# Regional Infrastructure Fund

Through Cabinet Budget 2024 decisions, MBIE was provided funding for one major spending decision, the Regional Infrastructure Fund (RIF) [1]

**$1.1625 billion** [2]

fund launched in July 2024 to be spent over three years

for

**supporting regional economic growth**

The RIF is the Government's commitment to investing in and improving New Zealand's regional infrastructure.

We will update this report monthly so you can track the RIF's progress

**What we are delivering**

**$862.5 million** [2]
in capital expenditure (CAPEX) available for loans and equity

**$300 million**
in operational expenditure (OPEX) available for grants and operating the fund

## How we are progressing

| Committed Funding [3] | Approved Funding | Paid Funding | Completed Projects |
|---|---|---|---|
| as at 30 Sep 2026 | as at 30 Sep 2026 | as at 30 Sep 2026 | as at 30 Sep 2026 |
| **$1,096.73M** | **$876.20M** | **$182.95M** | **14** |
| Change from last month | Change from last month | Change from last month | Change from last month |
| ↑ $14.99M | ↑ $22.79M | ↑ $13.47M | 0 |

[1] New Zealand Cabinet, (20 May 2024). Establishing the Regional Infrastructure Fund. CAB-24-MIN-0168.02
[2] CAPEX and Total fund value reduced by $37.5 million following changes in the 26 August 2026 Cabinet decision. ECO-26-MIN-0168
[3] Committed Funding includes approved funding and funding ring-fenced for specific purposes but yet to be approved for release

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