

Media Release

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TMAA releases findings on Traffic Controller Safety Perceptions

The Traffic Management Association of Australia (TMAA) has released its annual National Traffic Controller Safety survey, which aims to gather insights into the hazardous situations that traffic controllers face while on duty.

The 2023 survey was completed by 198 Traffic Management Professionals in March 2023 and the results are now available to download from the TMAA website.

This year's survey indicates that traffic controllers continue to work in what they perceive as unsafe conditions on Australian roads and roadsides. Key findings show that the respondents' average safety perception score stands at 6.3 (on a 0 to 10 scale). Over 40% also reported experiencing verbal abuse from motorists multiple times per week.

"The survey results highlight that more work needs to be done to improve safety outcomes for the men and women working as traffic controllers across the country," said Matthew Bereni, TMAA's CEO. "We must continue to advocate for greater visibility and protection for traffic controllers through regular communication campaign, while also working closely with industry and government stakeholders on education and awareness programs targeting motorist behaviour."

As the peak body for the traffic management industry in Australia, the TMAA is committed to improving safety and reducing risk for the thousands of traffic controllers managing roadwork sites daily. The Association urges motorists to slow down, pay attention and show courtesy around worksites.

To download the 2023 National Traffic Controller Safety survey results, visit <https://tmaa.asn.au/News>.

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