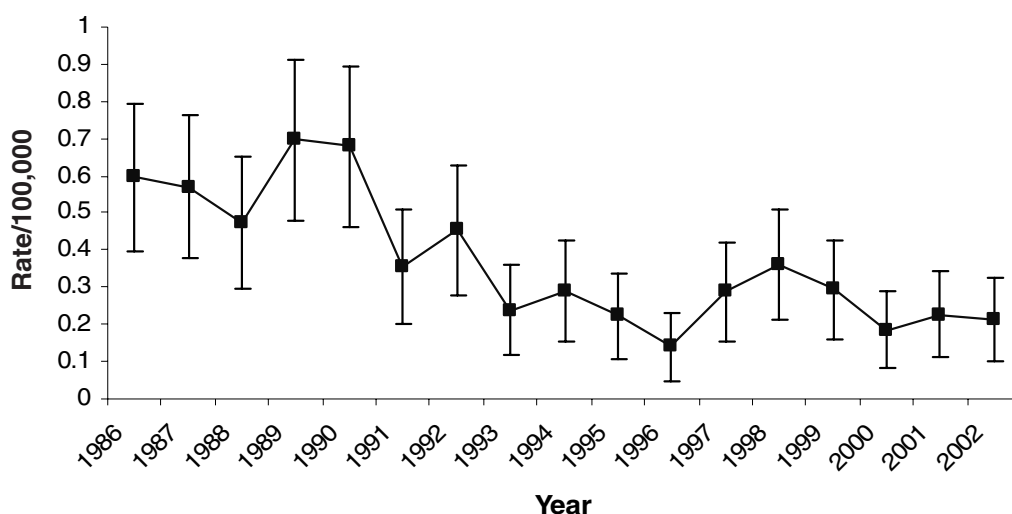


# TRENDS IN DEATHS

## ASSOCIATED WITH RAIL TRANSPORT IN NEW SOUTH WALES

- Rail transport was the eleventh leading cause of injury death in NSW from 1998 to 2002.
- Between 1998 and 2002, 83 people died as a result of rail transport in NSW.
- There was a statistically significant decline in rail transport death rates in NSW from 1986 to 2002.

### Yearly trend in death rates for rail transport: NSW, 1986-2002



- People aged 15-19 years and 25-29 years had the highest rates of death due to rail transport in NSW from 1998 to 2002.
- Males accounted for 84% of all rail transport deaths in NSW from 1998 to 2002.
- From 1998 to 2002, *pedestrians (71%)* and rail transport *occupants (26%)* were the most common categories of rail transport death in NSW. Pedestrians include those persons not riding on or in the train at the time of the railway transport incident.



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