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They're Coming for Your Screen

The Truth Behind the YouTube Ban

By **GEORGE CHRISTENSEN**

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Australians are being sold a lie dressed up in child-friendly packaging. The Albanese government and its eSafety Commissioner, Julie Inman Grant, want to convince the public that banning under-16s from social media platforms, including YouTube, is about protecting kids from harm. But peel back the layers, and the real agenda becomes unmistakably clear: this is about forcing age verification, eliminating online anonymity, and silencing voices they can't control.

The plan kicks in on 10 December 2025. Social media platforms—YouTube, TikTok, Instagram, and others—will be forced to block access to users under 16. The so-called exemption for YouTube, originally made by the government citing its educational value, is now under threat because Inman Grant doesn't like what kids might see there. Not because of porn, not because of gore, but because of "rabbit holes."

Yes, rabbit holes. That's the term she used. What are these rabbit holes? She didn't say. But everyone knows what she means. Jordan Peterson, Joe Rogan, and Russell Brand are popular voices pushing back against the establishment narrative. Content that questions the climate hysteria. Videos that explore nationalism, traditional values, masculinity, Christianity. In other words, the sort of ideas Canberra elites want your kids insulated from.



Illustration by Frank Maiorana

Inman Grant claims children are "powerless to fight" YouTube's algorithms, which she says drive them into spirals of misinformation and misogyny. But is she really talking about danger or just dissent? Let's not forget, this is the same bureaucrat who launched legal action against Elon Musk's X platform last year, demanding global takedowns of controversial content. She's not defending kids; she's defending her power.

The so-called eSafety agenda has nothing to do with safety and everything to do with surveillance. Her own letter to Communications Minister Anika Wells makes it clear: she wants no exemptions. Not for YouTube.

Not for anyone. Because exemptions weaken the enforcement mechanism—age verification. And without that, they can't usher in the real prize: a traceable digital ID for every user.

But here's the hypocrisy that screams to be acknowledged: if age verification is so vital, why is the eSafety Commissioner not demanding the same for pornographic websites? These sites are scattered across the internet, accessible to any child with a phone and a moment alone. No log-in, no ID, no warning. Just one click and it's there. If children truly need to be shielded, wouldn't that be the front line? Or is this crackdown only meant for platforms where ideas, not images, are the threat?

Don't be fooled. Age verification sounds innocent until you ask: how will they enforce it? Facial recognition? Finger scans? Government-issued ID uploads? Once tech companies are facing \$49.5 million fines for letting one kid slip through, the answer's obvious: they'll require ID from everyone. And just like that, anonymity dies.

This mirrors COPPA 2.0 in the U.S., which proposes that platforms act on "implied knowledge" of a user's age. It's vague, impossible to meet without total surveillance, and deliberately designed to pressure every platform into blanket ID checks. Australia is importing the

same approach, and Inman Grant is its most zealous enforcer.

The irony? She admits there'll be no penalties for children who break the rules. None for the parents either. Why? Because the real targets are the platforms. And through them, all of us. The state doesn't want to punish your child. They want to control how everyone accesses the internet. This isn't parenting support. It's parental replacement.

Opposition voices like Senator Matt Canavan have called this out. "Why does our government think it is their job to decide what people watch and listen to? Who exactly decides what is a 'rabbit hole'?" He's right. These are cultural decisions for families, not bureaucratic mandates enforced by surveillance.

And what of the survey driving this push? A vague, opaque study of 2,600 children, asking 10-year-olds about gender identity and sexual orientation, and claiming 40% of them saw something "harmful" on YouTube. Harmful how? The questions aren't public. The methodology is unclear. Yet it's being used as the basis for nationwide censorship.

Make no mistake, this is a calculated attempt to seize control of the digital public square. To eliminate private, anonymous communication. To install government oversight into every screen, every app, every interaction. It's not just about kids; it's about all of us. The phrase "for the children" has always been the Trojan horse of tyranny. And this time, it's carrying a payload of digital ID, surveillance, and speech control. Australians need to wake up. Because if this goes unchallenged, there won't just be a ban on YouTube for kids. There will be a permanent ban on freedom online.

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ATAGI Revises COVID-19 Vaccination Recommendations for Children and Adolescents

AMPS press release from
KARA THOMAS

Date: 11 June 2025

■ *Kara Thomas is the secretary
of the Australian Medical
Professionals' Society (AMPS).*

A significant change has
been made to the Australian
Immunisation Handbook by the
Australian Technical Advisory
Group on Immunisation (ATAGI):
COVID-19 vaccinations are no
longer recommended for healthy
children and adolescents under 18
years of age.

This shift reflects ATAGI's
updated assessment that the risks
of COVID-19 vaccination in this
low-risk population now outweigh
the potential benefits. COVID-19
poses a minimal threat to healthy
children, and this change aligns
with international trends toward
re-evaluating the use of these
vaccines in younger populations.

ATAGI's revised guidelines

continue to recommend
vaccination only for children and
adolescents aged 5–17 years who
have severe immunocompromise
or complex medical conditions that
place them at higher risk of severe
illness from COVID-19.

Despite the major implications
of this decision, the government
has not issued a formal public
announcement. This stands in
stark contrast to the high-profile
campaigns that accompanied
the initial rollout of COVID-19
vaccines for children. It has
come to our attention that many
doctors across Australia remain
unaware of this critical update. We
urge all medical practitioners to
immediately review the updated
ATAGI guidelines and ensure their
vaccination practices reflect the
most current evidence and policy.

**AMPS Calls for a National
Moratorium on COVID-19 and
mRNA Vaccines**

The Australian Medical

Professionals' Society (AMPS)
continues to call for a full
moratorium on all COVID-19 and
mRNA vaccines due to continuing
significant concerns over their
safety profile. The number of
associated deaths and adverse
events reported in Australia and
globally is unprecedented for any
vaccination program in modern
history.

Until a thorough, independent
safety review is conducted, AMPS
believes it is essential to pause
further administration of these
vaccines in the interest of public
safety, informed consent, and
medical ethics.

For further information, visit
the official ATAGI guideline
update at: Australian Immunisation
Handbook – COVID-19
Vaccination

■ *For more information visit
Australian Medical
Professionals' Society at
<https://amps.redunion.com.au/>*

YOU WERE COERCED YOU WERE GASLIT Now You're Paying For It

By **MICHAEL ARBON**

The government said: "Safe
and effective. Get the jab or lose
your job." Last September they
quietly shut down the COVID-19
Vaccine Injury Compensation
Scheme.

You couldn't question it. You
couldn't refuse it. They censored
doctors. They smeared the
injured. Now they quietly close
the books—and you foot the bill.
They silenced you. They injured
you. They owe you. Never stop
fighting for justice.

■ *Follow Michael Arbon on X
<https://x.com/arbsmichael>*

Here's what they don't want you to know:

- ⚠ 4,962 Aussies submitted claims for
vaccine injury compensation
- ⚠ 443 were approved (less than 9%)
- ⚠ 18 deaths have been paid out
- ⚠ \$40.3 million has been paid
in total to claimants
- ⚠ Biggest single payout? \$6.5 million
- ⚠ The average wait time for a
decision was 342 days
- ⚠ Pfizer topped the chart with 3,504 claims

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about COVID-19 injection
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Hundreds Died Within a Week of Injection and TGA Turns a Blind Eye

By ALISON BEVEGE

■ *Alison Bevege is an independent Australian journalist who previously wrote for News Ltd, Reuters and Daily Mail.*

More than 300 Australians died within a week of receiving Covid gene-vaccines, raising serious concerns as most of these vaccines remain on the market. The Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) maintains that only 14 deaths are 'linked to' the vaccines out of 1,004 reported cases, a stance that has come under fire given the absence of autopsies to investigate potential connections.

According to TGA figures released under Freedom of Information Act request 25-0047, between the period 1 December 2020 and 5 September 2024, 35 individuals died on the same day they received the vaccine. This grim tally continued with 52 deaths the following day, 59 the day after, and 38 on day three. The trend

persisted with 44 deaths on day four, 35 on day five, 22 on day six, and 19 on day seven, totalling 304 deaths within the first week. Alarming, nearly half of the 1,004 reported deaths—453—occurred within the first two weeks.

Despite these figures, the TGA has not conducted autopsies to examine vaccine-related spike proteins or other potential causes. Critics argue this omission undermines the agency's claims, calling for a more transparent and thorough investigation into the reported deaths.

Journalist Rebekah Barnett confirmed with the TGA that it never ruled out a causal link between the Covid vaccine and the majority of deaths reported and none of the 35 'day zero' deaths were even referred to the Vaccine Safety Investigation Group, a panel that is supposed to review the most serious injuries. The TGA's decision to allow poorly tested Covid gene-vaccines onto the market has killed and



Protestors warning the public about excess deaths outside a Covid clinic in Western Australia (2022). Photo by SCORPION MEDIA GROUP

maimed an unknown number of Australians. The regulator lists 1039 fatalities on their "time to death" spreadsheet but in their final Covid vaccine safety report from November 2023, they record only 1004 death reports.

Regulatory expert Dr Phillip Altman, who has more than 30 years of industry experience, told Senator Malcolm Roberts that the regulator's monitoring system is so under-reported that the death toll is likely to be as high as 100,000. "It's absolutely astounding. I'm a different person now ... I had no idea of the degree of regulatory capture that was ongoing," he said. "Seeing what I'm seeing now is something that I would never of dreamt in my life to ever witness and it is so difficult for me to look back

and see how blinded I was. I was in the system, and I couldn't see it."

The exact same agency responsible for approving the vaccines, the TGA, is also responsible for counting the deaths and injuries; a clear conflict of interest, especially when the government took on liability from the drug companies. Another conflict is that more than 90 per cent of TGA funding comes from the pharmaceutical manufacturers it regulates, as Maryanne Demasi reported in the BMJ [British Medical Journal].

Between 1 July 2019 and 1 July 2024, the TGA received \$28.3 million from Pfizer, \$13.6 million from AstraZeneca and \$3.3 million from Moderna for a total of \$45.2 million, according to Freedom of Information release 5348. The TGA claims it is able to maintain independence even as it operates a fee-for-service policing system.

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New Report: Follow the Money

How the WHO Sells Our Health to Big Business

By LIBBY KLEIN

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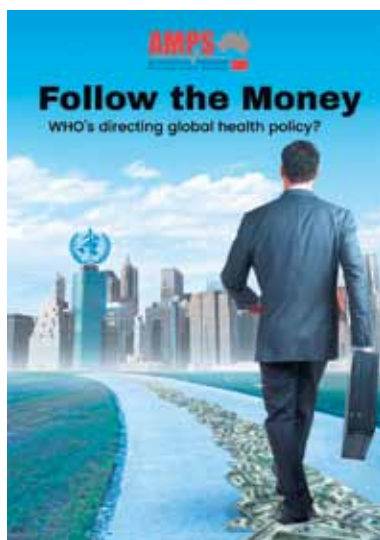
A report by the Australian Medical Professionals' Society (AMPS) reveals that the World Health Organisation (WHO) is taking billions of dollars from pro-pharmaceutical donors in return for influence over global health.

"We undertook the study to see how much potential there is for WHO's global health policy to be influenced by corporate interests," said AMPS President Dr Duncan Syme. "The results were actually quite staggering."

AMPS investigated the WHO's top 100 non-country donors for 2022-2023 using data from the WHO's own website. These were donors for specified funding—that is donors who specify how the WHO is to use their funds. The report found that the common feature among 98% of those donors was a link to the pharmaceutical industry.

WHO Receives \$2.8 billion in Funding for Specified Purposes

The report found that the WHO received over \$28 million from eight pharmaceutical companies. "In other words, pharmaceutical companies are giving the WHO millions of dollars to be spent the way they want it," said Dr Syme. "This gives them enormous influence over public health."



The WHO also received \$1.7 million from 'organisations', the majority of which had interests aligned with the pharmaceutical industry: they received funds from pharmaceutical companies; worked on projects with them; promoted their products; and invested in, or owned, pharmaceutical companies.

Fifteen United Nations organisations involved in pharmaceutical-related projects funded the WHO to the tune of nearly \$500 million. The WHO also received over \$130 million from four banks that the report says profited from lending money to pharmaceutical companies to manufacture pharmaceuticals and from lending money to governments

to buy pharmaceuticals.

The WHO received over \$9 million from research institutions with pharmaceutical interests and over \$13 million from administrations in regions with heavy pharmaceutical activity.

A Complex Network of Donors

The report showed a web of interconnections between many of these donors. It found donors founded other donors; donors funded each other; donors employed other donors' staff and there were links between some donors at a governance level.

At the centre of this network were two corporate giants: Bill Gates, who declared the years following 2010 would be 'a Decade of Vaccines', and the Rockefeller family, which has shares in multiple pharmaceutical companies.

The report showed that pharmaceutical companies donated to other donors who donated to the WHO. "This sounds a lot like money laundering to me," said Dr Rob Peterson.

According to the report, this sort of funding arrangement was the subject of a 2006 email from Benedetto Sarceno, Director of the WHO's Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse to the European Parkinson's Disease Association (EPDA), suggesting it accept money from pharmaceutical company GlaxoSmithKline and

donate it to the WHO, who would issue the receipt to the EPDA. He suggested similar arrangements had been made in the past.

"The WHO wasn't just accepting money from these pro-pharmaceutical donors and giving them a say about how to spend it," said Professor Ian Brighthope. "It was actually offering massive returns on investment. And I mean massive."

How Can the WHO Make Such Massive Profits for Pharmaceutical Interests?

The report points out that the WHO has developed two international treaties—2024 Amendments to the International Health Regulations (2005) and the Pandemic Agreement (2025) which Australia has signed. These treaties give the WHO huge influence over public health, including the ability to strongly pressure governments to mandate pharmaceutical and gene therapies. "All the WHO needs is another pandemic, and it will be a financial bonanza for Big Pharm," said Professor Brighthope.

The report raises the question: are the pharmaceutical industries' activities in the best interest of public health? It points out examples where that hasn't always been the case—where pharmaceutical companies have hidden evidence of a drug's harm from authorities; where they've manufactured evidence of safety;

where they've been fined for illegal activities; where they've rolled out products that have caused harm.

"The investigation shows that the WHO's current funding arrangements contravene the Organisation's own Guidelines and that serious conflicts of interest exist," the report says. "This situation greatly compromises the WHO, calling into question both its integrity and the trustworthiness of its decisions."

A Call for Action by the Government

The report calls on Australian authorities to recognise the influence of the pharmaceutical industry in global health and the two treaties about to come into effect. It recommends that Australia 'withdraws from the WHO until such time as that Organisation can demonstrate that it is free of conflicts of interests and acts in the best interests of global health, rather than the interests of the pharmaceutical industry.'

"As health practitioners, AMPS' members value the contribution pharmaceuticals can make to health," said Dr Syme. "However, giving corporate interests control over public health is not the way to go."

■ *See the AMPS report at <https://amps.redunion.com.au/policy-advocacy>*

Immigration: Not Just a Western Issue

Indonesia Is Using Demographics to Crush West Papua

By ALISON BEVEGE

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People in Western countries don't like to criticise migration for fear of being called 'racist', but rapid demographic change causes chaos and can even be used as a weapon. On Australia's northern doorstep indigenous West Papuans have almost been outnumbered by a migration genocide that ended in 2015 but has now been reinstated by Indonesia's new President Prabowo Subianto, a former army general accused of war crimes. Prabowo is also the son-in-law of Indonesia's former dictator General Suharto who ruled Indonesia from 1967 until 1998 when he was ousted from power during widespread riots following the Asian financial crisis.

In 1961, West Papua had a population of 700,000 Austronesian Christians and animists, according to declassified CIA research. Most were living stone-age lives when the Netherlands granted them independence. Indonesia immediately launched *Operation Trikora* to seize the former Dutch territory with its riches of gold, timber and minerals. By 1964, Jakarta had full control and began colonising it with *transmigrasi*, a migration policy used to ship in impoverished migrants, mainly Javanese Muslims loyal to Jakarta.



Traditional Biak drummers perform in the safety of PNG in 2013. Courtesy of Alison Bevege

Human Rights Watch Indonesia spokesman Andreas Harsono said Indonesia is now using drones to hunt down West Papuan separatists.

Papuans took up arms against the colonists, using bows and arrows, or old World War II rifles they found in the bush, but they were no match for Jakarta's modern military. West Papua now has a population

of about 5.6 million, of which about 50 per cent are migrants, according to the human rights group, International Work Group for Indigenous Affairs. Indonesia's majority Muslim population has almost tripled in the last 60 years, from 97 million in the 1961 census to 269.6 million people projected by the 2020 census held by Statistics Indonesia. Prabowo has reinstated *transmigrasi* and has begun pushing to allow active-duty military personnel to hold civilian posts.

Human rights observers say violence has increased under Prabowo. Human Rights Watch Indonesia spokesman Andreas Harsono said Indonesia is now using drones to hunt down West Papuan separatists. "This is

something new; I think it will change the security situation, the battle situation in West Papua," he told Radio NZ in June. "So far, the TPNPB (separatist group) has not used drones; they are still struggling. In fact, most of them are still using bows and arrows in the conflict with the Indonesian military."

On 14 May Indonesian soldiers killed 18 people in another bout of unrest. Indonesia claims they were all West Papua National Liberation Army (TPNPB) soldiers, but the separatists said only three of their fighters were killed while the rest were civilians including a 75-year-old, two women and a child.

The *transmigrasi* program has seen indigenous land given to Indonesian settlers and companies that have destroyed the virgin forests with palm-oil plantations, turning self-sufficient villagers into impoverished workers on their former lands. Companies have started farming projects in line with Prabowo's goal to feed Indonesia's population without

imports by 2028, but tribes in Mappi Regency [a province in South Papua] issued a video statement earlier this year asking the permits to be revoked, saying their clans had been there for generations and that companies were surveying land without consent, as Radio NZ reports.

The first stage of *transmigrasi*, the Trans Tuntas (T2) program to provide legal certainty on land rights in transmigration areas, was launched by Minister of Transmigration Muhammad Ititah Sulaiman Suryanagara in June, according to Indonesian news agency Antara. Australia, keen for Indonesia's help against the rise of China, is conducting joint regional military drills after signing a defense pact with Jakarta last year, turning a blind eye to the fate of the Papuans.

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Record Migration Levels as Australia's Living Standards Go Backwards

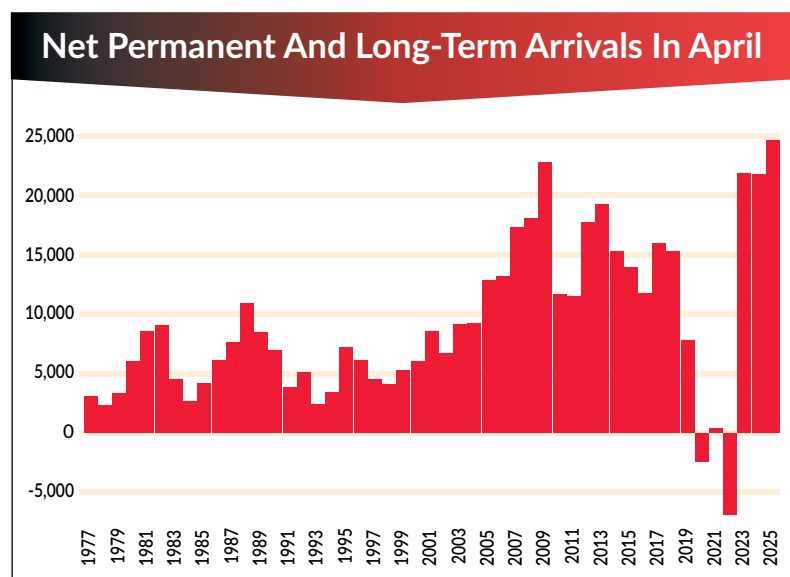
A media release from
MORGAN BEGG

■ *Morgan Begg is the Director of Research at the Institute of Public Affairs.*

"New ABS data confirms that record migration intake levels were broken in April. The federal government has either lost control of Australia's migration program or is cravenly using it for its own economic or political purposes, not for the benefit of the nation," said Morgan Begg, Director of Research at the Institute of Public Affairs.

Australian Bureau of Statistics' (ABS) Overseas Arrivals and Departures data for April 2025, released today [13 June 2025], shows net permanent and long-term arrivals in April of 2025 were 24,660 – the highest April net intake on record, beating the previous record of 22,770 in 2009 by 8 per cent. Also:

■ Net permanent and long-term



(Source: ABS, IPA)

arrivals in the year-to-April of 2025 were 212,660 – the second highest on record, narrowly surpassed by the previous year's number at 216,810.

■ Net permanent and long-term arrivals in the 12 months to

April 2025 were 440,330, the second highest on record, after the year to April 2024 oversaw 487,820 net arrivals.

"After a succession of failed migration estimates, the federal government no longer has any

credibility in projecting future migration levels," Mr Begg said.

"The forecasts used in federal budgets are continuously undermined by the government's weakness in controlling excessive migration intakes." **Concerningly, federal budget net overseas migration projections for FY25 (335,000 arrivals) have already been exceeded by 39,076 net permanent and long-term arrivals with two months of data yet to come in.**

"Australia is a tolerant and welcoming society for new migrants. However, our migration intake must be planned for, it must enjoy the support of the community, and it must not overstretch critical social infrastructure like housing, schools, roads, and hospitals," Mr Begg said.

"The federal government is setting Australia up for an economic and humanitarian disaster. Failing to rein in

unsustainable migration intakes actively undermines Australians who are struggling with rapidly rising house prices and rental costs," Mr Begg said.

ABS National Accounts data for the March quarter of 2025 showed that out of control migration is again driving per capita GDP backwards, declining 0.23 per cent in the period.

"Since coming to office, the Albanese government has so far overseen nine quarters of negative per capita economic growth out of the eleven full quarters in which it has been in power," Mr Begg said.

"As the federal government has relied on the lazy approach of mass migration to keep the aggregate economy afloat, the overall economic pie may have continued to grow at a headline level, but each Australian is being left with an ever-shrinking slice."

■ *For more information visit <https://ipa.org.au/>*

The Degradation of Australia's Great Farmland

By **BRONWYN HOLM**

■ *Bronwyn Holm is the founder of Earthfood, a dedicated advocate for soil health, representative for farmers, and educator for growers.*

Australia's once-thriving farmland is dying, and the cause isn't neglect—it's a relentless assault from chemicals, corruption, climate manipulation, and corporate greed. This fertile land, once the envy of the world, now faces extinction from multiple fronts, threatening the nation's food security and rural way of life.

Chemical Killers on Soil

The chemical onslaught begins with glyphosate, a widely recognised poison, but it's far from alone. Atrazine, 2,4-D, paraquat, and glufosinate join the toxic lineup, seeping into soils and water systems across the country. Compounding this ground-level attack are documented geo-engineering spray programs—commonly known as chemtrails—releasing aluminium, barium, and strontium from the sky. This aerial bombardment is sterilizing the land from seed to horizon, eroding its natural capacity to sustain life.

Even more insidious are the greenwashed “biological” products marketed to desperate farmers. Touted as regenerative solutions, these contain waterborne microbes rather than the true, naturally engineered nitrifying soil microbes essential for soil health. Instead of healing the land, they destroy the microbial web, salt the earth, and lock farmers into a cycle of



Above left: Bronwyn Holm. Above right: SOUTH AUSTRALIA | Murray Bridge farmer, Tony Kreher, and Bronwyn Holm of Earthfood conduct a 200 ml deep soil test on the Earthfood biological botanically grown hay farm. Prewinter bedding down crops, 12 ml rain for the year. Testing for nitrifying living soil microbes, mycellium network and soil structure in loamy sandy soil post-harvest. Photos courtesy of Bronwyn Holm

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dependency. High nitrogen levels in these products burn out soil microbes, leaving fields barren and farmers reliant on chemical inputs.

Carbon Credits: A Farmer's Debt Trap

The carbon credit scheme, often presented as an environmental win, is a financial burden for farmers. Far from a “credit,” it's a debt that strips land control for short-term

gain, driven by globalist pressure. Local, state, and federal red, blue, and “national” parties are complicit, enforcing this policy across all levels of government.

Behind the scenes, fraud within the Torrens land title system, increasing trespass by authorities, zealous biosecurity overreach, and a police force now prioritising government intrusion over food freedom exacerbate the crisis.

Ironically, biosecurity measures are failing their own mission. Despite stringent controls, invasive pests, exotic diseases, and superweeds are surging, while native ecosystems collapse under the weight of toxic “preventative” treatments.

Land Loss to Foreign Ownership

The myth of 14% foreign ownership is outdated. Recent acquisitions, including a massive parcel purchased by Bill Gates, highlight a growing trend, with top buyers from the UK, India, and China snapping up Australian farms. The government either turns a blind eye or actively facilitates this takeover.

Industry estimates paint a dire picture: one in three farmers won't return to their land this financial year, overwhelmed by biosecurity interference, taxes, permits, levies, and council obstruction. These growers, seeking sanity and peace, are forfeiting generational homes. Another one in three cannot recover from “once-in-a-lifetime” climate disasters now striking every 3-5 years, forced to choose between basic necessities like toothpaste or chicken feed after losing sheds, crops, and infrastructure—some have even traded their lives for corporate brands to occupy their homes. Finally, one in three survives only by submitting to Big Ag's seed patents, chemicals, and monopolized supply chains, producing food that looks edible but lacks nutritional value.

Impending Food Crisis

Within 18 months, supermarket fresh food sections may shrink by 40%, mirroring trends in the UK, where rising costs drive people

to grow food in second bedrooms under halo lights. Australian farmers face unfair competition from international producers unbound by wage laws, workplace health and safety rules, insurance, or environmental taxes. Meanwhile, local growers are burdened with regulation, surveillance, and no support. The importation of unregulated “organic” goods from China—driven by marketing rather than standards—further undermines domestic agriculture, amounting to economic sabotage masquerading as free trade.

Health and the Rise of Lab Food

This crisis extends beyond land to public health. The fresh food shortage is being masked by ultra-processed, lab-assembled substitutes loaded with seed oils, citric acid, and synthetic compounds. As these engineered “foods” become the norm, Big Pharma profits from a declining population. The government's “doing it tough” mantra conditions Australians to accept hunger, sickness, and deteriorating nervous systems, fostering a compliant, unwell society.

A Path to Reclamation

Hope lies in living nitrifying soil microbes—real, soil-building, plant-healing microbes—to reclaim farmland, restore health, and resist chemical giants. Share this truth with neighbours, MPs, and farmers. When the soil dies, so does the nation. Restore soil, food, and freedom—one microbe, one backyard, one region at a time.

■ Visit www.youearthfood.com

You Will Own Nothing: They're Coming for Your House

By **ALISON BEVEGE**

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Baffled homeowners are facing demonisation and tax hikes as the Federal Government swamps the housing market with excess migration. The Albanese Government imported one million net overseas migrants over the last two financial years despite a capital-city housing market that was already unaffordable. The extra people created demand, bloating prices and rents.

MacroBusiness Chief Economist Leith van Onselen said this was deliberate in an interview with Digital Finance Analytics (DFA) Chief Economist Martin North on YouTube. “They want to make out it's a supply issue, but as we've seen their own advisory council, the National Housing Supply and Affordability Council, (said) if we just cut immigration, we can solve the housing shortage. It's not rocket science.”

Instead, the government has launched incentives worth billions of dollars for public-private consortia including developers, banks, industry super funds, and NGO non-profits to build. The Federal Government has a \$32 billion Homes For Australia plan along with a National Housing Accord with the states and territories to build 1.2 million new homes over the next five years. There are tax breaks for build-to-rent towers that will remain owned by institutional investors such as Blackstone and Aware Super, or developers such as Mereton.

In Perth, new unit towers contain ‘micro-apartments’ measuring 26 sq m, smaller than a double garage which include parking spots for bikes, not cars. Mum-and-dad investors are being forced out by increased taxes and punitive rules, so developers can grab their land. New South Wales (NSW) and Victoria have soaring land-tax bills, which small investors can't afford, and any house bought through a self-managed super fund is likely to push it over the \$3 million threshold for



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a new provisional tax on unrealised gains, forcing a sale. In NSW, the State Government changed planning rules to allow unit towers of six to eight storeys within 800 m of designated ‘town centres’—typically areas with a transport connection or supermarket—effectively rezoning

hundreds of thousands of homes overnight. Suddenly home-owners face the prospect of unit towers next door, forcing them out by ruining their amenity.

Homeowners are being blamed for the shortage as if it were their fault, particularly empty nesters, demonised

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as hogging space that would be better used by young families. The Property Council of Australia, which represents developers and advocates for increased migration, urged the government to adopt policies that ‘encourage housing efficiency’ by getting them out.

The Business Council of Australia, whose members include all the biggest corporations, banks, universities and advocates for migration, asked the Government for a multibillion-dollar fund to ‘reward’ states and councils for planning and approvals change to help developers. This is sold as creating ‘affordable housing’, but the Federal Government has already said it will import a further 13.5 million people over the next 40 years. Even with increased construction, housing is expected to remain out of reach for many. There will be no solution, only double the people crammed into towers.

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AI in Education: Enabler or Enslaver?

By **PAUL G CONLON**

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In his 1848 Report as Massachusetts State Board of Education Secretary, Horace Mann exposed modern schooling's implicit arrangement: "We who are engaged in the sacred cause of education are entitled to look upon all parents as having given hostages to our cause."

Often named the father of America's public school system, Mann revealed how parents trade the demands of actively teaching their children for the convenience of institutional outsourcing. Generations have since relinquished stewardship of young minds to governments, assuming the values instilled align with their own.

Public education claims neutrality, but its curricula and messaging are steeped in ideology. Today's declining trust in institutions and heightened awareness of parental abdication see a new potential hostage taker emerge: Artificial Intelligence (AI).

Will AI ruin or redeem education? A 2025 report in the *European Journal of Education Studies* highlights this question's urgency.



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Some experts warn students risk de-skilling by over-relying on AI, skipping work that builds curiosity and resilience.

As high school AI use surged from 58% to 70% in 2023–24, the report found students "struggle with ethical boundaries and proper usage" of tools like ChatGPT.

Will we offer our children as hostages to algorithms as we have governments? This question

dominated an international panel discussion I recently joined, available at my website. Some experts warn students risk de-skilling by over-relying on AI, skipping work that builds curiosity and resilience. Others note how AI is exposing longstanding flaws

The issue is not whether AI belongs in education, but who guides its use.

in schooling itself—pointless assignments, rigid pacing, and failure to adapt to interests.

One panellist, a machine learning veteran and UK AI advisory board member, described his personal experience introducing AI to Indian schools. He saw this tool expand access to quality education in rural areas with severe resource shortages. Yet affluent urban families at elite private schools also embraced it for lesson planning and homework, highlighting gaps in conventional systems.

These experiences contrast with those in Australia and England where parents remain reliant on conventional schooling and hesitant to embrace AI. This discrepancy risks a new digital divide between adopters of AI-driven learning and those left behind.

The issue is not whether AI belongs in education, but *who* guides its use. Prohibition risks leaving children as unprepared as those who dismissed the internet in the 1990s. Yet unguided adoption by digitally illiterate parents and students invites dangers including profiling, identity theft, doxing, ideology bias and age-inappropriate guidance.

In the hands of attentive, values-driven parents, AI can remove barriers long blocking families from reclaiming education: low confidence, limited time, and inexperience. AI offers serious homeschooling options, co-creating interactive lessons, simulating Socratic dialogue, or creating culinary masterpieces at the family table.

Governments and tech companies have agendas, and neither should be entrusted with shaping young worldviews without family oversight. Technology can't raise a child, but it can empower parents to sculpt their growth. The future of education is the purview of parents who refuse to outsource their highest duty. AI can help us reclaim the sacred cause of education Horace Mann described.

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Health and Performance Monitoring Technologies

By **COURAGE IS THE CURE**

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The advancement of real-time health and performance monitoring technologies has prompted significant public debate, with figures like Dr Anthony Fauci, Dr Nita Farahany, Elon Musk, Mark Zuckerberg, and Robert F. Kennedy Jr. (RFK Jr.) advocating for their integration. Concerns have intensified about data security, individual rights, autonomy and transhumanism.

In 2022, Fauci, former director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), testified before Congress, suggesting, "Wearables could be a game-changer in public health, providing continuous data on individuals' health status." This advocacy for health surveillance

during the COVID-19 pandemic raised concerns about individual freedom and data security.

In January 2023, Nita Farahany presented "Ready for Brain Transparency?" at the World Economic Forum, introducing ear pods that monitor brainwave activity for work attention. She noted, "The newest way to monitor attention is through a device like this one," emphasising their ability to differentiate tasks and discern focus areas. Farahany proposed employee choice, questioning, "Do we embrace it? Do we resist?" and spoke against misuse, stating, "Not using it as a measure of brain metrics to decide if we fire them."

In 2023, Neuralink CEO Elon Musk discussed Neuralink's brain-computer interface (BCI) technology, aiming for "a symbiosis with artificial intelligence" to monitor and enhance cognitive performance,

aligning with transhumanism's goals.

Meta CEO Mark Zuckerberg, in a 2023 Meta Connect keynote, advocated for smart glasses monitoring health metrics, stating, "Imagine a world where your glasses not only enhance your reality but also keep you healthy by tracking your vitals in real-time."

In February 2025, RFK Jr. was appointed to lead the Department of Health and Human Services with the "Make America Healthy Again" agenda. On 24 June 2025, he stated at a subcommittee hearing, "My vision is that every American is wearing a wearable within four years," pushing for widespread health-tracking technology.

The trajectory from Fauci's 2022 advocacy to RFK Jr.'s 2025 vision highlights the urgent need for ethical and legal safeguards to protect individual rights amid rapid technological advancement. Public

concerns about data security, individual rights, autonomy and the goals of transhumanism are now at the forefront of discourse, widely debated as society grapples with the transformative era we stand on the cusp of.

Pictured right: Alan Harner, Health Readiness and Performance System product manager with U.S. Army Medical Materiel Development Activity, demonstrates how to apply a LifeLens patch on his arm 16 July 2023 at Lavarack Barracks, Townsville, Australia. The patch was one of the many Wearables technology sensors being used to collect biometric data from service members participating in exercise Talisman Sabre 23. This data will inform algorithms that can assist in identifying potential issues regarding soldier readiness to enable mission success.

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Analysis of Labor's 'Win for the Ages'

By **STEVEN TRIPP**

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Labor's win at the 2025 Federal election was a 'win for the ages' as declared by the *Guardian* and a 'landslide victory' by many other media outlets. Remarkably, Labor increased its representation in Parliament, which is opposite to all first-term governments of the past 50 years.

Labor won 94 of 150 seats in the House of Representatives, or 62.7%: the highest percentage since 1996. The result was also Labor's largest primary vote margin over the Coalition since Bob Hawke's victory in 1983. Despite this, Labor's win relied on favourable preferences, as they only achieved 34.6% of the



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In a worrying trend for Labor and the Coalition, minor parties and Independents collectively secured 33.6% primary votes, the highest proportion ever. Of this 33.6% included the Teals, which saw continued success. Despite narrowly losing Goldstein, the Teals picked up Bradfield, which went down to the wire by only 26 votes. Elsewhere, Sophie Scamps, Allegra Spender and Zali Steggall enjoyed commanding wins.

Meanwhile, the Greens suffered big losses, losing three of their previous four seats, including their leader, Adam Bandt in Melbourne

and the Queensland seats of Brisbane and Griffith.

The Senate result saw unexpected success for One Nation, with the party increasing its Senate representation to four, picking up two new Senators in Warwick Stacey (NSW) and Tyron Whitten (WA). Initially in New South Wales, One Nation was over 130,000 votes behind Labor.

However, strong preference flows from Libertarians (42.2%), Trumpet of Patriots (47.5%) and Family First (44.7%) ensured Warwick Stacey's success and a significant improvement in the minor right's use of preferences.

Other results saw Family First emerge as a dark horse, beating both the Libertarians and Trumpet of Patriots on preferences in New South Wales and earning respectable results elsewhere.

The former Liberal Democrats

suffered heavily with their name change to Libertarians, polling only 0.6% in Victoria and Western Australia and even less in Queensland and Tasmania. Craig Kelly secured their best result with 1.9% in New South Wales, but the joint ticket with Gerard Rennick's People First must be considered.

Of concern was the informal votes in some electorates, particularly in Western Sydney. Werriwa topped the list with an informal vote of 17.3%, with similar figures in Watson (17.0%), Fowler (14.0%) and Chifley (13.5%). When adding 10-14% of voters who did not turn up, roughly a quarter of these electorates did not cast valid votes.

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A Historical Perspective on Iran

From Operation AJAX to Midnight Hammer

By **SCOTT JOHNSON**

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"Representatives of British Intelligence met with Near East and Africa (NEA) Division representatives in Washington during November and December 1952 for the purpose of discussing joint war and stay behind plans on Iran." The quote above is from the declassified CIA's official history of the 1953 Iranian coup describing the agency's plan to overthrow Iran's democratically elected Prime Minister Mohammad Mosaddegh. It was written by Dr. Donald N. Wilber, an archeologist and one of the CIA's lead planners. Wilber cuts a 'Lawrence of Arabia' type figure (pictured) and with British SIS/MI6 Officer Norman Darbyshire led the covert operation under direction of CIA Director Allen Dulles and key planner Kermit Roosevelt Jr. Their goal was to destabilise Mossadegh's government and install a pro-western puppet (The Shah) which was triggered by Iran's threats to nationalise the British controlled 'Anglo-Iranian Oil Company' (now BP). Authorised by Eisenhower and Churchill, the coup is a flashpoint for the tragic saga of Iran birthed by the 'The Cold War', the Anglo-American establishment and control of Middle Eastern resources, namely 'oil'.

Fast forward to 2025 brings us to the June 13th attacks by Israeli forces against Iran in what would become a 12-day war of retaliatory missile exchanges between the two countries. Hundreds were killed



Above left: Dr. Donald N. Wilber, CIA. Above right: Coup supporters celebrating on a tank in the streets of Tehran, 1953.

and the US intervened on June 22-23 though *Operation Midnight Hammer*—a military strike targeting Iran's nuclear facilities. It was the largest B-2 bomber operation in US history, involving seven B-2 bombers, over 125 aircraft, Tomahawk cruise missiles and a submarine. Assessments of the operation were mixed ranging from complete success to claims Iran's nuclear program wasn't eliminated.

The Trump administration took heat for potentially sparking World War III and allegations of doing the bidding of Israel. Political commentators like Tucker Carlson, Candace Owens and Steve Bannon criticised US involvement



as did lawmakers like Rep. Majorie Taylor Greene, a clear sign of discontent for 'foreign wars' among conservative ranks. Domestic pressure to avoid war reflects opposition to the Biden administration having already given billions of US dollars to Ukraine in the war against Russia. The human cost of these conflicts—the dead and wounded remains a blight on humanity with international opposition to the civilian death toll in Gaza adding to the call for 'no more wars'. President Trump also dropped his own f-bomb on the media declaring, "*We basically have two countries that have been fighting so long and so hard that they*

don't know what the f— they're doing". Indeed, the decades of middle eastern conflicts, both overt and covert casts a shadow on the appetite for war.

The Cold War was real however, and in the early 1950s Eastern Europe solidified under Soviet influence and the Korean War ended in a stalemate in July 1953. The economic threat of Iranian oil nationalisation and Mossadegh's perceived Soviet leanings birthed *Operation Ajax*, officially known as *TP-AJAX*. In August 1953 the coup began, using propaganda, bribery, paying armed thugs and staging violent protests. Hundreds died and a new western friendly oil consortium was established.

The Shah's secret police would install a reign of terror however, killing thousands of Iranians for decades until a popular revolution overthrew the Shah in 1979. Iranian students took over the US Embassy and what followed was decades of turmoil, a bloody war with Iraq from 1980 to 1988, Western sanctions, terrorism allegations and nuclear tensions.

In spite of this turbulent history the civilian population of Iran however, maintained a generally Western friendly society and the Iranian diaspora, cultured and often highly educated, adjusted well in Western society. Hence the paradox of Iran is how the current dictatorship dominated with religious fanaticism and connections to terrorist networks (also China and North Korea) stands in sharp contrast to its liberal civilian population.

Regime change, however, lingers over Iran like a Sword of Damocles. US General Wesley Clark (a former Supreme Commander of NATO) once gave a prophetic interview on 'Democracy Now' of a conversation at the Pentagon about a US decision to go to war. Clark quoted a fellow General describing a classified memo, "*we're going to take out seven countries in five years, starting with Iraq, and then Syria, Lebanon, Libya, Somalia, Sudan and, finishing off, Iran.*" Clark stated this occurred ten days after 9/11 which was in 2001—thus you may note the five-year timeframe has long since passed...

Why Aren't We Talking About Excess Deaths in Countries with High mRNA Vaccine Rates?

Medical commentator John Campbell, Ph.D., examined the differences in excess death figures across countries with varying mRNA COVID-19 vaccination rates. “It’s the end of May 2025, and we’re still seeing excess deaths in most Western countries, but not in Eastern countries. What could the difference possibly be?” he asked.

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Five years after the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, excess deaths remain high in most Western countries, where mRNA COVID-19 vaccines were widely administered, but levels are lower in countries where mRNA vaccines were less commonly used, according to medical commentator John Campbell, Ph.D.

On his YouTube show this week, Campbell analysed excess death figures from Our World in Data for 20 countries. He examined the differences in excess death figures across countries with varying mRNA COVID-19 vaccination rates.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), excess deaths associated with COVID-19 are defined as “the difference between the observed numbers of deaths in specific time periods and expected numbers of deaths in the same time periods.”

“It’s the end of May 2025, and we’re still seeing excess deaths in most Western countries, but not in Eastern countries. What could the difference possibly be?” Campbell asked.

Excess deaths remain high in the U.S., where between 2020 and early 2025, they were at least 10% higher than the 2015 to 2019 average. Excess deaths in the U.S. spiked in the second half of 2021 through early 2022, reaching 46%.

“We see excess deaths in the United States a bit above the 10% mark for quite a long period of time,” Campbell said. “This is an ongoing issue compared to 2015 to 2019 levels.”

CDC data published in 2023 showed 155,000 excess deaths in 2020 and 2021 among people ages 15-64.

Campbell observed similarly high excess death rates in several other “highly vaccinated” Western

countries during the same period, hovering around 10% in Australia, Denmark, France, Germany, Israel, New Zealand, the Netherlands, Singapore and the U.K., and between 10% and 20% in Canada and Ireland.

“This looks like a huge amount of excess deaths in addition to those lost as a result of the pandemic and the mismanagement and malmanagement during the pandemic,” Campbell said.

Referring to South Korea, another “highly vaccinated” country where, as recently as last year, the excess death rate was over 20%, Campbell said these are “horrific figures, which are simply not being talked about.”

Excess death figures ‘unprecedented,’ raise ‘serious concerns’

According to Campbell, excess deaths should have decreased during the pandemic after an initial spike of deaths among those who are most vulnerable.

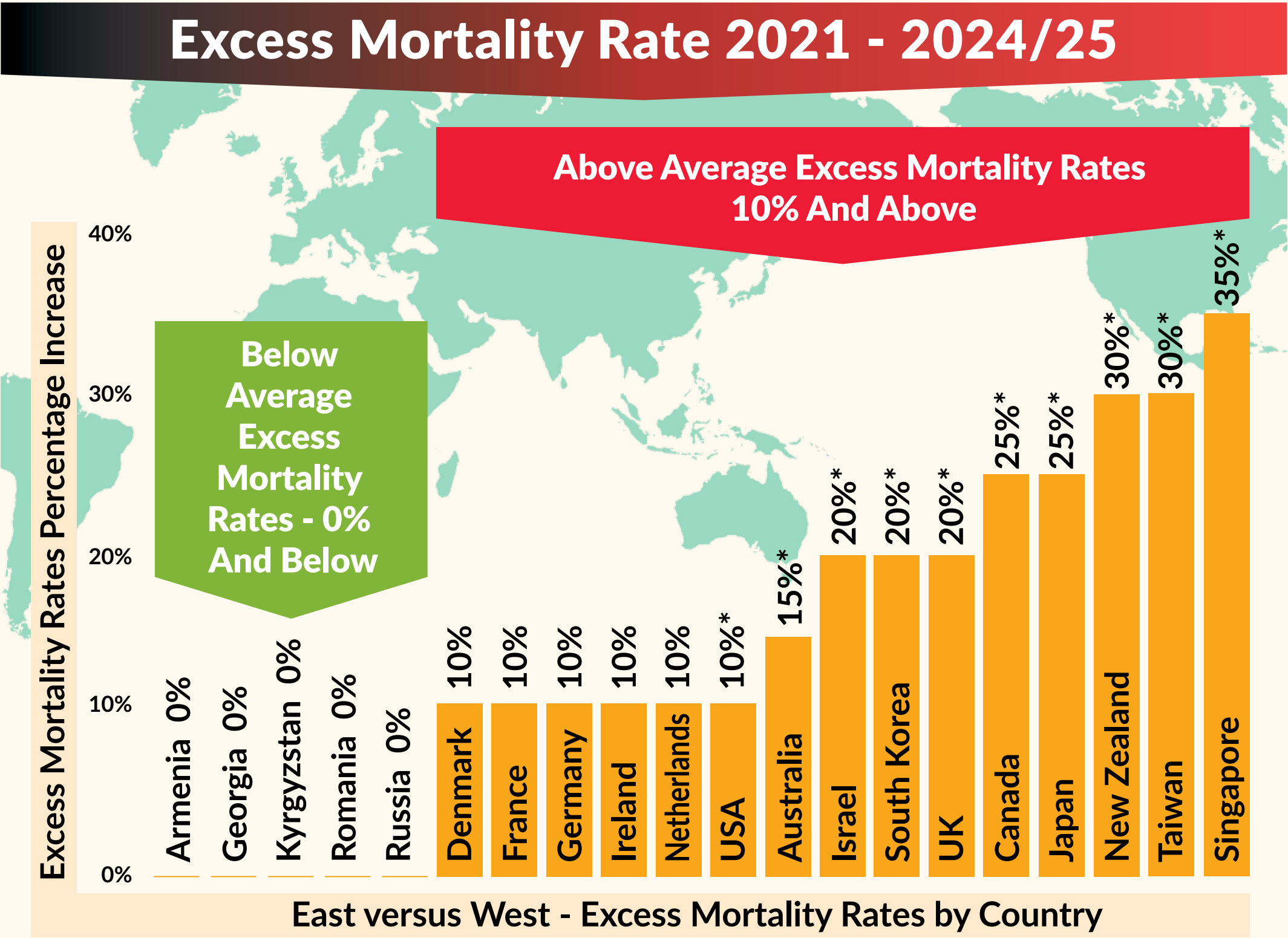
“The people that might have gone on to die in the next few years that died, kind of all died all of a sudden in 2020. So, we should see a reduction in excess deaths, as we see in Eastern European and other countries.”

Campbell referred to excess death figures from Our World in Data for several non-Western countries, including Armenia, Georgia, Romania and Russia, where the rates from late 2021 on have remained below average.

“This is exactly what we would expect as a result of the pandemic, where vulnerable people for various reasons are no longer with us,” Campbell said. He noted that in some of these countries, including Russia, “they didn’t have any mRNA vaccine rollout, coincidentally.”

Campbell suggested the highest rates of excess deaths are found in countries where the administration of mRNA COVID-19 vaccines was most prevalent. Responding to criticisms that correlation does not equal causation, Campbell said that, at the very least, correlation warrants further study.

“What is causing this causality may be adjudicated by larger-scale associations. So, do we have large-scale associations consistent between countries? Have we noticed that it’s consistent



* **Australia** 2021 - 2024. In November 2023 the excess death rate was around 15%. **Canada** 2021 - 2024. The excess death rate had several peaks over 25% in 2021 - 2024. **Israel** 2021 - 2025. The excess death rate had several peaks over 20% in 2023 - 2025. **Japan** 2021 - 2024. The excess death rate had several peaks over 25% in 2022 - 2024. **New Zealand** 2021 - 2025. The excess death rate had several peaks over 30% in 2022 - 2023. **Singapore** 2021 - 2024. The excess death rate had several peaks over 35% in 2022 - 2024. **South Korea** 2021 - 2023. The excess death rate remained largely over 20% in 2022 - 2023. **Taiwan** 2021 - 2024. The excess death rate had several peaks over 30% in 2022 - 2024. **UK** 2021 - 2025. The excess death rate had several peaks over 20% in 2022 - 2023. **USA** 2021 - 2025. The excess death rate remained over 10% for extended periods.

between countries ... where other explanations are unlikely?” Campbell asked.

Campbell also referenced a 2024 paper in BMJ Public Health analysing excess deaths in 47 Western countries between 2020 and 2022. According to the paper, “Excess mortality during the

COVID-19 pandemic has been substantial,” reaching almost 3.1 million across the countries sampled during this period.

“This is unprecedented and raises serious concerns,” the paper stated. “This insight into the overall all-cause excess mortality since the start of the COVID-19

pandemic is an important first step for future health crisis policy decision-making.”

According to the paper, contributors include “COVID-19 infection, indirect effects of containment measures and COVID-19 vaccination programmes.”

“Differentiating between the various causes is challenging,” the authors said, citing differences in how deaths are recorded and how causes of death are attributed across countries, while “Consensus is lacking in the medical community regarding when a deceased infected with

COVID-19 should be registered as a COVID-19 death.”

Increasing number of studies link excess deaths to vaccines, pandemic measures

In the past year, several peer-reviewed studies have concluded that COVID-19 vaccines and pandemic



countermeasures likely contributed to the rise in excess deaths.

A study published last month in the journal Scientific Reports found that, in a sample of seven hospitals in Athens, Greece, during 2022, nearly half of the deaths attributed to COVID-19 were unrelated to the virus.

The BMJ Public Health paper also noted that research has “confirmed profound under-reporting of adverse events, including deaths, after immunization” and that consensus is “lacking in the medical community regarding concerns that mRNA vaccines might cause more harm than initially forecasted.”

A study released last year of excess mortality in 125 countries during the COVID-19 pandemic found that higher-than-average excess deaths were due to the public health establishment’s response and the COVID-19 vaccines.

A peer-reviewed study published in March in Discover Medicine found that Japan

recorded an abnormal increase in excess deaths in the years since the COVID-19 vaccines were introduced.

A peer-reviewed study published in July 2024 in the European Society of Medicine’s official journal, Medical Research Archives, found that the number of excess deaths in Australia is positively correlated with the number of COVID-19 booster vaccinations received.

A June 2024 study published in the journal Microorganisms showed that COVID-19 vaccines were linked to an increase in all-cause mortality in Italy.

And a February 2024 study published in the Journal of Community Medicine and Public Health found a “substantial, statistically significant” increase in mortality in Cyprus from all causes in 2021 and 2022 following the rollout of the COVID-19 vaccines.

The BMJ Public Health paper called upon policymakers “to thoroughly investigate underlying causes of persistent excess

mortality.”

Campbell agreed. Noting that there has been no such investigation in the U.K., Campbell said he is “disappointed” that governments, the judicial system and coroners have not examined the possible causes contributing to an increase in excess deaths.

“Maybe lives aren’t important. Maybe we’ve got more important things to do,” Campbell said. “I would’ve thought human life is pretty important, but hey, maybe I was wrong.”

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Scott Morrison's Gong Drags Our Covid Shame Back into Spotlight

By **ADAM CREIGHTON**

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Two top awards were handed out this week [8 June 2025] for pandemic management, but only one was deserved. Former Prime Minister Scott Morrison was awarded an AC in part for his role in enforcing the most draconian pandemic responses in the world. Meanwhile, the King of Sweden bestowed a similar award on Anders Tegnell, the nation's top health official, who famously refused to lock his country down.

Five years on, only the wilfully delusional could believe it was Australia's Covid response, which caused massive and unprecedented socio-economic, political, educational and health damage, that deserves praise.

Sweden, the only country in Europe to eschew lockdowns, ended up with the lowest excess deaths of any European nation over the years 2020 to 2023, without crushing fundamental human rights for years on end, as Australia did. Australia had few "Covid deaths" but so did other nations that had very few restrictions by comparison: Japan and Iceland, for instance. Being an island was key, and that had nothing to do with government policy. Numerous statistical analyses (not biased theoretical models) clearly show the stringency of a nation's responses made next to no difference to Covid deaths and cases.

But they certainly caused enormous collateral damage across every dimension. It's an enormous fact to absorb, but it was all for nothing and we must ensure it is never repeated.

Canberra borrowed more than \$310 bn to deal with Covid, the sharpest increase in debt since World War II, mainly to keep alive



Former Prime Minister Scott Morrison (above left) and former US President Joe Biden (above right). This photo was taken at the UN General Assembly in New York City, 2021, and not on the movie set of the 1994 film starring Jim Carrey and Jeff Daniels.

jobs its governments had destroyed by fiat. Sweden borrowed very little: its debt in 2025, as a share of GDP, is lower than it was in 2019, when SARS-Cov2 escaped from a Chinese lab.

Sweden stuck to its pandemic plan. "Communities faced with epidemics ... respond best and with the least anxiety when the normal social functioning of the community is least disrupted," epidemiologist Donald Henderson, who helped eradicate smallpox, wrote in 2006. From 2020, nothing could have been further from the reality in Australia; the country was beset with mass hysteria fuelled by relentless propaganda and political obsession with imposing unproven, untried pandemic response measures totally contrary to the nation's supposedly liberal philosophical tradition.

Even the mastermind of lockdowns himself, Imperial College's now disgraced Neil Ferguson, conceded China, a totalitarian dictatorship, was the pioneer and the inspiration. "It's a communist one-party state, we said. We couldn't get away with it in Europe, we thought ... and then Italy did it. And we realised we could. If China had not done it, the year would have been very different," he candidly told the

by the Israeli health authorities in 2023 indicated they were not aware of a single death "from" or "with" Covid in anyone under 50.

Tegnell received his award for "meritorious efforts as state epidemiologist in a difficult time", which is an understatement. The man is a hero, having provided the ultimate case study that will forever refute the insidious argument that lockdowns were our salvation, one sadly beloved by our hubristic expert class that of course personally benefited from them.

As Australia maniacally tried to stop deaths in nursing homes and hospices, Swedish children remained at school, avoiding the shocking learning loss Australian children have endured. Tens of thousands of Swedes were not locked out of their own country for months, as Australians were.

similarly elevated in last year's awards for services to public health (despite having his police tear gas Victorians for the crime of wanting to work), should have his AC revoked. Not only did Victoria have the most Covid deaths, it has since emerged that his absurd 8pm-5am curfew wasn't even recommended by his own intervention-obsessed health bureaucrats, but rather his desire to exercise power for its own sake. We have set a terrible precedent; the Covid hangover will last for years.

Why would talented workers and global businesses seeking to expand choose to move to or invest in Australia given the chance they'll be locked down here for hundreds of days when the next virus emerges?

It's no surprise that the beginning of Australia's stark economic decline occurred during and after our supposedly brilliant Covid response. And the damage hasn't only been economic. The national mood is gloomy in part because many of us realised how far short we fell of the global image we once prized: that of tough, hardworking, irreverent larrikins.

Melbourne, once the international epicentre of Covid craziness, has tumbled down global rankings for liveability, likely never to recover. All nations have shameful periods, and that's our worst. We must stop giving ourselves awards for it.

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London Times in early 2020. This is the philosophy we're celebrating when we pat ourselves on the back over Covid.

When Henderson recommended calm and proportion, of course he was talking about real pandemics, not a relatively mild coronavirus that almost exclusively killed only the very old and very sick and was so deadly many carriers showed no symptoms.

Indeed, a study published in April that looked at Greek "Covid deaths" in 2022 found that 45 per cent were in practice not related to Covid at all. Information released

They weren't forced into hotel rooms for weeks or sent off to quarantine camps. Unlike Australians, they could spend time with their families and friends whenever and however they wanted, which is the most basic of human rights. Morrison may have deserved his award for his other cited contributions, but presiding over our pandemic response shouldn't be one of them. Yes, much of the destruction flowed from state government regulations, but I don't recall too much resistance from Canberra.

Daniel Andrews, who was

Deaths of Two Australian Children: Questioning During Senate Estimates

By **SCOTT JOHNSON**

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The following transcript is an excerpt of questioning conducted 16 February 2023 with the Community Affairs Legislation Committee in Canberra between Senator Alex Antic LP and Adjunct Professor Dr John Skerritt, (then)

head of the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA).

Professor Skerritt: Pericarditis is the inflammation of the lining of the heart. Heart attack is a different clinical entity. Some people with myocarditis do have an increased propensity for heart attack, but they are different from a myocardial infarction.

Senator Alex Antic: Sure. At the

end of the day, the question was: when did the TGA become aware of the deaths of a seven-year-old and a nine-year-old from cardiac arrest in a short time frame from having a Covid vaccine?

Professor Skerritt: I would have to take on notice the dates they reported those individual cases to the database of adverse event notifications. As I've said before,

we have almost 1,000 reports of deaths temporally around the same time as Covid vaccination, of which 14 have been determined to be related to Covid vaccination.

It seems incomprehensible that Australian regulatory agencies previously recommended COVID-19 vaccinations to children in light of these drugs being experimental and such

recommendations were later withdrawn in May 2025. The AstraZeneca vaccine was withdrawn from Australian use in 2023 and BBC presenter Lisa Shaw (age 44) died from this vaccine in 2021. The question remains as to where lies the accountability for recommending Australian children take these products?

2SM's Chris Smith: Brave Vaccine Admission

By **ROSEMARY MARSHALL**

■ *Rosemary Marshall leads Sydney's Forest of the Fallen, advocating for those harmed by Covid vaccinations.*

For two years, I've stood with the Forest of the Fallen on Sydney's Northern Beaches, a weekly vigil to honour those harmed by Covid "vaccinations" and to warn the unaware. As a 70-year-old grandmother, I've witnessed tears at nearly every gathering, the weight of loss and injury heavy in the air. The hardest part? Knowing these gene therapies are still being pushed on the uninformed.

But recently, the tide has shifted. Recently, a dear friend, a staunch vaccine advocate with six Covid shots, admitted her mistake. Coming from a family of respected medical professionals, her words stunned me: "I was wrong. This wasn't a good idea." It was a moment I never thought I'd see.

The cracks in the narrative are growing. In May, I called Radio 2SM to speak with Chris Smith, who was discussing mandatory flu and Covid shots for NSW paramedics. I shared my



Rosemary Marshall (pictured)

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experiences with the Forest, and then Chris dropped a bombshell. "I was totally misguided in believing these vaccines were safe and effective," he admitted on air, citing credible sources from Oxford University and others. He said the media and politicians "owed us an apology." It was a historic moment—the first public admission of its kind by an Australian journalist.

My friend George Kesic, a fellow Forester, called to thank Chris and added a chilling fact: at Dr. Melissa McCann's court case last December, the TGA claimed they "owed no duty of care to the Australian people." A government body, 96% funded by Big Pharma, showing where its loyalties lie.

On 24 June, we took our fight to the ABC's Parramatta office, planting our Forest of stories and placards praising Chris Smith's courage. In Melbourne, Amber Drake, who lost her husband to these jabs, did the same. We livestreamed, joined by 37 supporters—all over 65, hardly a "dangerous crowd." Yet, ABC staff slammed phones down on callers asking why they ignored the story on their doorstep. A sympathetic

policeman arrived, and I explained our cause, noting even his colleagues were among the vaccine injured. He simply asked us to keep the pathway clear.

Charles McKenzie from the Tainted Blood group joined us, his 30-year fight for justice echoing ours. Our livestreams spread, amplifying our message. The next day, I spoke to 2SM's Brent Bultitude, who echoed Chris's regret over the lies of the Covid years.

Today, a 38-year-old woman reached out, her life shattered by vaccine injuries. Neurological issues have crippled her, her teeth are falling out, and her jaw is disintegrating. Her despair haunts me—she seeks only compensation and an end to her suffering. How can we forget these stories? The media must admit their errors, show compassion, and rebuild trust. The TGA's withdrawal of vaccine recommendations for under-18s is a start. It's time for the truth to take root.

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Queensland Hub Leader Shines Light on Truth

By **COURAGE IS THE CURE**

■ *Courage Is The Cure is an independent Western Australian content creator.*

Debra Yuille, the passionate Queensland Hub Leader for *The Light Australia* newspaper, is driven by a strong commitment to individual liberty. "No man, woman, or group thereof has the right to initiate fraud, force, or coercion against another," she declares, rooted in her libertarian creed. Debra stepped into her role after a nudge from friend Lindsay

Swift, who spearheaded efforts to expand the newspaper's reach along Australia's East Coast. As former leader Wendy Hazelton relocated to a western farm, Debra embraced the opportunity to lead, recognising the power of a physical newspaper in reaching mainstream Australia.

Debra values the untracked nature of *The Light*, which circulates freely through cafes, crystal shops, butchers, local markets, and aged care centres. "Middle, mainstream Australia trusts the 'news'," she explains, noting its advantage over



Debra Yuille, QLD Hub Leader (pictured)

shadow-banned social media. The newspaper's tangible presence allows it to spark conversations. "It's a great medium for opening conversations," she says, praising the collaborative spirit of the volunteer community. "It's an amazing community! Everyone is working together to produce a great publication that's informative, current, and interesting."

The Light's alignment with

freedom of speech, health freedom, and grassroots values resonates with Debra. "I love that the advertisers share my values and support freedom," she says, emphasising the importance of keeping money in individuals' hands, resisting digital ID, and promoting mental, physical, and financial health. A standout moment came in 2022 when Debra shared copies with her beauty therapist, Mary, outside

the freedom community. Over time, Mary confided she'd stopped getting vaccine boosters, citing concerns about deaths and injuries. "Would that have happened if she hadn't been reading *The Light*?" Debra reflects. Later, Mary took copies for a flight, leaving them in the airport for others to discover.

Debra sees *The Light* as a catalyst for dialogue. "Sometimes just giving someone a copy opens the door for them to talk to you," she says, noting it empowers readers to speak without fear of being labelled "conspiracy theorists." To aspiring hub leaders, she offers, "It's rewarding, you get to meet so many different people from various groups." Through her leadership, Debra builds networks, ensuring *The Light* reaches far and wide. "It's a match in the darkness," she says, igniting truth one reader at a time.

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The Media's Dead! The Woke Killed It

The People Are Tuning Out the Propaganda—And Tuning In to the Truth

By **SENATOR RALPH BABET**

Australia's mainstream media is starting to collapse, and not a moment too soon. With the long overdue cancellation of ABC's *Q+A* and Channel 10's *The Project*, the public is sending a clear and resounding message: enough with the propaganda. These once popular platforms sold to us as serious current affairs programs have become mouthpieces for extremist left wing ideology, funded either by our taxes or by corporations desperate to appear "progressive."

Let's look at the facts. *Q+A* is dead after 18 years of leftist sermonising disguised as "debate," while *The Project* will soon finally disappear from our screens after limping along for 16 years. The commercial network behind it deemed it financially unsustainable. Why? Because Australians stopped watching. They're sick of being lectured.

Biased, Boring, Out of Touch

Both shows became echo chambers for the inner city woke soy latte sipping elites. Instead

of representing the full spectrum of views across our country, they fixated on identity politics, climate alarmism, and cultural self-loathing.

Q+A routinely packed its audience and panel with predictable, far left voices. *The Project* thought it could mix comedy with politics, but all it delivered was cringe worthy attempts to be "cool" while pushing divisive agendas. Hosts like Stan Grant and Waleed Aly became symbols of this disconnect—pushing partisan talking points under the guise of journalism. Viewers weren't fooled. They turned off.

Australians aren't alone. Around the world legacy media is dying. In the last few years traditional news broadcast viewership has dropped drastically. Why? Because people are done with curated narratives and filtered truths. They want raw unvarnished commentary and they're finding it on podcasts, social media, and independent platforms. Over a third of Australians now listen to podcasts weekly and that's where the



Mainstream Media RIP 1900 - 2025

conversation is happening. That's where the truth lives.

The ABC's Broken Charter

The ABC is paid for by you and me and it is meant to be impartial. It's in their charter. But how can it be when most of its journalists vote for Labor or the Greens? It has become a taxpayer funded bubble, perpetuating left wing extremist elitist views while turning its back on rural, suburban,

and working-class Australians.

Q+A didn't just fail—it betrayed its purpose. Rather than foster real debate, it tried to steer every discussion toward a predetermined "progressive" conclusion. Australians could see through it, and they walked away.

The End of The Project—Finally

As for *The Project*, Channel 10 is

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a commercial network. If a program doesn't make money, it goes. That's capitalism. But the fact it stayed on air this long speaks to how deeply out of touch the media industry is with real Australians. It pandered to a tiny, inner-city demographic while the rest of the country rolled its eyes. It should have been axed years ago.

A New Media Revolution

This is a turning point. Australians are rejecting legacy media because they're hungry for authenticity. They want reporting, not indoctrination. They want facts, not feelings. The future belongs to those who speak plainly, tell the truth, and respect the intelligence of the Australian people.

The ABC must return to its roots—or face irrelevance. Channel 10 and other networks should listen carefully: the people are watching... or rather, they're not. The tide is turning. Let's make sure it keeps going.

■ **Senator Ralph Babet**
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How Vaccines Become Biological Weapons

A book review by **JERRY ROBERTS**

■ *Jerry Roberts is a Western Australian journalist.*

When he adopted the political slogan to "Make America Healthy Again," Robert F. Kennedy Jr. knew only too well what he was taking on. His second blockbuster book, *The Wuhan Cover-up*, dives deeply into the murky world of pharmaceutical, political and military corruption.

The story starts with the atrocities of Detachment 731, the Japanese biological warfare

unit in World War Two. When the Russians discovered that the Americans were employing Japanese and German war criminals instead of prosecuting them, they too joined the recruiting drive and gave us a biological arms race as well as a nuclear arms race.

Biological weapons and vaccines are joined at the hip. Before hitting the enemy with a poison, it is necessary to produce a vaccine to protect one's own troops from blowback. In this chemical jungle it is not hard to see how the vaccine becomes the weapon.

The horrible facts are relieved by stylish writing. "The bizarre world of virology where crackpots vie for funding with germ theory fanatics, medical cartel mercenaries, bioweapons psychopaths and numbskull charlatans from academia."

This is a big, heavy book and a sickening read but we need to study Kennedy's analysis of the tangled fishing line of corrupt research institutions sucking out trillions of dollars of the people's money to destroy their health and weaken their nations.

Kennedy's work will help us understand the destruction we saw in the Australian Covid project where billions of dollars were thrown away on dangerous medical products, where we were bombarded with phony science and ugly propaganda, where we were betrayed by the gutless conformity of our politicians and the sad compliance of our once proud people.

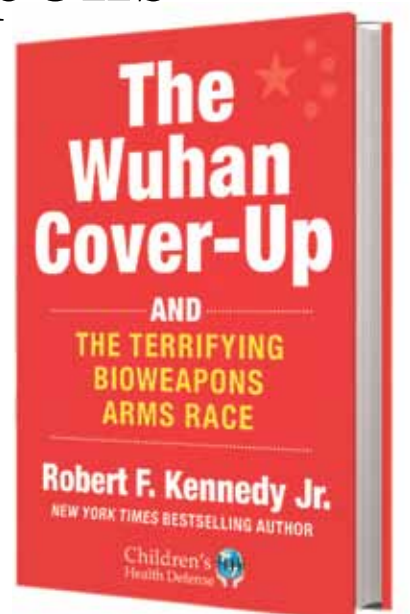
The lab leak story is the current favourite among the half dozen

or so most popular yarns about the origins and character of the dreaded Covid lurgy including the official narrative about drunken bats and randy pangolins.

Biologist Bret Weinstein says there was most likely a laboratory engineered cross-species pathogen, and he suggests the injections are "reverse vaccines" designed not to reduce the risk but to increase the vulnerability of people to infection by the designer bug.

Virus or no virus, Covid is a psychological operation designed to create states of emergency turning the population of the Western world into centrally controlled robots via injections putting us on a mRNA platform enabling mad scientists to play games inside our bodies and our brains.

Now that we know the darkness into which medical science has descended the question remains – what is to be done? Bobby Kennedy as America's health Czar has made a methodical start, appointing to key positions in the bureaucracy people



of proven integrity.

In Australia we are returning to community. To stay strong and healthy we need to remember our mothers' advice. Eat an apple a day and don't leave our vegies on the plate. Go easy on the booze and smokes. Keep our stress levels down to a dull roar and get a good night's sleep.

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An Overview of International News

RFK JR. SACKS TEAM COVID

In June 2025, US Health and Human Services Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr. formally dismissed all 17 serving members of the CDC's (US Centers for Disease Control) Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices, which advises on US vaccine policy. Kennedy later named eight replacement advisers, and the new team received positive responses from advocates seeking to end corporatisation within the pharmaceutical industrial complex.

PEACE TREATY: CONGO AND RWANDA

On 27 June 2025 the US and Qatar brokered a peace treaty between the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) and Rwanda in Washington DC. Signed by the foreign ministers of the two nations the treaty aims to end decades of war in eastern DRC which has killed millions since the conflict began during the Rwandan genocide of 1994.

TRUMP LOBS AN F-BOMB

President Donald Trump lobbed the f-word on the media 24 June 2025 while expressing frustration over Israel and Iran violating a ceasefire he had brokered. Speaking to reporters at the White House Trump stated, "We basically have two countries that have been fighting so long and so hard that they don't know what the f—they're doing."

THE EPSTEIN FILES—THE TRUTH IS OUT THERE

The Trump administration, despite promises from Attorney General Pam Bondi and President Trump to release documents regarding convicted sex-offender Jeffrey Epstein, announced in July 2025 that no further Epstein files would be disclosed. The Trump administration found no evidence of a client list or blackmail of prominent individuals and also claimed Epstein's death in a high-security prison in 2019 was a suicide. These 'surprise' revelations sparked heated allegations of a government cover-up among the public and media.

CHINA—EU—UKRAINE WAR

Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi reportedly told EU diplomat Kaja Kallas during a July 2025 meeting in Brussels that Beijing cannot allow Russia to lose the war with Ukraine. Xi expressed concerns that a Russian defeat would shift US strategic focus toward China, potentially escalating tensions in the Asia-Pacific.

GAZA DEATH TOLL

As of 16 July 2025, the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs reported that the number of Palestinians killed in the Gaza conflict was 58,573 people of which 17,921 were children, 9,497 were women and 4,307 were elderly. The ongoing conflict escalated after Hamas' attack on Israel on 7 October, 2023, with one month later in November UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres declaring Gaza was a "graveyard for children".

SYRIA: WHERE HAVE ALL THE CHRISTIANS GONE?

The Christian population in Syria has significantly declined in recent years due to ongoing conflict, persecution and economic hardship and many have fled the country as refugees. Before the Syrian civil war began in 2011, Christians made up some 7-10% of the population, roughly 1.5-2 million people. By 2025, estimates suggest only 300,000 or less remain.

CHEMTRAILS

US Representative Marjorie Taylor Greene (R-Ga.) announced in July 2025 that she plans to introduce a bill to prohibit "the injection, release, or dispersion of chemicals or substances into the atmosphere for the express purpose of altering weather, temperature, climate, or sunlight intensity", making it a felony offence. The bill would be similar to one signed into law by Florida Governor Ron DeSantis. In April 2025 US Health Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr. stated he thinks the chemtrail program is conducted by the US military agency—DARPA.

AUTISM DIAGNOSIS COMING

In April 2025, U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Robert

F. Kennedy Jr. announced a major research initiative to identify the causes of autism, claiming answers would be available by September 2025. The study is led by the National Institutes of Health under Director Jay Bhattacharya. Children's Health Defense (a nonprofit activist organisation) has reported that vaccinated children have a 170% higher chance of being diagnosed with autism compared to unvaccinated children.

REVOLT IN CANADA?

In July 2025, four men with ties to the Canadian Armed Forces were arrested in Quebec City for plotting to form an anti-government militia with plans to forcibly seize land. The Royal Canadian Mounted Police described their plans as "terrorist activity" and seized military weapons, ammunition and explosives. The French speaking region of Quebec has a long history of seeking independence from Canada.

AUSTRALIA AT WAR

In June 2025, the Albanese Government announced it would deploy up to 100 Australian Defence Force personnel and a Royal Australian Air Force E-7A Wedgetail aircraft to Poland, in support of Ukraine as part of *Operation Kudu*. This deployment was announced by Defence Minister Richard Marles at a NATO summit and complements Australia's AUD \$1.5 billion of funding for Ukraine since the Ukraine/Russian war began in 2022.

BURMA/MYANMAR—WORLD'S LONGEST WAR

One of the world's longest running conflicts, the civil war in Burma, is unfolding with resistance forces making substantial gains against the brutal military dictatorship. Ethnic armies and People's Defence Forces now control an estimated 80% of the country. In recent months ethnic Karen forces have captured numerous enemy bases along the Thai-Burma border. For Burma's military dictatorship the walls are closing in.

Letters to the Editor



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Dear Editor,

Dr Beverley Peers, an 80-year-old anaesthetist from Victoria, is taking her fight against COVID-19 vaccine mandates to Australia's High Court. Representing herself, she argues that state mandates breached the Constitution by making medical treatment a condition of employment—something only the federal government can regulate. She cites Section 51(xxiiiA), which forbids compulsory medical treatment, and claims federal law should override conflicting state laws. Suspended in 2021 for issuing vaccine exemptions, Dr Peers believes both federal and state governments ignored known risks from vaccine trial data. If successful, her case could set a legal precedent limiting future health mandates nationwide.

Dom, WA

Dear Editor,

Everyone is entitled to their own opinion. However, no one is entitled to their own set of facts. Fact supersedes opinion. And continuing to hold to an opinion that has been proven false by factual information, is the exact same thing as believing a lie.

Wayne C, QLD

Dear Editor,

In early 2024, Western Power replaced my meter with a "more advanced one"—no mention of "smart." It was installed within 48 hours, without consent. I later requested removal of the AMI chip and became a self-reader. After being told I no longer needed to self-read, charges were estimated. In July, I was again asked to provide readings. Several calls later, a staff member confirmed my meter would now be read by an employee. My advice: say no, log all calls, and insist on AMI removal. These meters are not conducive to good health.

David Rudman, WA

Dear Editor,

Great news from Tasmania! Independent candidate Craig Garland got re-elected in Braddon, nabbing more first preference votes than any Labor candidate. Craig's win boosts the crossbench, ensuring Braddon's voice is heard loud and clear. It's a victory for real, community-driven leadership. Tasmania's stoked to have him back, keeping politics honest and people first!

Phil, TAS

Dear Editor,

I've been hearing a lot of chatter lately about how Australia's immigration policies are making our housing crisis worse, and I've got to say, it's hitting a nerve. People are pretty upset that the influx of migrants is pushing up housing demand, jacking up prices, and leaving locals—especially young Aussies—struggling to buy a home. It feels like new houses are going to newcomers while the rest of us are stuck. The government needs to sort out this housing mess and make sure there's enough to go around without leaving locals in the dust. Let's get some balance here!

A, VIC

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