ECONOMIST | AO5

Role type
Permanent, Flexible Full-time

Salary
$104,721 - $113,618 per annum plus 12.75% superannuation.

Location
Brisbane

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Position reports to
Director

Job ad reference
QPC0826-1

Direct reports
This position has no direct reports

Closing date
3pm Friday 28 August 2026

The Queensland Productivity Commission

The Queensland Productivity Commission (the Commission) provides independent policy advice to the Queensland Government on economic, social and regulatory issues to improve productivity, economic growth and living standards in Queensland.

The Commission is an independent statutory body established under the *Queensland Productivity Act 2025* and is governed by a Board comprising the Productivity Commissioner (Chair) and up to three other Commissioners. Commission staff are led by the Executive Director and the Senior Leadership team.

The Commission has two divisions:

- Inquiry and Research: undertakes public inquiries into a wide range of economic, social and regulatory matters. The division also conducts and publishes research on key economic and social issues.
- Office of Best Practice Regulation: provides independent advice to government on the costs, benefits and risks of regulation and administers the Queensland Government's Better Regulation Policy and the Regulator Performance Framework. It assists agencies to scope policy problems, estimate regulatory impacts, identify and develop alternative options and undertake cost-benefit analysis.

You can find out more about what we do on our website at *www.qpc.qld.gov.au*

Why you will like working here

The Commission provides the opportunity to work with a team of highly experienced economists on issues that matter. We aim to invest and empower our people to deliver outstanding results.

Our positive culture and strong emphasis on collaboration and diversity of ideas, all contribute to making the Commission an inclusive workplace where all staff feel valued and empowered to contribute their best.

With flexible working options, generous leave entitlements, professional development and career progression opportunities, joining the Commission offers a range of benefits and programs to support you to be your best at work.

About the role

As an Economist within the Queensland Productivity Commission, you will undertake objective and rigorous economic and policy analysis and provide high quality advice on a range of issues.

Key responsibilities

The role of Economist covers a range of responsibilities including:

Researching, reviewing and analysing a broad range of policy and regulatory matters

Providing verbal and written advice on the application and interpretation of qualitative and quantitative data and various types of economic impact analysis

Preparing and presenting high quality and authoritative analytical documents and reports

Developing and maintaining strong and effective working relationships within the Commission and across stakeholders

Contributing to project and/or wider Commission activities including planning, reporting, information management and business improvement.

Core capabilities

We will assess your merit for this role by looking at what you've done previously, the valuable skills, knowledge and experience you bring alongside your unique personal qualities.

We are seeking people with a sound background in economics, especially microeconomics, and interest in policy analysis and review. Skills in quantitative research, regulatory impact analysis, econometrics, law or other social sciences are also highly valued.

To be successful in this role you will need to demonstrate:

Analysis and Construction of Evidence – Well developed policy analysis skills and the ability to prepare and assess a wide range of quantitative and qualitative evidence.

Influential Communication – Well developed communication skills, including the ability to prepare high quality, structured and sequenced documents that are concise, simple and fit-for-purpose.

Ability to achieve results – Demonstrates accountability for the execution and quality of results through professionalism, persistence and transparency.

Professional excellence – Pursues opportunities for growth through agile learning and development of self-awareness.

Role requirements

- Qualifications/Education: Possession of tertiary level qualifications in economics or a related discipline.