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## **THE INFLUENCE OF RAILWAY INFRASTRUCTURE ON THE LIVE IN SELECTED EUROPEAN COUNTRIES**

### **Abstract:**

The article focuses on the influences that a railway infrastructure has on the life of a given country. The role of railway transportation is viewed especially from the point of employment, quality of railway infrastructure and using a railways by passengers. It is comparing the length of the railway network to the numbers of railway employees which contains employees in the railway sector including the service related to transport operation, transport management, operability and modernization. It is also used an indicator which suitably adds the conversion of railway employees per train-kilometres (tkm), passenger-kilometres (pkm) and gross-ton-kilometres (gtkm). The research is concerned selected European countries.

### **Keywords:**

Railway infrastructure, investment, the European Union, employment, the use of a railway system

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