Melbourne Future-proofing livability

City data report 2021





OVERVIEW

Consistently ranked as one of the most livable cities in the world, Melbourne has engineered solid plans to build on its core strengths.

DIGITALIZATION READINESS

6/10

Smart infrastructure is already paving the way to net zero by reducing Melbourne's energy use and emissions.

DIGITALIZATION POTENTIAL

3/10

Embracing Industry 4.0 will help Melbourne's thriving economy to achieve an even more impressive contribution to national GDP.







SUSTAINABILITY

Climate investment

Melbourne's Central Business District relies heavily on commuters and visitors, yet the global pandemic reduced pedestrian numbers to a low of just 10% of normal levels. The city's new **Economic Development Strategy** seeks to address the impacts of the pandemic, but in a way that contributes to its 2050 **Climate Change Mitigation Strategy**.

The **Economic Development** Strategy focuses on eight core pillars that will unlock Melbourne's 'climate capital' and establish it as a leading market for sustainability innovation. This includes promoting public-private partnerships to develop climate solutions, and supporting small businesses and start-ups that demonstrate positive social and environmental impacts.



CO₂ emissions per sector in the municipality of Melbourne, 2017



Source: City of Melbourne

MOBILITY

Boosting metro capacity

The population of Greater Melbourne is expected to double over the next 30 years, and the city has responded with a 10-year **Transport Strategy** that will move an additional 500,000 people around the city by 2036.

Playing a significant role are Melbourne's new Metro Tunnel and Metro Line. As well as alleviating some of the city's escalating traffic challenges, the 9-kilometer twin-rail tunnels and five new underground stations will help to attract the visitors needed to rebuild Melbourne's \$5.7 billion retail and hospitality sector. Siemens has been supporting the metro project with a range of solutions, including tunnel ventilation and control building management, power and distribution transformers, switchgear, protection systems, traction power components, and substation automation.



Layout of Metro Line 1



Source: Metro Tunnel

OPPORTUNITY

Capitalizing on data

Melbourne's Economic Development Strategy champions a more digitallyconnected city, with the creation of a City Intelligence Hub that builds on Melbourne's pioneering open data platform. Plans include the creation of **digital** twins of key systems, supported by skills development and educational programs. The Victorian Government is also investing in a **digital twin of Victoria** to help improve the way it approaches future urban planning projects.



Sectors with the highest employment, 2019



Source: City of Melbourne Draft Economic Development Strategy





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