

## October 2015

**[Spot checks for 250 Far North Queensland businesses \(www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151030-far-north-qld-campaign-media-release\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151030-far-north-qld-campaign-media-release)**

30 Oct 2015

The Fair Work Ombudsman will audit up to 250 businesses in Cairns, Innisfail and the Cassowary Coast over the next three months as part of a new campaign.

**[High-wage earning Melbourne business operator fined again over employee underpayments \(www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151029-syndicate-group-penalty\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151029-syndicate-group-penalty)**

29 Oct 2015

A high-wage earning Melbourne business operator has been fined for a second time after again being involved in short-changing employees thousands of dollars.

**[Chinese worker allegedly paid \\$10 an hour \(www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151028-golden-vision-litigation\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151028-golden-vision-litigation)**

28 Oct 2015

A Queensland restaurant operator is facing Court for allegedly paying a young Chinese national just \$10 an hour and breaching sham contracting laws.

**[Baiada declares ‘moral and ethical’ responsibility to stamp out contractors’ unlawful practices at its worksites \(www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151026-baiada-media-release\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151026-baiada-media-release)**

26 Oct 2015

Baiada has publicly declared that it has a “moral and ethical responsibility” to join with the Fair Work Ombudsman to stamp out its contractors’ unlawful practices at its worksites.

**[New methods successfully resolve workplace disputes before they escalate \(www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151023-annual-report-media-release\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151023-annual-report-media-release)**

23 Oct 2015

The Fair Work Ombudsman is saving business operators and workers time and money - and preventing some jobs from being lost altogether - by increasingly using new methods to resolve workplace disputes before they escalate.

**[Spot checks for 50 Darwin businesses \(www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151019-darwin-campaign\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151019-darwin-campaign)**

19 Oct 2015

The Fair Work Ombudsman will audit up to 50 businesses in Darwin this week as part of a new campaign.

**[Free from detention and granted residency, asylum seeker allegedly exploited, paid only \\$3.49 an hour \(www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151016-mhoney-litigation\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151016-mhoney-litigation)**

16 Oct 2015

The Fair Work Ombudsman is taking legal action against an employer who allegedly exploited a vulnerable asylum seeker who had earlier been released from detention.

**[\\$10k in fines for paying overseas worker \\$8 an hour \(www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151013-ever-australia-penalty\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151013-ever-australia-penalty)**

13 Oct 2015

More than \$10,000 in fines have been imposed after an ugg boot retailer paid an overseas worker in Sydney just \$8 an hour.

**[7-Eleven store operators to face Court for allegedly paying employees as little as \\$11 an hour \(www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151012-hiyi-litigation\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151012-hiyi-litigation)**

12 Oct 2015

The former owner-operators of a Melbourne 7-Eleven store will face court for allegedly underpaying 12 employees more than \$84,000.

**[\\$20,000 penalty for ignoring compensation Order \(www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151008-wedderburn-penalty-2\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151008-wedderburn-penalty-2)**

8 Oct 2015

The Fair Work Ombudsman has again secured a penalty against a former Victorian petrol station operator, this time for ignoring an Order to pay compensation to an unfairly dismissed employee.

**[Spot checks for 50 Tasmanian businesses \(www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151006-tasmania-campaign\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151006-tasmania-campaign)**

6 Oct 2015

The Fair Work Ombudsman will audit up to 50 businesses near Hobart over the next two months as part of a new campaign.

**[Security company faces Court for second time \(www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151002-security\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151002-security)**

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2 Oct 2015

A national security company is again facing Court action after allegedly underpaying a Gold Coast worker more than \$7000 in just 10 weeks.

### **Back-payment bill for Sydney café operators after Korean workers short-changed almost \$40,000 (www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/archived-media-releases/2015-media-releases/october-2015/20151001-marsil-eu-presser)**

1 Oct 2015

Two backpackers and an international student from Korea have been short-changed almost \$40,000 by a café operator in Sydney's CBD, an investigation by the Fair Work Ombudsman has found.

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