The number of exhibitors at NT Expo is up by 20 on last year Chief Minister, Clare Martin, said today.

Ms Martin said there are 200 exhibitors this year, including 60 new exhibitors, and the Territory Government is again major sponsor.

“The strong number of exhibitors at 35th NT Expo reflects the strong growth being experienced in the Territory economy,” she said.

“The Territory really is moving ahead and Expo is another way business can attract new clients, make new contacts and promote themselves.”

Officially opening NT Expo, Ms Martin said that there are three speciality areas at NT Expo: Money, Every 'Body' and Travel Food & Beverages. Importantly, there is no charge for entry.

“We are expecting in excess of 15,000 over the two and half days - from Friday afternoon until Sunday - that Expo is open to the public,” she said.

“A full entertainment program has been developed and this will be a good family day as well as important business event.

“NT Expo is being held during an exciting period of growth and development for the Territory – we have the lowest taxes for small business in Australia and the highest economic growth rate at 7.2 per cent.

“Building approvals are up by more than 50 per cent, there are more than 3000 Territorians in training, and there are now 200,000 Territorians for the first time ever.”

The Chief Minister said there is a wide variety of exhibitors including Furnishings, Education, employment and training, communications, manufacturers, jewellery, motor vehicles, pools and spas, aboriginal art, leisure activities and more.

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