State Library of Queensland
Open Data Action Plan 2025-26

PURPOSE

State Library of Queensland champions open access to information and ideas as a key enabler for a strong, well-informed and innovative society.

This 2025-26 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	Responsible	Open Data Strategy links	State Library Strategic Plan links
Data management processes			
Release data files as per the release schedule (Appendix A)	Metadata Data owners	'Share first' for mutual benefit	Prioritise easy to find and use information however people access collections, services and programs
Complete the update of data files and required documentation to meet the [Open Data Best Practice Guideline](#)	Metadata	Enhance innovation through service improvement	Prioritise easy to find and use information however people access collections, services and programs
Complete a review of State Library's Open Data procedures for the whole of the data release cycle, including • documented open data RACIE to confirm roles and responsibilities • guidelines for data owners, data custodians and data officers	Metadata	Enhance innovation through service improvement	Prioritise easy to find and use information however people access collections, services and programs

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Knowledge and skills			
Increase staff knowledge and buy-in of the Open Data program through promotion of open data resources and training opportunities in internal staff communication.	Metadata SLT	Enhance innovation through service improvement	Invest in our people to embrace the opportunities and challenges in the digital age
Investment and financial performance			
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 however people access collections, services and programs
Customer support & engagement			
Develop new datasets (Appendix C)	Metadata Data owners	'Share first' for mutual benefit	Prioritise easy to find and use information however people access collections, services and programs

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
Annual	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
Annual	State Library of Queensland – Charter of Victims' Rights complaints*	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/slq-charter-of-victims-rights-complaints	Annual Charter of Victims' Rights complaints received by State Library of Queensland	Compliance & Assurance
Annual	Consultancies*	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/slq-consultancies	Details of consultancies employed by State Library	Compliance & Assurance
Annual	Overseas travel*	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/slq-overseas-travel	Details of overseas travel undertaken by State Library staff	Finance & Operations
Annual	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
Annual	Queensland public libraries directory	https://www.data.qld.gov.au/dataset/public-libraries	Details for all public library branches in Queensland	Public Libraries
Annual	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
Annual	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
Annual	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

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Annual	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
Annual	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	Access and Discovery
Annual	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	Public Libraries
Annual	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	Metadata
Annual	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	Metadata
Annual	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	Metadata

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Appendix B Out-of-date datasets for action in 2025-26

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
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

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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
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 2025-26

Dataset title	Description	Data owner**	Proposed release date	Category
Digital collections	Curated datasets of digital items in the collection.	Metadata	Q 4	Collection s
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 and Collection Engagement	Q4	Collections/ Engagement

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