

Public transport

In towns and cities many people caught public transport, such as:

- ★ ferries
- ★ trams
- ★ trains
- ★ buses.

Public transport, such as buses and trams, can move a lot of people at once.



Ferries

Grandparent Lorraine
Grandparent Lorraine grew up
in the city.



When I was young, catching the ferry to Manly was great fun. We would spend the day at the beach and have fish and chips for tea.

In cities, such as Sydney, Brisbane and Perth, people caught ferries. Some children travelled to school by ferry.

This poster encouraged people to travel by steamer, or steam-powered ferry.



Trams

Trams share the road with cars but have their own track and overhead wires. Once, all Australian cities and some towns had trams. People bought tickets from the tram **conductor**.



Some children caught trams to school.

Grandparent Lorraine



When I was young I sometimes caught the tram to the beach with my cousins and friends.

Trams took people all over the city and into the suburbs. When the tram was crowded, the conductor and passengers hung onto the side.

Passengers rode on the outside if the tram was crowded.



Trains

Grandparent Trevor



*When I was young I went by train to Sydney. A **cinder** flew in my eye, which reminded me that there was a steam engine up front.*

Trains carried people, mail and goods across Australia. Trains were once powered by steam made from burning **coal**.



This train carriage was built to carry very important people.

Buses

Grandparent King



*When I was young we would go on **Sunday school** picnics in a bus. My friends and I sang happy songs all the way.*

Children rushed to sit at the front on the top deck of a **double-decker bus**. The view was good and they really felt the bus sway.



A toy double-decker bus