Road Controlling Authorities Forum

Friday 28 July 2017

James Cook Hotel Conference Centre Wellington

9.00 am – 9.30 am

Presented by:

- Ken Shirley, CEO, Road Transport Forum



RTF

A peak industry body representing three member Associations:

- Road Transport Associations NZ
- National Road Carriers (formerly Auckland Owner Drivers Association)
- N.Z. Trucking (formerly Canterbury Owner Drivers Association)
- 3,000 individual road transport companies affiliated to RTF - 16,000-18,000 trucks

Functions of RTF

- Road Freight Sector Leadership
- Sector Strategy
- Policy
- Advocacy
- Sector Communications
- Technical Support



N.Z. Road Freight Transport Industry

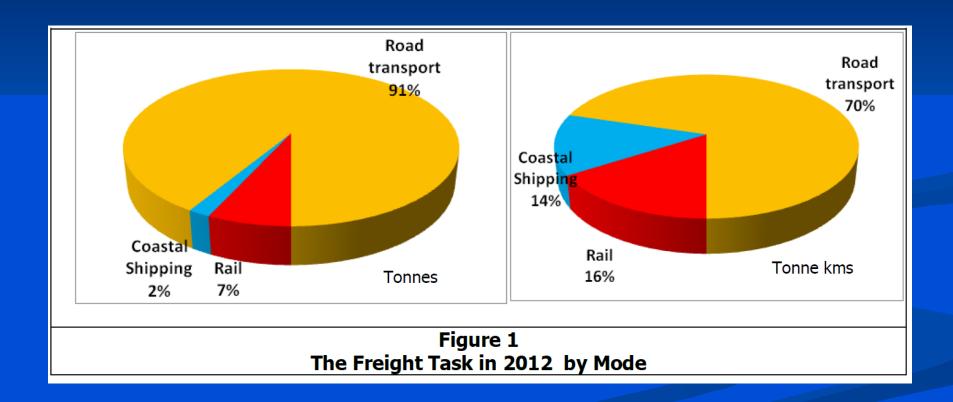
22,000 employees (3% workforce)

\$6 Billion Gross Annual Turnover

70% N.Z. Land based freight tonnes/ km (90% total tonnage)

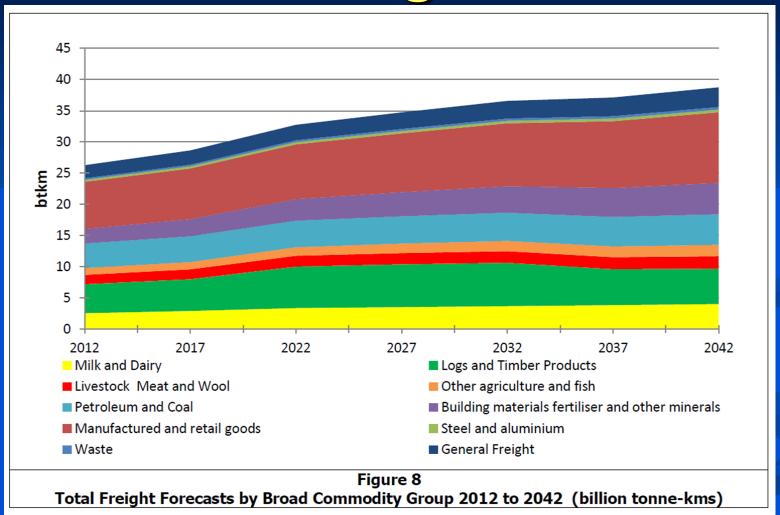


Freight Modal Share



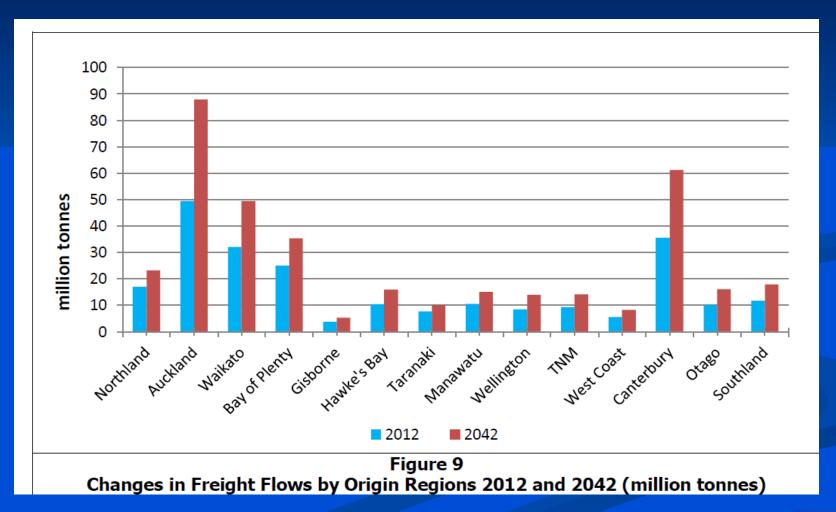


The Freight Task





Regional Freight Task





Why most freight is moved by trucks

1. Geographic flexibility:

- country wide point to point pick-up and delivery
- 93,000 km roads v 4,000 km railway

2. Time flexibility:

- responsive to "just in time" requirements of customers
- not constrained by railway timetable or shipping schedule

3. Responsive to unforeseen changes in:

volume, type, origin and destination

4. Avoidance of transhipping:

- quicker, safer, cheaper
- 5. Readily adaptable to specialist and unusual consignments



Why most freight is moved by trucks (cont'd) Trucks are the only way to reach most factories, stores, restaurants or homes.

"Only 3-7% of the road freight task is contestable by rail"

Conversely:

"Most of the freight currently travelling by rail is contestable by road – with the notable exception of coal transport over the Southern Alps."

Source: Mackie, Baas and MANZ (2006)



National Land Transport Fund (NLTF)

Revenue (2015/16)

Petrol Excise Duty (PED) (60c/litre, 30% retail price)

\$1.93 Billion

Road User Charges (RUC)

\$1.43 Billion

Motor Registration

\$220 Million

Total

\$3.58 Billion



National Land Transport Fund

- Hypothecated Fund
- User Pay
- Marginal Cost Pricing (no recovery of Sunk Capital)
- PAYGO
 - Full maintenance and Expenditure on State Highways
 - Road policing
 - 50% Subsidy for local roads
 - Public passenger transport



Productivity Gains 50 Max

>10,000 - 50 Max permits issued

Q4 31 March 2016 82 Million Km

Q3 31 Dec 2016 100 Million Km

Q4 31 March 2017 112 Million Km

36% increase in 50 Max Km over past 12 months 30,000 Km of travel saved \$60 Million benefit to economy



Some Heavy Transport Issues with RCAs

- Program to replace one-way bridges
- Access to Ports better planning
- Loading/off loading/parking facilities
- Roundabouts too many under-designed
- Alternative HPMV roads (road closures)



Some Heavy Transport Issues with RCAs (cont'd)

- HPMV permitting
 - One central point
 - improved regional collaboration to minimize multi-permitting
- General road maintenance

- Vegetation control
- Livestock effluent dump sites



Guidelines for Equitable Funding/ Pavement Maintenance for low volume roads

- RTF supports RCA's draft guidelines
- Transparent formulae to allocate costs to ratepayers of different primary industries in accordance with their level of annual traffic loading is appropriate and right in principle
- Attempts to charge vehicle types direct should be discouraged.



Future Outlook

- Road Pricing
- New Technologies
- Intelligent Transport Systems
- Autonomous and semi-autonomous vehicles

Electric trucks

