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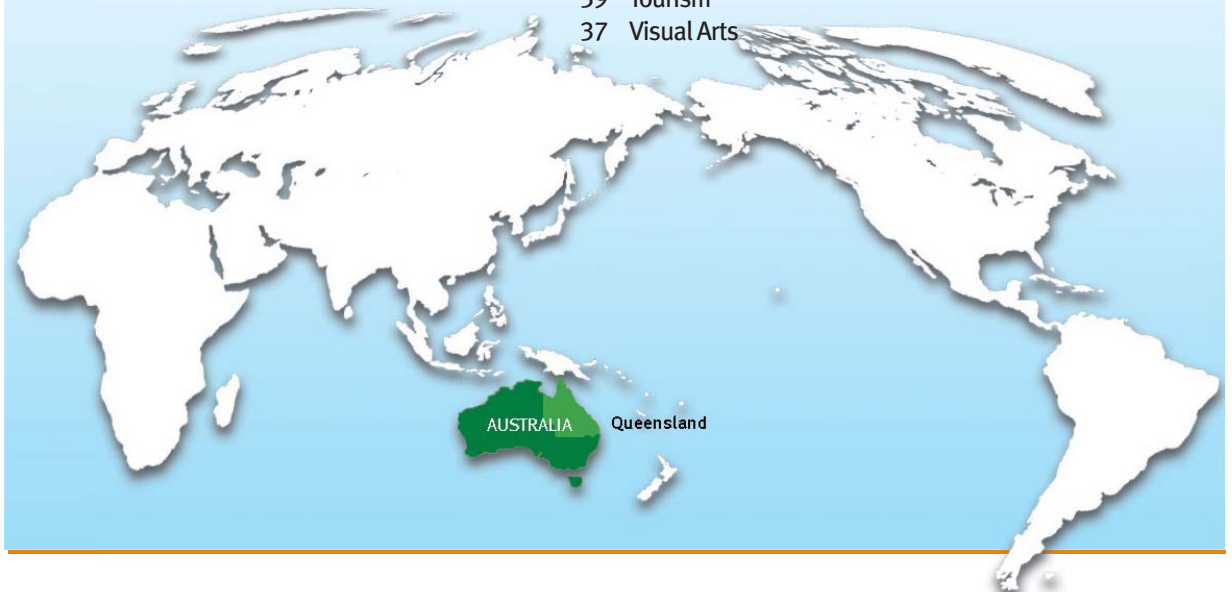
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Welcome

TAFE Queensland Regional Institutes are committed to providing a world-class education to every person in country areas of Queensland. It's a commitment that we have made to not only our own citizens, but to our international students as well.

TAFE Queensland Regional Institutes welcome over 1,500 international students annually and it reinforces our obligation to ensure that the education we offer is nothing short of first class.

As a proudly multicultural society, we are pleased

to be able to offer international students friendship, cultural diversity, a great lifestyle and a safe environment in which to learn.

International students enjoy studying in Queensland regional areas because of the wonderful lifestyle, and the cost of tuition and living are internationally competitive.

We trust that you find the course you are looking for in a TAFE Queensland Regional Institute, and invite you to contact Tropical North Queensland TAFE for advice if you have any questions regarding courses, prices or destinations.

About TAFE Queensland

TAFE Queensland is the largest and most dynamic provider of world-class vocational education and training in Queensland. As a network of government institutes in more than 80 locations in Queensland, we offer students the ability to develop practical skills through nationally recognised courses.

Enrol in a TAFE Queensland regional institute and enjoy quality education in a safe, attractive and diverse environment. Students can enrol in English studies at one of our TAFE English language centres or with a local private English school then enter directly into formal courses.

Our courses have been designed in consultation with local businesses, which ensures industry-relevant skills and knowledge for our graduates. On completion, graduates can start their career or use their studies as a pathway to university.

Credit transfer arrangements (up to one year) are in place between TAFE Queensland and Central Queensland University, Griffith University, James Cook University, Queensland University of Technology, University of the Sunshine Coast, the University of Southern Queensland and Australian Catholic University.

International students support services

Each TAFE Queensland regional institute has a dedicated team committed to international student support and offers a full range of special student services to help students achieve their personal and academic goals.

TAFE Queensland regional study areas include:

- automotive
- beauty and hairdressing
- business administration
- English language studies
- information technology
- land and marine resources
- massage
- nursing and aged care
- hospitality and tourism
- visual arts.

Available services may include:

- dedicated international student support officer
- 24-hour emergency contact
- city and campus orientation
- accommodation assistance
- counselling - personal and vocational
- learning support and English language assistance
- assistance with applications and visas
- recreational activities
- overseas student health cover
- job and career information.

Policies and procedures

You can obtain copies of relevant policies and procedures at www.tnqit.tafe.qld.gov.au/international



Benefits and Pathways

World-class vocational education and training

TAFE Queensland regional institutes offer an extensive range of nationally recognised courses to international students, with more than 40 courses in over 16 different subject areas, from certificate to diploma level. A variety of English language courses is also available to prepare you for further study.

Qualified and experienced teachers

In addition to the high level of academic qualifications, our teaching staff have cultural knowledge and strong international business networks, thereby preparing students with the skills of today to meet the demands of tomorrow.

Supportive learning environment

At TAFE Queensland regional institutes, education is personalised and supportive, encouraging students to

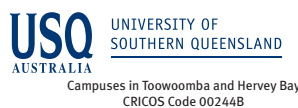
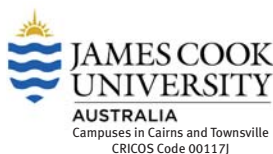
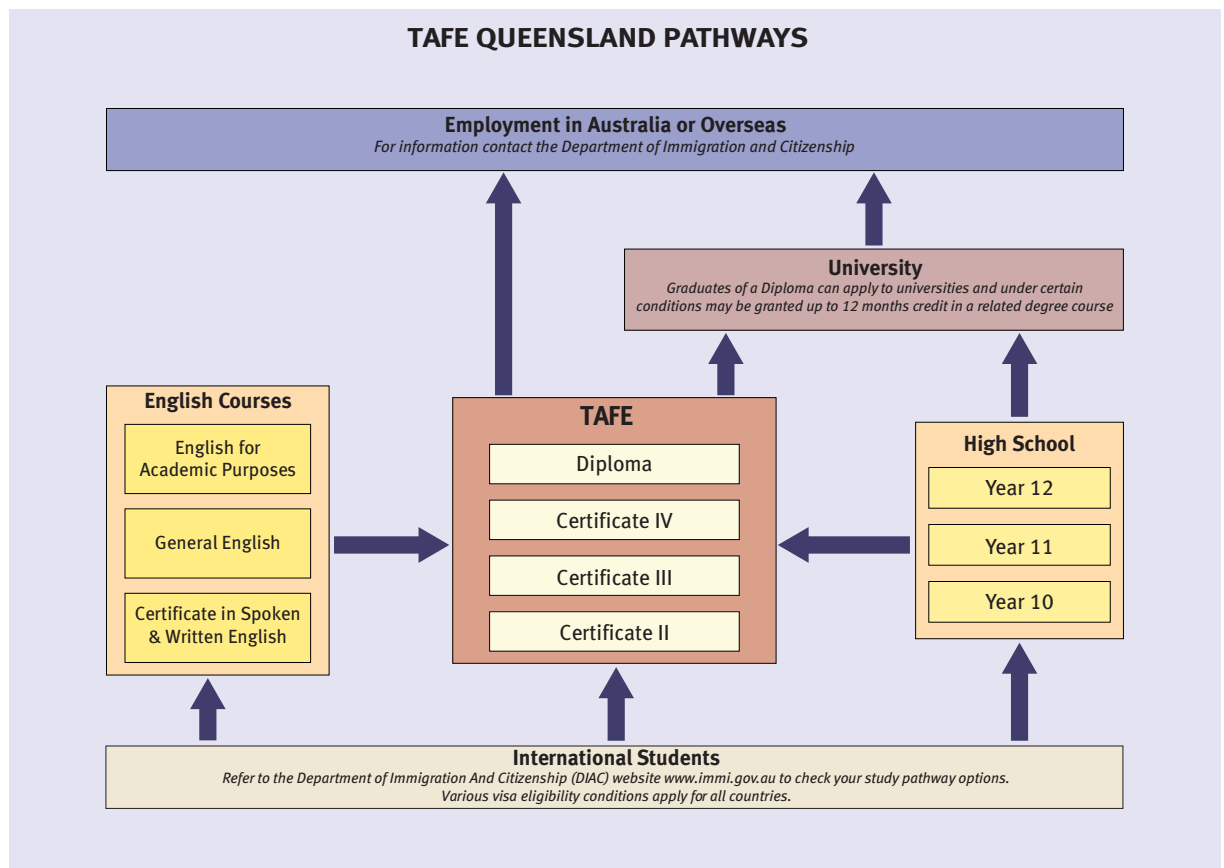
reach their maximum academic potential. Because our courses are often taught in small, tutorial-style classes, students spend more time with their teacher, and therefore obtain a better understanding of course content.

Quality lifestyle

Studying at a TAFE Queensland regional institute offers more than a quality education. It offers international students a lifestyle that is unique. Queensland's safe and healthy environment offers the chance to enjoy some of our state's most popular attractions and leisure activities.

Pathways to university

Due to the high standard of TAFE Queensland courses and strong links with Queensland's universities, students who successfully complete a diploma can obtain up to one-year credit towards a degree program.



Scholarships



AUSAID Vocational Education and Training (VET) Scholarships

The Australian government offers a number of scholarships to students living in certain countries. The information below has been taken from <http://www.ausaid.gov.au/scholar/studyin.cfm>

Please visit the site for important information about eligibility criteria, eligible countries, closing dates and how to apply.

Australian Development Scholarships (ADS)

These scholarships provide opportunities for people from developing countries to undertake full time undergraduate or postgraduate study in Australia.

Fields of study are targeted to address agreed priority human resource and development needs of recipient countries, in line with Australia's bilateral aid program.

Australian Development Scholarships equip scholars with the skills and knowledge to drive change and influence the development outcomes of their own country through obtaining tertiary qualifications at participating Australian higher education institutions and technical colleges.

Scholarship holders are required to return to their country of citizenship for two years after they have completed their studies to contribute to the development of their country.

Up to 1000 Australian Development Scholarships are awarded each year to equal numbers of men and women in 31 countries. There are two categories of Australian Development Scholarships:

1. Public sector: Applicants are public sector employees who are nominated by their governments for an Australian Development Scholarship award through a competitive selection process. Applicants are required

to return to their role in the public service at the completion of their award to strengthen public service capacity in their home country.

2. Open/equity: Applicants do not need to be nominated by their government or employer. Anyone who meets the selection criteria may apply under this category. Applicants are required to return to their country of citizenship after the completion of their award to contribute to the development of the identified priority sector in their country.

Endeavour Awards (VET)

The following information has been taken from <http://www.endeavour.deewr.gov.au/> You should visit this site for essential information about closing dates, eligibility criteria, eligible countries, etc.

The Endeavour Awards is the Australian Government's internationally competitive, merit-based scholarship program providing opportunities for citizens of the Asia-Pacific, Middle East, Europe and Americas to undertake study, research and professional development in Australia.

The Endeavour Awards aim to:

1. Develop on-going educational, research and professional linkages between individuals, organisations and countries;
2. Provide opportunities for high achieving individuals from Australia and overseas to increase their skills and enhance their global awareness;
3. Contribute to Australia's position as a high quality education and training provider, and a leader in research and innovation.

You can also contact Tropical North Queensland TAFE by email at international.tnqit@deta.qld.gov.au for more information about the scholarships and closing dates, etc.



Paul Nombri, Diploma of Horticulture, Papua New Guinea (PNG).

Paul was awarded an Australian Development Scholarship (ADS) and commenced the 2-year Diploma of Horticulture package in January. He believes that virgin forests in PNG are being devastated by the mining and timber industries. Although the government is trying to revegetate affected areas, it is not always effective and we should educate owners to think about the longer-term instead of short-term gains.

He found out about the AusAid scholarships through one of his friends who studied at university. The process was very easy and staff from PATTAF helped him, and explained the options so that he could make the best choice for him. Cairns is closer to home than other centres and he can return to PNG for a holiday if he wants to.

He has not had any trouble living on the AusAid stipend and is able to send some money home to help his family as well.

Paul said: *'Tropical North Queensland TAFE staff are always helpful and understanding. The horticulture teacher, Nigel, is just brilliant – he is a wonderful person, and a great teacher as well.'*



How to Enrol at a TAFE Queensland Regional Institute

Applications can be made to Tropical North Queensland TAFE or directly to the Institute where you want to study. Tropical North Queensland TAFE will act as the central enrolment centre for the five regional institutes.

1. Choose your course and where you want to study. Talk to an agent or contact Tropical North Queensland TAFE if you need advice
2. Complete the international Application Form and attach:
 - A copy of your passport
 - Certified copies of academic results (translated), including any courses completed in Australia
 - An original or certified copy of internationally recognised English test results (see page 8) if your first language is not English and you have not previously completed a Certificate or Diploma course in Australia
 - The completed TAFE Queensland Regional Institute Refund Policy and Terms & Conditions of Enrolment.
3. Send all of your documents to Tropical North Queensland TAFE or directly to the Institute where you wish to study.
Email: international.tnqit@deta.qld.gov.au
4. You will receive an Unconditional Offer of Place if you have met all of the entry requirements and supplied relevant documents.
You will receive a Conditional Offer of Place if you have not met the entry requirements and/or have not supplied relevant documents
 - Applicants from Australian Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC) Assessment Level 3 and Level 4 countries should apply for a Pre-Visa Assessment from the Australian Embassy or Consulate in your country. Students from these countries must provide the result from the Pre-Visa Assessment before paying any money to TAFE Queensland.

Some agents are able to lodge documents electronically and a Pre-Visa Assessment will not be required in these cases.

- Contact the Australian Embassy or Consulate in your country to obtain the student visa application and medical examination forms. These are also available from the Australian Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC) website at www.immi.gov.au

5. Before the expiry date shown on the Offer of Place, you should:
 - meet all of the conditions indicated in the Conditional Letter of Offer (if applicable)
 - pay the amount shown on your Letter of Offer to your agent or to Tropical North Queensland TAFE
 - send a copy of the Payment Form or contact us with payment details.
6. Once your payment has been received and you have met all conditions, you will be sent:
 - electronic Confirmation of Enrolment (eCoE)
 - receipt for your payment
 - Overseas Student Health Cover information.
7. You should now apply for your visa. The Australian Embassy or Consulate must see your receipt, Confirmation of Enrolment and Offer of Place.
8. After you receive your student visa, arrange your travel and accommodation. Ensure you arrive in Australia in time to attend orientation, which is compulsory.

If you arrive 4–5 days before orientation, you will have time to recover from jet lag, settle into your new home and find your way around the city.

9. If you have time, you are welcome to visit the TAFE campus and introduce yourself to the international staff. Remember that you will need to arrive in Cairns (Tropical North Queensland TAFE), Townsville (Barrier Reef TAFE) and Rockhampton (Central Queensland TAFE) one week before your course starts, so that you are able to attend the compulsory 4 or 5 day orientation.
10. Attend orientation.



Entry Requirements



For some countries, IELTS results must be obtained to apply for a student visa.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE (RESULTS VALID FOR 2 YEARS)

IELTS	5.5	No band less than 5.0	
IELTS - Nursing	6.0	No band less than 5.5 (for Nursing)	
ISLPR from TAFE Queensland	3	Minimum 3 in all skills	
TOEFL	530 (Paper Based)	195 (Computer Based)	71-73 (Internet Based)
EIKEN	Grade Pre-1 or above		
Cambridge Certificates	FCE (A or B pass) or above		
Pearson Test of English – Academic (Cairns only)	43 – 49 (Certificate and Diploma courses) Minimum 50 (Diploma of Nursing)		
OR successful completion of an English course, including:			
TAFE Queensland English for Academic Purposes (EAP), or Certificate IV in English			
Sound Achievement or equivalent in Year 12 English in an Australian high school			
Successful completion of an acceptable formal course (not an English course) for which the medium of instruction was English in an English-speaking country, e.g. New Zealand, USA, Canada or UK.			
Entry into EAP requires IELTS 5.0 with no band less than 4.5 or equivalent.			
Entry into EAP for Nursing requires IELTS 5.5 with no band less than 5.0 or equivalent.			

MINIMUM ACADEMIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Country	Certificates II and III	Certificate IV and Diploma
Australia	Year 10 with passes in Maths, English	Year 12 with passes in Maths, English
China	Senior Middle School Diploma	3 Years Senior Middle School or 5 years Technical School + 2 years post-secondary study
India	Secondary School Certificate Division 1 (minimum 5 subject passes) 10 + 1 minimum 50% average	Indian School Certificate (ISC Standard 12) All India Senior School Certificate (Standard 12) State issued qualifications for Year 10+2
Japan	1 year Upper Secondary School Certificate plus 1 year further study	Certificate of Graduation (Kotogakko Sotsugyo Shosho (4 x C grades)
Malaysia	SPM (minimum 4 subject passes) or South Australian Matriculation (SAM) score of 50	STPM (3 x D grades) SAM score of 60
Philippines	High School Diploma 4 x D grades	National College Entrance Exam plus 2 years post secondary school 2 years any Bachelor degree
Papua New Guinea	Secondary School Leaving Certificate	High School Certificate (4 x C grades)
South Korea	1 year Senior High School	Senior High School Diploma (general or vocational)
Taiwan	1st year Senior High School 4 x B grades	Senior High School, Senior Vocational School or Junior College (5 years, 2 x A + 3 x B grades)
Thailand	Matayom 5 (GPA of 2 over 5 subjects including English)	Matayom 6 (GPA of 2.5 over 5 subjects) or Certificate in Vocational Education or 1 year university
Vietnam	Equivalent to Australian Year 10	Senior Secondary Vocational Diploma
Other	Equivalent to Australian Year 10	Equivalent to Australian Year 12



Award Winning Bakers



Three Cairns bakers have won the highest accolade in the Australian baking industry.

Tropical North Queensland TAFE Cairns bakery teachers, Nevon Sachse and James Saunders, teamed up with Jana Ludwig, the owner of The Gingerbread House & Bakery in Cairns, to compete against the best bakers and pastry cooks in Australia.

The trio teamed up against eight other teams for the 4th annual Australian artisan baking cup at the Foodservice Australia trade show held in Sydney from June 21 to 23.

Tropical North Queensland TAFE Institute Director, Joann Pyne, said she was proud of the team for winning such a prestigious award.

“It was an incredible feeling to have our trainers compete with the very best in Australia and to actually win at the Artisan Cup. It’s fantastic” Ms Pyne said.

Team Cairns spent several weeks leading up to the event creating a winning menu featuring a satay chicken danish as one of their signature items, a laminated brioche with rosemary and rhubarb, a variety of sourdough breads, stollen, and a light horseman centrepiece made of bread.

Team captain Nevon Sachse said everything worked well on competition day due to a lot of careful planning and preparation.

“James’ light horseman centrepiece wowed the judges and Jana won in the stollen category.”

“I feel it’s important for the baking industry to have representation from the Far North.”

“Our retail baking training program in Cairns is highly regarded by locals and international students. Now we can add that the course is run by two of the best bakers in Australia,”

As National Champions, Team Cairns will become Team Australia. The next step for the team is to compete in Rimini Italy in the 2011 SIGEP - International exhibition artisan production of gelato, pastry, confectionery and bakery.



International bakery students follow in the footsteps of their award winning teachers.

Crossing countries to study bakery in Cairns, students from Korea and India proved that they’d learnt from the best when they took out top positions at the North Queensland Baking Industry Show recently.

After only one semester of study, Korean students Nancy (Ilhyo) Jung and Jason (Jongsu) Ahn took first place in the sourdough section and runner up in bread invention respectively. Rajneet Bains impressed the judges, winning first place for her bread invention, and Sandeep Kaur only just fell short of first place in the commercial category.

Undertaking their course at the Tropical North Queensland TAFE Cairns campus, the students are mentored by award winning baker Nevon Sachse. The students were ecstatic with their achievements and look forward to mastering pastry this semester.



Campus Locations

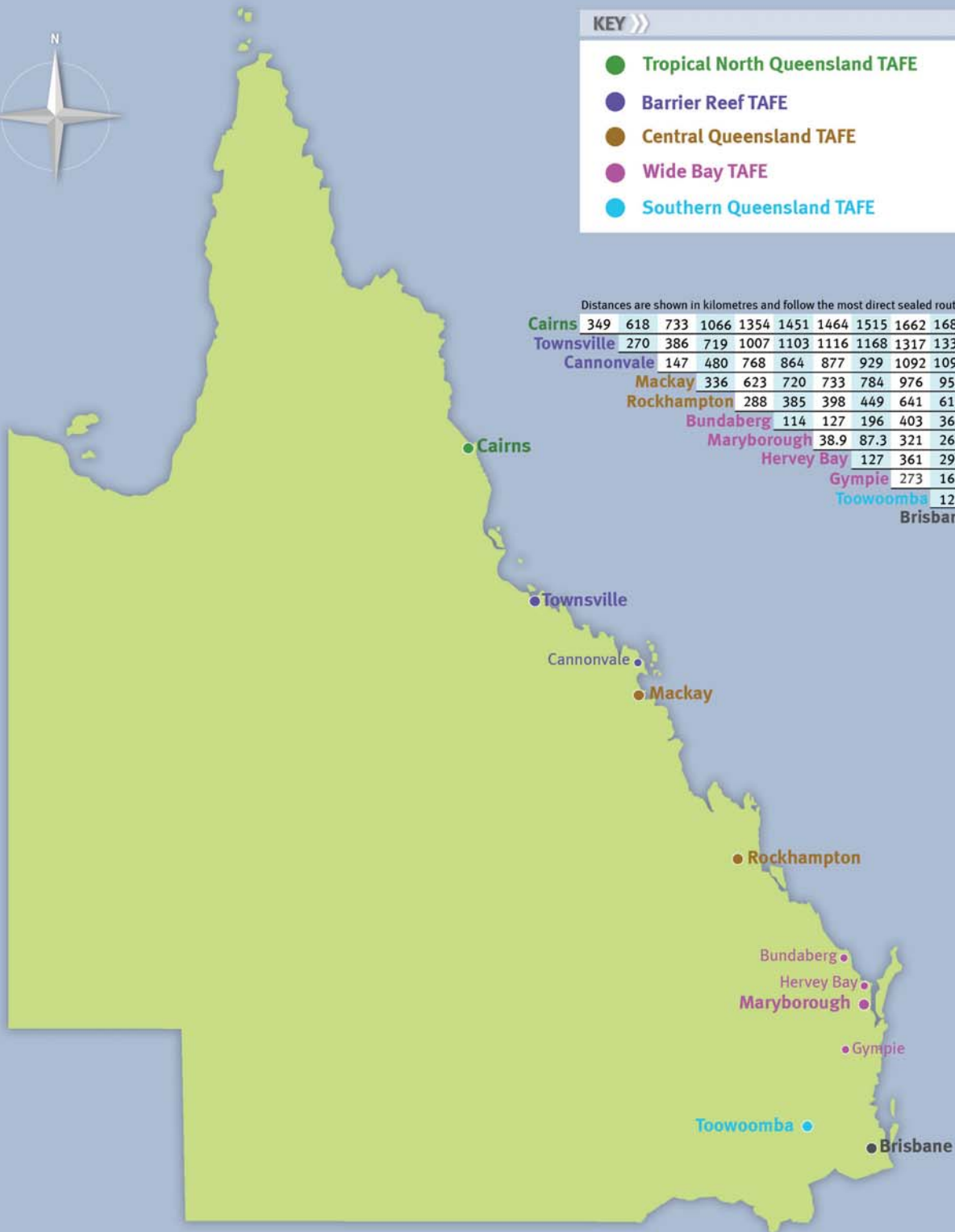


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Distances are shown in kilometres and follow the most direct sealed route

Cairns	349	618	733	1066	1354	1451	1464	1515	1662	1682
Townsville	270	386	719	1007	1103	1116	1168	1317	1335	
Cannonvale	147	480	768	864	877	929	1092	1095		
Mackay	336	623	720	733	784	976	951			
Rockhampton	288	385	398	449	641	616				
Bundaberg	114	127	196	403	363					
Maryborough	38.9	87.3	321	264						
Hervey Bay	127	361	294							
Gympie	273	168								
Toowoomba	126									
Brisbane										



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