

**AUTOMOTIVE DAILY NEWS ALERT**

[Police warn quad bike owners to secure their vehicles after spate of thefts](#) (VIC)

**Heavy vehicles - [Route pre-approval maps fast track for route planning](#)** (AU)

**[Mercedes-Benz to call it quits on petrol and diesel - powered cars](#)** (INT)

One of the world's biggest car makers has announced it will go through one of the largest transformations in its history and it will have a huge effect on Australia. The world's oldest car maker is weaning itself off the liquid that has powered the car industry for more than 100 years. German brand Mercedes-Benz has confirmed it will stop producing petrol and diesel cars by 2039 as part of an ambitious plan to significantly ramp up production of electric vehicles.

**[Costco is becoming America's favourite place to buy a car, and it's gearing up to double its used-car sales in the next 2 years](#)** (US)

**[Road User Charge Proposed as Way to Fund Highway Improvements](#)** (US)

**ECONOMIC INDICATORS**

**[AHG profit downgrade on weak auto sales](#)** (AU)

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**LEGAL**

**[NHVR investigates CoR and HVNL breaches](#)** (AU)

**[U.S. Senate moves forward on plan to develop electric vehicle supply chain](#)** (US)

**REPORTS | STATISTICS**

**[USMCA's Unintended Consequences](#)** (US)

The U.S. auto sector could be negatively impacted by the new USMCA agreement between Canada, the U.S. and Mexico, an independent study has found. On Thursday, the International Trade Commission released a [paper](#) which concluded that, while the plan would ultimately have a small, beneficial impact on the American economy, the paper concluded the USMCA would cause a precipitous drop in auto assembly jobs.

**[Electric vehicles: tax benefits and incentives in the EU](#)**

**SMALL BUSINESS**

**[Single Touch Payroll for small businesses](#)** (ATO video)

Single Touch Payroll comes into effect on 1 July this year

## [Student Innovators Bring New Ideas to Small Businesses](#) (VIC)

## [Volvo CEO determined to shake up vehicle ownership model](#) (INT)

Volvo CEO Hakan Samuelsson believes the industry needs to change the way it brings its products to customers. That is why the automaker debuted its Care by Volvo subscription service in 2017 and last year its stand-alone Volvo Car Mobility unit launched M, a new brand that will expand the company's global mobility operations. Volvo Car Mobility's mission is to deliver an alternative to car ownership for urban and metro consumers while Care by Volvo provides customers use of a model such as the XC40 compact crossover, including insurance and maintenance, all for one monthly payment.

## SKILLS | TRAINING

Report - [International onshore VET graduate outcomes 2018](#) (AU)

## TECHNOLOGY

## [First ultra-rapid 350kW electric car charger to be installed in Tasmania](#) (TAS)

The Climate Change Office of Australia's island state Tasmania has announced grants to help local businesses install electric vehicle charging stations. In addition to the ChargeSmart scheme, Tasmania's first ultra-rapid electric vehicle charging station will open in Campbell Town by the end of the year.

## [Caltex flags potential trial of electric car charging stations](#) (AU)

## [Volgren starts its first electric bus build: BYD chassis](#) (AU)

## [Tesla's new feature can diagnose issues and pre-order parts for repair](#) (INT)

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