

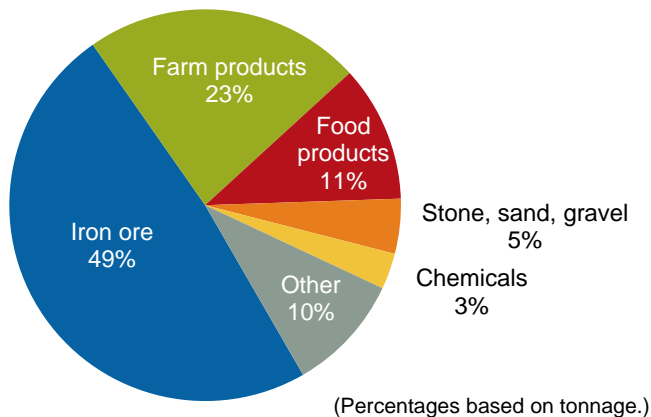
Rail Fast Facts For 2009

Operations	Number of freight railroads	20
	Freight railroad mileage	4,528
Employment and Earnings	Number of freight rail employees	4,222
	Average wages & benefits per freight rail employee	\$99,480
Railroad Retirement	Number of railroad retirement beneficiaries	15,149
	Railroad retirement benefits paid	\$270 million
Economic Impact	Nationwide, each freight rail job supports 4.5 jobs elsewhere in the economy. Each \$1 billion in new rail investment supports more than 17,000 jobs.	
Fuel Efficiency	In 2010, America's railroads moved a ton of freight an average of 484 miles on one gallon of fuel. That's like going from Minneapolis to Springfield, IL. On average, railroads are four times more fuel efficient than trucks. Moving freight by rail instead of truck reduces greenhouse gas emissions by 75 percent.	
Cutting Highway Gridlock	One train can carry as much freight as several hundred trucks. It would have taken approximately 11.3 million additional trucks to handle the 203.2 million tons of freight that originated, terminated, or passed through Minnesota by rail in 2009.	

Rail Traffic Originated in 2009

Total Tons: 67.4 million

Total Carloads: 893,300



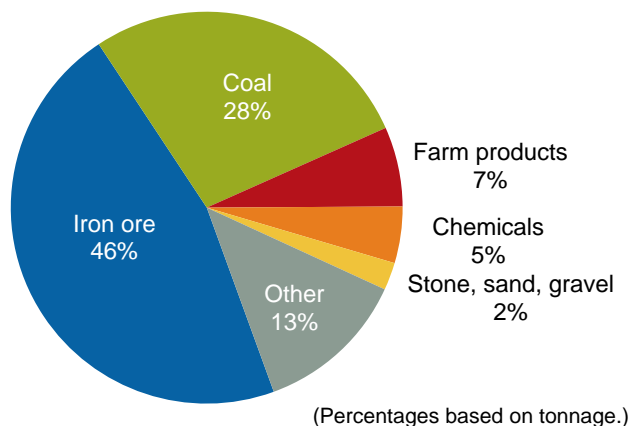
Commodity	Tons	Carloads
Iron ore	32,755,000	413,600
Farm products	15,449,000	152,700
Food products	7,593,000	86,900
Stone, sand, gravel	3,050,000	36,600
Chemicals	1,998,000	21,500
Other	6,537,000	181,900

Minnesota's Mesabi Range is one of the world's largest iron ore mining regions; in 2009, Minnesota accounted for 73% of total rail tons originated of iron ore. In 2009, 57% of farm products was corn, 22% was soybeans, and 14% was wheat.

Rail Traffic Terminated in 2009

Total Tons: 60.2 million

Total Carloads: 800,100



Commodity	Tons	Carloads
Iron ore	27,847,000	365,800
Coal	16,619,000	142,300
Farm products	3,962,000	41,400
Chemicals	2,806,000	30,100
Stone, sand, gravel	1,373,000	19,600
Other	7,579,000	200,800

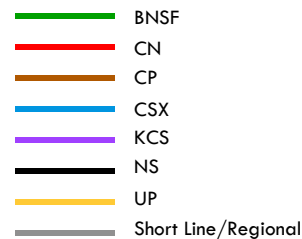
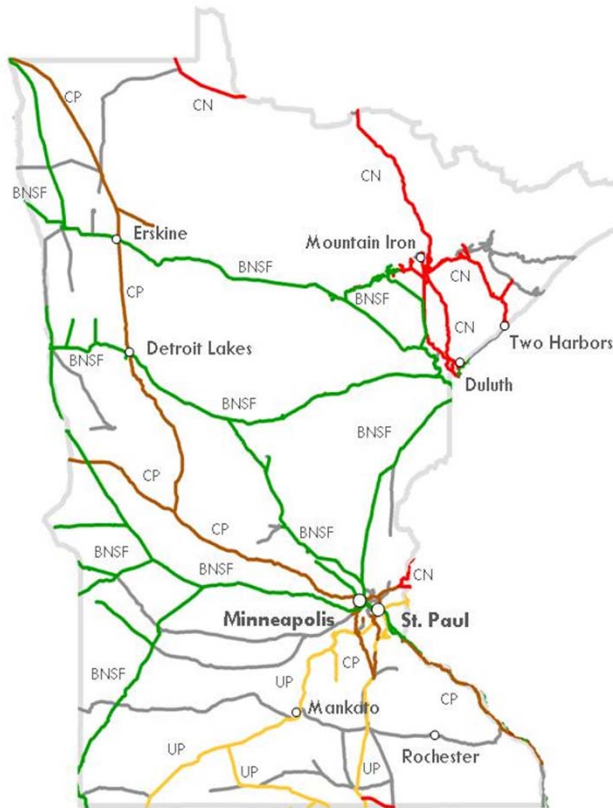
In 2009, 57% of the electricity generated in Minnesota was coal-fired; most of the coal used by power plants in Minnesota was delivered by railroads.

	Miles Operated In Minnesota in 2009
Class I Railroads	
BNSF Railway Company	1,686
Grand Trunk Corporation	435
Soo Line Railroad Co.	1,240
Union Pacific Railroad Co.	659
	<u>4,020</u>
Canadian Railroads*	
Canadian National	44
	<u>44</u>
Regional Railroads	
Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern Railroad	320
Iowa, Chicago & Eastern Railroad	244
Red River Valley & Western Railroad Co.	32
	<u>596</u>
Switching & Terminal Railroads	
Cloquet Terminal Railroad Company, Inc.	4
Minnesota Commercial Railway	132
Northern Lines Railway	28
	<u>164</u>

Minnesota 2009 Totals	Number of Freight Railroads	Miles Operated	
		Excluding Trackage Rights	Including Trackage Rights
Class I	4	3,171	4,020
Canadian*	1	44	44
Regional	3	465	596
Local	9	721	884
Switching & Terminal	3	127	164
Total	20	4,528	5,708

*Canadian-owned lines not affiliated with a U.S. rail subsidiary.

	Miles Operated In Minnesota in 2009
Local Railroads	
Minnesota Northern Railroad, Inc.	243
Minnesota Prairie Line	94
Minnesota Southern Railway, Inc.	42
Minnesota, Dakota & Western Railway	6
Northern Plains Railroad, Inc.	52
Otter Tail Valley Railroad	72
Progressive Rail, Inc.	97
St. Croix Valley Railroad Co.	60
Twin Cities & Western Railroad Co.	218
	<u>884</u>



Map shows rail line ownership based on 2008 National Transportation Atlas Database published by the U.S. DOT's Bureau of Transportation Statistics.

Class I Railroad: A railroad with 2009 operating revenues of at least \$378.8 million. **Regional Railroad:** A non-Class I line-haul railroad that has annual revenues of at least \$40 million, or that operates at least 350 miles of road and has annual revenues of at least \$20 million. **Local Railroad:** A railroad which is neither a Class I nor a Regional Railroad and is engaged primarily in line-haul service. **Switching & Terminal Railroad:** A non-Class I railroad engaged primarily in switching and/or terminal services for other railroads. Railroads operating are as of December 31, 2009. Some mileage figures may be estimated.