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Making NSW Roads Safer: Joint Media Release – Premier and Roads Minister

Joint Media Release Premier, Gladys Berejiklian and Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, Melinda Pavey, 16 February, 2018

Premier Gladys Berejiklian today released the NSW Government's Road Safety Plan, which includes a range of measures aimed at reducing the road toll after 392 people lost their lives on NSW roads in 2017.

The comprehensive package addresses speeding, drink driving, drug driving, driver distraction, driver fatigue, truck safety and funding to improve safety on country roads.

Ms Berejiklian said the Road Safety Plan is a concerted effort to save lives by making sure roads and vehicles are as safe as possible.

"Every 41 minutes in NSW someone is either killed or seriously injured on our roads, leaving families and friends with the heartache," Ms Berejiklian said.

"As a Government we know we can do more and that is why this Plan makes it clear if you break the law you will be caught and will pay the price. "We also want to ensure that our public education campaigns are targeted in the right way.

” The measures announced today include:-

- Expanding the mandatory alcohol interlock program to include all mid-range drink driving offenders. An interlock is a breath testing device fitted to a car's ignition system. The driver must provide a negative sample for the vehicle to start;
- Police will be given the power to issue on the spot fines and licence suspensions for low range drink driving. This ensures swift and certain penalties;
- Amending legislation to allow camera technology to be used to enforce mobile phone offences;
- 11 additional heavy vehicle average speed camera locations, including in metropolitan Sydney, to address risks associated with greater truck movements;
- An initial \$125 million for a new Saving Lives on Country Roads program including safety barriers, tactile line markings, wide centre line, safety upgrades of high risk curves and \$11 million for pedestrian and cyclist safety improvements including traffic calming measures, pedestrian refuges and crossings to keep cyclists and walkers safe.

These measures are in addition to last month's crack down on drug drivers, which saw cocaine added to the list of drugs subject to roadside testing, and the number of roadside drugs tests doubled from 100,000 a year to 200,000 a year by 2020.

The Road Safety Plan will bring the Government's total commitment to targeted road safety programs from the Community Road Safety Fund to \$1.4 billion over five years.

Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight Melinda Pavey said one of the biggest challenges remains on country roads, which accounted for almost 70 per cent of the State's road toll last year.

“If you live in the country you are four times more likely to die in a road crash than if you live in metro NSW,” Ms Pavey said.

“This is why we will roll out 1600 kilometres of rumble strips and 300 kilometres in targeted safety works, such as flexible, wire-rope barriers to help prevent run-off-road and head-on crashes on our road network, including the Princes Highway.

” The Road Safety Plan includes a number of key initiatives for immediate implementation as well as a number of other key measures that will be subject to review and consultation. A review into driving on prescription drugs has been requested by April and the NSW Sentencing Council will be tasked with reporting back on sentencing of repeat traffic offenders who may pose an ongoing risk to the community.

The initiatives announced today are in addition to ongoing programs, including our Safer Roads infrastructure program, safety around schools and mandatory road safety education for every child in NSW. To learn more, visit: www.towardszero.nsw.gov.au/roadsafetyplan.

Police Crack Down on Heavy Vehicle Compliance

Adapted from OHS Alert, 1 February 2018

Police have vowed to crack down on unsafe companies, after issuing more than 2,000 defect notices and detecting 26 drug-affected truck drivers following on from what has been described as the largest ever heavy vehicle compliance operation in Australia earlier this month.

In a 16-hour operation, ACT, NSW, Queensland, South Australian and Victorian police, with NSW Roads and Maritime Services, stopped and inspected more than 5,000 heavy vehicles, issuing thousands of defect notices for a range of offences and testing 1,752 drivers for drugs.

“Twenty-six drivers tested positive for illicit substances, which was "just a disgrace", NSW Police Assistant Commissioner Michael Corboy said today.

"While many trucking companies and drivers are doing the right thing and operating under the right processes, these results show that there are still too many dangerous trucks and dangerous drivers on our roads," Corboy said.

"Operation Rolling Thunder", was the largest ever campaign of its type in Australia, and prompted by the deaths of five people in three unrelated truck crashes in NSW on 15 and 16 January, NSW Police said.

The Transport Workers Union said that truck drivers targeted in the blitz were "made to carry the burden for an industry in crisis".

"They've yet again copped the fines and carried the charges, but wealthy retailers and manufacturers at the top are the ones who should be in the dock," TWU national secretary Tony Sheldon said.

"Their low-cost contracts are putting financial pressure on transport companies and drivers which causes maintenance on trucks to get delayed," Sheldon said.

"Drivers are pushed to work longer hours, speed and skip breaks... (T)he Federal Government] shut down a road safety watchdog two years ago and now we are seeing defective trucks on our roads and deaths skyrocket."

Assistant Commissioner Corboy stressed that the war on unsafe practices in the industry didn't conclude with yesterday's operation.

"We will be following up with companies, drivers and operators who think they are above the law and we won't stop until we can be sure that all trucks on our roads are safe for all road users," he said.

Police have also raised serious health and safety concerns over the large-scale transport of NSW waste to Queensland.

Third Edition of *Load Restraint Guide* Now Available

The National Transport Commission (NTC) has completed a review of the Load Restraint Guide 2nd Edition 2004 and has now published the revised Load Restraint Guide 2018 on its website.

The Guide, which provides advice to operators, drivers and other supply chain participants, including basic safety principles as well as examples of how to meet legislated performance standards.

The Guide is not a legal document, however it is routinely referenced by enforcement agencies and courts in order to determine what is reasonable.

To obtain a free copy of the guide, please go to [www.ntc.gov.au/Media/Reports/\(125D483B-53AC-83A1-7BBE-A88645111DEE\).pdf](http://www.ntc.gov.au/Media/Reports/(125D483B-53AC-83A1-7BBE-A88645111DEE).pdf).

New Deputy PM Also Minister for Infrastructure and Transport

The new Deputy Prime Minister, Michael McCormack, has assumed the role of Minister for Infrastructure and Transport. Mr McCormack was elected as leader of the National Party at a party room meeting on 26 February. He replaces Barnaby Joyce who resigned as National Party leader and moved to the backbench.

ARTIO Lodges Submission to Senate Inquiry into the Future of Work and Workers

ARTIO has lodged a submission to the Senate Select Committee on the Future of Work and Workers Inquiry on the Impact of Technological Change on the Future of Work and Workers in Australia. The inquiry is considering the role of technological change and other developments which impact on the future of work and workers.

ARTIO's submission considers how technological change has altered the industry from an employment perspective and aims to identify likely opportunities and constraints related to the adoption of new technologies in the industry.

ARTIO's submission says that:

- History continues to demonstrate that the adoption of new technologies and ideas delivers benefits to the broader community, including in relation to work opportunities and increased employment. This is evident in the industry which has experienced sustained employment growth over many years.
- Technological change is adopted more rapidly when there are no or negligible barriers due to legislation, infrastructure, social acceptance, cost, asset value, investment or capability of employers, management and other workers. This is evident in improvements in the quality and safety of motor vehicles and the adoption of innovations as diverse as the container, the pallet, satellite tracking and the use of digital on-line platforms.
- Adoption of new technologies can slow down considerably when some of those barriers are present. This was evident in the uptake of motor vehicles at the expense of horse drawn vehicles. These barriers can also be expected to slow down or even inhibit the adoption of driverless vehicles, especially in industry sectors or on those parts of the network where skill, judgement, personal service and/or quick thinking are required.
- Where adoption of new technology and ideas is rapid and disruptive, and clearly not in the best interests of well-run and legitimate transport businesses, ARTIO supports:
 - A review of the adequacy and efficacy of the legislative and institutional framework, especially around employment law, including workers' compensation schemes, particularly as it relates to the gig economy;
 - The development of a legal concept of 'dependent contractor' to provide protections for workers in the 'gig' economy and those workers who work as a contractor but depend on a single business to provide that work;
 - Improvements to the institutional framework to facilitate entry and where appropriate, retraining into the industry.

TWUSuper Releases Report on the Future of Transportation Work

TWUSuper has released a report entitled *The Future of Transportation Work: A Summary Report*, which looks at what is driving change in the transport and logistics sector and proposes.

The report, co-authored by Dr Jim Stanford and Matt Grundorf from the Centre for Future Work at the Australia Institute identifies two disruptors which will drive change. These are technology as well as work organisation and employment relationships.

The report proposes six proactive measures which can help the sector prepare for change. They are:

- Facilitate mobility – assist existing workers to fill new positions by providing notice, support as well as access to training and adjustment programs. Financial support should come from employers and government.
- Establish benchmarks for skills and qualifications – new technology-intensive jobs will require new skills. Specific requirements and qualifications for these skills will need to be formalised and regulated.
- Facilitating decent retirement – downsizing and transitioning can be managed in part by facilitating the exit of workers who are neither interested nor able to undertake training. Bridging benefits and early retirement incentives can ease the transition with government support.
- Negotiating technological change – adaptation is more successful when all parties have a say in how change is implemented and managed. Workers and their representatives should be given the opportunity for input early in this process.
- Building consensus – challenges should be considered and analysed through multi-partite forums across the sector. Responses should be sector-wide and inclusive.
- Protecting standards and benefits – changes in work organisation and employment are changing transport jobs and challenging traditional entitlements, security of tenure and remuneration. Traditional standard and entitlements should apply to all workers, including gig economy workers. Corporate accountability should apply across the supply chain.

An Executive Summary of this report is available from the TWUSuper website, www.twusuper.com.au/the-future-of-transportation-work.

Wage Growth Rates Remain Sluggish

Private sector wage growth rates remain in the doldrums and is now in lockstep with cost of living increases.

The Australian Bureau of Statistics' December quarter Wage Price Index, shows that rates of pay excluding bonuses grew by 1.9% in the private sector on an unadjusted, trend and seasonally-adjusted basis in 2017. This is unchanged from the September quarter.

Private sector wage rates have grown by 0.5% in trend terms for each of the past four quarters.

Wages in the transport, warehousing and postal sector only rose by 1.6 per cent in the year ending 31 December. However, wage growth rates in the sector were more sluggish in the first half of last year than the second half.

Public sector wage rates grew by 2.4% a year in trend terms. While this is unchanged from the September and June quarters, there was a slight increase in public sector rates to 0.6% in the December quarter in trend terms, up from 0.5% in the previous quarter. This contributed to an increase in economy-wide wage rates which grew by 2.1% in the year ending 31 December.

Minister Laundry Reminds Employers of Employment Entitlement Obligations

Adapted from Media Release, Minister for Small and Family Business, the Workplace and Deregulation, Hon Craig Laundry, 31 January 2018

The Australian Government remains committed to taking strong action against employers who fail to meet their employment entitlement obligations, even in insolvency, through its Fair Entitlements Guarantee (FEG) Recovery Program, according to the Minister for Small and Family Business, the Workplace and Deregulation, Craig Laundry.

"The Turnbull Government is taking strong action to ensure employers are held responsible for paying their workers and that taxpayers are protected from corporate abuse of the FEG scheme," Mr Laundry said.

"I'm pleased this has already delivered strong results, not just recovering FEG amounts, but also recovering over \$2 million in other unpaid entitlements for Australian workers, including superannuation.

"We will keep up the pressure on employers to meet their obligations to employees."

Under the FEG scheme, the Federal Government provides financial assistance to cover certain employment entitlements left unpaid due to bankruptcy or liquidation.

Mr Laundry said that unfortunately, some company directors and managers misuse the scheme to shift costs onto the taxpayer when they can and should be met by the employer.

He said that a pilot FEG Recovery Program started on 1 July 2015 and due to its early success clawing back taxpayer money and getting employees their unpaid entitlements, it was made ongoing from 1 January 2017.

"In 2018 the Coalition is pushing ahead with changes to the Corporations Act to prevent corporate abuse of the FEG scheme and further strengthen the ability to recover FEG costs.

"Draft legislation will be open for public consultation in the next few months," Mr Laundry said

NSW Freight and Ports Plan – Have your Say

Transport for NSW is pleased to invite industry representatives to attend the upcoming roundtables being held in March to discuss the NSW Draft Freight and Ports Plan.

The workshop dates and locations are listed in the table below. You can register directly for these events by clicking on the following link: www.eventbrite.com.au/d/australia--parramatta/freight-and-ports-plan/?q=freight+and+ports+plan&mode=search

Date and Time	Location
Thursday 1 March 3:30pm-6:00pm	Queanbeyan
Tuesday 6 March 11:30am-2:00pm	Newcastle

Thursday 8 March 11:30am-2:00pm	Eden
Tuesday 13 March 11:30am-2:00pm	Wollongong
Wednesday 14 March 9:30-12:00	Sydney CBD
Thursday 15 March 12.00-2:30pm	Leeton
Monday 19 March 11:30-2:00pm	Taree
Tuesday 20 March 9:30am-12:00	Yamba
Tuesday 20 March 2:00-4:30pm	Grafton

Further information, including a link to the draft Freight and Ports Plan is available at: <https://future.transport.nsw.gov.au/react-feedback/supporting-plans/freight-and-ports-plan/>

New Roller Brake Testing Procedure Now in Place

New roller brake testing procedures commenced across Australia on 1 February following industry-wide consultation into brake testing methods and actual vehicle brake testing studies.

National Heavy Vehicle Regulator Chief Engineer, Les Brusza, said that '(t)he NHVR worked closely with Roads and Maritime Services and the heavy vehicle industry to look at why some roller brake testing methods deliver different results, when compared to other brake testing in-service methods'.

'The working group has now developed the National roller brake testing procedure with machines used by state jurisdictions to be updated over the next 12 months.'

Mr Brusza said the working group has focussed on '...delivering a robust procedure that will be effective for all vehicle types using current roller brake testing infrastructure'.

Heavy vehicle inspectors will continue under the current arrangements until 1 May after which all tests will be performed using either the national roller brake testing procedure or the Alternative phase in procedure.

For roller brake testing machines operated by accredited third party examiners (Authorised Inspection Stations) machines will be updated as part of routine servicing over the next 12 months and the new national procedure adopted once the machine is updated.

The NHVR will continue to consult with relevant parties on the effectiveness of the new procedures and will assess developments in technology as they become available to determine if further improvements can be made.

New Cyber Security Obligations for Businesses with Annual Turnover Exceeding \$3m

From 22 February, all businesses with a turnover greater than \$3 million which have a significant data breach are required to inform all concerned parties, and to inform the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner (OAIC). If there is unauthorised access, disclosure or loss of personal information that could be seriously compromising to the person or people it relates to, you must report it.

Cyber security is all about protecting your information and your business from being compromised while online. If you use the internet on any device, you're at risk of a cyber-attack. This could be from loss or corruption by bad practice, or from hackers who steal, trick or ransom businesses out of their money.

The OAIC says that over a third of small businesses don't take proactive measures to protect against cyber-attacks, and most are happy that their anti-virus software will provide sufficient protection.

The OAIC has prepared a best practice guide for small business owners and decision makers which is available from www.asbfeo.gov.au/sites/default/files/documents/ASBFEO-cyber-security-guide.pdf.

According to the OAIC, this guide:

- Exposes the issue of cyber security, as it affects small businesses.
- Demonstrates the importance of a cyber security policy for all small businesses using the internet.
- Recommends best practice principles and actions to protect your business.

- Highlights the best places to go for more information.

The OAIC has also developed the Small Business Best Practice Research Report which is available at www.asbfeo.gov.au/sites/default/files/documents/ASBFEO-cyber-security-research-report.pdf This report provides more information on the recommended actions that small businesses adopt to become cyber secure.

Federal Government Introduces Road Vehicle Standards Bill into Parliament

On 7 February, the Federal Government has introduced to Parliament a package of legislation that aims to modernise and strengthen the laws governing vehicles when first supplied to the Australian market.

In his second reading speech, the Minister for Urban Infrastructure and Cities, Paul Fletcher, said the Road Vehicle Standards Bills are designed to maintain and improve vehicle safety while expanding consumer choice and reducing red tape.

This legislation will replace the existing Motor Vehicle Standards Act which has been in place for nearly thirty years and was written at a time when much of today's vehicle technology was not available.

The new legislation, which is set to come into effect from 2019, is designed to better protect the community, provide more choice for specialist and enthusiast vehicles and be responsive to emerging technologies.

The Minister said these reforms will save businesses more than \$68 million a year in regulatory compliance costs which are estimated at \$250 million per year under the current legislative framework.

The Bills will also give the responsible Minister strong powers to mandate the recall of vehicles if serious safety issues arise. The powers will apply to all road vehicles supplied in Australia, whether for private or commercial use, providing the Commonwealth Government with the necessary powers to uphold national safety standards.

SafeWork Australia Issues Stevedoring Code

A code of practice, 'Managing risks in stevedoring', has been developed by Safe Work Australia to address the high rate of accidents and injuries in the stevedoring industry.

It is expected the code will improve safety standards by providing businesses with practical guidance on how to comply with their current duties under the work health and safety laws.

The code of practice commenced in NSW on 15 December and can be downloaded from: <http://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/news/notice/new-code-of-practice-for-managing-risks-in-stevedoring>.

Contract Awarded to Upgrade Busy Beresfield Intersection

Adapted from joint Media Release Minister for Urban Infrastructure and Cities, Paul Fletcher, Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, Melinda Pavey, and NSW Parliamentary Secretary for Planning, the Central Coast and the Hunter, 2 February, 2018

A construction contract to upgrade the intersection of Weakleys Dri and John Renshaw Dr Beresfield has been awarded to Georgiou Group Pty Ltd.

Federal Minister for Urban Infrastructure and Cities Paul Fletcher said the project was one of three on the M1 Pacific Motorway as part of an overall \$391.6 million package, jointly funded by the Turnbull and Berejiklian Governments, to provide a safer and more reliable motorway for all motorists.

"This project will expand traffic capacity by replacing the existing roundabout with traffic lights and increasing the number of lanes," Mr Fletcher said.

New South Wales Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight Melinda Pavey said she was looking forward to the completion of the broader M1 Pacific Motorway upgrade.

“Work is set to start over coming months and expected to be complete in 2019, weather permitting,” Mrs Pavey said.

“This section of road supports a huge volume of freight traffic, and we can expect freight movements to grow between the Central and North coasts in coming years.”

New South Wales Parliamentary Secretary for Planning, the Central Coast and the Hunter, Scot MacDonald, said that over 70,000 motorists use the M1 Pacific Motorway each day, including 7,000 trucks.

M5 Motorway – Changed Traffic Conditions Imminent

Changed traffic conditions will be implemented on the M5 Motorway at Kingsgrove, as work continues on WestConnex.

Changes include:

- From 1 March, eastbound traffic will be moved onto a new section of road between Kingsgrove Rd and King Georges Rd.
- From early the week commencing 5 March (weather permitting), westbound traffic will be moved onto a new section of road between King Georges Rd and Kingsgrove Rd.

The speed limit of 80km/h will not change. Drivers should stay alert, follow signs and drive with care.

Changes will remain in place until 2019.

For more information, please visit www.westconnex.com.au/traffic.

Infrastructure Update

Significant infrastructure milestones achieved since 1 February include the introduction of extended clearways, weather permitting, are proposed on:

- Pacific Highway from Fullers Rd, Chatswood to Gore Hill Freeway, Artarmon in both directions from 6am to 7pm Monday to Friday and 9am to 6pm on weekends and public holidays from Monday, 5 March.
 - Old Windsor Road from M7 Motorway, Glenwood to Hart Drive, Constitution Hill in both directions. Clearway to operate at all times.
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Road Works Update

The following road works may impact your operations:

Suburb/Town	Road	Date/s	Work Times
Alexandria	Changed traffic conditions on Euston Rd from Sydney Park Rd to Maddox St. Lanes closed in and road closure at Maddox St. Detour via Huntley St and Bourke Rd. No parking northbound.	Till mid-2018	
Auburn	Parramatta Rd from Duck St to Harbord St	7/1-29/3/18	9pm-5am Sun-Fri
Banksia	Princes Hwy from Banksia Ave to Terry St	12/2-11/5/18	8pm-5am Sun-Fri
Banksmeadow	Botany Rd from Stephen Rd to Foreshore Rd	26/11/17-20/4/18	8pm-5am Sun-Fri
Bankstown	Canterbury Rd at Clements Ave intersection	18/2-5/4/18	9.30pm-4am Sun-Thu
Bexley	Forest Rd from Stoney Creek Rd to Wollongong Rd	Until 29/6/18	9pm-5am Sun-Fri
Blakehurst	Princes Hwy from Woniora Rd to Dwyer La	18/2-5/4/18	9.30pm-4am Sun-Thu

Botany	Botany Rd at Lord St intersection	18/2-26/4/18	9.30pm-4am Sun-Thu
Bradbury-St Helens Park	Appin Road from The Parkway to St Helens Park Reserve	1/3-20/4/18	8pm-5am Sun-Fri
Caringbah	Intersection Captain Cook Dr, Taren Point Rd and The Boulevarde	7/1-4/3/18	9pm-5am Sun-Fri
Colo Heights	Putty Rd from Wheelbarrow Ridge Rd to Pierces Valley Trail	12/2-30/3/18	7am-5pm Mon-Fri 8am-1pm Sat
Enfield	Liverpool Rd from Barton St to Telopea Ave.	18/2-5/4/18	9.30pm-4am Sun-Thu
Fairfield	Woodville Rd from Fairfield St to Minmai Rd	7/1-13/4/18	8pm-5am Sun-Fri
Fairfield East	Woodville Rd from Blackford St to Malta St	18/2-20/4/18	8pm-5am Sun-Fri
Foxground-Berry	Princes Hay from Toolijooa Rd to Hitchcock La	Till 1/6/18	7am-6pm Mon-Fri 8am-1pm Sat
Glenwood to Constitution Hill	Old Windsor Road from M7 Motorway to Hart Dr	12/3-18/3/18	8pm-5am Mon-Sun
Gordon-Pymble	Pacific Hwy, from Merriwa St Gordon to Pymble Ave, Pymble	20/2-3/4/18	9pm-5am Sun-Fri 7am-5pm Mon-Fri 9am-1pm Sat
Greenacre	Roberts Road northbound and southbound, from Norfolk Rd to Shannon St	18/2-5/4/18	9.30pm-4am Sun-Thu
	Roberts Road northbound and southbound, from Hewitt St to Rawson Rd	18/2-5/4/18	9.30pm-4am Sun-Thu
Homebush-Haberfield	Various locations on Parramatta Rd. Includes lane closures and road closures at some intersections.	Till early 2019	
Kensington	Southern Cross Drive from Lenthall St to Trevilyan Ave	8/2-29/7/18	7am-6pm Mon-Fri 9pm-5am Sun-Fri
Kogarah	Princes Hwy from Rocky Point Rd to Gray St	23/2-5/3/18	8pm-7am Sun-Fri
Landsdowne	Hume Hwy westbound from Henry Lawson Dr to Prospect Creek	18/3-4/5/18	9pm-5am Sun-Fri
Landsdowne	Hume Hwy, intersection, Henry Lawson Dr and Woodville Rd	4/3-31/5/18	9pm-5am Sun-Fri
McGrath's Hill	From 150m south of Mulgrave Rd to 300m north of Pitt Town Rd	18/3-4/5/18	8pm-5am Sun-Fri
Mascot	Gardeners Rd from Kent Rd to O'Riordan St. Gardeners Rd, eastbound traffic reduced to one lane from Kent Rd to O'Riordan St. One left hand turning lane from Gardeners Rd onto Bourke Rd eastbound will remain open. Right hand turn from Gardeners Rd westbound onto Bourke Rd removed. Drivers can turn right at O'Riordan St to access Bourke Rd. Access to all nearby businesses will be maintained during the works.	Till early 2020	
Mascot/Botany – Airport East project	Botany Rd, Mill Pond Dr, Wentworth Ave, Hardie St, Beresford St, General Holmes Dr and Joyce Dr	Ongoing	7am-6pm Mon-Fri 8am-1pm Sat 9am-5pm 5 nights/week 1pm-6pm Sat – new rail bridge site near Botany Rd only
Naremburn	Warringah Fwy at Brook St	14/2-28/3/18	8pm-5am Sun-Fri
Newtown	King St from Enmore Rd to Sydney Park Rd.	15/1-27/6/18	9pm-5am Sun-Fri Generally Mon and Tue.
Pymble-Turrumurra	Pacific Hwy from Pymble Ave, Pymble to Kissing Point Rd, Turrumurra	21/2/18-4/4/18	9pm-5am Sun-Fri 7am-5pm Mon-Fri 9am-1pm Sat
Revesby Heights	Henry Lawson Dr, over Little Salt Pan Creek	30/1-31/7/18	7am-6pm Mon-Fri 8am-1pm Sat
Roselands	Canterbury Rd at Fairview Ave intersection	18/2-5/4/18	9.30pm-4am Sun-Thu
Ryde	Intersection Victoria Rd and Bowden St	27/2-15/3/18	8pm-5am Sun-Thu
Smithfield	Smithfield Rd from Neville St to Long St .	7/3-4/4/18	8pm-5am Sun-Fri
Surry Hills	Cleveland St from Chalmers St to George St	18/2-29/3/18	9.30pm-4am Sun-Thu
Tuggerah-Doyalson	M1 Pacific Motorway northbound from Tuggerah to Doyalson at Wyong River. Heavy vehicles should follow road signs and remain in the left lane. Both lanes will provide access to the northbound Service Centre. Speed limit 80 km/h.	30/1-28/3/18	

Warrimoo	Great Western Hwy from Greens Rd to Wilson Way	21/2-2/5/18	9pm-5am Sun-Fri
Wentworthville	Jersey Rd (Cumberland Hwy) M4 overpass.	31/1-14/3/18	9pm-5am Sun-Fri
Yagoona-Potts Hill	Rookwood Rd from McMillan St Yagoona to William Holmes St Potts Hill	25/2-27/4/18	8pm-5am Sun-Fri

ARTIO NSW Events

ARTIO NSW will hold the following event in March:

- Wednesday, 13 March – Breakfast Briefing, Breakfast Point Country Club, 72 Village Dr, Breakfast Point – *Understanding the Labour Market in the Transport and Logistics Sector*, Guest Speakers Bob Olivier, Director, HRO2 Research, Harry Pavlidis, General Manager, Sales, Labourforce Impex Personnel.

Further information is available from the ARTIO NSW secretariat, contact Hugh McMaster, tel: 0412 880861, email; hughmc@artionsw.com.au

TWUSuper Employer News, February 2018

Single Touch Payroll on the Way

Single Touch Payroll is a new Government reporting requirement taking effect from 1 July 2018 for employers with 20 or more employees. It will affect reporting for:

- salaries and wages
- PAYG withholding
- superannuation.

These payments will need to be reported to the ATO from an employer's payroll solution at the same time employees are paid. TWUSUPER can walk you through the changes as more information becomes available - see twusuper.com.au/payroll

You can also stay up to date by following us on LinkedIn for updates at [linkedin.com/company/twusuper](https://www.linkedin.com/company/twusuper)

TWU Nominees Pty Ltd ABN 67 002 835 412, AFSL 239163, is the trustee of TWUSUPER ABN 77 343 563 307 and the issuer of interests in it.

Super Guarantee Payment Due 28 April

The Super Guarantee payment for the quarter ended 31 March should be paid by 28 April 2018 to avoid a possible late payment charge imposed by the ATO. Employer Access users can login to twusuper.com.au/ea to arrange payment.

If you need help, call TWUSUPER on **1800 241 877** between 8am and 8pm (AEST/AEDT) weekdays.

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Economic and Industry Indicators

Indicator/Source ¹	As at	Unit of Measure	Quantity	Annual % Variation
GDP latest quarter (ABS)	Sep Qtr 2017	\$m	430,571	2.4
CPI (ABS)	Dec Qtr 2017	Per cent		1.9

¹ ABS – Australian Bureau of Statistics; RBA – Reserve Bank of Australia; AIP – Australian Institute of Petroleum; TIC – Truck Industry Council/'Prime Mover' latest issue.

Cash rate (RBA)	Current	Per cent	1.5	
Estimated residential population (ABS)	28 Feb 2018	Million	24,844	1.9
Retail turnover (ABS)	Dec 2017	\$m	26,170	2.0
Actual new capital expenditure (ABS)	Sep Qtr 2017	\$m	29,363	2.1
Inventories held by private business (ABS)	Sep 2017	\$m	156,946	1.5
Dwelling unit approvals (ABS)	Dec 2017	Number	18,309	3.3
Manufacturers Income (ABS)	Sep 2017	\$m	81,854	0.1
TEUs Port Botany (NSW Ports)	6 months ending Dec 2017	Number	1,344,388	8.7
Employed persons (ABS)	Jan 2018	Million	12,447	3.3
Unemployment rate(ABS)	Jan 2018	Percentage	5.5	-0.3
Wage price Index (ABS)	Dec Qtr 2017	Per cent		
All employees				2.1
Transport, postal and warehousing				1.6
New motor vehicle sales (ABS)	Dec 2017	Number	99,756	2.8
Cab Chassis/Prime Mover Sales (TIC)	month ending Jan 2018	Number	1,838	27.5
Vans (TIC)	month ending Jan 2018	Number	389	-18.5
AIP Terminal Gate Price-Diesel-Sydney	27 Feb 2018	Cents/litre incl. GST	122.7	

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