

Australia

2021 Australian Infrastructure Plan



TYPE OF TOOL
Plan



MAIN SECTORS
All sectors



THEME
*Green;
Gender*



INFRASTRUCTURE GOVERNANCE PILLARS
*Long-term strategic vision;
Transparent, systematic and effective
stakeholder participation*

In a nutshell



OBJECTIVE: The Climate Lens assessment is aimed at guiding integration of climate change considerations into the planning of infrastructure projects.



Agency in charge
Infrastructure Australia



Levels of government
National



Year of implementation
2021



Current status
Fully operational

Overview

The 2021 Australian Infrastructure Plan is a practical and actionable roadmap for infrastructure reform for responding to the infrastructure challenges and opportunities identified in Infrastructure Australia's 2019 Audit. Infrastructure Australia, an independent advisory agency, has applied best practice methodologies in developing and assessing the proposed reforms in the 2021 plan. They include applying a theory of change framework to ensure the recommendations follow a structured pathway to achieve Infrastructure Australia's vision for 2036 to have infrastructure that improves the sustainability of the country's economic, social, environmental and governance settings, builds quality of life for all Australians, and is resilient to shocks and emerging stresses. Multi-criteria analysis is used to articulate the trade-offs and implementation challenges associated with the reforms. The 2021 Plan is supported by the 2021 Reform Priority List and 2021 Implementation Pathway to provide a detailed evidence-based plan for governments to implement reforms that will create meaningful outcomes for all Australians.

Stakeholder engagement is a significant focus of the 2021 Australian Infrastructure Plan. Infrastructure Australia engaged with more than 5,500 individuals, including domestic and global policy leaders, to test the conclusions and identify reform opportunities. The plan has also been informed by an extensive sector-specific engagement program that targeted industry experts, government, and academia. In addition, Infrastructure Australia engaged extensively with stakeholders for the 2019 Audit and ran a formal stakeholder submissions process for which they received 151 formal submissions from government, industry and academia, as well as a small number of individuals. All this feedback was considered when developing the 2021 Plan.

REFERENCES:

- Infrastructure Australia (2021), *2021 Australian Infrastructure Plan*, <https://www.infrastructureaustralia.gov.au/2021-australian-infrastructure-plan>