

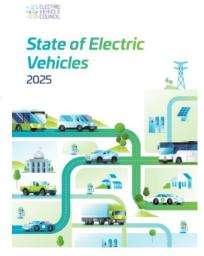
# State of Electric Trucks in Australia

Two landmark reports detail the latest trends and challenges for electric truck uptake around the country: the Electric Vehicle Council's annual State of Electric Vehicles 2025 and MOV3MENT's inaugural Electric Truck Report 2025.

### EVC: State of EVs 2025 report

### Passenger vehicles charge ahead whilst trucks trail behind

At over 100 pages, the EV Council's <u>State of EVs 2025</u> report is firmly focused on electric passenger vehicles, where sales were up by close to a quarter, or approximately 73,000 in the first six months of 2025 compared to the same period in 2024. It does however offer a brief comparison of progress towards freight electrification over a dozen pages across the report, but the reality is stark. Whilst electric passenger vehicles now account for 12.1% of all new sales, electric trucks are only at 0.3% and electric vans are 1.5% of new sales.



#### Electric trucks supported across states at different rates

EVC has for the first time provided a more detailed policy scorecard for freight vehicles that assesses Federal and state governments on EV strategy, incentives, fleet turnover strategy, and electric truck road access. Little has changed for state governments but Victoria, NSW, and the ACT appear to be most progressed (see callout box) with all other states including Queensland found to be lacking (i.e. 1 out of 10).

#### **Box A: State Government Electric Truck Policy and Programs**



**NSW Electric Vehicle Fleets Incentive** has grants up to \$10,000 per vehicle to transition to EVs (including light trucks up to 4.5t GVM). Optional funding for smart chargers was also available. The latest round closed on 30 June 2025 but watch for more rounds.

**ACT's Global Zero-Emission Commitment** is aiming for 100% zero-emission truck sales by 2040. They are the first state government in Australia to sign, joining 40 countries.

**Victoria's Freight Sector Innovation Fund** will provide \$8 million over two years to support small and medium freight operators in adopting low-emission vehicles. The Port of Melbourne is central to the planned rollout.

The EVC has posed a range of questions in its report that assess government approaches to supporting electric trucks. It also advocates for GST-exemptions for electric trucks as well as financial incentives to reduce capital costs. It notes that electric trucks and vans can be prohibitive for many smaller operators yet "complex grant applications and lengthy timeframes effectively exclude resource-constrained SMEs".

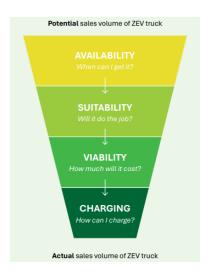
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## **MOV3MENT:** Electric Truck Report **2025**

QTLC's partner in the FFEH program, MOV3MENT, published their inaugural <u>Electric Truck Report</u> covering model availability, suitability, viability, and charging (see opposite diagram). It was developed with support from JETCharge and A2EP in response to difficulties fleets face finding information on electric trucks in a single place. The report shows:

- > Sales growth: Electric truck and van sales tripled in 2023
- ➤ Model expansion: Four-fold increase in brands in just 2 years
- Leadership: Woolworths, ANC, IKEA and Australia Post.
- ➤ Commercial challenges: New Chinese brands are bringing down the price of electric trucks, but the Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) is still above diesel in most cases without subsidies.



With fleet operators under increasing pressure to decarbonise, the report combines data, insights, and practical advice to show which segments are ready to electrify sooner or later. It also previews upcoming/planned models and offers guidance on key steps to consider when deciding on fleet and charging options.

MOV3MENT's Jordan Groenveld, lead author of the report, says their purpose was clear. "Most freight fleets have dozens of time-critical jobs to do just to keep the wheels turning. They just don't have the people or time to do endless research in such a rapidly changing market. So, we put as much useful information as we could into a short, simple resource to get them started... We think this is a unique and first-of-its-kind resource."

One of those firsts is a list of nearly 50 companies already using electric trucks, including the specific make and model. "It's important people see that smaller companies are getting into this transition, not just the biggest, best-funded giants", added Jordan. With the market changing so quickly, MOV3MENT expects to make this a periodic release to ensure the industry has a current and reliable reference source.

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