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Victorian Budget 2026/27



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MORE TRAINS AND MORE SERVICES – AND PT IS CHEAPER ALL YEAR

With war in the Middle East driving up costs at home, more train services help Victorians save money and time.

Investing in new trains also supports more services on the network and more space at peak times.

More new trains

The *Victorian Budget 2026/27* invests \$673.6 million to deliver 25 locally built X'Trapolis 2.0 trains.

These new trains are bigger and better, more comfortable and more efficient – carrying around 1,225 passengers.

The investment also supports 750 jobs across Victoria.

In total, 50 X'Trapolis 2.0 trains have been funded by the Allan Labor Government.

The first 25 are set to roll out on the Craigieburn, Upfield and Frankston lines in the coming months.

More train services

Labor has added 3,500 train services to the network and now we're delivering more.

The Budget invests \$77.5 million to deliver:

- **Shepparton line:**
 - nine return services every weekday – almost double the number of current services
- **Belgrave and Lilydale lines:**
 - trains every 20 mins to the end of the line on weekday evenings – up from every 30 mins
 - trains every 10 mins on the Ringwood corridor on weekday evenings – up from every 15 mins
- **Glen Waverley and Alamein lines:**
 - trains every 20 mins on weekday evenings – up from every 30 mins
- **Mernda and Hurstbridge lines:**
 - trains every 20 mins to Mernda and Eltham all weekend – up from every 30 mins in the evening and every 40 mins on Sunday morning
 - services every 10 mins between the city and Clifton Hill – up from every 15 mins on weekend evenings and every 20 mins on Sunday mornings into the city

These new services meet growing demand for evening and weekend services. Time ranges listed are averages.

Thanks to our investments, even more additional services are ready to hit the network in the coming months:

- **Werribee line:** two additional trains per hour in the mornings and afternoons
- **Sandringham line:** trains every 10 minutes between peak periods
- **Craigieburn line:** trains at least every 20 minutes on the line, including late at night and on weekends
- **Upfield line:** trains at least every 20 minutes on the line, including late at night and on weekends
- **Seymour line:** trains every hour between 8:00am and 9:00pm on weekends
- **Shepparton line:** five return services on Saturday and Sunday

This is on top of more services now running on the Gippsland Line – with trains now running every 40 minutes.

We're also slashing the cost of public transport, with free travel now and half-price fares from June 1.

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Half-price PT saves the regular daily commuter more than \$850 and keeps a lid on fuel demand for everyone else.

Labor will always invest in our transport system to save people time and keep people moving.

Labor will always invest in our manufacturing industry to support local jobs in regional Victoria.

Only Labor has new solutions to make life easier, safer and more affordable.

Quote attributable to Premier Jacinta Allan

“Half-price trains and more train services will save you money and time.”

Quotes attributable to Minister for Public and Active Transport Gabrielle Williams

“We’re putting our expanded network to work – delivering more services, more often across the network.”

“Our new trains are bigger and more comfortable, and they’ll get more Victorians moving.”