

# Amtrak Fact Sheet Fiscal Year 2020 State of New Mexico

## **Amtrak Service & Ridership**

At the end of FY 2020, Amtrak operated almost three trains per day in New Mexico, as part of the following routes<sup>1</sup>:

## Long Distance

**Southwest Chief** (daily Los Angeles-Flagstaff-Albuquerque-Topeka-Chicago)

**Sunset Limited** (thrice weekly Los Angeles-Maricopa-El Paso-San Antonio-Houston-New Orleans-Orlando) [Currently suspended east of New Orleans]

**Texas Eagle** (daily Chicago-St. Louis-Little Rock-Dallas-San Antonio with thrice weekly through car service on the **Sunset Limited** to Los Angeles)

#### **Stations Served**

During FY 2020, Amtrak served the following locations in New Mexico.

City (Code)	Ridership
Albuquerque (ABQ)	38,315
Deming (DEM)	828
Gallup (GLP)	8,504
Lamy (LMY)	4,895
Las Vegas (LSV)	3,054
Lordsburg (LDB)	455
Raton (RAT)	6,121
<b>Total New Mexico Station Usage:</b>	62,172

Amtrak maintains the Great American Stations website (<a href="https://www.greatamericanstations.com/">https://www.greatamericanstations.com/</a>), which includes detailed profiles of every Amtrak station. Information available includes a brief history of each station, a review of what organization or organizations are responsible for the various portions of each facility, a list of routes serving each station, contact information for the appropriate Amtrak representative for that station, and relevant local community links.

#### **Host Railroads & On Time Performance**

Amtrak relies heavily on the cooperation of other railroads to operate routes using tracks that Amtrak does not own or control. Host railroads are statutorily required to provide Amtrak trains "preference" over freight transportation. However, on time performance on most host railroads is poor and continues to decline largely due to hosts ignoring their statutory responsibilities.

Listed below are the Amtrak services that operate in New Mexico with each service's host railroads and customer on-time performance (OTP) in FY 2020:

<sup>1</sup> Frequencies in the list following this note reflect the service levels prior to the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Service	Host Railroad(s)	FY20 OTP
Southwest Chief	BNSF, New Mexico DOT	55.9%
Sunset Limited	BNSF, Union Pacific	29.5%
Texas Eagle	BNSF, Canadian National, Union Pacific, Trinity Railway Express	42.3%

Customer OTP measures what proportion of customers arrive at their destination on time. For *Acela* trains, the margin is within ten minutes of the schedule and the margin is 15 minutes for all other trains. Thus, if a train is 16 minutes late to its final stop, and all its riders are headed for that stop, then even if the train is on time at every intermediate stop, customer OTP would be 0%, reflecting the passengers' experience.

#### **Amtrak Guest Rewards**

At the end of FY 2020, there were approximately 11.5 million members of Amtrak Guest Rewards (AGR), with 31,177 members listing an address in New Mexico. This is a 9.0% increase from FY 2019. For more information about AGR, please see: https://www.amtrak.com/guestrewards/home

## **Procurement**

In FY 2020, Amtrak procured goods and services worth \$2.79 billion, and more than 98% of that figure was sourced from firms headquartered domestically. In New Mexico, Amtrak spent \$858,848, including the following communities where Amtrak sourced \$100,000 or more in goods and services:

City	Amount (\$)
Albuquerque	195,257
Santa Fe	639,210

## **Employment & Wages**

At the end of FY 2020, Amtrak employed 17,504 people, including 48 New Mexico residents. Total FY 2020 wages were \$1.67 billion, of which New Mexico residents earned \$4,991,008.

## **Additional Information**

The FY 2020 edition of the Amtrak State Fact Sheets omits this portion, which is available in the FY 2019 edition and will return in the FY 2021 update.

# **AMTRAK ROUTES IN NEW MEXICO**

