



Amtrak Fact Sheet, Fiscal Year 2016

Commonwealth of Kentucky

Amtrak Service & Ridership

Amtrak operates two National Network trains through Kentucky:

- The *Cardinal* (tri-weekly Chicago-Cincinnati-New York via Ashland)
- The *City of New Orleans* (daily Chicago-Memphis-New Orleans via Fulton)

During FY16 Amtrak served the following Kentucky locations:

<u>City</u>	<u>Boardings + Alightings</u>
Ashland	2,358
Fulton	3,710
Maysville	2,309
South Shore-South Portsmouth	1,123
Total Kentucky Station Usage:	9,500

(down 5.5% from FY15)

Procurement/Contracts

Amtrak spent \$7,973,427 on goods and services in Kentucky in FY16. Most of this, \$5,961,227, was in Louisville.

Employment

At the end of FY16, Amtrak employed 3 Kentucky residents. Total wages of Amtrak employees living in Kentucky were \$325,088 during FY16.

Station Improvements

Improving ADA Accessibility: Amtrak will undertake work at multiple stations in Kentucky to assess, design, and construct improvements at and around stations as part of Amtrak's nationwide Americans with Disabilities Act compliance plan. The projected FY17 ADA-related work includes:

- **Construction:** Maysville, South Shore-South Portsmouth

***Cardinal* Conference**

At the request of business and local interests on the Chicago-Indianapolis-Cincinnati-West Virginia-Washington portion of Amtrak's *Cardinal* route, Amtrak held an event called the *Cardinal* Conference on September 23, 2016, in Cincinnati. The intent of the conference was to build a coalition of communities, universities, and other public and private interests similar to grassroots coalitions like the Gulf Coast Working Group or on the *Southwest Chief* route. The purpose of such a coalition would be to seek improvements for the *Cardinal*, namely a push for daily service on that route, which currently operates only three times per week.

AMTRAK ROUTES IN KENTUCKY

TRACK OWNERSHIP	
█ Amtrak	█ NS
█ UP	█ CP
█ BNSF	█ CN
█ CSX	█ Other

