Kentucky

Amtrak’s Contributions to Kentucky

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**State Snapshot**

- Number of Stations: 4
- Number of Local Riders**: 5,028
- Local Revenue: $371,160
- Number of Rail Passenger Miles***: 2,097,729

**Routes:**

- City of New Orleans, Cardinal

**Population and Amtrak Ridership Growth 2009-2015**

- Population, 2.50%
- Ridership, 11%

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 2015, 2,279 passengers passed through the station and provided revenue valued at $149,579.

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

- Emission reductions from traveling by Amtrak trains vs. traveling by car: $5,000
- Cost savings from the lower risk of traveling by train vs. traveling by car: $74,000
- Tourist spending generated from Amtrak passengers: $25,000
- Number of tourists that utilize Amtrak services: 3,000
- Percent of total riders that are tourists: 62%
- 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

* 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 11 percent over the past six years. An estimated 37 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 $9 million on purchases of goods and services in Kentucky as part of its FY15 operating expenses.