Rail Freight Transport

Transport, Postal and Warehousing ANZSIC 4710 Rail Transport

Western Australia's Rail Network

5,500 KM

of standard, narrow and dual-gauge rail infrastructure links the southern half of the state, from the Midwest across to the Goldfields and Yilgarn regions through to the South West and Great Southern



2,639 KM

of track is located in the Pilbara. The Pilbara is one of the most productive railways in the world with a combined capacity to transport 600 million tonnes per annum

Total Capacity



is the combined capacity per annum of three WA companies BHP Billiton, Rio Tinto and Fortescue Metals Groupwith room to expand





In Demand

- Track Protection Officers
- Diesel Train Drivers
- Transport Engineers
- Train Controllers
- Railway Track Plant Operator
- Protection Officers

Employment Outlook



5,000

workers are currently employed across construction, tunnelling, rail and building projects in Australia for just one large national contracting firm.

Projects in the pipeline across Australia forecast opportunities for employment in rail construction, operations and maintenance

*Source: LDSC Industry Profile, Rail Freight 2021

Industry Revenue



is the forecast industry revenue over 2025 to 2026 in the Rail Freight Transport industry. The recovery of export activity and

demand from agriculture are expected to drive industry revenue growth



