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Subject: re train fares

As a weekly commuter from the Central Coast to Sydney I find the fact that your Dept is considering a price increase to our fares appalling.

Especially when you consider the alternative is to drive, which is what I would consider doing, thus adding to fuel emissions, consumption and congestion.

It is already offensive that I have to pay to travel to Sydney on a service that at best is unreliable, but now you intend to ask me to pay more for what??

Am I to be assured that if I pay more, my train will be on time, that once in Sydney I will even get on a train, they are so packed half the time it's a waste of time then even opening the doors, if I get the 3.50 train from Hornsby I get to sit on the floor.

And then to say that the average house hold has an income of 97,000 perhaps you should catch the train sometimes and see who in fact uses this service we are your average person earning 30,000 a year trying to survive.