

Dear Productivity Commission,

single with mortgage & car loan.

Have worked in recruitment & job seeker assistance in previous employment. Without the fall back of the manufacturing industry, in particular the car parts providers in this state (Vic). there would not be an employment pathway for a excessively large number of people that would and do struggle with employment or gaining employment that will train them in skills that the education system (or their own poor choices) failed to provide.

I personally believe it is high time this country cease the policy of 'world leading' when most if not all the countries in the world that manufacturer or assemble cars provide big subsidies to the industry. Maybe we should be looking at the subsidies that all industries in this country receive then see how quickly the labour market will diminish.

I do not understand why it is not a mandatory policy of all levels of government in this country to require Australian made as the only option, in particular the cars driven to provide services, either directly or indirectly by service providers with Government contracts. If it was mandatory for them to only have Aussie made cars in their fleets, this would be an indirect subsidy by way of 'preferred provider' status. In addition, remove the tax right off associated with luxury cars, no business operator in this country needs a top of the range BMW or Mercedes to be doing their business. If a car is required, only an Aussie made car should be eligible for a tax operating right off. Needless to say if we don't make the commercial vehicle etc, then an exemption should apply, but only then.

Kind Regards,
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