SHAPING THE FUTURE OF RAILWAY

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OUR ANNUAL CUSTOMERS...

191 million light rail journeys

659 million heavy rail journeys

> 1 billion tonnes of freight (57% + in 4 years)

850.3 million customer journeys

16.4 million trains trips every week or 2.3 million people daily!
THE ARA

94 Manufacturers, Suppliers, Contractors and Consultants

17 Freight Members
15 Passenger Members
7 Light Rail Members
Four core member groups

ARA Board

- Passenger
- Freight
- Manufacturing & Suppliers
- Contractors

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CITIES: THE ENGINEROOMS OF OUR NATION

Our 2nd - 5th largest cities have bigger populations than the 2nd - 5th largest cities in France / Germany

Top 5 largest Australian cities produce 12.3% of GDP

Source: John Daly, GRATTAN Institute

Efficient public transport systems are vital
Projected Population Growth

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

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WHY PASSENGER RAIL?

• **Certainty**: for commercial and residential investment
• **Capacity**: one system can carry up to 9,000 people/hr
• **Accessibility for all**: low, flat floors suitable for wheelchairs, the elderly and families with prams
• **Property value uplift**: proven increases up to 120%
• **Increased density and sense of community**: encourages human interaction and social interaction
• **Health benefits**: public transport users walk five times more than those who drive
• **Employment**: construction, operation, maintenance
• **Environmental**: less greenhouse emissions than road
• **Safety**: nine times safer than road
CURRENT PROJECTS

• Industry rail policy
• Federal national rail vision and work plan
• An online pipeline of works
• Standardised rollingstock procurement
• Women in Rail
• Achieving equal access for all
Whether Australians travel by public transport or not, they still benefit from its use and existence.

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