

# FREIGHT RAIL IN NEW MEXICO



*It would have taken about*  
**378,000 TRUCKS**  
*to handle the 6.8 million tons of freight that*  
*railroads originated in New Mexico in 2023.*

## Class I Railroads

BNSF	1,636
Union Pacific	618
	2,254

## Short Line Railroads

Arizona Eastern Railway	50
Santa Teresa Southern Railroad	2
Southwestern Railroad	102
Texas & New Mexico Railway	70
	224

**FREIGHT RR  
EMPLOYEES**

**1,409**

**FREIGHT  
RRS**

**6**

**FREIGHT RR  
MILEAGE**

**1,859**

**RR RETIREMENT  
BENEFICIARIES**

**4,400**

**RR RETIREMENT  
BENEFITS**

**\$108M**



## RAIL TRAFFIC ORIGINATED

COMMODITY	TONS (M)	CARLOADS
Coal	3.2	26,500
Chemicals	0.9	9,200
Intermodal	0.7	62,100
Refined petrol. prod.	0.5	5,600
Waste & scrap	0.4	3,900
Other	1.1	16,300
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6.8M</b>	<b>123.6K</b>

## RAIL TRAFFIC TERMINATED

COMMODITY	TONS (M)	CARLOADS
Food products	1.4	13,600
Chemicals	0.9	9,000
Intermodal	0.6	53,300
Grain	0.6	5,800
Refined petrol. prod.	0.4	5,100
Other	2.3	32,600
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6.3M</b>	<b>119.5K</b>



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