



THE VALUE OF RAIL CONSTRUCTION

The wave of new rail construction projects in 2019 drove jobs growth and helped improve the capacity of the network. As governments look to an infrastructure-led economic recovery, rail construction will have an essential role to play.

THE CONTRIBUTION OF RAIL CONSTRUCTION



Accounts for **29%** of the rail industry's total contribution



Employs **9126** people



New projects **improving capacity and efficiency**

Major projects completed in recently years have delivered significant benefits to the economy and community.

Moreton Bay Rail Link, Qld

12.6km dual-track passenger rail line providing better rail access for people in the Moreton Bay region. Completed in 2017.

Sydney Metro North West, NSW

The line was officially opened in 2019 and is operated using a fleet of 22 driverless trains. It carried almost 20 million customers on more than 105,000 services in its first year.

Sydney's CBD Light Rail, NSW

The final stage was opened in 2020 and can carry up to 450 passengers per service – the equivalent of nine standard buses.

Dandenong Rail Corridor, Vic

The project is removing 50 level crossings from Caulfield to Dandenong by 2022, significantly improving safety and efficiency outcomes.



New major projects now underway will boost capacity and efficiency across Australia's passenger and freight networks.

Sydney Metro, NSW

Australia's biggest public transport project will deliver more than 66km of new metro rail, 31 stations and new technology to improve the customer experience. It will operate up to 200 services an hour from 2024, increasing network capacity by 60 per cent.

Melbourne Metro, Vic

The \$11 billion Metro Tunnel will create a new rail line from Sunbury to Cranbourne/Packenham. It will operate high capacity trains through massive 9km twin rail tunnels, with five new underground stations to be constructed. High capacity signalling will support the new fleet's efficient operation.

Inland Rail, Vic, NSW, Qld

This landmark freight project will see the creation of a 1700km rail line from Melbourne to Brisbane to improve freight capacity and efficiency. The project includes upgrades to 1100km of existing track and the construction of 600km of new track. Intermodal hubs in Toowoomba and Parkes will support this dedicated freight rail line.

Cross River Rail, Qld

A vital second river crossing will be constructed as part of the Cross River Rail project to meet growing demand for public transport in South East Queensland. More trains will run more often, enabling a turn-up-and-go public transport system across the entire region.