

Safety improvements at Bondi Road and Wellington Street intersection

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Australian Government



Transport for NSW acknowledges the Bidiagal, Birrabirragal and Gadigal as the Traditional Custodians of these lands and pays respect to Elders past and present.

Transport for NSW is improving safety in Bondi as part of the Federal Road Safety Program.

We are changing access into and out of Wellington Street at Bondi Road and reducing the speed limit on Wellington Street. This will improve safety for the thousands of people driving, walking and riding bikes through the intersection each day.

Changes to improve intersection safety for everyone

We are making the following safety improvements:

- removing the right turn from Bondi Road into Wellington Street
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- increasing the size of the existing pedestrian refuge on Wellington Street
- reducing the speed limit from 50km/h to 40km/h on Wellington Street, between Bondi Road and O'Brien Street, at all times.

We plan to start work from **25 September** during the spring school holidays (weather permitting).

We'll provide another notification before construction work starts.

See the following map for the location of changes.

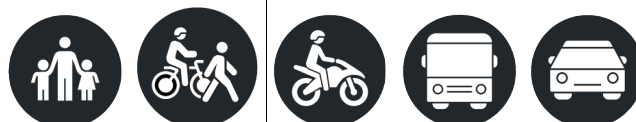


Map for illustrative purposes only.

Community benefits

- Crashes are expected to be significantly reduced at the intersection, especially right turn crashes and crashes caused by vehicles weaving, lane changing and queued traffic.
- Safety will be improved for people crossing Wellington Street.
- Safety will be improved for all road users.

Making safer roads and streets for everyone



Despite safety improvements over the years, crashes keep happening

Bondi Road is a key link between Bondi Junction and Bondi Beach. Around 26,000 vehicles travel Bondi Road each day and it's one of the busiest bus routes in New South Wales.

The intersection of Bondi Road and Wellington Street has a long history of crashes.

Between 2014 and 2023, there have been 20 reported crashes resulting in 16 casualties. These crashes took place throughout the week and across day and night.

Some of the key issues that contribute to crashes here include:

- drivers turning right in front of oncoming traffic
- infrequent gaps in traffic during peak periods
- drivers weaving to avoid queued traffic.

We have installed several safety measures over the years to try and address these (see graphic below).

Crashes continue to occur at this intersection, including crashes that have caused serious injuries to people.

Further safety measures are needed to address the ongoing significant safety issues. See these measures in the graphic below.

Changes made to date



Reduced speed limit on Bondi Road



Installed pedestrian refuge



Changed from 'give way' to 'stop' sign

Upcoming changes



Remove two right turns



Expand existing pedestrian refuge



Reduce speed limit on Wellington Street

Federal Road Safety Program

The Federal Road Safety Program has invested over \$600 million from the Australian and NSW Governments since 2020, to improve road safety across New South Wales (NSW). The program's goal is to reduce the number of road crashes and enhance safety on key roads throughout NSW.

Other routes to access the area

Road users will no longer be able to turn right into and out of Wellington Street. This will mean a change in route and travel time for some people.

You can see potential alternative routes on the map on the next page. Other routes may be available, please plan ahead. Visit [livetraffic.com](https://www.livetraffic.com) for the latest traffic updates.

We will continue to work with the community and key stakeholders through this change.

Construction work

We will install signs and line marking to make road users aware of the right turn restrictions.

The pedestrian refuge on Wellington Street will be made wider and has been designed to guide motorists to turn left at the intersection.

We'll provide more information before work starts.

Receive construction updates

To receive updates on this work, please email us at cbd-and-east@transport.nsw.gov.au

Did you know? Around half of all crashes on NSW roads happen at intersections.



Map above shows some of the potential alternative routes following removal of right turns into and out of Wellington Street. *For illustrative purposes only.*

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