



COVID-19 INFORMATION FOR WHĀNAU LIVING IN AUSTRALIA

\$130 BILLION GOVERNMENT RELIEF PACKAGE

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On 30 March 2020, the Australian Government announced a \$130 billion package to help alleviate the significant economic impacts from Coronavirus. Employees will receive a flat payment of \$1500 per fortnight through their employer, before tax.

An important point to note is that this package is for employers (not employees). This means that employers must apply for relief before employees will be eligible to receive the \$1500 fortnightly payment.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

For whānau who are either employers or employees in Australia, the following criteria must be met in order to be eligible for the payment:

Eligible Employers	Eligible Employees
<p>Employers will be eligible for the subsidy if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• their business has a turnover of less than \$1 billion and their turnover will be reduced by more than 30 per cent relative to a comparable period a year ago (of at least a month); or• their business has a turnover of \$1 billion or more and their turnover will be reduced by more than 50 per cent relative to a comparable period a year ago (of at least a month); and• the business is not subject to the Major Bank Levy.• The employer must have been in an employment relationship with eligible employees as at 1 March 2020, and confirm that each eligible employee is	<p>Eligible employees are employees who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• are currently employed by the eligible employer (including those stood down or re-hired);• were employed by the employer at 1 March 2020;• are full-time, part-time, or long-term casuals (a casual employed on a regular basis for longer than 12 months as at 1 March 2020);• are at least 16 years of age;• are an Australian citizen, the holder of a permanent visa, a Protected Special Category Visa Holder, a non-protected Special Category Visa Holder who has been residing continually in Australia for 10 years or more, or a Special



currently engaged in order to receive JobKeeper Payments. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Not-for-profit entities (including charities) and self-employed individuals (businesses without employees) that meet the turnover tests that apply for businesses are eligible to apply for JobKeeper Payments.	Category (Subclass 444) Visa Holder; and <ul style="list-style-type: none">• are not in receipt of a JobKeeper Payment from another employer.
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APPLICATION PROCESS

For whānau who are employers, the application process is as follows:

- The employer/business must apply.
- Businesses with employees register their interest in applying for the JobKeeper Payment via ato.gov.au from 30 March 2020.
- After this, eligible employers will be able to apply for the scheme by means of an online application.
- The first payment will be received by employers from the ATO in the first week of May.
- Businesses without employees, such as the self-employed, can register their interest in applying for JobKeeper Payment via ato.gov.au from 30 March 2020.

USEFUL WEBSITE LINKS

For further information, please refer to the following links:

Link for Employers	https://treasury.gov.au/sites/default/files/2020-04/Fact sheet Info for Employers.pdf
Link for Employees	https://treasury.gov.au/sites/default/files/2020-04/Fact sheet Info for Employees.pdf



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FEDERAL INFORMATION

USEFUL WEBSITE LINKS

COVID-19	www.australia.gov.au
Centrelink	www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/individuals/centrelink
Federal Government Updates	www.pm.gov.au/media
Economic Response	www.treasury.gov.au/coronavirus
Job Seeker Information	www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/individuals/services/centrelink/job-seeker-payment

FINANCIAL ADVICE AND SUPPORT

COVID-19 Economic Support Payment	One off lump sum payment of \$750 (paid from 31 March)	www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/individuals/news/750-one-economic-support-payment
COVID-19 Affected Person(s)	For people who cannot work due to self-isolation	www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/individuals/subjects/affected-coronavirus-covid-19/if-you-need-payment-coronavirus-covid-19
COVID-19 Job Seekers	Major Personal Crisis Exemption for 14 days	www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/individuals/subjects/affected-coronavirus-covid-19/if-you-already-get-payment-from-us-coronavirus-covid-19/job-seekers-coronavirus-covid-19



COVID-19 Small and Medium Businesses	Support for: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sole Traders without Employees• Employers• Companies• Apprentices and Trainees	www.business.gov.au
COVID-19 Safe Work Australia	Advice for Employers	www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au/doc/coronavirus-covid-19-advice-employers

KEY CONTACT DETAILS

COVID-19 Federal Government Information	www.australia.gov.au	COVID-19 Federal Government Information
Centrelink	Due to high call volumes and long wait times, it is recommended to use Centrelink's self-service options: www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/individuals/subjects/self-service	Centrelink
Business Australia Contact Centre	13 28 46	Business Australia Contact Centre



STATE INFORMATION – NEW SOUTH WALES GOVERNMENT

USEFUL WEBSITE LINKS

COVID-19 information relating to NSW	https://preview.nsw.gov.au/covid-19
Support for businesses and workers – this includes information in relation to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Non-essential activities and businesses• Employees• Organisations, workplaces and employers• SafeWork NSW advice• Health and community service providers• Hotels and other accommodation facilities	https://preview.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/businesses-and-employees
Help with the cost of living	www.service.nsw.gov.au/campaign/cost-living

KEY CONTACT DETAILS

NSW Government	13 77 88	Mon – Fri, 7am – 7pm
National Coronavirus Health Information Line	1800 020 080	Mon – Sun, 24 hours
Helpline for businesses in NSW	13 28 46	Mon – Fri, 7am – 7pm



STATE INFORMATION – QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT

USEFUL WEBSITE LINKS

COVID-19 information relating to QLD	www.qld.gov.au/health/conditions/health-alerts/coronavirus-covid-19
Economic relief package and business and industry support	www.qld.gov.au/about/industry-recovery/about-this-package
Find support – this includes information in relation to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Health advice• Practical support• Mental health support• National Disability Insurance scheme and aged care clients• Other support services	www.qld.gov.au/health/conditions/health-alerts/coronavirus-covid-19/find-the-facts/support

KEY CONTACT DETAILS

Queensland Government	13 74 68	
National Coronavirus Health Information Line	1800 020 080	Mon – Sun, 24 hours
Small business hotline support QLD	1300 654 687	



STATE INFORMATION – WESTERN AUSTRALIA GOVERNMENT

USEFUL WEBSITE LINKS

COVID-19 information relating to WA	www.wa.gov.au/government/coronavirus-covid-19
Business and industry advice – this includes information in relation to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Support for small and medium sized businesses• General advice for employers• Business or industry communications from State Government	www.wa.gov.au/organisation/department-of-the-premier-and-cabinet/coronavirus-covid-19-business-and-industry-advice
Community advice	www.wa.gov.au/organisation/department-of-the-premier-and-cabinet/coronavirus-covid-19-community-advice

KEY CONTACT DETAILS

National Coronavirus Health Information Line	1800 020 080	Mon – Sun, 24 hours
Small business support WA	13 31 40	Mon – Fri, 8:30am - 4:30pm



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STATE INFORMATION – VICTORIA GOVERNMENT

USEFUL WEBSITE LINKS

COVID-19 information relating to VIC	www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus
Business sector advice	www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/business-sector-coronavirus-disease-covid-19
Health services and general practice advice	www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/health-services-and-general-practitioners-coronavirus-disease-covid-19
Education sector advice	www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/information-education-sector-coronavirus-disease-covid-19

KEY CONTACT DETAILS

National Coronavirus Health Information Line	1800 020 080	Mon – Sun, 24 hours
Business hotline VIC	13 22 15	



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STATE INFORMATION – SOUTH AUSTRALIA GOVERNMENT

USEFUL WEBSITE LINKS

COVID-19 information relating to SA	www.sa.gov.au/covid-19
Business information and support	https://www.sa.gov.au/topics/business-and-trade/running-a-business/preparing-a-business-continuity-plan

KEY CONTACT DETAILS

National Coronavirus Health Information Line	1800 020 080	Mon – Sun, 24 hours
Small business contact service SA	1300 142 820	



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STATE INFORMATION – AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY GOVERNMENT

USEFUL WEBSITE LINKS

COVID-19 information relating to ACT	www.health.act.gov.au/about-our-health-system/novel-coronavirus-covid-19
Businesses and workplaces	www.health.act.gov.au/about-our-health-system/novel-coronavirus-covid-19/businesses-and-workplaces

KEY CONTACT DETAILS

National Coronavirus Health Information Line	1800 020 080	Mon – Sun, 24 hours
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STATE INFORMATION – NORTHERN TERRITORY GOVERNMENT

USEFUL WEBSITE LINKS

COVID-19 information relating to NT	www.coronavirus.nt.gov.au/
Business information and support	www.coronavirus.nt.gov.au/community-advice/business

KEY CONTACT DETAILS

National Coronavirus Health Information Line	1800 020 080	Mon – Sun, 24 hours
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STATE INFORMATION – TASMANIA

USEFUL WEBSITE LINKS

COVID-19 information relating to TAS	www.dhhs.tas.gov.au/publichealth/communicable_diseases_prevention_unit/infectious_diseases/coronavirus
Economic relief package and business and industry support	www.business.tas.gov.au/coronavirus_information www.business.tas.gov.au/news
Household support package	www.stategrowth.tas.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0011/226379/Stimulus_Packages-Household - COVID-19 Fact Sheet.pdf
Find support – this includes information in relation to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Health advice• Practical support• Other support services	www.stategrowth.tas.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0020/226901/Self-isolation_for_people_who_are_not_sick - COVID-19 Fact Sheet.pdf www.health.tas.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0007/396268/Self Assessment Tool - COVID-19 Fact Sheet.pdf www.stategrowth.tas.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0008/226898/Guide to social distancing - COVID-19 Fact Sheet.pdf www.stategrowth.tas.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0017/226007/Protecting Yourself - COVID-19 Fact Sheet.pdf

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National Coronavirus Health Information Line	1800 020 080	Mon – Sun, 24 hours
Public Health Hotline	1800 671 738	
Business Tasmania Hotline	1800 400 026	