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KEY TERMS AND INDEX



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Glossary

Accountable authority	Under the <i>Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013</i> , the person responsible for, and with control over, the Department's operations. The accountable authority of the Department is the Secretary.
Administered items/activities/programs	Revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities that the Australian Government controls, which an agency or authority manages on the Government's behalf.
Air services arrangements	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.
Benefit cost ratios	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.
B-Double	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.
Black Spot	Those road locations where crashes are occurring. Black Spot projects at dangerous road locations reduce the risk of crashes.
Compliance activity	An activity designed to achieve assurance, such as audits, inspections and systems tests.
Corporate governance	The process by which agencies are directed and controlled. It is generally understood to encompass authority, accountability, stewardship leadership, direction and control.
Division	An organisational unit within the Department, which is managed by an executive director and reports to the Secretary.
Ecological sustainable development	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.
Enterprise agreement	An agreement made at enterprise level between employers and employees about the terms and conditions of employment.

Federal Executive Council	The formal, constitutional and legal body responsible for advising the Governor-General (as distinct from Cabinet).
Federally leased airport	The leased federal airports in each state and territory that were granted on long-term leases to private entities between 1997 and 2003.
Freight	Goods transported by truck, train, ship or aircraft.
General Government Sector	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.
Grant	Commonwealth financial assistance as defined under the Commonwealth Grants Rules and Guidelines.
Greenhouse gas emissions	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 .
Heavy vehicle road reform	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.
Inspector of Transport Security	An appointee who conducts inquiries into transport security incidents at the discretion of the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport.
Last port of call	An International airport that hosts direct flights to Australia.
Noxious emissions	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.
Polar Code	International Code for Ships Operating in Polar Waters.
Portfolio	A minister's area of responsibility as a member of Cabinet.
Portfolio Budget Statements	A budget-related paper detailing budget initiatives and appropriations, by outcome and program, for each entity within a portfolio.
Program	An activity or group of activities that delivers benefits or services, or transfers payments to individuals, industry or the community as a whole.

Regional Development Australia committee	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

AASB	Australian Accounting Standards Board
ACT	Australian Capital Territory
ADRs	Australian Design Rules
AMSA	Australian Maritime Safety Authority
ANCAP	Australian New Car Assessment Program
AO	Officer of the Order of Australia
APS	Australian Public Service
ARTC	Australian Rail Track Corporation
ASIC	Aviation Security Identification Card
BCR	Benefit Cost Ratio
BITRE	Bureau of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Economics
BTKM	Billion-Tonne-Kilometres
CASA	Civil Aviation Safety Authority
CO ₂	Carbon dioxide
CPR	Commonwealth Procurement Rules
CPSU	Community and Public Sector Union
EACE	Enhanced Air Cargo Examination
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EL	Executive Level
FOI	Freedom of Information
FOWSA	Forum on Western Sydney Airport
FTE	Full Time Equivalent
GA	General Aviation
GST	Goods and Services Tax
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization
IMO	International Maritime Organization
IOPC Funds	International Oil Pollution Compensations Funds
IT	Information Technology
ITF	International Transport Forum
KAVHA	Kingston and Arthur's Vale Heritage Area
LPOC	Last Port of Call
MSIC	Maritime Security Identification Card
NAIDOC	National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee
NCA	National Capital Authority
NCP	National Compliance Plan
NMSR	National Maritime Safety Regulator
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
PGPA Act	<i>Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013</i>

PGPA Rule	Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Rule 2014
QUAD	Bilateral partnership between Australia, Canada, the European Commission and the United States
RASS	Remote Air Services Subsidy
RAV	Register of Approved Vehicles
RAWS	Registered Automotive Workshop Scheme
RDA	Regional Development Australia
SES	Senior Executive Service
SME	Small and Medium Enterprises
SOLAS	Safety of Life at Sea
TSA	Transport Security Administration
UN	United Nations
US	United States
WSA Co.	Western Sydney Airport Company
WSIP	Western Sydney Infrastructure Plan

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