# The Stop Adani Campaign

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## The Stop Adani Campaign

The Stop Adani campaign was a way many people worked together to make a change.

The Adani company wanted to build a big coal mine in Queensland.

The idea for the mine started in 2010.

It was a long campaign to try to stop it.

Many people around Australia were part of the campaign.

People in other parts of the world helped too.

### The Problem

Many people wanted to stop the mine because of climate change.

Mining and burning coal causes climate change.

Climate change causes floods and bushfires.

If it was built the mine would produce a lot of coal.

Burning the coal from the Adani mine would make floods and bushfires worse.

### Why people care about Stop Adani

Climate change also makes the ocean warmer.

The warmer water hurts coral like the Great Barrier Reef.

People love the Great Barrier Reef!

The **traditional owners** did not want the mine on their land.

**Traditional owners** are the Aboriginal people who live in a place.

They wanted to keep their Country safe from the mine.

### The goal to stop the mine

The Stop Adani campaign's goal was to stop the mine.

To do this people took many steps:

* trying to stop the Queensland government saying yes to the mine
* trying to stop the Australian government saying yes to the mine
* trying to stop the government giving money to the mine
* trying to stop banks giving money to the mine
* trying to stop insurance for the mine
* trying to stop companies from working on the mine

### What people did

People took many actions to try to stop the mine, like:

* rallies
* making 'human signs'
* meeting politicians
* changing banks
* a **blockade** at the mine site

A **blockade** is when a group of people stop activities they think will hurt the environment by using their bodies.

### What happened

The Stop Adani campaign achieved a lot.

It stopped funding for the mine.

It slowed down work on the mine.

It built a community of people who care about climate change.

The Adani company have built a coalmine.

It is much smaller than they planned.

People are still trying to stop this mine and others around Australia.

The new campaign is called Move Beyond Coal.

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