

# Media release

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## NBN rollout advances across Tasmania

### Claremont next in line to receive better broadband

A further 10,600 homes and businesses across Tasmania have been added to the National Broadband Network (NBN) rollout footprint.

The latest update to the interactive rollout map on the NBN Co website shows that pre-construction activities are underway in the fixed-line footprint, including newly-added communities such as Claremont in Southern Tasmania.

Homes and businesses in Tasmania across the following areas:

Build Preparation	
Region	Areas
Northern Tasmania	Prospect Vale (F), Blackstone Heights (F), Newstead (F), Norwood (F), Punchbowl (F), Kings Meadows (F), Mowbray (F), Newnham (F), Mayfield (F)
Southern Tasmania	Claremont (F)
	10,600

Fixed Line = F

On average it takes around 12 months from the start of construction until residents and business owners can receive NBN services from phone and internet providers.

#### NBN Co spokesperson Lalla Mackenzie, said:

"The rollout of the NBN continues to gather momentum throughout Tasmania which means more families and businesses are a step closer to being able to benefit from fast and reliable broadband.

"Fast broadband can help deliver improved access to e-health resources, online education, teleworking opportunities and entertainment on demand.\*

The NBN's fixed-line and fixed wireless services already pass more than 61,200 premises in Tasmania. There are more than 20,500 residents and business owners already connected to the network across all technologies in Tasmania.\*\*

The detailed maps showing the areas to be covered by the network are available at: www.nbnco.com.au/rollout/rollout-map.\*\*\*

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#### **Notes to Editors**

- 1. You can find out whether your home or business is covered by the NBN footprint as well as more information about the steps you need to take to make the switch by visiting <a href="mailto:nbnco.com.au/switch">nbnco.com.au/switch</a>.
- Supporting video, audio and image files can be downloaded from https://www.dropbox.com/sh/wg6wyht7mi0wwi4/AAAK f6FJzGEwV1balWX-Qy-a/Images
- 3. In fixed wireless areas copper phone lines will remain in place to provide a landline telephone service. Before the network equipment is installed for a fixed wireless service, a validation test will be carried out.
- 4. The interactive rollout map now includes a more detailed colour-coding system to display the three phases of the rollout within a community:

Measure	Definition	Colour code on the NBN map
Build Preparation	Contractors are undertaking pre-construction activities to deliver NBN high speed broadband in this area, which may include readying Telstra's pits and pipes for NBN Co use	Green
Build Commenced	NBN Co has issued contract instructions to its construction partners so they can commence work to deliver NBN highspeed broadband in this area. (Build Commenced boundaries are subject to change during the construction process)	Brown
Service Available	Premises in this area are covered by NBN high-speed broadband and services may be ordered and purchased from a telephone or internet service provider	Purple

<sup>\*</sup> Your experience including the speeds actually achieved over the NBN depends on some factors outside our control like your equipment quality, software, broadband plans and how your service provider designs its network.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Premises activated as reported in the National Broadband Network Rollout information weekly summary – <a href="http://www.nbnco.com.au/about-us/weekly-progress-report.html">http://www.nbnco.com.au/about-us/weekly-progress-report.html</a>

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> The new rollout maps identify one or more areas where NBN Co has commenced building or intends to build the NBN. From the commencement of work through to when a construction area "goes live", NBN Co undertakes a series of steps that may result in changes to the design of the network in the respective area, possibly involving the movement of the boundaries. NBN Co may update the map in the future in the event of boundary changes.