



# Arizona

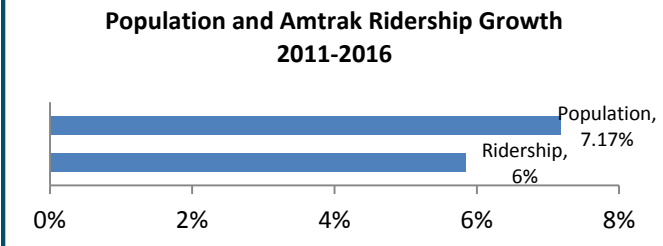
## Amtrak's Contributions to Arizona

Earnings supported by Amtrak in Arizona	Employment supported by Amtrak in Arizona	Value added* supported by Amtrak in Arizona
\$4,605,000	80	\$2,717,000

### State Snapshot

Number of Stations	8
Number of Local Riders**	53,644
Local Revenue	\$6,667,604
Number of Rail Passenger Miles***	45,840,800

Routes:  
*Texas Eagle (thru cars), Sunset Limited, Southwest Chief*



Source: Amtrak



#### Flagstaff, AZ (FLG)

Flagstaff station was built in 1926 by the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway. It stands along what was a historically one of the busiest train corridors in United States, both for freight and passenger rail. It is conveniently located near a number of tourist attractions and points of interest: the Grand Canyon National Park, Oak Creek Canyon, and Route 66. The station is served by the *Southwest Chief* route. In 2016, 41,053 passengers passed through the station and provided revenue valued at \$5,574,460.

### Amtrak's Effect on Tourism and Broader Economy

Emission reductions from traveling by Amtrak trains vs. traveling by car:	\$200,000
Cost savings from the lower risk of traveling by train vs. traveling by car:	\$1,644,000
Tourist spending generated from Amtrak passengers	\$304,000
Number of tourists that utilize Amtrak services	28,000
Percent of total riders that are tourists	52%
Federal taxes generated for Arizona from tourist spending	\$22,000
State taxes generated for Arizona from tourist spending	\$13,000
Local taxes generated for Arizona from tourist spending	\$7,000

\* Value Added - enhancement a company or business gives its product or service before providing it to customers(value of the final outputs from Amtrak minus the value of the inputs such as raw materials).

\*\* Local riders are defined as riders that boarded or alighted an Amtrak train in the state. May include out of state passengers transferring trains in the state.

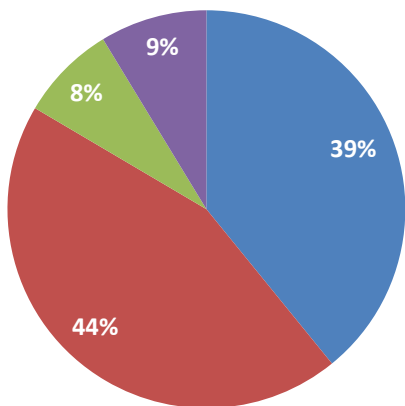
\*\*\* Rail Passenger Mile - passenger rail miles are determined by multiplying the total number of passengers by the total number of miles traveled.

Passenger rail service in Arizona is currently limited to Amtrak’s *Southwest Chief* and *Sunset Limited* /Texas Eagle trains, which connect Chicago and New Orleans to Los Angeles. The state has 8 stations. Although the state’s population is concentrated in Phoenix and Tucson, the state’s busiest station by far is the Flagstaff station, the commercial center for Northern Arizona and centrally located to the state’s major tourism attractions of Sedona and Grand Canyon National Park.

Ridership in Arizona is up 6 percent over the past five years; an estimated 43 percent of the population lives within 30 miles of an Amtrak station. As the state is served primarily by long-distance trains, the trains do not arrive in the state’s major population centers at favorable times to build ridership. Even so, the service provides an important mobility option. Among Amtrak riders in the state, 9 percent report that they would not have made the trip but for the availability of Amtrak service. Amtrak spent over \$2.8 million on goods and services in Arizona in FY16 as part of its operating expenditures. The state’s 16 employees earned over \$2.8 million in salaries and wages.

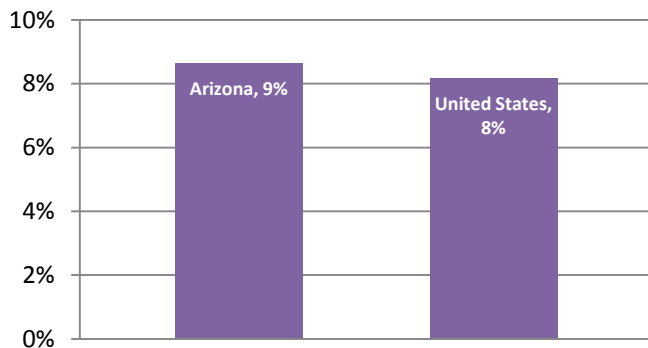
### Profile of Amtrak Customers

**Travel Mode Preference if Amtrak Unavailable**

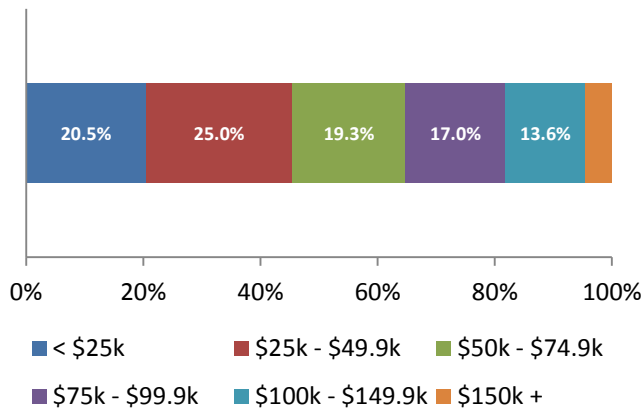


- Would drive if Amtrak unavailable
- Would fly if Amtrak unavailable
- Would use the bus if Amtrak unavailable
- Would not travel if Amtrak Unavailable

**Percent of Riders who Would Not Travel if Amtrak was Unavailable**



**Income Distribution of Amtrak Travelers in Arizona**



**Percent of population within 30 miles of a rail station served by Amtrak**

**43%**

Amtrak emissions data courtesy of Climate Registry Information System. Automobile emissions per mile data courtesy of EPA. Emissions damage costs courtesy of Corporate Average Fuel Economy for MY2017-MY2025 Passenger Cars and Light Trucks (August 2012), page 922. Vehicle injury and fatality statistics courtesy of TIGER Benefit-Cost Analysis (BCA) Resource Guide. Railroad passenger injury and fatality statistics courtesy of the Federal Railway Administration (FRA). Average vehicle operations cost per mile courtesy of AAA, Your Driving Costs, 2016. Station information and pictures courtesy of <http://www.greatamericanstations.com/>. Brochure prepared by AECOM.