

Port of Brisbane is Queensland's largest multi-cargo port, handling 95% of the state's containers and motor vehicles, and approximately 50% of its agricultural exports.

Over 70 businesses are located within the port precinct, employing thousands of people. We're also an active member of the local and regional community, supporting not-for-profit and community organisations and playing our part in protecting and enhancing the natural environment.

TRADE

The demand for imported goods experienced during the Covid pandemic – which led to record import container throughput – is softening, with volumes falling for the fourth consecutive month up to December 2022. Import container volumes are dominated by household goods, building materials, electrical goods and general retail items, all of which increased significantly over the last two financial years.

However the challenging economic outlook, including increasing cost of living pressures, is anticipated to result in lower demand for imported goods until consumer confidence and cost of living pressures improve.

COMMUNITY

Do you know a local organisation or project that's doing great work in the local community?

Applications for our 2023/24 Community Grant Program are now open!

A total of \$100,000 in grant funding is available for community organisations and registered not-for-profits, with up to \$15,000 available to individual, eligible organisations.

Our Grant Program is designed to support important initiatives throughout South East Queensland. Last year, organisations from Brisbane's Bayside to the Lockyer Valley received funding.

Applications close 30 April.

Please get in touch with us to find out more. Eligibility criteria and application forms are available on our website.

ENVIRONMENT

Waders or shorebirds are birds commonly found around shorelines and mudflats and includes a large number of different species. The Port of Brisbane has been undertaking monthly shorebird counts with the Queensland Wader Study Group (QWSG) since 2005.

Large numbers of these birds use the Port and other nearby natural areas on port land as places to roost at high tide.

We undertook a count on Sunday 22 January, which was predicted to be one of the highest tides in Brisbane during 2023. In total 11,757 birds were recorded using the Port's roosting habitats. The data collected by QWSG is used to support the research and protection of shorebirds locally and further afield.

BRISBANE INTERNATIONAL CRUISE TERMINAL

Cruising out of Brisbane celebrated a big milestone in February, with the 100th vessel calling at the new Brisbane International Cruise Terminal in Pinkenba.

Not only are they a spectacular sight, but cruise ships are already bringing a welcome economic boost each visit – it's estimated that every cruise ship call contributes almost \$1 million to Queensland's economy.

Over the next decade, cruising out of Brisbane is estimated to contribute around \$1.15 billion to the state economy.

BICT USEFUL INFORMATION

Address:

1 Cruise Terminal Drive, Pinkenba

Terminal information and directions:

www.portbris.com.au/cruise

Book car parking:

www.wilsonparking.com.au

(search "Brisbane International Cruise Terminal")

Cruise requirements / itinerary information:

contact your cruise line.