



# Amtrak Fact Sheet, Fiscal Year 2008

## State of California

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### Amtrak Service & Ridership

Amtrak operates approximately 70 intercity trains and 100 commuter trains per day in California. This includes the following long-distance trains through California:

- The *California Zephyr* (daily San Francisco Bay Area-Salt Lake City-Chicago)
- The *Coast Starlight* (daily Los Angeles-Oakland-Seattle)
- The *Southwest Chief* (daily Los Angeles-Albuquerque-Chicago)
- The *Sunset Limited* (tri-weekly Los Angeles-New Orleans-Orlando)\*

\*Sunset Limited *service suspended east of New Orleans.*

Amtrak relaunched the *Coast Starlight* in June 2008, featuring upgraded amenities and equipment.

Amtrak also partners with the State of California to operate these high-frequency, state-supported trains:

- *Capitol Corridor* (San Jose-Oakland-Sacramento-Auburn) 7 daily round trips San Jose-Oakland, 16 round trips Oakland-Sacramento (11 on weekends) with one extending to Auburn.
- *Pacific Surfliner* (San Diego-Los Angeles-Santa Barbara-San Luis Obispo) 11 daily round trips San Diego-Los Angeles (12 on weekends), 5 round trips Los Angeles-Santa Barbara-Goleta, with 2 extending to San Luis Obispo.
- *San Joaquins* (Oakland/Sacramento-Fresno-Bakersfield, with motorcoach connections to Los Angeles) 4 daily round trips Bakersfield-Oakland, 2 daily round trips Bakersfield-Sacramento.

During FY08 Amtrak served the following California locations:

<u>City</u>	<u>Boardings + Alightings</u>
Anaheim	357,906
Antioch-Pittsburg	29,129
Auburn	39,023
Bakersfield	427,087
Barstow	3,334
Berkeley	122,133
Burbank	45,061
Camarillo	31,620
Carpinteria	20,944
Chatsworth	53,350
Chico (a)	6,171
Colfax	3,610
Corcoran	26,018
Davis	451,995
Dunsmuir (a)	3,402
Emeryville	528,203
Fremont	46,146
Fresno	335,298
Fullerton	443,953

Glendale	40,084
Goleta	74,111
Great America (Santa Clara)	110,534
Grover Beach	18,275
Guadalupe	10,914
Hanford	184,930
Hayward	30,583
Irvine (b)	669,405
Laguna Niguel/Mission Viejo (c)	1,479
Lodi	7,657
Lompoc-Surf	8,190
Los Angeles (d)	1,582,364
Madera	17,875
Martinez	398,683
Merced	96,406
Modesto	93,426
Moorpark	12,779
Needles	8,093
Oakland	379,580
Oakland Coliseum	19,736
Oceanside	325,877
Ontario	3,590
Orange (c)	1,178
Oxnard	77,965
Palm Springs	5,237
Paso Robles	8,160
Pomona	1,588
Redding (a)	6,781
Richmond	306,657
Riverside	9,399
Rocklin	47,748
Roseville	81,478
Sacramento (e)	1,146,308
Salinas	15,909
San Bernardino	8,707
San Clemente Pier	10,092
San Diego (f)	912,096
San Diego-Old Town	22,531
San Jose	228,564
San Juan Capistrano	263,945
San Luis Obispo	103,914
Santa Ana	174,903
Santa Barbara	294,968
Simi Valley	40,821
Solana Beach	448,081
Stockton (Downtown)	29,498
Stockton (San Joaquin St.)	226,311
Suisun-Fairfield	152,984
Truckee	7,801
Turlock-Denair	19,434
Van Nuys	73,353
Ventura	47,732
Victorville	4,904
Wasco	18,635
<b>Total California Station Usage:</b>	<b>11,866,636</b>

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Ridership notes:

- a) No rail service 1/25/08-4/15/08 due to landslide in Oregon
- b) Irvine is the 14th busiest station in the national Amtrak System
- c) Service began 10/29/07
- d) Los Angeles is the 5th busiest station in the national Amtrak System
- e) Sacramento is the 7th busiest station in the national Amtrak System
- f) San Diego is the 9th busiest station in the national Amtrak System

## Procurement/Contracts

Amtrak expended \$127,700,783 for goods and services in California in FY08. Much of this money was spent in the following locations:

<u>City</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Irvine	\$ 3,237,144
Livermore	\$ 3,597,989
Martinez	\$ 69,803,736
Rancho Dominguez	\$ 20,056,869
Sacramento	\$ 2,958,477
San Jose	\$ 4,146,556
Whittier	\$ 2,342,458
Willits	\$ 2,164,142

## Employment

At the end of FY08, Amtrak employed 2,740 California residents. Total wages of Amtrak employees living in California were \$161,856,408 during FY08.

## State-Assisted Services

The state of California provides capital and operating funds for three intercity corridors: the *Pacific Surfliner*, *Capitol Corridor* and *San Joaquins*. In addition, an extensive network of Thruway Motorcoach services links communities, which have no direct rail access, to the Amtrak California system. Amtrak's corridors in California are some of the busiest outside of the Northeast Corridor.

A major expansion of *Capitol Corridor* service added four weekday round trips between Sacramento and Oakland (two more on weekends) and three weekend round trips between Oakland and San Jose (one more on weekends), effective August 28, 2006.

Amtrak *Pacific Surfliner* service began stopping at the Metrolink stations at Orange and Laguna Niguel/Mission Viejo on October 29, 2007, twice daily in each direction.

## Contract Commuter Services

Amtrak operates Caltrain commuter trains (San Francisco-San Jose-Gilroy) under contract with the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board, with over 37,000 commuters each weekday on 96 trains (28 on weekends).

## Major Facilities

California is home to a major Amtrak maintenance facility in Los Angeles. This includes a service and inspection facility and a locomotive facility. [The locomotive facility opened in 2000 and the service and inspection facility opened in May 2001 after an investment of over \$50 million, jointly funded by Amtrak and the State of California.] This complex maintains and services approximately 21 locomotives and 204 passenger cars, most of which are part of Amtrak's bi-level Superliner fleet and *Pacific Surfliner* fleet.

Amtrak also performs equipment servicing and maintenance in Oakland, at a state-of-the-art facility that opened in 2004. The 22-acre, \$71-million facility was built with Amtrak and state funding and services equipment used on the *California Zephyr*, *San Joaquin*, and *Capitol Corridor* routes and draws in work previously performed in Los Angeles and Chicago. It replaced an outdated brick building on freight railroad property. Regular periodic maintenance is performed on 18 locomotives and 83 passenger cars.

One of Amtrak's two major reservations centers is located in Riverside, 70 miles southeast of Los Angeles. As of October 2008, this state-of-the-art 51,000 sq. ft. facility had 600 active employees.

## Capital Projects

Since 1990, the State of California has invested over \$1.8 billion to upgrade track and signal systems; renovate stations and purchase passenger cars and locomotives. Amtrak has invested \$400 million in purchase of passenger cars and locomotives, upgrading and renovation of maintenance facilities and investments in technology. The result has been faster, more frequent, and more reliable service.

## Station Improvements

The Richmond Transit Center opened on October 18, 2006, serving Amtrak, BART, and Golden Gate Transit, featuring a new above-ground station building, plaza, and canopy.

The Amtrak station at Needles will be moved to the historic El Garces complex, upon completion of renovations in 2009.

## Selected Highlights

**Amtrak's corridors in California are among the busiest in the system.** Ridership figures include:

The *Pacific Surfliner* (San Diego-Los Angeles-Santa Barbara-San Luis Obispo)—the 2nd-busiest corridor in the U.S. had 2,898,859 riders in FY08. This was 7.1% higher than FY07 and 83.7% higher than FY00.

The *Capitol Corridor* (San Jose-Oakland-Sacramento-Auburn)—the 3rd-busiest corridor in the country had 1,693,850 riders. This was 16.8% higher than FY07 and 120.6% higher than FY00.

The *San Joaquins* (Bakersfield-Oakland/Sacramento)—the 6th-busiest corridor in the country had 949,611 riders. This was 18.0% higher than FY07 and 40.5% higher than FY00.

**California has the highest Amtrak usage of any state in the country.**