

Practice Update: JobSaver Payment

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Explanation of retesting requirement

A business will need to reconfirm its eligibility to continue to receive the JobSaver Payment for the period commencing from 13 September to 26 September 2021, and for the Micro-business Grant for the period commencing from 20 September to 3 October 2021.

Service NSW website provides further information on reconfirming eligibility for:

- the [JobSaver](#) payment (see also [Common Questions](#)); and
- the [Micro-business Grant](#) (see also [Common Questions](#)).

How to reconfirm eligibility

Each fortnight, the business will need to confirm that:

- The employee headcount on 13 July 2021 as stated in the initial application has been maintained; and
- The business has continued to experience a decline in turnover of at least 30% due to the impact of the public health order.

If the business is closed from 13 September to 26 September 2021 and cannot trade during this period due to the Public Health Order, the business can confirm its eligibility without doing

any further work. Similarly, where a business that has some turnover but remains impacted by the Public Health Order and it is clearly apparent that it continues to experience the requisite decline in turnover, the business can indicate that it still meets the DIT requirement.

Alternatively, the business can work out whether it has experienced a DIT from 13 September to 26 September 2021 due to the Public Health Order, of 30% or more by using one of following three options (**note that the same option must be used when reconfirming the business' eligibility in future**).

You will not need to provide any additional evidence or attach any documentation when reconfirming your eligibility. However, you will need to maintain adequate records to show evidence of your eligibility if required.

The person making the declaration on behalf of the business (this can be the business owner or a qualified accountant, registered tax agent or registered BAS agent acting for the business) will also need to declare that:

- They understand that it is an offence under the Crimes Act 1900 (NSW) to provide false or misleading information to a public authority; and
- They understand that they will receive fortnightly communications from Service NSW about the business' eligibility for JobSaver payments.

If in your initial application, you used 2019 or 2020 figures for your comparison period

You have a choice for your comparison period. You can either use a ‘moving comparison period’ or a ‘static comparison period’ (Options 1 and 2 respectively).

‘Moving’ comparison period’ (**Option 1**) that is, same year 2019 or 2020 but corresponding fortnight as the current fortnight. For example, 13 September - 26 September 2021 compared to 13 September - 26 September 2019 or 13 September - 26 September 2021 compared to 13 September - 26 September 2020.

‘Static’ comparison’ (**Option 2**) that is, same fortnight period and same year as was used in your initial application. For example, 13 September - 26 September 2021 compared to 26 July - 8 August 2019 or 13 September - 26 September 2021 compared to 26 July - 8 August 2020.

If in your initial application, you used the fortnight 12 June to 25 June 2021 as your comparison period

You have no choice but to continue to use this as your comparison period (Option 3). For example, 13 September - 26 September 2021 is to be compared to 12 June - 25 June 2021; 27 September - 10 October 2021 (and beyond) is to be compared to 12 June - 25 June 2021.

Actual Decline in Turnover			
	26 July - 8 August 2021	13 Sept - 26 Sept 2021	27 Sept - 10 Oct 2021 and Beyond
Comparison Decline in Turnover			
Option 1a	-> 26 July - 8 August 2019	-> 13 Sept - 26 Sept 2019	-> 27 Sept - 10 Oct 2019
Option 1b	-> 26 July - 8 August 2020	-> 13 Sept - 26 Sept 2020	-> 27 Sept - 10 Oct 2020
Option 2a	-> 26 July - 8 August 2019	-> 26 July - 8 August 2019	-> 26 July - 8 August 2019
Option 2b	-> 26 July - 8 August 2020	-> 26 July - 8 August 2020	-> 26 July - 8 August 2020
Option 3	-> 12 June - 25 June 2021	-> 12 June - 25 June 2021	-> 12 June - 25 June 2021

Frequently Asked Questions

Refer to the JobSaver [common questions](#) on reconfirming eligibility, to provide guidance on many of your questions.

Lastly, if the comparison period used in the initial application was more than two weeks (e.g. a three-week period, four-week period or five-week period), the turnover amount for the comparison period must be converted to a fortnightly amount for comparison purposes to the current turnover by dividing by the number of days in the period and multiplying by 14.

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