



## Amtrak Fact Sheet, Fiscal Year 2004

# State of Maryland

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### Amtrak Service & Ridership

Amtrak operates approximately 90 trains daily in Maryland, mostly on the Amtrak-owned Northeast Corridor through Baltimore Penn Station and New Carrollton. In addition to Northeast Corridor service including *Acela Express*, *Regional* and *Metroliner* trains, Amtrak operates the following long-distance trains through Maryland:

- The *Capitol Limited* (daily Chicago-Cleveland-Pittsburgh-Rockville-Washington, D.C.)
- The *Crescent* (daily New York-Baltimore-Atlanta-New Orleans)
- The *Palmetto* (daily New York-Baltimore-Savannah)
- The *Silver Meteor* (daily New York-Baltimore-Miami)
- The *Silver Star* (daily New York-Baltimore-Tampa-Miami)

Amtrak also operates the following shorter-distance trains through Maryland:

- The *Carolinian* (daily New York-Baltimore-Charlotte)
- The *Vermonteer* (daily St. Albans, Vt.-Baltimore-Washington, D.C.)

During FY04 Amtrak served the following Maryland locations:

<u>City</u>	<u>Ridership</u>
Aberdeen	43,755
Baltimore*	918,624
BWI Airport	590,610
Cumberland	6,919
New Carrollton	216,579
Rockville	2,654
<b>Total Maryland Ridership:</b>	<b>1,779,141</b>

*\*Baltimore is the 10<sup>th</sup> busiest station in the national Amtrak System.*

Ridership growth has been particularly high at BWI Airport, with FY04 ridership 9% higher than FY03 and 35% higher than FY99.

Additionally, Amtrak estimates that over 1 million of the 3.7 million Amtrak passengers using Washington Union Station reside in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties.

## Procurement/Contracts

Amtrak expended \$22,142,799 for goods and services in Maryland in FY04. Most of this money was spent in the following locations:

<u>City</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Baltimore	\$ 5,114,597
Cockeysville	\$ 2,505,908
Gaithersburg	\$ 2,429,629
Rockville	\$ 2,567,172
Silver Spring	\$ 1,211,352
Westminster	\$ 3,126,177

## Employment

During fiscal year 2004, Amtrak employed 2,609 Maryland residents. Total wages of Amtrak employees living in Maryland were \$126,689,216 during this period.

## Commuter Partners

Amtrak operates daily commuter trains for the Maryland Rail Commission (MARC) under a contract with the State.

Amtrak and Maryland participate in a shared capital agreement, in which both Amtrak and the state of Maryland invest in joint benefit improvements. In FY 2004, Amtrak expects to spend over \$40 million in the state of Maryland, much of which will benefit MARC.

## Major Facilities

Amtrak operates two maintenance-of-way facilities in Maryland, at Odenton and Perryville.

## Infrastructure Improvements

Development of Baltimore's Penn Station has included platform replacement, restoration of canopy columns, roofing and skylights, and new lighting and signage. An agreement has been reached with a developer to build a hotel in the upper floors of the station. Work with the community surrounding the station resulted in improved police presence and increased efforts to clean and maintain the right-of-way.

In FY05, Amtrak will continue to work with the state to find funding for critical improvements to the station and track at BWI Airport.