

2020 media releases

[Brisbane bakery penalised in court \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/december-2020/20201224-t-sons-penalty-media-release\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/december-2020/20201224-t-sons-penalty-media-release)

24 Dec 2020

The Fair Work Ombudsman has secured a total of \$26,460 in penalties in court against the operator of a retail bakery business in the Brisbane suburb of Mount Ommaney.

[Disability Services Australia signs Enforceable Undertaking \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/december-2020/20201223-dsa-eu-media-release\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/december-2020/20201223-dsa-eu-media-release)

23 Dec 2020

Disability Services Australia (DSA) has entered into an Enforceable Undertaking (EU) with the Fair Work Ombudsman and is back-paying employees more than \$1.6 million.

[Community Engagement Grants Program recipients named \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/december-2020/20201221-community-engagement-grants-program-media-release\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/december-2020/20201221-community-engagement-grants-program-media-release)

21 Dec 2020

The Fair Work Ombudsman has awarded a total of \$7.2 million to five not-for-profit organisations to provide vulnerable groups with advice, information and assistance about workplace laws.

[Gold Coast restaurant operators penalised \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/december-2020/20201218-govindas-penalty-media-release\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/december-2020/20201218-govindas-penalty-media-release)

18 Dec 2020

The Fair Work Ombudsman has secured \$60,480 in penalties in court against the operators of the Govinda's Surfers Paradise restaurant on the Gold Coast.

[Noodles chain faces investigation \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/december-2020/20201216-pnut-street-noodles-audits-media-release\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/december-2020/20201216-pnut-street-noodles-audits-media-release)

16 Dec 2020

The Fair Work Ombudsman is making surprise visits to all 11 restaurants in the P'Nut Street Noodles chain in Sydney, Brisbane and the Sunshine Coast.

[Perth café allegedly falsified pay records \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/december-2020/20201214-quickpoint-litigation-media-release\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/december-2020/20201214-quickpoint-litigation-media-release)

14 Dec 2020

The Fair Work Ombudsman has commenced legal action in the Federal Circuit Court against the former operators of a café in the Perth CBD, alleging it falsified staff payment and time records.

<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/december-2020/20201211-adadn-litigation-media-release>

11 Dec 2020

The Fair Work Ombudsman has commenced legal action in court against the operators of a Queensland business in the construction industry for allegedly breaching a Fair Work Commission order by failing to pay compensation to an unfairly dismissed worker.

<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/december-2020/20201207-gold-coast-frac-audits-media-release>

7 Dec 2020

The Fair Work Ombudsman (FWO) is making surprise visits to restaurants, cafes and fast food outlets in popular food precincts between the Gold Coast's Southport and Mermaid Beach from today.

<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/december-2020/20201203-timi-trading-penalty-media-release>

3 Dec 2020

The Fair Work Ombudsman has secured \$139,800 in penalties in proceedings against the operator of a Brisbane café that partially paid some of its employees in food and drink.

<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/november-2020/20201130-riddhi-siddhi-litigation-media-release>

30 Nov 2020

The Fair Work Ombudsman has commenced legal action in the Federal Circuit Court against the operators of a fast food business in Brisbane.

<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/november-2020/20201130-little-india-litigation-media-release>

30 Nov 2020

The Fair Work Ombudsman has commenced legal action in the Federal Circuit Court against operators of an Indian takeaway-food business in Hobart for allegedly underpaying employees.

<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/november-2020/20201127-soul-origin-report-media-release>

27 Nov 2020

The Fair Work Ombudsman (FWO) has recovered \$78,944 in unpaid wages for 230 workers following an investigation into 39 stores and a manufacturing site for salad, sandwich and coffee franchise Soul Origin across Australia.

<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/november-2020/20201126-securecorp>

nsw-eu-media-release)

26 Nov 2020

Principal security contractor Securecorp (NSW) Pty Ltd will back-pay underpaid workers after entering into an Enforceable Undertaking (EU) with the Fair Work Ombudsman (FWO).

Former real estate agency operators in court (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/november-2020/20201125-jenni-litigation-media-release>)

25 Nov 2020

The Fair Work Ombudsman has commenced legal action in the Federal Circuit Court against the former operators of the Stockdale & Leggo Werribee real estate agency.

Brisbane fast food outlet in court (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/november-2020/20201124-smc-food-truck-litigation-media-release>)

24 Nov 2020

The Fair Work Ombudsman has commenced legal action in the Federal Circuit Court against the operator of a fast food outlet in Brisbane's West End.

Women's health clinic in court (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/november-2020/20201120-padoga-tree-litigation-media-release>)

20 Nov 2020

The Fair Work Ombudsman has commenced legal action in the Federal Circuit Court against the operator of a women's health clinic in Melbourne for allegedly withholding Government-funded parental leave payments from an employee.

Gold Coast restaurant operators face court (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/november-2020/20201119-fu-kang-litigation-media-release>)

19 Nov 2020

The Fair Work Ombudsman has commenced legal action in the Federal Circuit Court against the operators of two Chinese restaurants on the Gold Coast who allegedly underpaid a visa holder.

Lush signs Enforceable Undertaking (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/november-2020/20201117-lush-eu-media-release>)

17 Nov 2020

The Australian operation of the multinational cosmetics company Lush has back-paid its employees more than \$4 million and entered into an Enforceable Undertaking (EU) with the Fair Work Ombudsman.

Melbourne café operator penalised (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/november-2020/20201116-saveway-penalty-media-release>)

16 Nov 2020

The Fair Work Ombudsman has secured \$27,783 in court penalties against the operator of two 'French Baguette Café' outlets in Melbourne.

[Perth franchisee penalised \\$230,040 for repeat offending \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/november-2020/20201113-tac-pham-penalty-media-release\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/november-2020/20201113-tac-pham-penalty-media-release)

13 Nov 2020

The Fair Work Ombudsman has secured its first penalties under the 'serious contraventions' provisions of the Protecting Vulnerable Workers laws, after a former Han's Café franchisee in Perth underpaid vulnerable workers despite having previously faced Court for similar conduct.

[Idameneo back-pays workers over \\$15 million \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/november-2020/20201110-idameneo-eu-media-release\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/november-2020/20201110-idameneo-eu-media-release)

10 Nov 2020

A major national medical centre operator, Idameneo (No 123) Pty Ltd, has back-paid employees \$15.3 million and entered into an Enforceable Undertaking (EU) with the Fair Work Ombudsman (FWO).

[Barossa Valley pizza outlet in court \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/november-2020/20201109-valley-pizza-litigation-media-release\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/november-2020/20201109-valley-pizza-litigation-media-release)

9 Nov 2020

The Fair Work Ombudsman has commenced legal action in the Federal Circuit Court against the operators of a pizza outlet in the Barossa Valley region in South Australia.

[Gold Coast restaurant operators in court \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/november-2020/20201106-ws-natural-food-litigation-media-release\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/november-2020/20201106-ws-natural-food-litigation-media-release)

6 Nov 2020

The Fair Work Ombudsman has commenced legal action in the Federal Circuit Court against the operators of a Gold Coast restaurant.

[WHSmith signs Enforceable Undertaking \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/november-2020/20201105-whsmith-eu-media-release\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/november-2020/20201105-whsmith-eu-media-release)

5 Nov 2020

National food and retail company WHSmith Australia Pty Ltd has back-paid employees more than \$2.2 million and entered into an Enforceable Undertaking (EU) with the Fair Work Ombudsman.

[Penalties for former grocery store operators \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/november-2020/20201104-jenni-international-penalty-media-release\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2020-media-releases/november-2020/20201104-jenni-international-penalty-media-release)

4 Nov 2020

The Fair Work Ombudsman has secured \$121,000 in penalties in court against the former operators of a grocery store in the Melbourne CBD for paying migrant workers as little as \$10 per hour, despite having been put on notice of workplace laws.

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