

Utah's Public Transportation Sector, 2020

In 2020, domestic and international travelers and tourists spent money on public transportation, including air, shuttle, taxi, rideshare, train, bus, and mass transit fares. Tourism Economics reported Utah's share of this total public transportation spending—or the amount that stayed in Utah—at \$1.09 billion. The Gardner Institute estimates that the majority (84.8%) of public transportation spending takes place along the Wasatch

Front—specifically in Salt Lake County—based on the number of private transportation jobs in each county. As the home of the Salt Lake City International Airport, Salt Lake County is the state's largest transportation hub. Here is a look at 2020 public transportation-related employment for the state, all four Wasatch Front counties, and the rest of the state:

Public Transportation Sector	Statewide	Salt Lake	Utah	Weber	Davis	Wasatch Front	Rest of State
Scheduled Air Transportation	6,440	5,620	94	*	33	5,747	693
Support Activities for Air Transportation	1,392	917	304	18	*	1,239	153
Transit and Ground Transportation ¹	1,537	620	213	108	16	957	580
Total Private Jobs	9,369	7,157	611	126	49	7,943	1,426
Share	100.0%	76.4%	6.5%	1.3%	0.1%	84.8%	15.2%

Source: Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute analysis of U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and Utah Department of Workforce Services data

*not disclosed due to small numbers

1. Includes urban, interurban, and rural transit systems, taxi/limousine services, charter bus industry, and all other ground passenger transportation.