



Florida

Amtrak's Contributions to Florida

Earnings supported by Amtrak in Florida	Employment supported by Amtrak in Florida	Value added* supported by Amtrak in Florida
\$157,933,000	3,930	\$32,540,000

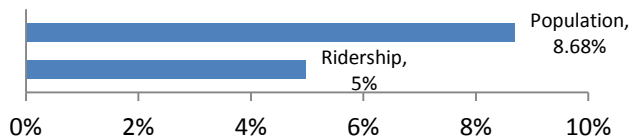
State Snapshot

Number of Stations	18
Number of Local Riders**	508,475
Local Revenue	\$70,287,162
Number of Rail Passenger Miles***	301,627,613



Routes:
Silver Service/Palmetto, Auto Train

Population and Amtrak Ridership Growth 2009-2015



Source: Amtrak



West Palm Beach, FL (WPB)

West Palm Beach station was built in 1925 and is an intermodal link for intercity and commuter rail, local buses, and taxis. A restoration in 1991 was followed in 2012 by an improvement project that was funded significantly by the Transportation Enhancement grant from the Federal Highway Administration and the city. West Palm Beach Station currently serves the Silver Meteor and Silver Star routes. In 2015, 59,071 passengers passed through the station and provided revenue valued at \$4,187,956.

Amtrak's Effect on Tourism and Broader Economy

Emission reductions from traveling by Amtrak trains vs. traveling by car:	\$1,037,000
Cost savings from the lower risk of traveling by train vs. traveling by car:	\$14,983,000
Tourist spending generated from Amtrak passengers	\$928,000
Number of tourists that utilize Amtrak services	251,000
Percent of total riders that are tourists	49%
Federal taxes generated for Florida from tourist spending	\$71,000
State taxes generated for Florida from tourist spending	\$42,000
Local taxes generated for Florida from tourist spending	\$25,000

* 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.

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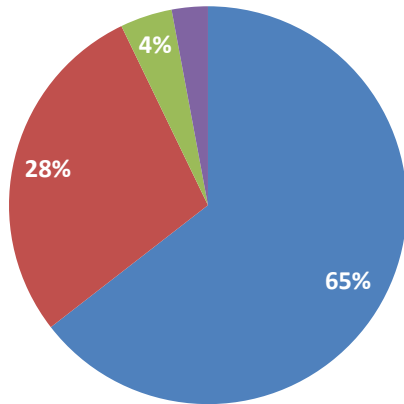
Florida is served by 3 train routes and 18 stations. The Silver Service route (Silver Star and Silver Meteor) provides passengers access to the state's major cities such as Orlando and Miami. The *Auto Train* route provides a unique opportunity for passengers to travel with their car from Lorton, Virginia down to Sanford. Sanford is the state's busiest station, followed by Orlando. Ridership in Florida is up 5 percent over the past six years; just over 65 percent of the population lives within 30 miles of an Amtrak station.

The state also has 2 maintenance facilities, Hieliah and Sanford. In addition, Amtrak's Southern Division, which is responsible for Amtrak's operations in the Southeastern United States, is headquartered in Miami. Collectively, Amtrak employs nearly 800 Florida residents to support these diverse activities; these employees earned over \$55 million in FY15. Amtrak spent an additional \$33 million on goods and services in the state as part of its operating expenses.

Reflecting the importance of passenger rail to Florida's economy, the intercity passenger rail corridors are an integral part of the state's Strategic Intermodal System (SIS). The SIS is a statewide, interconnected system of high-priority transportation hubs, corridors, and connectors.

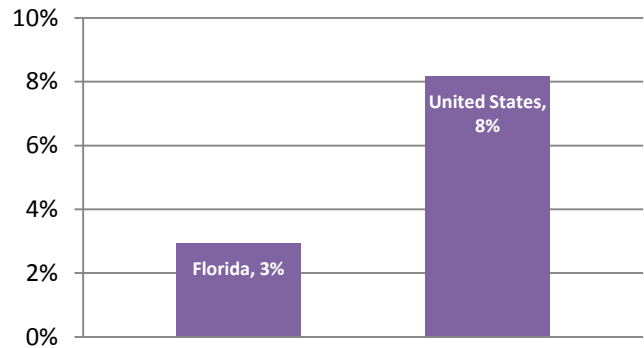
Profile of Amtrak Customers

Travel Mode Preference if Amtrak Unavailable

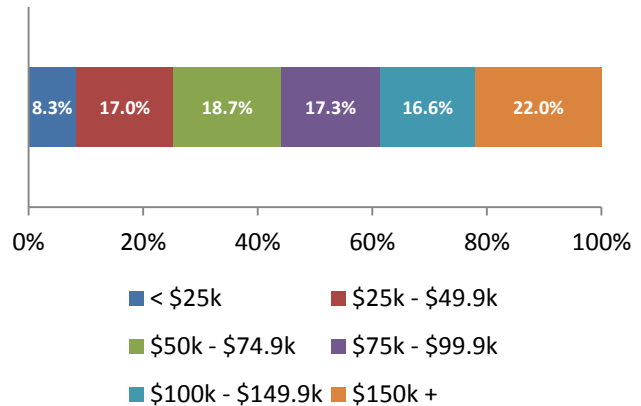


- Would drive if Amtrak unavailable
- Would fly if Amtrak unavailable
- Would use the bus if Amtrak unavailable
- Would not travel if Amtrak Unavailable

Percent of Riders who Would Not Travel if Amtrak was Unavailable



Income Distribution of Amtrak Travelers in Florida



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

67%

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, 2013.

Station information and pictures courtesy of <http://www.greatamericanstations.com/>. Brochure prepared by AECOM.