Kansas

Amtrak's Contributions to Kansas

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<th>Earnings supported by Amtrak in Kansas</th>
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<th>Value added* supported by Amtrak in Kansas</th>
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<td>$3,477,000</td>
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State Snapshot

- Number of Stations: 6
- Number of Local Riders**: 24,837
- Local Revenue: $2,379,908
- Number of Rail Passenger Miles***: 16,732,311

Routes: Southwest Chief

Population and Amtrak Ridership Growth
2009-2015

Newton, KS (NEW)
The current Amtrak station, built in 1930, is the third depot at this location. This depot was built by the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe (ATSF) railway. Newton remained a very busy freight center and it served as the ATSF railroad division center and headquarters until the mid-1980s. Newton’s depot is busy despite the late hours that the trains run, given its proximity to Wichita, which is located 25 miles to the south. The station currently serves the Southwest Chief route. In 2015, 13,010 passengers passed through the station and provided revenue valued at $1,370,077.

Amtrak's Effect on Tourism and Broader Economy

- Emission reductions from traveling by Amtrak trains vs. traveling by car: $36,000
- Cost savings from the lower risk of traveling by train vs. traveling by car: $524,000

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<th>Tourist spending generated from Amtrak passengers</th>
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<td>Number of tourists that utilize Amtrak services</td>
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<td>Percent of total riders that are tourists</td>
<td>52%</td>
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<td>Federal taxes generated for Kansas from tourist spending</td>
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* 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.
Kansas is served by the *Southwest Chief* train route and 5 stations. Amtrak operates two daily *Southwest Chief* trains, between Chicago and Los Angeles. Both the eastbound and westbound trains serve six stations in Kansas: Garden City, Dodge City, Hutchinson, Newton, Topeka, and Lawrence. These are long-distance trains and the schedule does not favor Kansas ridership as trains run across the state in the late night/early morning hours. Despite the schedule’s impact, ridership in Kansas is up 25 percent over the past six years. Over 60 percent of the population lives within 30 miles of an Amtrak station.

Among Amtrak riders in the state, 9 percent report that they would not have made the trip but for the availability of Amtrak service. Newton and Topeka are the state’s busiest stations.

Amtrak spent over $3 million on goods and services and employed 16 Kansans who collectively earned over $1 million as part of its operating expenses in FY15.

### Profile of Amtrak Customers

#### Travel Mode Preference if Amtrak Unavailable

- Would drive if Amtrak unavailable: 41%
- Would fly if Amtrak unavailable: 9%
- Would use the bus if Amtrak unavailable: 45%
- Would not travel if Amtrak Unavailable: 5%

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

- Kansas, 9%
- United States, 8%

#### Income Distribution of Amtrak Travelers in Kansas

- < $25k: 14.5%
- $25k - $49.9k: 20.0%
- $50k - $74.9k: 23.6%
- $75k - $99.9k: 14.5%
- $100k - $149.9k: 14.5%
- $150k +: 12.7%


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