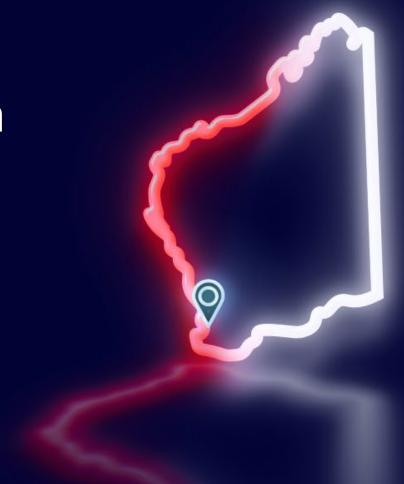


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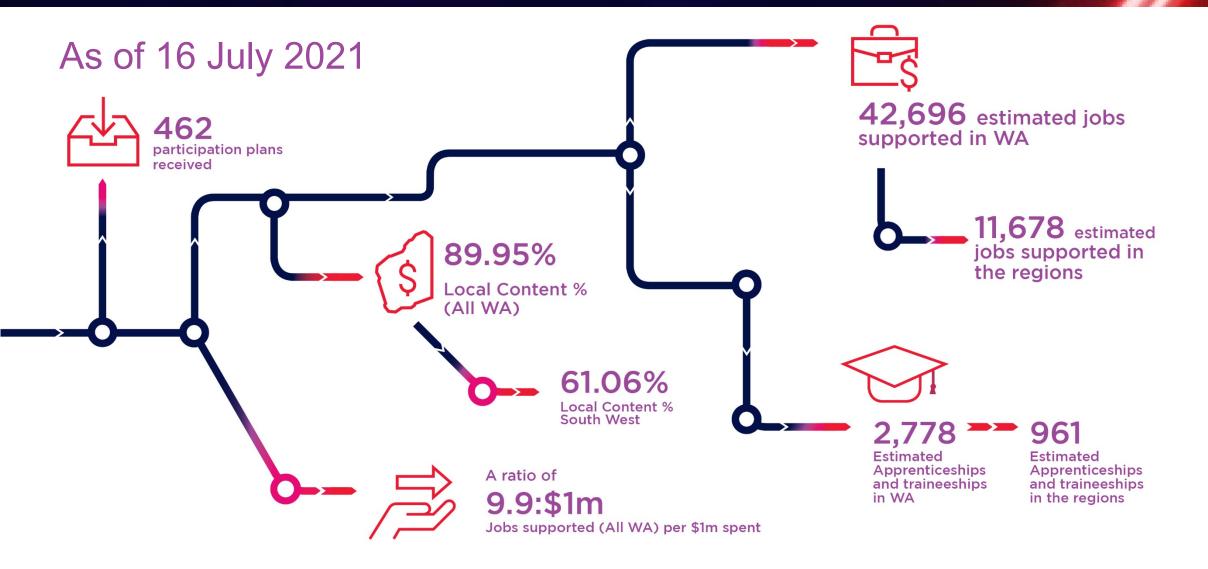


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John O'Hare Executive Director





WAIPS 2020

WAIPS 2020 was released in November 2020. Key focus areas are:

- 1. Agency Panel Contracts and Common Use Arrangements
- 2. Early tender advice and Agency Look Ahead Lists
- 3. Training for Regional SMEs
- 4. Grants
- 5. Regional Strategic Projects

Western Australian Buy Local Policy 2020

- <u>Western Australian Buy Local Policy 2020</u> ensures regional businesses are given focus when bidding for government contracts.
- Released by the Premier in Kalgoorlie on 3 July 2020.
- Capturing agencies commitments to regional businesses through Implementation Agreements.
- 19 Agency Implementation Agreements now signed and in operation.









WABLP Implementation Agreements

Improvements realised through Agency Implementation Agreements include:

- regional and aboriginal engagement plans
- post tender feedback / briefings to unsuccessful bidders
- application of the Regional Price Preferences by Government Trading Entities
- increased the maximum value claimable for the RPPs to \$750,000 (under the WABLP, this can be increased to \$1million)
- commitment to agency reporting on procurement outcomes

Case study – Transforming Bunbury Waterfront

Stage 3 Phase 1 local content initiatives

- Early advice to local businesses, so they're aware of scope and timing of work
- Working with local contractors to support and encourage them to seek pre-qualification
- Work with local businesses on requisite licenses and other management systems in support of their business capability
- Helping local contractors with information about upcoming works in the South West competing for trades, skills and supplies.

Local Capability Fund

Aboriginal Business Round

The level of funding is 75% of eligible costs up to a maximum funding level of \$50,000 (excluding GST) per successful applicant.

Closes 20 September 2021

Supplying Key Major Projects Round

The level of funding is 75% of eligible costs up to a maximum funding level of \$50,000 (excluding GST) per successful applicant.

Closes 20 September 2021

National and International Standards Compliance Round

The level of funding is 75% of eligible costs up to a maximum funding level of \$20,000 (excluding GST) per successful applicant.

Closes 31 January 2022

Local Capability Fund











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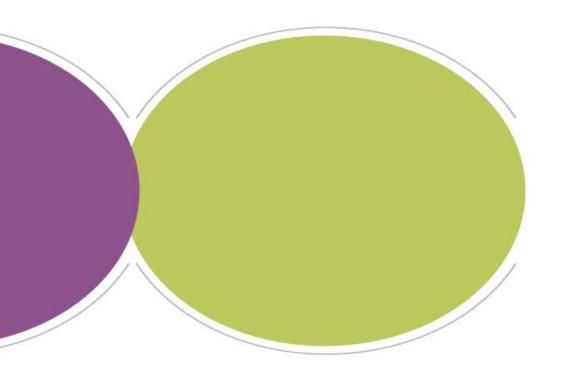
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Working with government

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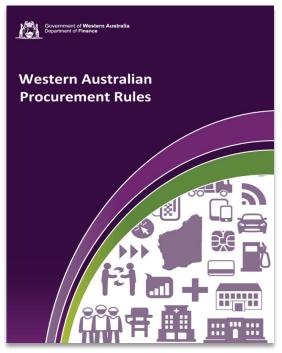
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Today's session



Procurement Act, Procurement Rules, Social Procurement Framework



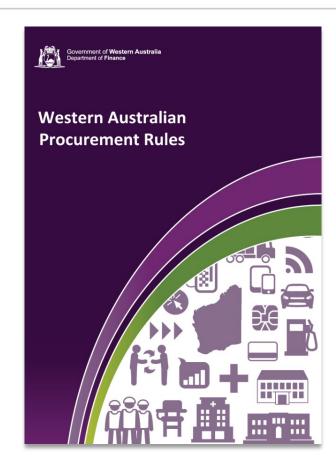




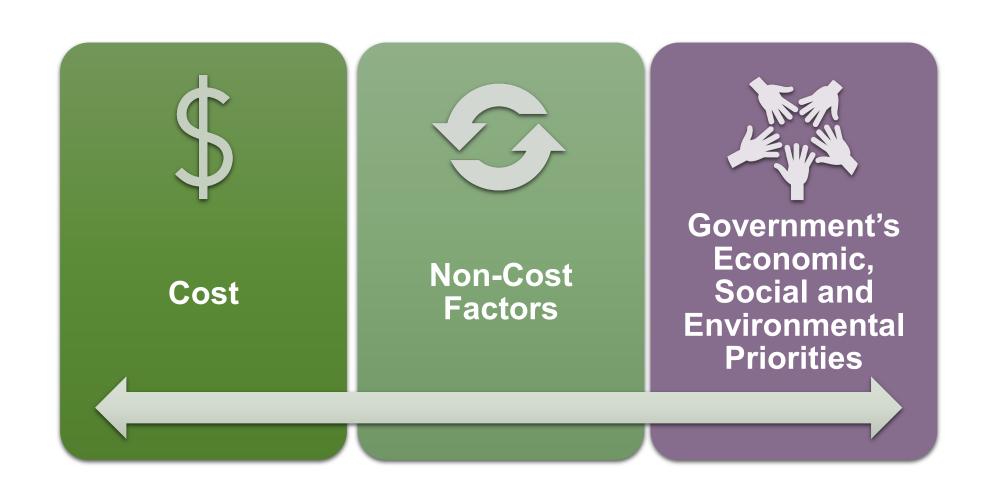
Western Australian Procurement Rules

Took effect 1 June 2021

- Replaces State Supply Commission policies
- Applies to goods, services and works
- Includes all Free Trade Agreement requirements



Rule A: Achieve Value for Money



Rule C2.5: Standing Offer Arrangements with Regional Impact

For **Standing Offers** with delivery points outside the Perth Metropolitan region, government agencies must:

- Make best endeavours to invite regional businesses;
- Consider the feasibility of non-mandatory requirements in areas where there are no businesses operating within the region; and
- Where Western Australian businesses only, buying rules encourage the use of local regional suppliers.



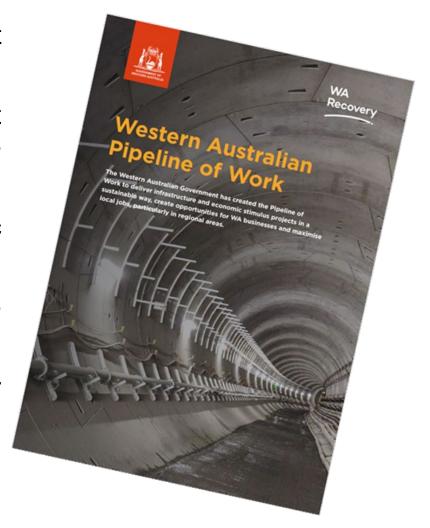
Social Procurement Framework



- Brings together all relevant existing policies and priorities:
 - Aboriginal Procurement Policy
 - ❖ WA Buy Local Policy 2020
 - Western Australian Industry Participation Strategy
 - Priority Start Policy
 - Gender Equality
 - Multicultural Policy Framework

Western Australia Pipeline of Work

- ✓ A forward work plan for the \$28.9 billion in government infrastructure projects scheduled to 2024
- ✓ Supports the implementation of WA Recovery Plan to get WA back on the road to becoming a thriving and innovative community
- ✓ Sustainable pipeline of works key for regional economic recovery
- ✓ Restore business and consumer confidence, get people back into work and rebuild the economy
- ✓ Enables WA businesses to better plan and prepare their teams to bid for WA Government tenders



Western Australia Pipeline of Work – South West Upcoming (potential) works opportunities

Agency	Works / Project Description	Budget (Indicative)	Expected Tender Invitation
Department of Education	Pinjarra SHS Basketball court resurface	\$150,000	Jul-21
	Madora Bay Primary School	\$25,770,00	Aug/Sep-21
Department of Fire and Emergency Services	Refurbishment of Pingelly VFRS (Early Tender Advice issued)	\$420,000	Jul/Aug-21
	Refurbishment of Brunswick Junction VFRS (Early Tender Advice issued)	\$270,000	Jul/Aug-21
	Refurbishment of - Harvey VFRS	\$440,000	Aug-21
	Refurbishment of Pinjarra VFRS	\$970,000	Aug 21
	Refurbishment of Boyup Brook VFRS (Early Tender Advice issued)	\$530,000	Aug/Sept-21
	Refurbishment of Busselton VFRS	\$850,000	Sept/Oct-21
	Refurbishment of Augusta VFRS	\$990,000	Sep-21
	Refurbishment of Eaton-Australind VFRS	\$230,000	Oct-21
	Refurbishment of Waroona VFRS	\$220,000	Oct-21
Department of Justice	Bunbury Prison - Re-tile bathrooms, Self Care Unit	\$300,000	Sep-21
WA Police Force	CCTV Williams Police Station	\$120,000	Aug-21
	Nannup Police Station CCTV upgrade	\$150,000	Sep-21
WA Country Health Services	Collie Health Service Stage 2 Redevelopment – Main Works (Early Tender Advice issued)	\$12,200,000	Sep-21

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Skilling and training solutions

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Department of Training and Workforce Development





- \$5.5 billion investment
- 500+ projects
- Commitment to create more jobs
- Upskilling the Western Australian workforce

Never been cheaper to employ apprentices and trainees with the State and Commonwealth Government incentives and wage subsidies currently available.







Skills Recovery Framework



Leveraging State Government stimulus expenditure

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Job-Ready skill sets

Accelerated apprenticeships

Re-engagement of apprentices & pre-apprentices

Workforce planning and stakeholder support



Supporting training pathways to employment
Short courses Traineeships Apprenticeships

Role of DTWD

- Assist business and training providers to identify skills models and workforce pathways
- Advise on employer incentives and wage subsidies
- ☐ Assist business to identify RTOs and GTOs
- Collaborate with the Commonwealth to connect jobseekers with training and employment programs

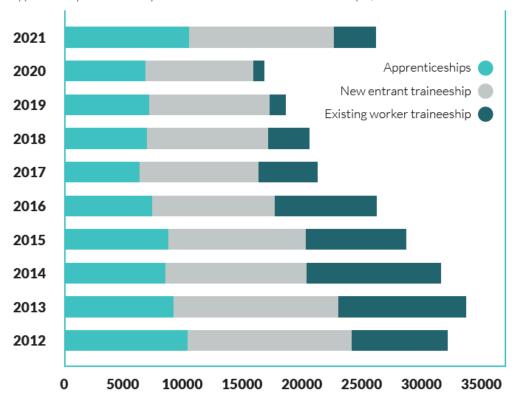






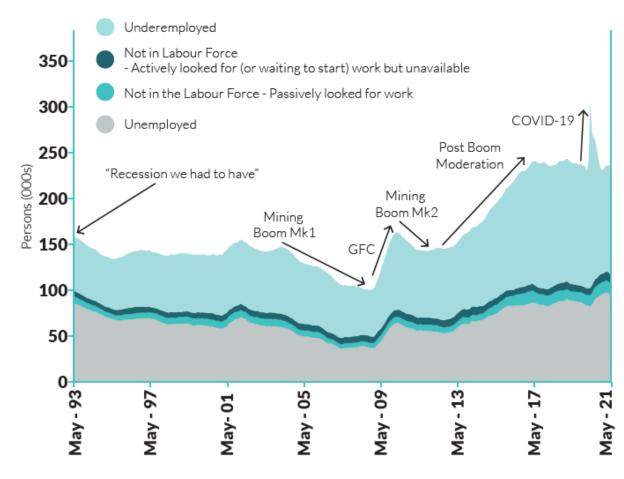
Western Australian employers have responded by taking on more apprentices and trainees in 2021.

Apprenticeship and traineeship commencements in the 12 months to 30 April, 2012-2021





Underutilisation of Labour - Western Australia



Source: ABS 6202.0 and 6291.0.55.001, DTWD calculation, 12 month average.





Western Australian skilled migration

- Focus on temporary visa holders who are already in Australia, WA and Interstate.
- Federal Government approved the State Government's request to expand WA's State Nominated Migration Program (SNMP) to focus on these skilled migrants
- An additional 134 occupations added to the WA Skilled Migration Occupation List (WASMOL) from high demand industries
- This will provide industry with access to migrant workers where skilled local workers are not available to take up jobs





Supporting employers and apprentices

- Jobs and Skills WA Employer Incentive of up to \$8,500 includes regional loading
- Out of contract register: connecting apprentices and trainees to new employers
- Re-engagement incentive for employers: \$6,000 for apprentice; \$3,000 for trainee taken from the Out of Contract register
- Adult Apprentice Employer Incentive up to \$26,800





Affordable qualifications

- Lower fees, local skills: student fees reduced between 50% and 72%
- 180 courses covering priority areas such as:

mechanical and engineering trades	project management	
building trades	hospitality	
civil construction	cybersecurity	
logistics	business	
agriculture	social assistance and allied health	

Full list available jobsandskills.wa.gov.au/skillsready





Short courses and Job Ready pathways

- Creating innovative pathways to Apprenticeships and Traineeships
- The Job Ready model free* short course & work placements
- Priority sectors: Civil Construction & Residential Construction
- Accelerated Apprenticeship Program Construction

Industry design

student screening

Short course training + industry work placement + cohort specific wrap around services

Employment traineeship apprenticeship





Jobs and Skills Centres: regional locations

Central Regional TAFE

Geraldton

Kalgoorlie

Northam

North Regional TAFE

Broome

Karratha

South Regional TAFE

Albany

Bunbury



Call **13 64 64** to talk to your nearest JSC

jobsandskills.wa.gov.au/jobs-and-skills-centre

The Job and Skills Centres have regional outreach programs that are provided on a needs basis





2021 election commitments

- TAFE fee guarantee \$282 million fee freeze on TAFE courses extended to end of 2025
- Extending the Lower fees, local skills initiative to 2025 to make TAFE and training cheaper for in-demand skills.
- Expanding VET delivered to secondary students through 9,000 additional places to provide students with the opportunity to study VET in secondary school by 2024.
- Year 9 VET taster program \$19.2 million to promote VET as a viable alternative to university and enable secondary school students to make more informed choices about careers.
- **Group Training scheme apprenticeships** for 300 additional apprentices/trainees to work on government construction projects
- In July, funding commenced to fund **200 additional mature age apprentices** (above the age of 21) commencing their apprenticeship or traineeship to cover the difference between adult and junior wages.
- TAFE lecturer industry placements \$9.9 million
- Modern equipment for TAFE \$25 million, including specific commitments for Geraldton, Albany, Collie
 and Kalgoorlie and a record \$167.4 million investment in upgrades to TAFE infrastructure.





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