

# The American Rail Industry: Keeping the Economy Rolling

## Freight and Passenger Rail Employment

Type of Railroad	Number of Railroads	Number of Employees
<b>Freight</b>	<b>565</b>	<b>180,109</b>
Class I	7	162,683
Short Line & Regional	558	17,426
<b>Passenger</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>108,696</b>
Amtrak	1	19,982
Commuter Rail	27	25,464
Heavy Rail	15	52,876
Light Rail	35	10,374
<b>Other (car leasing, carrier affiliates, etc.)</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>6,199</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>295,024</b>

Sources: Surface Transportation Board, ASLRRA, AAR, Amtrak, APTA

**Rail industry jobs are well-paying, domestic jobs. More people work for freight and passenger rail operators than live in Orlando (238,300) or Salt Lake City (186,440).**

(2010 US Census)

### National Rail Supply Industry

Companies	1,759
Facilities	2,698
States	50*
Jobs (est.)	94,000

\*Includes District of Columbia; excludes Alaska

**There are more rail supply facilities in the United States than Target (1,750) and Macy's (850) stores combined.**

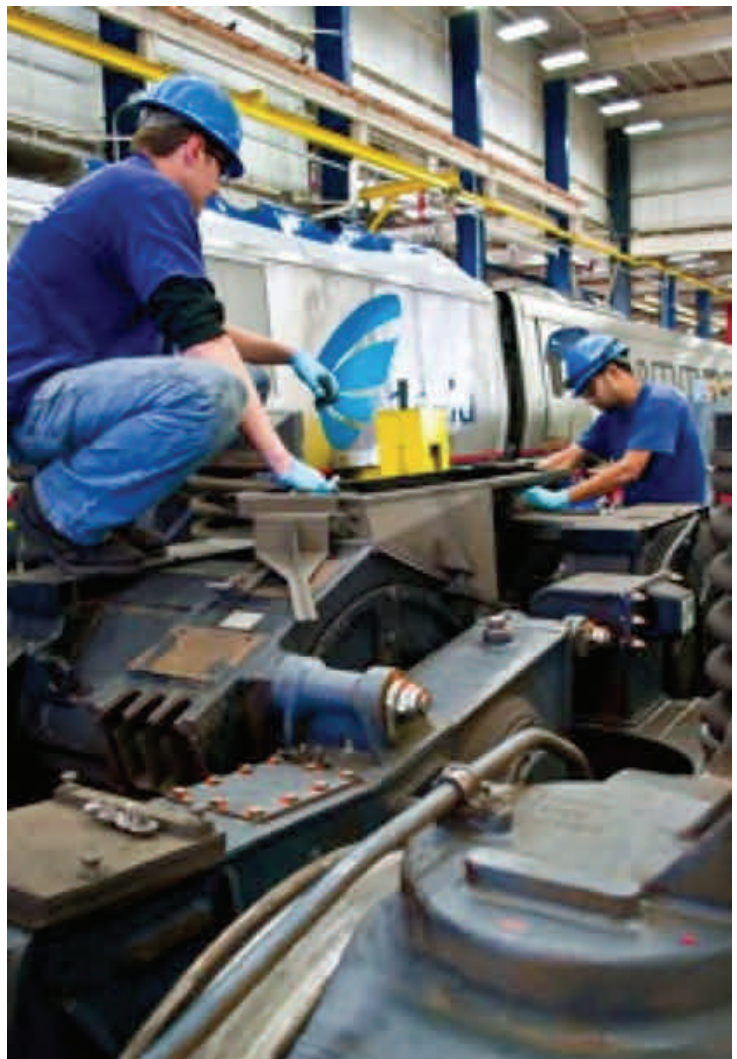


## Annual Capital Expenditures

Type of Railroad	Dollars in billions
<i>Class I</i>	\$13.0
<i>Short Line &amp; Regional</i>	\$0.8
<i>Amtrak</i>	\$1.7
<i>Commuter Rail</i>	\$2.8
<i>Heavy Rail</i>	\$6.2
<i>Light Rail</i>	\$3.7
<b>Total Cap Expenditure</b>	<b>\$28.2</b>

Data from most recently available reports

**\$28.2 billion in annual rail capital expenditures supports an estimated 94,000 rail supply industry employees working in all 50 states. With more than 389,000 direct employees, the rail industry is a major contributor to both job creation and an efficient transportation system for the U.S. economy.**



OneRail is a diverse group of rail stakeholders who have come together to educate America about the benefits of a strong freight and passenger rail system. Our members include the American Public Transportation Association (**APTA**), American Short Line and Regional Railroad Association (**ASLRRA**), **Amtrak**, Association of American Railroads (**AAR**), Brotherhood of Railroad Signalmen (**BRS**), National Association of Railroad Passengers (**NARP**), Natural Resources Defense Council (**NRDC**), National Railroad Construction and Maintenance Association (**NRC**), Railway Supply Institute (**RSI**), States for Passenger Rail Coalition (**SPRC**), Surface Transportation Policy Partnership (**STPP**), Sheet Metal Workers International Association (**SMWIA**), Transportation Communications International Union/International Association of Machinists (**TCU/IAM**) and the United Transportation Union (**UTU**).

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