

Shipbuilding in Western Australia

The Australian Government is committed to supporting a sovereign shipbuilding capability in Western Australia, investing billions out to 2040 through the acquisition and sustainment of a wide range of shipbuilding projects. The Henderson Maritime Precinct is one of two principal shipbuilding hubs in Australia.

The Government has approved 10 Arafura class offshore patrol vessels, and 21 Guardian class and 6 evolved Cape class patrol boats to be built in Henderson. The precinct also supports Anzac class frigate and Collins class submarine sustainment and upgrade activities, including mid-cycle docking.

Defence continues to work with the Western Australian Government on delivering the large-vessel dry berth infrastructure necessary to support the construction of the larger vessels identified in the *2020 Force Structure Plan*.

The development of a Regional Maintenance Centre at Henderson, aimed at providing capability-agnostic maintenance support to the Navy, will also maximise Australian industry participation in Defence supply chains and provide further opportunities for Australian workers.

Workforce and industry

The Government remains committed to maximising local industry involvement in Australia's shipbuilding enterprise. Western Australians will have job security and local businesses will be able to invest with confidence knowing that shipbuilding will continue at a steady pace for decades to come.

The demand for highly skilled workers in many diverse occupations will provide secure employment for generations of Australian workers into the future.



50+ vessels constructed or upgraded in Western Australia



Over 2,000 jobs in Western Australia by 2030

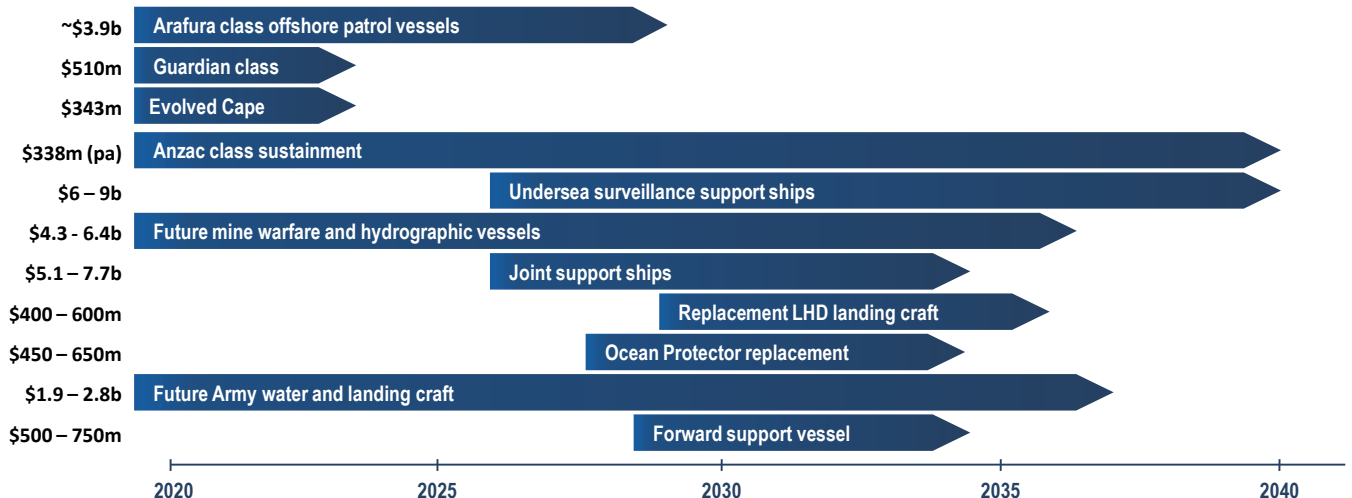


Continued emphasis on Australian industry



\$2.7 billion investment in shipbuilding infrastructure

Schedule of shipbuilding projects in Western Australia



All figures presented in PBS21-22. Sustainment budget presented per-annum. Figures are based on principal location of project or capability and not necessarily indicative of investment in local industry content.