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## Glossary

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<td>Accountable authority</td>
<td>Under the <em>Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013</em>, the person responsible for, and with control over, the Department’s operations. The accountable authority of the Department is the Secretary.</td>
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<td>Administered items/activities/programs</td>
<td>Revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities that the Australian Government controls, which an agency or authority manages on the Government’s behalf.</td>
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<td>Air services arrangements</td>
<td>Treaty-level aviation agreements negotiated with international governments. Air service arrangements may contain provisions on the routes airlines can fly, the number of flights that can be operated, tariffs and the number of airlines designated to operate services.</td>
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<td>Benefit cost ratios</td>
<td>Benefit cost ratios (BCRs) are an indicator for planning, evaluation and investment as they summarise the overall value for money of a project. A result over 1.0 indicates the economic benefits for the project are greater than the economic costs.</td>
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<td>B-Double</td>
<td>A combination consisting of a prime mover towing two semi-trailers where the first semi-trailer is connected to the prime mover by a fifth wheel coupling and the second semi-trailer is connected to the first semi-trailer by a fifth wheel coupling.</td>
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<td>Black Spot</td>
<td>Those road locations where crashes are occurring. Black Spot projects at dangerous road locations reduce the risk of crashes.</td>
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<td>Compliance activity</td>
<td>An activity designed to achieve assurance, such as audits, inspections and systems tests.</td>
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<td>Corporate governance</td>
<td>The process by which agencies are directed and controlled. It is generally understood to encompass authority, accountability, stewardship leadership, direction and control.</td>
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<td>Division</td>
<td>An organisational unit within the Department, which is managed by an executive director and reports to the Secretary.</td>
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<td>Ecological sustainable development</td>
<td>Using, conserving and enhancing the community’s resources so that ecological processes, on which life depends, are maintained and the total quality of life, now and in the future, can be increased.</td>
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<td>Enterprise agreement</td>
<td>An agreement made at enterprise level between employers and employees about the terms and conditions of employment.</td>
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<td>Federal Executive Council</td>
<td>The formal, constitutional and legal body responsible for advising the Governor-General (as distinct from Cabinet).</td>
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<td>Federally leased airport</td>
<td>The leased federal airports in each state and territory that were granted on long-term leases to private entities between 1997 and 2003.</td>
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<td>Freight</td>
<td>Goods transported by truck, train, ship or aircraft.</td>
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<td>General Government Sector</td>
<td>A classification of entities controlled and largely funded by the Australian Government. The sector provides public services for the collective consumption of the community or services that involve the transfer and redistribution of income. All government departments are classified as General Government Sector entities.</td>
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<td>Grant</td>
<td>Commonwealth financial assistance as defined under the Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines.</td>
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<td>Greenhouse gas emissions</td>
<td>Emissions that contribute to climate change such as carbon dioxide ($CO_2$), nitrous oxide and methane. In vehicles, the principal greenhouse gas is $CO_2$.</td>
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<td>Heavy vehicle road reform</td>
<td>Road charging and investment reform with the goal to turn the provision of heavy vehicle road infrastructure into an economic service where feasible. This would see a market established that links the needs of heavy vehicle users with the level of service they receive, the charges they pay and the investment of those charges back into road services.</td>
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<td>Inspector of Transport Security</td>
<td>An appointee who conducts inquiries into transport security incidents at the discretion of the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport.</td>
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<td>Last port of call</td>
<td>An International airport that hosts direct flights to Australia.</td>
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<td>Noxious emissions</td>
<td>Air pollutants such as carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides, particulate matter, volatile organic compounds and benzene, which are emitted into the environment by motor vehicles. Noxious emissions can contribute to urban air quality problems, such as photochemical smog, and adversely affect human health.</td>
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<td>Portfolio</td>
<td>A minister’s area of responsibility as a member of Cabinet.</td>
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<td>Portfolio Budget Statements</td>
<td>A budget-related paper detailing budget initiatives and appropriations, by outcome and program, for each entity within a portfolio.</td>
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<td>Program</td>
<td>An activity or group of activities that delivers benefits or services, or transfers payments to individuals, industry or the community as a whole.</td>
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### Regional Development Australia (RDA)

Regional Development Australia (RDA) is an Australian Government initiative that brings together all levels of government to enhance the development of Australia’s regions. A national network of RDA committees has been established to achieve this objective.

### Regulation

Any rule endorsed by government where there is an expectation of compliance.

### Road user charging

Direct charging that reflects each user’s own consumption of the road network.

### Value capture

A term used to describe a range of funding and financing mechanisms which seek to leverage the broad range of benefits (such as uplift in property values and labour force accessibility) which can be generated by new or upgraded transport infrastructure.
### Acronyms

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<td>ACT</td>
<td>Australian Capital Territory</td>
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<td>ADRs</td>
<td>Australian Design Rules</td>
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<td>AMSA</td>
<td>Australian Maritime Safety Authority</td>
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<td>ANCAP</td>
<td>Australian New Car Assessment Program</td>
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<td>AO</td>
<td>Officer of the Order of Australia</td>
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<td>APS</td>
<td>Australian Public Service</td>
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<td>ARTC</td>
<td>Australian Rail Track Corporation</td>
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<td>ASIC</td>
<td>Aviation Security Identification Card</td>
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<td>BCR</td>
<td>Benefit Cost Ratio</td>
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<td>BITRE</td>
<td>Bureau of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Economics</td>
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<td>BTKM</td>
<td>Billion-Tonne-Kilometres</td>
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<td>CASA</td>
<td>Civil Aviation Safety Authority</td>
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<td>( \text{CO}_2 )</td>
<td>Carbon dioxide</td>
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<td>CPR</td>
<td>Commonwealth Procurement Rules</td>
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<td>CPSU</td>
<td>Community and Public Sector Union</td>
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<td>EACE</td>
<td>Enhanced Air Cargo Examination</td>
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<td>EIS</td>
<td>Environmental Impact Statement</td>
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<td>EL</td>
<td>Executive Level</td>
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<td>FOI</td>
<td>Freedom of Information</td>
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<td>FOWSA</td>
<td>Forum on Western Sydney Airport</td>
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<td>FTE</td>
<td>Full Time Equivalent</td>
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<td>GA</td>
<td>General Aviation</td>
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<td>GST</td>
<td>Goods and Services Tax</td>
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<td>ICAO</td>
<td>International Civil Aviation Organization</td>
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<td>IMO</td>
<td>International Maritime Organization</td>
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<td>IOPC Funds</td>
<td>International Oil Pollution Compensations Funds</td>
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<td>IT</td>
<td>Information Technology</td>
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<td>ITF</td>
<td>International Transport Forum</td>
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<td>KAVHA</td>
<td>Kingston and Arthur’s Vale Heritage Area</td>
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<td>LPOC</td>
<td>Last Port of Call</td>
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<td>MSIC</td>
<td>Maritime Security Identification Card</td>
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<td>NAIDOC</td>
<td>National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee</td>
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<td>NCA</td>
<td>National Capital Authority</td>
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<td>National Compliance Plan</td>
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<td>NMSR</td>
<td>National Maritime Safety Regulator</td>
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<td>OECD</td>
<td>Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development</td>
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<td>PGPA Act</td>
<td><em>Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013</em></td>
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<td>Acronym</td>
<td>Full Form</td>
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<td>PGPA Rule</td>
<td>Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Rule 2014</td>
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<td>QUAD</td>
<td>Bilateral partnership between Australia, Canada, the European Commission and the United States</td>
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<td>RASS</td>
<td>Remote Air Services Subsidy</td>
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<td>RAV</td>
<td>Register of Approved Vehicles</td>
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<td>RAWS</td>
<td>Registered Automotive Workshop Scheme</td>
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<td>RDA</td>
<td>Regional Development Australia</td>
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<td>SES</td>
<td>Senior Executive Service</td>
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<td>Small and Medium Enterprises</td>
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<td>SOLAS</td>
<td>Safety of Life at Sea</td>
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<td>TSA</td>
<td>Transport Security Administration</td>
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<td>UN</td>
<td>United Nations</td>
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<td>United States</td>
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<td>WSA Co.</td>
<td>Western Sydney Airport Company</td>
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