

CLOCSA

Monthly Newsletter #40

A good practice approach to
protect all Australian road users



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Welcome to the CLOCS-A Newsletter!

CLOCS-A is centred around all road users sharing the responsibility for road safety in relation to construction logistics creating a win-win scenario for industry, government, truck drivers, major projects and the community

CLOCS-A Development Update

March has been a busy and milestone month for CLOCS-A. A recent visit to NZ to meet with various Government and Industry representatives presenting CLOCS-A and seeking interest from New Zealand to adopt the CLOCS approach to community and vulnerable road user safety. Further meetings and discussions will continue over the coming months.

We can announce that we have our first CLOCS-A Bronze accredited transport site in Campbellfield Victoria. BildGroup are our first registered accredited transport site. Congratulations goes to BildGroup for this significant undertaking.

We have it reported to us that both Victorian Government and NSW Government will now be looking for CLOCS-A accredited organisations for their Transport related tenders in their Rail projects.

We encourage any organisation that may be tendering in these projects to begin the accreditation process. Registering without progress will not be seen as actively seeking accreditation.

CLOCS-A Development Update

CLOCS-A are conducting their first Safety Forum in Victoria on the 28th May 2025, at The Views in Port Melbourne. This will be one of many as we travel between our States.

We are also planning a regular webinar program in conjunction with NRSP on safety on the roads. NRSP have put out a number of Toolbox talks, and Jerome Carstake has agreed to run a few webinars on these topics.

There are a number of changes occurring within the ADR space and our technical teams are coming together to discuss what this may mean by way of updates to the CLOCS-A Standard.

Manufacturers continue to develop with safety features on their vehicles and Volvo recently targeted at protecting vulnerable road users. Released in October 2024, Volvo's new safety system "Active Side Collision Avoidance Support, where the key word is active. This is an evolution of an existing safety system, with the active brake function being added. Using radar sensors to detect approaching cyclists, the system can warn the driver and if necessary, it can now also actively brake the truck to avoid a collision with cyclists when turning the truck towards the passenger side.

It is hoped that we may have a demonstration of this at the Victorian Safety forum in May.





BildGroup has been awarded CLOCS-A Bronze Accreditation

We are thrilled to announce that [BildGroup](#) has become the first company to achieve CLOCS-A Bronze Accreditation!

This milestone is a significant achievement for both BildGroup and CLOCS-A, reinforcing our shared commitment to safer, more efficient, and sustainable construction logistics.

BildGroup's Bronze accreditation demonstrates its dedication to industry-leading safety practices, reducing risks for vulnerable road users, and improving operational efficiency. By meeting the rigorous CLOCS-A standards, they set a strong example for others in the construction and logistics sectors.

On March 28, we had the honour of presenting Simone Reinertsen, Chain of Responsibility Lead for BildGroup along with her team at the Campbellfield site with the CLOCS-A Bronze certificate, decals and banner: officially

recognising and identifying BildGroup as a CLOCS-A-compliant company. Their proactive approach exemplifies the tangible advantages of prioritising safety and compliance, fostering a culture of responsibility, and driving operational excellence.

BildGroup took the opportunity to evaluate their transport operations and assess their practices to ensure alignment with the CLOCS-A Standard.

They were among the first of 11 companies to apply to be accredited with CLOCS-A accreditation. Additionally, their truck drivers all successfully completed the free Vulnerable Road Users training course, which is available to all applicants online. Although a requirement for applicants with transport submissions, it reinforces crucial elements and conditions to consider during transport journeys including safety measures to prevent injury and potentially fatal incidents within our VRU community.

News

This achievement marks the beginning of a conscious safety culture. As more companies pursue CLOCS-A Accreditation, we move toward a future where safety, efficiency, and sustainability define construction logistics.

We encourage industry leaders, contractors, and logistics providers to follow BildGroup's example

and embrace safer, leaner, and greener construction vehicle journeys.

If your organisation is ready to take the next step in achieving CLOCS-A Accreditation, contact us to learn more about the process and its benefits. Together, let's drive meaningful change and build a safer, more sustainable industry!



- **CLOCS-A Attended the New Zealand Truck Conference**

CLOCS-A representatives Kim Hassall and Karyn Welsh attended the 2025 NZTA Truck Show in Christchurch on March 8th, 2025. Whilst in NZ they had the chance to present to various industry organisations and government department heads on the significant benefits of implementing the CLOCS-A Standard.

During the presentations, Kim and Karyn emphasised that the CLOCS-A Standard is designed to enhance safety and efficiency within the construction logistics sector. Attendees were informed about the collaborative initiatives between CLOCS-A and authorities to facilitate smooth adoption and ensure compliance.

The various sessions wrapped up with a Q&A, where participants shared ideas and explored possible collaborations to further improve road safety and operational standards in New Zealand's construction industry.



- **CLOCS Safety Forum #29 - Tyres as a causal factor in incidents**

As we strive to ensure the vehicles servicing the construction industry are equipped to do as safely as possible, there are a number of standards and checks in place to monitor the roadworthiness of a vehicle, but do tyres get the time and attention they deserve?

In our latest CLOCS Safety Forum, CLOCS Strategic Partner [TyreSafe](#) set out how it is making its Case for Action with road safety practitioners to understand the scale of the problem around illegal and unroadworthy tyres on UK roads and presented its latest research and data around the perilous state of tyres on British roads and how it is now developing effective partnerships to tackle this growing road safety issue.

Learn more and download presentation [here](#).



- **Austrroads releases significant update to Guide to Temporary Traffic Management**

Austrroads has released an updated edition of the [Guide to Temporary Traffic Management Part 8: Temporary Traffic Management Categories and the National Training Framework](#), delivering a nationally harmonised approach to training and accreditation for temporary traffic management professionals across Australia and New Zealand.

Learn more [here](#).



- **New rules for converting overseas car and motorcycle licences to Australian licences starting 30 April 2025**

Austrroads is introducing revised arrangements for transitioning overseas-issued car and motorcycle licences to Australian licences. These updated arrangements will streamline the conversion process for licences from certain countries, in some cases eliminating the need for additional testing.

Read more [here](#).



- **Taking a deep dive into our Federal Election Ask #1: Comprehensive regional city networks**

Source iMove - [ITS Monday: Edition 8, 2025](#)

Yes, there's a Federal election fast approaching, and here Better Streets Australia advocate for what it would like to see addressed in terms of funding for walking and cycling in towns and cities across Australia.

Read more [here](#).





- **National Roadworthiness Survey 2024**

The National Heavy Vehicle Regulator's national 2024 roadworthiness survey was recently released. This was the 3rd survey that examined the maintenance conformance and health of the Australian heavy vehicle fleet.

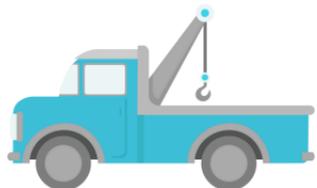
Some 9,082 on road vehicles were inspected, this being a total of 14,362 individual working units that included truck and trailers, buses and Special Purpose Vehicles.

The results were statistically equivalent to the 2021 survey results but still very much improved on the original 2016 truck mechanical non-conformance findings. This initial 2016 survey found a level of minor to major non-conformances being 48% which has now dropped to 33% averaged across both metro and regional operations.

The five classes of maintenance non-conformance in order of frequency were: brakes, lights and reflectors, bodies and structures, engine drive line and exhaust, and steering and suspension systems.

Major non compliances requiring vehicle grounding has approximately averaged between 1% and 2% of inspected vehicles over the 2016 - 2024 period. This aligns with the 2017 NTARC report that estimated that 1.7% of major heavy vehicle crashes, non-tyre related, were related to excessively poor maintenance. Both these findings suggest that there is no appalling state of heavy vehicle disrepair as was the initial perception following the terrible 2013 Mona Vale fuel tanker incident. All three surveys have shown this perception to be false.

The latest report can be found [here](#).



Events



Join Us for the CLOCS-A Safety Forum: Best Practice in Innovation and Safety

We are excited to host the CLOCS-A Safety Forum, a premier event dedicated to educating and informing the CLOCS-A community on key issues in the construction logistics industry. Our goal is to ensure the journey to and from Construction sites across Australia protects those Vulnerable Road Users from harm along the way whilst supporting organisations delivering safer leaner and greener construction vehicle routes.

By collaborating with experts, sharing best practices, and tackling common challenges, we can raise industry standards and drive meaningful change.

Date: Wednesday, May 28, 2025

Time: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Venue: The Views – 200 The Blvd, Port Melbourne, VIC, 3207

What to Expect

- Expert Insights – Structured presentations and open discussions on road safety best practices
- Key Speakers – Hear from industry leaders, including Simone Reinertsen – Bild Group, Daniel Kelly – Select Plant Group and Jared Winton.
- Collaboration & Networking – Engage with peers, exchange ideas, and discuss solutions to improve safety standards

Whether you are a construction developer, transport operator, or safety manager, this forum offers an invaluable opportunity to gain knowledge, share insights, and contribute to the advancement of road safety.

Register now to secure your spot and be part of this essential conversation.

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Events

- **Trucking Australia 2025**

Date: April 28 – 30, 2025

Venue: Adelaide Convention Centre West Entrance, North Terrace, Adelaide, SA 5000

The ATA is proud to open registrations for Trucking Australia 2025, the nation's premier trucking industry event attended by more than 400 delegates.

Register [here](#).



- **2025 Brisbane Truck Show**

Date: May 15 – 18, 2025

Time: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Venue: Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre

Tickets have gone on sale for the 2025 Heavy Equipment and Machinery Show to be held alongside this year's Brisbane Truck Show from May 15-17 at the nearby Brisbane Showgrounds.

Register [here](#).



- **2025 Australasian Fleet Education & Leadership Summit**

Date: May 20 – 21, 2025

Time: 7:30 am – 5:00 pm

Venue: Rosehill Gardens Racecourse, Grand Pavilion Building, Grand Avenue Gate 1 parking in P1

The 2025 Australasian Fleet Education & Leadership Summit is the premier Fleet Management event in Australasia. It brings together fleet industry professionals and decision makers from private and government organisations across all industries in an open and professional environment.

Register [here](#).



Case Studies

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1. Left Turn Audible Alarm

- Stakeholder: Transurban
- Focus: Preventing Left-Turn Incidents and Protecting Vulnerable Road Users in the West Gate Tunnel Project with Left Turn Audible Alarms
- Status: Undergoing industry partner review

2. Left Turn Audible Alarm

- Stakeholder: MTIA
- Focus: Left-Turn Audible Alarms: Keeping Vulnerable Road Users Safe in Australia's Largest Transport
- Status: Finalised. View [here](#).

3. Side Underrun Protection

- Stakeholder: Eather Group
- Focus: A Proactive Approach to Protecting Vulnerable Road Users: The Eather Group's Implementation of Side Underrun Protection Systems.
- Status: Finalised. View [here](#).

4. Fleet Management Systems (Telematics)

- Stakeholder: John Holland/CPB Contractors
- Focus: Efficient Fleet Management: How Telematics Management Systems Transformed the Rozelle Interchange Project.
- Status: Pending industry partner approval.

5. Conspicuity Markings

- Stakeholder: Transurban.
- Focus: Improving Vehicle Visibility for Safer Roads.
- Status: Finalised. View [here](#).

6. Constructing the Central Station Feature Roof

- Stakeholder: Laing O'Rourke
- Focus: Design for Manufacture and Assembly – Central Station Roof
- Status: Finalised. View [here](#).

7. Be Truck Aware

- Stakeholder: Transport for NSW (TfNSW)
- Focus: TfNSW's Educational Campaign: Teaching the Community to 'Be Truck Aware' During Major Construction Projects.
- Status: Awaiting evaluation results.

8. Truck Ride Along

- Stakeholder: Holcim CLOCS-A, Holcim and NRSPP.
- Focus: Bridging the Gap between Heavy Vehicle Drivers and the Community.
- Status: Finalised. View [here](#).

9. Contract Clauses

- Stakeholder: Sydney Metro
- Focus: Sydney Metro's Case Study Contract Clause Improving Contractor Safety Practices
- Status: Being developed

Victorian Construction Trucks and Community Safety Case Studies

10. Human Impact Risk Assessment (HIRA) TOOL

- Stakeholder: Victorian Department of Transport and Planning.
- Focus: Application of tool which can be used to assist route selection and avoid sensitive land use areas/ local roads.
- Status: Finalised. View [here](#).

11. Temporary Traffic Management

- Stakeholder: Victorian Department of Transport and Planning.
- Focus: Safety management of traffic (trucks and vulnerable road users) on a major transport supply conduit for a major infrastructure project.
- Status: Finalised. View [here](#).

12. Swapping Seats

- Stakeholder: Victorian Department of Transport and Planning.
- Focus: Focused community engagement where trucks feature at public events/spaces to sit in a truck and understand what a driver can and cannot see.
- Status: Finalised. View [here](#).



Join CLOCS-A

Becoming a CLOCS-A member is more than just a commitment—it's a step towards safer, more efficient, and more responsible construction logistics and transport operations.

Register today and contribute to enhancing safety and efficiency in construction logistics practices! 🧑‍🔧

Accreditation

Auditor

Supply Page Partner

Membership



Construction Sector – Employee compensation 2019–2024

By Dr Kim Hassall

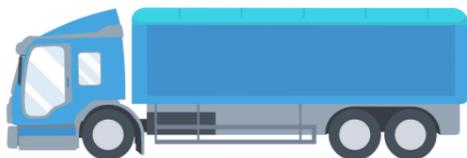
Like most industries employers are always interested in how employee wages are increasing in comparison to various benchmarks. Such a benchmark often used is the national wage case.

Table 1 reflects the massive increase in per annum construction labour costs when compared to the National wage case. Construction employee compensation has risen by nearly 43% since 2019 whereas the national wage case has grown by less than half of this level at 20.4%. However, this is a bit of an apples and oranges comparison. The difference between an industry wide total employee compensation level on a per annum basis versus a per head wage increase across all industries. The total construction employee compensation increases as the major construction industry projects have grown significantly. Therefore, the number of employees has also grown significantly since 2019 especially in line with Australia's big build projects. The comparison is for interest only.

Table 1: Construction Employee compensation

12m to	Compensation Billion \$	Change % p.a	Compound growth	National Wage case % p.a	National Wage case % p.a
Dec-19	75.5	na	na	na	na
Dec-20	76.3	1.1%	1.1%	1.75%	1.8%
Dec-21	81.0	6.1%	7.3%	2.50%	4.3%
Dec-22	91.8	13.4%	21.6%	5.20%	9.7%
Dec-23	102.0	11.1%	35.2%	5.75%	16%
Dec-24	107.9	5.7%	42.9%	3.75%	20.4%
Total Change			42.9%		20.4%

Source: ABS various sources



Our Supply Page Partners



Want to be a Supply Partner with CLOCS-A?

If you are a Supplier focused on Vehicle Safety Technology and Equipment, a Training Provider focused on Safety or a Logistics Supplier of Safety Equipment we want to talk to you!

There is a huge amount of support out there in the industry for the CLOCS-A roll-out and imagine the exposure you will get from those major Federal, State and Local government projects that will be focused on our accreditation. Could you afford not to be part of this roll-out?



Benefits

There are several benefits to being a supplier advertising on our website:

- Gain access to a large audience of potential customers who are actively seeking products or services like yours.
- Our website is designed to be user-friendly and easy to navigate, which means that your products will be prominently featured and easy to find. This can help to increase your visibility and sales.
- As a supplier on our website, you will have access to a range of tools and resources that can help you optimise your advertising campaigns and maximise your results.
- Overall, advertising on our website can be a highly effective way to reach new customers and grow your business.

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Supporting Partners



We invite all organisations to sign onto the CLOCS-A [Memorandum of Understanding \(MoU\)](#). For more information please contact Karyn.Welsh@cilta.com.au CEO of [the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport Australia \(CILTA\)](#), and host organisation for CLOCS-A.

