



Union Station opened in 1916 and was intended to secure a shared terminal for the seven railroads then serving the city. Dallas was without passenger rail service for several years until Amtrak began service in 1974. The station was renovated in 1978 as part of an urban redevelopment project. A second round of renovations was just completed. Today as an intermodal station, Union Station also hosts the Dallas Area Rapid Transit light rail and Trinity Railway Express commuter rail. The station serves the Texas Eagle route. In 2015, 45,132 passengers passed through the station and provided revenue valued at \$3,755,831.

Amtrak's Effect on Tourism and Broader Economy

Emission reductions from traveling by Amtrak trains vs. traveling by car:	\$245,000
Cost savings from the lower risk of traveling by train vs. traveling by car:	\$3,533,000
Tourist spending generated from Amtrak passengers	\$1,341,000
Number of tourists that utilize Amtrak services	101,000
Percent of total riders that are tourists	54%
Federal taxes generated for Texas from tourist spending	\$124,000
State taxes generated for Texas from tourist spending	\$57,000
Local taxes generated for Texas from tourist spending	\$32,000
* Value Added - enhancement a company or business gives its product or service before providing it to customers(value of the final outputs from Amtrak min ** 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.	us the value of the inputs such as raw materials).

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

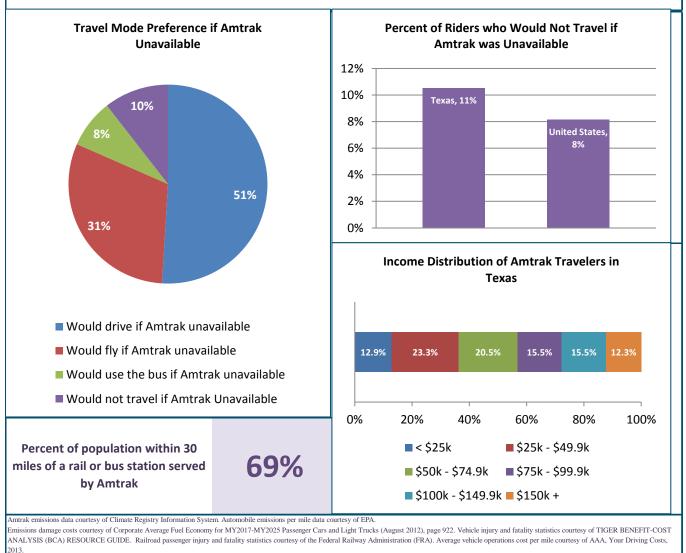
Texas is served by 3 train routes, the *Heartland Flyer*, the *Sunset Limited*, and the Texas Eagle, and 19 stations. Fort Worth is the state's busiest station, followed by San Antonio and Dallas. The *Heartland Flyer* route is partially supported by the state, providing daily service from Fort Worth. The Texas Eagle also operates daily and the *Sunset Limited* operates tri-weekly.

Ridership in Texas is up 16 percent over the past six years, underscoring the popularity of Amtrak's services. An estimated 69 percent of the population lives within 30 miles of an Amtrak rail or bus station.

Among Amtrak riders in the state, 11 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 used by the full spectrum of income groups across the state's population.

Profile of Amtrak Customers

Amtrak purchased \$35.6 million of goods and services from the Texas economy in FY15. In addition 198 Texans worked for Amtrak, collectively earning over \$16.4 million in wages and salaries.



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