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“Competition in passenger rail services is set to intensify in the coming years and decades. For decades, if not centuries, most of the world's rail companies have operated as state-run monopolies. Now this is changing as markets are being liberalised to allow new entrants, in a way similar to the air transport sector where the move to deregulate began roughly 40 years ago.”  
**– Jessica Kelly, Senior Tourism Analyst**

This report looks at the following areas:

Over the past couple of decades, rail travel has taken on a renewed importance virtually worldwide. The spread of high-speed rail (HSR) has been a crucial factor in restoring rail travel to its former glory as a key component of a country's transport network. Western Europe and the two biggest Asian economies, China and Japan, have led the way in developing HSR infrastructure. Meanwhile, the Anglo-Saxon countries, as well as India and Russia, have begun to upgrade their systems but have a lot of catching up to do. Crowded airports and lengthy security procedures, as well as worsening road congestion, have contributed to the increasing attractiveness of rail travel. Indeed, travelling by train has the advantage of transporting passengers directly from city centre to city centre, which can result in shorter overall journey times as compared to air travel, as well as removing a lot of the tension and uncertainty regarding travel to and from airports plus the waiting time for check in and security clearance.

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