

2022-23 Budget Presentation

Public Accounts and Estimates Committee

The Hon Daniel Andrews MP

Premier of Victoria

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Putting patients first



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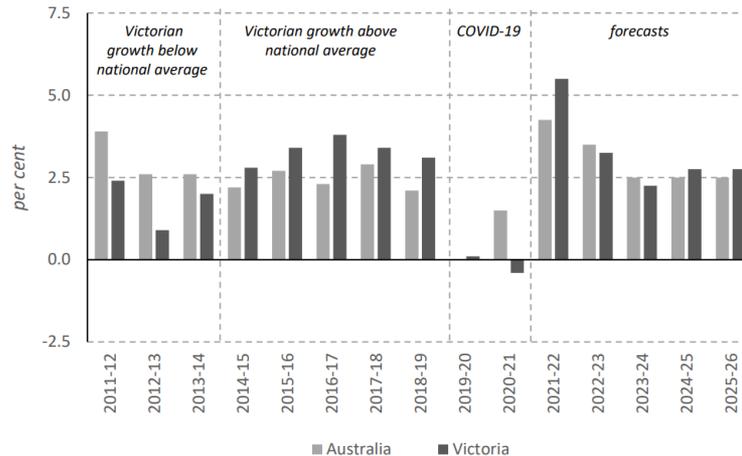
Victoria's economic recovery

Victoria has returned to an operating cash surplus

The four-step fiscal strategy

- ✓ 1 creating jobs, reducing unemployment and restoring economic growth
- 2 returning to an operating cash surplus
- ✓ 3 returning to operating surpluses
- 4 stabilising debt levels
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Real economic growth, actual and forecast



Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics; Department of Treasury and Finance; Commonwealth Treasury

Pandemic Repair Plan

\$12 billion for Victoria's health system to support pandemic recovery

COVID Catch-Up

- **\$1.5 billion** to increase surgical activity beyond pre-pandemic levels

Supporting our health workers

- **\$124m** to get more paramedics on the road

Aged care in regional areas

- **\$146m** to build three new aged care facilities

\$2.9 billion in health infrastructure, including:

- **\$900m** for the new **Melton Hospital**
- **\$500m** for the **Barwon Women's and Children's Hospital**

Increasing Triple Zero capacity

- **\$333m** to add nearly **400 new staff** for call taking and dispatch capacity

▶ **\$2.4 billion** for more emergency staff to support new wards as they open and **\$4.2 billion** for our ongoing pandemic response.

Creating decent, secure jobs

The Government is on track to reach the *Job's Plan* target of 400,000 jobs by 2025.

Sick Pay Guarantee

- **\$246m** for piloting to support casual and insecure workers in selected industries who do not otherwise receive sick or carer's pay

Wage theft laws

- **\$6m** to continue the operations of Wage Inspectorate Victoria to fight wage theft in Victoria



The budget builds on **more than \$13b** in COVID-19 related support provided to businesses since March 2020.

Building a world-class education system

\$1.8 billion investment in building schools and upgrades for schools where our kids don't just learn, they excel

New schools and upgrades

- **\$581m** to build **13 new schools**, and funding to complete additional stages at four schools
- **\$560m** to upgrade **65 schools** including **\$326m for 36 special schools**

Excellence in education

- **\$69m** to expand the **Head Start** apprenticeships and traineeships program

Early years investment

- **\$131m** to continue **four-year-old kindergarten** services

 Total investment in improving and building new schools is more than **\$12.8 billion**

Building Victoria's future by investing in Victorian jobs and industry

Supporting Victorian industry

- **\$120m Victorian Industry Fund** prioritises areas of strategic importance to Victoria's recovery, generating new investment and jobs

Skilling Victorians

- **\$83m** to support and strengthen **TAFEs** as they transition to a new funding model

▶ This budget invests **\$20m to support trade** and identify opportunities for Victorian businesses as borders reopen across the world.

Commonwealth Games: Victoria 2026



\$2.6 billion investment to bring the 2026 Commonwealth Games to Victoria's regions

Four regional hubs to be established in:

- Geelong
- Bendigo
- Ballarat
- Gippsland

Tourists – and their dollars – will be welcomed across regional Victoria with:

- Shepparton confirmed to host events and other venues currently under consideration
- Other regional towns and cities are able to register their interest in hosting activities as part of the Games

Getting Victorians home sooner and safer

Investments in roads and rail and removing level crossings, so Victorians can get home sooner and safer

Better, safer roads

- **\$780m** in 2022/23 on maintenance works for metropolitan and regional roads
- **\$213m** for the **Mickleham Road 1.6km** road upgrade
- **\$126m** in metropolitan road upgrades
- **\$101m** in regional road upgrades

Improving public transport

- **\$265m** for new and upgraded trains and trams
- **\$250m** for 12 new VLocity trains

By 2025, **85 dangerous and congested level crossings will be removed**, with 68 to be removed by the end of 2022



Significant reform and investment to promote equality, tackle disadvantage and improve fairness

Victoria's First Peoples

- **\$151m** for Victoria's treaty process

Tailored homelessness support

- **\$75m** to provide tailored homelessness support, including focusing on early intervention and sustainable housing

\$504m for early intervention initiatives including:

- Expansion of the **Navigator program**, helping an additional 1,400 severely disengaged young people to reconnect with learning

Helping families

\$513m for services that support vulnerable children and family violence victim survivors

\$272m to support for vulnerable children, including

- **\$85m** for residential care and to continue the **Care Hub** program
- **\$58m** to support up to 1,000 additional vulnerable families

\$241m for ending family violence, including:

- **\$69m** to continue funding for family violence refuges
- **\$43m** for family violence services

 The Government has invested **\$2.9b** to protect children and help keep vulnerable families together since the 2019/20 Budget.

Building strong communities

Investments in a range of initiatives to support and strengthen Victorian communities

Community sport and parks

- **\$88m** to meet demand for local sport and active recreation infrastructure

A fair go for people with a disability

- **\$15m** investment in the State Disability Plan

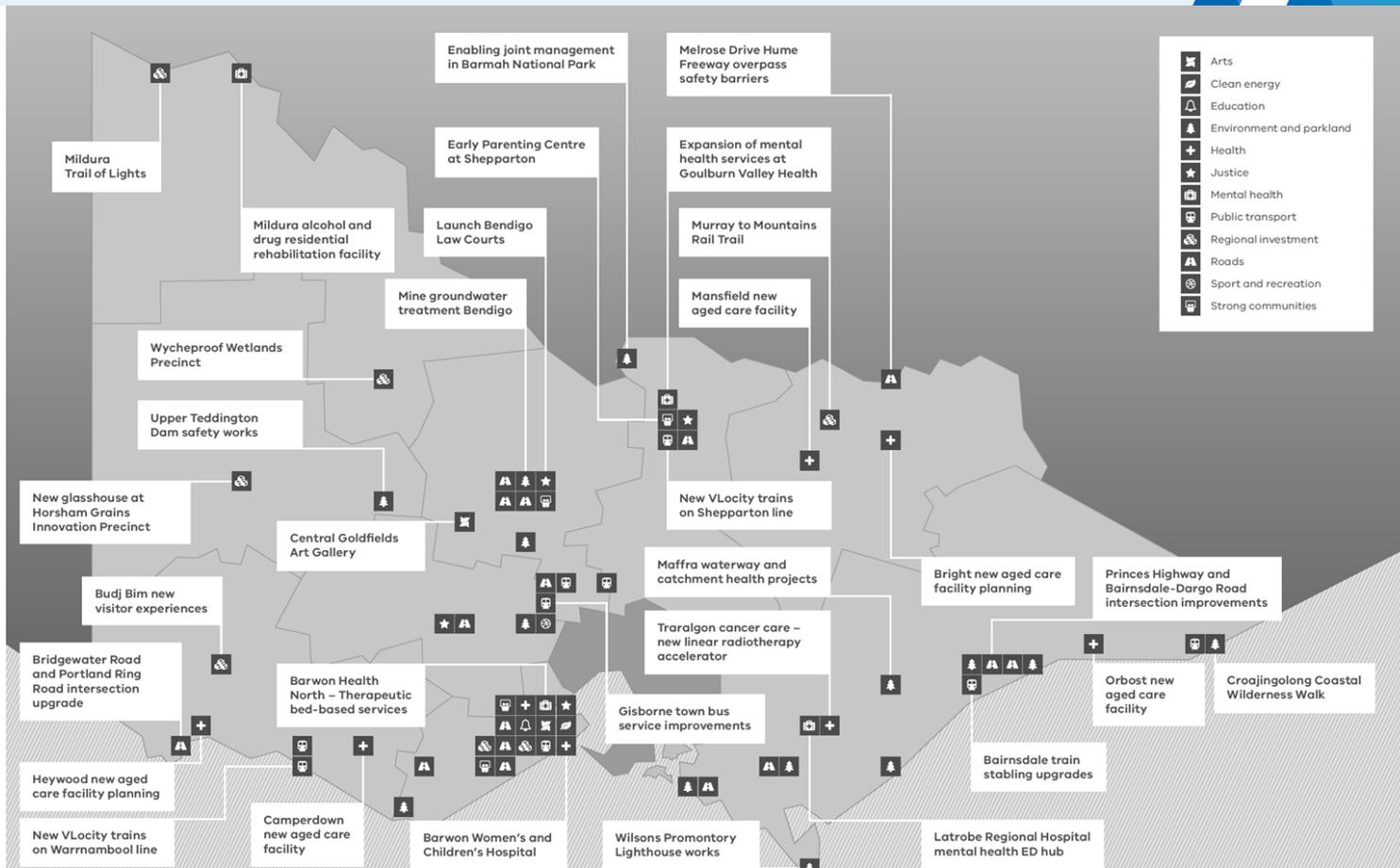
Emergency response

- **\$342m** for an additional **502** police and **50** Protective Service Officers

Environmental protection

- **\$57m** to invest in projects that support more efficient use of water supply

Investing in every corner of the State



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Total new REGIONAL output and asset funding announced in each budget since 2011-12

