



Amtrak Fact Sheet, Fiscal Year 2009

State of Indiana

Amtrak Service & Ridership

Amtrak operates three long-distance trains through Indiana:

- The *Capitol Limited* (daily Chicago-South Bend-Cleveland-Pittsburgh-Washington, D.C.)
- The *Cardinal* (tri-weekly Chicago-Indianapolis-Cincinnati-New York)
- The *Lake Shore Limited* (daily Chicago-South Bend-Cleveland-Buffalo-Boston/New York)

Amtrak also operates one corridor train, the *Hoosier State* (four days per week Indianapolis-Lafayette-Chicago), which operates on the days that the *Cardinal* does not. Additionally, the Chicago-Detroit *Wolverine* serves Hammond-Whiting and Michigan City with three daily round trips.

During FY09 Amtrak served the following Indiana locations:

<u>City</u>	<u>Boardings + Alightings</u>
Connersville	546
Crawfordsville	5,298
Dyer	2,324
Elkhart	13,375
Hammond-Whiting	6,012
Indianapolis	32,546
Lafayette	24,677
Michigan City	2,288
Rensselaer	1,820
South Bend	18,436
Waterloo	19,074
Total Indiana Station Usage:	126,396

Procurement/Contracts

Amtrak expended \$22,206,644 for goods and services in Indiana in FY09. Most of this money was spent in the following locations:

<u>City</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Beech Grove	\$ 1,328,087
Elkhart	\$ 5,895,796
Indianapolis	\$ 12,866,571

Employment

At the end of FY09, Amtrak employed 860 Indiana residents. Total wages of Amtrak employees living in Indiana were \$50,376,504 during FY09.

Major Facilities

Amtrak's principal heavy maintenance facility is located in Beech Grove, southeast of Indianapolis. Here, approximately 583 employees rebuild and overhaul Amtrak's Superliner, Viewliner, Surfliner, Hi-Level, Heritage, and Horizon car fleets. P32, P42, and F59 locomotives also are overhauled and rebuilt here for use across the Amtrak system.

During FY09, 12 passenger car and 11 locomotive wreck repairs were completed at Beech Grove and returned to service. Also, 92 Superliners, 27 Horizon cars, 15 Viewliner sleepers, 32 diesel locomotives, 12 Surfliners (California service cars), 8 Heritage diners, and 24 Heritage baggage cars were overhauled or remanufactured. Beech Grove also made unplanned and unbudgeted repairs to 8 locomotives and 13 passenger cars that terminals in other cities were unable to repair. Beech Grove forces also overhauled 2 Superliner lounges for commercial customers. Beech Grove supplies components to other Amtrak maintenance facilities, including couplers, overhauled air conditioners, overhauled air brake valves, and about 300 other types of components not available elsewhere.

Beech Grove plays an important role in realizing the goals as articulated in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). As part of \$850 million granted through ARRA, Amtrak is restoring 20 damaged, stored Superliner cars; one single-level, Viewliner dining car; and 15 P-40 diesel locomotives. One Lounge car was completed in August 2009. The remaining cars and locomotives will be completed before 2011 and returned to service to expand the Amtrak fleet, allowing greater ridership growth. Amtrak hired 108 employees, many from idled local auto supply manufacturers. The hiring of new employees at Beech Grove provides an opportunity to have trained mechanical personnel actively employed who will be able to smoothly transition into positions made available through attrition.

Station Improvements

The Town of Dyer signed an agreement formally "adopting" the station in that community. Town employees and volunteers maintain plantings on the station grounds and update train information boards at the passenger shelter. To support community efforts, Amtrak installed a prominent, new, street entrance sign and standard passenger information kiosk.

New display kiosks that provide train schedules; information about ticketing, safety, and security; and enhanced Amtrak brand visibility were installed at the Waterloo and Elkhart stations. Amtrak is working with community activists in Connellsville to determine appropriate placement for a kiosk there and to provide trailblazers directing potential customers to the station, which is served by the *Cardinal*.

Stimulus Funding, Fiscal 2009

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) provided Amtrak with \$1.3 billion for capital investments, including \$446 million for security and life safety improvements and \$842 million for rebuilding and modernizing infrastructure and equipment. Included in the latter category is a Mobility First program, designed as an immediate-action program to reduce as many accessibility barriers as possible prior to Amtrak's deadline of July 26, 2010, to bring stations into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Mobility First investments can include wheelchair lifts, connecting walkways, and designated parking spaces. Investments planned for Indiana include:

Beech Grove	Maintenance facility supply machines	\$ 99,000
Beech Grove	Maintenance facility upgrades	\$ 400,000
Beech Grove	wireless access, field operations	\$ 130,000
Connersville	Information kiosk	\$ 11,000
Connersville	Mobility First	\$ 43,700
Crawfordsville	Information kiosk	\$ 11,000
Dyer	Mobility First	\$ 34,100
Lafayette	Information kiosk	\$ 11,000
Lafayette	Mobility First	\$ 30,000
Michigan City	Mobility First	\$ 31,000
Rensselaer	Information kiosk	\$ 11,000
Rensselaer	Mobility First	\$ 9,000
Rensselaer	new 550-foot platform	\$ 500,000
South Bend	Mobility First	\$ 3,000
South Bend	platform tactile edge	\$ 100,000
Total Indiana ARRA funds:		\$ 1,423,800