

Be a part of the rail revolution – Are you up for the challenge?

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Rail is moving forward strongly following major investment in infrastructure, technology and a new emphasis on providing comprehensive career paths and training.

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Rail offers a wide range of career opportunities in:

- Rail operations – Train drivers, Station managers, Transit managers, On-board customer service personnel
- Signal and communications – Train controllers, signal engineers, communications technicians
- Rolling stock – Mechanical engineers, maintenance tradespeople, light rail.
- Infrastructure – Civil engineers and maintenance tradespeople.

In addition, rail offers more familiar careers in management, finance, information technology, project management, human relations, legal and administration.

Why rail?

By choosing a career in rail now you can be a part of the revolution that is taking place. Once thought of as an 'old industry', in fact rail is the most [environmentally friendly](#) and [safest](#) method of [moving people](#) and [freight](#) to where they need to go.

A career in rail will give you both a long term direction and individual skills that can take you anywhere in Australia and around the world.

Are you up for the challenge?

The rail industry is not for everyone. The [Australasian Railway Association \(ARA\)](#) (*LINK – ARA website*) has recently undertaken a study of the rail workforce (*LINK – ARA: The Changing Face of Rail*) and what will be needed to support to industry of the future. While major structural and cultural changes have taken place in recent years, more changes are still needed.

It is a reality that many of the people who run Australia's rail industry will retire from the industry over the next few years providing many opportunities for new people, a new culture and new ways of thinking.

How can you be a part of the revolution?

The [ARA](#) provides a central access point for career information and employment opportunities for the rail industry.

Information is available on:

- Current vacancies in rail
- Apprenticeships and Traineeships in rail and the transport and logistics industry
- New Apprenticeship Systems
- Pathway Charts - Transport & Distribution
- School Based New Apprenticeships
- Vocational Education and Training (VET) in Schools
- Looking and applying for an Apprenticeship or Traineeship

And, just as importantly, the pay and conditions you can expect from your rail career.

[Scholarships](#) at both high school and university levels are also available.

The [Australian Rail Track Corporation](#) in cooperation with the [ARA](#) and the [Transport and Logistics Centre](#) has just launched a major new mentoring program, [Evolution 2006](#), investing in rail's leaders of the future.

There is more information about careers in rail available at your finger tips than ever before.

Opportunities are available now. Contact the [ARA](#) to get on board.

For more information

- [CSI, Rail Skills and Career Council \(2006\) Australasian Rail Industry Remuneration Report](#)
- [Australasian Railway Association \(2006\) The Changing Face of Rail - A journey to the employer of choice - Attraction and Retention of Employees in the Australasian Rail Industry](#)
- [Transport and Logistics Centre \(2005\) Transport and Logistics: Where will it take you?](#)