

## Utah's Public Transportation Sector, 2021

In 2021, 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 \$1.85 billion. The Gardner Institute estimates that the majority (85%) 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 2021 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	7,281	6,234	126	*	39	6,399	882
Support Activities for Air Transportation	1,649	1,087	369	19	*	1,475	174
Transit and Ground Transportation <sup>1</sup>	1,456	601	200	107	23	931	525
<b>Total Private Jobs</b>	<b>10,386</b>	<b>7,922</b>	<b>695</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>8,805</b>	<b>1,581</b>
<b>Share</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>76.3%</b>	<b>6.7%</b>	<b>1.2%</b>	<b>0.6%</b>	<b>84.8%</b>	<b>15.2%</b>

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

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