

Massachusetts

Freight Rail 2021 Data

Freight railroads	13
Freight railroad mileage	868
Freight rail employees	593
Average wages and benefits per employee	\$111,830
Railroad retirement beneficiaries	3,600
Railroad retirement benefits paid	\$99 million

Quick Facts



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

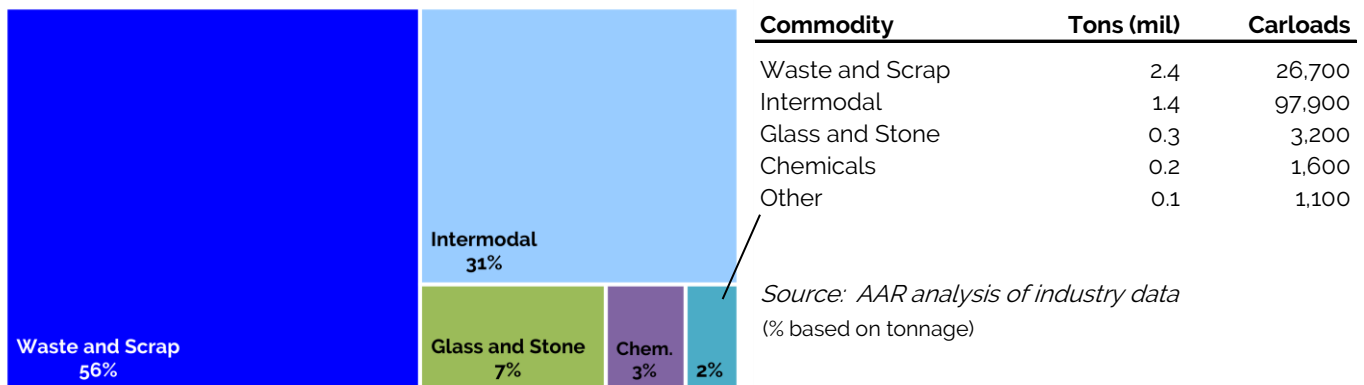


Sustainable: Railroads are the most fuel efficient way to move freight over land. It would have taken approximately 242,000 additional trucks to handle the 4.3 million tons of freight that originated by rail in Massachusetts in 2021.

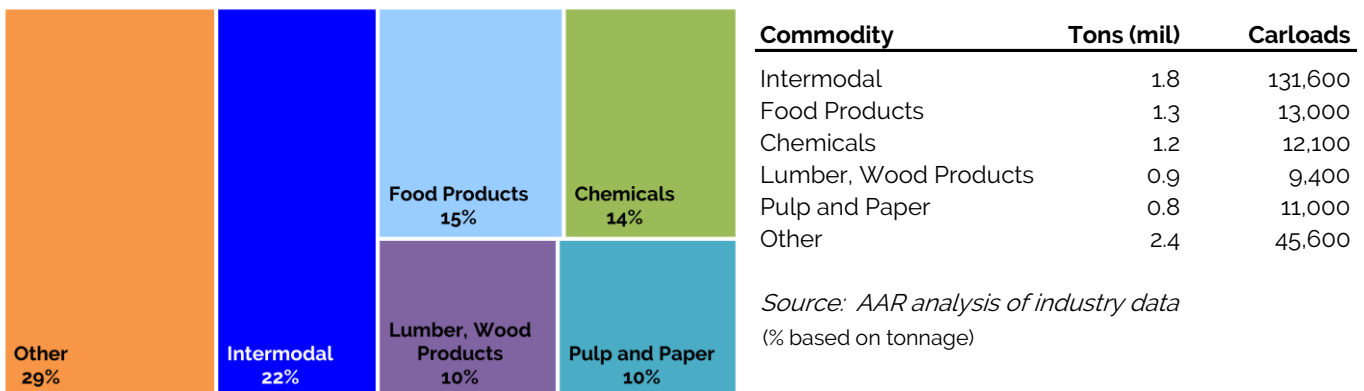


Economic Driver: Railroads haul 1/3 of U.S. exports and serve nearly every sector of the economy, from moving the food we eat to the chemicals that treat our water.

Rail Traffic Originated in 2021 Total Tons: 4.3 million Total Carloads: 130,400

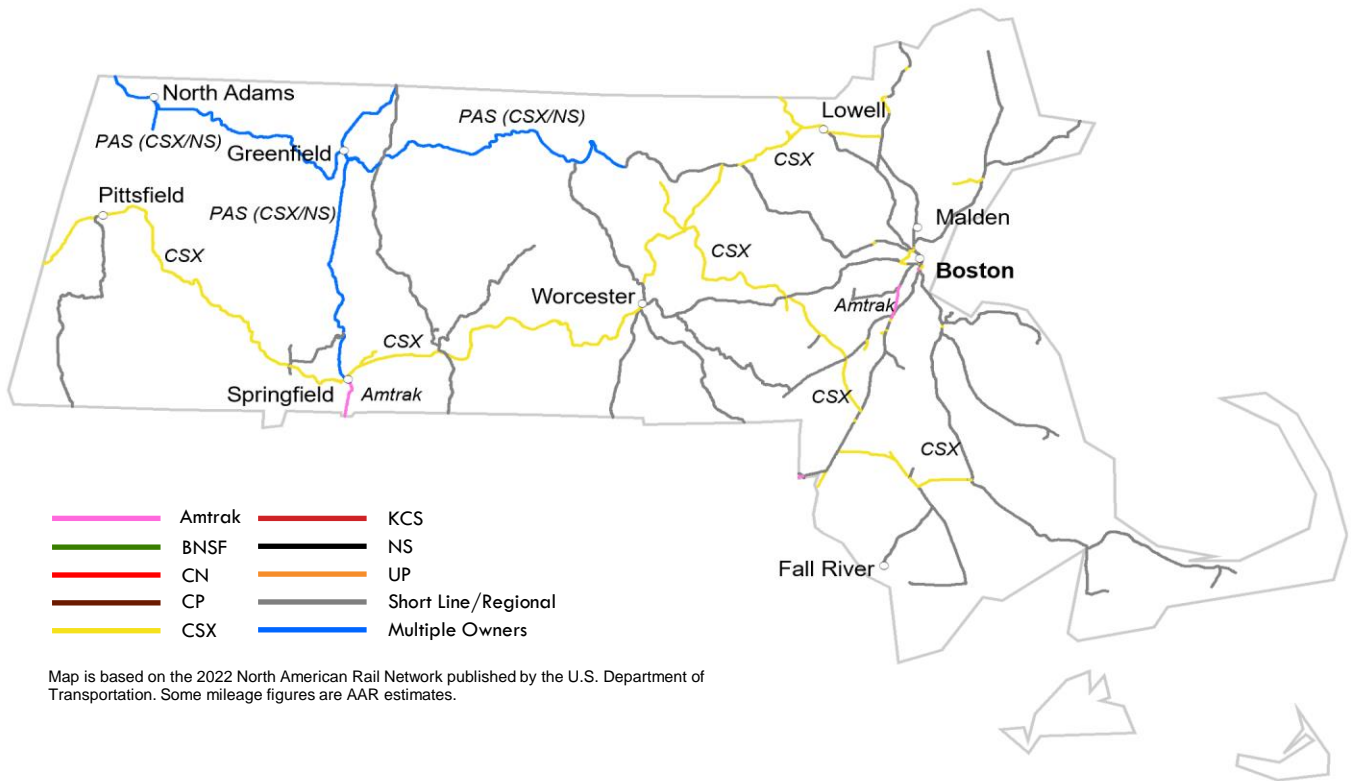


Rail Traffic Terminated in 2021 Total Tons: 8.3 million Total Carloads: 222,700



	Miles Operated In Massachusetts in 2021
Class I Railroads	
CSX Transportation	507
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Regional Railroads	
New England Central Railroad	91
Pan Am Southern	188
Providence and Worcester Railroad	123
	402
Short Line Railroads	
Bay Colony Railroad	6
Connecticut Southern Railroad	7
East Brookfield & Spencer Railroad	4
Fore River Transportation Corp.	3
Grafton & Upton Railroad	23
Housatonic Railroad	38
Massachusetts Central Railroad	25
Massachusetts Coastal Railroad	60
Pioneer Valley Railroad	17
	183

Massachusetts 2021 Totals	Number of Freight Railroads	Miles Operated	
		Excluding Trackage Rights	Including Trackage Rights
Class I	1	344	507
Regional	3	341	402
Short Line	9	183	183
Total	13	868	1,092



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.