

FLORIDA RAIL FACTS

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Rail Overview

Florida is home to dozens of passenger, freight, and commuter rail lines, as well as rail suppliers. Florida ranks in the top ten for the number of rail carloads that originate and terminate in the state. It's also home to some of the busiest passenger rail stations and corridors in the country.



Freight

15 freight railroads, including Class I's like CSX and Norfolk Southern and short line railroads like the Florida East Coast Railway, South Central Florida Express, and Bay Line Railroad move more than **1.7** million carloads of intermodal, food products, minerals, coal and other types of freight over **2,851** miles with more than **4,800** employees.



Amtrak

FL has **3** long distance Amtrak routes that serve the state, including:

- Auto Train
- Silver Meteor
- Silver Star

Previously Amtrak also ran the Sunset Limited along the Gulf Coast, which advocates are seeking to restore. More than **890,000** train riders are served at FL stations each year.

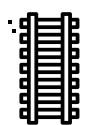


Commuter

Commuter rail provides more than **5.5** million passenger trips each year on the following systems:

- Tri-Rail (Miami/West Palm)
- SunRail (Orlando/Kissimmee)

Brightline also operates the only privately owned and operated intercity service in the US running between Miami and West Palm Beach with plans to expand to Orlando.



Suppliers

The rail supply industry contributes more than **\$1.7** billion to FL's GDP and supports more than **20,000** jobs, including **5,465** direct jobs in FL through companies like Progress Rail, Alstom, and Wabtec.

Did you know?

It would have taken approximately **4.8** million additional trucks to handle the **85.5** million tons of freight that originated in, terminated in, or moved through FL by rail in 2017.