within 10 years. (T4.7) |
| Cooperative Research Centres, Centres of Excellence and Major National Research Facilities: | Have based in South Australia either the headquarters or a major node of at least 40% of all existing CRCs, Major National Research Facilities and Centres of Excellence within 5 years. (T4.8) |
| Creative education: | Improve learning outcomes in the arts and other curriculum areas that utilise enterprise education. (T4.9) Improve the connections between educational institutions and industry to enhance creativity and innovation. (T4.10) Increase the number of families participating in the Learning Together and school-community arts and recreation programs. (T4.11) |

Objective 5: Building Communities

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| Women in leadership: | Increase the number of women on all State Government boards and committees to 50% on average by 2006. (T5.1) Have 50% on average of State Government boards and committees chaired by women by 2008. (T5.2) Increase the number of female members of Parliament to 50% within 10 years. (T5.3) |
| Political participation: | Halve the number of informal votes as a percentage of total votes cast in State Government elections over the next 10 years. (T5.4) Increase voter participation in local government elections in South Australia to 50% within 10 years. (T5.5) |

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| Volunteering: | Increase the level of volunteerism in South Australia from 38% in 2000 to 50% within 10 years. (T5.6) |
| State and local Government: | Align State and Local Government's Strategic Plans within 12 months of the release of South Australia's Strategic Plan and agree joint initiatives with them. (T5.7) |
| Regional population levels: | Maintain and develop viable regional population levels for sustainable communities. (T5.8) |
| Regional unemployment: | Reduce regional unemployment rates. (T5.9) |
| Regional crime rates: | Reduce the level of crime in South Australia's regions by 10 per cent within 10 years. (T5.10) |
| Regional infrastructure: | Build and maintain infrastructure to develop and support sustainable communities in regions. (T5.11) |

Objective 6: Expanding Opportunity

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| Aboriginal wellbeing: | Reduce the gap between the outcomes for South Australia's Aboriginal population and those of the rest of South Australia's population, particularly in relation to health, life expectancy, employment, school retention rates and imprisonment. (T6.1) Increase the percentage of the Aboriginal population in the South Australian public sector from 1.2% to 2% within 5 years. (T6.2) |
| Income inequality: | Raise the lowest incomes of South Australians relative to those of the average South Australian. (T6.3) |
| Homelessness: | Halve the number of 'rough sleepers' in South Australia by 2010. (T6.4) |
| Disability: | Increase the number of community-based accommodation options. (T6.5) |
| Housing: | Encourage the provision of affordable housing in the community. (T6.6) Halve the number of South Australians experiencing housing stress (people paying more than 25% of their income on rent) within 10 years. (T6.7) |
| Junior primary class sizes: | Continue to reduce junior primary class sizes. (T6.8) |
| Reading challenge: | Have over 50% of government and non-government schools participating in the Premier's Reading Challenge program by 2006. (T6.9) |
| Primary education: | Increase Year 3 and 5 student performance in literacy and numeracy to reach or exceed the national average by 2008. (T6.10) |
| Middle schooling: | Increase Year 7 student performance in literacy and numeracy to reach or exceed the national average by 2008. (T6.11) |
| Senior secondary schooling: | Increase the leaving age to 17 years by 2010 to ensure that young people are either in school, employed or in structured training. (T6.12) Increase the percentage of students completing Year 12 or its equivalent to 90% within 10 years. (T6.13) |
| Regional education: | Achieve a marked improvement in the percentage of regionally-based students completing SACE or equivalent, by 2010. (T6.14) |
| Non-school qualifications: | Increase the proportion of the South Australian labour force with non-school qualifications from 50.7% in 2002 to 55% within 10 years. (T6.15) |
| University participation: | Exceed the national average within 10 years. (T6.16) |
| TAFE participation: | Continue to exceed the national average. (T6.17) |

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