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**Excerpts edited by RAWSEP for brevity and clarity and relationship to Residents Against Wood Smoke Emission Particulates a 501C3 nonprofit organization** The Guardian August 9 2025 Wood burning is one of the biggest sources of fine particulate pollution in Australia Here are ways to reduce emissions and improve your health Change by degrees offers life hacks and sustainable living tips each Saturday to help reduce the carbon footprint of your household The Guardian civic journalism trust August 8 2025 There is growing evidence of the damage wood fired heaters and open fires are doing to our health and the environment As a group of University of Technology Sydney academics recently put it a wood fired heater is like having a truck idling in your living room all day albeit with the bulk of the emissions escaping via the chimney So what do we know about wood burning and are there alternatives for those wanting a cozy open fire feel in their home without damaging the Earth? What the evidence says According to a 2024 study wood burning in fireplaces and heaters is one of the biggest sources of air pollution in many parts of Australia While only about 10 percent of Australian homes use wood burning as their primary heat source they create more than half of the fine particulate pollution in Australia The health costs of this are bad enough but the effect on the planet is also significant Even so called ecofriendly wood heaters are doing damage producing more particulate pollution than a modern truck The solar battery rebate has arrived here is how to steer clear of scammers That is because burning firewood in fireplaces and domestic heaters produces methane and black carbon particles that worsen global heating One study estimates that wood heaters cause as much or more emissions than gas or reverse cycle air conditioning On top of that much of the firewood sold in urban areas comes from forest timber further depleting essential carbon banks In New South Wales in the municipality of Orange the weather is cold for seven months of the year and a lot of people use wood burning heaters in their homes Being quite a major regional city it is a real problem After the 2019 bushfires a female Orange resident ended up in hospital with severe breathing difficulties Wood is very much part of the culture here But for me it means I literally have to stay inside the house with air filters even though I live near bushland and a wetland she says Mapping wood heater pollution A female director of the Center for Safe Air and professor of environmental epidemiology at the Menzies Institute for Medical Research at the University of Tasmania recently created a wood heater pollution map showing which parts of Australia are estimated to have the most severe air pollution from wood heaters When people think of pollution they often picture smokestacks vehicle exhaust and coal fired power stations but **wood heaters pollute more fine particulate matter into the air we breathe than any of these sources** she says The director also points to the impact of firewood collection on forests and habitat in Australia One study estimated

that if we stopped burning wood and clearing forest for heating Australia would reduce its annual greenhouse gas emissions by 8 point 7 million tons each year about one fifth of car emissions in Australia What can you do? According to Arabella Daniel a Melbourne inner city councilor and clean air community advocate who runs My Air Quality Australia in the absence of strong public health or climate messaging wood heating is wrongly seen as desirable and natural That lifestyle image is pushed but the health and environmental impacts are ignored she says Wood heaters are sold cheaply with no warnings despite evidence of serious environmental harm Burning wood is normalized yet it worsens air pollution and contributes to climate change Harvesting firewood damages biodiversity and depletes forests She says now is the time for the Australian government to recognize wood heater pollution as a serious public health and climate issue and to provide subsidies to phase them out over time beginning with stopping new wood heater installations Providing financial support to help people switch to clean efficient electric alternatives is cost effective Public education is vital – people need to understand the health risks and the benefits of going electric Such government action is already happening with getting off gas we need to get off wood too It is time for governments to restrict the installation of new wood heaters in high density residential areas where people will be affected by smoke pollution Point of sale legislation should be introduced requiring wood heaters to be replaced with non polluting electric alternatives before a property changes hands While we have sophisticated systems in place for food and water standards the problem of wood heaters has persisted because no environment or health authority in Australia sees themselves as bearing primary responsibility for it Are there alternatives? While there are some wood burning heaters that produce less emissions than others including this ultra low emission model developed in New Zealand the emissions from those models may still be too high to be safe for health or the climate For those who want the cozy appearance of a roaring fire in their homes without the climate impacts the best option is an electric fireplace There are plenty of different kinds of systems on the market that offer the appearance of a warm glowing flame but without any emissions You will be doing the climate and your health a favor

2 Minnesota About The Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy CIDRAP Vaccine Integrity Project [RAWSEP View](#) An alternative supporting mRNA vaccines for Public Health including COVID 19 Updated Vaccines for Public Health **Excerpts edited by RAWSEP for brevity and clarity and relationship to Residents Against Wood Smoke Emission Particulates a 501C3 nonprofit organization** On the CIDRAP website as of August 9 2025 Real world infectious disease experts The Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy CIDRAP; SID wrap is a global leader in addressing public health preparedness and emerging infectious disease response Founded in 2001 CIDRAP is part of the Research and Innovation Office at the University of Minnesota CIDRAP works to prevent illness and death from targeted infectious disease threats through research and the translation of scientific information into real world practical applications policies and solutions [www dot cidrap dot umn dot edu forward slash mark vaccine integrity project Special project The Vaccine Integrity Project](http://www.cidrap.umn.edu/forward/slash/mark/vaccine-integrity-project/special-project-the-vaccine-integrity-project) the CIDRAP Vaccine Integrity Project is an initiative dedicated to safeguarding vaccine use in the U S so that it remains grounded in the best available science free from external influence and focused on optimizing protection of individuals families and communities against vaccine preventable diseases The Vaccine Integrity Project issued its final report summarizing its findings from the exploratory phased focused on what is needed to ensure the integrity of the U S vaccine system including vaccine evaluations and clinical guidelines based on rigorous and timely reviews Now Vaccine Integrity Project is moving into its planning phase and focusing on actions that stemmed from its earlier work: 1 Implementing a rapid response accountability effort In response to misleading and inaccurate claims the Vaccine Integrity Project aims to launch a rapid response communications initiative to monitor and address vaccine and public health related misinformation originating from official federal sources in real time 2 Developing and disseminating the evidence base for immunization recommendations and clinical consideration Engaging with healthcare providers the

public health community and medical societies CIDRAP is leading a comprehensive review of scientific evidence to inform immunization recommendations so that clinicians have evidence backed guidance on the key immunizations for all ages on influenza RSV and COVID heading into respiratory virus season 3 Fostering continued collaboration and visibility This work is far from over and no single organization can carry it alone The scale and complexity of the challenges ahead demand ongoing collaboration and coordinated action across the ecosystem Regular convening will support better alignment reduce duplication and help prioritize and address emerging issues in real time The Vaccine Integrity Project is supported by an unrestricted gift from Alumbra a foundation established by philanthropist Christy Walton CIDRAP will provide continual updates on the progress of the initiative

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Kamala Harris by 14 points in a deep red state In difficult House swing districts Democrats are leaning

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representative and navy veteran champions economic patriotism calling out economic elites and

damaging trade agreements while pushing to rebuild domestic industry and strengthen labor rights In

the New Mexico second district Gabe Vasquez has built his platform around a sharp critique of corporate

greed condemning CEOs and wealthy investors for inflating profits while shortchanging workers and has

pushed for a 15 dollar minimum wage and cutting taxes for working families Meanwhile in the

Wisconsin third district Democrat Rebecca Cooke a waitress and small business owner who grew up on a

dairy farm is mounting a 2026 comeback bid after over performing other Democrats and losing by less

than three points in 2024 running on a platform that targets corporate price gouging expands affordable

rural housing and defends family farms The path to winning back working class voters runs through authenticity clarity and a credible commitment to improving lives of people These candidates come from different regions and backgrounds and hold diverse ideological positions but nonetheless share a core political strategy: they are highly disciplined economic populists who speak to working class voters in language that is grounded direct and relatable And contrary to many centrist pundits while they do need to avoid fringe rhetoric Democrats do not have to embrace social conservatism to do it The CWCP study shows that while working class voters are generally to the right of middle class voters on cultural issues most hold moderate and in some cases even progressive views on issues such as immigration abortion and civil rights These voters do not want Democrats to mimic Republicans on controversial wedge issues but they do want a commonsense message focused on the economic realities of working Americans Yet working class voters do not just embrace politicians who support the right policies Our previous research shows that they want leaders who understand people like them share a similar class background and speak plainly about what they will do and why it matters The path to winning back working class voters runs through authenticity clarity and a credible commitment to improving the lives of people

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United Kingdom Media 1 Progressive versus 20 Far Right Conservatives Mehdi Hasan on why he went on Surrounded YouTube The Guardian [RAWSEP View](#) From Wikipedia Mehdi Raza Hasan is a British American progressive broadcaster writer and founder of the media company Zeteo He presented The Mehdi Hasan Show on Peacock from October 2020 and on MSNBC from February 2021 until the cancellation of the show in November 2023 On the final broadcast on January 7 2024 he announced he

was leaving MSNBC In February 2024 Hasan joined The Guardian as a columnist Excerpts edited by RAWSEP for brevity and clarity and relationship to Residents Against Wood Smoke Emission Particulates a 501C3 nonprofit organization Launched in 2017 the rapidly expanding entertainment company has attracted swaths of younger viewers by transforming polarized debate never in short supply in the Trump US into clips Surrounded pits one expert against a greater number of adversaries who race to a single chair to make their point on a hot political topic In recent months Surrounded has gone where few traditional broadcasters would care to tread with titles including Flat Earthers vs Scientists: Can We Trust Science? 31million views or Can 25 Liberal College Students Outsmart 1 Conservative? Featuring Charlie Kirk 30 million views Its 2024 video with Ben Shapiro in which a trans man tore into the rightwing pundit in a four minute rant was the fifth most watched election related content on YouTube United Kingdom RAWSEP View A United Kingdom request to tax the rich From the article headline If mansion owners paid a fair council tax local authorities would not be in such a mess Simon Jenkins The Guardian

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