Altona Refinery has been fuelling Victoria for nearly 70 years. Operating 24 hours a day, seven days a week, the refinery processes crude oil to manufacture a range of petroleum products that meet about half of Victoria’s transportation fuel needs.

We play an important role in Victoria’s fuel supply chain and significantly contribute to the economy by providing high-skilled employment, supporting suppliers and industrial customers, as well producing refined fuel products essential to everyday life.

Fast facts
- Pays more than $1 million in rates to Hobsons Bay City Council and around $3 million in fees and charges to City West Water each year.
- Increases Victoria’s economic output by $270 million a year – however the full contribution of Altona Refinery to the Victorian economy, including direct and indirect benefits, is substantially higher.
- Provides jobs for around 350 people while indirectly supporting thousands of other jobs.
- Generates approximately $2.9 million in annual payroll taxes to the Victorian Government.
- Pays more than $6 million in port fees and wharfage to the Port of Melbourne Corporation.
Here for the long haul
ExxonMobil is committed to supporting Altona Refinery’s ongoing success and is proud of its standing as one of the most efficient and competitive refineries in the world.

Over the past five years, we have invested more than $400 million in improving the safety, reliability and capability of our operations in Melbourne’s west so that we can continue to be a reliable supplier of choice for locally-refined, high-quality fuels to Victoria well into the future.

Our important role
Investment in technology saw us increase the refining capacity of Altona Refinery in 2017 from 80,000 to 90,000 barrels of refined fuel products per day including unleaded petrol, diesel, and jet fuel. This is around 14.5 million litres per day - enough to fill 330,000 cars.

Around 90 percent of products are transported by pipeline from the refinery to our Yarraville Terminal and other nearby oil company distribution terminals.

From there, the fuel is transported throughout Victoria and into parts of South Australia and New South Wales. Jet fuel is transported directly from the refinery by pipeline to Somerton, where it is then provided to Melbourne Airport.