

## Hon Steven Marshall MP Premier

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### **SA: The Defence State – jobs for today, tomorrow and for decades to come**

South Australia has today been cemented as the shipbuilding capital of the country with thousands of jobs for today, tomorrow and decades to come.

The new nuclear-powered submarines will be built in South Australia as announced by the Prime Minister early this morning.

And in another momentous declaration that South Australia is the home of defence – the Collins class full-cycle docking will remain at Osborne.

The Collins life-of-type extension will now continue beyond 2026 as all six boats undergo capability extensions in South Australia.

In another huge win for local jobs, the Navy's three Hobart class destroyers will also undergo their combat management system upgrades at Osborne from 2024.

These programs will support thousands of jobs and ensure we retain our highly capable, skilled shipbuilding workforce in South Australia.

Premier Steven Marshall said this huge announcement was a jobs bonanza for local, South Australian jobs.

"There are going to be jobs for today, jobs for tomorrow, and jobs for decades to come thanks to today's announcements," Premier Marshall said.

"Not only have we secured the build of the new nuclear-powered submarines right here in South Australia, we have secured the full-cycle docking and life of type extension of the Collins class submarines, as well as the upgrades for the Hobart Class Destroyers".

"The Collins Class Submarines were built here in Adelaide, the Destroyer Class were built here, the first two Offshore Patrol Vessels are currently being built here, the Frigates will be built here and Australia's new submarines will also be built right here in South Australia Australia's defence capital."

"We will now be working with the Morrison Government and industry regarding transitional workforce plans."



“These new submarines will be significantly bigger and more advanced, and today’s decision recognises the quality of naval shipbuilding in South Australia and our strong relationship with the Federal Government.

“South Australia is the Defence State and that means we are the Jobs State,” Premier Marshall said.