

10 YEARS OF **JACINTA ALLAN** AND LABOR



And you're
paying the price.

November 2014 - November 2024

**Victorians are paying the
price for 10 years of Labor.**

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A RECORD OF FAILURE



Jacinta Allan has been either Premier, Deputy Premier or a Cabinet Minister in Victoria for the last 10 years. Jacinta Allan's consistent record of failure over the last 10 years has seen Victoria lag behind other states.

- Jacinta Allan and Labor:**
- ❌ **Can't manage money,**
 - ❌ **Can't manage hospitals or projects, and**
 - ❌ **You and your family are paying the price.**

No reason to celebrate

For 10 years, Jacinta Allan has held senior positions in the Victorian Labor Government. For 10 years, she has consistently failed to deliver on her commitments to Victorians.

Jacinta Allan has been at the centre of Victoria's political landscape for a decade. As a Minister, Deputy Premier, and now Premier of Victoria – Jacinta Allan presided over a litany of mismanagement, failures and scandals that have crippled Victoria.

Jacinta Allan can't manage your money. Victoria's debt has skyrocketed to \$187.8 billion, with Victorians left to pay for record cost blowouts on major projects that don't stack up.

The wasteful Suburban Rail Loop – the most expensive and least transparent project in Victoria's history – is estimated to cost Victorians a staggering \$216 billion – offering a return of just 60 cents for every dollar spent.

The Metro Tunnel, West Gate Tunnel and North East Link have all suffered massive cost overruns, while regional Victorians have been left stranded with decaying transport services and crumbling roads.

The Commonwealth Games debacle, for which Jacinta Allan was solely responsible, cost taxpayers \$589 million, only for the event to be cancelled in an embarrassing backflip that left Victorians paying for the Glasgow Games.

Our health system is in crisis, with ambulance ramping and underfunded hospitals. Victorians have been left without critical care while health services are under threat of amalgamation.

On top of these failures, Allan's Labor Government has saddled Victorians with 56 new or increased taxes since 2014, driving up the cost of living during a time when families can least afford it.

Families suffer under skyrocketing energy bills due to Labor's flawed approach to energy and their ideological ban on gas.

Home owners and renters have seen a housing crisis due to Labor's nation 'leading' property taxes.

Youth crime has soared by nearly 29% over the last decade, and instead of protecting Victorians, Labor has weakened the justice system, leaving dangerous offenders on our streets.

After 10 years of Jacinta Allan and Labor, the damage to Victoria is clear - and you are paying the price.

It's time to end their record of failure.



Tell us how Labor has failed you over the last 10 years.

Since 2014
Jacinta Allan
has held very senior
roles in the
Labor Government,
including major
projects, Deputy
Premier and now
as Premier.



Jacinta Allan's failures as a Minister

- 1. Rotten Appointments:** Allan appointed disgraced Labor MP John Lenders to VicTrack. He resigned amid scandal.
- 2. Homes Demolished:** Allan locked in the compulsorily acquisition of homes for the Melbourne Metro project without a business case.
- 3. VLine Debacle:** Under Allan's oversight, VLine's failures crippled regional transport, with major service disruptions.
- 4. SkyRail Disaster:** Broken promises led to rail over local communities, without proper consultation or impact studies.
- 5. Public Safety Failures:** The 24-hour public transport trial cost blew out by 66%, while leaving major train stations unsafe at night.

Jacinta Allan's failures as Deputy Premier

- 1. COVID Crisis:** Allan saw Melbourne become the most locked-down city in the world.
- 2. Infrastructure Cost Overruns:** Massive project blowouts, including the \$4.7 billion blowout on the West Gate Tunnel, happened under her watch.
- 3. Tax Splurge:** Contributed to Labor's horror 2023 Budget which heaped new and increased taxes on Victorians.
- 4. Health Failures:** Ambulance ramping and chronic underfunding of hospitals worsened during her tenure as Deputy Premier.
- 5. Commonwealth Games Blowout:** Allan knew the Commonwealth Games cost had blown out by \$2 billion but hid it for months.

Jacinta Allan's failures as Premier

- 1. Suburban Rail Loop Fiasco:** The SRL has blown out to \$216 billion, offering only 60 cents in benefits per Victorians' dollar spent.
- 2. CFMEU Collusion:** Allan failed to take action against CFMEU corruption on Big Build sites, costing taxpayers billions in project overruns.
- 3. Youth Crime Surge:** Allan has overseen a 20% rise in youth crime in one year, with boys aged 11 seeing a 42% increase.
- 4. Road Neglect:** Slashed road maintenance funding, leaving 91% of Victorian roads in poor or very poor condition.
- 5. Health Tax on GPs:** Developed a tax which would have closed GP clinics, increased out-of-pocket costs for patients and reduced bulk billing.

THE HIGHEST TAXED STATE

After a decade of Labor, Victorians have already been hit by 56 new or increased taxes, each one putting more pressure on family budgets and businesses during a cost-of-living crisis. Labor can't manage money and Victorians are paying the price.

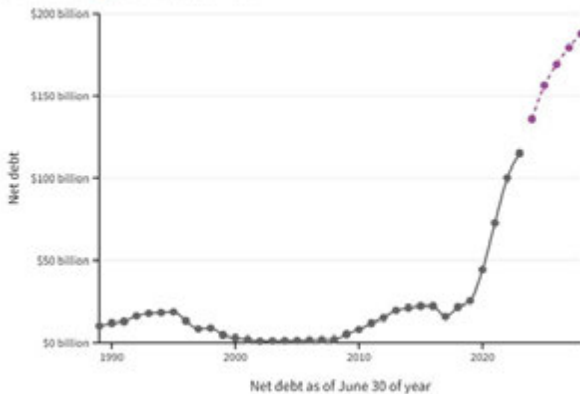
Out of control State Debt

In 2014, Victoria's debt stood at \$22.3 billion. After 10 years of mismanagement by Labor, that figure has exploded, and by 2028, Victoria is on track to hit \$187.8 billion - a staggering 742% increase. Under Jacinta Allan and Labor, Victoria is drowning in debt, with no believable plan to reverse this trend. This reckless fiscal policy is burdening future generations of Victorians, who will be left to pay the bill for decades to come. Allan's inability to manage the state's finances has driven Victoria to the brink of financial ruin.

Unsustainable interest burden

In 2014, Victorians were paying \$2.2 billion in interest on state debt. By 2028, that figure will balloon to \$9.4 billion - more than \$26 million every single day and over \$1 million per hour. This 327% increase in interest payments means that less money is available for essential services like health, education, and infrastructure. Jacinta Allan's Labor government is spending more on servicing debt than on providing the services that Victorians rely on, further jeopardising the state's future.

■ Historical data ■ 2024-25 budget estimates



Net Debt in Victoria over time

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics (1987 to 1991 data), Department of Treasury and Finance (1992 onwards).

THE AGE
07/05/2024

Crushing tax regime

Labor has introduced 56 new or increased taxes since 2014, hitting Victorians where it hurts the most. Families, renters, small businesses, schools, and health services are all paying more under Jacinta Allan's tax-and-spend agenda. This crushing tax burden is stifling growth, making it harder for every Victorian to get ahead.

Collapsing small business sector

Under Labor, business confidence in Victoria has plummeted. Between 2023 and 2024 alone, a staggering 152,650 small businesses shut their doors. Allan's Labor Government has failed to create an environment where small businesses can thrive, leading to widespread closures and job losses.

Lagging property sector

Victoria's property sector is in crisis. Labor collects \$21.5 billion in property taxes annually, driving investors away. Investor confidence in Victoria is so low that they are more likely to invest in every other Australian state before considering Victoria.

Jacinta Allan and Labor's mismanagement and reckless spending has given Victoria the biggest debt of any state - and Victorians are paying the price with 56 new or increased taxes.



DEBT:
\$187.8 billion



INTEREST REPAYMENTS:
\$9.4 billion, which equals \$26 million per day or more than \$1 million per hour



TAXES:
Introduced the Schools Tax, the Holiday and Tourism Tax and increased land tax and increased payroll tax.



TAX GRAB:
\$45 billion



PAYROLL TAX:
\$11.7 billion



LAND TAX:
\$9.3 billion

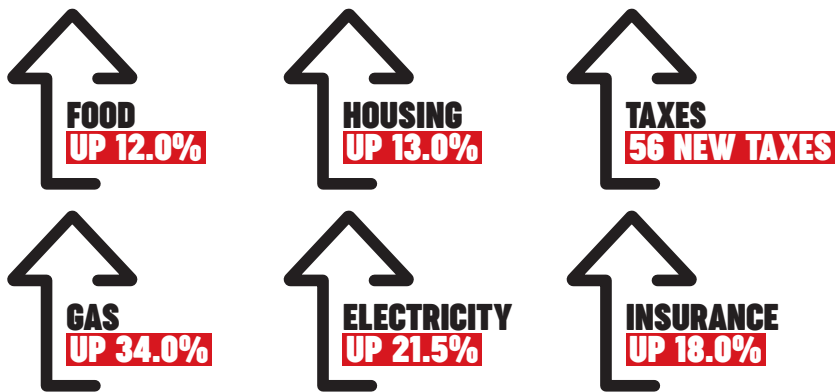


STAMP DUTY:
\$10.2 billion

Debt and daily interest figures projected for 2027/2028.

COST OF LIVING CRISIS

Victorian families are struggling under Labor's escalating taxes, rising bills, and out-of-control debt. Under Jacinta Allan's leadership, the cost-of-living has surged, leaving hardworking Victorians worse off. Labor has no plan to ease the burden.



Sources: ABS, Consumer Price Index May and Sept 2024, Essential Services Commission

Victorian families are doing it tough

Victorian families are facing yet another tough year, and it's all because Labor lacks a plan to tackle the cost-of-living crisis or address the ballooning debt that will burden generations to come. Under Jacinta Allan's leadership, Labor has made life more difficult for hardworking Victorians.

Households are falling behind

High inflation, rising interest rates and bigger tax bills means Victorian families have suffered their biggest financial hit in more than 30 years, dragging households backwards at the fastest pace in the nation.

Over the last decade under Labor, real household disposable income growth has been negative (-3.63%), this means that Victorian families are able to buy less today.

The Allan Labor Government's 2024 State Budget delivered yet another blow, further exacerbating the financial strain on families.

In a double whammy for household budgets, Jacinta Allan's Government

hiked both the fire services and waste management levies. The fire services levy jumped from \$847 million to a staggering \$1.433 billion, adding to the cost-of-living pain.

On top of that, the waste levy is set to more than double, from \$64.55 to \$169.79 per tonne by July 2025, hitting families with even more costs just to take out the bins.

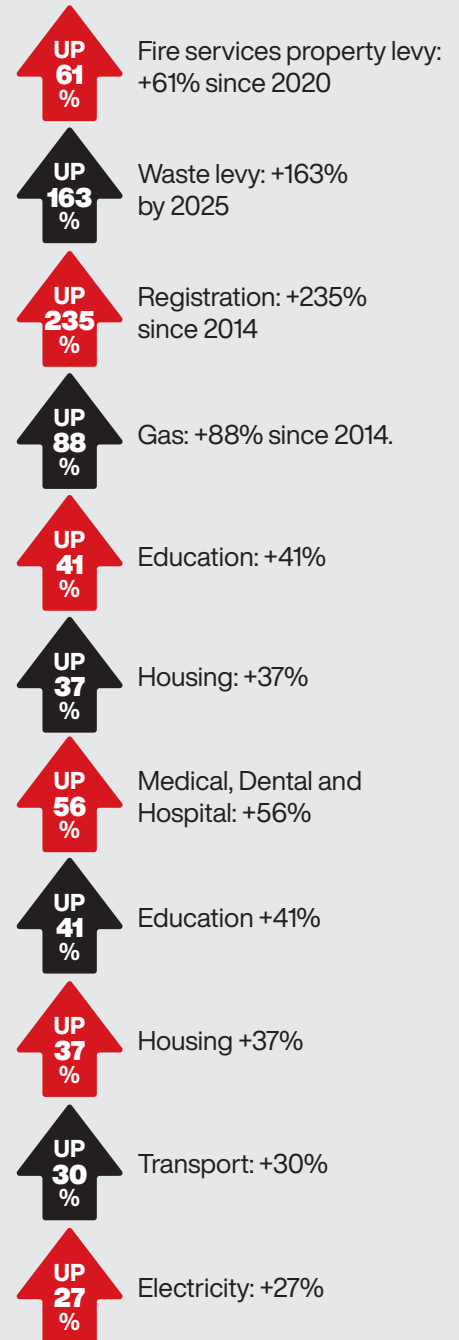
Victorians have been slugged with more than 56 new or increases taxes since 2014, and Jacinta Allan's taxes on housing, jobs, rents, schools, and holidays are making the cost-of-living crisis worse, with the average Victorian household already \$1,100 worse off than the average NSW household.

Highest taxes in Australia

Labor's refusal to rein in its tax-and-spend policies has left Victorian families paying the highest taxes in the country. Instead of helping families when they need it most, Jacinta Allan has left them with less money in their pockets and more financial stress, with no plan to pay down the state's record debt.

Everything is up under Labor, turbocharged by 56 new or increased taxes and their economic mismanagement.

Victorians face the highest per person taxes in Australia¹ – with households \$1,100 worse off compared to NSW.



¹ Taxation Revenue, Australia, 2022-23 financial year | Australian Bureau of Statistics (abs.gov.au)

MAJOR PROJECT BLOWOUTS

Victorians are paying the price for the Allan Labor Government's mismanagement of major infrastructure projects. With cost blowouts exceeding \$40 billion, Labor's failures are deepening Victoria's financial crisis even while infrastructure priorities in growth areas are neglected.

Suburban Rail Loop: a \$216 billion debacle

Jacinta Allan's pet project, the Suburban Rail Loop (SRL), is set to become the most expensive infrastructure project in Victoria's history, with a staggering price tag of \$216 billion.

Originally pitched at \$50 billion during Labor's 2018 election campaign, the project will cost up to \$216 billion according to the independent Parliamentary Budget Office, while returning only 60 to 70 cents in benefits for every dollar spent, equating to a net loss of between \$7.4 billion and \$10.6 billion.

Robbing growth areas of infrastructure

While Jacinta Allan continues to put all our eggs into one basket via the Suburban Rail Loop, fast-growing areas in Melbourne's north, west and south-east are left without the infrastructure and services they desperately need.

The Airport Rail Link, for example, was meant to provide crucial public transport access for Melbourne's west but has now been delayed until 2033.

Residents in Melbourne's north, west and south-east, and across Victoria's regions, have been neglected. They now face longer commutes, underfunded schools, and overstretched healthcare services.

Metro Tunnel: another blowout

The Metro Tunnel is the latest bungled major project seeing a blowout in costs.

Originally budgeted at \$9 billion, the project has blown out in cost multiple times. In September 2024, it was revealed that Victorians will need to cover a further \$837 million. The Metro Tunnel is now expected to cost \$13.87 billion, an increase of nearly \$5 billion - or 54% of the promised cost.

Delays continue to plague the project, with stations like Town Hall and State Library falling behind schedule, and the planned Park Street Link tram extension has been scrapped.

A decade of cost blowouts on Major Projects

Overall, Labor's major projects have blown out by more than \$40 billion over the past decade, pushing Victoria's debt to unprecedented levels.

These budget blowouts are not just numbers on a page—they represent real consequences for Victorians. Money that could have been spent on roads, hospitals, schools, and community services is instead being funnelled into poorly managed, over-budget projects.

Top Blowouts: Labor's \$40.4 Billion in Waste.

Under Jacinta Allan, these major projects have blown out enormously, adding to more than \$40 billion in waste across all major projects under Labor:

North East Link

Promised: \$5 billion
Current Budget: \$26.2 billion
Blowout: \$21.2 billion

West Gate Tunnel

Promised: \$500 million
Current Budget: \$10.2 billion
Blowout: \$4.7 billion

Metro Tunnel

Promised: \$9 billion
Current Budget: \$13.87 billion
Blowout: \$4.87 billion

Level Crossing Removals

Promised: \$5 billion
Auditor-General Analysis: \$8.3 billion
Blowout: \$3.3 billion

Airport Rail

Promised: \$8 billion to \$13 billion
2024 Report: \$15 billion
Blowout: \$2 billion

Frankston Hospital

Promised: \$562 million
Current Budget: \$1.12 billion
Blowout: \$558 million

Barwon Women's and Children's Hospital

Promised: \$100 million
Current Budget: \$514.1 million
Blowout: \$414.1 million

BROKEN HEALTH SYSTEM

Under Jacinta Allan and Labor, Victoria's health system is broken. Chronic underfunding, ambulance delays, broken promises on hospitals, and workforce shortages are leaving Victorians without essential care. Labor's failures are risking lives and eroding trust in our healthcare system.



There's chaos unfolding outside Melbourne hospitals with more than 130 ambulances ramped across the state. 12 Aug 2024.

Mismanagement of the health budget

Labor's deliberate underfunding of Victoria's health services has left hospitals struggling to maintain even basic services. This neglect appears to be part of a hidden agenda to force smaller health services into amalgamations, centralising control while stripping regional and local communities of their healthcare autonomy.

Jacinta Allan and her government have starved vital services, leaving health professionals to manage crises with dwindling resources. Under Labor's watch, healthcare funding has become ideological – prioritising control over patient care.

Ambulance Services in crisis

Ambulance response times are at crisis levels. For urgent Code 1 emergencies, the Allan Labor government set a target of 85% of ambulances arriving within 15 minutes – yet the most recent health data (April-June 2024 quarter), shows response times were at a shocking 64.2%. In 2014, this figure was 72.6%,

showing a steady decline due to Labor's mismanagement.

Ambulance ramping at emergency departments means paramedics are stuck outside hospitals, unable to attend to new emergencies.

Regional areas, in particular, are suffering, while chaos within Ambulance Victoria has been exacerbated by a revolving door of CEOs. A 2021 review by VEOHRC exposed widespread unlawful workplace conduct, including bullying, discrimination, and harassment – issues that will be further uncovered during the Inquiry into Ambulance Victoria secured by the Liberals and Nationals.

Callous disregard for Elective Surgery

Jacinta Allan and her Government have consistently failed to deliver on its promises regarding elective surgery.

In 2022, Labor pledged to perform 240,000 surgeries annually by 2024 but has failed spectacularly. Thousands of Victorians are left waiting in pain, with no end in sight.

Mental Health crisis:

Labor's chronic mismanagement of workforce development has crippled Victoria's mental health system reforms.

- The establishment of the Lived Experience Agency – a key recommendation of the mental health royal commission – is over 700 days overdue.
- The Mental Health and Wellbeing Commission – has not issued a single compliance notice.
- More than 4,600 Victorians are waiting for drug or alcohol treatment on any given day, and it takes three days to get a mental health bed.
- 44 of 65 recommendations of the Royal Commission into Victoria's Mental Health System are overdue or have been abandoned by Labor.
- In 2016, Labor pledged a 10-year plan to half the suicide rate in Victoria. Sadly, more Victoria's are taking their own life.

Labor's empty promises are hurting the most vulnerable.

Poor workforce planning

The Labor Government's chronic failure to plan has led to a severe nursing shortage, worsening patient outcomes and leaving vulnerable mothers and babies without essential maternal health services in growth suburbs. Instead of taking responsibility, Labor blames others to cover up their mismanagement.

Hospitals promised, but not delivered

Melton Hospital is still a pipe dream, despite years of promises. In 2018, Labor vowed to build 10 community hospitals – 3 have been scrapped, and most others are significantly delayed. Labor's broken promises are leaving communities stranded without essential health infrastructure.

ROADS TO RUIN

Victorians no doubt have seen it first-hand. Our road network is crumbling, riddled by potholes, as funding fades away under Labor.

A pothole for every Victorian

In 2024, an astonishing 91% of roads were rated as “poor” or “very poor,” according to the Government’s own survey.

Slashing vital Road Maintenance funding

A 2024 RACV survey also found that 64% of drivers now cite potholes and deteriorating road conditions as their biggest safety worry. Instead of addressing this urgent issue, Labor has slashed road maintenance funding, while billions are wasted on mega-projects that consistently suffer from massive cost overruns.

The real impact is felt on our roads every day. On coming to government, Labor slashed road maintenance funding by 10%, ignoring warnings and accelerating the decay of our road network.

Axed Country Roads and Bridges Program

Regional Victoria has suffered the most. After Labor axed the \$160 million Country Roads and

Bridges Program in 2015, local councils have been left to bear the cost of maintaining crumbling roads.

Dangerous roads costs lives

This neglect has resulted in dangerous conditions for motorists, with 60% of road fatalities now occurring in regional areas, where people face hazardous driving conditions.

Labor says it filled 220,000 potholes in 2023-24, but that is just a symptom of appalling mismanagement. Budget cuts and mismanagement have left our roads in a worse state.

The Allan Labor Government’s neglect is costing lives, damaging vehicles, and destroying opportunities for regional development.

Victorians deserve safe roads, but under Labor’s watch, we’re left to suffer the consequences of years of underfunding and mismanagement. Labor can’t manage roads and Victorians are paying the price.

Declining Road Resurfacing (Maintenance) Contracts

Year	Total contracts	Year	Funding (million)
2018-2019	27	2018-2019	\$191.9
2019-2020	16	2019-2020	\$215.3
2020-2021	21	2020-2021	\$253.3
2021-2022	15	2021-2022	\$171.3
2022-2023	11	2022-2023	\$201.4
2023-2024	8	2023-2024	\$37.6

A road network that is dangerous and not car worthy.

- In 2023, 91% of roads were in a “poor” or “very poor condition.”
- The Allan Labor Government’s road maintenance budget is 16% less than four years ago, despite the dire state of our roads.
- Funding for resurfacing and resealing contracts for Victorian roads in the 2023/24 financial year has dropped dramatically, with only \$37.6 million spent across the state – compared to \$201.4 million the previous year.
- Labor axed the \$160 million Country Roads and Bridges Program in 2015, leaving local councils to bear the cost of maintaining crumbling roads.
- In 2024 the Labor Government blames “repeated flooding and above-average rainfall” for causing unprecedented damage to the road network. Diverting attention away from its deliberate underfunding.
- The Labor Government filled 220,000 potholes in 2023 – that’s one pothole for every 100 metres of road - with 1.25 million filled over five years. Budget cuts and neglect led to worsening roads, costing Victorians through vehicle damage.
- In 2024, the Allan Labor Government replaced Regional Roads Victoria with Transport Victoria. Labor has diverted 8.5% of federal funds intended for road safety, further worsening road conditions, particularly in regional areas.
- The Allan Labor Government is preparing to sell off government-owned road repairer SprayLine Road Services.

COMMUNITY SAFETY COMPROMISED

Victoria's crime crisis has spiralled out of control under Jacinta Allan. With crime prevention programs cut, bail laws weakened, and police stations closed, Victorians are now seeing a surge in violent crime. The latest data paints a grim picture for Victorians living under Labor's mismanagement.



Herald Sun

05/09/2024. New battle for Allan government as Victoria Police start industrial action over pay deal.

Community safety compromised

Since Jacinta Allan became Premier in 2023, crime rates have surged, with total offences up by 9.1% in the 12 months to June 2024, reaching 552,228 reported crimes.

Crime wave sweeping the State

Among these, residential aggravated burglaries increased a staggering 18%, with 6,445 incidents reported. Motor vehicle theft also skyrocketed, up 24% with 23,248 cars stolen - meaning one vehicle is stolen every 23 minutes in Victoria. Retail theft rose 32%, and theft from motor vehicles increased 17%, further indicating the extent of the crime wave sweeping across the state.

Despite these alarming statistics, Jacinta Allan's government has cut the community crime prevention budget by 46% and shut down the Crime Prevention Unit at the Department of Justice and Community Safety. Instead of focusing on tackling these surging crime rates, the Allan Government has weakened bail laws and closed 43 police stations, leaving communities more vulnerable.

Youth Crime crisis

Youth crime is also spiralling out of control. Crimes committed by young offenders jumped 20% over the past year and have increased by 28.9% under Labor's watch. Aggravated burglaries committed by offenders aged 10 to 17 have risen sharply, causing real fear in communities, yet the Allan Government continues to deny the existence of a youth crime crisis.

Labor's fight with Police leaves Victorians vulnerable

Meanwhile, around 1,000 police positions remain vacant across Victoria. The Allan Government's failure to manage the police pay dispute has further demoralised the force, leading Victoria Police to seek independent arbitration in an attempt to resolve the pay negotiations. While Labor fights with police, Victorian communities are left under-protected.

Labor's inability to manage frontline policing and their neglect of community safety is costing all Victorians. Jacinta Allan is failing to address the crime crisis gripping our state, and Victorians are paying the price.

Premier's Failure to Tackle Crime.

Since Jacinta Allan became Premier in 2023:

- **Crime rates have surged**, with total offences up by 9.1% in the 12 months to June 2024.
- **Youth crime has spiralled out of control**, with crimes committed by young offenders jumping by 20%.
- The government **weakened bail laws** and increased the criminal age of criminal responsibility to 12.
- Residential **aggravated burglaries have increased** by a staggering 18%.
- The government has **failed to fill around 1,000 Victoria Police vacancies**.
- **More than 10,000 knives, daggers and swords have been found** by Victoria Police, roughly 40 a day.
- **Motor vehicle theft has skyrocketed** by 24% - with one vehicle stolen every 23 minutes in Victoria.
- **Retail theft has risen by 32%**.
- **Theft from motor vehicles has increased** by 17%.
- The government has **cut the community crime prevention budget** by 46%.

LOCAL VOICES IGNORED

Labor's planning regime strips local communities of their voices, fast-tracking high-density developments without consultation. Jacinta Allan's government is imposing towers of up to 20-storeys across Melbourne, ignoring local community needs and desires. Under Labor, Victorians don't have a choice or a voice in our planning system.

Silencing community voices

Jacinta Allan's Labor Government is pushing ahead with a radical planning overhaul that will force 20-storey apartment towers across over fifty major communities without adequate community input.

Minister for Planning, Sonya Kilkeny, announced the first ten locations in August 2024, allowing for fast-tracked approvals without a fair community consultation process.

Heritage protection ignored

The Allan Government has effectively silenced local voices, removing third-party rights in planning decisions and overriding 48% of heritage-protected areas in Boroondara alone. This move forces multi-storey towers into suburban areas, stripping away local character, heritage, and liveability – a move which comes after 10 years of housing inaction and failure by Labor.

Labor's planning changes disregard vital infrastructure needs and undermines democratically elected local Councils. Multiple councils

have expressed concerns that the state government has failed to conduct proper assessments of local infrastructure capacity.

High density ruining suburbs

The introduction of 20-storey high-rises across Melbourne will burden parking, schools, hospitals, public transport, and other services that are already stretched.

Critical housing projects delayed

In addition to this fast-tracked densification, Labor's planning system has been plagued by delays caused by red tape. Inaction by Melbourne Water and cultural heritage requirements have slowed down development timelines significantly. Housing projects are facing delays of up to 18 months, pushing up costs for purchasers.

Under a Liberal and Nationals Government, planning decisions will involve the community, ensure local voices are heard and deliver sensible growth strategies.



Removing community rights.

- After 10 years of housing policy inaction and failure by Labor, Jacinta Allan has decided to force 20-storey towers onto communities across Melbourne.
- Labor has actively decided to silence local communities.
- Under radical planning changes, high-density apartment developments will be encouraged in multiple metropolitan areas, with no community consultation or third-party appeal rights.
- Proper planning has not been carried out ahead of Labor's radical densification push.
- Multiple local councils have expressed deep concerns that introducing 20-storey high-rises will overburden parking, schools, hospitals, public transport, and other services that are already stretched thin.
- Beyond this, inaction by Melbourne Water and Labor's cultural heritage requirements have delayed many housing projects – some up to 18 months – pushing up costs.
- Under a Liberal and Nationals Government, planning decisions will involve the community, ensure local voices are heard and deliver sensible growth strategies.

A DECADE OF HOUSING FAILURE

After a decade of Labor, Victoria's housing affordability crisis has never been worse. More than 12 months on from their 'landmark' Housing Statement, Jacinta Allan has abandoned her pledge to deliver 80,000 new homes a year, while continuing to raise property taxes - worsening the housing crisis.

Labor's broken housing pledge

In September 2023, Labor committed to building 80,000 new homes annually over the next decade, as part of its much-vaunted housing statement. This commitment was touted as a key solution to tackle the state's housing supply shortage amid declining home ownership rates.

By May 2024, it was clear that Labor's housing pledge had collapsed. Testifying before the Public Accounts and Estimates Committee, Jacinta Allan and her Department Secretary admitted that her government would not meet the target, contradicting the bold promises made just months earlier.

Vulnerable Victorians missing out

On the anniversary of the Housing Statement in September 2024, just 55,000 homes had been built, far below the promised 80,000. Despite claiming they could solve the crisis, the Allan Government's abandonment of its housing target has only worsened the problem, leaving Victorians struggling to buy a home.

Punitive tax system

At the same time, Labor has imposed nation-high property taxes that are stifling development and driving up housing costs. Since 2014, 29 of the 56 new or increased taxes and charges introduced by the Labor Government have been property-based, driving Victoria's property

taxes to the highest level in the nation and undermining confidence in the residential construction sector.

Property industry leaders, including the Urban Development Institute of Australia, have warned that up to 42% of a home's cost in Victoria consists of taxes, fees, and charges.

Home owners punished under Labor's tax burden

The impact of Labor's punitive tax regime is clear. Confidence in Victoria's construction sector has plummeted, with the Property Council's 2024 Construction Industry Survey highlighting that Victoria had the lowest industry confidence in the nation - on par with sentiment last seen during the COVID-19 pandemic. Developers are pulling back from new projects as excessive taxes make building new homes unviable.

As property taxes rise, Labor's failure to meet its housing targets is compounding the crisis.

Labor cannot manage housing policy, and their 10 years of failed pledges and high taxes are pushing homeownership further out of reach for Victorians.

Housing Statement a hollow pledge.

In September 2023, Labor committed to build 80,000 new homes every year, for ten years.

- By May 2024, this promise had already been broken – with Jacinta Allan admitting that the government would not meet their annual target.
- On the 12-month anniversary of the Housing Statement, **only 55,000 new homes had been built.**
- Under Labor, **Victoria has the highest property taxes in Australia.** This stifles development, kills investment and only makes houses more expensive.
- Since 2014, 29 of the 56 new or increased taxes and charges introduced by the Labor Government have been **property-based taxes.**
- Industry experts state that up to **42% of a home's cost in Victoria consists of taxes, fees, and charges.**
- Under Jacinta Allan, Victoria's **construction industry has the lowest confidence in the country** – with sentiment matching that felt by industry during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Labor's **harsh taxes and inability to improve housing supply** pushes the dream of home ownership further and further away from all Victorians.

SOARING ENERGY PRICES

Labor's mismanagement of Victoria's energy system has led to skyrocketing prices, unreliable service, and no real progress towards a cleaner energy future. Their political stunts, including the reintroduction of the State Electricity Commission (SEC), are failing Victorians.

Higher costs, lower reliability

Under Labor's 10 years in government, energy prices have soared, while reliability has plummeted. In June 2024, the Essential Services Commission reported a 9.7% increase in Victorians seeking assistance to pay their electricity bills and a 17.7% increase in those needing gas payment assistance.

Highest energy costs in Australia

Victorians are grappling with the highest energy costs in the country, with wholesale electricity prices jumping by 114% year-on-year, according to Australian Energy Regulator – the largest increase in Australia. A report from St Vincent de Paul and Alvis Consulting in November 2023 found that electricity costs surged 28% and gas prices rose 22%, adding more financial strain to households.

Despite these growing costs, Labor's policies have only worsened the energy crisis. Their Gas Substitution Roadmap has actively worked to phase out gas, referring to it as "fossil gas" and banning new gas connections in greenfield developments and knockdown rebuilds. Labor's Building Legislation Amendment and Other Matters

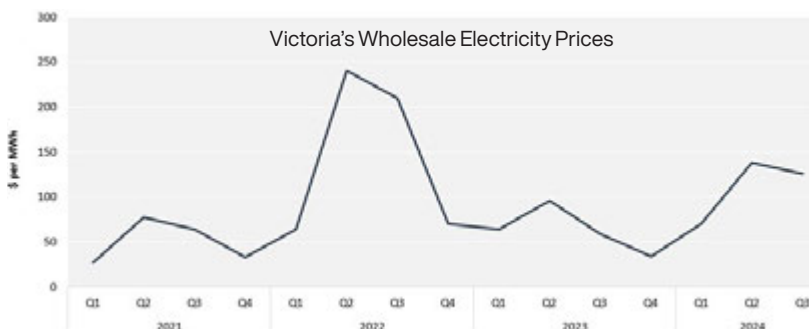
Bill 2024 further seeks to give the government unchecked power to ban gas connections without warning, leaving Victorian households with fewer energy choices and higher bills.

Labor's ideological ban on gas

In June 2024, AEMO warned that Victoria faces daily and monthly gas shortages from 2026, with a total shortage expected by 2028. After a decade of neglect, Labor has failed to approve a single new onshore gas exploration permit, contributing to this looming crisis. Businesses, unable to secure reliable gas supplies, are leaving Victoria, resulting in job losses.

On top of this, the Victorian Energy Upgrades program, meant to promote energy efficiency, is adding hidden costs to Victorian energy bills. Victorian Energy Efficiency Certificates, which energy companies are forced to buy, cost Victorians \$108.50 per certificate, the highest in the country. These costs are passed onto Victorians, adding \$188 per year to the average household's energy bill.

Instead of providing affordable and reliable energy, Labor is leaving Victorian families with higher bills, unreliable service, and no real path to a sustainable future.



Gas ban is no plan.

- After 10 years of a State Labor Government – **our energy system is less affordable**, less reliable and as dirty as ever.
- Victoria's wholesale **electricity prices surged 140%** year-on-year, the largest increase in Australia.
- In November it was found that **Victorians paid the highest cost increases**, with a 28% surge in the cost of electricity and 22% for gas.
- **Victoria faces daily and monthly gas shortages** from 2026 – and a total shortage from 2028.
- Labor is fighting an ideological war against gas and after 10 years, has **failed to approve a single new onshore conventional gas exploration permit**.
- Labor has **banned new gas connections** in greenfield developments and knockdown rebuilds, and banned rebates on gas appliances.
- Labor's plan to introduce minimum energy efficiency standards on rental properties will be passed on, with up to **280,000 renters paying \$65 more a week, or \$3,400 annually**.
- Data from AEMO shows that **emissions from brown coal power in Victoria have remained steady in absolute terms, since 2017**.

LEAVING REGIONAL VICTORIA BEHIND

Jacinta Allan should be a Premier that supports regional Victorians. She lives in Bendigo, but Jacinta Allan has overseen neglect for 10 years in favour of city-centric programs and projects.



Neglect of our regions

Labor's ongoing neglect of regional Victoria has never been more obvious, summed up by a recent independent Parliamentary Budget Office report highlighting a stark disparity between the population and Labor's infrastructure spending in the regions.

Infrastructure under-funded

With 25% of Victorians living in regional areas, it is inexcusable that only slightly more than 10% of the state's infrastructure spend is allocated to these communities.

Regional areas are not just a quaint backdrop to Melbourne - they are the engine rooms of agriculture, tourism, and industry.

The de-staffing of the Regional Development Victoria reflects the government's diminishing commitment to the regions.

With slashed funding and minimal staff levels, regional Victoria is now left out in the cold, abandoned by a Labor Government that has turned its back on the very communities that need support the most.

The abolition of the \$1 billion Regional Growth Fund was also disastrous. Instigated by the Liberals

and Nationals, it supported local governments, country roads, bridges and community infrastructure.

Regional voices silenced

The voice of regional Victorians has been silenced by Labor intentionally removing the right of Victorians to oppose or challenge renewable projects on their own land through VCAT and removing local councils' ability to object to projects.

Under Labor, regional Victorians are left drowning in red, green and cultural tape. With no set fees or timelines for cultural heritage approvals, many projects have been delayed for years and incurred costs well into the hundreds of thousands of dollars. Stringent cultural heritage fees and onerous processes for subdivisions and other developments are making it nearly impossible for regional growth to occur.

Comm Games cancellation betrays regions

The cancellation of the 2026 Commonwealth Games, which was set to inject much-needed investment into regional communities, was another betrayal. Effectively, it cost \$600 million to cancel the Games and we're paying \$200 million of that for Glasgow in Scotland to now host the Games.

Regional Victorians paying the price.

- Jacinta Allan has made an outrageous claim the Suburban Rail Loop benefits all Victorians, when it involves building a train line from Cheltenham to Box Hill.
- Labor shut down Victoria's Native Timber Industry and now imports timber from other states.
- The Department of Agriculture has been reduced from a standalone entity to a minor component within a mega department, resulting in cuts to research funding for agriculture.
- CFA fire station and truck replacement program funding slashed.
- In a Parliamentary Inquiry, Labor supported calls by the Animal Justice Party and the Greens to shut down the pork industry. Pork is the second most consumed protein in the state, and Australia and is an affordable option for many.
- Responsibilities, including infant vaccinations and the collection of State Government levies have been cost-shifted onto local government, making it difficult for ratepayers, especially those in rural areas, who now face higher expenses.
- During the October 2022 floods, funding did not reach local governments and communities as it should have, unlike in 2011 when the Liberals and Nationals streamlined processes to get help to Victorians sooner.
- Labor has failed to improve the Murray Basin Rail project, as the turnaround time from Mildura to Port has increased by five hours.
- Regional Development Leadership programs were axed even though formal evaluations found them to be an effective use of taxpayers' money

10 YEARS OF JACINTA ALLAN AND LABOR

**And you're
paying the price.**

November 2014 - November 2024

JACINTA ALLAN AND LABOR'S FAILURES IN

2015

Controversy strikes the Labor Government soon after its 2014 election victory. Labor mates with tarnished records are appointed to positions, plans are announced for the compulsory acquisition and demolition of homes, and promises of improved safety on public transport are broken.

Rotten appointments

- As Public Transport Minister, Jacinta Allan appointed disgraced former Labor MP John Lenders as VicTrack Chair, praising his “wealth of experience.”
- Lenders was a key architect of Labor’s ‘red shirts’ scandal, which misused nearly \$400,000 of taxpayer funds to campaign in marginal seats for the 2014 election.
- Lenders resigned from VicTrack just two days before the Ombudsman’s report was released.
- In 2018, Ombudsman Deborah Glass found Lenders bore the “greatest share of culpability” for the scandal.

Homes & businesses to be demolished

- Jacinta Allan locked in the compulsorily acquisition of homes

and 29 commercial properties for the Melbourne Metro project.

- Despite public outcry, she proceeded without a business case.
- Originally budgeted at \$500 million for compensation, the actual cost skyrocketed to \$728 million by 2019. Allan still promised the project would stay within budget and be completed by 2025.

Public safety failures

- Under Allan’s oversight, Labor’s 24-hour public transport trial failed to fund Protective Services Officers at all train stations, leaving passengers vulnerable.
- Despite this, the trial’s cost blew out by 66%, from \$50 million to \$86.3 million.



Labor’s rorts for votes scandal forces former MP John Lenders (above) to quit govt job.

Herald Sun

20 Mar 2018

Former Victorian treasurer John Lenders resigns from VicTrack

A KEY architect of Labor’s rorts-for-votes scheme has resigned from a prized taxpayer funded job – two days before the release of a major Ombudsman investigation into the scandal.

NEWS

15 Aug 2015

Multi-million dollar cost blowout of Victoria’s 24-hour weekend public transport trial

The cost of the Victorian Government’s 24-hour weekend public transport trial has already blown out by \$34 million.

Labor’s New or Increased Taxes Tally:

+ 3

Treasurer Tim Pallas told the media on 27 November 2014 that “Our election commitments will not lead to an increase in debt... and we will introduce no new taxes.”

Despite this, Labor added taxes immediately, including:

1. Increasing the Fire Services Property Levy.
2. Introducing stamp duty for foreign investment.
3. Increasing the absentee landowner surcharge for foreigner property.

JACINTA ALLAN AND LABOR'S FAILURES IN

2016

In their second year in office, Labor Ministers have their dogs chauffeured around in taxpayer funded cars, the wishes of local communities are disregarded and then Minister Jacinta Allan oversees not only a collapse in V/Line services – but the appointment of another dodgy Labor mate to a plum job.



THE AGE

17/11/2016. V/Line trains suspended after more boom gate failures on country rail lines

V/Line debacles

- Under Jacinta Allan's watch as Public Transport Minister, V/Line services collapsed.
- Buses replaced trains on multiple lines, and Metro Trains banned regional trains from the metro network. V/Locity trains were taken out of service due to severe wheel wear, costing \$300,000 every day for replacement buses.
- In November, a train failed to trigger boom gates at two crossings, forcing the shutdown of the Warrnambool and Echuca lines.
- Even Labor MPs criticised Allan, with one stating, "There is a lot of anger towards Jacinta" and accusing her of ignoring the issues for months.
- When the embattled V/Line CEO resigned, Allan appointed James Pinder, later charged by IBAC with misconduct and receiving secret kickbacks for V/Line cleaning contracts.

Dog chauffeur scandal

- Labor Minister for Corrections, Steve Herbert, is forced to resign for using his taxpayer funded driver to chauffeur his dogs Patch and Ted between his Melbourne and Trentham homes.
- Allan's then Chief of Staff was flagged as a potential candidate to replace Herbert.

SkyRail disaster

- Before the 2014 election, Labor let the community believe that level crossings on the Cranbourne-Pakenham line would be replaced with an under the road solution.
- Instead, under Allan's leadership, elevated rail was built, hurting local amenity and heritage sites.
- Despite a public outcry, Allan failed to meaningfully consult with residents.
- The broken promise sparked legal challenges, leaving communities disillusioned.

Herald Sun

29 Jan 2016

Labor MPs critical of Public Transport Minister Jacinta Allan as V/ Line crisis drags on

VICTORIA'S regional rail crisis will drag on for months, and government MPs have slammed embattled Public Transport Minister Jacinta Allan's performance.

NEWS

9 Nov 2016

Steve Herbert resigns from Victorian Cabinet after using driver to chauffeur pet dogs

Steve Herbert has resigned as Victoria's Corrections Minister after using his taxpayer-funded driver to chauffeur his two dogs around.

Labor's New or Increased Taxes Tally:

+ 7

4. Tripling brown coal royalties.
5. Increasing absentee landowner surcharge for foreign owned property.
6. Increasing foreign owner stamp duty.
7. New tax on Uber and taxi fares.

JACINTA ALLAN AND LABOR'S FAILURES IN

2017

In their third year, the Labor Government releases a hollow 'housing strategy' which fails to help more Victorians into homes. Energy prices surge with the closure of Hazelwood and multiple Labor MPs are caught up in rorting scandals.

No homes for vulnerable Victorians

- Labor's 2017 "Homes for Victorians" strategy promised to help more people own homes, but by 2023, not a single home had been built under the inclusionary zoning pilot project.
- Labor also pledged to unlock Arden for more housing. Seven years later, construction on the 9,500 planned homes hasn't started and won't be complete until 2050.
- Another failure leaving too many Victorians unable to find a home to rent or buy, despite Labor's promise.

Multiple allowance rorting scandals

- Labor Members of Parliament, Telmo Languiller and Don Nardella, rorted taxpayers by falsely claiming allowances worth almost \$40,000 and \$175,000 respectively.
- Although investigated by Victoria Police, no charges were laid.

- Labor MP Khalil Eideh also misused taxpayer funds, resulting in an IBAC investigation.
- Eideh's office was raided, and 13 charges were laid against three of his staff.

Disgraceful spending

- An FOI revealed Parks Victoria racked up \$2.2 million in credit card bills, including \$347 at a jewellery store, \$898 at a bike shop, and \$260 at KFC over just four months.

Energy chaos and higher prices

- Labor's decision to triple brown coal royalties contributed to the 2017 closure of Hazelwood power station, costing 700 jobs.
- Within a year, wholesale energy prices surged 85%, making Victoria a net energy importer for the first time in its history.



THE  AGE

29/03/2024.

Victoria has recorded the biggest jump in financial distress of any state over the past 18 months.

THE  AGE 23 Aug 2023

Government land was set aside for housing in 2017. Not a single home has been built

Six years since the Victorian government promised to develop surplus government land for affordable and social housing, not a single home has been built under the initiative.

Herald Sun 23 Nov 2018

Rorting Labor MPs retire on massive taxpayer-funded pensions

Rorting Labor MPs Telmo Languiller and Don Nardella will walk away from parliament tomorrow on taxpayer-funded pensions of more than \$118,000 a year.

Labor's New or Increased Taxes Tally:

+ 13

8. A new stamp duty on property transfers between spouses.
9. An increased stamp duty on new cars.
10. A new so-called 'vacant home' tax.
11. A new stamp duty on off-the-plan purchasers.
12. A new annual property valuation to increase land tax.
13. A new city access tax for West Gate Tunnel.

JACINTA ALLAN AND LABOR'S FAILURES IN

2018

Ahead of the 2018 election, Minister Jacinta Allan announces her pet project – the Suburban Rail Loop – the most expensive, yet least scrutinised project in Victoria's history. Allan also presides over continuing V/Line debacles and a failed attempt to nationalise family-owned bus companies



Secretive Suburban Rail Loop

- In 2018, Allan announced her pet project, the Suburban Rail Loop, the most secretive and unscrutinised infrastructure project in Victoria's history.
- Rather than using Infrastructure Victoria, 30 consultants worked on the project behind closed doors.
- Allan promises that the entire project will cost just \$50 billion. The Parliamentary Budget Office later reveals that just the first two stages would cost \$216 billion.
- In the same year, she promised the Airport Rail Link would begin before 2022. Victorians are still waiting.

Attack on family-owned bus companies

- In April 2018, Allan attempted to compulsorily acquire family-owned bus companies, forcing operators to plaster "Don't trust Labor" on their buses.

- Facing a backlash, Allan backflipped on her decision in June 2018, offering revised contracts.

V/Line debacle continues

- By 2018, after four years as Public Transport Minister, Jacinta Allan had left regional Victorians stranded. V/Line consistently failed to meet punctuality targets during her tenure.
- In 2018, only 56% of trains on the Bairnsdale line arrived on time, while over 1,000 trains were cancelled on the Geelong and Ballarat lines.
- Cancellations surged by 4% that year alone, with V/Line hitting just 50% punctuality on some routes.

Bus strikes

- Jacinta Allan's mismanagement led to bus strikes in Melbourne and Ballarat, with taxpayers footing the bill to avoid the largest bus strike in Victoria's history.

THE  AGE 20 Nov 2018

Trains on some regional lines rarely on time, data shows

Just 50 per cent of trains on some V/Line routes arrive on time, an analysis of the regional rail service's punctuality data has revealed.

NEWS 10 Jul 2018

Bus drivers stage 24-hour strike in Melbourne, Ballarat, Geelong

About 600 bus drivers have walked off the job for 24 hours in Geelong, Ballarat and parts of Melbourne as part of a wage dispute – and their union is threatening further action if it's not resolved.

AUSTRALASIAN BUS & COACH ABC 26 Apr 2018

PEAK BUS ASSOCIATION 'AT WAR' WITH STATE GOVERNMENT OVER OPERATOR ASSETS

The Bus Association Victoria inc (BusVIC) says the State Labor Government has reneged on a deal it made whilst in Opposition to not put bus operator assets 'on the table' when negotiating new contracts.

Labor's New or Increased Taxes Tally:

+ 14

14. A new point of consumption gambling tax.

JACINTA ALLAN AND LABOR'S FAILURES IN

2019

Labor's fifth year sees more broken promises, major project cost blowouts and the passage of legislation which fundamentally weakens the Country Fire Authority. Despite claiming to support Victorians, Labor's actions show that they will always put union interests ahead of public interest.

Attack on the Country Fire Authority

- In 2014, the United Firefighters Union was instrumental to Labor's election victory.
- To repay union support, the Labor Government pressured the Country Fire Authority (CFA) into accepting a new workplace agreement that undermined volunteers and handed excessive power to the union.
- In 2016, union boss Peter Marshall threatened Labor Emergency Services Minister Jane Garrett, telling her she was "f---ing dead" and he was "coming to get [her]."
- Rather than defend Garrett, Labor forced her out of Parliament before the 2018 election.
- Labor's 2019 legislation weakened the CFA and turned volunteers into 'second-class citizens'.
- An IBAC investigation found that fire brigade employees passed confidential information to the union. The union then worked with Labor

Minister Lisa Neville to kill 'unwanted' procurement proposals.

Metro Tunnel cost blowout

- In 2019, the Auditor-General warned of a \$150 million blowout in Metro Tunnel construction.
- Minister Allan boldly and ultimately incorrectly claimed that the "...overall project is within [the] project budget."
- Leaks later revealed that the project could blow out by \$2 billion due to geological issues, despite Allan falsely claiming it was within budget.

West Gate Tunnel broken steel promise

- Labor promised 92% local steel for the West Gate Tunnel, but it was later revealed that 15% came from China.
- It is unknown if the construction company was ever penalised by the Labor Government for breaking the local content provision of the contract.



FINANCIAL REVIEW

31/08/2016. Firefighters union boss allegedly tells MP: 'I'm coming to get you'

FINANCIAL REVIEW

31 Aug 2016

Firefighters union boss allegedly tells MP: 'I'm coming to get you'

United Firefighters Union leader Peter Marshall denied he told Victorian Labor MP Jane Garrett "I am coming to get you" and "you're all f---ing dead".

THE AGE

6 Jun 2019

Metro Tunnel builders battle claimed \$2bn blowout

The cost of the Victorian government's flagship \$11 billion infrastructure project, the Melbourne Metro rail tunnel, may have blown out by as much as \$2 billion.

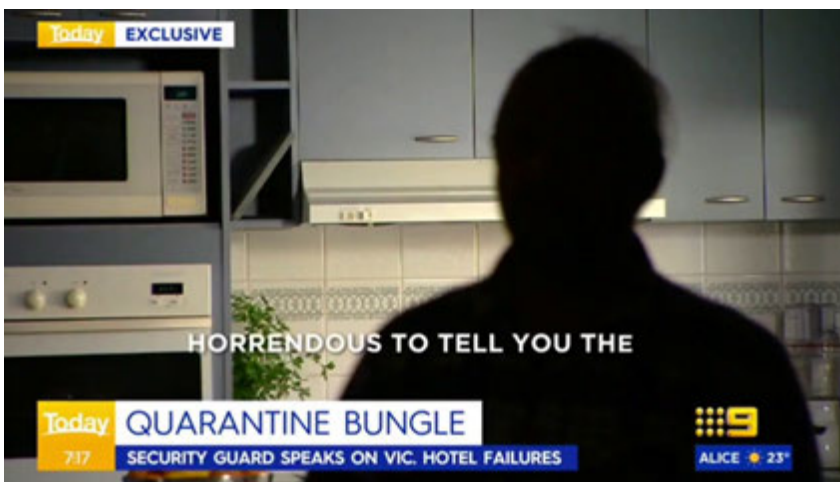
Labor's New or Increased Taxes Tally:

+ 24

15. Cladding rectification tax.
16. Increased land tax for homes with contiguous blocks on a separate title.
17. Retrospective increase in insurance duty for overseas-based insurers.
18. Widening of vacant residential land tax to uninhabitable properties.
19. Increased luxury car tax.
20. Gold mining royalties.
21. Increased Fire Services Property Levy.
22. A new corporate restructure duty.
23. Increased foreign stamp duty.
24. Increased absentee landowner surcharge for foreigner property.

JACINTA ALLAN AND LABOR'S FAILURES IN 2020

Victoria is hit by COVID-19. While other governments react responsibly and proportionally, Labor turns Melbourne into the most locked down city in the world. At the same time, Jacinta Allan secretly attempts to dump toxic soil into communities, without telling them.



Allan and Labor's COVID-19 Failures

- In 2020, Jacinta Allan sat on Labor's Crisis Council of Cabinet, which bungled Victoria's COVID-19 response, starting with the catastrophic hotel quarantine program that led to 768 deaths.
- Over 2020 and 2021, Victoria endured over 260 days in lockdown due to Labor's mismanagement of the crisis, with long-term damage to mental health, education, and the economy.
- Labor falsely claimed their draconian measures were based on health advice, but the night-time curfew was imposed without input from the Chief Health Officer or Victoria Police.
- Despite threatening the mental health of children, Labor closed public playgrounds.
- Harsh restrictions, including a 5km travel limit, violated human rights,

as confirmed by the Victorian Ombudsman during the public housing tower lockdown.

West Gate Tunnel Toxic Soil Controversy

- As Minister responsible for the Big Build, Jacinta Allan oversaw the West Gate Tunnel disaster.
- Initially scheduled to open in 2022, the project was delayed to 2023 after the Environment Protection Authority Victoria botched permits for dumping toxic soil.
- Labor planned to dump the soil in Ravenhall, Bacchus Marsh, and Bulla, without consultation, risking contamination of local food supplies.
- Under Allan's leadership as Minister, the project blew out by \$4.7 billion, pushing the total cost to \$10.2 billion, and has been delayed for years.

West Gate Tunnel soil 'stuff-up' turns toxic

The Victorian government continues to blame Transurban and builders of the troubled \$6.7 billion West Gate Tunnel project for problems and delays, despite its own environmental agency botching the approvals to move toxic soil.

Victoria hotel quarantine failures 'responsible' for Covid second wave and 768 deaths, inquiry told

The failures in Victoria's "hastily assembled" hotel quarantine are "responsible" for the state's 768 deaths and 18,418 cases since the end of May, the inquiry heard on Monday.

Labor's New or Increased Taxes Tally:

+ 29

25. Increase to the Municipal and Industrial Landfill Levy ('bin tax').
26. Environment Mitigation Levy.
27. Road Occupation Charge on construction companies.
28. Number plate tax.
29. A new 'on-dock rail' charge on imported shipping containers.

JACINTA ALLAN AND LABOR'S FAILURES IN

2021

In it's seventh year, Labor uses COVID to distract from its ongoing controversies. A donation scandal, Ministerial resignations over the misuse of taxpayer funds and an ongoing attempt by Jacinta Allan to hide the true cost of the Suburban Rail Loop.

Wind farm donations scandal

- In 2021, the Labor Government was embroiled in a donations scandal involving WestWind Energy, the company behind the \$2 billion Golden Plains Wind Farm project.
- Despite ongoing court challenges and a pending planning approval from the Victorian Government, WestWind donated \$1,320 to the Labor Party in March 2021, raising serious concerns about undue influence.
- Jacinta Allan refused to address these clear conflicts of interest.

Suburban Rail Loop cost secrecy

- In 2021, Jacinta Allan's pet project, the Suburban Rail Loop faced mounting scrutiny, with the Labor Government refusing to publish the full cost of the project.



- The Allan Labor Government's purported 'investment case' was later revealed to be a sham, with the Suburban Rail Loop projected to deliver just 60 cents for every dollar of Victorians' money wasted on the project.
- To date, the Allan Labor Government continues to refuse to publish a comprehensive business case for the project or final costings – leaving Victorians in the dark, while billions are committed with zero accountability.

Labor's branch stacking controversy

- A joint investigation by the Independent Broad-based Anti-Corruption Commission and the Victorian Ombudsman found that two Labor Ministers - Adem Somayurek and Marlene Kairouz - breached parliamentary codes of conduct when they misused public funds to fuel a vast branch-stacking operation.
- Minister Luke Donnellan resigned over branch stacking allegations.

THE AGE

The Victorian government's signature infrastructure project, is a key focus of the ombudsman's report into the politicisation of the state's public service.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

20 May 2021

Victoria's horror budget for business

Major employers including Wesfarmers, Coles, Telstra, BHP and the banks are among 9000 businesses that will be hit with a \$3 billion Victorian mental health levy, which has been labelled a job killer.

THE AGE

20 Apr 2021

Wind farm builder donates to Labor Party as \$2b project awaits green light

Two companies awaiting state approval to build Australia's biggest wind farm donated money to the Victorian Labor Party.

Labor's New or Increased Taxes Tally:

+ 39

30. Increased stamp duty on property transactions.
31. A new affordable housing tax (windfall gain tax on rezoned land).
32. Electric Vehicle tax.
33. Increased land tax on taxable landholdings above \$1.8 million.
34. Expanded point of consumption tax on gambling to keno.
35. 10% increase to Victorian Government penalty units.
36. Increased Fire Services Property Levy.
37. Expanded land tax on gender-exclusive clubs.
38. Mental health payroll tax surcharge.
39. Increased wagering and betting tax.

JACINTA ALLAN AND LABOR'S FAILURES IN

2022

In 2022, Jacinta Allan received credible allegations that the CFMEU was engaging in violent conduct on Victorian worksites – but she **did nothing**. It was also the year she launched her ill-fated Commonwealth Games bid – leaving Victorians to pick up her \$589 million bill.



NEWS

The Victorian government could be facing unknown costs for terminating its plan to host the Commonwealth Games.

Jacinta Allan launches ill-fated Commonwealth Games bid

- In 2022, Labor announced Victoria would host the 2026 Commonwealth Games at a cost of \$2.6 billion, with Jacinta Allan as Minister for Commonwealth Games Delivery.
- The Commonwealth Games blew out to \$4.6 billion – a fact Allan knew for months before revealing it to the public and lying to a Parliamentary Committee.

Jacinta Allan ignores CFMEU allegations

- In 2022, Jacinta Allan, then Minister for the Big Build, received a letter from an Indigenous labour hire firm with allegations of violence and blacklisting by CFMEU officials.

- Despite the severity of the accusations, Jacinta Allan failed to act for over a year, allowing the CFMEU to continue operating unchecked.

West Gate Tunnel calamity goes from bad to worse

- As Minister responsible for Labor's rotten Big Build, in 2021 Allan continued to preside over the ongoing West Gate Tunnel debacle.
- Originally set to open in 2022, the project is years behind schedule under her watch, facing revelations the Government had planned to dump PFAS-contaminated toxic soil in Ravenhall, Bacchus Marsh and Bulla.
- Allan's failure to manage the project has left Victorians facing traffic congestion, risks to their health and local environment, and \$10.2 billion in cost blowouts on the West Gate Tunnel.

THE AGE 16 Jul 2024

Warning on CFMEU intimidation sent to Allan, Albanese in 2022

Jacinta Allan was sent detailed evidence in 2022 that CFMEU officials were threatening extreme violence and unlawfully black-banning non-union-preferred companies from state and federally funded projects.

THE AGE 20 Mar 2024

Auditor-general slams Games handling, says final costs overstated

This waste of taxpayer money on an event that will not happen is significant, especially considering the state's recent sustained operating deficits and rising debt levels.

THE AGE 20 Mar 2024

Ombudsman criticises EPA over West Gate Tunnel toxic soil dumping

The Victorian ombudsman has criticised the environmental watchdog over the dumping of toxic soil from the West Gate Tunnel project in the western suburbs.

Labor's New or Increased Taxes Tally:

+ 41

40. 50% increase to Births, Deaths and Marriages fees.
41. Narrowed the Land Tax exemption for charitable institutions.

JACINTA ALLAN AND LABOR'S FAILURES IN 2023

Having damaged Victoria's finances through COVID, in 2023 Labor was desperate for cash and introduced **10 new** or increases taxes. Jacinta Allan also earned the nickname "Minister for the Fyre Festival" among her colleagues for her handling of the Commonwealth Games.

Labor's Health Tax hits GPs and patients

- Under Labor, Victorians faced the threat of losing access to critical healthcare services due to a new tax targeting General Practitioners.
- In 2023, Labor attempted to impose a backdated payroll tax on GP clinics, leaving local doctors with tax bills reaching hundreds of thousands of dollars.
- This reckless move threatened the viability of many clinics, leading to higher out-of-pocket costs for patients and fewer bulk billing options.
- Labor's desperate tax grab would have placed further strain on Victoria's already struggling hospital and emergency systems.
- After months of pressure from the Liberals and Nationals, Jacinta Allan was forced into an embarrassing backflip in 2024, scrapping the punitive health tax.

Labor gags witnesses at Commonwealth Games Inquiry

- In July 2023, Labor humiliates Victoria by scrapping our commitment to the 2026 Commonwealth Games
- Jacinta Allan faced internal dissent over her disastrous handling of the Commonwealth Games, earning her the nickname "Minister for the Fyre Festival".
- In September, Jacinta Allan was forced to deny accusations that the Labor Government had gagged witnesses from testifying before the Commonwealth Games inquiry.
- Despite her denials, the perception of government interference and her mismanagement of the Games continues to tarnish Allan's leadership.



sky news

3/09/2023. GPs have flagged legal action challenging Labor's Health Tax, and have warned they will be forced to either shut their doors or hike patient fees to cover it.

NEWS

21 Aug 2023

Proposed payroll hike for GPs a 'tax on sick people', expert says

The payroll tax on independent general practitioners could cost patients an extra \$20 with Australia's former deputy chief medical officer deeming it a "tax on sick people".

THE AGE 14 Sept 2023

Victoria actively hindered Commonwealth Games inquiry: Senate committee

A Senate committee has accused the Victorian government of actively hindering its inquiry into the state's scrapping of the 2026 Commonwealth Games.

Labor's New or Increased Taxes Tally:

+ 51

42. A new 'Schools Tax' on non-government schools.
43. 42% increase to the WorkCover average premium rate.
44. Expanded land tax on unimproved residential land.
45. Increase to Births, Deaths and Marriages fees.
46. Increased payroll tax on businesses.
47. Increased land tax on landholdings above \$300,000.
48. Land tax on landholdings between \$50,000 to \$300,000.
49. Increased absentee landowner surcharge for foreigner property.
50. Expanded land tax on vacant residential land (Holiday House Tax).
51. Increased wagering and betting tax.

JACINTA ALLAN AND LABOR'S FAILURES IN 2024

Every Victorian has paid the price for Jacinta Allan's failures. Her enablement of the corrupt CFMEU, her inability to prevent major project cost blowouts and her refusal to tackle the youth crime crisis. After 10 years of Labor, every Victorian is worse off.



THE NIGHTLY

16/07/2024. CFMEU drama deepens with Victorian and Federal Labor under fire amid allegations they were warned over union.

Jacinta Allan's CFMEU protection racket costs Victorians

- Systemic corruption, links to organised crime, standover tactics, and bullying across Jacinta Allan's CFMEU-run 'Big Build' sites is exposed by the media.
- Despite these shocking revelations, Jacinta Allan refused to call a Royal Commission into the CFMEU and also voted against the Liberals and Nationals' Bill to ban bikies from taxpayer-funded projects, leaving organised crime to continue to run rampant on Government worksites.

Infrastructure mismanagement costs billions

- Under Jacinta Allan's leadership, Big Build projects have blown out by over \$40 billion, according to analysis by the Liberals and Nationals.
- The North East Link alone soared by \$21.2 billion - a staggering 424% blowout.

- Similarly, the West Gate Tunnel exceeded its budget by \$4.7 billion, and the Metro Tunnel's costs have now blown out by \$4.87 billion.
- Meanwhile, the Suburban Rail Loop is projected to cost \$216 billion and return just 60 cents for every dollar spent.
- Adding insult to injury, Allan slashed road maintenance funding to just \$37.6 million, down from \$201.4 million, despite Victoria's crumbling roads.

Allan's youth crime crisis

- In 2024, crime committed by youth offenders rose 20% in just one year and 28.9% over the past decade.
- The largest increases came from males aged 11 (42% in the last year) - who will no longer be criminally responsible following the Allan Labor Government's decision to raise the age.

Crikey.

16 Jul 2024

Rotten Victorian Labor can run but it can't hide from its CFMEU links

For years the close links between the Victorian branch of the CFMEU and the Victorian Labor Party, especially the Andrews government, have been the subject of extensive allegations. It turns out that many of the allegations, denied at the time, were right.

THE AGE 26 Sep 2024

Victoria's youth crime rises to the highest level since 2010

Crime in Victoria has increased by nearly 10 per cent to its highest level in a decade, driven by significant rises in young offenders committing violent crimes. Crime Statistics Agency data, which covers 12 months to June 2024, showed that children aged 10 to 17 recorded 23,236 incidents - the age group's highest level of offending since 2010, according to Victoria Police.

Labor's New or Increased Taxes Tally:

+ 56

52. Holiday and Tourism Tax
53. A new health tax on GPs and allied health professionals (Health Tax)
54. Second increase to the Municipal and Industrial Landfill Levy ('bin tax')
55. Increase to the Fire Services Property Levy
56. Death Tax by stealth - up to 650% increase to process wills

FAST FACTS

Since 1999, Labor has been in Government

83.5%

of the time in Victoria - 21 of the past 25 years.

Number of new or increased taxes

+56

introduced by Labor since 2015.

Labor's Suburban Rail Loop is expected to cost

\$216billion

and likely to blow-out further, with the CFMEU controlling the build.

Victoria's debt is expected to skyrocket to

\$187.8billion

resulting in interest payments of over \$26 million a day, or more than \$1 million per hour.

TIMELINE TO DISASTER



The average Victorian household is already

\$1,100

worse off than the average NSW household.

The Treasurer's Emergency Fund has been run dry by over

\$12billion

and it's likely it has been overspent by a further \$40 million.

A 2024 RACV survey (November) found that

64%

of drivers say potholes and deteriorating roads are their biggest road safety worry.

Youth crime under Labor has increased by

28.9%

and Labor have relaxed Bail laws, resulting in a revolving door of offenders.

2020

Labor's hotel quarantine failures responsible for COVID second wave, and 768 deaths.

2021

Labor's harsh COVID response sees Melbourne confirmed as the most locked down city in the world.

2022

Jacinta Allan receives credible allegations of CFMEU violence and intimidation – but she does nothing.

2023

Labor humiliates Victoria by scrapping our commitment to deliver the 2026 Commonwealth Games. Costing Victorians at least \$600 million.

2024

Jacinta Allan's CFMEU protection racket on 'Big Build' sites is exposed, costing Victorians Billions in Major Project cost blowouts.

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