

Ridership on Long-Distance Passenger Rail Routes Serving the Midwest: 10-Year Growth at 19 Percent, One-Year Growth at 2 Percent!

Route	Frequency	Ten-Year Growth FY 07 to FY 17*	One-Year Growth FY 16 to FY 17	Average Annual Growth (07 to 17)*	Ridership FY 17	Ridership FY 16	Ridership FY 07
<i>Cardinal</i> [Illinois; Indiana; Ohio; Kentucky; West Virginia; Virginia; Washington, D.C.; Maryland; Delaware; Pennsylvania; New Jersey; New York]	3 per week	16%	7%	2%	112,439	104,831	96,896
<i>Empire Builder</i> [Illinois; Wisconsin; Minnesota; North Dakota; Montana; Idaho; Washington/ Oregon]	1 daily	-10%	0%	-1%	454,465	454,625	504,977
<i>Capitol Limited</i> [Illinois; Indiana; Ohio; Pennsylvania, Maryland, West Virginia, Washington, D.C.]	1 daily	19%	1%	2%	231,214	228,444	193,748
<i>California Zephyr</i> [Illinois; Iowa; Nebraska; Colorado; Utah; Nevada; California]	1 daily	26%	0%	3%	415,348	417,322	329,840
<i>Southwest Chief</i> [Illinois; Iowa; Missouri; Kansas; Colorado; New Mexico; Arizona; California]	1 daily	15%	0%	1%	363,272	364,748	316,668
<i>City of New Orleans</i> [Illinois; Kentucky; Tennessee; Mississippi; Louisiana]	1 daily	42%	3%	4%	255,435	248,960	180,473
<i>Texas Eagle</i> [Illinois; Missouri; Arkansas; Texas (3/week on to New Mexico; Arizona; California)]	1 daily	58%	13%	6%	345,679	306,321	218,321
<i>Lake Shore Limited</i> [Illinois; Indiana; Ohio; Pennsylvania; New York/Massachusetts]	1 daily	24%	0%	2%	388,722	387,853	312,643
Ridership Totals*	N/A	19%	2%	2%	2,566,574	2,513,104	2,153,566

Source: Amtrak

*Ridership totals, average annual growth and ten-year growth compiled by MIPRC

