

Public Accounts and Estimates Committee Inquiry into Budget Estimates 2018-19



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Introduction

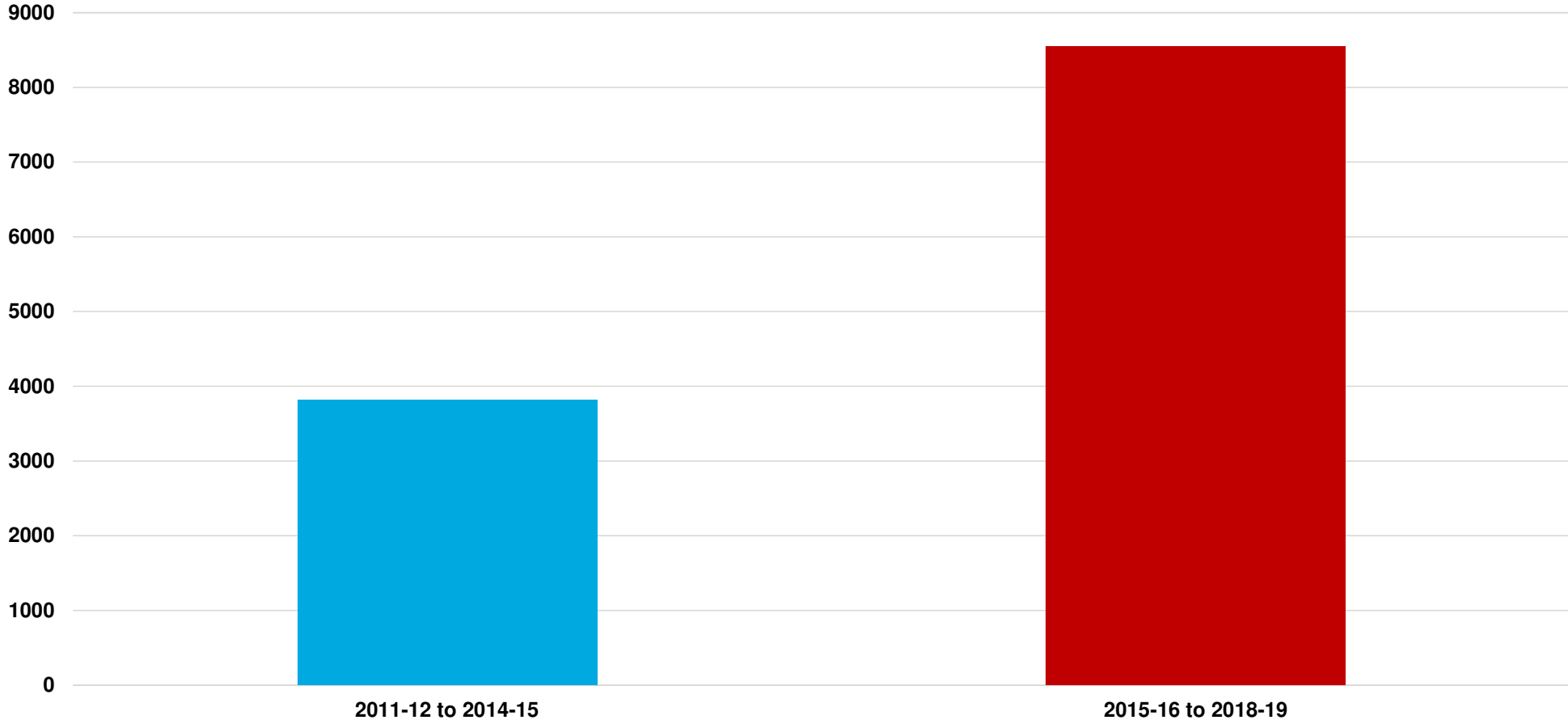
The 2018-19 Budget is further evidence of our commitment to make Victoria the **Education State**

This Budget is investing **\$2.8 billion** to make sure every student has access to a great school, and can develop the skills and knowledge they need to succeed in life



Total School Investment

(\$ millions) Four Education Budgets



Victoria is leading and lifting student performance

2017 NAPLAN Results Year 3

Domain	VIC	AUST
Reading	444.5	431.3
Writing	426.9	413.6
Spelling	422.4	416.1
Grammar & Punctuation	449.7	439.2
Numeracy	420.1	409.4

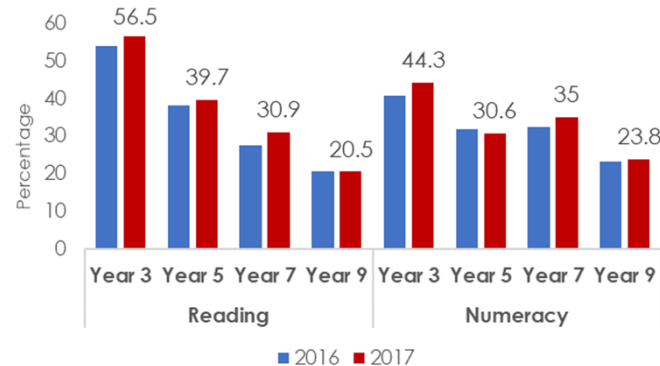
Year 5

Domain	VIC	AUST
Reading	514.6	505.7
Writing	485.6	472.5
Spelling	503.5	500.8
Grammar & Punctuation	504.7	499.3
Numeracy	501.7	493.8

Victoria is the top performer nationally

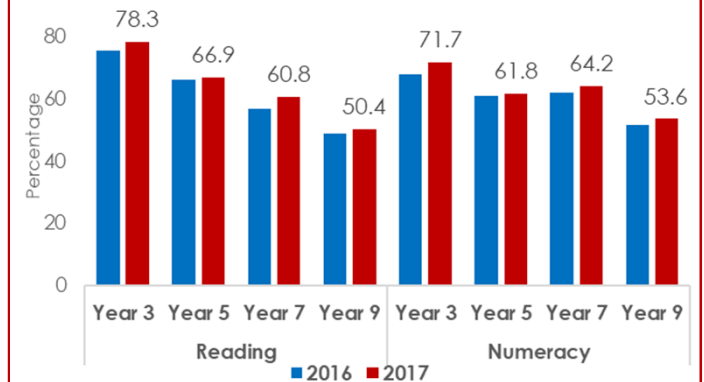
- The proportion of students in the **top two bands** has lifted in six of eight year levels in **NAPLAN Reading and Numeracy** between 2016 and 2017.

Proportion of Victorian students in the top two bands, NAPLAN Reading and Numeracy, all year levels, 2016 to 2017



- The proportion of students in the **top three bands** has also lifted in all year levels of **NAPLAN Reading and Numeracy** between 2016 and 2017.

Proportion of Victorian students in the top three bands, NAPLAN Reading and Numeracy, all year levels, 2016 to 2017




Meeting the challenge of growth

- An estimated 90,000 more students predicted by 2022
- That's why we've invested **\$1.25 billion** in Victoria's education infrastructure

28  new schools
will be built and planned

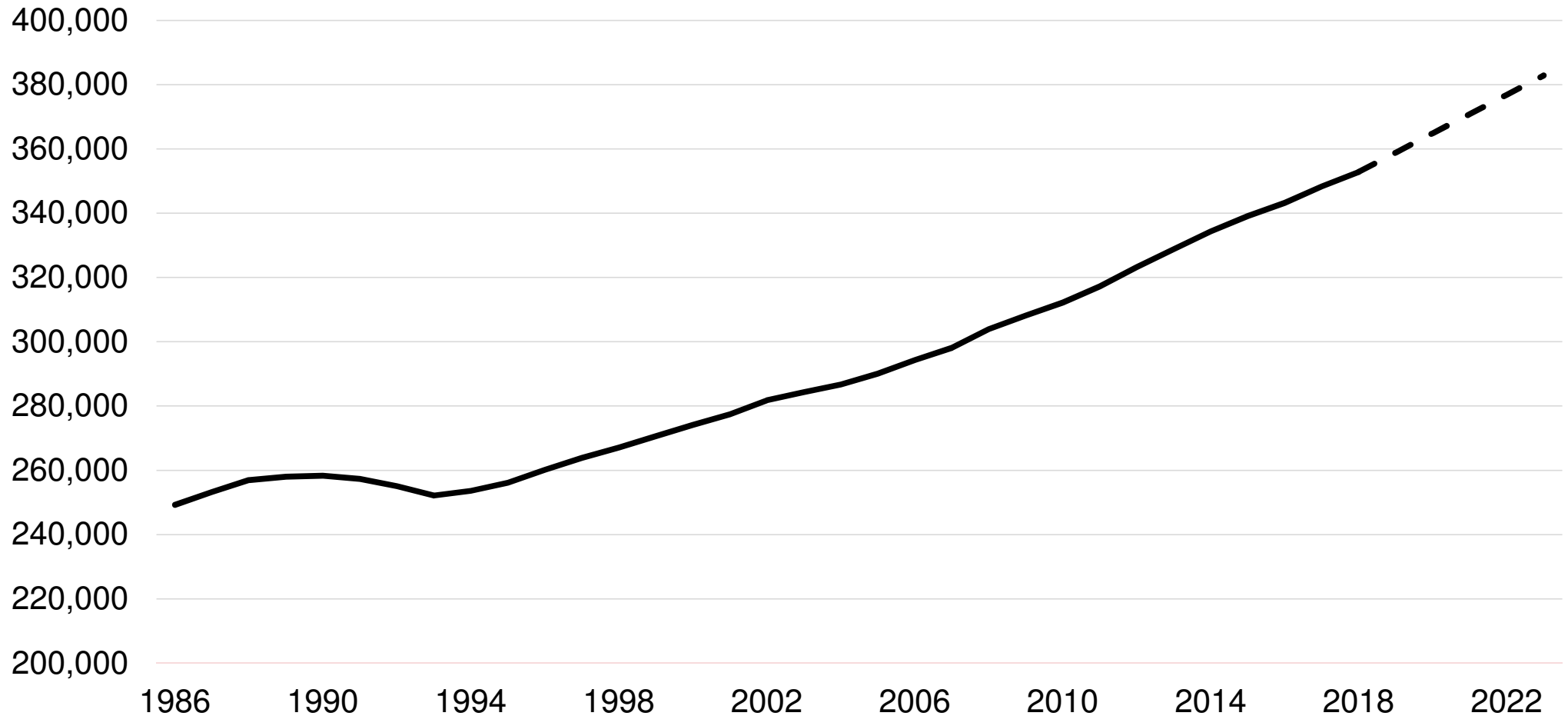
accommodating
15,000  students

134  existing schools
will be upgraded

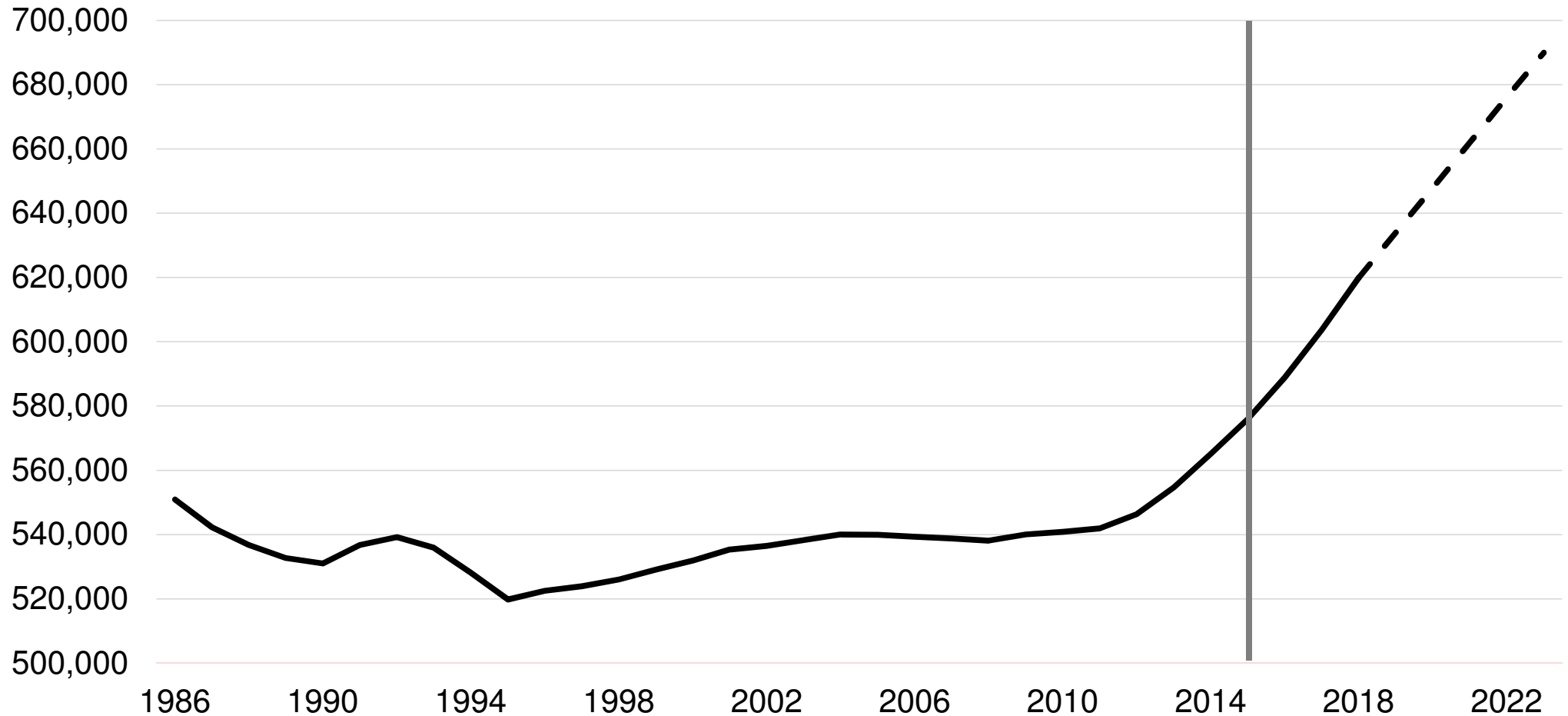
70  new school projects
Complete or underway for
50,000 students



Growth in non government school enrolments

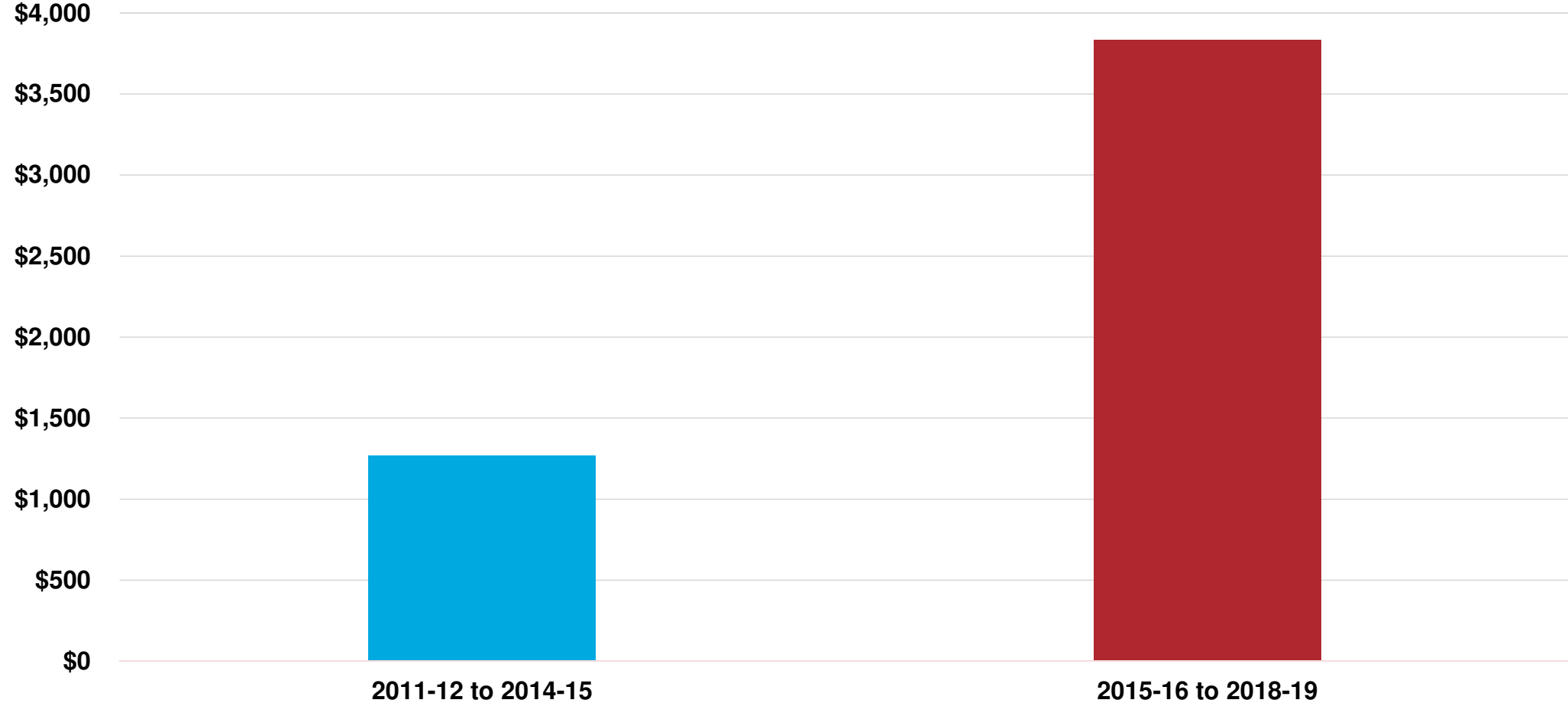


Growth in government school enrolments




School Infrastructure Investment


(\$ millions) Four Education Budgets



Building the Education State

- The Victorian Budget 2018-19 continues the Government's commitment to build the Education State
- We will continue to invest in the best facilities to deliver the best outcomes for all students

\$353.2 million
to build and plan 28 new schools 

 **\$482.8 million**
to expand, upgrade and modernise
134 schools across the state

\$271.7 million
to buy land for new schools 

 **\$10 million**
boost to the Inclusive Schools Fund

Skilling students for the future – Pathways and Careers Education

\$32.9 million 

to improve **STEM** outcomes through training **200** teachers to become **Primary Maths and Science Specialists**

\$109 million 

to redesign Careers Education

\$49.8 million 

for the Head Start Apprenticeships and Traineeships program in high demand trades

\$25.2 million 

to enhance vocational training by improving student outcomes in **Vocational Education and Training in Schools**



Inclusion – a great education for all

This Budget will increase the participation and achievements of students with disabilities in Government schools, with **\$233 million** for a suite of initiatives.

- **\$31.6 million** for inclusive schools initiatives like Out of School Hours Care pilot and post graduate scholarships in special education
- **\$10 million** for the **Language and Learning Support Program** and **Transition Support**

\$93.2 million



extra funding to ensure that all students with high needs are supported



Health and Wellbeing

\$65.5 million 

to fund **Student Health and Wellbeing** initiatives in schools:

- **12,000** additional prep students to receive a health check
- funding includes a **\$16.3 million** boost to expand speech pathology in schools, which is the equivalent of an additional 100 children receiving **11 hours** of speech pathology services



Supporting students to achieve their best

- The 2018-19 Victorian Budget includes:
 - **\$22.1 million** for professional development workshops and teaching tools for teachers and school leaders to improve **literacy and numeracy** teaching practice
 - **\$39.2 million** to increase the number of students supported by the EAL program for 2019
 - **\$22.5 million** to assist eligible students to tra
 - **\$8.9 million** to create safer learning environme
of the Protective Schools Package



Navigator

\$44 million 

to continue and expand the Navigator program

- to continue delivery in the existing eight sites plus the staged expansion to all 17 DET areas
- Current pilot has returned 691 young people to school commencement
- Expanded Navigator expected to work with vulnerable young people



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