2017 FAST FACTS

Miles of Track .................................................. 847.7
Annual Payroll .................................................. $81.5 million
In-State Purchases ............................................. $21.5 million
Capital Investment ............................................. $53.2 million
Employees ....................................................... 818
U.S. Jobs Supported* ........................................ 7,362

*Each American freight rail job supports 9 jobs elsewhere in the U.S. economy. (Association of American Railroads)

RAIL CARS ORIGINATED IN IDAHO

2013 ................................................................. 87,176
2014 ................................................................. 91,267
2015 ................................................................. 88,843
2016 ................................................................. 85,760
2017 ................................................................. 87,193

RAIL CARS TERMINATED IN IDAHO

2013 ................................................................. 62,872
2014 ................................................................. 67,187
2015 ................................................................. 70,743
2016 ................................................................. 68,438
2017 ................................................................. 67,790

TOP FIVE COMMODITIES SHIPPED

2017 BY VOLUME

1. FERTILIZER
2. RICE, SUGAR AND MISC DRY FOOD
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4. BREWERS AND BEVERAGE
5. WHEAT AND FLOUR

TOP FIVE COMMODITIES RECEIVED

2017 BY VOLUME

1. FERTILIZER
2. GRAIN
3. SULPHUR
4. FEED AND ANIMAL PROTEIN
5. MEALS AND OILS

UNION PACIFIC IN IDAHO

Union Pacific’s community focus is embedded in the company culture. In Idaho, this means fostering critical relationships with Native American Tribes and the cities and towns where Union Pacific trains operate.

Southern Idaho is home to Union Pacific’s main artery to the Pacific Northwest. Heavy amounts of transcontinental traffic travel the track that follows the Snake River. In addition, southern Idaho is laced with a network of railroad feeder lines serving Idaho’s richly varied agricultural industry. Potatoes, sugar beets, beans, grain, fertilizer, phosphate and forest products are all moved by rail.

Pocatello and Nampa are home to important terminals for Union Pacific and serve as a hub for branch line activities and crew change points.

In northern Idaho, Union Pacific’s rail line connects Spokane, Washington, to the Canadian rail system via Eastport in Boundary County.
A single Union Pacific train can carry as much freight as 300 trucks and move one ton of freight 465 miles on a single gallon of diesel, generating a carbon footprint that is 75 percent less than trucks.

In the last five years, 2013-2017, Union Pacific invested more than $205 million strengthening Idaho’s transportation infrastructure.

TECHNOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL INITIATIVES ENHANCING IDAHO’S ECONOMY

Positive Train Control (PTC) has been installed and operational in Idaho since 2017. This technology will automatically stop a train before certain accidents caused by human error occur. The PTC system is designed to further enhance safety in Idaho communities and across our entire rail network.

Union Pacific has been using drone technology for rail structure inspections since 2014, placing cameras where personnel used to climb bridges and radio towers across our network. Increasing drone usage may play a part in accomplishing Union Pacific’s ultimate goal: zero accidents and zero injuries.

Union Pacific’s vision of building America involves protecting and strengthening the environment. Several initiatives and innovative technologies are helping achieve our environmental goals in Idaho.

New locomotives that meet the EPA’s stringent Tier 4 emissions standards have been added to UP’s fleet over the last few years, reducing particulate emissions by as much as 90 percent during operations. The new locomotives, combined with new aerodynamic technologies like Arrowedge, dramatically impact fuel efficiency.

AMERICA’S PREMIER RAILROAD

Union Pacific Railroad is the principal operating company of Union Pacific Corporation (NYSE: UNP). One of America’s most recognized companies, Union Pacific Railroad connects 23 states in the western two-thirds of the country by rail, providing a critical link in the global supply chain. From 2008-2017, Union Pacific invested approximately $34 billion in its network and operations to support America’s transportation infrastructure. The railroad’s diversified business mix is classified into its Agricultural Products, Energy, and Industrial and Premium business groups. Union Pacific serves many of the fastest-growing U.S. population centers, operates from all major West Coast and Gulf Coast ports to eastern gateways, connects with Canada’s rail systems and is the only railroad serving all six major Mexico gateways. Union Pacific provides value to its roughly 10,000 customers by delivering products in a safe, reliable, fuel-efficient and environmentally responsible manner.

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