

EVERYTHING AUSTRALIA MOVES RUNS ON LIQUID FUEL

21 MILLION VEHICLES. 99% NEED PETROL, DIESEL, OR JET FUEL.

Australia has more than **21 million registered motor vehicles, 18,000+ civilian aircraft, 350 military aircraft, and 31,000 commercial vessels** — and almost every one of them runs on a fossil liquid fuel. Battery-electric is less than 1.5% of the road fleet. For aircraft and ships, it's essentially zero. This is the country today.

CARS + SUVs	PASSENGER VEHICLES PETROL 12.5 million petrol cars. Most of the daily commute, the school run, the weekly shop. EVs are 8% of <i>new sales</i> — less than 2% of the actual fleet on the road.	15.5M LIGHT VEHICLES
TRUCKS HEAVY ROAD	HEAVY ROAD FREIGHT DIESEL 600,000 trucks moving 90% of all domestic freight tonne-kilometres. Truck Industry Council: 98% will still need diesel in 2030.	600K HEAVY TRUCKS
FARM MACHINERY	AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY DIESEL Tractors, harvesters, headers, balers, sprayers, irrigation pumps. 84% of all on-farm energy is diesel. 2.5 billion litres/year.	340K+ TRACTORS + PLANT
MINE HAUL + PLANT	MINING HAUL + PLANT DIESEL Haul trucks (some 290 tonnes), excavators, drill rigs, dozers, graders. 9.6 billion litres/year. Fortescue alone: 700 million litres.	700+ AUTONOMOUS HAUL
RAIL LOCOMOTIVES	DIESEL LOCOMOTIVES DIESEL Hauling coal, grain, iron ore, intermodal freight. Australia's interstate freight rail network is almost entirely diesel-powered outside the suburban grids.	~600 MAINLINE LOCOS
AIR ALL AIRCRAFT	CIVILIAN + MILITARY AIRCRAFT JET A1 / AVGAS 15,000 civilian VH-registered aircraft, 3,500 sport aviation, 350 military. Aviation burns ~27.6 million litres of jet fuel per day. Zero electric airliners exist.	~18,800 ALL AIRCRAFT
SEA VESSELS + SHIPS	DOMESTIC VESSELS + SHIPPING MARINE DIESEL + BUNKER 31,000 domestic commercial vessels (fishing, ferries, tugs, workboats) + 128 international + AU-flagged cargo ships calling at our ports. Diesel and heavy fuel oil.	31K+ COMMERCIAL VESSELS

**TOTAL LIQUID FUEL AUSTRALIA
BURNS EVERY SINGLE DAY:
PETROL 43M + DIESEL 90M + JET
27.6M**

160,800,000 L
EVERY. SINGLE. DAY.

ANYONE WHO SAYS "WE DON'T NEED OIL AND GAS"...

IS ASKING YOU TO STOP THE COUNTRY.

Not "in 2050." Right now. Every truck, tractor, aircraft, ship, locomotive, and mine in this country needs fossil liquid fuel to start **tomorrow morning**. **Drilling our own oil and gas is the only thing between us and importing 100% from countries that don't always like us.**

Sources: ABS Motor Vehicle Census 2021 · BITRE Road Vehicles Australia (Jan 2025) · BITRE Australian Aircraft Activity 2024 · CASA Aircraft Register · AMSA Domestic Commercial Vessel Fleet Profile · BITRE Australian Sea Freight · Truck Industry Council submission to Commonwealth LCLF inquiry (Jul 2024) · ATSE Decarbonising Diesel Industries (2024) · Australian Energy Update 2024 · Switzer Fuel Reserve Dashboard April 2026 · ELGAS Australian Petroleum Statistics 2025

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