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- Western Australia received \$57.4 million, which equates to 4.3% of the total funding provided
- Based on population (ABS 2010), Western Australia's allocation would be \$136.8 million
- An overall summary of the three rounds shows that Western Australia was funded a total of \$570.7 million from the allocated National funding of \$4.481 billion, which equates to 12.7% of total. Based on population, WA should have received \$461.23 million.

2 Education Investment Fund

- Funding for Rounds 1, 2 and 3 (including Public and Private Sector allocations) for the Education Investment Fund totaled \$2.065 billion Nationally.
- Of this funding, Western Australia received \$126.0 million, which equates to 6.1% of the total funding.
- Based on population, WA should have received \$212.54 million.

Major Infrastructure Projects

- Funding provided Nationally for Major Infrastructure Projects (which includes BAF, Major Cities Projects and Non-BAF projects) totaled \$8.5 billion.
- Western Australia received \$575 million, which equates to 6.8% of the total funding provided.
- Based on population, Western Australia should have received \$870.0 million.
- When considering the three Nation building funds (Major Infrastructure Projects, Education Investment Fund and Health and Hospitals Fund), the overall position of Western Australia is as follows:
 - Western Australia received \$1.271 billion which equates to 8.5% of total.
 - Based on population, WA should have received \$1.541 billion which equates to 10.3%.
- Overall 62% of Western Australia's funding was for the Metropolitan area, with 37% allocated to regional WA and 1% State-wide.
- Although the Western Australian rural population is 26% of the total Western Australian population, given Western Australia's strong growth in the mining industry and resulting significant contribution to the GDP, the overall lower than expected allocation to WA is very disappointing.
- Compared to other States and Territories, Western Australia was the second least funded based on ABS 2010 population by \$269.7 million. New South Wales was the least funded based on ABS 2010 population by \$1 billion.
- Victoria was funded by more than \$1.1 billion above per capita based on ABS 2010 population.
- In the Health and Hospital Funding for Round 3 only \$1.329 billion was allocated from the total of \$1.8 billion of Nationally available funding.
- The Commonwealth Government has advised that they will provide a further Regional Priority Round of \$475 million, calling for applications later in 2011.

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