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Health & education revolutions/communication/defense

Health costs avalanche for States [TheAge](#) [Australian](#)

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Organised crime targets our Universities [Australian](#)

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87 Tasmanians die waiting for surgery in 08/9 [Mercury](#)

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Aus consumers stung by text message rort [SMH](#)

Economy/social/shelter/transport/free speech

14 yrs in Oz then deported by Immigration [TheAge](#)

Longevity is a triumph, not a problem [Australian](#)

Bigger population means new city needed [TheAge](#)

'Fire in the house' [TheAge](#)

New IR body interventionism worry for business [Australian](#)

Credit companies rip off customers [TheAge](#)

World

Plunging £ blows £1.3 bn hole in UK defence [MailOnline](#)

More nutz!

A man has been charged with multiple attacks on suburban Sydney parking meters, damaging the machines and filling them with glue.

The man has been granted conditional bail, including that he not go within 20 metres of any parking meter, and is due to face North Sydney Local Court on February 23. [SMH](#)

20 meters from a parking meter? This guy won't be able to go anywhere in Sydney and he certainly won't be able to attend the Court without violating his bail conditions!