

# New Hampshire Rail Facts

- **Going the distance.** In New Hampshire alone, 8 freight railroads operate across 354 miles of track.
- **Supporting jobs.** As of 2017, New Hampshire freight railroads and their suppliers employed 564 people; nationwide, freight rail supported about 1.1 million jobs.
- **Connecting markets.** The most common commodities originating from New Hampshire markets are waste and scrap materials. The most common rail imports are coal and petroleum.
- **Powering state economies.** Spending by Class I railroads in 2017 generated nearly \$220 billion in U.S. economic activity and \$26 billion in state and federal tax revenues, according to a Towson University study.
- **Preserving infrastructure, cutting congestion.** Freight railroads take 279,000 truckloads off New Hampshire roads annually.
- **Reducing pollution.** Moving freight by rail instead of trucks reduces greenhouse gas emissions by an average of 75 percent.

