



## Amtrak Fact Sheet Fiscal Year 2018 *Commonwealth of Virginia*

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### Amtrak Service & Ridership

Amtrak operates about 25 trains daily in Virginia. These include the following National Network trains:

- The **Auto Train** (daily Lorton, VA-Sanford, FL)
- The **Cardinal** (tri-weekly New York-Washington, DC-Charlottesville-Cincinnati-Chicago)
- The **Crescent** (daily New York-Charlottesville-Atlanta-New Orleans)
- The **Palmetto** (daily New York-Richmond-Savannah)
- The **Silver Meteor** (daily New York-Richmond-Miami)
- The **Silver Star** (daily New York-Richmond-Tampa-Miami)

Amtrak also operates state-supported trains through Virginia:

- The **Northeast Regional** (daily Roanoke/Norfolk/Newport News/Richmond-Manassas/Fredricksburg-Alexandria-Washington-Philadelphia-New York-Boston)
- The **Carolinian** (daily New York-Washington-Richmond-Raleigh-Charlotte).

During FY18 Amtrak served the following Virginia locations:

<b><u>City</u></b>	<b><u>Boardings &amp; Alightings</u></b>
<a href="#">Alexandria</a>	188,961
<a href="#">Ashland</a>	29,077
<a href="#">Burke Centre</a>	7,497
<a href="#">Charlottesville</a>	133,936
<a href="#">Clifton Forge</a>	1,951
<a href="#">Culpeper</a>	14,509
<a href="#">Danville</a>	6,934
<a href="#">Fredericksburg</a>	97,549
<a href="#">Lorton (Auto Train)</a>	224,812
<a href="#">Lynchburg</a>	58,160
<a href="#">Manassas</a>	30,340
<a href="#">Newport News</a>	99,920
<a href="#">Norfolk</a>	47,243
<a href="#">Petersburg</a>	31,563
<a href="#">Quantico</a>	31,078
<a href="#">Roanoke*</a>	51,698
<a href="#">Richmond - Main Street</a>	48,384

<a href="#">Richmond - Staples Mill</a>	346,642
<a href="#">Staunton</a>	5,160
<a href="#">Williamsburg</a>	57,212
<a href="#">Woodbridge</a>	21,799
<b>Total Virginia Station Usage:</b>	<b>1,534,425</b>

\* Service began on October 31, 2017, during FY 2018

## Host Railroads & On Time Performance

Amtrak relies heavily on the cooperation of other railroads in order to operate routes using tracks that are not owned or controlled by Amtrak. 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 Virginia with each service's host railroads and on-time performance (OTP) in FY18:

<b>Service</b>	<b>Host Railroads</b>	<b>FY18 OTP</b>
<b><i>Northeast Regional (Roanoke)</i></b>	Norfolk Southern and Metro North	<b>73.9%</b>
<b><i>Northeast Regional (Richmond/Newport News/Norfolk)</i></b>	CSX, Norfolk Southern, and Metro North	<b>85.6%</b>
<b><i>Auto Train</i></b>	CSX and Florida Central Rail Corridor	<b>70.9%</b>
<b><i>Cardinal</i></b>	CSX, Norfolk Southern, and Buckingham Branch Railroad	<b>53.5%</b>
<b><i>Crescent</i></b>	Norfolk Southern	<b>31.3%</b>
<b><i>Palmetto</i></b>	CSX	<b>57.9%</b>
<b><i>Silver Meteor</i></b>	CSX, Florida Department of Transportation, and Florida Central Rail Corridor	<b>43.6%</b>
<b><i>Silver Star</i></b>	CSX, Norfolk Southern, Florida Department of Transportation, and Florida Central Rail Corridor	<b>37.6%</b>
<b><i>Carolinian</i></b>	CSX and Norfolk Southern	<b>52.8%</b>

"On-time performance" represents the percentage of stations at which the train arrives within 15 minutes of the scheduled arrival time.

## Amtrak Guest Rewards

At the end of FY18, there were **402,153** members of the Amtrak Guest Rewards program in Virginia. This is a 11.5% increase from FY17.

## **PRIIA Section 209 and State-Supported Services**

The Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act of 2008 (P.L. 110-432) required, by October 2013, an equitable arrangement of cost sharing between Amtrak and state or public agency partners that provide funding for short-distance, intercity train services.

During the 2013 regular session of the Virginia General Assembly, the previously authorized Intercity Passenger Rail Operating and Capital Fund (IPROC) was funded with a dedicated mechanism through legislation that called for restructuring the existing state sales tax. This fund is used by the Department of Rail and Public Transportation to support both the operation of the **Amtrak Virginia** services and qualifying intrastate capital needs for rail infrastructure. The IPROC legislation is the first known dedicated funding source to be created by a state to support intercity passenger rail operations and capital projects. Subsequently, agreements were reached with all parties, including Virginia, by the 2013 deadline, and the services continued to run without interruption.

## **State Partnerships**

On October 31, 2017, the Lynchburg service was extended to Roanoke. Capital improvements were made to the Norfolk Southern route and a new station platform built in downtown Roanoke. This is Roanoke's first Amtrak service since 1979.

## **Auto Train**

Amtrak's **Auto Train** service operates daily between Lorton, Virginia (outside of Washington, D.C.) and the **Auto Train** terminal off I-4 in Sanford, Florida. This unique service carries passengers and their vehicles on a 16½ hour overnight trip from Northern Virginia to Florida. Passengers ride in Superliner coaches and sleepers, while their vehicles are transported in auto carrier cars at the rear of the train and are delivered to them upon arrival at the Sanford terminal.

# AMTRAK ROUTES IN VIRGINIA

① Congressional District

## TRACK OWNERSHIP

<span style="color: purple;">—</span> Amtrak	<span style="color: green;">—</span> NS
<span style="color: orange;">—</span> UP	<span style="color: lightgreen;">—</span> CP
<span style="color: blue;">—</span> BNSF	<span style="color: purple;">—</span> CN
<span style="color: red;">—</span> CSX	<span style="color: black;">—</span> Other

