Capital Monitor  
(University of Sydney staff and students only)

Capital Monitor provides access to policy and parliamentary documents from Federal, State and Territory governments. This service monitors and provides access to legislative resources, policy newsletters, media releases and also indexes parliamentary documents. Most documents available in the database are full-text. Capital monitor is updated daily.

**Media Releases in Capital Monitor** - coverage varies but usually from 1996 onward

**Commonwealth Parliament & Government** - Press releases, transcripts, statements, from the Government, departments and agencies, the Opposition, minor parties, companies and special interest groups,


Search daily releases via the **What's New** page. This page is updated daily and includes media and press statements by Government, departments and agencies, the Opposition, minor parties, companies and special interest group.

Capital monitor is divided into collections. The **Main** collection includes media releases.

**Search or browse Capital monitor;**

- **Browse** using the blue side menu bar, What’s new and the Newsletters for the Federal Government and New South Wales include Media releases
- **Quick search** access via SEARCH on the side menu bar, searches the last 12 months. Choose the Main collection for media releases
- **Full page search** access via the Quick search page. Full search allows you to
  - limit search to a specific collection (e.g. Main for media releases) or jurisdiction.
  - limit date
  - search by topic or title, combine different search terms
Parlinfo Search
(Freely available via the Australian Parliamentary website http://parlinfo.aph.gov.au/)

Parlinfo is the official search service for the Australian Parliament. Parlinfo allows you to limit a search to Media sources including press releases, newspaper clippings and radio and TV transcripts. Access to the full-text of news clipping service is not available for copyright reasons.

From the Parlinfo homepage click on the advanced/search tab. This will display all the Parliamentary collections available. If the collections are not displayed click on Expand All

1. **Advanced Search/Browse**

2. Enter your search terms in the
   - main search box at the top of the screen, this do a text search across all collections or the collection you have chosen
   - Field search options will allow you to set search parameters and limits, e.g. search for a phrase, combine search terms, limit to author, MP, government, title etc....
   - browse a collection by clicking on beside a required collection

3. Scroll down the page to Media, check media for all options or check required collection

4. All results are sorted by date (if not specified in search) collection, title, major subject, department or agency, source, author, and party

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Other online sources for Media Releases
Ministerial websites and the websites of Government Departments and Agencies will often include recent media releases. The Australian Government maintains a website for news releases by portfolio and the New South Wales Government a News site which includes Premier’s and Ministerial press releases
