

Australia Post decks WA with parcels as new facility opens in time for Christmas

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Australia Post has officially opened its newest parcel delivery centre in Jandakot, Perth, to support growing demand ahead of the busy festive season.

With parcel volumes across Western Australia expected to rise by 8% year-on-year this Peak period, the new 16,000sqm facility will process up to 48,000 parcels per day, scaling up to 67,000 following the Cyber sales period and through to Christmas.

The new site consolidates five southern metro sites into one, accommodating more than 210 delivery vans and streamlining operations to deliver parcels to customers faster. The facility's delivery catchment stretches from Fremantle to Perth Airport in the north, and Mandurah and Byford in the south, supporting two of Western Australia's busiest online shopping postcodes.

According to Australia Post's latest Quarterly eCommerce report, Mandurah and Success topped the state for online shopping in the July-September quarter, with more than 850,000 Western Australian households shopping online.

Head of Western Australia Operations, Angus Becsi said the new facility marks a significant first step in a broader investment plan for the state.

"The investment into the new Jandakot

facility ensures customers and businesses across WA benefit from greater reliability, simplicity and choice during the busiest time of year.

"Jandakot is the first stage in our long-term vision to strengthen the WA network, supporting the eCommerce boom and helping us deliver parcels faster and more efficiently across the state," Mr Becsi said.

Jandakot Parcel Delivery Centre integrates Australia Post's full suite of delivery services, including Express Post, Parcel Post, Metro next day delivery and StarTrack Premium.

Australia Post has also announced last sending dates ahead of Christmas. People sending to or from Western Australia, Northern Territory, Tasmania, or regional and remote locations, should allow a few extra days. For Metro locations across Australia:

Parcel Post: Parcels should be sent by Monday 22 December for same state deliveries and Friday 19 December for interstate deliveries.

Express Post: Parcels should be sent by Tuesday 23 December.

Letters/cards: Christmas letters and cards should be sent by Thursday 18 December for



same state deliveries and Tuesday 16 December for interstate deliveries.

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