

Rail — Passenger

Passenger railroad service

- Daily passenger trains serve **seven Oregon stations**: Albany, Chemult, Eugene, Klamath Falls, Oregon City, Portland and Salem.
- Oregon is served by the daily Los Angeles-Seattle northbound and southbound *Coast Starlight* train, two Eugene-Portland Amtrak roundtrip *Cascades* trains, four Portland-Seattle roundtrip *Cascades* trains and the Portland-Chicago westbound and eastbound *Empire Builder*.

Pacific Northwest Rail Corridor

- The corridor extends from Eugene north to Vancouver, British Columbia.
- “Corridor” status for the segment between Eugene and Portland helps provide federal funds to develop high-speed train service in Oregon.
- The long-term goal is to offer **additional frequencies, reduce running times** throughout the corridor, and **increase reliability**.

Railroad station passenger use: Amtrak FY 2009 (Year ended 9/30/09)

Oregon Railroad Stations	Passengers off and on per station	Growth compared to 1993
Albany	46,810	+229%
Chemult	11,623	+81%
Eugene	143,107	+229%
Klamath Falls	31,888	+75%
Oregon City	7,845	N/A*
Portland	685,585	+114%
Salem	77,652	+254%

*Online in 2004

- In 2010, the Rail Division is collecting public input on passenger rail goals as it continues the process of updating the 2001 Oregon Rail Plan.
- Rail is also developing Oregon’s high-speed rail corridor as funds become available. Ongoing **track and signal improvements** have already reduced travel time.
- ODOT underwrites **two daily roundtrip Cascades trains** and three daily Amtrak Thruway bus roundtrips between Eugene and Portland, and a fourth Eugene-Portland roundtrip on Fridays and Sundays.
- Service improvements throughout the high-speed rail corridor have **boosted ridership** significantly since 1994.
- Willamette Valley stations now serve more than twice the number of passengers compared to the start of Amtrak *Cascades* train service.

Pacific Northwest High-Speed Rail Corridor Ridership Growth: Oregon FY 1995–2009 (Year ended 6/30/09)

Eugene-Portland Amtrak Cascades trains and Thruway bus services.

1995 ridership 59,492 
 2009 ridership 180,556 
 Percentage growth +203%

For more information on passenger rail, visit www.oregon.gov/ODOT/RAIL.