

FREMANTLE PORTS

2015 INNER HARBOUR AND OUTER HARBOUR FACT SHEET

PLANNING BRANCH



Overview

As Australia is an island nation its seaports and shipping are critical for participation in the global economy. Fremantle Ports' facilities at Fremantle and in Cockburn Sound are of economic and social importance to Western Australia and the nation. By facilitating trade they act as a catalyst for economic development and job creation. The flow on from this positively impacts our quality of life.

National perspective

At the national level, the Australian Government has recognised the importance of ports to Australia's economy through the development of the *National Ports Strategy*. The Strategy guides the development of port facilities to meet the needs of a growing Australian community and economy. It recognises that "Ports and their associated infrastructure are of the most economic and social importance to Australia."

The Australian Government recognises that Australia's economic future and standard of living depends on the efficient operation of its port facilities.



Fremantle Inner Harbour

Western Australia

The importance of our port facilities is similarly recognised by the State Government. The State Government has previously stated that: "To support trade growth we need to optimise the use of our existing port infrastructure, improve supply chain efficiencies, minimise community impacts and provide additional facilities in a timely way."

This statement is aligned with the objectives of the *National Ports Strategy* and reinforces the economic and social importance of making the best use of our port facilities to facilitate trade.

The role of the Inner Harbour

The Inner Harbour at Fremantle is Western Australia's primary container-handling facility and handles the majority of imported goods for the State. Imports include:

- containerised goods
- motor vehicles and machinery
- break-bulk cargoes
- bulk liquids.

Imports generate local economic activity and, importantly, provide the community with access to a range of goods that may not be produced locally.

The role of the Outer Harbour

Fremantle Ports owns and operates two port facilities in the Outer Harbour/Cockburn Sound:

- Kwinana Bulk Terminal (KBT)

- Kwinana Bulk Jetty (KBJ).

Combined, these facilities are used for the import and export of bulk cargoes and liquids, including:

- iron ore export
- coal export
- cement clinker import
- gypsum
- liquefied natural gas import
- petroleum import
- fertiliser import.

There are also three privately operated port facilities in the Outer Harbour:

- Alcoa Alumina Jetty
- BP Refinery Jetty
- Kwinana Grain Terminal and Jetty.

Wheat is one of the goods handled at the Kwinana Grain Terminal, which provides Western Australian grain growers with efficient and cost-effective access to global markets, helping to improve the viability of their farms.



Kwinana Bulk Jetty

Planning for the future

To meet the trade needs of the State into the future, well-planned port facilities are essential. The land and waters within the Port of Fremantle need to be used for their optimal use and to be connected to efficient road and rail links external to the port to connect with markets.

Fremantle Ports is planning the future development of port facilities so that it can continue to facilitate trade for the State for the benefit of all Western Australians.



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