



RELEASE OF THE VANDALISM LITERATURE REVIEW

The CRC for Rail Innovation has recently released its vandalism report, 'A review of the literature on social, non-technical deterrents for vandalism in the rail industry'. The report presents the findings from a comprehensive review of national and international studies on vandalism reduction. The purpose of this literature review was to identify best practices for input into short and long term strategies for reducing the scope and scale of vandalism and graffiti on rail property in Australia.

The report shows that many of the previously employed methods aimed at reducing vandalism have not been successful. It is not clear whether this is due to poor implementation or poor follow-up and analysis. While many methods mentioned in Australian literature have not been effective, this review discussed how these methods could be employed in a strategic and integrated way to produce the desired results. The report also notes that there are a number of successful strategies that have been undertaken in other countries that serve as exemplars of best practices, some of which are missing in the Australian context. The CRC will work with the passenger transport rail operators to review options to take this important issue forward.

A copy of the report is available [here](#).

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RISSB SECURITY HANDBOOK PUBLISHED

The RISSB has recently published a Security Handbook providing non-prescriptive guidance on the management of security risks in a rail environment (both urban and non-urban contexts are covered). The Handbook, published in two volumes, provides explanations of processes and activities that can be used to identify and mitigate security risks faced by railway operators. The Handbook is available for download in low and high resolution versions from the www.rissb.com.au in the RISSB products matrix under Safety Guidelines – Published.

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