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Hello

I refer to the information leaflet delivered to my home today. The article relates to social impact of FIFO

I have noticed that it is becoming increasingly difficult to book suitable flights to Perth from Kalgoorlie.

I frequently need to fly down and back same day for medical/dentist reasons and until now have not experienced much difficulty in finding reasonably priced flights to make appointments I have negotiated for a few weeks in advance.

Lately the picture has changed and I find there are often only business class seats available which are a bit out of the budget - to say the least!

When I do manage to get a booking I notice they have a hefty contingent of "orange jackets" flying. They are often quite objectionable in presentation in that they are not socially clean in dirty working clothes, exude the smell of stale alcohol and exhibit rowdy behaviour. It is a relief to get off at the other end!

The sheer numbers lead me to believe that FIFO is soaking up a large amount of available air transport to and from this city.

I am employed at the local hospital in a relatively key position and try to minimise my time away from both work and home but this is becoming increasingly difficult.

This is only one aspect of life here in Kalgoorlie which concerns me as a result of the FIFO activity. I gather from friends and workmates that experience the same difficulties these days.

regards

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