



Amtrak Fact Sheet State of Arkansas

Amtrak Service & Ridership

Amtrak operates one long-distance train through Arkansas, the *Texas Eagle* (daily Chicago-St. Louis-San Antonio via Little Rock).

During FY03 Amtrak served the following Arkansas locations:

<u>City</u>	<u>Ridership</u>
Arkadelphia	911
Little Rock	11,700
Malvern	1,269
Texarkana	4,721
Walnut Ridge	2,188
Total Arkansas Ridership:	20,789

Procurement/Contracts

Amtrak expended \$18,490 for goods and services in Arkansas in FY03.

Employment

As of December 2003, Amtrak employed 32 Arkansas residents. Total wages of Amtrak employees living in Arkansas were \$1,539,226 in calendar year 2003.

Amtrak Mayor's Advisory Council

Mayor Patrick Henry Hays of North Little Rock, Arkansas is the Chairman of Amtrak's national Mayor's Advisory Council. The council was formed in 1999 to strengthen and build public/private partnerships, to raise national and local levels of awareness regarding the importance of passenger rail -- as a tool for economic development, mobility and congestion relief, to inform mayors as to the local initiatives that benefit Amtrak, and to serve as an advisory board to Amtrak on passenger rail issues.