

**CLASSIFICATION OF FREIGHT RAILROADS**  
BY THE FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION/  
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

TYPE	ANNUAL GROSS FREIGHT REVENUE
CLASS I	\$250 million or more
CLASS II	less than \$250 million but more than \$20 million
CLASS III	\$20 million or less

Class I railroads comprise only 1 percent of the number of U.S. railroads, but account for 67 percent of the industry's mileage operated, 90 percent of its employees, and 93 percent of its freight revenue.

**ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN RAILROADS:**  
**2012 MISSISSIPPI RAILROAD FACTS**

833,000 tons of pulp and paper originated in Mississippi.  
 Rail carloads that originated in-state - 106,400.  
 Total rail employment in-state - 1,833.  
 Total rail retirement beneficiaries in-state - 5,780.  
 Average wages of rail employees in-state - \$115,170.  
 Total wages of rail retirement beneficiaries in-state - \$118,000,000.



**MILEAGE OF STATE RAILROAD SYSTEM**  
**RAILROADS OPERATING IN MISSISSIPPI**

There are 30 rail carriers. The rail system includes 2,542 main-line miles and is operated by 5 CLASS-I and 25 CLASS-III railroads.

CLASS I MAJOR	MAIN-LINE MILES
BNSF - Burlington Northern Santa Fe	166
CSXT - CSX Transportation	74
CM - Canadian National Railway	609
KCS - Kansas City Southern	586
NS - Norfolk Southern	209
<b>Total</b>	<b>1644</b>

  

CLASS-III LOCAL (Parent Company)	MILES
ABS - Alabama Southern (Watco)	6
AGR - Alabama & Gulf Coast Railway (Rail America)	13
CAGY - Columbus & Greenville Railway (Genesee and Wyoming)	162
GRWR - Grenada Railroad (V&S)	187
GTR - Great River (Bolivar County)	32
GTAA - Golden Triangle (Patriot Rail)	9
LXVR - Luxapallia (Genesee and Wyoming)	10
MDOT - Meridian Southern	21
MSB - Meridian and Bigbee (Genesee and Wyoming)	55
MSCL - MS Central (Pioneer)	19
MSD - MS Delta (Coahoma County)	59
MSE - MS Export	60
MSR - MS Southern (Watco)	42
MSW - Mississippi Railway, Inc. (Itawamba County Port Commission)	22
NTR - Natchez Railroad (V&S)	66
OAR - Old Augusta (Georgia Pacific)	3
PBVR - Port Blenville (Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission)	9
RJCK - TN Terminal (R.J. Coman Railroad)	4
RVA - Ripley and New Albany Railroad	22
RWC - Redmont (MS-AL Railroad Authority)	36
VSR - Vicksburg Southern (Watco)	21
WTN - West TN Railroad	2
YCRK - Yellow Creek Railroad	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>898</b>

**OPERATION LIFESAVER**  
**Mississippi**

**LOOK - LISTEN - LIVE**  
A RAIL/HIGHWAY GRADE CROSSING SAFETY PROGRAM

601-359-7539

The Federal Railroad Administration sets standards and develops regulations for the safety of the nation's 565 railroads and 140,695 miles of track.

The National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) also plays a role in ensuring railroad safety. Established by Congress in 1966, NTSB investigates transportation accidents, determines their probable causes and issues safety recommendations. Due to limited resources, the Railroad Division of the NTSB does not investigate every rail accident reported to the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA). To use its resources most efficiently, the Board has established accident investigation criteria that help highlight accidents that involve significant safety issues.

TRACK CLASS	MAXIMUM SPEED (MPH)	FREIGHT	PASSENGER
1	10	15	15
2	25	30	30
3	40	60	60
4	60	80	80
5	80	90	90
6	110	110	110

**AMTRAK STATIONS IN MISSISSIPPI**

Station	Map Location
Brookhaven (BRH)	J-5
Greenwood (GWD)	E-6
Hattiesburg (HNB)	K-8
Hazlehurst (HAZ)	J-5
Jackson (JAN)	I-5
Laurel (LAU)	J-8
McComb (MCA)	K-5
Meridian (ME)	H-9
Picayune (PIC)	M-7
Yazoo City (YAZ)	G-5

**OFFICIAL RAILROAD MAP OF MISSISSIPPI**

**MAP FEATURES**

- ROADWAYS
- CLASS I RAILROAD
- CLASS III RAILROAD
- CLASS I RAILROAD OUT OF SERVICE
- CLASS III RAILROAD OUT OF SERVICE
- INTERSTATE ROUTE
- UNITED STATES ROUTE
- STATE OF MISSISSIPPI ROUTE
- AMTRAK RAIL STATION

**SCALE**

0 10 20 30 40 50 Miles  
0 10 20 30 40 50 Kilometers

© MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, 2015  
PREPARED BY PLANNING DIVISION  
IN COOPERATION WITH THE  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

