



# JOBKEEPER PAYMENT

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## JOBKEEPER EXTENDED, BUT RATE SLASHED AND WORKERS STILL LEFT BEHIND

Congratulations on a strong fight to extend JobKeeper. This wage subsidy in the first instance was won by union members and this extension has been fought for by union members. Every lobbying call, media event, petition signature and story shared makes a huge difference. Thanks to you, thousands of workers have received a lifeline throughout this difficult period and will continue to receive some support.

**But we know it is not enough.**

Scott Morrison today announced that the JobKeeper scheme will be extended to March, and did not rule out further extension for aviation workers beyond that. Businesses will need to continue providing evidence of downturn to be eligible for the scheme beyond September.

But from September onwards, the scheme will be paid at a reduced rate of \$1200 a fortnight for those working 20 hours or more, and only \$750 a fortnight for part-time workers working less than 20 hours a week, based on average hours worked in the four weeks before 1 March 2020. In January the payments will be cut back to \$1000 a fortnight and \$650 for part-time workers.

**\*\*If you believe you will be unfairly pushed into the part-time payment please speak to your delegate.\*\***

The government continues to abandon thousands of workers, like those working for Dnata.

## AVIATION WORKERS NEED MORE SUPPORT

We know that the aviation industry is one of the hardest hit and will be one of the last to recover. Reducing JobKeeper and ignoring the thousands of workers ineligible for the scheme will result in further job losses that could be prevented if the Federal Government step up with AviationKeeper.

What's most disappointing is that the Federal Government doesn't have a plan for aviation. By reducing the rate and leaving thousands behind, Scott Morrison is standing by while thousands of jobs are put at risk and our critical industry is in danger of collapse.

We will continue to fight to ensure aviation workers are not abandoned by this Federal Government.

The fight goes on for job security, fair implementation of JobKeeper and allocation of hours, and for all those left behind. We will be contacting all aviation companies in light of this announcement and will keep you updated on the response.

This is a difficult time for everyone. Your union is behind you every step. Please speak to your delegate or official if you need support, and remember that further help is available.

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