New Jersey is home to vital passenger and freight rail lines connecting to major urban centers and port terminals. New Jersey Transit is the second largest commuter rail system in the country.

**Freight**
18 freight railroads, including Class Is like CSX and Norfolk Southern and short line railroads like Southern Railroad Company and New York, Susquehanna & Western, move nearly 1.6 million carloads of intermodal, scrap, chemicals and other types of freight over 952 miles with more than 1,200 employees.

**Amtrak**
NJ has the Northeast Corridor, which runs Acela and regional trains, as well as commuter trains. NJ also has 5 long distance routes, including:
- Crescent
- Cardinal
- Palmetto
Nearly 1.7 million train riders are served at NJ stations each year. Amtrak employs 1,600 NJ residents and spent more than $69 million on goods and services in NJ.

**Commuter**
NJ is home to the 2nd busiest commuter rail system in the country. Commuter rail provides more than 86 million passenger trips each year on NJ Transit, which has 11 commuter rail lines running through the state, such as the Atlantic City Line, Bergen County Line, and Morris & Essex Lines.

**Suppliers**
The rail supply industry contributes more than $1.2 billion to NJ’s GDP and supports more than 9,850 jobs, including 1,900 direct jobs in NJ through companies like Union Tank Car, RCC Fabricators and Progress Rail.

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**Did you know?**
It would have taken approximately 2.8 million additional trucks to handle the 50.5 million tons of freight that originated in, terminated in, or moved through NJ by rail in 2017.
OneRail is a diverse group of rail stakeholders who have come together to educate America about the benefits of a strong freight and passenger rail system. Our members include:

- American Public Transportation Association (APTA)
- American Short Line and Regional Railroad Association (ASLRRRA)
- Amtrak
- Association of American Railroads (AAR)
- Brotherhood of Railroad Signalmen (BRS)
- International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail, and Transportation Workers (SMART Transportation Division)
- National Association of Railroad Passengers (NARP)
- National Railroad Construction and Maintenance Association (NRC)
- Railway Engineering-Maintenance Suppliers Association (REMSA)
- Railway Supply Institute (RSI)
- States for Passenger Rail Coalition (SPRC)
- Teamsters Rail Conference (BLET and BMWE)
- Transportation Communications International Union (TCU/IAM)
- Corporate Supporters include AECOM, Alstom, Caterpillar, HNTB, Wabtec Corporation, and WSP USA

Additional Resources

- [Rail101](https://www.onerail.org/rail-101/)
- [Safety](https://www.onerail.org/rail-safety-u-s/)

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