

FREIGHT RAIL IN

COLORADO



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Moving Colorado's Economy. Connecting Communities.

Railroads and Colorado grew up together – literally – as towns, cities and businesses sprouted and thrived along the first railroads.



2,541
FREIGHT TRACK
MILES



1,770
FREIGHT RAIL
EMPLOYEES



7.4M
TRUCKLOADS SAVED

ORIGINATING

Top Commodities Originating

Coal	5.1M Tons 46.7K Cars
Intermodal	1.6M Tons 112.3K Cars
Cement	1.4M Tons 13.4K Cars
Farm Products	1M Tons 9K Cars
Waste & Scrap	0.9M Tons 9.4K Cars
Other	4.2M Tons 51.5K Cars
242.3K TOTAL CARS 14.2M TOTAL TONS	

RECEIVED

Top Commodities Received / Terminated

Coal	9.4M Tons 83.4K Cars
Crushed Stone & Sand	5.3M Tons 46.7K Cars
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	1.9M Tons 17.6K Cars
Intermodal	1.6M Tons 121.7K Cars
Grain	1.5M Tons 13.7K Cars
Other	8.4M Tons 121.2K Cars
404.3K TOTAL CARS 28.1M TOTAL TONS	



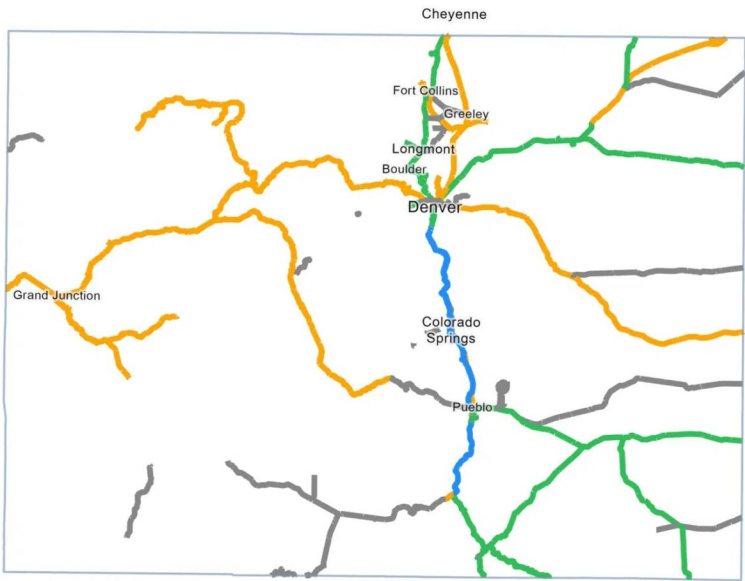
Class I Railroads

BNSF Railway	1,338
Union Pacific	1,505
Total	2,843

Short Line Railroads

Cimarron Valley Railroad	28
Colorado & Wyoming Railway	5
Colorado Pacific Rio Grande Railroad	154
CWC Rail	122
Denver Rock Island Railroad	6
Great Western Railway of Colorado	80
Kansas & Oklahoma Railroad	3
Kyle Railroad	84
Nebraska, Kansas, & Colorado Railway	68
Rock & Rail	55
San Luis Central Railroad	13
Utah Railway	32
Total	650

COLORADO
State Rail Network



- SHORT LINE / REGIONAL
- UP
- CN
- BNSF
- CPKC
- CSX
- NS
- MULTIPLE OWNERS
- AMTRAK
- GMXT

Why Freight Rail Matters



Supports Manufacturing

Rail connects manufacturers with suppliers and customers across North America, efficiently moving raw materials and finished goods.



Strengthens Agriculture

Rail helps move crops, forest products, fertilizers and other agricultural goods efficiently and affordably.



Reduces Congestion

Moving freight by rail removes trucks from highways, helping reduce traffic and wear on road infrastructure.



Protects the Environment

Freight rail is significantly more fuel efficient than moving freight by truck, helping reduce fuel use and greenhouse gas emissions.

