

Public Accounts and Estimates Committee

Inquiry into the 2021-22 Budget Estimates



The Hon Lily D'Ambrosio MP
Minister for Solar Homes



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Solar Victoria was established to deliver the 10-year Solar Homes Program, working with consumers, industry, regulators and training organisations to boost access to clean, affordable and reliable solar energy as part of Victoria’s renewable energy future.

Solar Victoria is committed to:

- Ensuring the highest standards in safety and quality;
- Supporting industry to create new jobs and accelerating the installation of solar on Victorian homes; and
- Creating up to 50 jobs in the Latrobe Valley and establishing its headquarters in the new GovHub building in Morwell from 2021.

Once the Solar Homes Program is fully rolled out, the Government will have supported 778,500 Victorians to power their homes with renewable energy.

Solar Homes Portfolio

Solar Victoria is facilitating access to affordable, reliable and clean energy now and into the future



Solar Homes Program

778,500 rebates for solar PV for owner-occupiers and rental households, solar batteries and solar hot water



Solar for Business Program

15,000 solar PV rebates to support Victorian small businesses to install solar at their work premises



Home Heating and Cooling Upgrades Program

Supporting 250,000 low-income and vulnerable households to upgrade to energy-efficient heating and cooling systems

Solar Homes and Victorians

Solar Homes is proving to be immensely popular with Victorians and is helping Victoria achieve its renewable energy targets

Solar Homes is supporting lower income Victorians:

- Two thirds of households supported earn less than \$100,000 per year
- 793 solar PV systems for community housing tenancies
- 30 per cent of Solar Homes households are from regional Victoria

Solar Homes achievements:

- More than 153,000 rebates approved and more than 145,000 systems installed
- 862 MW of solar PV capacity installed
- More than \$289 million in rebates paid
- Annual savings of \$1,073 per household on energy bills from solar PV panels
- Highest ever month for solar PV installations in Victoria in November 2020
- More than 2,100 authorised retailers and installers participating in the program

Home Heating and Cooling Upgrades Program:

- Launched for Community Housing Organisations on 7 May 2021

Solar for Business Program:

- Opened on 28 May 2021 – more than 200 rebate applications from businesses already submitted

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