

TRAMWAY STATISTICS

Closure of Tramway systems throughout Australia

- Adelaide: November, 1958 (except the Glenelg Line).
- Brisbane: 13 April, 1969
- Hobart: 24 October, 1960
- Perth: 1958
- Sydney: 25 February, 1961 Last Sydney Tram Cars used: R1 2035, 1995, 1961

Sydney Light Rail Line between Central and Wentworth Park commenced operations on 1 September, 1997 and later extended to Lilyfield.

What is the difference between Trams and Light Rail?

The main difference is that the workings of a Light Rail vehicle are contained in the roof so that the floor is very close to ground level. Tram cars that operated in Sydney until 1961 had the workings of the vehicle underneath the floor. Thus when boarding a Tram, the passenger had two steps to climb to enter or alight. Nowadays, with disability legislation in place, the old Tram cars would have had to be altered to comply with modern standards.

Sydney Horse, Steam, Cable and Electric Tram Depots:

- Arncliffe
- Baulkham Hills
- Botany
- Bridge Street Yard, now an office block
- Broken Hill
- Dowling Street, Housed 345 tram cars, now a shopping centre
- Enfield at Burwood Road and Tangarra Street, still in existence
- Fort Macquarie, Housed 60 tram cars, now the Sydney Opera House
- Hamilton, Newcastle
- Leichhardt, now a Bus depot
- Maitland
- Manly
- Newtown, Housed 93 tram cars, still in existence
- North Mead
- North Sydney, Ridge Street and Military Road Housed 166 tram cars
- Pitt Street, now an office block

- Randwick Workshops, now Randwick TAFE
- Rockdale
- Rozelle, Housed 221 tram cars, still in existence.
- Rushcutters Bay, Housed 64 tram cars, now a Hotel
- Sandringham
- Sans Souci, Richie Street
- Sutherland
- Tempe, Housed 116 tram cars, now a Bus Museum
- Ultimo, Housed 122 tram cars, now the Power House Museum
- Waverley, Housed 217 tram cars, now a Bus Depot
- Wallsend, Newcastle

Sydney Tram Line closures:

- Abbotsford-22 November 1958
- Addison Road-25 May 1957
- Alexandria-2 May 1959
- Ascot Racecourse-April 1949
- Balmain-22 November 1958
- Birchgrove-22 November 1958
- Botany-22 October 1960
- Botany to Yarra Junction-15 March 1935
- Bondi Beach via Bellevue Hill-27 June 1959
- Bronte-27 February 1960
- Coogee Beach-22 October 1960
- Cooks River-28 September 1957
- Cooks River to Dulwich Hill-28 September 1957
- Clovelly-22 June 1957
- Daceyville-22 June 1957
- Darling Street to Canterbury-20 November 1954
- Dulwich Hill-28 September 1957
- Earlwood-28 September 1957
- Enfield-21 August 1948
- Erskineville-6 January 1940
- George Street, City-22 November 1958
- Glebe Point-22 November 1958

- Haberfield-22 November 1958
- Henderson Road-30 July 1933
- Hurlstone Park to Summer Hill-8 July 1933
- King Street, City-1950
- La Parouse-25 February 1961
- Leichhardt-22 November 1958
- Lilyfield-22 November 1958
- Manly-12 October 1939
- Maroubra Beach-25 February 1961
- Millers Point-22 November 1958
- Newcastle System-10 June 1950
- North Bondi-27 February 1960
- North Sydney-28 June, 1958
- Pitt & Castlereagh Streets, City-28 September 1957
- Pyrmont-28 June 1953
- Randwick Racecourse sidings-1 February 1960
- Rosebery-22 June 1957
- Rockdale to Brighton-3 September 1949
- Ryde-18 December 1949
- Ryde to West Ryde Station-11 March 1934
- Showground and Cricket Ground sidings-27 February 1960
- Watsons Bay-9 July 1960
- Waverley-13 November 1954
- West Kensington-11 December 1959
- Woolloomooloo-25 July 1935

What was the 'tram ferry'?

This was a special punt operating from both sides of The Spit, across Middle Harbour, which carried trams from the isolated Manly system to the North Sydney system. The punt was hauled across by cable and ceased operations in October, 1939.

What was the size of the Sydney Tramway System?

The system had a total route distance of 368 km. The track distance was 679km with up to 1570 cars, handling 429 million passengers per year.

What is the current extent of the Melbourne Tramway Network?

Melbourne has 236Km of track with up to 600 cars.

When did the Sydney Tramway System finally close?

On 25 February 1961 the last tram ran from the Hunter Street terminus in Elizabeth Street, Sydney to La Perouse and return to Randwick Workshops.

When did the last tram run in Newcastle?

On 11 June 1950 the last tram ran on the Waratah line.

Did any isolated tram lines exist in Sydney?

Yes.

- Rockdale to Brighton-Le-Sands
- Arncliffe to Bexley
- Sutherland to Cronulla
- Ashfield to Mortlake and Cabarita
- Parramatta to Castle Hill
- The Spit (north side) to Manly, Harbord and Narrabeen.

Were any tramways replaced by railways?

- Yes. Sutherland to Cronulla
- Parramatta to Castle Hill and Rogans Hill
- Where were the longest tram routes in NSW?
- Newcastle to West Wallsend-24.9km
- Fort Macquarie (now the Opera House) to Ryde-17.3km

Did any tram line connect to the Railways?

Yes.

From Ryde to West Ryde until 11 March 1934

