



Amtrak Fact Sheet, Fiscal Year 2004

State of Louisiana

Amtrak Service & Ridership

Amtrak operates three long-distance trains through Louisiana:

- The *Crescent* (daily New Orleans-Atlanta-New York)
- The *City of New Orleans* (daily Chicago-Memphis-New Orleans via Hammond)
- The *Sunset Limited* (tri-weekly Orlando-New Orleans-Los Angeles)

During FY04 Amtrak served the following Louisiana locations:

<u>City</u>	<u>Ridership</u>
Hammond	9,656
Lafayette	2,200
Lake Charles	1,856
New Iberia	605
New Orleans	161,449
Schriever	313
Slidell	4,396
Total Louisiana Ridership:	180,475

Procurement/Contracts

Amtrak expended \$4,256,976 for goods and services in Louisiana in FY04. Most of this money was spent in Houma, \$3,593,743.

Employment

During fiscal year 2004, Amtrak employed 363 Louisiana residents. Total wages of Amtrak employees living in Louisiana were \$14,212,305 during this period.

Maintenance Facility

New Orleans is the home of a small maintenance facility where approximately 56 Superliner cars used on the *City of New Orleans* and 40 locomotives undergo periodic and running maintenance. Also, engineering department personnel are assigned to this facility to perform signal and track work.