

Amtrak Fact Sheet, Fiscal Year 2008 State of Indiana

Amtrak Service & Ridership

Amtrak operates three long-distance trains through Indiana:

- The *Capitol Limited* (daily Chicago-Waterloo-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 FY08 Amtrak served the following Indiana locations:

City	Boardings + Alightings	
Connersville	647	
Crawfordsville	5,040	
Dyer	2,162	
Elkhart	14,115	
Hammond-Whiting	6,289	
Indianapolis	34,089	
Lafayette	23,083	
Michigan City	2,176	
Rensselaer	1,830	
South Bend	17,576	
Waterloo	17,881	
Total Indiana Station Usage:	124,888	

Procurement/Contracts

Amtrak expended \$16,197,476 for goods and services in Indiana in FY08. Most of this money was spent in the following locations:

<u>City</u>	Amount
East Chicago	\$ 1,308,351
Elkhart	\$ 1,164,344
Indianapolis	\$ 11,273,901

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Employment

At the end of FY08, Amtrak employed 742 Indiana residents. Total wages of Amtrak employees living in Indiana were \$44,284,311 during FY08.

Major Facilities

Amtrak's principal heavy maintenance facility is located in Beech Grove, southeast of Indianapolis. Here, approximately 483 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 FY08, 11 passenger car and 12 locomotive wreck repairs were completed at Beech Grove and returned to service. Also, 96 Superliners, 18 Horizon cars, 13 Viewliner sleepers, 32 diesel locomotives, 17 Surfliners (California service cars), 5 Hi-Level parlor cars (*Coast Starlight* service), 10 Heritage diners, and 36 Heritage baggage cars were overhauled or remanufactured. Beech Grove made unplanned and unbudgeted repairs to 15 locomotives and 31 passenger cars that terminals in other cities were unable to repair. Beech Grove forces also overhauled 3 coaches for commercial customers. Beech Grove supplies components to other Amtrak maintenance facilities, including 1,200 couplers, 350 overhauled air conditioners, more than 6,000 overhauled air brake valves, and about 300 other types of components not available elsewhere.

During FY09, Beech Grove is expected to complete overhauls on 89 Superliners, 12 Surfliners, 16 Viewliner sleepers, 28 Horizon coaches and cafes, 9 Heritage diners, and 20 baggage cars inherited from predecessor railroads. Three coaches and two locomotives will be overhauled for the State of California's fleet. Also planned are overhauls on 26 diesel locomotives and wreck repairs on 5 locomotives and 10 passenger cars.

Station Improvements

The Town of Dyer signed an agreement formally "adopting" the station in that community. Town employees and volunteers will beautify and maintain station grounds and update train information boards at the passenger shelter.

The passenger shelter at Crawfordsville and surrounding area was cleaned and improved by 34 students from Crawfordsville High School, with a dedication ceremony on May 7, 2006. The students solicited grants and donations for the project. The students were recognized in Washington on October 18, 2006, with an Amtrak President's Service and Safety Award in the Champion of the Rails category.

A new passenger shelter was installed at the Michigan City station, at the request of local government.

New information kiosks that provide information about train schedules, ticketing, safety, and security, while also providing an enhanced level of Amtrak brand visibility, were installed at the Dyer, Waterloo, and Elkhart stations.