

Turning On the Off-Season

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General Aviation at the Region's Airports

Types of Air Traffic Activity at the Region's Airports

City	State	Field name	Average daily aircraft	% local general aviation	% transient general aviation	% air taxi	% commercial	% military	Daily local general	Daily transient general	Daily air taxi
Blackfoot	ID	McCarley Field	59	58	37	5			34	22	3
Driggs	ID	Driggs-Reed Memorial Airport	21	53	33	14			11	7	3
Idaho Falls	ID	Idaho Falls Regional Airport	131	0	43	30	2	1	0	56	39
Island Park	ID	Henry's Lake Airport	8		89	11			0	7	1
Malad City	ID	Malad City Airport	12	4	94			1	1	11	0
Pocatello	ID	Pocatello Regional Airport	126	43	33	8	14	1	54	42	10
Rexburg	ID	Rexburg-Madison County Airport	85	59	38	2		1	50	32	2
Soda Springs	ID	Allen H Tigert Airport	28	22	78				6	22	0
St. Anthony	ID	Stanford Field Airport	8	19	78	3			2	6	0
Big Timber	MT	Big Timber Airport	20	66	24	10			13	5	2
Billings	MT	Billings Logan Intntl Airport	282	20	30	37	12	1	56	85	104
Bozeman	MT	Gallatin Field	184	37	37	17	9	1	68	68	31
Bridger	MT	Bridger Municipal Airport	27	43	57				12	15	0
Columbus	MT	Columbus Airport	25	44	53	3			11	13	1
Ennis	MT	Ennis-Big Sky Airport	30	55	42	3			17	13	1
Gardiner	MT	Gardiner Airport	24	41	52	7			10	13	2
Laurel	MT	Laurel Municipal Airport	123	20	73			7	25	90	0
Livingston	MT	Mission Field Airport	16	59	34	7		1	9	5	1
Red Lodge	MT	Red Lodge Airport	22	46	51	2		1	10	11	0
Three Forks	MT	Three Forks Airport	32	15	13	63		9	5	4	20
Twin Bridges	MT	Twin Bridges Airport	6	49	49			2	3	3	0

West Yellowstone	MT	Yellowstone Airport	53	20	77	3				11	41	2
Wisdom	MT	Wisdom Airport	1	22	78					0	1	0
Afton	WY	Afton Municipal Airport	40	69	30	1	1			28	12	0
Alpine	WY	Alpine Airport	1	59	41					1	0	0
Cody	WY	Yellowstone Regional Airport	105	42	39	9	10	1		44	41	9
Dubois	WY	Dubois Municipal Airport	2	46	53	1				1	1	0
Jackson	WY	Jackson Hole Airport	99	20	41	15	23	1		20	41	15
Kemmerer	WY	Kemmerer Municipal Airport	6	23	73			5		1	4	0
Lander	WY	Hunt Field Airport	31	54	45	1		1		17	14	0
Pinedale	WY	Ralph Wenz Field Airport	26	42	21	37		1		11	6	10
Powell	WY	Powell Municipal Airport	10	40	53	7		1		4	5	1
Riverton	WY	Riverton Regional Airport	16	26	33		41	1		4	5	0
Thermopolis	WY	Hot Springs County-Thermopolis Municipal Airport	7	66	20	14				5	1	1

General aviation includes operations covered under Part 91 of the Federal Aviation Regulations. Air charter operations are those covered under Part 135. Transient general aviation includes operations by aircraft based at a different airport.

Source: Airnav.com

Public Ground Transportation

While some of the region's larger communities offer local public transportation, there are few services available that connect the region's communities, resort areas and public lands. Following is a listing of public ground transportation services and commuter-oriented transportation services in the region.

START Bus (Jackson, Wyoming)

Public transit system for the Jackson Hole area, including the Star Valley and, beginning April 16, 2007, year-round bus service between Jackson, Wyoming, and Driggs, Idaho, with stops in Victor and Wilson. START is funded by the city of Jackson, Teton County, Wyoming, the federal government, and rider fares. It began in 1987 as a skiers' shuttle. (<http://www.startbus.com>)

Streamline Bus (Bozeman, Montana)

Since August 2006, bus service connects Bozeman and Belgrade, with routes around Bozeman, as well. Bozeman's first public transportation system in 70 years served 50,000 riders in the first seven months of operation. Connects to Skyline Bus service (see below). (<http://www.streamlinebus.com/>)

Skyline Bus (Big Sky, Montana)

Year-round bus service in the Big Sky resort area. As of December 2006, the Link Express runs between Big Sky and Bozeman, connecting to Streamline Bus service. Sponsorship by Moonlight Basin ensures free Link Express service through June 2007. (<http://www.skylinebus.com>)

Yellowstone National Park employee bus (Montana)

Yellowstone National Park owns and operates a 48-passenger bus for park employees who commute from Livingston, the Paradise Valley, and Gardiner, Montana. This seasonal bus runs four days a week and provides transportation to Mammoth Hot Springs for some 40 park employees.

Targhee Regional Transportation Authority (Idaho Falls, Idaho)

Operates the PTA bus service within Idaho Falls, with limited service to Ammon, Idaho.

Community and Rural Transportation—CART (Eastern Idaho)

Operates local bus service and on-demand service within and between Idaho Falls, Rexburg, and Driggs. On-demand service available in Bonneville, Madison, Jefferson, and Fremont counties.

Pocatello Regional Transit (Pocatello, Idaho)

Bus service in the city of Pocatello. (<http://www.pocatello-transit.com/>)

Idaho State University Commuter Express

Connects commuter students in Idaho Falls, Blackfoot, Burley, American Falls and Twin Falls with the ISU campus in Pocatello. Funded completely by ticket sales. (<http://www.isu.edu/departments/transp/>)

Jackson Hole Express

Bus service between Salt Lake City, Pocatello, Idaho Falls, and Jackson. (<http://www.jacksonholealltrans.com/jackson-holeexpress.html>)

MET Transit (Billings, Montana)

Bus service in the city of Billings. (<http://ci.billings.mt.us/MET/index.html>)

Wind River Transportation Authority (Fremont County, Wyoming)

Fixed-route service and transportation from the Riverton/Lander area to local airports including Riverton, Jackson, and Casper. (<http://www.wrtabuslines.com>)

Powder River Transportation

Commercial coach service connecting communities in Wyoming including Cody and Powell, as well as Billings, Montana. Serves Thermopolis and Fremont County, as well. (<http://www.coachamerica.com/citypages/contactus.cfm/location/gillette>)

“Yellow Bus” Proposal for Regional Transportation

Yellowstone National Park is supporting the development of a modern, ADA compliant, transit vehicle to provide transportation through the park. In the spirit of the original YNP bus system, this new vehicle is called the “Yellow Bus”.

The prototype bus is capable of being converted to tracks for over-snow travel. It is designed with large windows, including skylights and forward viewing in the passenger area. An article on the over-snow prototype testing by the Idaho National Laboratory is available at <http://www.inl.gov/featuresstories/2004-03-03.shtml>.



Source: Background materials for the Transit in the Tetons workshop, December 2005. View at http://www.tetonforum.org/TnT_infopack.htm.

Sources

Transportation Profiles

State-level transportation data and state profiles available from the U.S. Department of Transportation Bureau of Transportation Statistics (http://www.bts.gov/publications/state_transportation_statistics/).

Regional Transportation Issues and Plans

Transportation in the Tetons workshop, December 2005. Sixty-one representatives of civic and business leaders, agency representatives, and public land managers met to discuss regional transportation in the Yellowstone-Teton region. Report available at http://www.tetonforum.org/p_tnt_proj.html.

Barna, B. 2007. The Yellowstone Region at a Transportation Crossroads. *The Business Voice*, Winter 2007. Bozeman, Montana: Yellowstone Business Partnership. (Download at http://www.yellowstonebusiness.org/datafiles/YBP_W07_LoRes.pdf)

Describes the Transportation in the Tetons workshop, as well as ongoing planning for regional transportation.

State Agencies

Idaho Transportation Department: <http://itd.idaho.gov/>

Montana Department of Transportation: <http://www.mdt.mt.gov/>

Wyoming Department of Transportation: <http://dot.state.wy.us/>