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## **Downsizing deals - OneSteel needs to cut 65 more jobs to meet target - AWU**

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The Australian Workers Union said that OneSteel at Whyalla needs about 65 more workers to leave to achieve its target workforce numbers.

Mr Rod Skuse official at AWU said that about 135 workers have shown an interest in taking voluntary redundancy. He added that OneSteel is aiming to cut its workforce from 1,600 to 1,400, which will have a significant impact on Whyalla's economy.

He said that "It's 200 pay packets that are not going to be spent conclusively and be replaced every week so in aspects of the economy I would assume that we've seen some impacts on local business in relation to the spending and how people are spending. There is a significant reliance on OneSteel, significant to the degree that of course it would be comparable to the loss of the smelter in Port Pirie."

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