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[Court action over alleged sham contracting and underpayment of backpacker \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141128-asap-second-legal-case\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141128-asap-second-legal-case)

28 Nov 2014

A fundraising company which was fined more than \$23,000 late last year for underpaying young sales workers is to face court for a second time over allegations of sham contracting.

[Fair Work Ombudsman's presence helped ensure 'level playing field' for Hunter Valley grape harvest \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141127-hunter-valley-wine\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141127-hunter-valley-wine)

27 Nov 2014

Employers say scrutiny of wages and conditions for seasonal workers in the Hunter Valley last summer kept some rogue labour-hire contractors out of the NSW wine-producing region.

[Retailer revamps workplace practices \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141126-jpa-manchester-eu-presser\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141126-jpa-manchester-eu-presser)

26 Nov 2014

A Sydney retail business has agreed to revamp its workplace practices after an investigation by the Fair Work Ombudsman found it had underpaid one of its staff almost \$30,000.

[Hair and beauty operator faces legal action over failure to pay compensation \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141125-raimondi-litigation\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141125-raimondi-litigation)

25 Nov 2014

A Melbourne hair and beauty business is facing Court for allegedly ignoring a Fair Work Commission order to compensate an employee who had been unfairly dismissed.

[Creating a workplace supportive of employees impacted by domestic violence \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141125-white-ribbon-release\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141125-white-ribbon-release)

25 Nov 2014

Employers can take practical steps to ensure their workplace is supportive of employees affected by domestic or family violence, according to the Fair Work Ombudsman.

[Vic petrol station fined \\$123,000 after showing 'no contrition' for underpayments \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141124-wedderburn-penalty\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141124-wedderburn-penalty)

24 Nov 2014

A Victorian petrol station operator has shown no contrition for underpaying two console operators as little as \$10 an hour, resulting in them needing to seek additional income to meet living expenses.

[High marks for Tamworth and Armidale employers \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141121-tamworth-armidale-presser\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141121-tamworth-armidale-presser)

21 Nov 2014

More than three-quarters of businesses in Tamworth and Armidale in regional NSW are complying with their record-keeping and pay-slip obligations under federal workplace laws, random checks by the Fair Work Ombudsman have revealed.

[Results of live production industry campaign \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141120-live-production-campaign\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141120-live-production-campaign)

20 Nov 2014

The Fair Work Ombudsman today released the findings of its recent pro-active education and compliance campaign into the live production industry on the eastern seaboard.

[Court action secures \\$17,000 back-pay for underpaid workers \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141119-barry-scott-2-presser\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141119-barry-scott-2-presser)

19 Nov 2014

The Fair Work Ombudsman has secured more than \$17,000 back-pay for three workers through its successful legal action against the former operators of two food retail outlets in Albury, regional NSW.

[Fines imposed for ignoring back-pay request \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141119-anahata-penalty-presser\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141119-anahata-penalty-presser)

19 Nov 2014

The former operators of a regional Victorian restaurant have been fined almost \$19,000 for failing to back-pay an underpaid overseas worker.

[Spotlight on Katherine mango farms \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141118-katherine-mango-visits\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141118-katherine-mango-visits)

18 Nov 2014

Fair Work Ombudsman inspectors will visit mango farms around Katherine, NT, this week to ensure seasonal workers are being paid correctly.

[Lending an ear to the needs of small business \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141115-small-business-roundtable\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141115-small-business-roundtable)

17 Nov 2014

The Fair Work Ombudsman will meet with key members of the small business community at a roundtable in Melbourne tomorrow.

[Egyptian migrant allegedly underpaid \\$62,000 \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141113-save-and-deliver-presser\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141113-save-and-deliver-presser)

13 Nov 2014

An Egyptian migrant who delivered medicines to customers in Sydney was underpaid more than \$62,000 over almost four years, it will be alleged in court.

[Costly penalty for ignoring back-pay request \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141112-daladontics-penalty-presser\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141112-daladontics-penalty-presser)

12 Nov 2014

A Melbourne dental firm has been fined almost \$40,000 for failing to back-pay two employees almost \$10,000.

[Business couple fined over teen worker's wages; lack of meal, rest and toilet breaks \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141111-bad-work-wear\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141111-bad-work-wear)

11 Nov 2014

Business operators who underpaid a teenage sales assistant and failed to provide her with sufficient meal, rest and toilet breaks have been fined tens of thousands of dollars following legal action by the Fair Work Ombudsman.

[Results of Yarra Valley strawberry farm visits \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141110-yarra-valley-strawberry-farms\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141110-yarra-valley-strawberry-farms)

10 Nov 2014

Strawberry growers in Victoria's Yarra Valley need to pay greater attention to their obligations under federal workplace laws, according to the Fair Work Ombudsman.

[Stevedore industry on notice over wage deductions for unlawful industrial action \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141108-patrick-eu-presser\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141108-patrick-eu-presser)

8 Nov 2014

Patrick Stevedores Holdings Pty Ltd will write to its employees in Fremantle, Western Australia, putting them on notice that they will not be paid if they take unlawful industrial action in the future.

[\\$95,000 penalty and order to back-pay staff \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141107-barry-scott-penalty-presser\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141107-barry-scott-penalty-presser)

7 Nov 2014

The operators of a former fish and chip shop in Albury, NSW, have been fined a total of \$94,990 for underpaying three staff members.

Mid-North Coast blueberry farms back in spotlight (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141106-blueberry-campaign>)

6 Nov 2014

Fair Work Ombudsman inspectors will return to the NSW Mid-North Coast this month to conduct further auditing of local blueberry farms.

\$70,000 back-paid to Gippsland workers (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141105-gippsland-recoveries>)

5 Nov 2014

A number of employees in Victoria's Gippsland region have been reimbursed more than \$70,000 after recent inquiries by the Fair Work Ombudsman revealed they had been underpaid at work.

Company faces court for alleged failure to co-operate with sham contracting investigation (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2014-media-releases/november-2014/20141103-auslink>)

3 Nov 2014

A security business breached workplace laws by failing to co-operate with inspectors investigating sham contracting allegations relating to Queensland workers, the Fair Work Ombudsman alleges.

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