

Intercity passenger rail provides a vital link in the transportation network.

Amtrak Intercity Passenger Rail Routes in Texas

- Heartland Flyer**
Fort Worth to/from Oklahoma City (daily)
- Sunset Limited**
Los Angeles to/from New Orleans (triweekly)
- Texas Eagle**
Chicago to/from San Antonio (daily)

Texas Passenger Rail Considerations

- Amtrak operates all intercity passenger rail service in Texas, primarily using Class I freight railroad facilities.
- TxDOT's role in passenger rail service includes long-term planning, monitoring service quality, and facilitating improvements.
- Amtrak's on-time performance improved in FY 2016, but remains a challenge due to issues associated with operating on Class I freight railroad facilities.

Texas Passenger Rail Quick Facts

1,539

Amtrak Track Miles

19

Active Amtrak Stations

8.8%

Increase in Texas passenger rail trips from 2016 to 2017

Source: FY 2017 Amtrak Texas State Fact Sheet

