



This is our second monthly newsletter. As promised, we're continuing to provide you with up-to-date information on passenger rail traffic and operations in NC.

How does your station's annual passenger traffic compare with others in NC?

We now have precise 2018 passenger traffic information for all NC stations (no more estimates.)

Rank	Station	Traffic^	Trains
1	Charlotte	169,010	Ca/Pi/Cr
2	Raleigh	153,792	Ca/Pi/SS
3	Greensboro	116,469	Ca/Pi/Cr
5	Cary	81,534	Ca/Pi/SS
4	Durham	74,089	Ca/Pi
6	Wilson	53,934	Ca/Pa
7	Rocky Mount	51,365	Ca/Pa/SS/SM
8	Fayetteville	50,528	Pa/SM
9	High Point	31,048	Ca/Pi
10	Burlington	21,888	Ca/Pi
11	Salisbury	20,693	Ca/Pi/Cr
12	Kannapolis	18,858	Ca/Pi
12	Selma	12,290	Ca/Pa
14	Southern Pines	6,925	SS
15	Hamlet	4,005	SS
16	Gastonia	1,251	Cr

Spotlight on CAROLINIAN Service

Daily Trains 79 & 80

79 from New York to Charlotte

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The Carolinian is partially financed and supported by the State of North Carolina. Train 80 provides the first of four daily trips between Charlotte and Raleigh before continuing to Selma, Wilson and

Rocky Mount, and then northbound to New York via stations in VA, DC, MD, DE, NJ. Train 79 departs New York each morning and provides the 4th (and last) daily train between Raleigh and Charlotte.

Spotlight on High Point (HPT)

2018 Passenger Traffic = 31,048

(plus 4,101 on Winston-Salem Connector Buses)

Top 10 City Pairs by Ridership

1. Charlotte, 2. Raleigh, 3. Washington DC,
4. Durham, 5. Cary, 6. New York NY,
7. Salisbury, 8. Philadelphia PA,
9. Kannapolis, and 10. Greensboro.

Trains stopping at High Point are the day-time Carolinian and Piedmonts, and the night-time Crescent (New York-New Orleans). The High Point Amtrak Station is in the center of the downtown area, and the Red Lion Hotel is only one block's walk away across Main Street. The HiTran transit center is located adjacent to the station, reachable by way of the pedestrian bridge across the tracks. High Point is the connection point for bus services from Winston-Salem and Winston-Salem State University. Next month: CARY

Statewide Ridership Increase on Trains Serving North Carolina

The annual NC passenger traffic (boardings and alightings) from trains within and passing through North Carolina increased from 847.9K in 2017 to 868.8K in 2018, an increase of 2 ½ percent, halting four years of decline since 2013 when annual passenger traffic was 958.5K. Also, 314.2K passengers passed through NC, boarding and alighting outside the state.

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