

Freight railroads .....	8
Freight railroad mileage .....	571
Freight rail employees .....	111
Average wages and benefits per employee .....	\$107,060
Railroad retirement beneficiaries .....	2,600
Railroad retirement benefits paid .....	\$77 million

### Quick Facts



**Privately Owned:** Freight railroads operate on a nearly 140,000-mile network they almost exclusively own, maintain and pay for themselves.



**Sustainable:** Railroads are the most fuel efficient way to move freight over land. It would have taken approximately 78,000 additional trucks to handle the 1.4 million tons of freight that originated by rail in Connecticut in 2021.

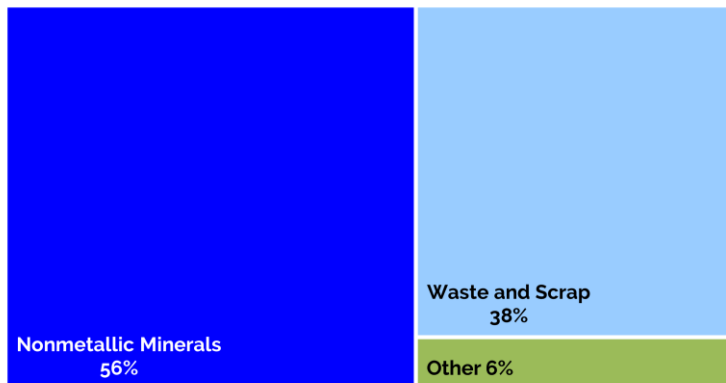


**Economic Driver:** Railroads haul 1/3 of U.S. exports and serve nearly every sector of the economy, from moving the food we eat to the chemicals that treat our water.

### Rail Traffic Originated in 2021

Total Tons: 1.4 million

Total Carloads: 14,400



Commodity	Tons (mil)	Carloads
Nonmetallic Minerals	0.8	7,600
Waste and Scrap	0.5	5,800
Other	0.1	1,100

Source: AAR analysis of industry data  
(% based on tonnage)

### Rail Traffic Terminated in 2021

Total Tons: 1.4 million

Total Carloads: 15,100

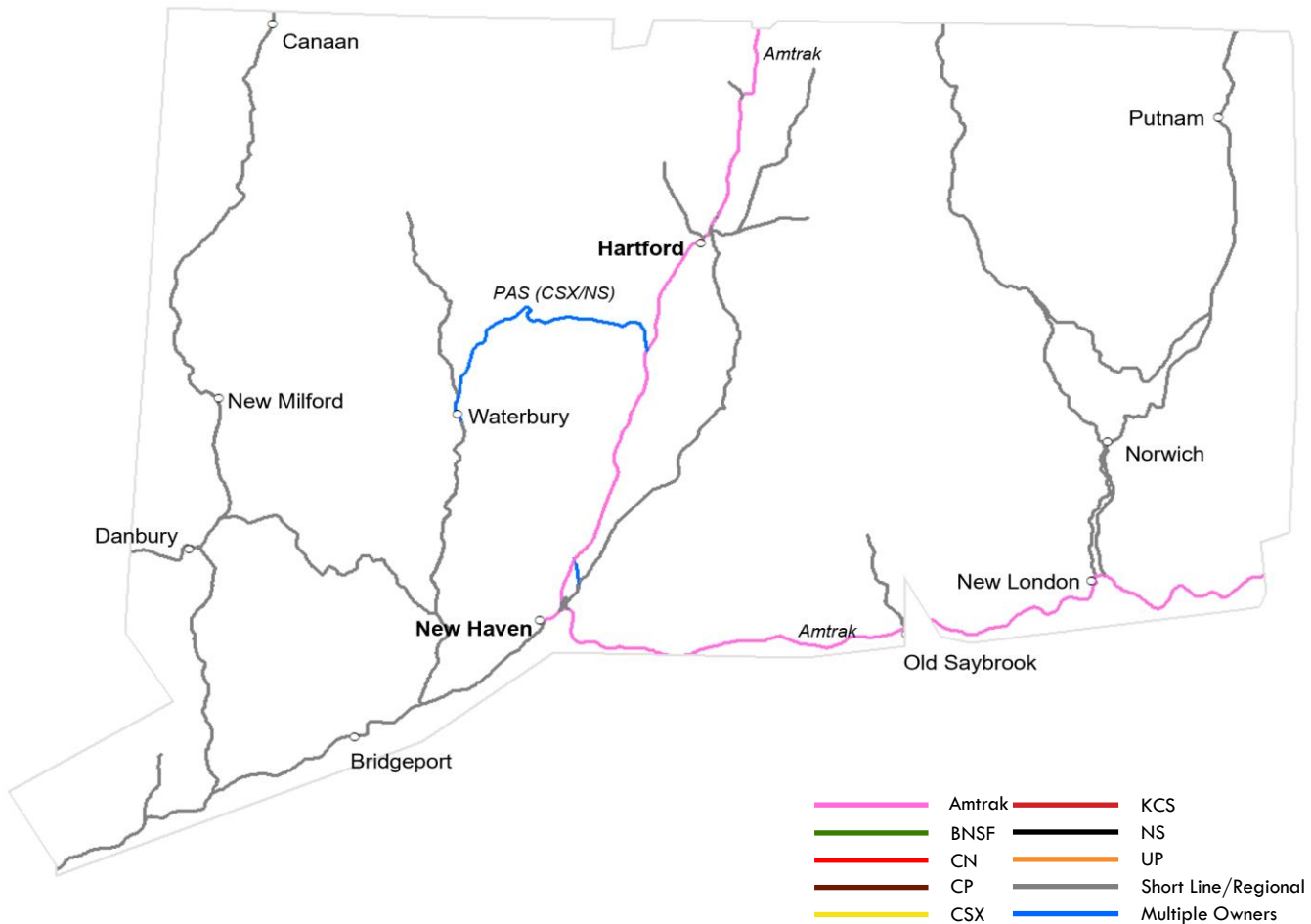


Commodity	Tons (mil)	Carloads
Primary Metal Products	0.4	4,700
Lumber, Wood Products	0.2	1,900
Farm Products	0.2	1,600
Food Products	0.1	1,300
Petroleum Products	0.1	1,400
Other	0.4	4,200

Source: AAR analysis of industry data  
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	Miles Operated In Connecticut in 2021
<b>Class I Railroads</b>	
CSX Transportation	76
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<b>Regional Railroads</b>	
New England Central Railroad	225
Pan Am Southern	107
Providence and Worcester Railroad	346
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<b>Short Line Railroads</b>	
Central New England Railroad	22
Connecticut Southern Railroad	76
Housatonic Railroad	89
Naugatuck Railroad	20
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Connecticut 2021 Totals	Number of Freight Railroads	Miles Operated	
		Excluding Trackage Rights	Including Trackage Rights
Class I	1	0	76
Regional	3	364	678
Short Line	4	207	207
<b>Total</b>	<hr/> 8	<hr/> 571	<hr/> 961



Map is based on the 2022 North American Rail Network published by the U.S. Department of Transportation. Some mileage figures are AAR estimates.

**Class I Railroad:** A railroad with 2021 operating revenues of at least \$943.9 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 revenues of at least \$20 million. **Short Line Railroad:** A railroad which is neither a Class I nor a Regional Railroad.