



# Amtrak Fact Sheet, Fiscal Year 2015 State of Missouri

## Amtrak-Missouri partnership

- Grants from the State of Missouri support two daily round trips between St. Louis and Kansas City, the *Missouri River Runners*
- Missouri is one of three Midwestern states that jointly have received a federal grant for a new fleet of new corridor trains
- Nearly 64,000 Missouri residents are members of the Amtrak Guest Rewards frequent user program

## Amtrak Service & Ridership

Amtrak operates the state-supported *Missouri River Runner* service, two daily round-trip trains between St. Louis and Kansas City. Daily St. Louis-Chicago service is provided by the *Texas Eagle* and *Lincoln Service*, which is supported by the State of Illinois.

Amtrak also operates two National Network trains through Missouri:

- The *Southwest Chief* (daily Chicago-Kansas City-Los Angeles)
- The *Texas Eagle* (daily Chicago-St. Louis-Dallas-San Antonio with tri-weekly connecting service to/from Los Angeles via the *Sunset Limited*)

During FY15 Amtrak served the following Missouri locations:

<u>City</u>	<u>Boardings + Alightings</u>
<a href="#">Hermann</a>	22,377
<a href="#">Independence</a>	8,766
<a href="#">Jefferson City</a>	43,720
<a href="#">Kansas City</a>	153,770
<a href="#">Kirkwood</a>	58,375
<a href="#">La Plata</a>	11,676
<a href="#">Lee's Summit</a>	28,831
<a href="#">Poplar Bluff</a>	5,447
<a href="#">Sedalia</a>	10,986
<a href="#">St. Louis</a>	323,150

<a href="#">Warrensburg</a>	15,656
<a href="#">Washington</a>	15,875
<b>Total Missouri Station Usage:</b>	<b>698,629</b>
	(down 5.3% from FY14)

### Procurement/Contracts

Amtrak spent \$50,908,958 on goods and services in Missouri in FY15, including at:

<u>City</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Grain Valley	\$ 40,599,439
St. Joseph	\$ 1,772,486
St. Louis	\$ 5,131,714

### Employment

At the end of FY15, Amtrak employed 82 Missouri residents. Total wages of Amtrak employees living in Missouri were \$6,926,387 during FY15.

### PRIIA Section 209 and State-Supported Services

The Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act of 2008 (P.L. 110-432) required, by October 2013, an equitable arrangement of cost sharing between Amtrak and state or public agency partners that provide funding for short-distance, intercity train services. Agreements were reached with all parties, including Missouri, by the deadline, and the services continued to run, confirming the importance of this service to the state and its residents.

Amtrak operates two daily trains between St. Louis and Kansas City, the *Missouri River Runners*, under contract, for the State of Missouri. Ridership on the *Missouri River Runner* trains reached 199,471 in FY13, 1.8% higher than FY12.

Amtrak worked with the several Midwest state partners, Illinois, Michigan, Missouri, and Wisconsin, to bring complimentary AmtrakConnect Wi-Fi service to customers on all short-distance corridors in those states, in 2014.

### Kansas City-St. Louis improvements

Missouri's success at securing Federal grant funds to complement the state's resources represents the continuation of a multi-year trend dating back to 2008. In 2012, Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) was awarded a \$22.6-million High-Speed Intercity Passenger Rail Program grant to construct a second bridge over the Osage River in Central Missouri, eliminating one of the most problematic rail bottlenecks in the Midwest. The remainder of the \$28 million cost was covered by the Union Pacific Railroad, which owns the route. The second track allows for better performance of *Missouri River Runner* trains which use the route. The project was completed in late 2013.

## **Station Improvements**

**Arcadia Valley:** Amtrak is working with local officials to return passenger rail service to the Acadia-Ironton area along the route of the *Texas Eagle*. The community has secured funding for the construction of a new boarding platform and anticipates service beginning in mid-2016.

**Hermann:** Local officials held a ribbon-cutting for a new station on September 12, 2014. The depot was funded through various sources, including the Federal Highway Administration (Transportation Enhancements program), the City, and the Dierberg Educational Foundation, a local, non-profit organization supporting projects to preserve the region's cultural heritage.

# AMTRAK ROUTES IN MISSOURI

