



Amtrak Fact Sheet, Fiscal Year 2006

State of Florida

Amtrak Service & Ridership

Amtrak operates four long-distance trains through Florida:

- The *Auto Train* (daily Lorton, Va.-Sanford, Fla.)
- The *Silver Meteor* (New York-Orlando-Miami)
- The *Silver Star* (daily New York-Orlando-Tampa-Miami)
- The *Sunset Limited* (tri-weekly Los Angeles-Orlando via New Orleans, Pensacola and Jacksonville)*

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

During FY06 Amtrak served the following Florida locations*:

<u>City</u>	<u>Boardings + Alightings</u>
Deerfield Beach	19,997
Deland	20,222
Delray Beach	6,822
Fort Lauderdale	34,413
Hollywood	26,156
Jacksonville	54,370
Kissimmee	28,993
Lakeland	15,625
Miami	61,158
Okeechobee	2,858
Orlando	121,057
Palatka	10,100
Sanford (Auto-Train Station)	207,544
Sebring	13,939
Tampa	60,778
West Palm Beach	40,304
Winter Haven	17,882
Winter Park	22,145
Total Florida Station Usage:	764,363

* Rail service to Chipley, Crestview, Lake City, Madison, Pensacola, Tallahassee suspended 8/27/05.

Procurement/Contracts

Amtrak expended \$15,171,721 for goods and services in Florida in FY06. Much of this money was spent in the following locations:

<u>City</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Fort Lauderdale	\$ 3,850,133
Jacksonville	\$ 8,195,046
Miami	\$ 1,073,675

Employment

During fiscal year 2006, Amtrak employed 943 Florida residents. Total wages of Amtrak employees living in Florida were \$45,840,655 during this period.

Major Facilities

Amtrak operates the Hialeah maintenance facility in Miami, which services and performs light overhauls for Viewliner, Amfleet, and Heritage cars for *Silver Service* trains, as well as the Sanford maintenance facility which services the Superliner-equipped *Auto Train* and *Sunset Limited*.

Amtrak's Southern Division, which is responsible for Amtrak's operations in the Southeastern United States, is headquartered in Jacksonville. Amtrak also has train and engine crew bases in Miami, Sanford and Jacksonville, an on-board service crew base in Hialeah, and contractor-operated commissaries in Hialeah and Sanford.

Auto Train

Amtrak's *Auto Train* service operates daily between Lorton, Virginia (outside of Washington, D.C.) and the *Auto Train* terminal off I-4 in Sanford, Florida. This unique service carries passengers and their vehicles on a 16½ hour overnight trip from Northern Virginia to Florida. Passengers ride in Superliner coaches and sleepers, while their vehicles are transported in auto carrier cars at the rear of the train and are delivered to them upon arrival at the Sanford terminal. During FY 2006, Amtrak's *Auto Train* carried 207,544 passengers and 105,439 vehicles.

Amtrak acquired new auto carrier cars in 2005 to replace the up to 50-year old auto carriers previously operated. The new auto carriers increase the maximum number of sedans that can be carried on each train from 187 to 250, and the maximum number of minivans and SUVs from 29 to 120. Amtrak's capital plan (which is subject to federal funding levels) includes additional capital investments to overhaul Superliner cars and P-42 diesel locomotives used on the *Auto Train*, and \$2.5 million to repair hurricane damage, replace hydraulic ramps, and expand the passenger waiting area at the Sanford terminal.