

Indiana Rail Facts

- **Going the distance.** In Indiana alone, **41** freight railroads operate across **3,786 miles** of track.
- **Supporting jobs.** As of 2017, Indiana freight railroads and their suppliers employed **9,193 people**; nationwide, freight rail supported about **1.1 million jobs**.
- **Connecting markets.** The most common commodities originating from Indiana markets are, in carloads/year: **coal** (216,600), **primary metal products** (118,800), **food products** (67,600), **farm products** (60,000), and **chemicals** (33,500).
- **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 **17.4 million truckloads** off Indiana roads annually.
- **Reducing pollution.** Moving freight by rail instead of trucks reduces greenhouse gas emissions by an average of **75 percent**.

