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The Federal Government has allocated more than \$3.9 million for roads in the Toowoomba area this financial year.

Federal funding in the district includes \$3.15 million for doubling the number of lanes on the National Highway between Toowoomba and Ipswich.

This will provide a high level of service for people of Toowoomba and improve road transport and commuter facilities.

Specific projects in the Commonwealth Roads Program include:

- reconstruction works on the New England Highway in Toowoomba (\$1.05 million)
- reconstruction works on the Esk-Hampton Road near Crow's Nest (\$450,000)

Local roads projects worth \$141,000 under the ABRD Program submitted by Toowoomba City Council have been approved for 1983/84 and will include reconstruction and widening in Telford, Society, Wylie, Donald, Northern Jubb and Instow Streets.

The Federal Government is spending \$272.4 million for roads in the State of Queensland this financial year which is a 51.3 per cent increase over 1982/83.

This includes an additional \$10 million to accelerate National Highway works.

It is a massive investment in Queensland's roads and will have a positive effect on job creation in the State.

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