



Amtrak Fact Sheet, Fiscal Year 2010

State of Wisconsin

Amtrak Service & Ridership

Amtrak operates one long-distance train through Wisconsin, the *Empire Builder* (daily Chicago-Milwaukee-St. Paul-Seattle/Portland via Columbus, Portage, Wisconsin Dells, Tomah, and La Crosse), and the *Hiawatha Service*, with seven daily round-trips daily on the Milwaukee-Chicago corridor.

During FY10 Amtrak served the following Wisconsin locations:

<u>City</u>	<u>Boardings + Alightings</u>
Columbus	18,025
La Crosse	31,666
Milwaukee	588,617
Milwaukee Airport	155,726
Portage	7,483
Sturtevant	70,737
Tomah	10,892
Wisconsin Dells	13,609
Total Wisconsin Station Usage:	896,755

Procurement/Contracts

Amtrak placed orders valued at \$22,702,304 for goods and services in Wisconsin in FY10. Most of this was in the following locations:

<u>City</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Glendale	\$ 2,892,619
Milwaukee	\$ 17,945,089

Employment

At the end of FY10, Amtrak employed 68 Wisconsin residents. Total wages of Amtrak employees living in Wisconsin were \$4,341,536 during FY10.

State-Assisted Services

The State of Wisconsin, in partnership with the State of Illinois, funds the operation of seven daily, round-trip *Hiawatha Service* trains between Milwaukee and Chicago. In FY10, *Hiawatha Service* ridership was 783,060, up 6.1% from 2009, and represents **all-time record** number of riders for the route.

Wisconsin has announced its intention to purchase two 14-car, 420-seat train sets from Spanish manufacturer Talgo for \$47 million. The cars would replace twenty-year-old Horizon coaches now used on the *Hiawathas* between Milwaukee and Chicago. They would be built with parts manufactured in Spain and assembled in the United States.