Amtrak's Contributions to Kentucky

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**State Snapshot**

- Number of Stations: 4
- Number of Local Riders**: 4,750
- Local Revenue: $336,628
- Number of Rail Passenger Miles***: 1,955,024

**Routes:**
- *City of New Orleans, Cardinal*

**Population and Amtrak Ridership Growth 2011-2016**

- Population: 1.55%
- Ridership: 5%

**Maysville, KY (MAY)**

The Maysville depot was built around 1918 for the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad (currently CSX). The single-story red brick colonial-style building has a central entrance under a small classical portico. The former Maysville station for the Louisville & Nashville Railroad still stands in town and has been restored for other uses. The station currently serves the *Cardinal* route. In 2016, 2,309 passengers passed through the station and provided revenue valued at $132,439.

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

- Emission reductions from traveling by Amtrak trains vs. traveling by car: $10,000
- Cost savings from the lower risk of traveling by train vs. traveling by car: $82,000
- Tourist spending generated from Amtrak passengers: $23,000
- Number of tourists that utilize Amtrak services: 3,000
- Percent of total riders that are tourists: 61%
- Federal taxes generated for Kentucky from tourist spending: $2,000
- State taxes generated for Kentucky from tourist spending: $1,000
- Local taxes generated for Kentucky from tourist spending: $0

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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.
Kentucky is served by 2 train routes and 4 stations. *City of New Orleans* route takes passengers through Fulton, the state’s busiest station. The *Cardinal* route takes passengers through Ashland, an economic and medical center of northeastern Kentucky, and Maysville. Ridership in Kentucky is up 5 percent over the past five years. An estimated 15 percent of the population lives within 30 miles of an Amtrak station.

Among Amtrak riders in the state, 6 percent report that they would not have made the trip but for the availability of Amtrak service. The service provides important mobility and access needs for a number of residents. Moreover, the service is heavily used by lower income individuals in the state.

Amtrak spent over $8.0 million on purchases of goods and services in Kentucky as part of its FY16 operating expenses.

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**Profile of Amtrak Customers**

**Travel Mode Preference if Amtrak Unavailable**

- **Would drive if Amtrak unavailable**: 46%
- **Would fly if Amtrak unavailable**: 32%
- **Would use the bus if Amtrak unavailable**: 16%
- **Would not travel if Amtrak Unavailable**: 6%

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

- Kentucky, 6%
- United States, 8%

**Income Distribution of Amtrak Travelers in Kentucky**

- < $25k: 80.9%
- $25k - $49.9k: 8.5%
- $50k - $74.9k: 6.4%
- $75k - $99.9k: 3.2%
- $100k - $149.9k: 2.7%
- $150k +: 0.6%

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