



Amtrak Fact Sheet, Fiscal Year 2013

State of Kansas

Amtrak Service & Ridership

Amtrak operates one long-distance train through Kansas, the *Southwest Chief* (daily Chicago-Kansas City-Los Angeles via Topeka and Newton).

During FY13 Amtrak served the following Kansas locations:

<u>City</u>	<u>Boardings + Alightings</u>
Dodge City	5,149
Garden City	7,355
Hutchinson	5,303
Lawrence	7,204
Newton	14,564
Topeka	10,571
Total Kansas Station Usage:	50,146

(up 1.3% from FY12)

Procurement/Contracts

Amtrak spent \$29,238,069 on goods and services in Kansas in FY13. Most of this, \$27,041,218, was in Wichita.

Employment

At the end of FY13, Amtrak employed 11 Kansas residents. Total wages of Amtrak employees living in Kansas were \$838,897 during FY13.

Expansion Planning

The Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) requested Amtrak study options for the return of passenger rail service along a route between Kansas City and Oklahoma City, via Newton and Wichita.

The Feasibility Report of Proposed Amtrak Service provided an analysis of potential service scenarios, schedules, ridership and revenue estimates, required state operating contribution, and capital requirements, to establish new service. Kansas sought further refinement of the initial Amtrak study and continues to investigate options for implementation. Amtrak has testified before a joint committee of the Kansas

legislature on the benefits of and the railroad's experience providing passenger service under contract for state governments.

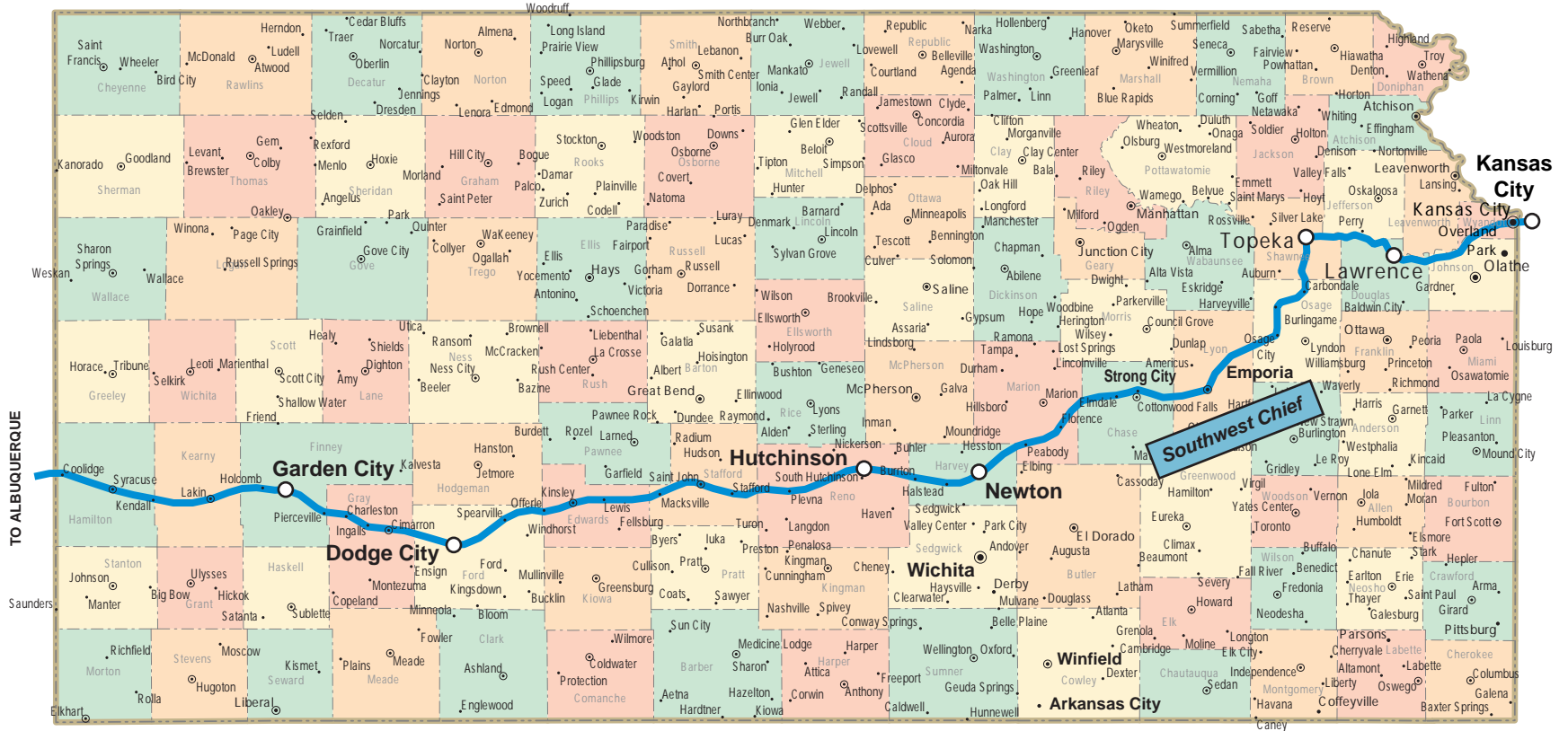
Station Development

Amtrak has worked with the City of Lawrence and a local citizens group in developing plans for acquiring the former Santa Fe Railway depot from the BNSF Railway for a thoughtful rehabilitation, returning it to its as-built, 1955 "mid-century modern" styling. Amtrak has contributed to the project by installing a new accessibly compliant boarding platform with period lighting and display kiosks with train schedules, ticketing, safety, and security information. In June 2013, Lawrence was awarded a \$1.2-million Transportation Enhancement grant through the Federal Highway Administration, funds which can be used for activities related to the preservation of historic transportation facilities, including depots.

Southwest Chief route

The present route of the *Southwest Chief*, via Garden City, Dodge City, and Hutchinson, could be altered if sufficient capital funding is not found to modernize the line. Amtrak has been working with the states and communities that would be affected and has informed them of the situation, which results from changing freight traffic patterns. A decision on the route would have to be made by the end of 2014 for implementation in 2016.

AMTRAK ROUTES IN KANSAS



TRACK OWNERSHIP	
—	Amtrak
—	UP
—	BNSF
—	CSX
—	NS
—	CP
—	CN
—	Other