

It's been a
busy 4 years.



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Foreword

When the people of South Australia chose to put their trust in the Malinauskas Labor Government in March 2022, it was an honour that we accepted with humility, with optimism, and with fierce determination to realise the transformative potential of our state.

We promised a government that would take decisive action, demonstrate prudent economic stewardship, and bring the uplift that drives a greater standard of living, never losing sight of the foundational Labor values of fairness, equity, opportunity, and social and economic justice.

Our state stands at a moment of incredible, once-in-a-century generational opportunity, in copper, in space and defence, and in the technologies of the future.

Such opportunities are only possible in a state with a strong and expanding economy to build upon. And today, our economy is the fastest growing in Australia.

Since the 2022 election, South Australia has experienced the lowest unemployment rate in its history, a record level of employment at over a million people, and the creation of almost 100,000 new jobs.

My government has had the backs of all South Australians in good times and bad; through flood and fire, drought and disaster, supporting our resilient regional communities in times of need and helping them to bounce back even stronger.

We have refused to resile from hard decisions and tough calls for the future - because that is what the people of South Australia rightly expect of their government.

That expectation guided our actions to directly intervene to save vital community assets, including Whyalla steelworks, the Port Pirie smelter, and the iconic Bedford.

It strengthened our resolve to forge ahead with the new Women's and Children's Hospital and the new Adelaide University.

It drove the construction of new technical colleges and ambulance stations all over the state.

And it energised our efforts to bring major events back to South Australia, because we are a state where things happen, supported by a government that gets the job done.

It is time to build on the last four years of growth and continue to deliver for every South Australian: no matter their background, their bank balance, or their postcode.

That future is only possible under a united, experienced, courageous Labor government - one with a vision for South Australia's future and a commitment to improving the lives and livelihoods of working people and the communities they support.

This is South Australia's moment.
And we are ready to meet it.



Peter Malinauskas MP
Premier for South Australia



We've hired **2,794** more doctors, nurses, allied health staff and ambos...



And added hundreds of beds to our health system...

that's the equivalent of a whole new hospital!



We've opened five new Technical colleges...





**and
celebrated
our first
graduate
class.**



We've abolished stamp duty for thousands of first home buyers.



And gave more rights to renters.



We introduced 3-year-old kindy.



And led the world in banning kids from social media.



We brought back the supercars.



And fought to get Gather Round and LIV Golf.



Oh, and
Katy too!



We're building South Australia...



literally!



We rescued Whyalla.



And saved 1,000 jobs at Bedford.



We returned our trains and trams to public hands.



And made them cheap for students and free for seniors.



We grew our energy supply to 75 percent renewable energy...



and we're on track for 100 percent next year.

**We banned
puppy farms.**



**And we banned
political donations...
and those annoying
robocalls.**

And we did it with a more diverse



team than ever before.



And with
no new
taxes.

And we were named Australia's happiest city in 2025



(Institute for Quality of Life, HappyCities Index 2025).

“Best place to do business in Australia – for the third year in a row.”

REGULATION RUMBLE, NOVEMBER 2025



South Australia ranked no.1 for Construction Work and Economic Growth.

STATE OF THE STATES REPORT, OCTOBER 2025



South Australia ranked in the top position in the nation, with its “stand-out performance” and “the fastest... growth relative to its long-run trend... for the third consecutive quarter.”

STATEOMETER REPORT, JANUARY 2026



“South Australia’s economy continued to outperform all other mainland states and territories, as consumer confidence reached its highest level in four years.”

STATE MONITOR, OCTOBER 2025



THE NATION'S FASTEST GROWING ECONOMY

One Million Jobs

For the first time in South Australia's history, the total number of people employed has hit more than a million.

Unemployment

South Australia's unemployment rate has only had a 3 in front of it 15 times since monthly records began almost 48 years ago. *Each time has occurred under the Malinauskas Government.*

Jobs Growth

99,800 jobs have been created since the 2022 state election.

Economic Growth

South Australian State Final Demand *grew by a strong 3.6%* through the year to September quarter 2025 the strongest in the nation and significantly outpacing national growth of 2.6%.

Wages

South Australia has the fastest growing wages in the nation. ABS data showed that average weekly earnings for South Australian full-time workers *rose by 6.6%* through the year to May 2025, above the national growth rate of 4.5%.

Gender Pay Gap

The gender pay gap has narrowed in South Australia *from 11% in 2015 to 8.6%* in 2025 – which is below the national gender pay gap average of 11.5%.

Taxes

South Australia is the *lowest taxing state* on the mainland based on tax revenue per capita.



CommSec's State of the States report **ranked South Australia as top spot for Construction Work** – 21.9% above its decade norm (OCTOBER 2025).



Property Council of Australia has ranked **confidence in South Australia's property sector as the highest in the nation** (SEPTEMBER QUARTER 2025).



The Housing Industry Association ranked South Australia as the **best performing in the nation for new homes under construction** (SPRING 2025 HOUSING SCORECARD).



Housing Industry Association ranked **South Australia #1 nationally**, affirming demand and our delivery capacity (AUTUMN 2025 HOUSING SCORECARD).



Business Council of Australia's Regulation Rumble report (2025) **ranked South Australia's planning system as the best performing.**



The Australian Bureau of Statistics reports that **South Australia leads the nation on dwelling starts** – 22.8% above the decade average.



BUILDING MORE HOMES THAN EVER BEFORE

Increasing Supply

We are **building more houses** than ever before.

We delivered a **nation-leading Housing Roadmap**.

South Australia's housing approvals growth is amongst the strongest in Australia since mid-2024 - through to early 2025, with SA continuing to **outperform national trends** into Oct 2025.

There is a near record number of dwellings in the pipeline of **19,000** as of the September quarter 2025

The most recent building approvals data show that dwelling approvals in the 12 months to October 2025 were **13% higher** than the previous 12 months.

The number of cranes in the sky is at a **historical high** with 26 cranes up in Adelaide (for Q3 2025).

Speeding Up Construction

Average construction timeframe has **reduced to 13.7 months**, down from 16.9 months since 2023-24.

Planning timeframes **reduced by up to 18 months**.

Unlocking Land and Investing in Infrastructure

We've committed **\$1.5 billion** to expand **water and sewer networks**, unlocking up to 40,000 new allotments.

We've unlocked and are on track to **unlock more than 50,000 lots**, combining recent rezonings with the pipeline of code amendments (10,000 more than announced in Housing Roadmap).

We've rezoned **20,800 lots** since 2023, with a further 34,000 lots expected in the next two years.

We're delivering the **first substantial net increase in public housing in a generation**.

STATE OF MOMENTUM

We have a bright story to tell about South Australia's economic future.

We have the fastest growing economy in the nation.

Our unemployment is at a historic low and a record number of South Australians are participating in our economy.

We are building new houses at a record pace and a historic number of students are taking up a trade or technical qualification.

We have introduced three-year-old pre-school and created the new world-leading Adelaide University.

There has never been more reason to grow and stay in South Australia.

The Malinauskas Labor Government is committed to continuing this momentum to provide more opportunities than ever before for all South Australians.





AUKUS

South Australia is embarking on a new and ambitious chapter by hosting an opportunity like no other in our nation's history.



Our defence industry already contributes \$2 billion to our economy, and our more than 400 defence industry businesses directly employ 9,900 people.

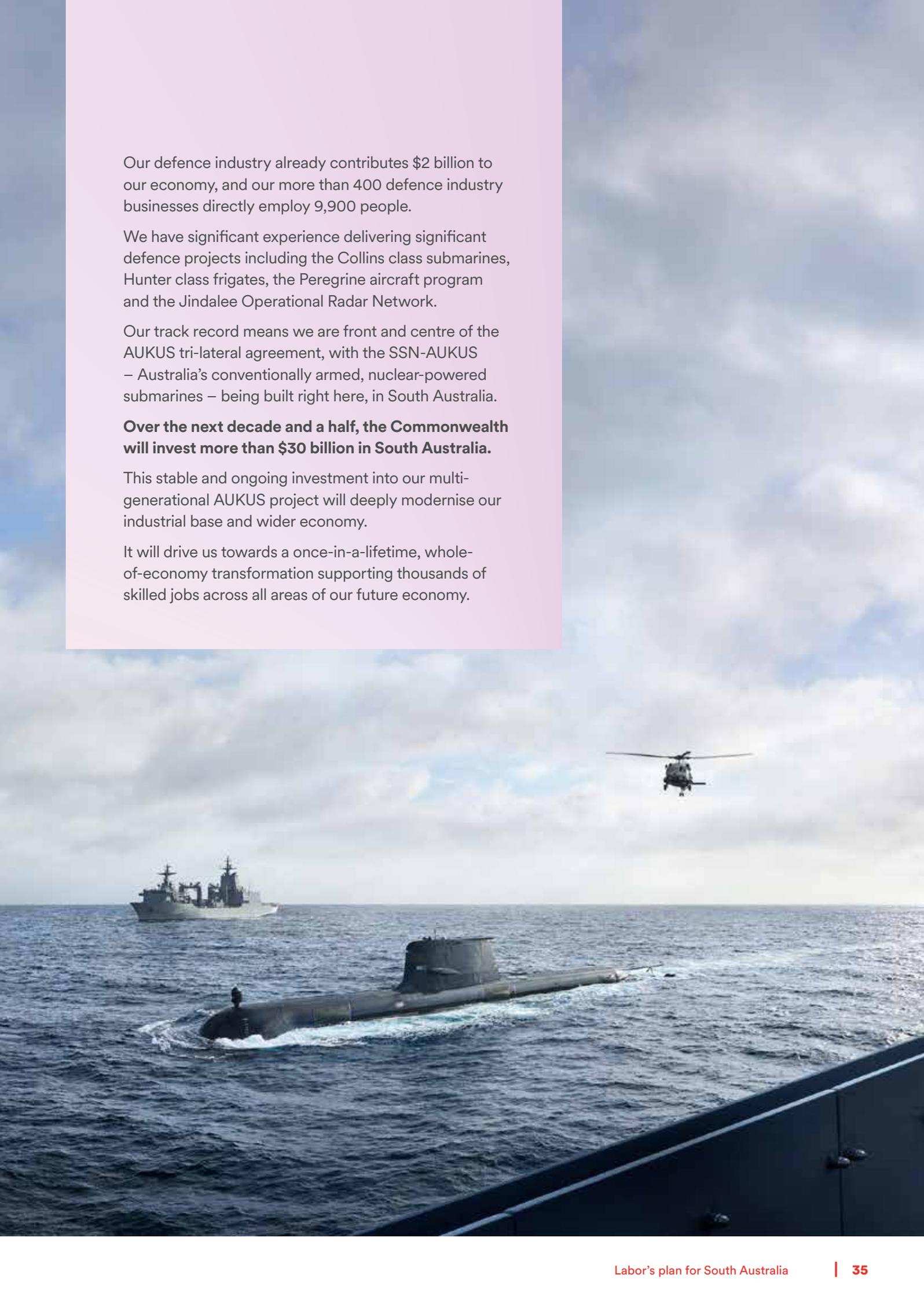
We have significant experience delivering significant defence projects including the Collins class submarines, Hunter class frigates, the Peregrine aircraft program and the Jindalee Operational Radar Network.

Our track record means we are front and centre of the AUKUS tri-lateral agreement, with the SSN-AUKUS – Australia’s conventionally armed, nuclear-powered submarines – being built right here, in South Australia.

Over the next decade and a half, the Commonwealth will invest more than \$30 billion in South Australia.

This stable and ongoing investment into our multi-generational AUKUS project will deeply modernise our industrial base and wider economy.

It will drive us towards a once-in-a-lifetime, whole-of-economy transformation supporting thousands of skilled jobs across all areas of our future economy.



SAVED WHYALLA

The Malinauskas Labor Government acted decisively to save the Whyalla steelworks, securing thousands of jobs and the future of sovereign Australian steelmaking.

Partnering with the Federal Government, \$2.4 billion has been invested to deliver the Sovereign Steelmaking Package, which protects structural steel making capability in Australia and the future of the town of Whyalla.

We are continuing to prepare the steelworks for sale to a true partner who is committed to a sustainable Whyalla.

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“This announcement is a positive outcome for Whyalla, it provides a clear path forward for workers, businesses, and the broader community. The government’s intervention ensures continued operations at the steelworks while laying the foundation for long-term investment and innovation in steel manufacturing.”

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUSTRALIA
EYRE PENINSULA CHAIR BRYAN TRIGG
24/2/2025









STEPPED IN TO BUILD PORT PIRIE'S FUTURE

The Malinauskas Labor Government stepped in to secure the future of Port Pirie, with a \$135 million joint State and Commonwealth investment, into the Nyrstar smelter.

Nyrstar contributes \$624 million to the South Australian economy and employs over 1,000 South Australians. Our substantial investment will support Nyrstar to diversify and grow.

Spurred on by our historic investment, Nyrstar aims to ramp up its production and export of refined antimony by up to 2,000 tonnes each year by the end of 2026.

And they've flagged the potential to scale up to 5,000 tonnes by the end of 2028 - that's equivalent to 15% of the total global supply.

This focussed approach will lay the foundation for even more highly skilled regional jobs and long-term economic benefit.

DRIVING OUR COPPER PRODUCTION

South Australia is home to more than two thirds of the nation's copper resources and one of the world's highest value deposits of magnetite iron ore, which is crucial for making green iron and steel.

The accelerating pace of electrification means that global copper demand is set to increase by 50% and we are acting to seize this opportunity, creating more high-value jobs and further increasing the burgeoning economic complexity of our state.

The Malinauskas Labor Government is also progressing the Northern Water project that will create a pathway to tripling the State's production and facilitating the development of one of the world's largest copper smelters at Olympic Dam.





DELIVERING ON OUR CRITICAL MINERALS OPPORTUNITY

South Australia is set to play a key role in the emerging global demand for critical minerals.

Critical minerals are essential for defence, high tech manufacturing, renewable energy generation and telecommunications.

Here in South Australia, we have some of the most significant mineral reserves of magnetite, graphite, rare earth elements, and mineral sands in the world.

And we are determined to move up the chain of economic complexity to capitalise on the opportunity that these critical minerals are present to our state.



ENERGY

South Australia is one of the world's great renewable energy superpowers.

Our renewable energy share has surged from 1% in 2007 to 74% in 2025, with the goal of reaching 100% net renewables in coming years.

The Malinauskas Labor Government is committed to harnessing our unique convergence of resources to deliver on this significant opportunity for sustainable economic development.

THE NEW ADELAIDE UNIVERSITY

The new Adelaide University was established in 2026, through the merger of the University of Adelaide and UniSA.

An amalgamation of this scale had never been attempted, anywhere in the world.

But we succeeded, delivering on a key election commitment and creating an institution that is already delivering unprecedented value to students, staff and our community.

Backed by the Malinauskas Labor Government's \$464.5 million investment, the new Adelaide University is already thriving: debuting at number 82 in the top 100 universities in the world and 8th in Australia (2026 QS World University Rankings).

As the newest member of the Group of Eight, the new Adelaide University is delivering over 2,000 new and redesigned courses and contributing an estimated \$4.7 billion to our economy.





ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND DATA CENTRES

South Australia well and truly leads the nation in AI and machine learning.

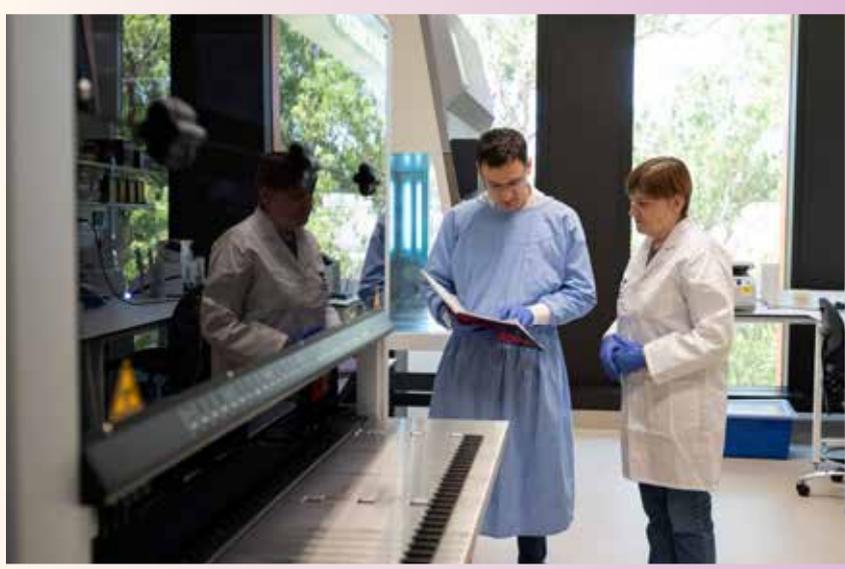
The Malinauskas Labor Government has elevated AI to a top priority by appointing the first Assistant Minister for AI and establishing the first ever Office for AI, cementing our role as the nation's leader in emerging technologies and digital transformation.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Building South Australia's R&D base is crucial to diversifying our state's economy - boosting productivity, economic complexity, our wages and standards of living.

Our Research and Innovation Fund continues to make strategic investments into South Australia's innovation system – investing more than \$48 million over the last four years into projects across medical, machine learning, critical technology, and the environment

This is supported by the strides we have already made towards increasing R&D by establishing the new Adelaide University and offering generational learning opportunities such as three-year-old pre-school, fee-free TAFE and new Technical Colleges.







All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

A Malinauskas Labor Government understands that the pathway to greater prosperity and improved standards of living for all South Australians involves increasing our State's economic complexity.

This ultimately supports higher wages, as well as a more sustainable and resilient economy, for future generations.

We have already made inroads towards this important objective.

In the last four years we have closed the national wage gap by 2.5% and there are more people employed than ever before, in higher paying jobs.

And we are committed to doubling down on our efforts and continuing this important work. We will take to the election a suite of policies to support our future economic growth, including a plan to build more skills for AUKUS, new resource exploration partnership programs, greater support for our regional economic zones, more technical colleges and increased investment in our education sector and education infrastructure.

MORE HOMES FOR SOUTH AUSTRALIANS

It's been a busy 4 years

The Malinauskas Labor Government elevated housing to a top priority.

We have been determined to pull every policy lever available and backed it with real action through our Housing Roadmap and unprecedented government investment.

The changes we have made are starting to make a real and measurable difference to a problem that is challenging governments around the world.

Building approvals are up, average construction time frames are down and more houses are being built than ever before.

The number of cranes in the sky are at a historical high and for the first time in a generation, we have increased public housing stock.

We have been working hard for every South Australian because we all deserve a place to call home.



Building More Homes Than Ever Before

In 2024-25 a record high of 12,870 homes were completed - that is nearly 20% higher than our long-term average.

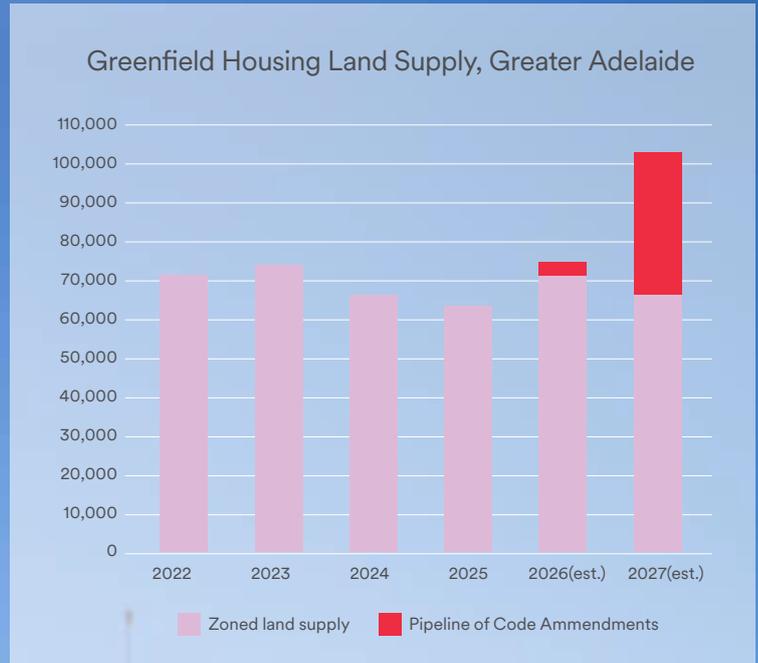
This is the result of the deliberate changes we have made to supercharge our housing sector.

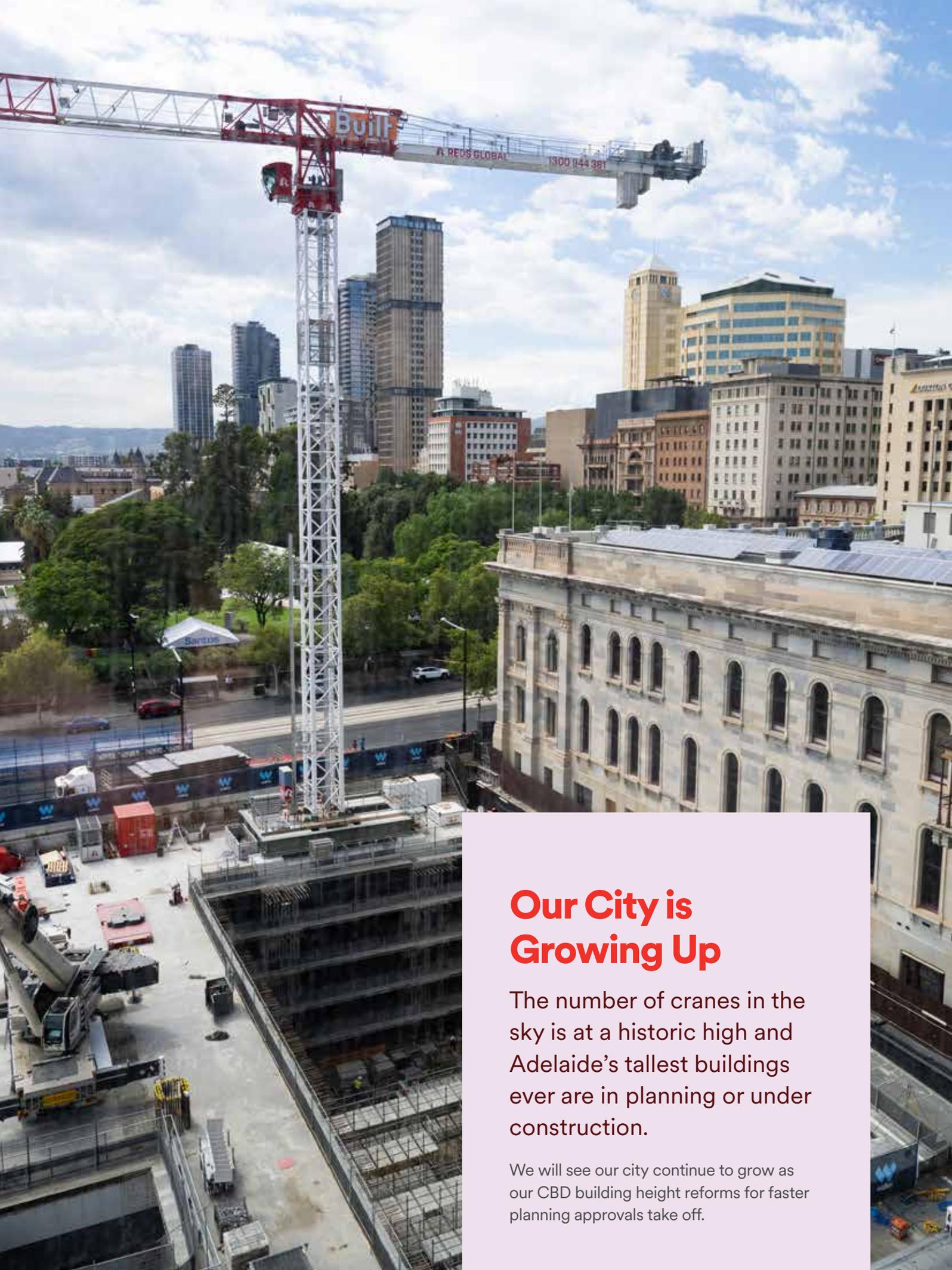




Largest Ever Land Release

We are rapidly rezoning land to unlock thousands of potential housing allotments, laying the foundations for the new homes that will meet South Australia's growing housing needs in the coming decades.





Our City is Growing Up

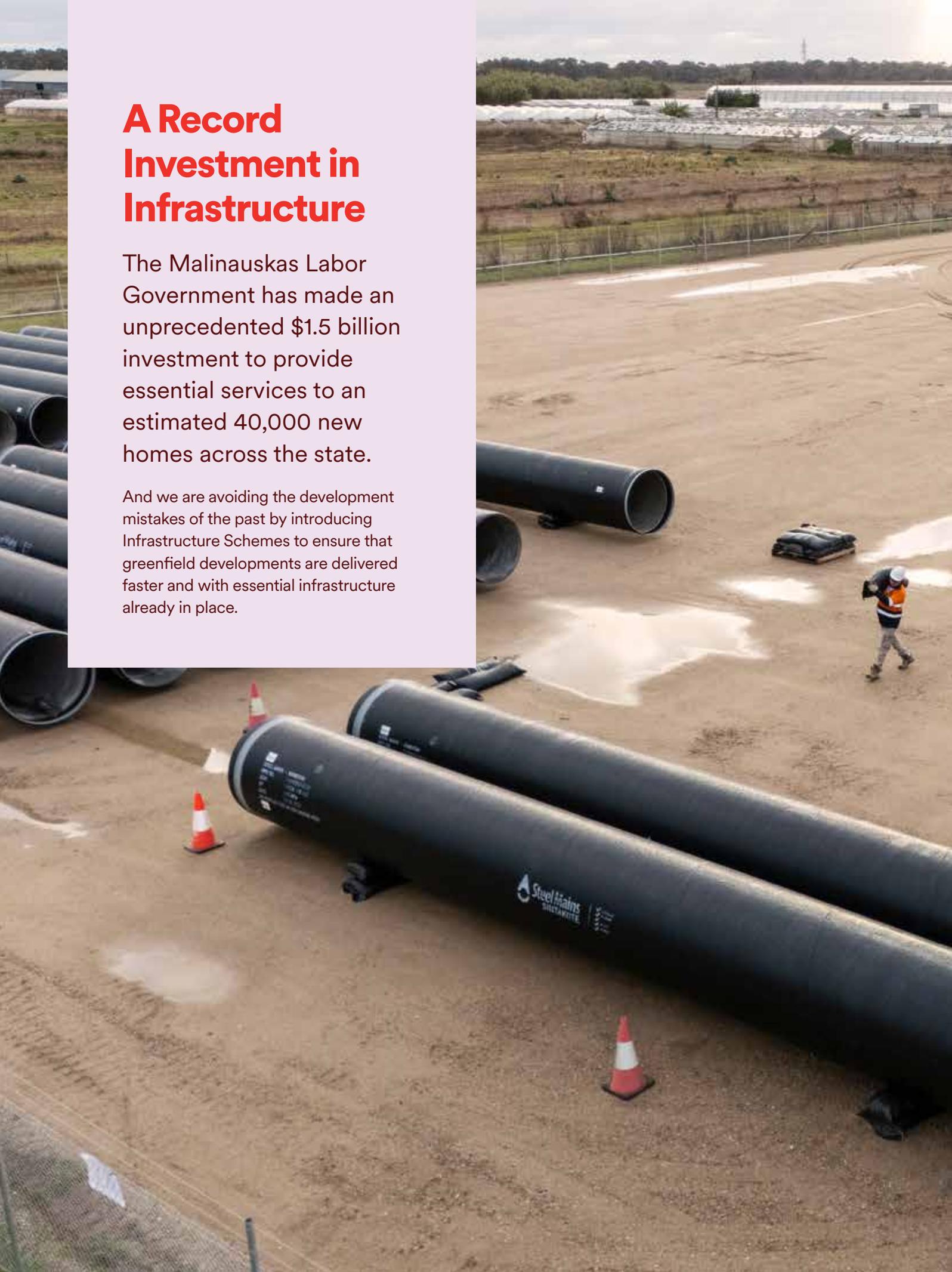
The number of cranes in the sky is at a historic high and Adelaide's tallest buildings ever are in planning or under construction.

We will see our city continue to grow as our CBD building height reforms for faster planning approvals take off.

A Record Investment in Infrastructure

The Malinauskas Labor Government has made an unprecedented \$1.5 billion investment to provide essential services to an estimated 40,000 new homes across the state.

And we are avoiding the development mistakes of the past by introducing Infrastructure Schemes to ensure that greenfield developments are delivered faster and with essential infrastructure already in place.







A Better Planning System

The Malinauskas Labor Government has made it faster and easier to build homes through our innovative planning reforms, with planning timeframes cut by up to 18 months.

Nation-Leading Housing Roadmap

In 2024 we released our Housing Roadmap to ensure that we had the infrastructure, processes and funding in place to supercharge our housing industry.

Backing action with accountability, we have invited industry leaders to be involved through a formal oversight committee and set key deliverables.

Stronger Tree Canopy Protections

We have strengthened our tree canopy laws by establishing tree loss regulations that meet Australia's best practice standards - saving over 75,000 trees per year



A Plan for the Future

We have delivered a once-in-a-generation blueprint for how Greater Adelaide will grow in a managed, connected and environmentally sustainable way.

Through the Greater Adelaide Regional Plan (GARP) we have:

- » Mapped where an additional 315,000 homes and hundreds of thousands of jobs will be located.
- » Reserved land for essential infrastructure such as hospitals, roads, public transport, schools and emergency services.
- » Preserved up to 1000 hectares for a new Northern Parklands to ensure open green space and sporting facilities for an important new housing growth front.

A New Coordinator-General

The Malinauskas Labor Government created a new Coordinator-General position to drive major projects, ensuring housing, transport, and energy developments are delivered faster, smarter, and in line with the state's strategic priorities.

Real Reforms to Preserve Heritage

We have used the planning system to preserve the things that make our communities great places to live, including providing heritage homes with extra protection against demolition.

The Malinauskas Labor Government also passed legislation to return Ayers House to the National Trust after it was removed by the previous Liberal Government.

More for First Home Buyers Than Ever Before

The Malinauskas Labor Government has opened the door to home ownership for more South Australians.

We have done this by:

- » **Abolishing stamp duty** for all first home buyers building or purchasing a new home - regardless of the price.
- » **Expanding the First Home Owner grant** of up to \$15,000 to all eligible first home buyers.
- » And **introducing a new 2% deposit HomeStart loan** - HomeStart is now seeing record annual lending of \$1.4 billion, with 62% of new loans going to first home buyers



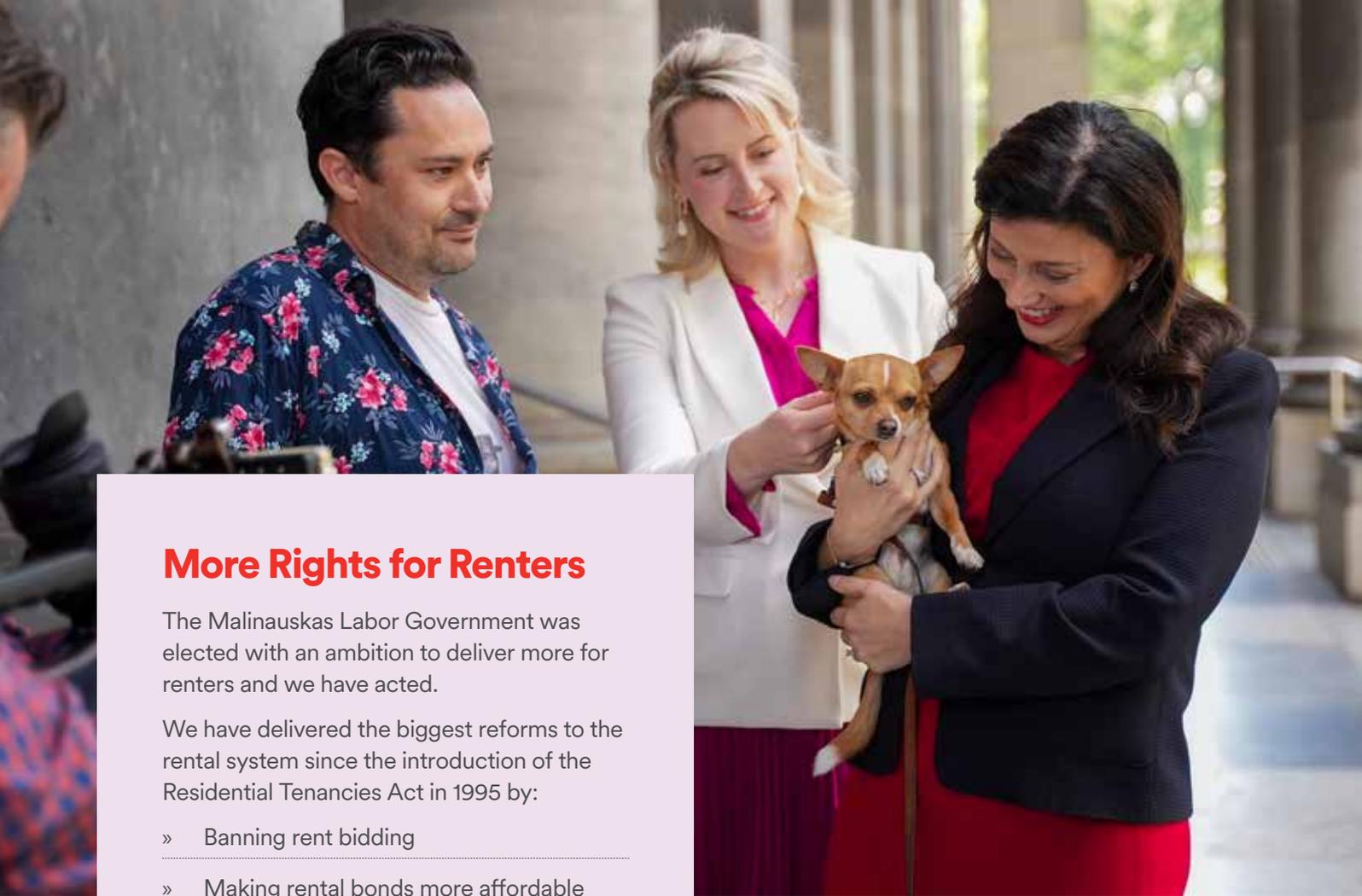
Restoring the Trust

The Malinauskas Labor Government was elected with an ambitious agenda to restore the Housing Trust in both name and purpose - and we have delivered:

- » Achieving the first significant net increase to public housing stock in a generation.
- » Building more than 1000 new public homes, including 150 new homes in regional South Australia.
- » Majorly refurbishing 350 vacant properties, bringing them back into use for families who need them most.
- » Undertaking a statewide maintenance blitz, improving the safety and comfort of 3,000 tenanted homes.
- » Increasing security measures which has resulted in decreased anti-social behaviour and improved amenity.
- » Reversing the former Liberal Government's planned sell-off of 580 public homes.

More Housing for our Regions and Regional Workers

The Malinauskas Labor Government cemented the importance of regional housing by establishing the Office for Regional Housing and investing \$30 million dollars to increase the supply of affordable homes in our regions. This includes a focus on more homes for our police officers, nurses and teachers working in the regions.



More Rights for Renters

The Malinauskas Labor Government was elected with an ambition to deliver more for renters and we have acted.

We have delivered the biggest reforms to the rental system since the introduction of the Residential Tenancies Act in 1995 by:

- » Banning rent bidding
- » Making rental bonds more affordable
- » Introducing the right for renters to have pets in their homes, with clear guidelines
- » Capping rent increases at once every 12 months
- » Implementing new termination requirements for leases, meaning landlords will now need prescribed grounds to terminate or not renew a tenancy
- » Increasing the notice period to end a fixed term tenancy from 28 to 60 days
- » Capping routine property inspections to 4 per year
- » Better protecting tenants' information
- » Mandating that rental properties must comply with minimum housing standards
- » Providing better support for tenants experiencing domestic abuse

These sensible measures, get the balance right.

Fairer Retirement Villages

Updated Retirement Village law to strengthen protections for retirement village residents and improve the overall operation of villages across South Australia.

A record investment in Construction Skills

The Malinauskas Labor Government has made record investments in skills with an increased focus on education and training.

We have built five new Technical Colleges and secured a record funding of \$2.3 billion dollars through the National Skills Agreement. This will deliver 160,000 new funded training places for careers in building and construction and will significantly increase apprenticeships and traineeships.

All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

We will not take our foot off the accelerator.

A Malinauskas Labor Government will take to the election a suite of policies aimed at supercharging our housing sector.

We will provide a \$500 million underwrite scheme for apartments in our CBD, invest heavily in our construction skills sector, deliver three more technical colleges, a new construction focussed TAFE, more homes for first home buyers and additional targeted investments that we will announce over the course of the campaign.

Over the next four years, our approach will see more homes built in key communities across the state as we build up in the city and out in the suburbs.

Tens of thousands of new lots will be rezoned and planning for new supporting infrastructure and homes will be well underway on the new growth fronts.

We will see more people move into government managed strategic site suburbs like Bowden, Southwark Grounds, Noarlunga, Prospect Corner, Greater Seaton and Playford Alive.

We will release our Housing Road Map 2, which will set out our workplan for housing for the next two years and we will call on industry to keep working with us in partnership to address the housing challenge – because only together we can achieve great things.

**SKILLS.
JOBS.
SECURE
FUTURE.**

It's been a busy 4 years

Every young person has the right to expect a quality education and opportunities for a decent job, and for the last four years, the Malinauskas Labor Government has been absolutely focussed on this pursuit.

When we came into government our skills sector was languishing - underfunded and under resourced - causing significant skilled worker shortages across our essential construction, trade and healthcare sectors.

Since 2022, we have driven an ambitious agenda to capitalise on the significant economic opportunity we have before us, and we will remain steadfast in our commitment to deliver the skills we need, now and for the future.



Five New Technical Colleges

The Malinauskas Labor Government has delivered on our commitment to build and operate five new Technical Colleges.

Located in Mount Gambier, Port Augusta, Modbury Heights, Tonsley and Findon, Technical Colleges are guaranteeing jobs for young people in areas like defence, construction, early childhood and aeroskills, with employer partners including BAE, ASC, Goodstart, Master Builders Association and Boeing.







Training More Workers

Our investments are seeing significant increases in the number of South Australians being trained - latest data shows the number of government funded students in South Australia is at its highest level for over a decade.

Growth has been particularly strong in government priority areas, meaning we are training workers in the areas we need the most.

Adelaide University

The Malinauskas Labor Government was elected with a bold plan to merge the University of Adelaide and UniSA, to create a new internationally recognised top 100 university, that would ensure our State is the home to the highest quality education and research opportunities possible.

And we have delivered.

The new Adelaide University, which opened in 2026, has launched itself into the top 100 universities in the world, claiming the 82nd spot in the QS World Rankings Global 100.

Put in context, this puts Adelaide University in the top 1% of all universities worldwide.



Fee-Free TAFE

In partnership with the Albanese Labor Government, we are delivering Fee-Free TAFE.

Over 20,000 South Australians have already enrolled in free TAFE courses, breaking down barriers to accessing training in the areas we need including construction, defence, early childhood and health.

Record Funding to Train More Workers

The Malinauskas Labor Government has signed the largest skills agreement ever – \$2.3 billion dollars – delivering over 160,000 training places to give South Australians the skills they need, for the job they want.

This record agreement is also delivering more support for students, so they successfully finish their course, as well as for more VET educators to deliver the best training.

Rebuilt TAFE

When we came to government in 2022, TAFE was not in good shape, courses had been cut, staff had been sacked, and campuses closed.

We promised to rebuild TAFE SA – and we have delivered.

The Malinauskas Labor Government has reintroduced courses that had been cut, such as early childhood and disability and aged care, introduced a fund to offer more courses in regional areas and increased TAFE's budget year on year.

And we're seeing results, with TAFE enrolments now growing, not reducing. This means more carpenters, more bricklayers and more aged care workers now and into the future.

All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

A Malinauskas Labor Government will double down on our efforts to deliver the skills we need now and for the future.

We will take to the election a comprehensive AUKUS skills plan, three more technical colleges, a construction focussed TAFE in Mount Barker and we will continue making announcements over the course of the campaign to support our growing skills needs.

Continuing to Build Our Skills Workforce

The profound opportunity presented by AUKUS and the need to build our essential construction workforce means that we will continue to deliver the \$2.3 billion National Skills Agreement.

This includes, rolling out the 160,000 training places we promised and increasing course completions by investing \$37 million in the things that help our students finish their training.

We will deliver the National Centres of Excellence in Early Childhood Education and Care and National Security, delivering better training and developing new courses to skill the workforce we need.

A Malinauskas Labor Government will maintain our commitment to Fee Free TAFE building on the 20,000 enrollments we have seen in the past three years.

Delivering Support for Our Construction Sector

We're making the single biggest investment in construction training through the Construction Industry Training Board - investing more than \$116 million over the next three years to support more than 8,000 apprentices and 22,000 workers annually.

A Malinauskas Labor Government will maintain our commitment to Fee-Free TAFE building on the 20,000 enrolments we have seen in the past three years.

ROAD TO 100%

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South Australia is a world leader in the transition to renewable energy and we are well on our way to a world first 100% net renewables system by 2027.

This means that across the next decade, South Australia's energy system will need to continue to transition as it utilises clean energy, firmed by gas and batteries providing efficient, clean and affordable energy for all South Australia's industries and households.

The Malinauskas Labor Government has had a busy last four years, progressing our leadership in the renewables space while establishing the framework to encourage new dispatchable energy to firm our network with gas-fired generation and long-duration batteries.

Streamlined Renewable Developments

A growing economy means an expanding energy market, which is why the Malinauskas Labor Government passed a new renewable energy Act to support, streamline and facilitate additional investment in clean energy projects – including new wind, solar and storage.

Our legislation provides investors with confidence while including important safeguards for Aboriginal people, landowners and communities.

Already, 41 renewable energy projects are transitioning to the new framework under the Act and the government has acted to declare two major land releases to meet demand.

Established a Framework to Ensure Energy Reliability

Across the next decade, as the rest of the nation follows our lead transitioning away from coal-fired energy to a cleaner, more sustainable energy supply, we need to ensure we can maintain our own energy supply, to meet anticipated increases in demand through new industrial and residential growth.

That's why the Malinauskas Labor Government has acted to design and implement the Firm Energy Reliability Mechanism.

This nation-leading program seeks to ensure we introduce and retain the capacity we need to firm our energy grid and support demand growth.

We also implemented the orderly exit management framework to fix issues caused by the former Liberal Government's failed Project Energy Connect, allowing our government to negotiate or direct an energy generator to continue to operate to ensure system security and reliability whilst new dispatchable capacity enters the energy system.

These initiatives have allowed us to act, already we've:

- » Prevented AGL's Torrens Island Power Station from closing.
- » Conducted auctions targeting 700MW of long-duration storage and firming.
- » Secured 200MW of gas-fired generators in SA through General Electric.



Invested in Conventional Energy Resources

The Malinauskas Labor Government is a strong supporter of the importance of gas for our industries and economy.

We have led the way by encouraging the supply of gas needed to support our energy transition and strongly supported efforts to incentivise new supply.

The Otway Basin in the South-East is the second largest gas field in South Australia. In 2018 the former Liberal Government signed a moratorium preventing any gas exploration for 10 years.

We have called on the Liberal Opposition for bi-partisan support to explore gas exploration in the Otway Basin, but they have not supported this important opportunity.

In the meantime, our government has acted on a number of opportunities to expand our gas supply, including:

- » Recent land releases in the Otway and Poldas basins, considering the moratorium soon expires.
- » Supporting geoscience by the Geological Survey of South Australia on the Cooper Basin.
- » A \$17.5 million Gas Initiative to provide new supply to the South Australian market.



Supported Households and Businesses

A successful energy transition in South Australia must ensure that no one is left behind.

Some consumer groups have less opportunity to realise the benefits during the transition due to factors that may include lack of control over their circumstances or access to finances.

That's why the Malinauskas Labor Government has implemented a number of important accessibility measures over the last four years, including:

- » Energy bill relief, matched by the Commonwealth Government, as well as our energy concession for vulnerable households.
- » Commencing a rollout of community batteries to provide over 10,000 low-income households access to power at 25% below the market offer.
- » The Social Housing Energy Performance Initiative, which has improved the energy efficiency and comfort in 4,000 South Australian Housing Trust homes across the state.
- » Supporting the Energy Masters initiative to help participants take control of their energy use.
- » The Retailer Energy Productivity Scheme has delivered tens of thousands of energy saving activities, which has saved millions of dollars and Gigajoules of energy for participating households and businesses.

STRENGTHENING OUR DEMOCRACY

It's been a busy 4 years

South Australia has always led the world in democratic reform.

We pioneered universal suffrage, the secret ballot and were the first place in the world to grant women the right to vote and stand for Parliament.

The Malinauskas Labor Government is continuing South Australia's proud reputation as a global leader in democracy.

In a time where trust in democratic institutions is at an all-time low, we have acted - passing world-leading legislation to ban political donations, developing contemporary electoral laws, investing millions in civics education, banning social media for under 16s, and regulating the use of emerging technologies like artificial intelligence.

Banning Political Donations

The perception that political influence can be bought can cause untold damage to public trust.

The Malinauskas Labor Government took to the election in 2022 a bold plan to safeguard democracy by enacting a world-leading reform to ban political donations - and we have delivered.

Under our government's legislation, it is now unlawful for a person to make or accept a donation to a political party, member of parliament, candidate or group of candidates.

This includes donations from businesses, interest groups, lobbyists and trade unions.

To keep the system fair, new entrants and non-incumbent candidates are able to accept donations, within strict limits including a cap of \$5000.

Our legislation also imposes mandatory spending caps for political parties and a range of measures designed to promote transparency, accountability and trust in democracy.

We believe that safeguarding our democratic institutions requires bold and decisive action. This legislation, which passed the parliament with unanimous support, does just that.

Civics Education

It has never been more important to equip our young people with comprehensive critical thinking tools and a greater understanding of our democratic processes.

That's why the Malinauskas Labor Government invested \$18.4 million in a series of nation-leading reforms to boost civics and citizenship education in our schools.

These reforms ensure that there is a dedicated civics and citizenship teacher in every school with secondary enrolments, while increasing the level of civics content available for students.

We also introduced the state's first ever Active Citizenship Convention in 2025.

All of this works towards improving understanding of civics and democracy in our young people, which is a vital part of our work as a responsible government.

Social Media Ban

South Australia was at the forefront of what has become a global movement to ban social media for under 16-year-olds.

The Malinauskas Labor Government commissioned an expert report from former High Court Chief Justice Robert French, which outlined a legislative mechanism to ban children under 16 from accessing social media.

Following engagement with the Albanese Federal Government, this model was adopted by the Federal Parliament.

In December 2025 Australia enacted a world-leading social media ban, which many countries around the globe are now seeking to replicate.





CNET

Australia Bans Social Media for Kids Under 16. Which Sites Are Blocked?

Los Angeles Times

Australia Bans Social Media for Kids Under 16. Which Sites Are Blocked?

 **ALJAZEERA**

TikTok, Instagram ban for Australian kids heralds global curbs

The New York Times

Australia begins enforcing world-first teen social media ban

euronews.

Australia banned social media for under-16s. Could Denmark do the same?

NEW YORK POST

Australia bans YouTube accounts for children under 16



First Nations Voice to Parliament

The Malinauskas Labor Government introduced Australia's first Voice to Parliament, passing legislation to provide First Nations people with a voice in decisions that impact their communities.

The *First Nations Voice Act* passed the Parliament more than two years ago and has seen the Voice meet with Cabinet and Chief Executives, provide advice on bills before Parliament and in November last year, present its inaugural annual address to a joint sitting in Parliament.

Already the Voice has delivered practical improvements to policies and legislation, ensuring they are more effective in delivering better outcomes for First Nations communities.

Ban on Corflutes and Robocalls

The Malinauskas Labor Government modernised South Australia's electoral legislation for the first time in years, bringing it into better alignment with contemporary society.

This included banning corflutes at both state and federal elections, and banning annoying robocalls permanently.

We also made the electoral process more accessible by giving the electoral commissioner the flexibility to adopt online processes for candidate nomination and compliance. Actions like this reduce the barriers to entry for all potential candidates - whether they be part of a major party or an independent.

Regulating AI in Elections

Modern elections face unique challenges - one of which is the rise of deepfakes generated by artificial intelligence.

Technology has evolved such that deepfakes are increasingly convincing and difficult to separate from reality.

That's why the Malinauskas Labor Government introduced legislation to ban the unauthorised use of deepfakes in electoral advertising, preventing misleading or false deepfake videos from being used to influence the outcome of an election.

All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

Democracy around the world is in a crisis of confidence.

It is incumbent upon governments to act -
and a Malinauskas Labor Government
will continue to do so.

We will continue developing world-leading reforms, where
appropriate and necessary, to increase trust in our democracy by
boosting fairness, transparency and accountability.

This includes responding to our independent review of the state's
lobbying legislation, strengthening the scheme and working to further
boost trust in our political system.

EDUCATION FOR THE NEXT GENERATION

It's been a busy 4 years

Education is the best investment a government can make to change lives and ensure that everyone in South Australia has access to a secure future.

The Malinauskas Labor Government was elected with an ambitious agenda for record investments in the early years, our schools and teachers.

And we have delivered.

Our generational changes are delivering improved results, greater opportunities, better supported students and more empowered teachers.

We will continue our efforts to make every school a great school because we want to ensure that our young people have everything they need for a great education, no matter where they live.

Made the Biggest Change to Education in a Generation by Delivering Three-Year-Old Preschool

We know that the first 1000 days of a child's life are the most important, which is why we delivered on our commitment to establish a Royal Commission into Three-Year-Old Preschool.

And we have acted on the recommendations of that Royal Commission.

This year, for the first time, more than 6,000 three-year-olds will access a second year of preschool in metropolitan and regional South Australia, with more to come.

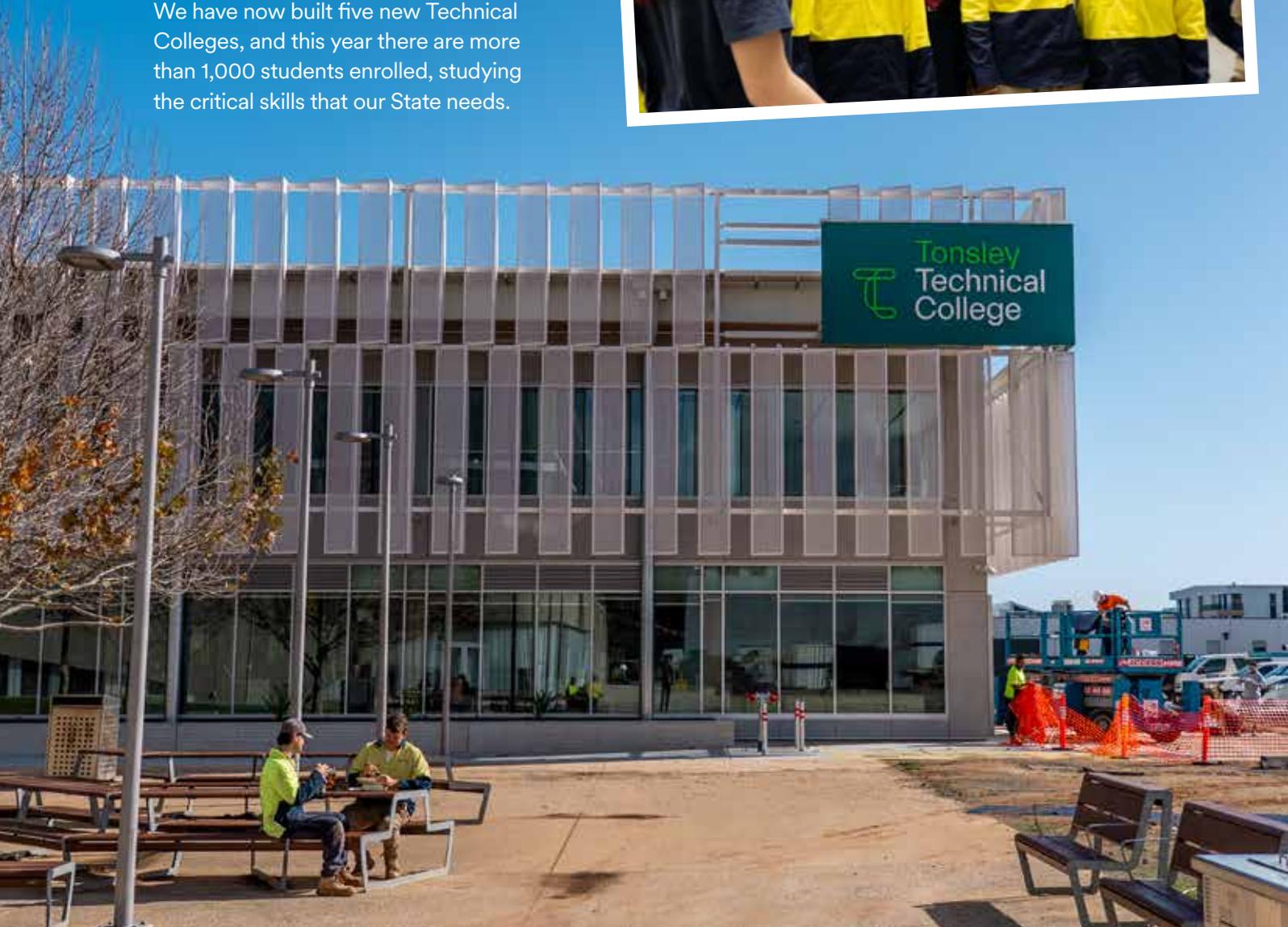


Brought Back Technical Colleges

The Malinauskas Labor Government has moved at pace to deliver on our ambitious agenda to bring back Technical Colleges.

Technical Colleges are dedicated to students in years 10 to 12 and allow young people to complete their SACE while learning a skill - with a guaranteed job at the end.

We have now built five new Technical Colleges, and this year there are more than 1,000 students enrolled, studying the critical skills that our State needs.



Supporting Every Child

Every child deserves access to the best education, and sometimes they need extra support to thrive at school.

That's why we have delivered on our promise to roll out Autism Inclusion Teachers in every public primary school, and why we've put 55 mental health practitioners in high schools as part of our 100 Mental Health and Learning Specialists plan.

And it's why we're investing \$3 million per year in disability infrastructure upgrades and passed laws to require all schools to be more inclusive of kids with a disability.

We have also delivered our commitment to ban mobile phones in schools - reducing distractions and leading to students feeling safer and more connected.

Our approach to making sure that every single child is supported at school is delivering real results:

Improved NAPLAN results

In 2025, for the first time since NAPLAN testing began, South Australia has improved or held its position in every domain compared with the rest of the country.

More students completing SACE

70 percent of year 12 and 13 students completed SACE in 2024, compared to 62 percent in 2019.

Increased participation in

Vocational Education and Training

Participation in VET courses increased by 21 percent from 2023 to 2024, with over 5,100 enrolments in quality VET courses.

Rolling Out year one Numeracy Test

Allowing kids who are struggling to receive additional support, sooner.



Delivering the Best Education

We know that our teachers and support staff are our greatest assets in helping to improve student outcomes.

That's why the Malinauskas Labor Government has made record investments in our teachers and support staff, leading to real results:



✔ Real Wage Increases for our Teachers

Record-breaking \$1.6 billion Enterprise Bargaining outcome for our teachers, with real wage increases and measures to address workload, classroom complexity and country educators.

✔ More protection and support for our educators

Strengthening laws to ban abusive parents and caregivers from sites.

Reduced unnecessary work to allow more time to focus on their core business, such as simplifying the Inclusive Education Support Program applications for teachers and taking playground audits out of the hands of principals.

✔ Significant decrease in teacher vacancies

More than 50 percent decrease in teacher vacancies, since March 2022.

✔ Permanent roles for teachers

More than 1,800 teachers in South Australia's government schools have converted to permanent positions since March 2022, the highest conversion rate in the last decade.

✔ Leadership roles in schools filled

All leadership roles in South Australian government schools are now fully recruited.

✔ Autism Inclusion Teachers

Every South Australian government primary school has access to an autism inclusion teacher.





Fully Funding Public Schools

For the first time, public schools are on a pathway to be fully funded. More than \$1.3 billion extra will go to South Australian public schools over the next decade.

And that means more money where it matters – into classrooms to improve education.

Making school cheaper

Since being elected, we've delivered real cost saving measures for our public school families.

We've provided a \$100 discount for the Materials and Services Charge in 2022, 2023 and 2024, and in 2025 and 2026 we've doubled that discount to \$200.

We're also giving high school families on school card access to free digital devices, and we're giving families free internet if they don't have access to it.

Reintroduced mid-year intake

Families have called for mid-year intake at preschool and school, and we've delivered it.

We promised we would bring back mid-year intake, and it has now been in place for two years, giving over 4,000 xSouth Australian students access in 2024 and more than 4,000 in 2025.





Delivering the best facilities

The Malinauskas Labor Government promised significant school upgrades at the last election and we've delivered them.

Including:

- ✓ A \$98 million upgrade to Adelaide Botanic High School,
- ✓ An almost \$21 million upgrade of Roma Mitchell Secondary College,
- ✓ \$16 million for four gyms at The Pines School, Hillcrest Primary School, Brahma Lodge Primary School and Ingle Farm East Primary School.

On top of that, we've increased maintenance spending each year by over \$30 million, and we're funding a \$40 million infrastructure boost in schools to replace air conditioners and toilet facilities.

All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

A Malinauskas Labor Government will remain steadfast in its commitment to our students and teachers.

We will take to the election a comprehensive suite of policies aimed at delivering the best and most accessible educational opportunities for all South Australian children and young people.

We have already announced policies to provide deliver the largest education reform in a generation, a \$500 million dollar investment to upgrade school infrastructure, a \$10 million dollar investment in inclusive school facilities, three new technical colleges and a range of reforms to better support our teachers.

And we will not stop there.

Over the course of the campaign, we will make more commitments that will increase access to education and to better support our children and young people to thrive.

Continuing our Commitment to More Opportunities

We will build on the ambitious agenda we took to the 2022 election by continuing to invest in opportunities for all students.

We are driven by the ambition to give every child the best public education - and we're proud of what we've achieved so far to reach that goal. A second term Malinauskas Labor Government will double down on our efforts to give every child the best education and set them up for a great life.

Building the Education Infrastructure We Need

A Malinauskas Labor Government is committed to building the education infrastructure South Australia needs to ensure our growing communities thrive.

We have already committed to ongoing significant infrastructure investments for our schools, including:

- ✓ A **\$62.7 million** new preschool and primary school in **Mount Barker**
- ✓ A **\$70 million** new primary school and preschool for the **Northern Suburbs**
- ✓ A **\$10 million** major upgrade for **Fraser Park Primary School**
- ✓ A **\$15.9 million** major upgrade for **Oakbank School**
- ✓ A **\$10 million** major upgrade for **Fairview Park Primary School**
- ✓ An **\$8 million** major upgrade for **Taparra Primary School**

EMPOWERING OUR KIDS

It's been a busy 4 years

Labor wants a future where every child and young person can thrive.

Children and young people are our number one resource, and they must be our number one investment.

South Australia has an enormous economic opportunity before us. But if we are to fully seize it, we need all South Australians to have the chance to fully participate.

Through our program of 3-year-old kindy and other early years reforms, this is our key priority. But the truth is, we must also be willing to try to do other things differently.

We have implemented stronger safeguards to protect children from online harms, including the harms of social media, invested heavily in our child and family support system and in other targeted place-based initiatives that give our kids a better chance of success.



The Hon Peter Malinauskas Premier of South Australia

A Global Leader on Social Media and Smartphones

Like seatbelts and smoking in the past, every generation has its challenges requiring widespread cultural change and regulation – we believe smartphones and social media unregulated in the hands of children, are one of the modern challenges of our time.

Expert evidence shows that social media and excessive screen time harms the development and mental health of our children and young people.



That is why the Malinauskas Labor Government was determined to tackle this complex issue head on, implementing a range of nation and world-leading initiatives:



Banned mobile phones in all public high schools

All students in our South Australian public schools are now required to keep their mobile phones switched off and out of sight during school hours - making our schools safer by tackling social media harassment and violence and allowing our kids to focus on their learning, friendships and keeping active.

The ban has resulted in substantial improvements in student behaviour. A 12-month review of the ban found 93% of leaders reported a decrease in staff time spent following up issues with phones and social media.



Led the national social media ban for under 16-year-olds

South Australia led the nation and the world in preparing legislation which created the model for the Australian Government's world-leading ban on social media, enforcing a minimum age of 16 years across the nation.



Funded Wait Mate

In yet another Australian first, South Australia is leading the way to make childhood smartphone free. We are investing \$6.5 million to make the Wait Mate program available to every public and private school in the state, supporting parents to unite and delay the introduction of smartphones for their kids.



Youth Action Plan

Launched the Youth Action Plan which sets out a roadmap for how we can support young people in our communities to grow and thrive.



Better online safety education

We have reformed the school curriculum, with our kids now being taught about online safety and the dangers of social media, including cyberbullying, body image, and mental health and wellbeing. There's also new content on coercive control, strategies for detecting deepfakes, understanding artificial intelligence and the impact of negative online influencers.



Sports Vouchers Expansion

We have delivered significant cost-of-living relief and increased access to extra-curricular activities through our expansion of the Sports Vouchers Plus Program. We have doubled the vouchers to \$200 per year, and expanded the eligible activities to include music lessons, dance and active recreation.



Anti-bullying initiatives

We have invested heavily in anti-bullying initiatives in schools, including \$50 million into mental health and allied health supports on-site to make our schools safer, complementing initiatives to limit the amount of time students spend on their phones.



Civics education

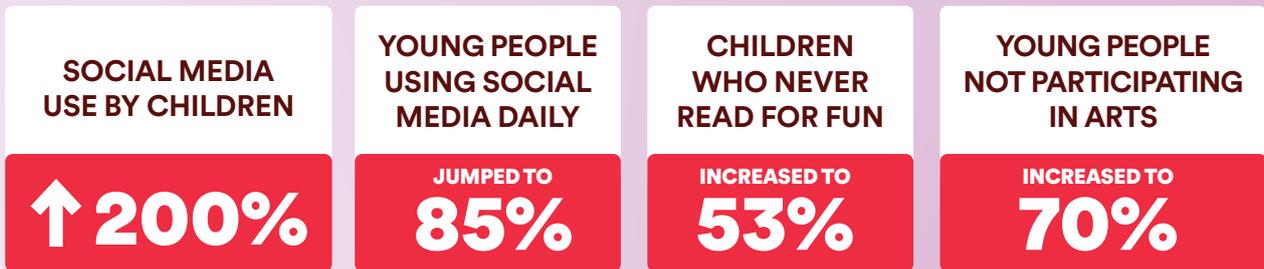
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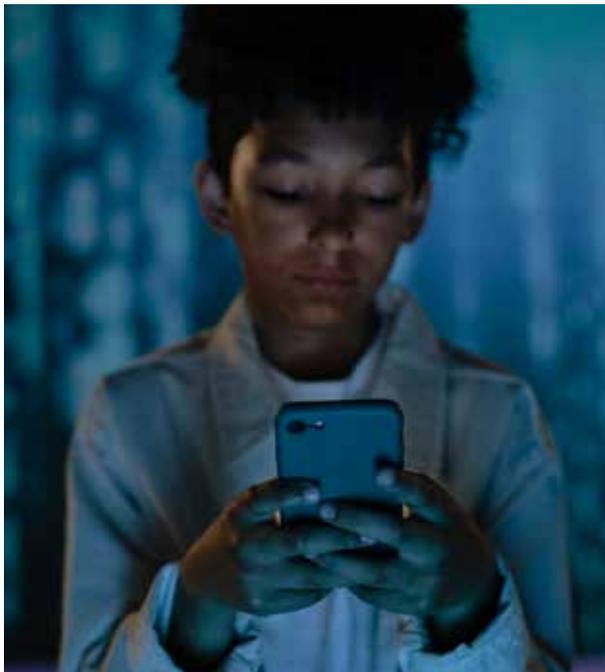
A Global Leader on Social Media and Smartphones

We want to ensure all South Australian children and young people have the opportunity to live active, healthy and happy lives – where smartphones and social media are not the defining feature of their childhood.

South Australian research during 2019 - 2022 found that children are dropping sport, reading, music, and the arts - as social media use soars:



Source: Mi Zhou, MS; Carol Maher, PhD; Sally Brinkman, PhD et al, UniSA



The younger someone is when they receive their first smartphone, the worse their mental health outcomes tend to be in adulthood.

Conversely, later smartphone adoption correlates with better mental health. The average mental wellbeing scores were significantly higher for those who got their first smartphone at age 18, versus age 10 or 11.

Source: Not-for-profit research organisation Sapiens Labs' 2024 Mental State of the World Report.

Delaying smartphone ownership supports a child's cognitive development and learning, allowing them to build academic confidence and executive functioning skills, as well as strengthen focus and attention span without the constant pull of a device.

Smartphone delay provides more time for your child to experience the real world – supporting healthy development.

Source: Beland, L. P., & Murphy, R. (2016), London School of Economics.



Child Protection and Family Support

Effective intervention and prevention are powerful levers for building healthy communities.

The Malinauskas Labor Government has delivered significant, far-reaching and leading reforms to invest in strategies that address risk before harm occurs, as well as help children, young people and their families be safer and empowered to thrive.

And our approach is working - for the first time in many years, the number of children coming into care is not growing.

At the same time, however, we are investing to increase the number of family-based carers and child protection and family support workers.

With data and outcomes at the heart of our work, South Australia is now the only jurisdiction in the country with the capacity to understand service success at a whole-of-system level.



Strengthening Families

Family Group Conferencing is widely acknowledged as best practice and it is delivering results.

This voluntary process empowers families to make collective decisions about their children's safety and wellbeing.

The Malinauskas Labor Government is committed to this important pillar of our child safety system and has invested an additional \$13.4 million to support more children to live safely together with family.

Transformative Child Protection and Family Support Legislation

The Malinauskas Labor Government passed landmark child protection and family support legislation, delivering the most significant reform in a generation.

The laws strengthen prevention and effective intervention, centre the voices of young people and birth and carer families, empower Aboriginal families to make decisions about their children, and elevate the safety, best interests and wellbeing of children with a focus on outcomes that improve their lives.

Investing in our Frontline Workforce

Our far-reaching Child Protection and Family Support System Workforce Strategy has stabilised and strengthened our vital child protection workforce.

An additional 250 frontline positions have been funded, improving capacity to support children and families and reducing pressure on existing staff.

Answering the Call

The Malinauskas Labor Government invested \$2 million into the Child Abuse Report Line and opened a new contact centre to respond to more reports about children's welfare and safety.

With a record number of staff now answering calls, average wait times have reduced by 50 per cent and according to latest national data, South Australia now leads the way in the timeliness of investigations.

Record Investment in Carer Supports

We have increased carer payments, introduced additional payments to support respite for carers, increased funding for carer assessments and established the Carer Council to amplify carers' voices.

Increased Funding for Oversight and Peak Bodies

The Malinauskas Labor Government funded the Children and Young People's Visitor, which was cut by the former Liberal Government, and allocated \$4.6 million in additional funding to the Guardian for Children and Young People.

We have also increased funding to the CREATE Foundation, Grandcarers SA, and Connecting Foster and Kinship Care-SA. We have supported the establishment of the peak body for Aboriginal Children and Young People, Wakwakurna Kanyini.

Children in the North Alliance

The Malinauskas Labor Government is improving outcomes for children and their communities in Adelaide's northern suburbs through the Children in the North Alliance.

As the state's fastest growing area for children, the northern metropolitan area is home to some of the most disadvantaged communities in South Australia.

Children are particularly vulnerable to the compounding impacts of intergenerational poverty and trauma, and inequity of opportunity.

To tackle this problem, the Malinauskas Labor Government is supporting a new community-led approach, working with residents and local service providers to change the trajectory of lives for the better.



All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

We are proud that South Australia has led the way on important reforms that will ensure our children and young people are protected and well-equipped for the world they are growing up in.

We are taking to the election a plan to support the biggest education reform in a generation, delivering three year old pre-school, increasing access to educational supports and funding a new warehouse for Backpacks 4 Kids SA.

We will continue to make announcements in support our pursuit to keep our kids off screens, to protect our most vulnerable South Australian children and young people, and to invest in education from the early years, right through to adulthood - allowing every South Australian child to thrive.

WORKING FOR WOMEN

It's been a busy 4 years

South Australia's economy and our community are strongest when they are safe, inclusive and fair, and when there is equality of opportunity for all to participate and thrive. To ensure the growth of South Australia's economy, we need a strong, skilled and active workforce.

We are committed to the crucial work of breaking down barriers and empowering the participation, voice and leadership of women.

We have implemented initiatives that are making a real difference.

Labour-force data released in August 2025 shows there were 25,000 more women in full-time employment in South Australia than in February 2022.

The female participation rate is at an historically high level, and the South Australian gender pay gap has narrowed from 11% in 2015 to 8.5% in 2025 – which is below the national gender pay gap average of 11.5% and now one of the lowest in the country.

The Malinauskas Labor Government has recently broken a record for representation of women in Cabinet, with women now outnumbering men for the first time.

We are also making in-roads in the South Australian Parliament, with women making up a majority of Labor members in the House of Assembly, and 47 percent of all caucus members.

We want these statistics replicated in all aspects of South Australian society and we will continue to work hard to reach this goal.



Equality Blueprint

The Malinauskas Labor Government is supporting women to gain additional skills and encouraging businesses and organisations to adopt policies to increase gender equality, increase women's participation in the workforce and in turn, improve their lifelong economic wellbeing.

That's why we delivered the South Australia's Women's Equality Blueprint, to ensure that the South Australia economy is fair and inclusive, allowing everyone to thrive.

Tackling the Gender Pay Gap

To understand and address the causes of the gender pay gap, the Malinauskas Labor Government delivered on its commitment to establish the Gender Pay Gap Taskforce.

Women in the Workforce

Our record \$1.9 billion investment to deliver universal three-year-old preschool and broader early-years reform is crucial to increasing flexibility that enables more primary caregivers, predominantly women, to re-enter the workforce.

Women in Business

The Malinauskas Labor Government established the highly successful Women in Business Program, which has so far supported 4,000 female business owners to expand their skills and more women to start up and run their own business.

Women in the Classroom

By partnering with the Albanese Labor Government to deliver Fee-Free TAFE, we have directly empowered women to increase participation in our economy, with 55% of students participating in Fee-Free TAFE being women.

Women in the Boardroom

The Malinauskas Labor Government delivered on its commitment to re-establish the Premier's Women's Directory, which was shut down by the former Liberal Government.

We also linked the Directory with the existing Boarding Call register to provide an additional avenue for South Australian women to participate on South Australian boards.

Reinstated the Women in Sport Taskforce

The Malinauskas Labor Government re-instated the Women in Sport Taskforce to drive gender equality and participation in sport - enabling more women and girls to get involved whether that be as an administrator, coach athlete or official.

All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

We will continue to stand with women and
work toward genuine equality.

That means tackling gender pay gaps, improving safety, expanding
access to secure work and ensuring women are represented in
decision-making at every level.

We believe that equality isn't optional — it's essential to a fair and
strong South Australia.

BUILDING A BIGGER HEALTH SYSTEM

It's been a busy 4 years

South Australia's public health system is world-class – and remains the envy of many around the world. However, we know that challenges remain.

In March 2022, we inherited a public health system under immense pressure.

Our public hospitals were reeling from savage Liberal health cuts - with more than 300 frontline health workers including doctors and nurses made redundant.

We have been determined to build a bigger health system, and our investment has seen major construction projects across almost every metropolitan hospital, as well across regional South Australia.

In just four years, the Malinauskas Labor Government has delivered more than 600 beds, provided South Australians with alternatives to an emergency department, and employed almost 2,800 extra frontline health workers across our system.

We are in the middle of a generational expansion of our health services, and so much of our investment is still yet to be realised.



Coronial Inquest into Ramping¹



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“the inability to get an ambulance to people who need it” has “drastically reduced” [152]

“SA Health has made enormous investments in capital projects and redevelopments.” [189]

“SA Health’s response to ramping is extremely comprehensive and well thought through” [192]-[193].

“SA Health’s comprehensive attack on the root causes of ramping is an excellent use of public funds”: [192]-[193].

The efforts taken in relation to ramping to date are “commendable”, “broad and meaningful”, and are contributing to “a stronger more robust health system in South Australia”: [182].

“It is important to recognise that many of the issues that bring about or exacerbate ramping are not within the control of SA Health and rely on Commonwealth funding and management.” [185].

“I can only suggest that the Minister for Health continue to advocate to the Commonwealth Government for increased investment in the local aged care sector as a direct measure to address ramping and prevent deaths. It does not rise as high as a recommendation. I have assumed the Minister has made many representations to the Commonwealth on this topic and will continue to do so”: [110].

“If there was an easy solution and ramping could be fixed overnight, I would focus on that. However, it is clear that there is no simple solution.” [200]

¹ His Honour Deputy State Coroner White, Coronial Inquest into the deaths of Anna Panella, Bernard Skeffington and Graham Jessett, whose deaths occurred between April 2019 and March 2022 – Coroner’s findings handed down 31 July 2025.

Getting ambulances rolling up on time

South Australians could not guarantee they would get an ambulance when they called triple zero in an emergency – in some instances resulting in tragedy.

By the start of 2022, only one in three ambulances were arriving on time for a priority two, lights and sirens callout - a direct result of the former Liberal Government cutting the SA Ambulance Service resourcing by \$11 million in their first two years.

We've employed 350 more ambos, built, rebuilt or upgraded 24 ambulance stations, rolled out 36 more ambulance vehicles and opened a brand-new, state-of-the-art Emergency Operations Centre.

More than 21,000 ambulances have arrived on time in 2024/25 than in the last year of the former Liberal Government.



ARTIST IMPRESSION

Grown our hospital bed capacity

At the 2022 election, we committed to delivering 300 more beds across the system.

We're proud to have achieved more than double our original commitment, with more than 600 beds delivered and hundreds more under construction.

- ✓ **Modbury Hospital**
- ✓ **Lyell McEwin Hospital**
- ✓ **Flinders Medical Centre**
- ✓ **Margaret Tobin Centre**
- ✓ **Repat Health Precinct**
- ✓ **The Queen Elizabeth Hospital**
- ✓ **Noarlunga Hospital**
- ✓ **Hampstead Rehabilitation Centre**
- ✓ **Gawler Health Service**
- ✓ **Mount Gambier and Districts Health Service**
- ✓ **Southern Fleurieu Health Service**
- ✓ **Whyalla Hospital and Health Service**

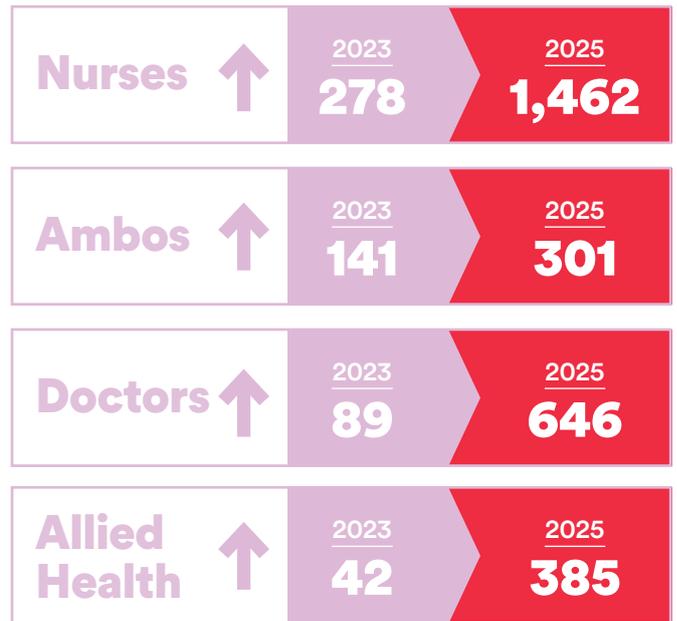


Employed a record number of health workers

We committed to hiring 300 more nurses, 100 more doctors and 350 more ambos.

In our first three years, we hired almost 2,800 more health workers, including more than 1,460 nurses, 640 doctors, 380 allied health workers and 300 ambos.

Not only that, 2026 will see 340 intern doctors recruited across the state, the largest intake in our state's history.



Creating Nurse to Patient ratios

Under new laws passed in late 2025, the Malinauskas Labor Government has established minimum nurse and midwife-to-patient ratios, fulfilling a key 2022 election commitment.

These nurse-patient ratios will ensure that patients receive more nursing care and safer delivery of health services.

RECORD INTAKE OF INTERN DOCTORS

On top of our incredible recruitment drive in our first three years, the 2026 intake of intern doctors will be the highest in our state's history. South Australia will have 343 new doctors on the frontlines throughout our hospital system.



Safer nursing ratios

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More workforce incentives

South Australia is serious about attracting clinicians to regional areas. That's why we offer up to \$39,493 to attract and retain regional doctors, and up to \$6,696 a year for nurses working in rural and remote areas.



Nurse Practitioners for regional areas

Nurse Practitioners are incredibly qualified, and we remain committed to resourcing the employment of Nurse Practitioners in Keith and Mount Gambier to supplement accessibility to primary care.

✓ DELIVERED



More doctors on weekends

Too often, our hospitals start the week with chronic bed block due to the lack of discharges over the weekend. We've committed extra funding to fight hospital Mondayitis.

Our investment of more than \$27 million over four years is dedicated to rostering more doctors, physios, pharmacists and other staff on weekends to ensure timely 7-day patient discharges.

✓ DELIVERED



Established Nurse Practitioners in GP Clinics

The Nurse Practitioner Primary Care Pilot has established a team of Nurse Practitioners to diagnose and treat a wide range of health conditions in the community.

These clinicians have extensive post-graduate clinical experience and are another avenue for people to receive care without needing to go to an ED. They have seen thousands of patients, and are a testament to the capacity of highly qualified nurses working at the top of their scope of practice.

✓ DELIVERED



Training more doctors in the regions

Through a partnership with the Federal Government, regional South Australia is hosting the highest number of doctors undertaking GP training in three years, with 196 second, third and fourth-year registrars working in regional SA in 2025.

The Single Employer Model (SEM) allows these trainee GPs to be employed directly by SA Health, providing certainty around where they work, their income and employment conditions like work hours, on-call obligations and leave entitlements.

It also means more hands on the ground, supporting regional GP practices and hospitals.

The SEM builds on the success of the Riverland Academy of Clinical Excellence, a similar program that has been successfully developing country doctors for years.

✓ DELIVERED



Record graduate nurses intake

Across our four years in office, SA Health has employed over 4000 graduate nurses and midwives, gaining the experience, knowledge, and clinical skills they need from our skilled staff across the state.

✓ DELIVERED



Expanded Mental Health Co-Response Program

Established in 2022 as a trial, we committed to pairing a mental health clinician with a police officer to respond to mental health Triple Zero call outs.

The model has prevented almost 4,500 emergency department presentations in northern and central Adelaide and is now expanded to include the southern suburbs.

✓ DELIVERED



100 mental health and specialist learning staff in our schools

We have fully recruited 100 new mental health and learning support specialists across South Australian schools, targeting sites with the most need and ensuring more early intervention for students that need it.



✓ DELIVERED



Training GPs to treat attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD)

Under life-changing reforms, we are giving South Australians more options to receive an ADHD diagnosis and prompt treatment.

In collaboration with the Colleges for GPs, Physicians and Psychiatrists, we're rolling out a new initiative to train up to one hundred South Australian GPs to diagnose and manage ADHD for their patients.

✓ DELIVERED



More McGrath Foundation Nurses

One in two people in Australia will likely experience cancer in their lifetime, yet some forms of cancer have received less support than others.

In partnership with the McGrath Foundation, the Malinauskas Labor Government is committing to an additional ten McGrath Cancer Nurses across the state, four of them dedicated to regional areas.

✓ DELIVERED



Growing our aged care workforce

South Australia is at the epicentre of a national crisis in the aged care system, and we must pull every lever to create new capacity.

As part of that commitment, the new Findon Technical College has developed a partnership with Helping Hand Aged Care and Southern Cross Care, delivering graduates with a guaranteed career in supporting the physical, social and psychological wellbeing of older South Australians.

✓ DELIVERED



Supporting private Aged Care Facilities

Established the new Integrated Care Geriatric Outreach Service for virtual and on-site clinical support to avoid hospital admissions and support placement of new residents with complex needs. These services engage SA Health's specialist workforce, including geriatricians, to support the placement of aged care residents with complex health needs.

✓ DELIVERED



AI Trials to give doctors more patient face time

Our investments aren't just targeted at more boots on the ground, we're committed to innovation that can give our clinicians more time to focus on what matters.

We're trialling a series of artificial intelligence projects that are aimed at reducing the time spent on administrative activities, giving clinicians more time with their patients and improving patient outcomes.

✓ DELIVERED

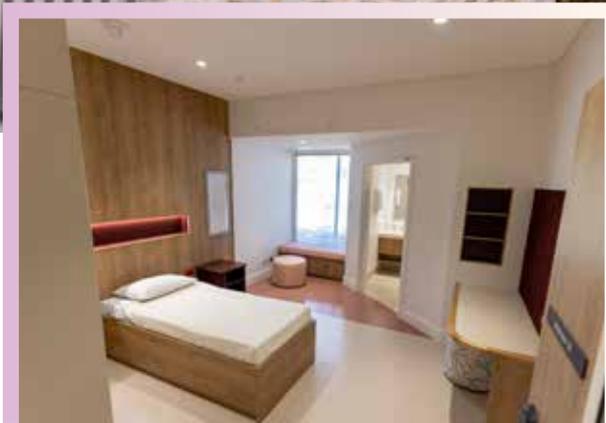


Re-established birthing with new workforce models at KI and Whyalla

Country birthing services are fragile - sometimes losing just a few staff can be the difference between being able to provide a safe service.

Our government established unique birthing models that have restored safe birthing services at both Whyalla and Kangaroo Island, investing in the leadership and additional staffing needed to give local women certainty.

✓ **QEH MENTAL HEALTH**



✓ **NOARLUNGA MENTAL HEALTH**



✓ **MODBURY MENTAL HEALTH**

More Mental Health Services Than Ever

The Malinauskas Labor Government has made generational investments into our mental health services.

Combined with our restoration of funding for community mental health providers, and the Federal Government's investment in Medicare Mental Health Care Centres, South Australia now has more mental health services than ever.

More than 140 dedicated mental health beds in the pipeline

- » **20 community-based mental health beds** providing hospital-level care in southern and northern Adelaide
- » **24 more beds at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital** built and online as of September 2025
- » **24 more beds at the Noarlunga Hospital** built and online as of November 2025
- » **44 more beds at the Modbury Hospital** built and online as of February 2026
- » **12 more beds at the Margaret Tobin Centre**, delivering a 32% increase to capacity of acute mental health services at the Flinders Medical Centre
- » **6 more beds at the Mount Gambier and Districts Health Service**, doubling the number of mental health beds as of March 2026
- » **16 more beds at the Northern Crisis Stabilisation Centre**, co-located with a new Medicare Mental Health Centre just across the road from the Lyell McEwin Hospital as of April 2026
- » **12 more beds in the new Mount Barker Hospital**, the first the first ever inpatient mental health unit for the Adelaide Hills (Due in 2027)
- » **10 more beds in the bigger and better new Women's and Children's Hospital**, (Due in 2031)

- ✓ **Appointed a full-time Mental Health Commissioner in 2023**, the first in more than three years.
- ✓ **Delivered 100 new mental health and learning support specialists** now working across our public schools.
- ✓ **Expanding the Child and Adolescent Virtual Urgent Care Service** at the Women's and Children's Hospital to include mental health.
- ✓ **Recruited five psychiatrists and six specialty mental health nurses** at the Women's and Children's Hospital, and anticipating full recruitment of ten child psychologists by mid-2026.
- ✓ **Committed a further \$13.9 million to expand the Mental Health Co-Responder Program** right across Adelaide, pairing mental health clinicians with police officers to respond to mental health Triple Zero callouts.
- ✓ **Contributing \$5 million for a new 16-independent unit site in Clearview for long-term mental health accommodation** managed and operated by community provider The Haven Foundation / Mind Australia. This is the first of its kind in South Australia dedicated to 24/7 support for NDIS patients with a psychosocial disability
- ✓ **Supporting drought affected communities with a \$2.5 million package to expand NGO mental health service provision**, form eight Men's Tables, and invest in other wellbeing, resilience and mental health initiatives
- ✓ **Investing \$250,000 to Lifeline Connect Centres in Clare and Port Pirie**, providing free drop-in counselling and support.
- ✓ **Investing \$240,000 in the MATES in Construction program**, supporting suicide prevention and mental health programs for the construction industry.



Record Investment into Country Hospitals

Every dollar invested in regional health services translates to more regional South Australians receiving care closer to home, which is why we've increased operating budgets in regional Local health networks by 40 per cent in just four years.

That's an extra \$417 million into regional health services.

Not only that, but the Malinauskas Labor Government has invested \$400 million into capital projects in regional health facilities, compared to the paltry \$130 million committed by the former Liberal Government.

Our capital investment has included upgrades to Hospitals at Gawler, Victor Harbor, Mount Barker, Mount Gambier, Naracoorte, Clare, Port Pirie, Port Augusta, Whyalla, Loxton and Kangaroo Island.

Prevention Made a Priority

Prevention is better than cure - and we're proud to have enshrined Preventive Health SA as a dedicated agency with a permanent place in our health system.

Labor is committed to investing in evidence-led and expert-led ideas, initiatives and policies to address non-communicable public health risks like obesity, vaping, smoking, alcohol and drug use, and other health risks.

The Malinauskas Labor Government has made incredible progress in regulating the vaping market, and stopping the disturbing spike of young people vaping in schools. This includes a crackdown on illicit tobacco and vape stores, disrupting the operations of organised crime.

Last year South Australia's tough response to tobacco and vapes was rated the best in the nation, given an A+ in a national scorecard released by the Australian Council on Smoking and Health.

Preventive Health SA continues to partner with leading health organisations, including Cancer Council SA, Heart Foundation SA and SAHMRI, as the Malinauskas Labor Government has led the way on practical and effective prevention policies.



Strengthening South Australian Pharmacies

Through a comprehensive training and reform package for pharmacists established by the Malinauskas Labor Government, South Australians will soon be able to attend a local pharmacy for treatment of a range of conditions to boost access to fast convenient health care, including:

- » ear infections
- » wound management
- » gastro
- » acne
- » shingles
- » reflux
- » muscle and joint pain
- » prescribing hormonal contraception
- » travel health advice
- » oral health risk assessment
- » help with quitting smoking

This is on top of reforms we've already made to open four 24/7 pharmacies, provide advice and treatment for uncomplicated urinary tract infections, and to re-supply the oral contraceptive pill.



More Virtual Care Services

Modern healthcare is increasingly relying on technology to keep people out of hospital, and even more so focussed on keeping them recovering in their own home.

Our approach has been to balance potential innovation through artificial intelligence with our existing virtual care services that we know are successful.

That's why we've:

- » Expanded the role of the SA Virtual Care Service
- » Grown the scope and availability of the Child and Adolescent Virtual Care Service
- » Created a Geriatric Outreach Service to provide specialist geriatric support to private aged care facilities
- » Supported the Virtual Women's Assessment Service at the Women's and Children's Hospital



LABOR WILL INVEST IN **THREE MORE** 24/7 PHARMACIES



AGED CARE: A NATIONAL PROBLEM

Really just given the population numbers, we really need to be opening a new aged care facility every three days for the next 20 years ...”

Mark Butler – FiveAA Radio - 6 February 2026

Hotel hospital a symptom of a sick system

The Australian | 11-12 October 2025



The Sunday Mail, Queensland
16 November 2025

Waiting for ages in shock care fail

The Sunday Mail | 16 November 2025

State ministers slam federal counterparts over ‘national tragedy’ aged care bed crisis

The Australian | 2 November 2025

Bed bloc: hospital fight unites states

The Australian | 11 October 2025

Government urged to do more to address 2,500 hospital patients waiting for aged care beds

ABC News | 12 September 2025



CARE DEADLOCKED AND BED-BLOCKED

THE SUNDAY MAIL | 16 NOVEMBER 2025



The Sunday Mail, Queensland | 16 November 2025

Responding to the National Aged Care Crisis

Aged care funding and policy is a Federal Government responsibility, and yet it is the state-managed hospital system that feels the pain when the system fails.

South Australia is arguably the worst hit in the country, with high numbers of stranded patients as well as the longest waiting times in the country for an ACAT assessment.

In October 2022, South Australian Hospitals had 60 patients medically ready for discharge and awaiting placement in an aged care facility. In August 2025, that patient cohort peaked at 291 - that's a 385 per cent increase in less than three years.

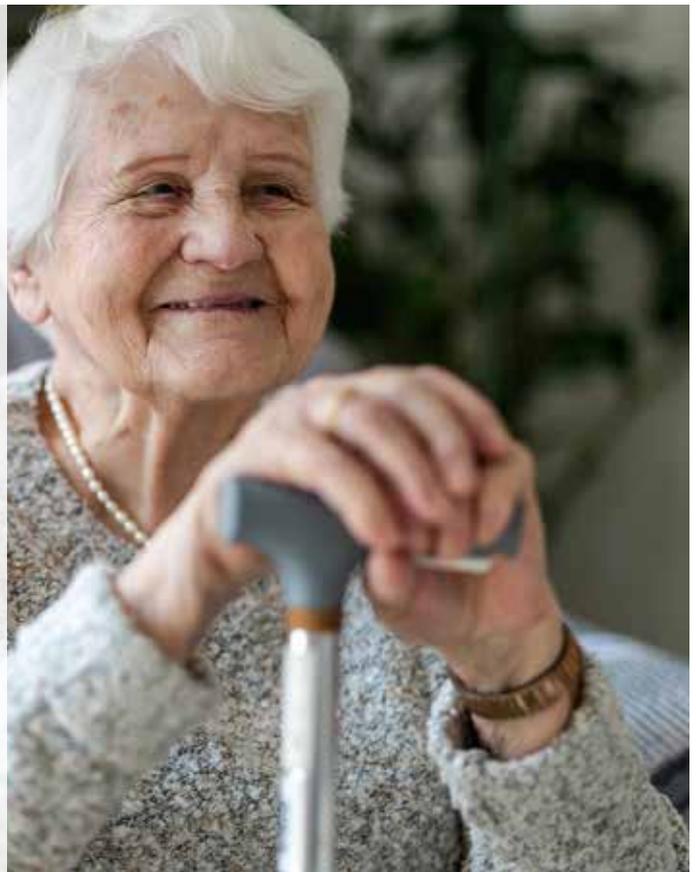
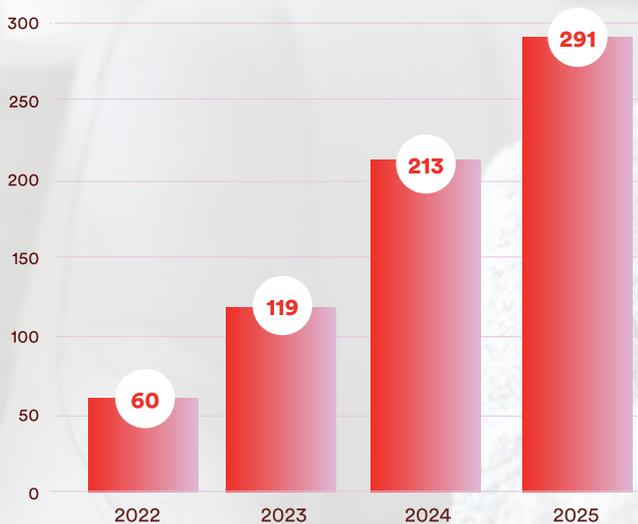
Some of these patients have been waiting not just months, but years, for placement.

This is equivalent to more than the entirety of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital being taken offline, and it's offsetting the progress the Malinauskas Labor Government has taken to open hospital beds.

We've been taking the action we can as this national trend has taken hold.

- » Expansion of **My Home Hospital** providing more patients the opportunity to receive care in the comfort of their own home.
- » Created a new **70-bed service for older people transitioning out of hospital**, with 55 extra beds at Hampstead Rehabilitation Centre, which was slated to be closed and sold off by the former Liberal government.
- » Established the **Pullman Hotel Transition Care Service**, creating 48 beds for South Australians who no longer need to be in hospital but still require a place to stay, with appropriate health care.
- » **Reactivated the College Grove aged care site** in Walkerville

Patients in SA hospitals medically ready for discharge and awaiting placement in residential aged care.



The Malinauskas Labor Government has stepped up to respond to the federal aged care crisis.



Dedicated older persons hospital avoidance service

Opened a geriatrician-led Urgent Care Hub at the Playford Health Hub for patients over 65 years old to avoid hospital admission.



Reversed the sale of Hampstead Rehabilitation Centre

Reversed the Liberals' plan and opened a new 70-bed model for complex older patients.



Transition Care Service

Opened 48 beds at the Pullman Hotel for patients who no longer need to be in hospital but still require care.



Reformed Planning Rules

Passed new legislation to treat aged care as essential infrastructure, fast-tracking planning approvals and common-sense exceptions to height limitations.



Established the SA Aged Care Roundtable

Established a regular Roundtable with key Executives from Aged Care Providers, maintaining constant dialogue and developing solutions directly with the industry.



Built new dedicated geriatric beds for the South

Built and opened 32 new beds specifically for geriatric and complex care for older persons in the southern suburbs.

Expanded virtual care services

Provided the SA aged care industry with connections to doctors and nurses in the SA Virtual Care Service to help reduce hospital admissions.



Supporting Private Aged Care Facilities

Established the new Integrated Care Geriatric Outreach Service for virtual and on-site clinical support to avoid hospital admissions and support placement of new residents with complex needs.

All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

A Malinauskas Labor Government will always prioritise health and over the next few years, a new wave of world-class health infrastructure and services will move from vision to reality.

With unprecedented demand on our hospitals as South Australia's population ages, coupled with a crippling lack of Federally funded aged care beds, extended wait times to see a GP and an increasing number of patients presenting to health services in acute mental health crisis, there is much more to do.

We believe in a strong, accessible and high-quality public health system - and we've got a lot to look forward to.

Over the next four years, we will continue on our unprecedented commitment to a bigger public health system.

The Malinauskas Labor Government will take to the election a suite of policies to continue to build a bigger health system.

We will build three dedicated mental health units alongside major metropolitan emergency departments, establish three new 24/7 pharmacies, and create more capacity to respond to the national aged care crisis.

Our platform includes a renewed focus on women's health, improved health facilities and travel support for regional South Australians, and the nation's first ever MND Biomarker Centre of Excellence.

And of course, our hospitals would be nothing without the world-class clinicians that staff them. So we will continue to grow, train and support our health workforce to make sure they can give the best quality care.





Northern Crisis Stabilisation Centre

Co-located with a new Medicare Mental Health Centre, this new 16-bed facility is just across the road to support the Lyell McEwin Hospital, due to be at full capacity in the first half of 2026.

New Royal Flying Doctor Service Fleet comes online

South Australia's police and ambulance service aerial fleet is undergoing an \$870 million makeover. Toll Aviation will provide, staff and operate a state-of-the-art fleet of five helicopters and three fixed wing aircraft, and will partner with the Royal Flying Doctor Service South Australia for 24/7 critical emergency response.

New fixed-wing aircraft are scheduled to come online in November this year, with the new helicopters due to begin operation in October 2027.

New Mount Barker Hospital comes online

Construction of the new Mount Barker Hospital is well underway, and the Adelaide Hills look forward to a tripling of their major hospital's capacity due for completion in 2027.

New Flinders Clinical Services Building comes online

The new seven-storey acute services building is well underway, and will deliver an additional 98 beds, as well as more imaging services and a dedicated floor to integrate FMC Ophthalmology services into a single, modern facility.

The new services are expected to be operational and servicing the southern suburbs in 2028.

All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

New Women's and Children's Hospital continues construction

Main works on the new hospital have started, and construction of the 414-bed new Women's and Children's Hospital will progress throughout the entire term to be ready for completion in 2031.

This is 56 beds larger than the existing hospital, and our plan protects the land west of the Royal Adelaide Hospital for expansion under future governments.





ARTIST IMPRESSION

A MORE INCLUSIVE STATE

It's been a busy 4 years

We believe that a fair society is one where people with disabilities are supported to live with dignity, independence, and opportunity.

The Malinauskas Labor Government is committed to inclusive communities, accessible services, and strong public systems that empower people with disability and their families.

We will always stand for equality, respect, and practical support.



Secured a Future for Bedford

When Bedford was at risk, together with the Albanese Labor Government, the Malinauskas Labor Government stepped in. Our actions at Bedford were based on our fundamental belief in the dignity of work.

For South Australians with disability, it means purpose, independence and pride — and that matters.

We acted because our government believes everyone deserves the chance to contribute, and no one should be left behind because the market says they're not profitable enough. Work is about more than a balance sheet, it's about dignity, inclusion and respect.

Saving Bedford was about protecting jobs, supporting families, and backing people who deserve a fair go.

It was the right thing to do, and it reflects who we are as a government, one that puts people first and acts when it counts.





The Malinauskas Labor Government has also:

- » Continued driving the implementation of the Disability Royal Commission's recommendations, guided by the voices and lived experiences of people with disability.
- » Secured the Legacy of Julia Farr - through the sale of Highgate Park for \$42 million, securing a perpetual Trust, dedicated to funding initiatives that provide crucial support to South Australians with disabilities forever.
- » Boosted funding for, and expanding, the Community Visitor Scheme.
- » Endorsed changes to the National Construction Code for more accessible and adaptable housing.
- » Passed legislation to implement key recommendations of the independent review of the Disability Inclusion Act 2018, ensuring disability access and inclusion law and policy is responsive to the shifting priorities of our disability community.
- » Launched a new State Disability Inclusion Plan for 2025-2029.
- » Halved the number of people in hospital with NDIS plans who are ready for discharge.
- » Appointed a Minister for Autism.
- » Developed an Autism Charter and Autism Strategy.
- » Established Autism lead teachers in public schools.
- » Delivered the Autism Works campaign.



All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

A Malinauskas Labor Government will continue to work towards the implementation of the Disability Royal Commission's recommendations, guided by the voices and lived experiences of people with disability.

We will prioritise the dignity of work, opportunity and practical support for every South Australian.

LEADING THE WAY ON AUTISM

It's been a busy 4 years

The Malinauskas Labor Government has led the way on autism inclusion.

We funded access to an Autism Inclusion Teacher in every public primary school, delivered the state's first Autism Strategy, developed programs to highlight employment opportunities for autistic people and trained more than 6,000 employees to build knowledge and capability.

Minister for Autism and Office for Autism

The Malinauskas Labor Government appointed the nation's first Minister for Autism, and established the Office for Autism in the Department of Premier and Cabinet, placing autism inclusion at the heart and centre of government.

A key role of the nation-leading Office for Autism is to build knowledge and understanding of autism, which is why autistic-led training has been delivered to more than 6,000 South Australians - with the ambition to train thousands more.



Autism Inclusion Teachers for Every Public School

We came to government with an ambitious plan to fund access to an autism inclusion teacher for every public primary school.

Backed by a \$28.8 million dollar investment, autism inclusion teachers have undertaken training to help build knowledge and understanding of autism amongst their local school community.

And we have seen results - with parents reporting that their children are more supported in the school environment.

That's why we have expanded upon our initial commitment by making the Autism Inclusion Teacher program permanent.





Autism Strategy

The Malinauskas Labor Government developed South Australia’s first State Autism Strategy, in partnership with the autism and autistic communities.

The strategy sets out a five-year roadmap to help improve the lives of autistic people of all ages and their families.

Autism Works in the Community

We developed and rolled out the Autism Works in the Community grants program, which made available grants of over \$50,000 to promote genuine autism inclusion in the community.

This program has delivered vital funding for sensory spaces, employment pathways, inclusive sporting, youth engagement, conferences, training, knowledge and understanding.

Autism Works Employment Summit

The state’s first Autism Works Employment Summit was held in 2025 with more than 500 industry leaders gathering to promote and learn more about the benefits of employing autistic South Australians – bringing the Autism Works education campaign to life.

Sensory Bus

The Malinauskas Labor Government funded and delivered a purpose-built sensory bus.

This bus provides a welcoming environment for autistic people and their families who want to access a sensory space at major events.

The bus has visited major events like Gather Round, LIV Golf and the Adelaide 500.

Inklings Program

In partnership with the Federal Government, we invested \$14 million in an early support program to help parents and carers understand the needs of infants between the ages of six to 18 months who are showing early differences in their social interaction and communication.

This important program boosts the capacity of families to better support children around South Australia - building caregiver confidence in understanding and responding to their baby.

Autism in University Courses

Building on our work with autism inclusion teachers, we have partnered with universities, including the new Adelaide University, to increase learning in disability and inclusion across the board for pre-service teachers.



All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

South Australia's autistic and autism communities contribute so much to our state.

We will take to the election a plan to build on our important work by investing \$10 million to create more inclusive school spaces and better support our teachers.

A Malinauskas Labor Government will remain committed to our nation-leading inclusive initiatives - whether through our autism inclusive teachers, the ongoing work of the Office for Autism or our continued delivery of the state's first autism strategy.

Autism Conference

In recognition of the world-leading work done by the Malinauskas Labor Government, South Australia has been selected to host the 2027 Asia Pacific Autism Conference.

The conference will see more than 1,500 members of the autistic and autism communities visit Adelaide, including researchers, educators, practitioners and policymakers from around the world.

SUPPORTING OUR VETERAN COMMUNITY

It's been a busy 4 years

Our veterans and veteran communities make unimaginable sacrifices for the good of our community.

There are more than 45,000 veterans living in our communities and the Malinauskas Labor Government is committed to supporting each and every one of these South Australians and their families to thrive.



More dedicated Health Support for Veterans

Labor has a proud record in supporting dedicated health services for our Veterans, including the Jamie Larcombe Centre continuing to provide crucial mental health support since it was opened under the Weatherill Labor Government in 2017.

Additional Funding for Veterans Programs

The Malinauskas Labor Government has invested significantly in programs that support our veterans and veteran communities.

We have:

- » Provided an additional \$2 million for initiatives which commemorate the legacy of service, provide important upgrades for our RSL's and upskill veterans for post-service careers.
- » Delivered a record number of community grants in 2024-25, which have supported almost \$1 million in commemorative and other related projects across South Australia.
- » Committed \$130,000 to support the delivery of a dedicated memorial to commemorate South Australians who served in the Korean War.
- » Established the Veterans SA Tertiary Scholarships program. Through this important program we have awarded over \$150,000 to support veterans and their families to pursue their study ambitions by reducing the financial burden to higher education faced by ADF members and their families.
- » In 2024, South Australia became the first Australian state to formally acknowledge current and former Australian Defence Force families and the contribution and personal sacrifices they make with the introduction of an annual day of recognition – Veterans' Families Day held each year on 15 May.

All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

A Malinauskas Labor Government will continue our work to ensure that all generations of veterans in South Australia are supported, represented, understood and acknowledged.

DELIVERING FOR WORKING PEOPLE

It's been a busy 4 years

The Malinauskas Labor Government is delivering for working people.

Over the past four years, we have worked in partnership with industry groups and trade unions to deliver historic-low unemployment and a strong economy.

At the same time, we've meaningfully improved rights and conditions for workers, and delivered real wages growth in the public sector.

We believe in a strong economy, and robust protections for working people – and that's what we're delivering.



Safety at Work

Every worker deserves the right to come home safely at the end of each working day.

After cuts imposed by the former Liberal government, we've worked hard to restore the independent work health and safety regulator, SafeWork SA.

We've boosted SafeWork's frontline staff, and now have a record number of inspectors and compliance staff maintaining safety at worksites across the state.

And, after 7 attempts over 20 years, we passed legislation to finally make industrial manslaughter a crime – delivering justice to the victims of workplace incidents.

Real Wage Rises in the Public Sector

Public sector workers deliver vital services to the community every day – including teachers, firefighters, ambulance officers, customer service staff and many others.

The Malinauskas Labor Government has signed new enterprise agreements with key public sector cohorts, delivering real wage rises after years of decline under the former Liberal government.

We have delivered particularly significant increases to some of the lowest-paid public servants, including hospital orderlies, cleaners and disability support workers, recognising the importance of their work to our state.

Getting the Balance Right on Shop Trading Hours

We have undertaken the most significant reform of shop trading hours this century, providing for 9am trading on Sundays – while ensuring our laws still protect small business and workers’ time with family.

We bought South Australia into line with every other mainland state by making Easter Sunday a public holiday, and ensuring Christmas Day is a public holiday regardless of which day it falls.



Portable Long Service Leave for Community Sector Workers

Long service leave is an important entitlement for workers – but often out of reach for workers in the community sector, due to short-term funding arrangements and high rates of casual employment.

The Malinauskas Labor Government established a Portable Long Service Leave scheme for the community sector, enabling workers to access long service leave even if they change employer.

Delivering Bystander Intervention Training

The Malinauskas Government introduced mandatory industry-wide training to combat sexual harassment and drink spiking in South Australia.

Supported by the AHA, face-to-face training is now offered to members to provide education on assault, harassment, discrimination, and bullying.

Mandatory bystander training helps empower hospitality workers to better identify and respond to sexual harassment and drink spiking in their venues.



Strengthening our Labor Hire Licensing Laws

We have legislated to strengthen our labour hire licensing law to ensure that all labour hire firms and workers are covered by the same laws and regulations, to ensure fly-by-night providers from interstate can't take advantage of poor local regulations by undermining the pay and security of our local workers.

All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

A Malinauskas Labor Government will continue working alongside unions and industry groups to strengthen workers' rights, while maintaining a strong economy.

We will continue to prioritise safety at work and engaging in good faith with public sector unions on wages and conditions.

And we will ensure that South Australia remains the best place in the nation to do business, ensuring jobs and opportunities for all South Australian workers.

EASING THE COST OF LIVING

It's been a busy 4 years

South Australia has a strong and growing economy. We are the lowest taxing state on the mainland and our unemployment and inflation rate is below the national average.

While this is the case, we understand that cost of living is still at the forefront of some South Australians minds and we are determined to help those in the community who need it the most, while also helping families who are feeling pressure on their household budgets.

The Malinauskas Labor Government has invested over \$1 billion in practical cost-of-living relief measures since 2022, through increases in the cost-of-living concessions, reduction to the materials and services charge for students and cheaper public transport.



Record Investment in Cost of Living Concessions

The Malinauskas Labor Government has expanded eligibility for the Cost of Living Concession to a record number of South Australians.

Around 225,000 households received the Cost of Living Concession last year - nearly 50,000 more than under the previous Liberal Government.

This real measure is helping to make essential goods and services more affordable.

✓ DELIVERED

Cost-of-Living Concession - we doubled the concession for all eligible South Australians in 2022-23; and doubled it again for renters and Commonwealth Seniors Health Card holders from 2024-25.

✓ DELIVERED

Energy bill relief plan – we matched the support provided by the Albanese Federal Government.





Education

We have targeted cost savings measures to families in public schools:

- ✓ **School materials and services fee discount** - \$100 discount in 2022, 2023 and 2024 – and we've doubled that discount to \$200 in 2025.
- ✓ **Free laptops for high school students** in years 7 and 10 for families on school card.
- ✓ **Discounted school computers** – enabled families to purchase computers, with an average 15 percent discount.
- ✓ **Doubled the School Sports Voucher** to 2 \$100 vouchers per school age child, and expanded it to include music lessons.
- ✓ **Student MetroCARD** - reduced the cost for students using the Adelaide MetroCARD to \$10 travel for 28 days, or 25c a trip.
- ✓ **School breakfast \$6.5 million expansion** - allowing more state government schools to run a breakfast program five days a week.
- ✓ **Learning for life program** - \$4 million to the Smith Family to support an extra 700 families every year with tutoring and education costs.
- ✓ **School excursion support** – for regional families on school card, with a year 7 child.

Seniors

- ✓ **Free 24/7 public transport** – for Seniors Card holders
- ✓ **Doubled the Cost of Living Concession** for Commonwealth Seniors Health Card holders.

Housing

We're pulling every available lever to increase housing supply and made it easier and more affordable for young people and first home buyers to purchase a home:

- ✓ **Abolished stamp duty** on new homes for first home buyers.
- ✓ **Extended First Homeowner Grants**
- ✓ **Made HomeStart** more accessible

Renters

- ✓ **Cut rental bonds** from 6 weeks to 4 weeks for homes rented at up to \$800 per week.
- ✓ **Doubled the Cost of Living Concession** for renters.
- ✓ **Social housing energy upgrade** – saving more than 3,500 tenants in social housing significant energy bill savings.
- ✓ **Rent-to-Buy Program** – a new pathway to home ownership for renters.

Small Business

- ✓ **Powering Small Business Grants** – to provide assistance to small businesses, to invest in energy efficiency equipment.
- ✓ **Small Business energy efficiency grants** supported nearly 1,500 businesses during 2024-25.

Non-government Organisations

- ✓ **Indexation supplementation** for non-government organisations - \$57.2 million over four years.

All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

A Malinauskas Labor Government will continue to work to ensure a more resilient, more complex and ultimately fairer economy that delivers more opportunities for all South Australians - meaning everyone can share in the state's prosperity.

We will also continue to recognise the need for targeted support for those under pressure and who need it the most, ensuring there is a safety-net when needed, and that no South Australian is left behind.

THE FESTIVAL STATE

It's been a busy 4 years

Through our commitment to festivals, institutions, artists and administrators, South Australia has always been a national leader in the arts, cultural and creative industries.

The Malinauskas Labor Government wants to ensure the sector continues to evolve, grow and thrive, in a way that is accessible to all South Australians.

Strong arts, cultural and creative industries benefit us all. They build vibrant communities, shape our cultural identity, contribute to a dynamic, complex economy, and encourage a society where people feel connection and belonging.

Dedicated Minister for the Arts

The Malinauskas Labor Government prioritised the arts, culture and creative industries sector by bringing back a Minister with specific responsibility for the Arts.

A Place to Create

We launched the landmark A Place to Create and we developed and introduced into Parliament the Arts, Culture and Creative Industries Bill to enshrine the value of arts into law.



Strong Investment in our Arts, Culture and Creative Industries

Since coming to government, the Malinauskas Labor Government has invested more than \$200 million in new money in the arts, culture and creative industries sector. This is over and above our existing \$150 million investment.

Funding Boost for our Festivals

- » **Adelaide Fringe Festival - \$8 million additional support**, above existing government funding, to host a headline act, provide more marketing opportunities interstate and overseas, and boost the Fringe's grants program to attract new and emerging artists.
- » **Adelaide Festival - \$4.3 million in additional support**, above existing government funding, to secure major international events like Little Amal in 2024, the opera 'Innocence' in 2025, and Britpop band Pulp for the 2026 opening event.
- » **Adelaide Film Festival - annualised the festival and doubled the Adelaide Film Festival Investment Fund**, through an **additional \$4 million** over four-years, above existing government funding.



Grants to support artists, organisations and smaller arts collectives

\$8 million funding boost over four years.

Arts Investment Fund

Established a **\$26 million Arts Investment Fund** to drive strategic initiatives across arts, culture and creative industries, including our cultural institutions.

Art Gallery of South Australia

\$15 million additional investment, above existing government funding, to bring world-class programs and bring new audiences, including via the new Winter Art Series.

Adelaide Festival Centre

\$55 million investment in upgrading the Adelaide Festival Centre.

Subsidised Music Lessons

Introduced **subsidised Music lessons** under our Sports Voucher Plus program, ensuring South Australian children have access to the benefits of arts and culture and activities that take them away from screens.

Government-matched philanthropic support for the Arts

Brought in Government-matched philanthropic support funding for Country Arts SA, the State Opera and the Adelaide Festival.

\$10 million See it Live package

Supported South Australia's live music scene during COVID recovery, to help address impacts on the sector, including job losses, venue closures and event cancellations.



SA Film Corporation and Australian Broadcasting Corporation Pipeline Fund

Investing \$51 million in a landmark partnership with the ABC to create a brand-new Arts & Media Hub in the heart of the CBD, which will provide a new home for the State Theatre Company, Country Arts South Australia and State Opera to ensure South Australians have ongoing access to quality theatre, opera and arts programming from across the state for the future.

This follows our \$12 million investment in a partnership between the ABC and the South Australian Film Corporation to produce an ongoing pipeline of high-quality television production in our state - seeing more locally made productions hit our screens, creating hundreds of jobs. Key productions include children's series *Beep and Mort*, comedy *Gold Diggers*, drama *Ladies in Black*, and children's factual series *Teenage Boss: Next Level*.



Saved the Crown and Anchor

The Malinauskas Labor Government passed special-purpose legislation which **secured the long-term future of the Crown and Anchor Hotel as a live music venue.**

This legislation also provides ongoing protection for key live music venues in the City of Adelaide against noise complaints from future residents.



All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

A Malinauskas Labor Government knows the arts are fundamental to who we are as South Australians.

We will continue to invest in the arts and creative industries, backing expression, inclusion and opportunity, while supporting jobs, growth and the cultural life that helps our state thrive.

INVESTING IN OUR MULTICULTURAL COMMUNITIES

It's been a busy 4 years

South Australia's diversity is one of our greatest strengths.

People from more than 200 cultural backgrounds proudly call our state home. Their contribution enriches our economy, strengthens our communities, and shapes who we are as a modern, inclusive society.

The Malinauskas Labor Government is proud of its strong record supporting our multicultural communities. We remain committed to ensuring that all South Australians are able to participate fully and equally in our community.



We have delivered significant and targeted investments to celebrate our cultures, improve access to services, strengthen social cohesion, and build inclusive organisations across South Australia:



Invested \$16 Million in Our Multicultural Communities

The Malinauskas Labor Government has supported our culturally and linguistically diverse communities, by investing \$16 million to enable hundreds of new festivals, social programs and facility upgrades, to be undertaken across South Australia.

Ambassador's Program

This successful program has activated and embedded the South Australian Multicultural Charter into key South Australian private-sector organisations workforce and business practices.

Ambassador organisations include Mitsubishi Motors, the RAA, National Pharmacies and SANTOS.

Community Languages

The Malinauskas Labor Government has invested \$4 million over four years in Community Language Schools, supporting students to connect with their heritage languages.

We have also expanded access to this key service through Language Learning Hubs.

A Helping Hand for New Arrivals Fleeing International Conflict

South Australia opened its doors to refugees after World War II, the Vietnam War and wars in the Middle East.

Now, we are showing compassion for new arrivals to South Australia, who are fleeing contemporary conflicts across the world.

Our comprehensive support package helps families to access education, health and medical care, transport, food vouchers and other essentials.

We have also sent life-saving medical supplies to support local hospitals and health care workers in conflict situations.

Empowering African Youth Program

The Malinauskas Labor Government has delivered early intervention measures that support young African South Australians to overcome personal challenges and reach their full potential.

All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

A Malinauskas Labor Government knows that inclusion is not optional, it is fundamental to the prosperity and wellbeing of all those in our society, and we will maintain our commitment to all those in our multicultural communities.

Delivering the Multicultural Community Fund

Over the next four years we will deliver the new \$20 million Multicultural Fund to enable more fit-for-purpose facilities where communities can gather, celebrate and support each other.

We will continue to support our multicultural communities to strengthen leadership and participation and ensure that multiculturalism continues to be embedded across government, business, and the broader community.

Together, we will continue building a South Australia where diversity is respected, celebrated, and reflected in every part of our society.

WORKING WITH OUR FIRST NATIONS

It's been a busy 4 years

The Malinauskas Labor Government has a deep respect for our Aboriginal people, acknowledging them as the oldest continuous living culture in the world.

We are committed to co-designing solutions with Aboriginal people to close the gap in social and economic outcomes, and ensuring Aboriginal voices are central to decisions that affect their lives, families and communities.

Our government has worked in genuine partnership with Aboriginal communities across the state.



First Nations Voice to Parliament

We have delivered on our commitment of the first element of the Uluru Statement from the Heart and given a Voice to Aboriginal people in this state.

The First Nations Voice Act, which passed the Parliament more than two years ago, has seen the Voice meet with Cabinet and Chief Executives, provide advice on bills before parliament and present its inaugural annual address to a joint sitting in Parliament.







Aboriginal Heritage Protection

The Malinauskas Labor Government legislated to significantly increase penalties for interfering with, disturbing or destroying with Aboriginal Heritage.

This important legislation delivers an election commitment and ensures that unlawful damage to Aboriginal Heritage can't just be part of doing business.

Yadu Health

We worked with the Federal Labor government to provide increased funding to Yadu Health, which has seen the construction of a new purpose-built Aboriginal health clinic in Ceduna.

Aboriginal Rangers

We met our election commitment to employ 15 Aboriginal rangers in our national parks.

This important commitment recognises the value of cultural knowledge in the care and protection of our natural environment.

First Aboriginal Judicial Officers

The Malinauskas Labor Government appointed Natalie Browne and Lana Chester as Magistrates in 2022, the first Aboriginal people to preside over any South Australian court.

Nunga Courts

The Nunga Court was the first Aboriginal sentencing court in Australia, it set an example that has now been taken up around the country.

The Malinauskas Labor Government enshrined the operation of this important Court in legislation to ensure that it has a formal and recognised place in our justice system.

We also oversaw the expansion of the Nunga Court model, with the implementation of the Spinifex Court in Port Augusta and the Boodliridi Court in Port Lincoln.

Aboriginal evidence

We have legislated to allow Aboriginal people to give evidence in Court about their own traditional laws and customs, putting an end to a shameful framework that allowed anthropologists to do so, but not Aboriginal people themselves.

All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

A Malinauskas Labor Government will remain committed to partnering with Aboriginal people to co-design policies and programs that genuinely reflect their needs and aspirations.

We will continue to support and listen to South Australia's First Nations Voice to Parliament because we recognise the importance of listening to First Nations people on the decisions that affect their lives.

We believe this strengthens policy outcomes and helps build better outcomes for Aboriginal people and a fairer South Australia for everyone.

PROTECTING OUR ENVIRONMENT

It's been a busy 4 years

South Australia is home to some of the world's most beautiful and unique natural environments.

We're also a global leader in clean, sustainable energy generation and environmental innovation.

The Malinauskas Labor Government has built on South Australia's global leadership through ambitious commitments to renewable

energy, the pioneering of new animal welfare and biodiversity legislation, significant expansions of our national parks and by taking unprecedented measures to protect our marine environment.

We have passed groundbreaking laws, invested hundreds of millions of dollars and partnered with community groups, not-for-profits, local and the Albanese Federal Government to achieve significant improvements for South Australia's environment.



Achieved 75% Net Renewables

South Australia leads the world in renewable energy.

In 2025 73.5% of our state's energy use relied on renewables, and renewables as an overall proportion of our energy sources hit a record 75.3%.

South Australia is on track to meet our ambitious target of 100% net renewables by 2027.

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“It’s globally significant...you have a major jurisdiction that now can operate a grid on such high levels of renewables with really modest connection back into the rest of our national grid ... It’s extraordinary. It’s right up there along with Denmark’s achievements.”

RICHIE MERZIAN, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF THE CLEAN ENERGY INVESTOR GROUP





Over 31,000 Hectares Added to our National Parks

South Australia has a proud history of protecting our natural environment. We are home to over 350 parks and reserves, which cover more than 20% of the state.

National parks protect some of our most important ecosystems, habitats, unique land formations and heritage sites. They are important tourism and economic drivers, contributing hundreds of millions of dollars each year to the South Australian economy.

That's why the Malinauskas Labor Government has invested millions of dollars to add over 31,000 hectares to our state's national parks:

- ✓ **Expanded** the Coorong National Park, though the acquisition of Mundoo Island Station
- ✓ **Created** the new Jaki Ina – Worlds End Gorge National Park
- ✓ **Expanded** the Horsnell Gully Conservation Park
- ✓ **Expanded** the Wangkuntilla-Aldinga Conservation Park
- ✓ **Expanded** the Cape Willoughby Conservation Park
- ✓ **Expanded** the Cleland National Park

World heritage for South Australia's iconic areas

Flinders Ranges

The Malinauskas Labor Government is also continuing to seek world heritage status for the Flinders Ranges.

The Flinders Ranges is over 600 million years old and contains fossils of some of Earth's earliest complex animal life.

Our commitment to supporting the world heritage bid includes expanding the Nilpena Ediacara National Park to more than 86,000 hectares.

Great Australian Bight

The Malinauskas Labor Government has actively supported world heritage status for the Great Australian Bight.

The Bight is an iconic stretch of coastline and the Bunda Cliffs are the longest continuous line of sea cliffs in Australia and more than 85% of the species in the Bight aren't found anywhere else on the planet.

While world heritage is a complicated process undertaken by the Commonwealth Government, we are continuing to back world heritage status for the Great Australian Bight.



Building marine and coastal resilience

The Malinauskas Labor Government invested more than \$150 million to respond to the harmful algal bloom – including significant measures to build long term resilience within our marine environment.

This includes initiatives under the State and Federal Governments’ \$102.5 million Algal Bloom Summer Plan.

South Australia’s marine environment is world renowned and that’s why when the impacts of the unprecedented harmful algal bloom became known, we acted to protect it.

Coastal Seagrass

We’ve invested in a suite of programs to restore seagrass and coastal wetland environments in the Gulf St Vincent. Seagrass helps filter excess nutrients from the water and supports bacteria that naturally limit algal growth – improving our overall marine water quality.

We also partnered with OzFish SA to deliver a volunteer-led initiative to replant seagrass across the metropolitan Adelaide and Fleurieu peninsula coastlines.

These investments are in addition to the significant, ongoing commitment towards marine monitoring, science and research.

We have established an Office for Algal Bloom Research, deployed a statewide series of real-time monitoring buoys, developed an early warning network and undertaken world-leading research into algal bloom events.



Oyster Reefs

South Australia was once home to over 1,500km of native oyster reefs which filtered millions of litres of water each and every hour.

Unfortunately, in the late 1800s and early 1900s, much of this reef was lost.

To improve our ocean’s resilience, we have invested millions in restoring these important reefs. We have begun work on significant offshore reefs, while mobilising hundreds of volunteers to construct new near-shore reefs out of recycled oyster shells.

Threatened Species

We have developed a targeted suite of marine species recovery programs, including dedicated work to assist in the recovery of iconic species such as the Leafy Sea Dragon.

We have also invested in developing South Australia’s aquacultural breeding capacity, to allow for fish stocks to be protected and reintroduced where possible and necessary.

Stronger Animal Welfare Legislation and Banning Puppy Farms

The Malinauskas Labor Government enacted sweeping reforms to South Australia’s animal welfare legislation, including the passage of new legislation.

We banned puppy farms and now we are implementing the toughest breeder licensing scheme in the nation.

Our legislative reforms also include tough penalties for people who abuse or neglect animals, with those found guilty of animal cruelty facing a maximum penalty of 10 years’ jail and penalties for owners who let their dogs attack other people.

A corporation can now be fined up to \$1 million for mistreating animals. This is the most severe penalty in Australia.

This is in addition to the record 350% increase in funding provided by the Malinauskas Labor Government to RSPCA SA to deliver animal welfare compliance activities in accordance with the new legislation.

Nation-leading Biodiversity Act

The Malinauskas Labor Government developed, introduced and passed leading biodiversity legislation to better protect the state’s native animals and plants, while also addressing the impacts of climate change.

The Biodiversity Act includes:

- » A new duty to ensure all South Australians play a role in protecting biodiversity
- » Stronger native plant laws
- » Tougher penalties for environmental harms
- » Critical habitat protections
- » New process for listing threatened species

Delivering for our Environment

The Malinauskas Labor Government advanced South Australia’s single use plastics ban, by banning 18 additional single-use plastics.

New Climate Change Risk and Opportunity Assessment Framework

In 2024 we implemented a first-of-a-kind statewide legislated assessment to demonstrate how South Australia’s leadership on climate change action can reduce risk and un-lock economic opportunity.

Wetland Restoration

We partnered with the Albanese Federal Government to invest more than \$17 million in wetland and shorebird habitat restoration.

This investment has seen works to improve habitat through 25 projects across 35 wetland sites – spanning 120 kilometres.

This includes at:

- » **Mundoo Island:** following acquisition as part of the Coorong National Park the site will undergo significant wetland restoration and rehabilitation
- » **Coorong:** protection for vulnerable birds at the Murray Mouth and along 28km of the Coorong Ocean Beach
- » **Butchers Lake:** overhauling water management to facilitate sustainable foraging habitats
- » **Hindmarsh Island:** improving water flow through 16 hectares of wetland habitat, alongside the re-introduction of native threatened fish species
- » **Mount Burr:** expanding the Mount Burr swamp habitat by up to 40 hectares





100% Net Renewables by 2027

The Malinauskas Labor Government brought forward our net renewables target, from 2030 to 2027, as we moved to accelerate our decarbonised economic development.

We did this to let the world know that there is no room for complacency in our mission to decarbonise.

We have also developed a statewide strategy to reach net zero emissions by 2050.

A Malinauskas Labor Government will accelerate our progress toward 100% net renewables and will continue to push forward with our plan for net zero by 2050.

We will continue our work on environmental restoration through initiatives to help endangered species, restore wetlands, revitalise habitat and protect our most precious environmental assets.

We will also continue to invest in science and research, while always looking for opportunities to modernise, reform and improve our environmental legislation.

All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

**A Malinauskas Labor Government will not
slow down.**

We will expand our renewable energy capacity
and continue to grow our national parks to
restore our environment and building on our
legacy of nation-leading reforms.

BACKING OUR REGIONS

It's been a busy 4 years

South Australia's regions are an engine of the state's economy, with the agribusiness, food and wine sector generating \$17.1 billion in annual revenue and supporting 76,000 full time jobs across 18,900 businesses.

Challenges over the last four years for South Australia's regions have been significant, including drought, flood, the Whyalla steelworks crisis, bushfires and the algal bloom.

Throughout these challenges, the Malinauskas Labor Government has shown strong commitment to our regional communities.

We've deployed almost \$120 million in drought support, over \$150 million for the algal bloom, invested millions in regional connectivity and infrastructure, saved the Whyalla steelworks and provided significant support to agriculture and the commercial fishing and aquaculture industry.



Drought Support

Drought is a feature of the Australian landscape.

It is indiscriminate, and its impacts are felt not only by primary producers, but by entire regional communities.

Recent droughts in South Australia have seen some of the lowest rainfall on record. While some areas did eventually receive rain, recovery will be a long process.

In recognition of the ongoing, years-long and community wide impacts of the drought, we have invested over \$117 million in support for impacted farmers and communities.

We've also introduced a \$200 million concessional interest loan scheme for those farmers experiencing the most severe, multi year drought conditions. This scheme provides concessional loans of up to \$250,000 over 10 years to assist with urgent working capital needs, such as seeding or re-stocking, allowing a business to survive through to better conditions.

The Malinauskas Labor Government also appointed a dedicated Drought Commissioner and provided rebates for the emergency services levy and vehicle registration and invested in mental health, wellbeing and community resilience.

\$117 MILLION IN FUNDING:



4,200

producers approved for the on-farm drought infrastructure scheme



6,390

regional students from 111 schools attending camps and excursions



OVER 2000

farms receiving more than 24,000 tonnes of donated fodder



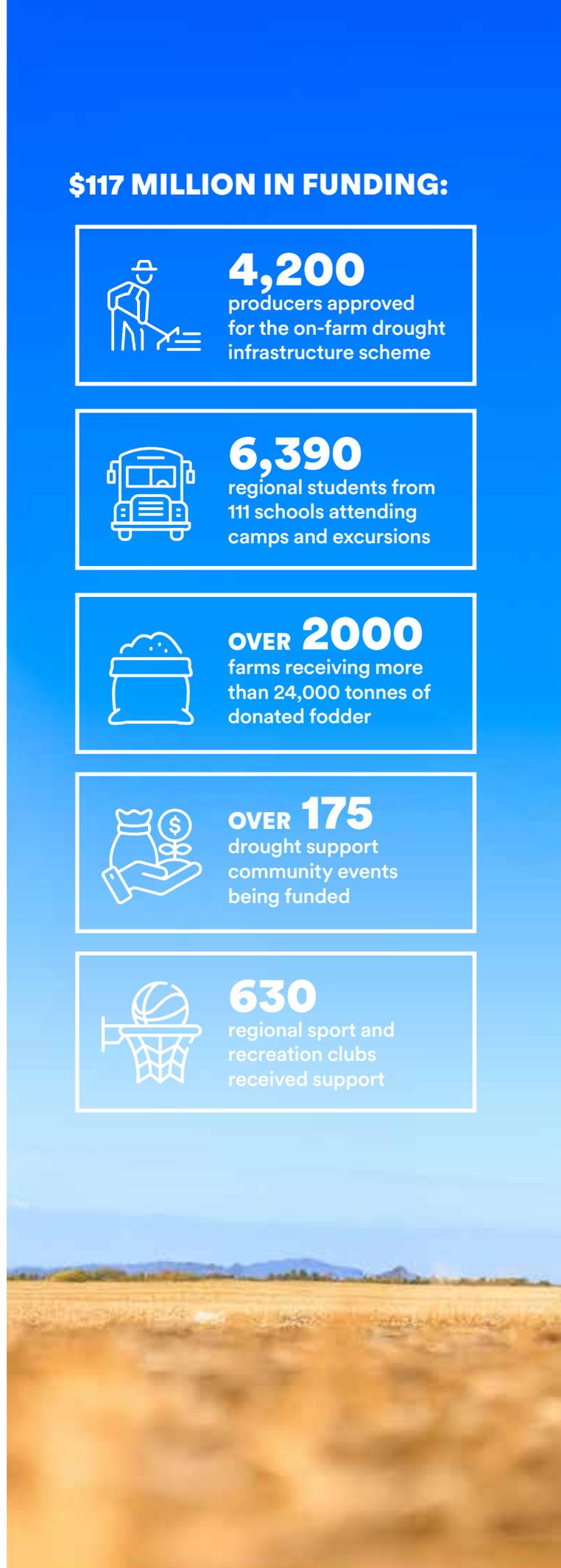
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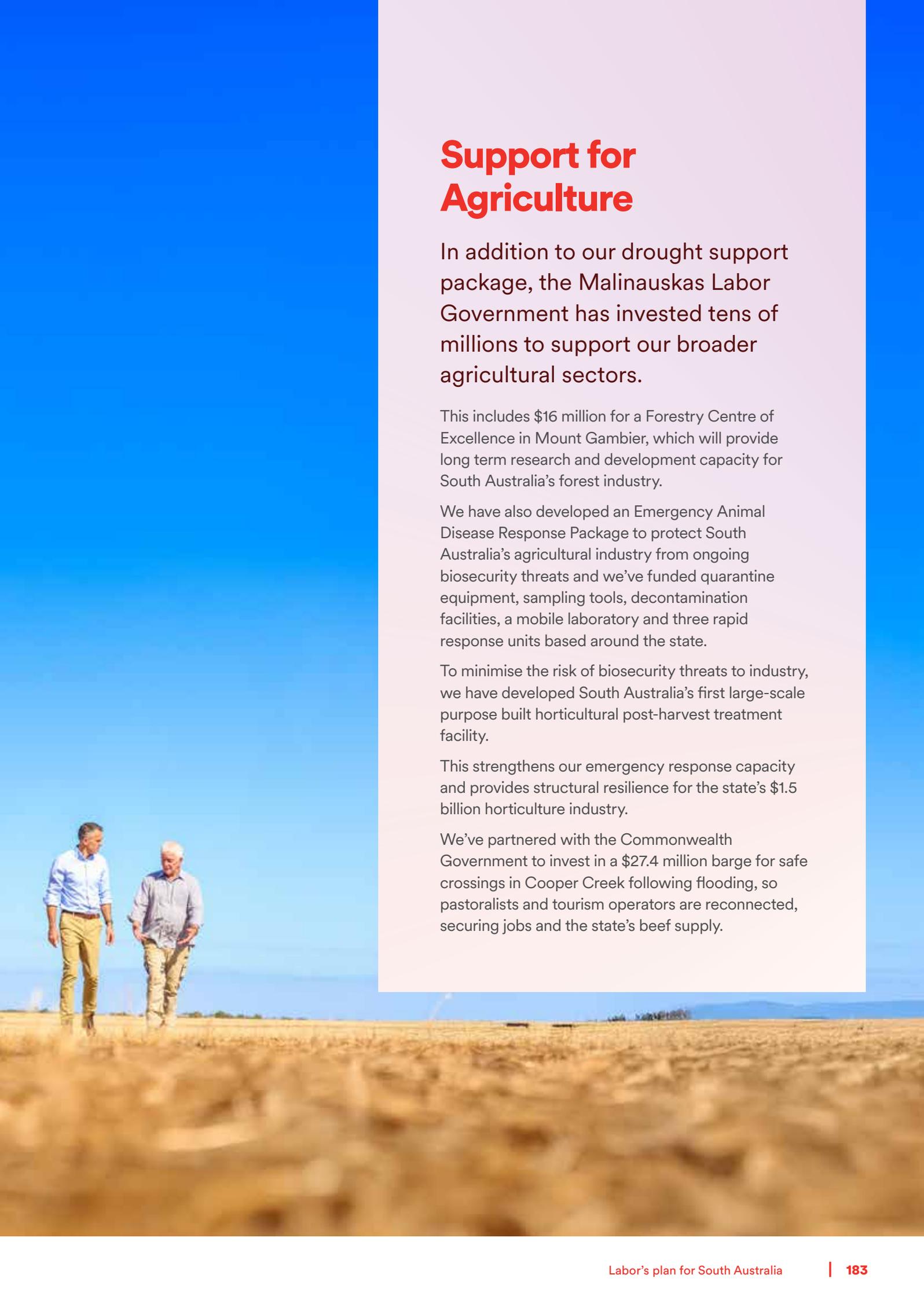
drought support community events being funded



630

regional sport and recreation clubs received support



A photograph of two men walking through a golden field under a clear blue sky. The man on the left is wearing a light blue shirt and khaki pants, while the man on the right is wearing a grey shirt and khaki pants. They are walking towards the right side of the frame. The background shows a vast, flat landscape with some distant trees and a clear horizon.

Support for Agriculture

In addition to our drought support package, the Malinauskas Labor Government has invested tens of millions to support our broader agricultural sectors.

This includes \$16 million for a Forestry Centre of Excellence in Mount Gambier, which will provide long term research and development capacity for South Australia's forest industry.

We have also developed an Emergency Animal Disease Response Package to protect South Australia's agricultural industry from ongoing biosecurity threats and we've funded quarantine equipment, sampling tools, decontamination facilities, a mobile laboratory and three rapid response units based around the state.

To minimise the risk of biosecurity threats to industry, we have developed South Australia's first large-scale purpose built horticultural post-harvest treatment facility.

This strengthens our emergency response capacity and provides structural resilience for the state's \$1.5 billion horticulture industry.

We've partnered with the Commonwealth Government to invest in a \$27.4 million barge for safe crossings in Cooper Creek following flooding, so pastoralists and tourism operators are reconnected, securing jobs and the state's beef supply.

Support for Commercial Fishing and Aquaculture

South Australia's commercial fishing and aquaculture industry is internationally recognised.

The industry has faced challenges, including international trade restrictions and the harmful algal bloom.

The Malinauskas Labor Government responded decisively:

- » We launched the almost \$500,000 Seafood Export Growth Program, supporting industry diversification and export development, which has seen a rapid rebound from the impacts of Chinese trade restrictions.
- » In response to the harmful algal bloom, we provided access to financial support of up to almost \$500,000 each for impacted commercial fishing and aquaculture licence holders.
- » We invested in key mental health and wellbeing programs and committed to undertaking an economic analysis of fishing licences.
- » Rolled out the statewide 'Buy SA Seafood' campaign, the Dining Cashback scheme and targeted support for local regional communities with a reliance on the seafood industry.

Regional Connectivity and Infrastructure

The Malinauskas Labor Government contributed \$5.5 million towards the installation of 27 Telstra towers along the Limestone Coast.

This important work is adding 2,400 square kilometres of mobile phone coverage to the region.

\$60 million in Regional Grants

We have provided over \$60 million in grants and programs for regional communities across South Australia.

Projects which have received funding include:



Port Wakefield for an indigenous art trail, to activate the tidal pool and upgrade public facilities.



Port Lincoln multi-use docking system at Lincoln Cove Marina



Royal Flying Doctor Service state-of-the art health, research and education centre based in Port Augusta.

Support for Our Outback Communities

We launched the Strategic Blueprint for Outback SA which will shape the direction and priorities of the Outback Communities Authority's work to support outback townships over the next decade.

This plan is supported by almost \$1 million in new investment in Outback services and infrastructure.

All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

South Australia's regions are an economic lifeblood to the state.

We will take to the election a suite of policies to support our regions and primary producers including targeted support for our regional roads and a comprehensive \$100 million plan for Murray Bridge.

We are also committing a range of policies, which will significantly increase healthcare supports in our regions, including upgraded hospitals, a regional GP training facility, the purchase of a new site for Ronald McDonald House and a boost to the Patient Assistance Transport Scheme.

We will continue to roll out funding to key regional projects and infrastructure, while working hand in hand with industry to boost innovation, diversification and sustainability within the primary industries sector.

We will pursue policies to maximise productivity, open and engage with export markets, build resilience and back the local communities behind so much of the industry.

South Australia's regions are full of opportunity - whether it's innovation in grain production, or livestock management, the development of cutting-edge aquacultural facilities or the power of our world-leading sustainable timber.

Our farmers, fishers, growers and producers are some of the best in the world, and a Malinauskas Labor Government will champion these opportunities, for the benefit of regional communities and the state as a whole.

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES

It's been a busy 4 years

From grassroots sport and recreation, to high-performance sporting events, the Malinauskas Labor Government has been serious about supporting all South Australians to be healthy and active.

We have invested in opportunities to support our children and young people and to help our elite athletes perform at their very best.

We have delivered world-class facilities, like the new South Australian Sports Institute and the new Adelaide Aquatic Centre, and funded programs for our community sports clubs to increase their participation and develop their infrastructure.

These lasting investments will ensure that all South Australians can be active in their communities.



New Adelaide Aquatic Centre

In 2022 the Malinauskas Labor Government pledged to build a new world class aquatic centre, right in the heart of Adelaide.

And we have delivered.

The landmark \$135 million Adelaide Aquatic Centre is now open. It is a world-class facility that includes indoor and outdoor pool areas, four water slides, splash zones, diving facilities, sauna and steam rooms, inclusive and accessible spaces, cafe and retail spaces.

This generational investment will provide a space for all South Australians to enjoy now and for the future.



Sports Vouchers Plus

We have expanded the Sports Vouchers program to give families greater flexibility and cost of living relief.

Families can now claim two \$100 vouchers per child per year and we have expanded the activities to include dance, music lessons and other forms of active recreation.

New South Australian Sports Institute Facilities

The Malinauskas Labor Government completed the new SASI HQ, which is now one of the country's best high-performance sports facilities.

Importantly, it is co-located with the Australian Centre for Sports Aerodynamics, Beach Volleyball National Training Centre, SA Athletics Stadium and SA Netball Centre.

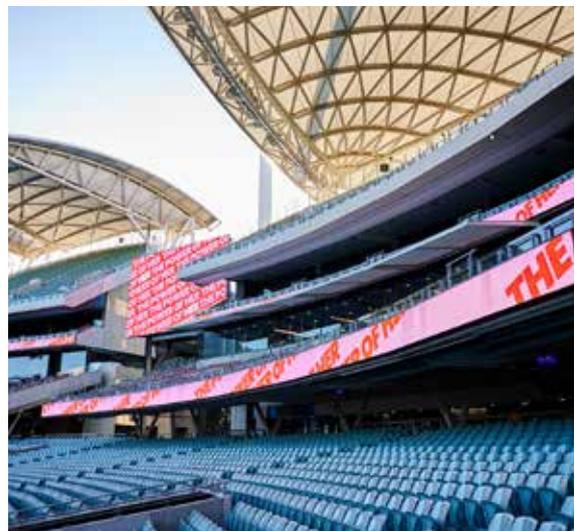
This \$88 million facility will help the state's elite athletes achieve success.



Power of Her Funding

We know the importance of spaces, programs and equipment that encourage participation and meet needs of South Australian girls and women.

Through the Power of Her Leadership Symposium, and the dedicated \$18 million Power of Her – Infrastructure and Participation Program, the Malinauskas Labor Government is increasing the participation of women and girls in sport.



Community and Recreation Funding

The Malinauskas Labor Government has delivered more than \$270 million to support local clubs, sporting organisations and individuals.

This investment has supported initiatives including the Active Club Program, the Community Recreation and Sports Facilities Program and the SASI High Performance Program.

All that in 4 years.

Imagine
4 more

A Malinauskas Labor Government will continue to provide opportunities for all South Australians, regardless of their age, ability or circumstance, to participate in active recreation.

A new home for netball and volleyball

We are building a \$92 million, multi-sport facility at Mile End to replace the old and outdated netball stadium.

This first-class facility will include a 3000-seat main court, increased indoor court spaces and 26 upgraded outdoor courts.

Investing in our communities

We are committed to building more facilities and creating more green spaces across our state.

We will continue to invest in local clubs and community infrastructure to make recreation accessible to everyone.

We have preserved up to 1000 hectares for a new Northern Parklands to ensure open green space and sporting facilities for an important new housing growth front.

A SAFE STATE

It's been a busy 4 years

South Australia is one of the safest places in the country – with falling crime rates, the lowest youth offender rate of any state, and the most police per capita in the nation.

But we are not complacent and we know that there is more that can be done.

That's why the Malinauskas Labor Government has acted to strengthen laws, invest in community safety and give our police the tools they need.

Giving Police the Tools They Need

The Malinauskas Labor Government is investing to ensure our police officers have the modern equipment they need to protect the community.

We've invested \$6.5 million in new multi-purpose police vests, \$6.8 million for new pistols, and more than \$200 million in infrastructure to deliver modern, fit-for-purpose facilities.

Lower Crime Rates

Our investments and law reform are showing results, with crime rates falling for 15 consecutive months.

We've also seen big reductions in key areas, including theft dropping 8%, and residential break-ins down 12%.

South Australia has also recorded the lowest reoffending rate in the nation, and the lowest youth offender rate in the nation.

Cracking Down on Youth Crime

The Malinauskas Labor Government has passed stronger bail and sentencing laws for serious repeat young offenders, and ensured there are strong penalties for adults who recruit children to commit crime.

We've also invested \$3 million in intervention programs, to help recidivist young offenders break the cycle of crime.



Tackling Domestic Violence

The Malinauskas Labor Government has passed a suite of strong new laws to tackle the scourge of domestic violence.

We've legislated to criminalise the insidious practice of coercive control, modernised our stalking and harassment laws, and strengthened offences for domestic strangulation.

We've also delivered mandatory electronic monitoring for those who violently breach domestic violence intervention orders.

Investing in Prison Safety

The Malinauskas Labor Government has made an investment of \$6.8 million for improved security measures in our prisons, including new high-tech security scanners, new barriers on the perimeter fence and cameras with built-in AI.

Keeping Our Kids Safe

We've passed the toughest laws in the state's history to crack down on those who prey on children.

As a result of our laws, serious repeat child sex offenders now face indefinite detention – meaning they won't be released until they can prove they're able to control their sexual instincts.

We've increased penalties for offences across the board, and banned registered child sex offenders from working alongside children.

The Toughest Knife Laws in the Nation

The Malinauskas Labor Government has passed the toughest knife laws in the nation, ensuring South Australia remains at the forefront of tackling knife crime.

We've given police more power to undertake metal detector wand searches, banned the sale of knives to minors, and made machetes prohibited weapons.



Combatting the Illegal Tobacco Trade

South Australia is leading the nation in cracking down on the sale of illicit tobacco and vapes.

The Malinauskas Labor Government proactively legislated to clamp down on this industry, invested more than \$16 million and issued more than 200 closures orders across the state.

As a result, we have taken more than \$55 million of illicit tobacco and vapes off our streets.

More Police on the Beat

We're growing the police force - investing in more than 400 additional sworn officers.

By 2031, South Australia Police will have grown to more than 5,000 officers, alongside more police security officers and support staff.

Boosting Retail Safety

We're delivering nation-leading retail safety reforms.

We're working with police and industry to deliver our Workplace Protection Order reforms, giving businesses, unions and industry groups the ability to seek court orders banning abusive customers from returning to their workplaces.

Investing in our Prisons

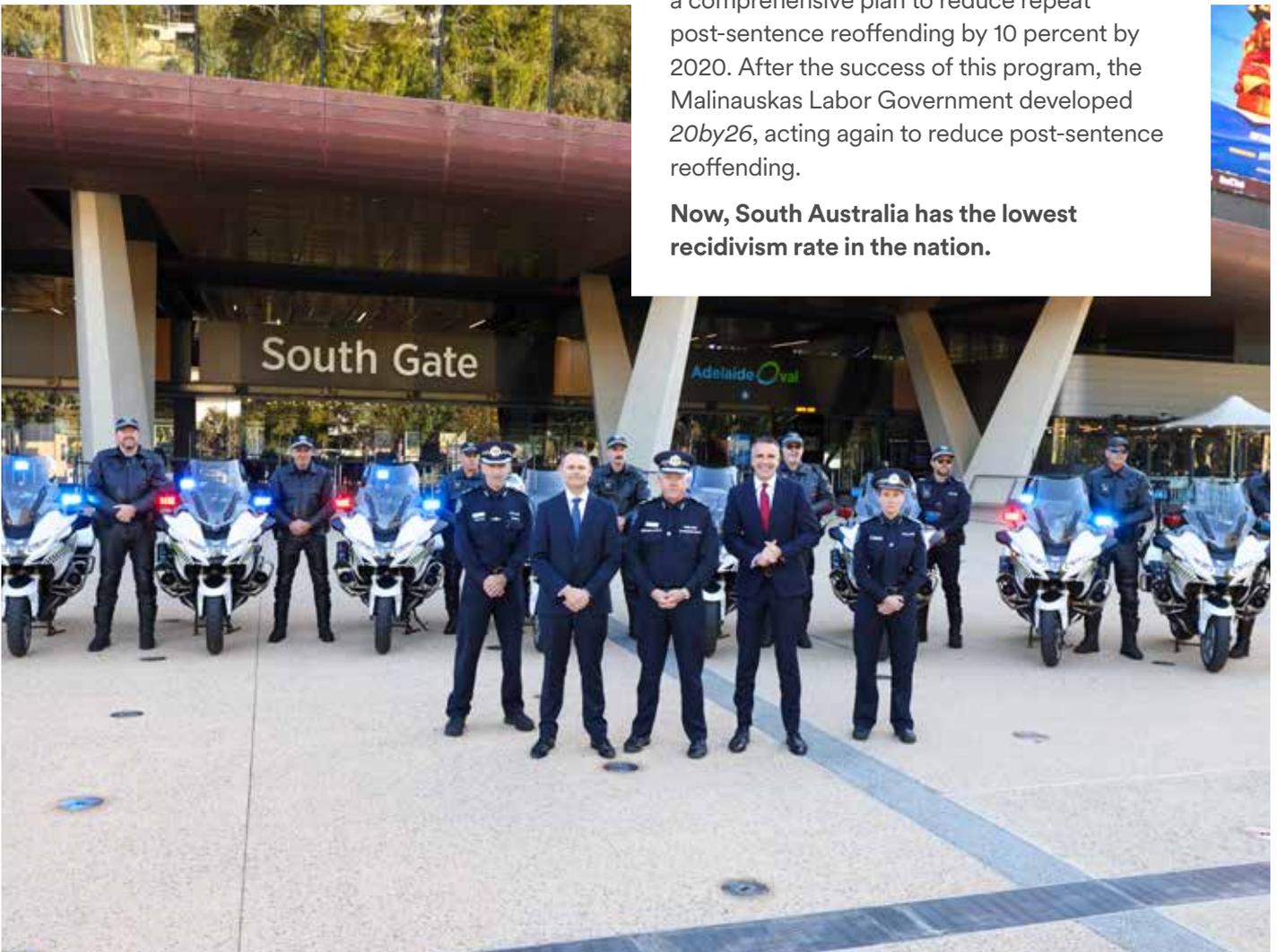
The Malinauskas Labor Government has invested more than \$270 million to boost capacity across South Australia's prison system.

By the end of 2026, 116 new beds will come online across Mount Gambier Prison, the Adelaide Remand Centre and the Adelaide Women's Prison – alongside 312 additional high security beds now in place at Yatala.

Community safety will always be a priority for a Malinauskas Labor Government, and we'll keep working to ensure South Australia remains a safe place to live, work, and raise a family.

“We have invested millions in our prisoner rehabilitation programs. Labor began this work with the *10by20 program* in 2016 – a comprehensive plan to reduce repeat post-sentence reoffending by 10 percent by 2020. After the success of this program, the Malinauskas Labor Government developed *20by26*, acting again to reduce post-sentence reoffending.

Now, South Australia has the lowest recidivism rate in the nation.





Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence

Domestic, family and sexual violence is a scourge.

The Malinauskas Labor Government is committed to preventing and responding to domestic, family and sexual violence and driving reform to help South Australians to safely, equally and actively participate in every aspect of life.

While domestic, family and sexual violence impacts both men and women, we know that the majority of adult victims and victim-survivors of domestic, family and sexual violence are women.

To ensure that we had the tools we needed to realise our ambition of eliminating domestic, family and sexual violence in a generation, the Malinauskas Labor Government held a Royal Commission headed by Commissioner Natasha Stott-Despoja.

Our record investments to implement the recommendations of the Royal Commission, and our existing investments, will make a real difference to preventing domestic, family and sexual violence and supporting victim-survivors.

Royal Commission into Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence

The Malinauskas Labor Government held a Royal Commission into domestic, family and sexual violence - the stories we heard were truly shocking and heartbreaking.

We have committed \$674 million dollars to respond to the immediate safety needs of survivors and lay the foundation for sustainable reform.

The comprehensive response to the Commission's recommendations will span prevention, effective intervention, response, and recovery and healing and deliver lasting systemic change.

Coercive Control laws

Coercive control is an insidious form of domestic violence that is a factor in 99% of relationships that precede domestic violence homicides.

The Malinauskas Labor Government is committed to eliminating coercive control and passed groundbreaking legislation to make it a criminal offence.

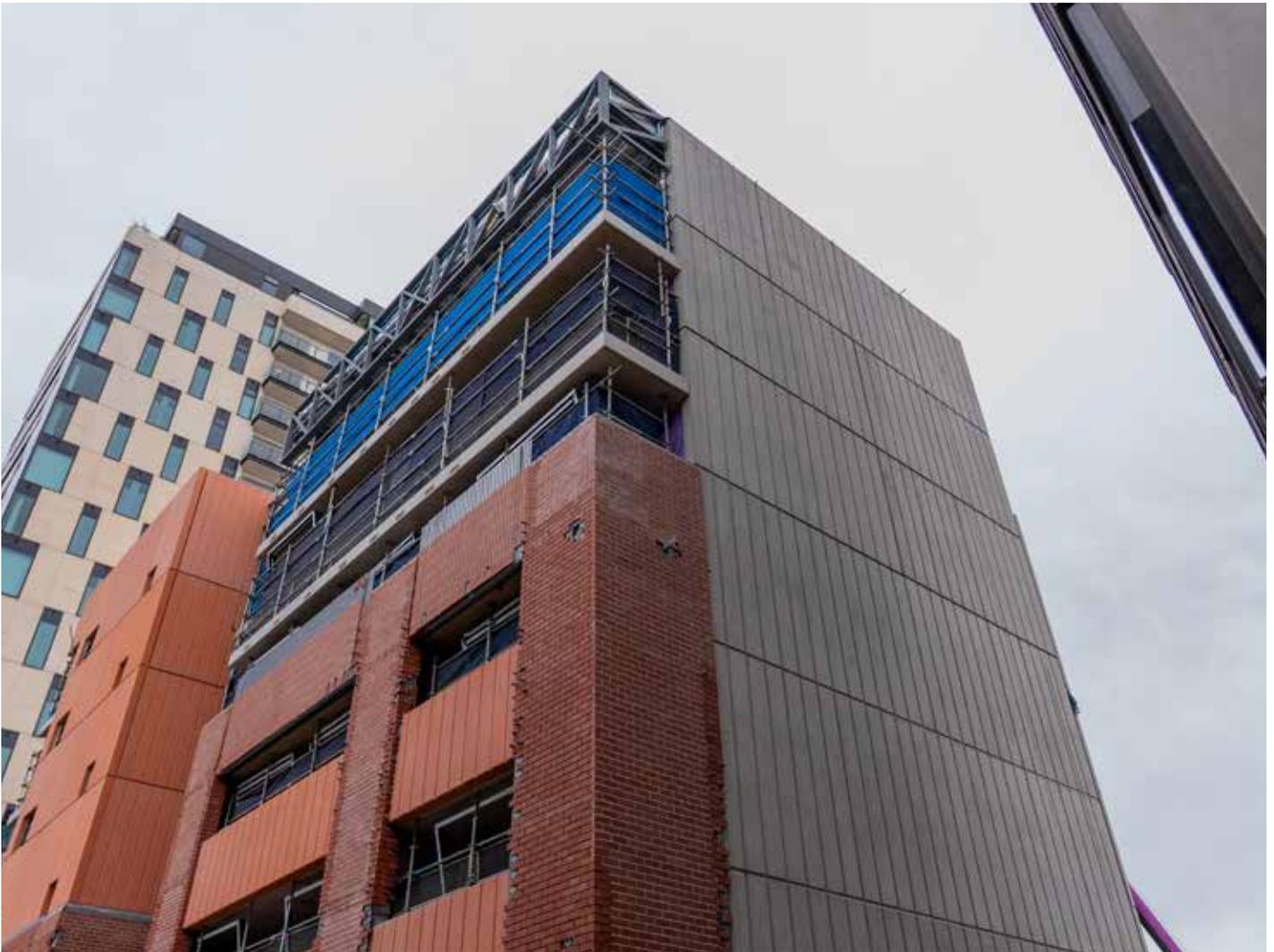
Strangulation Laws

Reformed legislation to respond to the risks and impact of strangulation and choking – a recognised precursor to domestic homicides - by making it clear that the act of applying pressure to the neck must be proved, instead of requiring proof that a person’s breath was restricted by that action as is currently the law.

Electronic monitoring for Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence offenders

The Malinauskas Labor Government delivered on its commitment to pass laws to require any high-risk domestic violent offender to be electronically monitored on home detention bail.

Since October 2025, more than 300 defendants have been required to be electronically monitored on home detention bail.





Workplace Support and Economic Participation for Survivors

The Malinauskas Labor Government changed the law to include the experience of domestic violence as a ground of discrimination in the Equal Opportunity Act and to enshrine an entitlement to 15 days paid domestic violence leave.

New Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence Hubs

We have established two new domestic violence prevention and recovery hubs in Adelaide's northern and southern suburbs, delivering a range of co-located and collaborative services to support women across Adelaide.

All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

A Malinauskas Labor Government will remain
focused on the safety of the community.

That's why we're keeping up our work to strengthen laws and invest in
the justice system.

We will continue to implement the comprehensive recommendations of
the Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence Royal Commission.

With patience, purpose and determination, we will work hard to
meet the Royal Commission's ambitious vision and we know that our
approach must be sustained, collective and focussed.

INVESTING IN OUR FRONTLINE

It's been a busy 4 years

In the last four years we have seen significant natural incidents occur across our state and on each occasion our emergency services personnel have met the challenge, keeping our communities safe and informed.

We turn to our emergency services when our lives or homes are in danger and all South Australians value the dedicated staff and volunteers who respond in our times of greatest need.

The Malinauskas Labor Government has made a record investment in our emergency services to boost training, equipment and facilities across the board.



Flood Response

The 2022/2023 River Murray Flood was one of our state's most significant natural disasters, with almost 91,000 hectares of land inundated.

Green Industries SA and our emergency services led the clean-up program, supporting residents and homeowners with the removal of debris. A staggering 34,726 tonnes of waste material and 1,381 tonnes of asbestos was collected and disposed of safely.

In partnership with the Federal Government, the Malinauskas Labor Government delivered more than \$194 million for flood assistance and recovery programs.

Support included:

- ✓ Personal hardship and rental assistance grants
- ✓ Business closure grants
- ✓ Financial counselling
- ✓ Levee works and remediation
- ✓ Tourism fee waivers
- ✓ Primary production irrigation infrastructure grants
- ✓ Sandbags and flood vouchers
- ✓ Tourism vouchers
- ✓ Mental health support package
- ✓ \$75,000 primary producer recovery grants
- ✓ \$50,000 small business recovery grants
- ✓ Fish clean-up and blackwater remediation
- ✓ Extensive road repairs
- ✓ Long-term temporary housing





Largest Ever Aerial Firefighting Fleet

We have invested in South Australia's largest ever aerial firefighting fleet.

These additional aircrafts give our Country Fire Services greater capacity to respond to bushfires quickly and assertively, ensuring our communities remain safe.

More Firefighting Appliances

The Malinauskas Labor Government has provided significant funding to the Metropolitan Fire Service for 12 new state-of-the-art heavy urban pump fire trucks.

We have also provided funding for an additional 35 Quick Response Vehicles and over 20 new fire trucks to assist the Country Fire Service.

Restored Farm Firefighting Unit Grants

We reinstated the Farm Firefighting Unit Grants, which was cut by the previous Liberal government.

This fund provides assistance for regional communities to purchase crucial farm fire-fighting equipment.

Modern Drone Fleet for the SES

Our emergency responders deserve the latest technology to respond to incidents.

That's why the Malinauskas Labor Government has funded a fleet of new drones for the SES, which will provide our first responders with the high-resolution data they need in challenging front line situations.

New Ambulance Stations and HQ

The Malinauskas Labor Government built a new state-of-the-art SAAS HQ.

We have also delivered 24 new and upgraded ambulance stations which are improving response times and saving lives.

More Police with State-of-the-Art Equipment

We've been busy growing our police force and investing in the equipment they need.

All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

Recent data shows that South Australia is one of the few states to have increased funding for emergency services and a Malinauskas Labor Government is committed to continuing this support.

We know that in order to keep our community safe, we must continue to invest in our first responders and provide them with the equipment, training and facilities they need.

We are employing more first responders, giving them more tools, and building and upgrading more precincts than ever before.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA IS BUILDING

It's been a busy 4 years

We're building South Australia.

The Malinauskas Labor Government is investing in infrastructure to support our growing state and delivering jobs and economic opportunities for all South Australians.

We're delivering some of the biggest infrastructure projects in our state's history, working hand-in-hand with the Federal Labor Government to invest in major projects.



Taking Out Level Crossings

Getting stuck at boom gates on Adelaide's major roads adds time to so many journeys - that's why the Malinauskas Labor Government has invested significantly to remove level crossings along the tram line.

In partnership with the Federal Labor Government, we've invested \$870 million to install brand new overpasses removing the tram level crossings at Morphett Road, Marion Road and Cross Road.

This significant investment is improving traffic flow for more than 75,000 motorists per day and avoiding waits of up to 20 minutes at crossings.



Connecting Majors Road to the Southern Expressway

We listened to community feedback and created new on and off-ramps for the Southern Expressway at Majors Road.

This \$120 million project, jointly funded with the Federal Albanese Labor Government, makes it easier for southern suburbs commuters to access the expressway, and is delivering shorter and safer journeys for motorists.



Expanding Park 'n' Rides

Delivering infrastructure to support public transport use results in a better experience for commuters and eases traffic for motorists.

We have expanded Park 'n' Ride facilities in Crafrers and Tree Plaza to support more locals to access public transport.

With a combined investment of almost \$50 million, these projects are delivering better transport options for locals every day.



A new Adelaide Aquatic Centre

The Malinauskas Labor Government is proud to have delivered a world-class aquatic centre for all South Australians.

Not only has this work delivered an important community asset – it has also supported more than 1,500 jobs throughout the project.

The local environment has benefited too, with 335 new trees and over 25,000 shrubs being planted, as well as more than 1,000 square metres of Park Lands being returned to the community.

Upgrading the Heysen Tunnels

The South-Eastern Freeway is a vital transport route for tens of thousands of South Australians.

We delivered a joint \$150 million dollar investment with the Federal Labor Government for a complete refit of the Heysen Tunnels, including upgrade lighting, new automated fire suppression, new CCTV, and better systems for use in case of an emergency.

Better roads for the Fleurieu

The Malinauskas Labor Government has invested in more than \$810 million of projects on the Fleurieu Peninsula, alongside the Federal Albanese Labor Government, to improve journeys in this beautiful part of the state.

This includes duplication of more than 16 kilometres of Main South Road, between Seaford and Sellicks, and upgrades to Victor Harbor Road for safer travel.

All that in 4 years.

Imagine
4 more

We've begun work on some of South Australia's biggest ever infrastructure projects – and a Malinauskas Labor Government is committed to seeing them through.

Communities across the state are in line to benefit from our investments, improving journeys and future-proofing our network.

A Non-stop South Road

Our state has invested \$7.7 billion in the Torrens to Darlington project, working with the Federal Labor Government on South Australia's biggest ever road project.

Once complete, the project will allow motorists to bypass 21 sets of traffic lights on a non-stop South Road and cut travel times by up to 40 minutes in peak traffic.

Importantly, the Torrens to Darlington project is supporting 5,500 jobs per year during construction, with 90% of labour hours undertaken by South Australians.

New South-Eastern Freeway interchanges

We've invested over \$150 million, in partnership with the Federal Government, to upgrade and expand the Mount Barker and Verdun freeway interchanges - introducing a new three-lane bridge to future proof access to and from Mount Barker.

Removing the Curtis Road level crossing

Approximately 21,000 vehicles travel through the Curtis Road level crossing every day and at peak times boom gates can be down for up to 15 minutes.

That's why the Malinauskas Labor Government has invested \$250 million with the Federal Labor Government to remove the level crossing, making journeys faster and safer for all road users.

Planning is now underway, with major works expected to start by 2027.

More Money for Road Maintenance

The Malinauskas Labor Government is investing an additional \$30 million per annum every year from 2027, to deliver additional road safety maintenance across the state.

This will include works like road resurfacing, new safety barriers, and maintaining traffic signals, to ensure our roads remain safe for South Australians no matter where they live.

A Malinauskas Labor Government will keep building South Australia and delivering the projects that matter to communities.

TRAINS AND TRAMS BACK IN PUBLIC HANDS

It's been a busy 4 years

The Malinauskas Government has been determined to make our public transport better, safer and more accessible for all.

Since 2022, we have invested over \$2 billion in our regional and metropolitan public transport network and we know that our investments in public transport are working.

Last year, nearly 70 million journeys were taken across the Adelaide Metro network, that's 2 million more than the previous year.





Brought Trams and Trains Back into Public Hands

The Malinauskas Labor Government has returned trams and trains back to public hands.

By reversing the previous Liberal Governments privatisation, we put South Australian's before profits.

Now when you tap your MetroCARD, your fare goes straight back into improving our public transport system.

And for the first time in over 40 years, trains are running into the heart of Port Adelaide after we opened the Port Dock spur line as part of a \$51m initiative.

Free Public Transport for Seniors

We delivered on our election commitment for free metro public transport for seniors at any time. This important initiative helps older South Australians to get where they need to go, including during peak times.

Between July 2022 and December 2025 seniors took more than 26 million free trips saving \$34 million in fares.



25c Fares for Students

We discounted a student pass from \$28.60 to just \$10.

This means that students catching the bus, train or tram to and from school each day are paying the equivalent of 25c per trip, saving families up to \$242 per child, every year.

Free Travel on all Buses, Trains and Trams for Major Events

The Malinauskas Labor Government has ensured that free travel is available on all regular Adelaide Metro bus, train and tram services for major events such as the Ashes, Gather Round and Liv Golf.

New Electric Buses

We have welcomed the first of the 60-brand new electric buses into our fleet.

These new electric buses, which will be operating in our community by mid-2026, will provide commuters with a cleaner, smoother and more sustainable way to travel.

This is a significant step towards achieving a fully decarbonised public transport network in South Australia.

Making Public Transport Safer

We have made Public Transport safer for passengers and drivers by:

- ✓ Conducting more security checks and installing safety screens on board public bus services.
- ✓ Introducing new laws to crack down on criminal and antisocial behaviour by allowing the Minister to ban passengers indefinitely if they have been charged with offences involving violent acts.
- ✓ Designating a range of public transport zones as Declared Public Transport Hubs or Services under powers introduced as part of the Government's nation-leading knife law reforms. Police are now allowed to conduct metal detector searches on any person or their property and can order a person or group posing a risk to public safety to leave the declared place for 24 hours.



Life Saving Defibrillators on Public Transport

The Malinauskas Labor Government expanded our world-leading rollout of Automated External Defibrillators to the state's trains and trams.

New Adelaide Metro Buy and Go App

We have continued in our efforts to make public services more accessible through the introduction of an updated app to expand ticketing options.

Public Transport in the Hills

The Malinauskas Labor Government has invested over \$19 million in public transport in the Hills.

- » Made the on-demand bus service permanent in Mount Barker, Nairne and Littlehampton.
- » Upgraded the Mount Barker bus depot, purchasing six brand new electric buses and adding an extra 590 bus trips per week. This has seen weekly bus boardings increase by over 260% since 2023.
- » Developed a new Crafers Park 'n' Ride with 85 additional parking spaces - including accessible bays and motorcycle parking.

All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

A Malinauskas Labor Government will continue to invest in public transport making the system more reliable, accessible and safer for all users.

Continuing to Modernise our Public Transport System

We will continue to roll-out our new electric bus fleet to meet ongoing demand and modernise our ticketing with new smart gates and tap-and-pay for our train system.

We're also planning for the future by investing in key rail corridors in the northern and southern regions to support our growing communities.

Improving Safety for our Bus Drivers

We will continue our work to install safety screens on more than 900 buses and to keep our drivers safe as part of a \$7.5 million safety program.

GROWING OUR SMALL AND FAMILY BUSINESSES

It's been a busy 4 years

Our 164,000 Small and Family Businesses are a driving force in South Australia.

They employ over 300,000 South Australians and contribute more than \$49 billion dollars to our economy.

The Malinauskas Labor Government has spent four years working to provide more opportunities to enable our small and family businesses to thrive.





Small Business Strategy Success

Our \$22 million Small Business Strategy has supported more than 16,400 small and family businesses across South Australia.

We also provided assistance to over 4,400 women business owners through our \$7 million Women in Business Program.

Strong Small Business Growth

Since 2022, more than 10,000 new small businesses have opened in South Australia.

Data shows that our small businesses grew by 2.6 percent in 2024-25, which is faster than the national average.

Lowering Energy Costs for Businesses

We invested \$43 million in two rounds of the Business Growth Fund to help businesses cut energy costs. With the first round saving more than 1,000 businesses over \$24 million a year in energy costs, and similar results expected in the second round.

Best Place in the Country for Small and Family Businesses

Business Council of Australia named South Australia the best place in the nation to do business 3 years in a row.

In 2025 WorldFirst Finds named South Australia the best place in the country to start a small business.

All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

A Malinauskas Labor Government will continue to work hard for our small and family businesses, with no new taxes, the most pro-business economic conditions in the country and continued investment into the people and businesses that make our State a great place to live and work.

SELLING SOUTH AUSTRALIA TO THE WORLD

It's been a busy 4 years

South Australia now has a place on the world stage.

The Malinauskas Labor Government has led the way in re-establishing our important trade and investment relationships, driving economic growth and ensuring that our key industries have more opportunities than ever before.





South Australia's Exports at an All-time High

Our exports have never been higher.

Since 2022, \$69 billion of South Australian goods have been sold overseas, that's \$20 billion higher than under the previous Liberal Government.

This means that there is more money coming into our state to support local jobs, businesses and regional communities.



Backed our Industries

We have backed South Australian export industries, delivering millions of dollars of support to our wine and seafood sectors, to expand into new and existing overseas markets.

Brought Back Brand SA and Invest SA

We delivered on our promise to bring back Brand SA.

This beloved icon now has over 11,700 members and helps shoppers back South Australia businesses by buying local.

Since its return, Invest SA has attracted more than \$3 billion worth of investment into our state and supported the creation of more than 6,500 new jobs.

All that in 4 years.

Imagine 4 more

A Malinauskas Labor Government will continue to capitalise opportunities to grow our South Australian industries.

Delivering the Landmark Trade and Investment Strategy

We will deliver the South Australia Trade and Investment Strategy to 2030, which is the most comprehensive plan of its type ever released in our state.

Opening up More Export Opportunities

We will double down on our efforts to grow our exports, by leveraging our industry sectors and natural resources, to pursue more key trade and investment opportunities across the world than ever before.

We will continue to deliver for our local businesses and international partners, strengthening our economy and growing productivity, now and for the future.

BRINGING THE WORLD TO SOUTH AUSTRALIA

It's been a busy 4 years

The Malinauskas Labor Government is proud of what South Australia has to offer.

We are a world-class destination like no other, with unique experiences like Kangaroo Island, the Barossa Valley and the breathtaking Ikara-Flinders Ranges.

And now, more people want to visit South Australia than ever before.

We are committed to supporting and growing our visitor economy, which supports our tourism and hospitality operators, regions and all South Australians.



South Australia named one of the top 10 Most Welcoming Regions on Earth in Booking.com's annual Traveller Review Awards for 2025

The Ikara-Flinders Ranges and Outback was named by Lonely Planet as one of 2026's top travel destinations in the world - *the only Australian place to make the list*

Biggest Visitor Spend Ever

Since 2022 we have seen the state's visitor economy reach new heights, with total visitor expenditure now exceeding \$10.6 billion.

More Connected than Ever Before

We are now more globally connected than ever before.

2025 has seen the first ever direct flights to South Australia from the USA, and three additional routes from both China and New Zealand. More airlines are now offering flights out of Adelaide than ever before, with 2025 seeing a 32% increase in inbound international seats.

Adelaide was also the first airport in the world to welcome Emirates' new ultra-long range A350.

These direct flights are boosting our international visitor numbers to record levels and making it easier and more convenient for South Australians to travel.



Delivered the New and Innovative Tourism Campaign to Sell South Australia to the World

When we came to government, we backed our tourism industry by investing an additional \$45 million towards marketing South Australia to the world.

We also invested an additional \$20 million, to support our regional tourism operators and rolled out the new and hugely successful tourism campaign, *Celebrate the Simple Pleasures*.

Supporting Our Tourism Operators

The Malinauskas Labor Government backed our tourism operators through the Coast is Calling Tourism Vouchers, delivering 50,000 \$100, \$200 or \$500 dollar vouchers, to boost travel and spending in our algal bloom affected communities.

To support our regional communities affected by flood and drought we established the Rise Up for Our River campaign and Regional Event Fund.

We also delivered a targeted skills attraction program, established the Aboriginal Tourism Industry Council, and expanded the Experience Development Program, which supports our small businesses to become export-ready and expand into international markets.

More Support for Business Events

The Malinauskas Labor Government has invested an additional \$24 million to increase business event visitation and it's working, with the business event sector now worth \$2.5 billion to South Australia.

All that in 4 years.

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A Malinauskas Labor Government is committed to our tourism operators and travel industry.

We will double down on our efforts to connect South Australia to the world, driving increased visitor numbers and expenditure.

Business Events

We are hosting the country's largest tourism conference in May 2026 – ATE 26.

Further highlighting South Australia to the interstate and international market.

Partnering with the Tourism Industry Council

We will expand our partnership with the Tourism Industry Council by providing \$2 million over the next four years to support more small tourism businesses across South Australia .

More Routes

A Malinauskas Labor Government is committed to pursuing additional direct routes to Japan, Vietnam and India. Connecting South Australia to more high value tourism, trade and investment opportunities.

Tourism is vitally important and we will continue to do all that we can to share South Australia with the world.



PUTTING SOUTH AUSTRALIA ON THE WORLD STAGE

It's been a busy 4 years

In 2022 the Malinauskas Labor Government was elected with the bold vision of growing our major events sector.

Major events aren't just about bringing communities together they are fundamental to increasing the economic complexity and long-term prosperity of our state.

And we have delivered.

Securing world-class events like Gather Round, LIV Golf and the bp Adelaide Grand Final that deliver real benefits to our economy.

South Australia was named Best Event State at the 2025 Australian Event Awards.



2025 saw monthly hotel occupancy records smashed, with November reaching an all-time high for rooms booked across metropolitan Adelaide.

Huge Economic Benefit

2025 saw record-breaking major event spending:



\$113.9 million

up 24% from 2024 and 36% from 2023, with **269,506 people attending sold out games.**



\$88.9m million

up 14% from 2024 and named **world's best golf event** for the third year running.



\$98 million

up 12% from 2024 and **celebrated 25 years.**



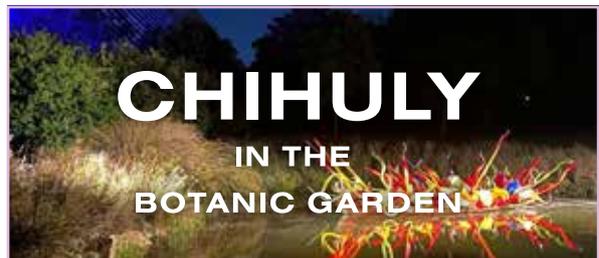
\$74.6 million

with a **record 259,400 visitors**



\$74.4 million

more than **doubling** since the inaugural event in 2021.



Australian-first exhibition Chihuly in the Botanic Gardens saw **more than one million visitors**, surpassing all expectations.

Brought Back the Supercars

At the last election, we made a commitment to bring back the Supercars and we have delivered that and even more, securing the bp Adelaide Grand Final until 2034.



We Have Built Our Major Events Sector

Since 2022, we have gained a full calendar of new major events.

- ✓ LIV Golf
- ✓ AFL Gather Round
- ✓ Harvest Rock
- ✓ FIFA Women's World Cup games
- ✓ Rugby World Cup games
- ✓ The Wheelchair Rugby World Challenge - the largest rugby wheelchair event in the world
- ✓ First British & Irish Lions Rugby game in 137 years

We have also doubled down on investing in our existing major events.

- ✓ Fringe Festival
- ✓ Illuminate Adelaide
- ✓ Adelaide Festival
- ✓ WOMADelaide
- ✓ Adelaide Motorsport Festival
- ✓ The Ashes
- ✓ Tasting Australia
- ✓ Adelaide International Tennis Event

All that in 4 years.

Imagine
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And we will double down on our efforts to deliver world class major events for all South Australians.

New Major Events to Grow Our State

We have secured Gather Round, LIV Golf and the bp Supercar Grand Final.

We will bring the largest opera production ever staged to South Australia in 2027 with Giuseppe Verdi's Aida coming direct from Italy.

In 2026, we will exclusively host 'Monet to Matisse: Defying Tradition' at the Art Gallery of South Australia featuring 57 masterpieces.

And host 6 matches for the Rugby World Cup in 2027.

And there is more coming.

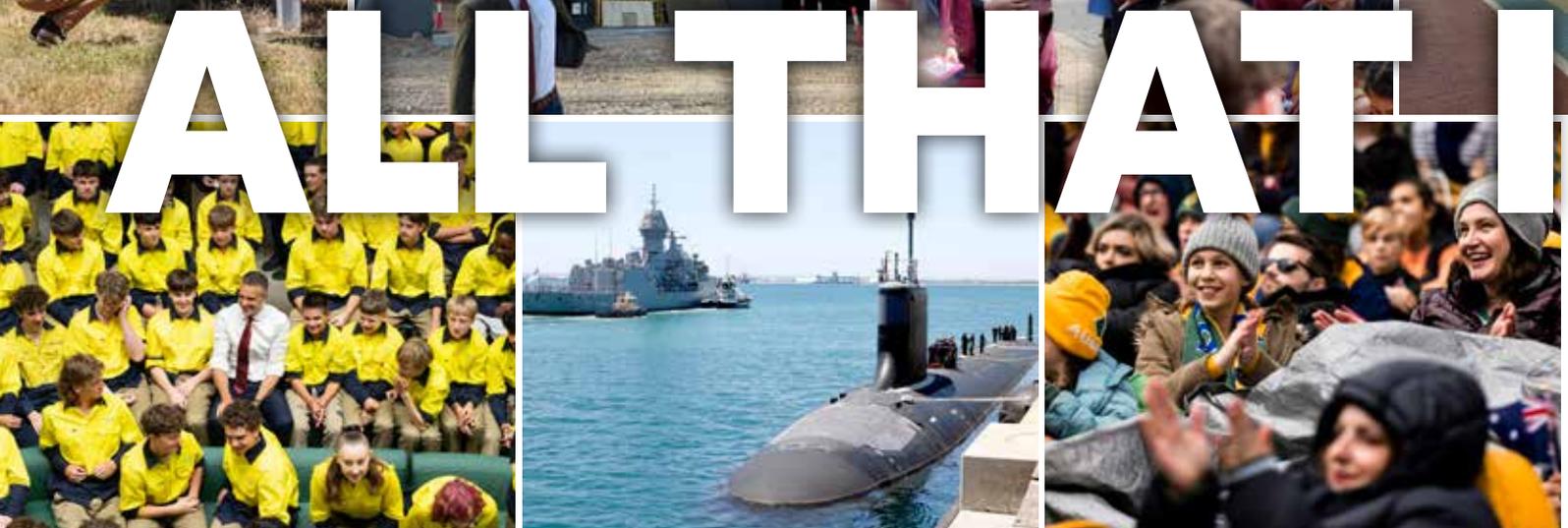
Developing a World Class Golf Course in the Heart of the City

We are developing a world class golf course, which will be used for LIV Golf and other major golf.

Importantly, this course will deliver for all South Australians - remaining a public course for everyone to enjoy for decades to come.

A Malinauskas Labor Government will continue to grow our major events sector, now and for the future.





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