

Story South Africa - Planned strike

Headline Transport strike in South Africa

SMS Gauteng, South Africa - 14 Nov 10 - Transport strike set to take place in Gauteng, South Africa on 16 November, anticipate disruptions.

Email Gauteng, South Africa - 14 Nov 10 - South African Transport and Allied Workers' Union (SATAWU), is scheduled to hold a strike on 16 November, causing a complete shut down of freight and passenger transport in Gauteng province. Demonstrators will march in Pretoria on Tuesday, beginning in Marabastad and continuing to the Union Buildings, in protest of the Administrative Adjudication of Road Traffic Offences (Aarto) Act which will penalise drivers with demerit points for traffic offences. SATAWU has claimed that this system, currently implemented on a trial basis in Gauteng, will merely increase unemployment in the country. Whilst the strike will begin in Gauteng, SATAWU has warned that it is likely to spread throughout the provinces, resulting in a countrywide transport shutdown. Persons utilising public transport in Gauteng are advised to anticipate travel delays and should seek alternative methods of transport on 16 November due to the strike. In addition, travellers are advised to maintain a low profile and to avoid all large related gatherings and concentrations of security personnel as previous strikes have resulted in violent civil unrest.

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