MICHIGAN RAIL FACTS

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Rail Overview

Michigan is home to dozens of freight and passenger rail lines, as well as rail suppliers.

Michigan has the 8th highest number of freight railroads, and the 13th highest number of rail miles in the country.



Freight

28 freight railroads, including Class Is like:

- Canadian National
- CSX
- Norfolk Southern and short line railroads like Lake State Railway Co and Huron & Eastern Railway move more than 1.8 million carloads of transportation equipment, farm products, intermodal and other types of freight over 2,400 miles with 3,380 employees.



Amtrak

MI has 97 miles of Amtrak track between Porter, Indiana and Kalamazoo. This is the longest stretch of track that Amtrak owns outside of the Northeast Corridor. Amtrak also operates 10 state supported trains, including:

- Wolverine
- Blue Water
- Pere Marquette
 More than 845,000 train riders are served at MI stations each year.
 Amtrak spent nearly \$7.5 million on goods and

services in MI in 2017.



Suppliers

The rail supply industry contributes more than \$1.4 billion to MI's GDP and supports more than 15,200 jobs, including 2,941 direct jobs in MI through manufacturing, transportation and business services.

Did you know?

It would have taken approximately **4.3** million additional trucks to handle the **78** million tons of freight that originated in, terminated in, or moved through MI by rail in 2017.

