

Media Release

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PROMOTING VICTORIA'S PREFABRICATED CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

The Allan Labor Government is backing Victoria's prefabricated construction industry, with a new directory making it easier and more accessible for local manufacturers to work on projects across the state.

Minister for Jobs and Industry Natalie Hutchins today launched the latest edition of the Victorian Prefabricated Construction Directory, which features 24 businesses delivering residential, commercial, and infrastructure projects across Victoria.

First released in 2019, the directory showcases the range of products and capabilities of each business, making it easy to find manufacturers that can meet specific project requirements.

The directory also highlights innovative examples of the Labor Government's use of prefabricated construction in building projects, including the two-storey mental health facility extension at the Sunshine Hospital and an affordable regional housing project in Horsham.

Prefabricated construction is a modern method of construction (MMC) where buildings and components are manufactured off-site before being transported to a permanent location. This approach can result in lower costs and faster delivery times compared to conventional construction methods.

By manufacturing buildings in a controlled factory environment, prefabricated construction minimises delays caused by disruptive weather, reduces waste, and creates safer, more accessible jobs.

As the fastest-growing state in Australia, Victoria's increased adoption of prefabricated construction will play an important role in increasing the supply of residential housing stock by enhancing the productivity and competitiveness of our construction sector.

Victoria's \$33.5 billion manufacturing sector is a significant contributor to the economy, generating \$23 billion in exports and supporting over 260,000 jobs.

To download the Victorian Prefabricated Construction Supply Chain Directory, visit djsir.vic.gov.au/made-in-victoria.

Quote attributable to Minister for Jobs and Industry Natalie Hutchins

"Victoria's prefabricated construction ecosystem is delivering high-quality projects, from houses to train stations."

"This resource will enhance market exposure for our prefabricated construction sector, connecting government agencies, construction companies, developers, and the community with businesses that can meet their project needs."