



Your Union Helping You Find Lost Super

One in three working Australians have unclaimed super. There is over \$9 billion in superannuation that Australian workers have lost track of.

When your superannuation fund loses touch with you – because you have changed address, for instance, your details will be sent to the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) for recording on the ATO's Lost Members Register.

Sometimes your money is still with your superannuation fund, waiting until you claim it, or until you turn 65 when the fund will try and contact you.

If they cannot locate you, your money may be transferred to an **Eligible Rollover Fund (ERF)**. AUSfund is the ERF used by Cbus. They use a number of methods to try to find you but eventually have to send your money to the ATO's Unclaimed Money Register if they cannot locate you.

There are several ways to find out if you have unclaimed or 'lost' Superannuation.

1. Contact AUSfund via the internet

If you have access to the internet, log on to www.unclaimedsuper.com.au and follow the prompts to see if there is lost super in your name.

(**Note:** you will need your Tax File Number so that an electronic search can be performed.)

2. Contact the ATO Lost Members Register via the internet

If you have access to the internet, the ATO has a search facility named "Super Seeker", which can also be accessed from the AUSfund's site (see above).

You can search both AUSfund and the ATO Lost Members Register by going to: www.unclaimedsuper.com.au.

If you prefer, you can download a "Lost Member Register Enquiry Form" from the ATO's website – www.ato.gov.au which you can fill in and return by post.

3. Contact AUSfund by phone

Simply call AUSfund on **1300 361 798** and they will search the AUSfund database while you wait.

4. Contact the ATO by phone

Ring the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) on **13 10 20** and they will search the ATO Lost Members Register for you.

How To Find Other Unclaimed Money

There are other institutions that may be holding unclaimed money for you – for instance, banks or building societies.

The Australian Securities and Investment Commission (ASIC) has a website facility to allow you to perform a search – <http://www.edge.asic.gov.au/unclaimed/simplequery.html>.

You may also want to check the **Unclaimed Money Register** relevant to each State and Territory, The details for each of these are listed below:

NSW	Office of State Revenue – Unclaimed Money www.osr.nsw.gov.au	Phone: (02) 9689 6200 Note: The Office of State Revenue in NSW has an online search and lodgement facility.
VIC	State Trustees Limited	Phone: (03) 9667 6418 Note: State Trustees of Victoria has an online search and lodgement facility.
QLD	Public Trustee of Queensland	Phone: (07) 3213 9368
WA	Department of Treasury and Finance www.dtf.wa.gov.au	Phone: (08) 9222 9185 Level 10, 197 St Georges Terrace, Perth WA 6000
SA	Department of Treasury and Finance www.treasury.sa.gov.au	Phone: (08) 8226 3607
TAS	Department of Treasury and Finance www.treasury.tas.gov.au	Phone: (03) 6233 2948
ACT	The Public Trustees for the ACT www.publictrustee.act.gov.au	Phone: (02) 6207 9800 Note: The Public Trustees for the ACT has an online search and lodgement facility
NT	Northern Territory Treasury www.nt.gov.au	Phone: (08) 8999 6620
ASIC	Australian Securities and Investments Commission www.asic.gov.au	Visit the ASIC consumer site, fido . http://fido.asic.gov.au