



Amtrak Fact Sheet, Fiscal Year 2017

State of Nevada

Amtrak Service & Ridership

Amtrak operates one National Network train through Nevada, the *California Zephyr* (Chicago-Denver-Salt Lake City-Reno-San Francisco Bay area). Reno and Las Vegas are served by Amtrak Thruway motorcoaches that provide connections to/from other Amtrak services. Additionally, Amtrak operates special, seasonal trains between the San Francisco Bay Area and Reno (see below).

During FY17 Amtrak served the following Nevada locations:

<u>City</u>	<u>Boardings + Alightings</u>
Elko	7,219
Reno	76,725
Winnemucca	4,146
Total Nevada Station Usage:	88,090

(up 7.5% from FY16)

Procurement

Amtrak spent \$4,799,494 on goods and services in Nevada in FY17. Most of that amount, \$4,598,260, was in Reno.

Employment

At the end of FY17, Amtrak employed 29 Nevada residents. Total wages of Amtrak employees living in Nevada were \$2,627,457 during FY17.

Contracts

Amtrak works with Key Holidays, a tour operator, to operate “Fun Trains” and “Snow Trains,” which are special trains that carry thousands of passengers from the Bay Area to Reno. Many of these passengers go on to visit ski resorts and other recreational areas near Lake Tahoe during winter months when airports and highways are often disabled or shut down.

Stations

The City of West Wendover, located on the state line with Utah, currently is discussing the possibility of adding a new stop on the *California Zephyr* route. Discussions between the City, Amtrak, and track owner Union Pacific on the topic are expected to continue in 2018.

