

# Amtrak Fact Sheet Fiscal Year 2020 State of West Virginia

#### Amtrak Service & Ridership

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

## Long Distance

*Capitol Limited* (daily Chicago-Toledo-Cleveland-Pittsburgh-Washington) *Cardinal* (thrice weekly New York-Washington-Charlottesville-Charleston-Cincinnati-Indianapolis-Chicago)

## **Stations Served**

During FY 2020, Amtrak served the following locations in West Virginia.

City (Code)	Ridership
Alderson (ALD)	198
Charleston (CHW)	5,120
Harpers Ferry (HFY)	4,322
Hinton (HIN)	2,660
Huntington (HUN)	3,743
Martinsburg (MRB)	7,347
Montgomery (MNG)	228
Prince (PRC)	1,353
Thurmond (THN)	220
White Sulphur Springs (WSS)	4,038
Total West Virginia Station Usage:	29,229

Amtrak maintains the Great American Stations website (<u>https://www.greatamericanstations.com/</u>), 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.

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

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

Service	Host Railroad(s)	FY20 OTP
Capitol Limited	CSX, Norfolk Southern	45.2%
Cardinal	CSX, Norfolk Southern, Buckingham Branch Railroad	65.8%

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 16,319 members listing an address in West Virginia. This is a 9.0% increase from FY 2019. For more information about AGR, please see: <u>https://www.amtrak.com/guestrewards/home</u>

#### 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 West Virginia, Amtrak spent \$2,783,988, including the following communities where Amtrak sourced \$100,000 or more in goods and services:

City	Amount (\$)
Bluefield	139,853
Sutton	2,433,065

#### **Employment & Wages**

At the end of FY 2020, Amtrak employed 17,504 people, including 27 West Virginia residents. Total FY 2020 wages were \$1.67 billion, of which West Virginia residents earned \$2,839,658.

## **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 WEST VIRGINIA

