SHAPING THE FUTURE OF RAIL

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Rail in Australia: today

The 6th largest rail network in the world!

44,262 kms

17 Freight Members
15 Passenger Members
7 Light Rail Members
94 Manufacturers, Suppliers and Contractors

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Our annual customers...

231 million light rail journeys

702 million heavy rail journeys

>1.3-1.4 billion tonnes of freight (57% + in 4 years)

900 million+ customer journeys

18 million trains trips every week or 2.5 million people daily!
Statement of Corporate Intent 2018-2021

ARA Purpose
Creating vibrant cities, thriving regions and a connected nation.

ARA Strategic Imperative
Facilitating the growth and capability of the rail industry while collectively adding to the social, economic and competitive fabric of Australia and New Zealand through:

- **Freight rail**, as the backbone of the nation’s supply chain, connecting to domestic and international markets,
- **Passenger rail**, as the spine of multi-modal travel, connecting people within cities and to regions,
- **Suppliers, manufacturers and consultants** capitalising on the opportunities to engage and deliver, and
- **Contractors**, underpinning the delivery of rail infrastructure.

All benefiting from a diverse, capable, well trained workforce.
Projected population growth

Australia’s population is projected to double to 46 million by 2075

Source: Infrastructure Australia analysis of Australian Bureau of Statistics, 2013
Current Australian Challenges

• **Population growth** forecast for all capital cities
• **Freight volumes** to more than double by 2050
• Current road and rail **infrastructure** won’t **cope** over time
• Cost of **congestion** on productivity
• **Safety** on our roads
• **Environmental** impacts
It’s a great time to be in rail

$ Billion (in FY16 constant prices)

Notes: This chart is based on projects with over $2 billion in construction work done. Solid areas are road projects, dotted areas are rail projects.

Source: BIS Oxford Economics

Year ended June

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It’s an exciting time to be in rail!

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