



**Back
to Work**
and Back
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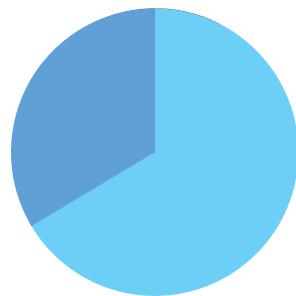
The Liberal Nationals' plan to get Victoria Back to Work

Small businesses and sole traders in Victoria have been crushed by the enormous cost of restrictions imposed by the Andrews Labor Government.

Victorian small businesses operators need:

- Certainty to reopen and operate in a COVID-safe environment
- A plan from government for the economic recovery of Victoria
- Support to recover from the damage of forced closures
- Access to skilled workers to build their operations

Small businesses employ two-thirds of workers in the private sector



Discount local government rates and permit fees for small businesses to 30 June 2022 with funding from the Victorian Government.



Invest in a "Victorian Made" marketing campaign, to showcase the quality and benefits of locally produced goods and services.



Prioritise Victorian Government purchasing and procurement from local suppliers, and make payment on government contracts within seven days.



Deliver 57,000 apprenticeship and traineeship commencements in the year to 31 March 2022, with retraining scholarships for people looking to re-skill in priority areas.

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Victorians have endured a lot this year.


The effects of the pandemic have touched all of us in different and profound ways. We now face more difficult social and economic recovery from the pandemic than anywhere else in Australia. Victoria needs a plan to keep our community safe from COVID-19, but at the same time to turn our focus to get Victorians back to work to repair the economic damage of lockdowns.

Recovery will be hard, but it is an opportunity to reshape our state, rebuild businesses and industries, and reclaim the Victorian way of life, which made Melbourne the most liveable city in the world.


The Victorian Liberal Nationals' Back to Work Plan will generate new jobs throughout the Victorian economy and give back security, and the feeling of security, to all. Our plan is for immediate action so that Victorians can get their jobs back, provide for their families, open their businesses, meet their rent and mortgage payments, educate their kids, keep healthy and protect elderly Victorians.



**\$100m Science and
Technology Innovation
fund to drive
collaboration between
business and the
scientific community**



**Provide WorkCover
premium relief
to businesses**




**Raise the payroll tax
threshold to \$10
million and waive it
for regional
businesses until
mid-2022**



**Overhaul turnover
caps for small
construction
companies applying
for government
tenders**



**Waive registration
payments for
commercial vehicles
grounded by
lockdowns**



**Enforce statutory
timeframes on
government
decision-making**



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