State Library of Queensland
Open Data Action Plan 2024-25

PURPOSE

State Library of Queensland champions open access to information and ideas as a key enabler for a strong, well-informed and innovative society through its _Open Data Strategy 2022-24_.

This 2024-25 plan outlines activities to enable State Library to deliver on the strategy this year and foster a library culture that openly shares, enables co-creation and enhances innovative service improvement.

Action	Accountable / Responsible	Open Data Strategy links	State Library Strategic Plan links
Data management processes			
1. Release data files as per the release schedule (Appendix A), that meet State Library standards and have explanatory documentation	Metadata Data owners	'Share first' for mutual benefit	Prioritise easy to find and use information
2. Implement identified enhancements from the review of existing datasets on Queensland Government Open Data Portal: • Update data files to meet Queensland Government data standards and required documentation • Refresh collections metadata with current descriptions • Collaborate with data owners to update or archive out-of-date datasets (Appendix B)	Metadata	Enhance innovation through service improvement	Prioritise easy to find and use information
3. Complete a review of State Library's Open Data release procedures to ensure appropriate data governance and document a release approval workflow	Metadata	Enhance innovation through service improvement	Prioritise easy to find and use information

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Knowledge and skills			
1. Increase staff knowledge and buy-in of the Open Data program: • Build accountability for data owners and Senior Leaders to understand their datasets and release them on schedule • Promote open data resources and training opportunities in internal staff communication	Metadata Senior Leadership Team	Enhance innovation through service improvement	Invest in our people to embrace digital
Strategic oversight			
1. Represent State Library on the Queensland Government Open Data Senior Officers Working Group	Metadata	Enhance innovation through service improvement	Prioritise easy to find and use information
2. Investigate opportunities to explore the intersection of Indigenous Cultural and Intellectual Property and Open Data practices	Metadata	Enhance innovation through service improvement	Enable respectful truth-telling practices Build inclusive digital experiences
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Investment and financial performance			
1. Analyse usage statistics and identify trends in access and use to inform future dataset creation decisions	Metadata	Enhance innovation through service improvement	Prioritise easy to find and use information
Customer support & engagement			

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1. Scope a 2026 Making Meaning: Collections as data symposium to build on previous successes	Metadata	Enable co-creation with learning and engagement	Attract new audiences
2. Develop new datasets (Appendix C), and review previously identified datasets for viability	Metadata Data owners	'Share first' for mutual benefit	Prioritise easy to find and use information

Approved

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Appendix A Data release schedule 2024-25 (additions to existing datasets)

Release	Dataset title	Portal URL	Description	Data owner**
Monthly	Unstacked logs - Catalogue usage	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/slq-unstacked-logs	Data about catalogue items viewed in State Library's Unstacked interface	Access & Discovery
Quarterly	Contract disclosure*	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/state-library-of-queensland-contract-disclosure	Details of State Library contracts awarded over $10,000	Compliance & Assurance
Quarterly	Gifts and Benefits Register*	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/slq-gifts-benefits	Details of gifts and benefits >$150 given and received by State Library and employees	Compliance & Assurance
Annually March	Queensland public libraries directory	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/public-libraries	Details for all public library branches in Queensland	Public Libraries
Annually May	Queensland public libraries annual statistics	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/slq-qld-public-libraries-annual-statistics	Statistics on public library services provided from each council and branch in Qld	Public Libraries
Annually May	Library membership	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/library-membership-state-library-of-queensland	State Library membership details including suburb, country, and date	Access & Discovery
Annually September	Consultancies*	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/slq-consultancies	Details of consultancies employed by State Library	Finance & Operations
Annually September	Overseas travel*	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/slq-overseas-travel	Details of overseas travel undertaken by State Library staff	Finance & Operations
Annually September	Queensland Language Services*	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/slq-queensland-language-services	Details of Language Services undertaken for the Library Board of Queensland	Finance & Operations
Annually October	Collections in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander language	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/slq-atsi-language-materials	Metadata for collection items in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander language	Metadata
Annually October	Real estate maps	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/real-estate-maps	Original maps and plans created by real estate firms from 1850s to mid-1900s	Metadata

* denotes statutory requirement to report this data
** relevant Executive Directors to approve each data release

Appendix B Out-of-date datasets for action in 2024-25

Dataset title	Portal URL	Description	Proposed review date	Data owner**
Open Data Maturity Assessments	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/slq-open-data-maturity-assessments	Assessment of State Library's Open Data work from the old Open Data Institute tool	Q3	Metadata
Catalogue searches	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/state-library-of-queensland-catalogue-searches	Counts of keywords searched in the library catalogue, from a previous system	Q2	Web Delivery
Visits to the State Library building	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/visits-to-the-state-library-building	Visitation to State Library building, from a previous people counter system	Q3	Visitor Experience
Public Library grants to local government	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/public	Grants distributed to local governments for provision of public library services	Q3-4	Public Libraries
The Queenslander photographs 1914-1918	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/slq-the-queenslander-newspaper-photographs-1914-1918	Collection metadata of images from The Queenslander published 1914-1918	Q3-4	Metadata
World War 1 soldier portraits	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/slq-world-war-1-soldier-portraits	30,000 Qld soldier portraits taken before embarkation to WW1	Q3-4	Metadata
WW1 soldiers from the Australasian Traveller	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/slq-portraits-of-ww1-soldiers-from-the-australasian-traveller	World War 1 Qld soldier portraits published in the Australasian Traveller	Q3-4	Metadata
Music Queensland	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/music-queensland	Significant digitised scores about Qld	Q3-4	Metadata
Music Qld - World War 1	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/slq-music-queensland-world-war-1	Significant digitised scores about WW1	Q3-4	Metadata
Picture Queensland	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/picture-queensland	~40,000 out of copyright photos of Qld	Q3-4	Metadata
Photographs 1914-1918	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/slq-photographs-1914-1918	Out of copyright photos from 1914-1918	Q3-4	Metadata

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Catalogue records WW1	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/slq-records-world-war-1	Collection metadata of WW1 content	Q3-4	Metadata
Digitised maps	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/digitised-maps	Out of copyright maps	Q3-4	Metadata

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Appendix C New datasets to review for release in 2024-25

Dataset title	Description	Data owner	Proposed release date	Category
Archival collections	Metadata for archival collections held at State Library	Metadata	Q4	Collections
Digital collections	Curated datasets of digital items in the collection.	Metadata	Q 4 following completion of Rosetta migration	Collections
Queensland Memory Awards outcomes	Open data outcomes from projects created by researchers working under fellowships, awards, and residencies as part of the Queensland Memory Awards.	Curation & Collection Engagement	Q3	Collections/ Engagement