Locations of Railroad Genealogical Materials, October 14, 2026
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Updates at: https://railgenealogy.org/

Individual Railroads

Amtrak (National Railroad Passenger Corporation)

Employee Listings- Collection of listings and rosters taken from the company employee newsletter and union sources.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/amtrakrosters.pdf

Amador Central Railroad.

Employee Listings - From a 1953 San Jose advertising roster. Includes employees at Martell, CA.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/04/1953sanjosemisc.pdf

Ann Arbor Railroad

Employee Rosters - 1940s-1970s
Ann Arbor Railroad Company Collection
Central Michigan University
Clarke Historical Library
Mount Pleasant, Mich. 48859
(989) 774-3352
https://www.cmich.edu/research/clarke-historical-library

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1985aa968.jpg

Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway (Santa Fe)

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/atsf1900.jpg

Employee Rosters - All Santa Fe materials have been moved onto their own page:
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/atsfrosters.pdf

Atlantic Coast Line Railroad (see also Seaboard System Railroad)

Employee records- Employee records and correspondence, from the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company Records #4572, Southern Historical Collection, at The Wilson Library, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Digitized records available for ACL special agents (police), mostly in the 1920s. More at: http://finding-aids.lib.unc.edu/04572/#folder_3380#1

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/acl031900.jpg

ACL (Cont'd)

Employee Listing - Sept., 1910 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091910acl.pdf

Employee Listing - 1924 Tampa, FL-based employees, including Firemen, Engineers, Brakemen, Conductors and Switchmen (Plant City and Port Tampa).
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/tampa1924.pdf

Baltimore & Ohio Railroad

Employee Listings - Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Museum
Attn: Hays T. Watkins Research Library & Archives
901 West Pratt Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21223
Phone: 410-752-2490 ext. 224
http://www.borail.org/B-and-O-Employee-records.aspx
Email: research@borail.org
Partial employee listings 1905-1971

Employee Listings - Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Employees, 1842-1852 and 1855-1857, book by Edna A. Kanely. Data source is old payroll lists from the Baltimore area. Book has been reprinted by Heritage Books, Inc. and is generally available. I will do lookups. Contact me at jsponholzrail@gmail.com.

Employee Listing - 1889 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091889bo.pdf

Employee Rosters - PennState Library holds a collection of operating department rosters from 1900 – 1957, mostly on the Pittsburgh Division.
https://aspace.libraries.psu.edu/repositories/3/resources/8129

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/bo031900.pdf

Employee Rosters- Rosters for the Order of Railroad Telegraphers, B&O Railroad Division No. 33, Monongah Division, for 1921. This Division ran out of Grafton, WV and included several coal branches.
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/bomonongah1921.pdf

Employee Rosters - Rosters for the Order of Railroad Telegraphers, B&O Railroad Division No. 33, Akron, OH, for 1927, 1930 and 1938. Includes notes penciled in by the original roster owner. Webmaster's collection.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/bandoakronops1930s.pdf

Employee Rosters - Roster of employees working in the Lima, OH area. Includes Brakemen and Conductors (1st, 2nd and 3rd Districts), Engineers and Yard Trainmen.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/lima1939bando.pdf

B&O Railroad (Cont'd)

Employee Rosters - 1941 Illinois Division roster, covering Engineers (including Willard, South Chicago and East Chicago yards); Firemen; Hostlers, Passenger and Freight Trainmen; Train Baggage Masters; Yardmen at Defiance, Fostoria, Deshler, Garrett and Willard yards; Willard Switch Tenders; and Combination Brakemen. Advertising roster.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/03/1941bandoind.pdf

Employee Roster - Akron Division Telegraphers' Roster, July 1, 1947.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/akronbando07011947.pdf

Bangor and Aroostook Railroad

Employee Rosters - Roster for the Northern Division, January 1, 1949, covering Trainmen, Firemen, Engineers, Clerks, Station Agents, Operators, Freight Handlers and crossing flagmen.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/barnodiv01011949.pdf

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1984bar973.jpg

Belt Railway of Chicago

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984brc.pdf

Bessemer & Lake Erie Railroad

Employee Rosters - Operating crews, yardmen and agents/operators, 1920s - 1950s. Online at:
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/blerosters-1.pdf

Employee Listings - Last Bessemer crews on steam-powered runs. Online at:
http://www.rr-fallenflags.org/ble/ble-stm.html

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1984ble975.jpg

Boston & Maine Railroad

Employee Magazine - B&M published an employee magazine between 1924 and 1960. The B&M Historical Society has a two-part online index of employees who were mentioned in the magazines. Also several rosters of Agents and Officials: https://www.bmrrhs.org/onlinearchives

Employee Roster - Numerous Operating Department rosters, 1908 – 1944 from the webmaster's collection. Indexes at:
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/bmrrrosters.pdf

Burlington Northern Railroad

Seniority Roster - BN Operating Department Seniority Roster, 1971 Old Montana Division, Livingston, MT (the old Northern Pacific shortly after the formation of the BN):
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/bn1971a.pdf

Seniority Roster - BN Northern Seniority District 113 roster of Yardmasters, 1973
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/bnnodistyard1973.pdf

Seniority Roster - Railroads of Montana website hosts a 1970 Pacific District roster for Engineers. Available at:
http://railroads-of-montana.com/Employee_%20Rosters.htm

Seniority Roster- 1976 Montana Division: Engineers and Firemen; Former NP Conductors with rights between Billings, Butte and Helena; Interchangeable seniority lists for train and yardmen; Yardmasters and prior rights Yardmen at Billings, Laurel, Livingston East Helena and Butte. Source is "The Old Montana Division" advertising roster published by M.H. Siebler. Webmaster's collection.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/bnmont1976.pdf

Directory Listing - Jan., 1980 listing of employees in the Director of Engineering Office in the Seattle area. Shows employee name, position and office location. Home address and phone numbers have been redacted.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/1980bnengrseattle.pdf

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984bnorg.pdf

Employee Rosters - Rosters for employees in Missouri, 1956-1988 (includes Frisco Railroad pre-1970). Records held by the State Historical Society of Missouri. For more information, see:
https://collections.shsmo.org/manuscripts/rolla/r1368

Butte, Anaconda & Pacific

Employee Roster- 1923 Roster of Conductors, Brakemen, Baggagemen, Switchmen (Anaconda and Butte Hill), Engineers and Firemen. From E.J. Elbury's Big 4 Railroad Record. Webmaster's collection.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/bapmontana1923.pdf

Canadian National Railway

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984cn.pdf

Canadian National (Cont'd)

Employee Listing - Archives Canada holds some records for Canadian National employees. They state there are very few personnel files, but other records document the service of officers and employees. This includes a wide range of occupations (brakemen, porters, locomotive engineers, car repairers, cleaners and more).
https://library-archives.canada.ca/eng/collection/research-help/genealogy-family-history/employment/Pages/railway-employees.aspx

Employee Roster - Roster of Telegraphers, Agents and Assistant Agents, and Dispatchers as well as Plant Inspectors, Linemen, Operators, Train Directors and Levermen. Some rosters have more detail. Published by ORT System Division No. 1.
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/cn1929.pdf
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/cnops1930.pdf
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/cnops1935.pdf
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/cnops1941.pdf
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/cn1944telegraphers.pdf

Canadian Pacific Railway

Employee Roster - Roster of Telegraphers, Assistant Agents and Lineman, Alberta District, March 26, 1923. Published by the Order of Railroad Telegraphers (ORT), System Division No. 7.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/ort1923alta.pdf

Employee Roster - Roster of Telegraphers, Dispatchers, Assistant Agents and Leverman, Saskatchewan District, Jan. 1, 1954. Published by the Order of Railroad Telegraphers (ORT). Webmaster's collection.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/cpry1954saskort.pdf

Employee Roster - Roster of Telegraphers, Dispatchers, Traffic Supervisors, Train Directors, Assistant Agents and Leverman, Quebec District, Jan. 6, 1956. Published by the Order of Railroad Telegraphers (ORT). Webmaster's collection.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/cprort1956.pdf

Employee Roster - Roster of Agents and Operators, Dispatchers, Traffic Supervisors, Train Directors, Assistant Agents and Leverman, Laurentian, Montreal Terminals, Farnham and Smith Falls Districts, Jan. 1, 1960. Published by the Order of Railroad Telegraphers (ORT). Webmaster's collection.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/cprort1960.pdf

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/081984cpr.pdf

Carolina & North Western (See also Southern Railway)

Employee Roster - 1953 and 1961 Rosters of Officials, Clerks, Operators, Brakemen, Conductors, Firemen, Engineers, Section Foremen, Machinery Operators and other Lenoir Division employees. 1961 Roster begins on p. 73.
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/cnwsrrroster1953.pdf
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/01/1961srrashvillediv.pdf

Central of Georgia Railway

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/cg031900.jpg

Central Railroad of New Jersey (Jersey Central)

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/jerseycent1900.jpg

Central Vermont Railway

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984cv.pdf

Chesapeake & Ohio Railway

Employee Listing - 1889 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091889cando.pdf

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/co1900.jpg

Archives - The C&O Historical Society has a partial collection of the corporate records, including meeting minutes books and annual reports. Archives at 312 E Ridgeway Street, Clifton Forge, VA 24422, phone 540-862-2210, email: cohs@cohs.org

Employee Magazine - Entire run of the C&O Employee Magazine beginning in 1913, in collection of the C&O Historical Society. Collection is at the Archives office in Clifton Forge, VA (see above). No index is available.
http://www.cohs.org/archives/

Chessie System (CSX)

Employee Roster - Operating Department Roster, scan of the actual document. This 1929 advertising roster covers Conductors and Brakemen in the Ashland, Ironton and Russell, KY areas who worked for the C&O in this coal-rich region of the Commonwealth. Branches covered include C&O subdivisions on the former Sandy Valley & Elkhorn Railway, Millers Creek Railroad, Ashland Coal and Iron Railway, and the Long Fork Railway, all of which were acquired by the C&O. The scanned copy was originally owned by brakeman Warden Auxier of Paintsville.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/cando1929sekentucky.pdf

Employee Listing - 1943 Roster of C&O employees in the Peru, IN area. Advertising roster, published locally.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/co1943.pdf

Employee Roster - 1964 Roster of C&O employees on the Northern Division line to Petoskey, MI. Includes Brakemen and Conductors. (See also Pere Marquette Railroad)
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/copetoskey1964.pdf

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984csx.pdf

Chicago & Alton (Alton Railroad)

Employee Listing - 1889 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091889canda.pdf

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/ca1900.jpg

Employee Roster - Operating crew roster from 1947, the last roster issued prior to the merger into the Gulf, Mobile & Ohio Railroad.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/altonrr1947.pdf

Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad (Burlington Route, CB&Q)

Employee Rosters - Numerous rosters from the webmaster's collection.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/cbqrosters.pdf

Archives - Newberry Library
60 W. Walton St.
Chicago, IL 60610
https://www.newberry.org/collection/research-guide/railroad-archives
Includes personnel listings.

Chicago & Illinois Midland

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984cim.pdf

Chicago & North Western Railway

Employee Rosters - Numerous rosters from the webmaster's collection.
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/cnwrosters.pdf

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic officers.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/cnw1900.jpg

Employee Records - Altoona, WI depot records including employee records, 1887-1931 and employment histories for employees (mainly brakemen) of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha Railroad.
http://digital.library.wisc.edu/1711.dl/wiarchives.uw-whs-ec00bi

Veterans Assoc. - There is an active C&NW Vets group with a website:
http://www.cnwvets.org/

Personnel Records – Extensive lists and records available through the C&NW Historical Society. http://www.cnwhs.org/archives_genealogy.htm
Contact: Craig Pfannkuche, 8612 Memory Trail, Wonder Lake, Illinois 60097, Email genealogy@cnwhs.org

Note: many of the Society's records have been scanned by Ancestry.com and are available to their subscribers:
https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/6944/

Additional records (including employee/work records for Omaha Road workers, 1890-1920; payroll records for the Chicago, St. Paul & Fond du Lac from 1856 to 1886; 25 employment ledgers; and 15 large cabinets filled with employee record cards dating back to the 1840s) have been turned over to the Newberry Library (with financial help from the Chicago Genealogical Society) and will be available in their collection going forward.

Chicago Great Western Railway (See also Chicago & North Western)

Employee Listing - April, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic officers.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/cgw041900.jpg

Personnel Listings - Hub City Heritage Corporation Railway Museum,
Box 300, Oelwein, Iowa 50662; 319-283-1939
https://www.facebook.com/groups/417095938437/

Chicago Indianapolis & Louisville Railway (See Monon Railroad)

Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific Railroad (Milwaukee Road)

Employee Rosters - Several Rosters available from the webmaster's collection.
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/milwaukeerosters.pdf

Archives – Milwaukee Public Library, Central Branch. Extensive online listing of employees based on records indexed by the Milwaukee Road Historical Association. A major resource for researching Milwaukee Road employees. Browse at:
https://content.mpl.org/digital/collection/MilwRoad

Archives – University of Missouri, John W. Barriger III National Railroad Library
http://www.umsl.edu/barriger/bmore/hscollect/hscollect.htm
Corporate records, may be of limited genealogical use.

Employee Listing - 1889 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091889milw.pdf

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/milw1900.jpg

Employee Listing - 1907 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1907milw.pdf

Employee Listings - Railroad employees in the Aberdeen, SD area, 1911-1913, compiled by Theophil Schaffer. Available from:
Allen County Public Library
P.O.Box 2270, 200 East Berry Street
Fort Wayne, IN 46801-2270
https://www.acpl.lib.in.us/

Employee Magazine – Extensive scanned copies of the Milwaukee Road Magazine and other documents are available at the "unofficial" Milwaukee Road Archives:
https://www.milwaukeeroadarchives.com/IndexPage.htm

Also, an index to the magazine is available from the Milwaukee Public Library:
https://content.mpl.org/digital/collection/MilwRoad/id/5631

Employee Rosters - Railroads of Montana website hosts several rosters for Milwaukee Road Brakemen and Conductors on the Idaho and Coast Divisions.
Available at:
https://www.dalejonesphotography.com/research

Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad

Employee Bios - "The Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway System and Representative Employees." Biographical Publishing Co., Chicago, IL 1900. Typical submitted biographies of system employees, including engineers and conductors. Photos, too. Collection of University of Minnesota, excerpts available on Google Books: https://books.google.com/books?id=P0Y7PQAACAAJ&printsec=frontcover#v=onepage&q&f=false

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives. https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/crip1900.jpg

Employee Listing - 1907 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives. https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1907crip.pdf

Employee Rosters- 1953-1954 Kansas Roster of Engineers, Firemen, Switch Firemen, Hostlers (Armourdale, and Herington, KS), Switchmen (Herington, McFarland, and Topeka), Conductors and Brakemen. Published by C.G. Sams. Webmaster's collection. https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/cripkansas1953.pdf

Employee Listing - 1964 Traffic Department representatives, from the Oct. 25, 1964 public passenger timetable. https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/crip1964traffic079.pdf

Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha Railroad (Omaha Road)

See Chicago & North Western Railway

Chicago Transit Authority

Employee Magazine - Chicago Surface Lines and Chicago Transit Authority employee magazines available online through the Illinois Railway Museum. http://irm-cta.org/EEMagazines.html

Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/chd1900.jpg

Cincinnati, New Orleans & Texas Pacific (Queen & Crescent Route)

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/cnotp.jpg

Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Railway (Big 4)

Employee Listing - 1889 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091889big4.pdf

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/big41900.jpg

Colorado & Southern Railway

Employee Rosters - "Railway Employee Records for Colorado, Vol. III" by Gerald E. Sherard. Index of Colorado Railway Employee records for the: Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad, Colorado & Southern Railway in Denver, Leadville & Gunnison Railway, Denver and Rio Grande Western Railroad and the Union Pacific Railway. Information includes: employee names, where and when born, for what company worked, and physical location of the files.

Actual records are housed at the Colorado Railroad Museum Library, Robert W. Richardson Library, Golden, CO (http://coloradorailroadmuseum.org/library/). Volumes I, II and III are available from the Denver Public Library:

https://digital.denverlibrary.org/

In addition to the above document, Jerry Sherard has contributed to this site a list of documents in the collection of the Richardson Library of interest to family history researchers:
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/richardson-library.pdf

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/cs1900.jpg

Employee Listing - Sept., 1910 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091910cs.pdf

Employee Roster- 1940 Advertising Roster, Trinidad, CO, covering: Colorado & Southern Railroad Officials, Clerks, Brakemen, Conductors, Switchmen, Switch Engineers and Firemen, Hostlers, Section Foremen, Trinidad Shops employees, and Road Engineers and Firemen.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/trinadad1940.pdf

Employee Roster - 1951 & 1952 Pueblo, CO advertising rosters with operating department employees of the Santa Fe, Missouri Pacific, Denver & Rio Grande Western, Colorado Southern and Colorado & Wyoming railroads. Published by the Pueblo Chamber of Commerce.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1951puebloco.pdf
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1952puebloco.pdf

Colorado & Wyoming Railroad

Employee Roster- 1940 Advertising Roster, Trinidad, CO, covering: Colorado & Wyoming Railway, Trinidad and Segundo yards Conductors, Brakemen, Superintendent, Road Foreman, Shop Helpers, Machinist, Car Inspector, Station Agent and Hostlers.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/trinadad1940.pdf

Employee Roster - 1951 & 1952 Pueblo, CO advertising roster with operating department employees of the Santa Fe, Missouri Pacific, Denver & Rio Grande Western, Colorado Southern and Colorado & Wyoming railroads. Published by the Pueblo Chamber of Commerce.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1951puebloco.pdf
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1952puebloco.pdf

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984cw.pdf

Conrail (Consolidated Rail Corporation)

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984conrail.pdf

Copper Range Railroad

Rosters - Lake States Railroad Historical Society holds a collection of operating department seniority rosters from 1920 -1960, and mechanical department rosters from 1964-1968.
http://archives.lsrha.org/index.php?page=coll&itm=45297

Delaware & Hudson Railroad

Employee Rosters - Several Susquehanna Division rosters, from 1903 through the 1920s. Also 1969 system telephone directory. Webmaster's collection.
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/dandhmrosters.pdf

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984dandh.pdf

Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad

Personnel Records – Steamtown National Historic Site (National Park Service)
Records mainly cover MOW employees from the Scranton area
Archivist – Patrick McKnight
150 South Washington Avenue
Scranton, PA 18503-2018
Email: Pat_McKnight@nps.gov

Lackawanna (Cont'd)

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/lackawanna1900.jpg

Employee Listing - 1907 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1907dlw.pdf

Employee Listing - Sept., 1910 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091910dlw.pdf

Employee Rosters - 1936 advertising roster from Binghamton, NY area, published by Lebert's. Also includes Erie and D&H employees. PDF images from webmaster's collection: https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/binghamton1936.pdf

Employee Magazine - Many issues online in PDF format at: http://elmags.railfan.net/

Denver & Rio Grande Western Railroad

Employee Rosters - "Railway Employee Records for Colorado, Vol. III" by Gerald E. Sherard. Index of Colorado Railway Employee records including: Colorado & Southern Railway in Denver, Leadville & Gunnison Railway, and the Denver & Rio Grande Western Railroad. Information includes: employee names, where and when born, for what company worked, and physical location of the files.

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Employee Listing - 1889 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091889drg.pdf

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives, Rio Grande Western
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/rgw1900.jpg

Employee Listing - Sept., 1910 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091910drgw.pdf

Rio Grande (Cont'd)

Employee Roster- 1940 Advertising Roster, Trinidad, CO, covering: Denver & Rio Grande Western Railroad, Subdivisions 2, 8 and 9, Engineers and Firemen.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/trinadad1940.pdf

Employee Roster - 1952 Pueblo, CO advertising roster with operating department employees of the Santa Fe, Missouri Pacific, Denver & Rio Grande Western, Colorado Southern and Colorado & Wyoming railroads. Published by the Pueblo Chamber of Commerce.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1952puebloco.pdf

Employee Rosters - 1954 DRG&W Seniority Roster, Ogden, UT Switchmen. From a combined brotherhood advertising roster.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/drgw1954ogden.pdf

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984drgw.pdf

Detroit, Toledo & Ironton Railroad

Employee Roster - Roster for Yardmen in the Lima, OH yard.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/lima1939eriedti.pdf

Duluth, Missabe & Iron Range Railroad

Employee Roster - Roster of Engineers, Firemen, Conductors, Brakemen, and Proctor Roundhouse Shop Motor Car Operators, all for the Missabe Division, 1953.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/dmir1953.pdf

Employee Roster - Roster of Engineers, Firemen, Conductors, Brakemen and Yardmen, 1957, published by Railroaders' Publishing Service, Duluth, MN. Images of roster (large file) at:
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/dmir1957ops.pdf

Employee Roster - Roster of Engineers, Firemen, Conductors, Brakemen and Yardmen, 1959, published by Fuhr Printing Co., Duluth, MN. Online at:
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/dmirjan1959.pdf

Payroll Records - Records for the Duluth and Iron Range (1891-1937), the Duluth, Missabe and Northern (1891-1937), and the DM&IR (1937-1970). Available on microfilm through the Minnesota Historical Society.
https://www.mnhs.org/

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984dmir.pdf

DM&IR (Cont'd)

Employee Listings - The DM&IR Historical Society notes: If you are certain the person you are researching worked for the Missabe or its predecessors, contact the DM&IR Veteran Employees Association. They will only have information about DM&IR (and predecessor) employees, not employees of any other railroad.

DM&IR Veteran Employees Association
c/o Aine Merrill
9147 East Moonshine Road
South Range, WI 54874

Duluth, South Shore and Atlantic Railway

Employee Listings - Upper Peninsula Digitization Center Collections
Listing of operating employees, 1887 (search on "Seniority")
http://updigit.uproc.lib.mi.us/cdm/search

Rosters - Lake States Railroad Historical Society holds a collection of seniority rosters from 1910 -1985, with some gaps. Also records from several DSS&A employees, and Marquette Ore Dock workers from 1974-1978.
http://archives.lsrha.org/index.php?page=coll&itm=45356

Duluth, Winnipeg & Pacific

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984dwp.pdf

East Tennessee and Western North Carolina Railroad ("Tweetsie")

Corporate Archives - East Tennessee State University, Archives of Appalachia
http://archives.etsu.edu/repositories/2/resources/460
Includes records related to operations as well as photos.

Employee Listing - 1889 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091889tweet.pdf

Elgin, Joliet & Eastern Railway

Employee Listing - 1889 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091889eje.pdf

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/eje1900.jpg

EJ&E (Cont'd)

Employee Listing - 1942 Joliet Advertising Roster, covering Engineers and Firemen. Webmaster's collection.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/eje1942joliet.pdf

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984eje.pdf

Erie Lackawanna Railroad

Employee Magazine - Published for two years - Issues online in PDF format at:
http://elmags.railfan.net/

Official Archives – University of Akron
(330) 972-7670
http://ead.ohiolink.edu/xtf-ead/view?docId=ead/OhAkUAS0009.xml;query=;brand=default

Erie Lackawanna Historical Society Archives
http://www.erielackhs.org/index.php/archives

Personnel Records – Steamtown National Historic Site (National Park Service)
Records mainly cover employees from the Scranton and Port Jervis areas
Archivist – Patrick McKnight
150 South Washington Avenue
Scranton, PA 18503-2018
Email: Pat_McKnight@nps.gov

Directory - 1973 telephone directory, EL System:
Binghamton-Buffalo: https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/el1973bingbuff.pdf
Chicago/Hammond/Huntington:
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/el1973chihamhunt.pdf
Cleveland: https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/el1973cleveland.pdf
Elmira-Hoboken: https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/el1973elmirahobo.pdf
Hornell-end: https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/el1973remains.pdf

Erie Railroad

Personnel Listings - Extensive listings, rosters and transcriptions, including 1898 engineers listing and employee index from the Erie Magazine (employee magazine)
http://freepages.rootsweb.com/~sponholz/genealogy/erie.html
Please note that, due to Ancestry.com policy, beginning in 2024 this site will be static, with no more information added to the site, but research continues. For info on updated files, contact: eriearchives@gmail.com

Employee Rosters - Numerous rosters by division, both advertising and official.
http://freepages.rootsweb.com/~sponholz/genealogy/rosters.html

Employee Rosters - Rosters and other documents, moved on to their own page:
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/03/erierosters.pdf

Erie (Cont'd)

Employee Roster - 1943 Susquehanna and Allegany Divisions operating department roster. Includes Conductors, Trainmen, Engineers, Conductors, and Hornell Yard Conductors, Brakemen and Switchtenders.
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/07/susqally1943.pdf

Florida East Coast Railway

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/041984fec.pdf

Ft. Dodge, Des Moines & Southern Railway

Employee Rosters - Lists from a Boone, IA advertising roster covering the C&NW and FDD&S. Includes Motormen, Conductors, Brakemen and Clerks.
1948: https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/fdds1948iowa.pdf
1954: https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/fdds1954iowa.pdf
1956: https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/fdds1956iowa.pdf

Fort Worth & Denver City Railway

Employee Listings - 1935-36 Advertising Roster for the FW&DC, a CB&Q subsidiary, covering Conductors and Brakemen. FW&DC section is found on page 12 of combined roster.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/texas1936rosters.pdf

Fort Worth & Rio Grande Railway

Employee Listings - 1935-36 Advertising Roster for the FW&RG, a subsidiary of the Frisco Railroad, covering the Sherman-Ft. Worth District, the Ft. Worth-Brownwood-Menard District, and Ft. Worth yards. Includes Engineers, Firemen and Hostlers. FW&RG section begins on page 10 of combined roster.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/texas1936rosters.pdf

Grand Trunk Western Railway

Employee Rosters - Rosters, listings and obituaries, indexing in process.
Michigan Railroad History Museum
https://www.durandstation.org/museum

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984gtw.pdf

Great Northern Railway

Archives - Minnesota Historical Society
Includes Personnel Files Index. MFL also available from the Family History Library, Salt Lake City.
MHS staff can do lookups for $5 for GN employees circa 1890s based on employment cards in their holdings.
https://shop.mnhs.org/collections/research-services/products/railroad-employee-index-search

Employee Rosters - Several rosters available from Webmaster's collection.
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/gnrosters.pdf

Seniority Rosters - The Great Northern-Northern Pacific Joint Archives hosted by the GN Railway Historical Society and the NP Railway Historical Association has some operating rosters online:

http://tinyurl.com/q2ptvaw

Employee Rosters - Railroads of Montana website hosts several rosters for GN Enginemen and Clerical/Station employees.
Available at:
https://www.dalejonesphotography.com/research

Green Bay & Western Railroad

Rosters - From Mark Mathu's GB&W Site
1930 Engineer's Listing
1943 Operating Department Listing
http://www.greenbayroute.com/senioritylists.htm

Employee Roster - 1923 roster, including Green Bay Mechanical & Stores Dept. Employees; Conductors, Brakemen and Yardmen, for GB&W and Kewaunee, Green Bay & Western; Clerks, Freight Handlers and Maintenance of Way Employees; Boilermakers, Helpers and Apprentices.
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/gbw1923roster.pdf

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984gbw.pdf

Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway

Employee Listings - 1936 Advertising Roster for the GC&SF, a subsidiary of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway, covering both the Northern and Southern Divisions. Includes Conductors, Brakemen, Engineers, Firemen, Porters, Hostlers, and Switchmen at Temple, Brownwood, Sweetwater, Ft. Worth, Dallas, Cleburne and Gainsville. GC&SF section begins on page 14 of combined roster.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/texas1936rosters.pdf

GC&SF (Cont'd)

Employee Listing - Sept., 1889 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091889gcsf.pdf

Employee Roster- 1950 Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Enginemen's Roster, published annually by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen. Includes Engineers, Firemen, Hostlers and Switch Engineers. Webmaster's Collection.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1950gcsfroster.pdf

Gulf, Mobile & Ohio Railroad

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Mobile & Ohio Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/mo1900.jpg

Archive - GM&O Historical Society collection
Includes personnel records, rosters and employee magazine
University of Missouri, John W. Barriger III National Railroad Library
http://www.umsl.edu/barriger/bmore/hscollect/hscollect.htm

Rosters - Collection of system-wide rosters as of January 1, 1964. Webmaster's Collection.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/gmorosters.pdf

Hocking Valley Railroad

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Mobile & Ohio Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/hockingvalley1900.jpg

Houston & Texas Central Railway

Employee Listing - Sept., 1889 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091889htc.pdf

Employee Listings - 1935-36 Advertising Roster for the H&TC, around the time of its takeover by the T&NO. Includes Conductors, Brakemen, Engineers, Firemen, and Switchmen at Ennis and Sherman yards. H&TC section begins on page 43 of combined roster.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/texas1936rosters.pdf

Illinois Central Railroad

Employee Listings - Kheel Center for Labor-Management Documentation and Archives
Cornell University Libraries
Martin P. Catherwood Library
227 Ives Hall, Cornell University
Ithaca, NY 14853
(607) 255-3183
http://rmc.library.cornell.edu/EAD/htmldocs/KCL05295.html
Includes miscellaneous employee lists

Archives - Newberry Library
60 W. Walton St.
Chicago, IL 60610
https://www.newberry.org/collection/research-guide/railroad-archives
Includes personnel listings and payroll records

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/ic1900.jpg

Rosters - Various Operating Department rosters from 1943 – 1992 are available from the Lake States Railroad Historical Society.
http://archives.lsrha.org/index.php?page=coll&itm=49855

Rosters - Numerous rosters for (mostly) Telegraph Operators as well as Clerks, mainly on the St. Louis Division. Rosters are from 1945 to 1980 on the Illinois Central and Illinois Central Gulf. Most from the collection of Agent/Operator L.E. Johnson, Carbondale, IL (updated Feb. 8, 2025):
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/iccrosters.pdf

Employee Listing - 1945 Paducah, KY employee listing covering the Kentucky Division (Paducah, Louisville, Madisonville Districts) for Engineers and Firemen, Conductors and Brakemen, and Switchmen in Paducah Yard.
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/ickydiv1945.pdf

Employee Listing - 1946 Paducah, KY employee listing covering the Kentucky Division (Paducah, Louisville, Madisonville Districts) for Engineers and Firemen, Conductors and Brakemen, and Switchmen in Paducah Yard. Webmaster's collection.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/icpaducah1946.pdf

Indiana Harbor Belt Railroad

Employee Listing - Sept., 1910 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091910ihb.pdf

International & Great Northern Railway

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/ign1900.jpg

Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf Railroad (Port Arthur Route)

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/pa1900.jpg

Kansas City Southern Railroad

Employee Listing - 1907 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1907kcs.pdf

Employee Rosters - Fort Smith & Van Buren Railway (subsidiary road). 1949, 1956-61 rosters cover train operating and yard crews (Conductors, Brakemen, Engineers, Firemen, Train Porters, and Yardmen at Van Buren and Fort Smith yards). 1949 Roster available at:
https://condrenrails.com/FSVB/FSVB-Railroad-Pages.htm

https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1949fsandvbrseniority.pdf
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1956fsvbroster.pdf
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1957fsvbroster.pdf
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1958fsvbroster.pdf
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1959fsvbroster.pdf
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1960fsvbroster.pdf
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1961fsvbroster.pdf

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984kcs.pdf

Kennecott Copper - Bingham Canyon Railroad

Seniority Listing - Fragmentary list for Bingham Canyon operating crews, January, 1982. Posted at Archive.org:
https://archive.org/details/kmc-seniority-lists

Lake Erie & Western Railway

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/lew1900.jpg

Lake Shore and Michigan Southern (New York Central)

Directory - *Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railway System and Representative Employees*, published in 1900 by Ferdinand Ellsworth Cary of the Biographical Publishing Co., Chicago. History and employee biographies. Entire book available from the Cleveland Public Library Digital Gallery: https://cplorg.contentdm.oclc.org/digital/collection/p128201coll0/id/3469/

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/lsms1900.jpg

Lehigh Valley Railroad

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/lv1900.jpg

Employee Listing - 1907 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1907lv.pdf

Employee Listing - Sept., 1910 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives. https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091910lv.pdf

Roster - 1934 Advertising Roster covering Lehigh Valley operating crews on the Buffalo Division – Manchester East, The Wyoming Division – West End, and Sayre Yard. Seniority dates back to 1876. Also includes crews on the Susquehanna & New York at Tonawanda. Online at: https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/lvrr01011934.pdf

Employee Listing - 1938 Employee Rosters, primarily Maintenance of Way on the Hazleton (PA) Branch of the Lehigh Valley: http://usgwarchives.net/pa/schuylkill/xmisc.htm

Employee Listing- 1934 membership of the Lehigh Valley Railroad Veterans Association, online at: https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/lvrrvetemployees1934.pdf

Long Island Railroad

Employee Roster - Roster of engineers and firemen as of April 1, 1970. https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/lirr041970.pdf

Louisville & Nashville Railroad

Employee Listing - Sept., 1889 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives. https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091889landn.pdf

L&N (Cont'd)

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/ln1900.jpg

Employee Listing - Sept., 1910 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091910ln.pdf

Employee Roster - Some rosters reside in the John B. Fravert Railroad Collection at the University of Louisville. Search at:
https://archivescatalog.library.louisville.edu/repositories/2/resources/253

Payroll Records - The University of Tennessee-Knoxville holds payroll records documenting the employees of the L&N station in Knoxville, TN from 1909 to 1954.
https://scout.lib.utk.edu/repositories/2/resources/487

Employee Roster - 1951 Montgomery and New Orleans Division, Bridge & Building Dept.
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/landnnodiv1951.pdf

Station Listing - L&N List of Stations and Names of Agents, a listing of system-wide stations and assigned agents, by division. Unstaffed stations include the name of the location where business is handled from.
1952: https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/09/landnagents01011952299.pdf
1954: https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/09/landnagents01011954300.pdf
1957: https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/09/landnstations01011957.pdf
1965: https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/09/landnstations01011965.pdf

Maine Central Railroad

Employee Magazine- The Boston & Maine Historical Society has a partial index of the MC's employee magazine online. Selected employee events (retirements, promotions, obituaries) are noted:
https://www.bmrrhs.org/onlinearchives

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984mc.pdf

Employee Roster - 1978 Telegraphers' Roster, Portland Terminal
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/mcpttelegraphers1978.pdf

Employee Listing – June 26, 1979 shift listing for Rigby Yard operators, Portland Terminal.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/mcptrigby1979.pdf

Employee Roster - 1982 Telegraphers' Roster, Portland Terminal
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/mcpttelegraphers1982.pdf

Maryland & Pennsylvania Railroad ("Ma and Pa")

Employee Roster - Trainmens' Rosters, 1947-1954, issued by the Office of the VP and General Manager, Baltimore, MD
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/mapa07011947.pdf
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/mapa07011950.pdf
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/mapa01011951.pdf
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/mapa07011954.pdf

Michigan Central (NYC)

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/michcentral1900.jpg

Middletown & New Jersey Railway

Employee Listing - 1923 Listing of Employees in Service, Middletown & Unionville Railroad Company, Middletown, NY. Scan courtesy of Peter Brill of the Middletown & New Jersey Railway Historical Society, from their collection of the papers of longtime General Manager J.A. Smith.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/mandurr1923.pdf

Milwaukee Electric Railway and Light Company

Archives - UW-Milwaukee Urban Archives
Includes portraits and bios of the veterans' association
http://digital.library.wisc.edu/1711.dl/wiarchives.uw-whs-mil00086

Minneapolis & St. Louis Railroad (See Chicago & North Western Railway)

Minneapolis, St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie Railway (See Soo Line Railroad)

Missouri-Kansas-Texas (MKT) Railroad (The Katy)

Employee Listings - Several Advertising Rosters for the Katy, moved onto their own page:
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/mktrosters.pdf

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/katy1900.jpg

Employee Roster - Several Rosters for the 7th Division (Smithville District), from The Portal to Texas History:
https://texashistory.unt.edu/explore/partners/SVHS/

Missouri Pacific Railroad

Employee Roster - Several rosters moved onto their own page.
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/mopacrosters.pdf

Modesto-Empire Traction Co.

Employee Listings - From a 1953 San Jose advertising roster. Includes Engineers, Firemen, Switchmen and Yardmasters.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/04/1953sanjosemisc.pdf

Monon Railroad (CI&L)

Employee Listings - The Monon Railroad Historical-Technical Society is in the process of developing a database of employees based on rosters, seniority lists, personal recollections, newspaper articles, obits, summary cards, etc. The current database is up to 4,000 records and includes full name, nickname, positions & locations on the railroad, specific years worked, birthdate, deathdate, comments/misc., all where available. Indexes are online. Ken Weller of the Dept. of Past Personnel will do look-ups – email: WellerK@aol.com
Website: http://www.monon.org

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/monon1900.jpg

Employee Listing - 1907 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1907monon.pdf

Employee Rosters - 1942 Agents, Operators and Levermen Seniority Roster, published by the Order of Railroad Telegraphers Div. No. 9, for the C&IL system. Includes locations where employees were assigned at. Also includes dispatchers.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/cil1942oprs.pdf

Employee Rosters - Bloomington, IN advertising roster. Includes Southern Division Enginemen, Switchmen, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Districts Conductors and Brakemen, and Midland Yardmen. Also B and B branch Enginemen and Conductors (Eighth District), and McDoel Yard Switch Enginemen.
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/1949mononbloomington.pdf
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/1950mononbloomington.pdf
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/04/1956mononbloomington.pdf
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/1957mononbloomington.pdf

Monon (Cont'd)

Employee Listings - Indiana Historical Society
450 West Ohio St.
Indianapolis, IN 46202
317-232-1882, 800-447-1830
Miscellaneous records including some rosters and retirement listings.
http://www.indianahistory.org/library/manuscripts/collection_guides/m0376.html

Mount Washington Cog Railway

Since 1869, the Mt. Washington Cog Railway has been hauling passengers up the 37% grade to the summit of the scenic New Hampshire mountain. Tim Lewis has been documenting the people who built and worked the line and provided hospitality to the passengers. These include some Boston & Maine Railroad employees who would be granted summer leaves to work the cog trains. His searchable employee database can be found at:
https://mtwashingtoncogroster.pointinspace.com/

Nashville, Chattanooga & St Louis Railway

Employee Listing - 1889 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091889ncstl.pdf

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/ncsl1900.jpg

Employee Listing - 1907 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1907ncsl.pdf

Employee Listings - NC&St.L Preservation Society, Inc.
Developing list of personnel based on submissions by relatives and descendants of employees.
http://www.ncps-576.org/people/index.htm

New York Central Railroad

Directory - *Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railway System and Representative Employees*, published in 1900 by Ferdinand Ellsworth Cary of the Biographical Publishing Co., Chicago. History and employee biographies. Entire book available from the Cleveland Public Library Digital Gallery:
https://cplorg.contentdm.oclc.org/digital/collection/p128201coll0/id/3469/rec/3

Employee Roster - Numerous Rosters moved onto their own page.
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/nycrosters-1.pdf

NYC (Cont'd)

Employee Records - Employment cards for Cleveland-area yard employees, 1880-1957. Available from the Western Reserve Historical Society. 216-721-5722 or http://tinyurl.com/nv8bbm4

Membership Roster - Roster of Unit 52 of the National Association of Retired and Veteran Railway Employees (NARVRE), a membership organization open to railroad employees. This unit was active in the Albany, NY area, and the roster below lists members reported to have worked for the NYC and Boston & Albany (B&A) railroads. From a handwritten member list with numerous illegible entries, so some spellings are best guesses. Dates from 1956 through 1970. 963 records. From the webmaster's collection: https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/narvrealbanynyc.pdf

Employee Listings - Western New York Railway Historical Society has posted an index of NYC Employee cards: http://www.trainweb.org/wnyhdc/nycrecords.htm

New York, Chicago & St. Louis Railroad (Nickel Plate Road)

Employee Roster - 1939 roster of Engineers, Firemen, Conductors, Brakemen and Yardmen working in the Lima, OH area. https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/lima1939nickelplate.pdf

Employee Roster - Operating Department roster published 01/01/1942 covering the Peoria Division, St. Louis Division (including Cloverleaf District and Charleston Yard); and Toledo Division (including Toledo, Frankfort and Delphos yards). Also includes Marion and Kokomo yards. From the webmaster's collection: https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/nickelplate01011942.pdf

Employee Roster - 1943 Roster of Nickel Plate operating department employees in the Peru, IN area. Advertising roster, published locally. https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/nickleplate1943.pdf

New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad (The New Haven)

Archives - University of Connecticut
Thomas J. Dodd Research Center, Archives & Special Collections
860-486-4500
https://lib.uconn.edu/location/asc/

UCONN states there is little of use to genealogical researchers in the corporate collection of the New Haven

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives. https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/newhaven1900.jpg

New Haven (Cont'd)

Employee Listing - Sept., 1910 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091910nynhh.pdf

Employee Rosters - Providence Division Telegraphers, 1921. Includes Agents and Clerks or Assistant Operators.
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/newhaven1921.pdf

Employee Rosters - New York District, 1943, Trainmen and Yardmen, from the Edward F. Donegan Papers collection, UCONN
https://lib.uconn.edu/location/asc/

New York, Ontario & Western Railway

Employee Listing - 1889 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091889nyow.pdf

Employee Listing - 1907 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1907nyow.pdf

Employee Listing - Sept., 1910 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091910nyow.pdf

Employee Listings- Ontario & Western Railway Historical Society
http://www.nyow.org/
Developing an employee database based on seniority lists and other records of the O&W. Also holds O&W corporate archives.

Nickel Plate Railroad (see New York, Chicago & St. Louis Railroad)

Norfolk & Western Railway

Employee Listings - Archival Resources of the Virginias
https://arvasarchive.org/
Accounting Dept. employees, 1874 - 1905
Relief & Pension Dept. records from 1930 – 1957, Lists compiled for the Railroad Retirement Board in the 1950s

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/nw1900.jpg

Employee Listing - Sept., 1910 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091910nw.pdf

N&W (Cont'd)

Employee Listings - Pennsylvania State Archives
Harrisburg, PA
N&W Voluntary Relief Member Cards, October 16, 1964
Access is restricted.
Contact: ra-statearchives@pa.gov

Corporate Records - Berea College Special Collections
https://libraryguides.berea.edu/archives?group_id=14073
Collection includes company leases, deeds, lawsuits and petitions. Unknown if any personnel information exists. Also includes deed information from the Ohio and Kentucky Railroad, 1899-1901.

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984nw.pdf

Norfolk Southern

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984ns.pdf

Northern Pacific Railway

Employee Roster - Rosters and research suggestions available at:
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/nprosterpage.pdf

Employee Roster- Numerous rosters available from the Northern Pacific Railway Historical Association for operators and train crews:
http://www.nprha.org/Pages/Employees.aspx

Northern Pacific Terminal Co. of Oregon

Employee Rosters - Conger Electric Lantern Co. roster published in 1959, covering NP Terminal employees in Portland. Roster courtesy of Harold Gjermann.
Enginemen:
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/nptengineers1959.pdf
Switchmen:
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/nptswitchmen1959.pdf

Northwestern Pacific Railroad (Southern Pacific)

Employee Listing - Numerous seniority lists available through the Internet Archive:
https://archive.org/search?tab=all&query=Railroad+Seniority

Penn Central Transportation Company

Employee Roster - Roster of conductors and brakemen for the Eastern region, Chesapeake Division, Maryland District as of Jan. 1, 1972. Transcription available at: https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/pcroster.pdf

Seniority Rosters- University of Michigan, Bentley Historical Library
Holds records for the PC and ancestor roads, including rosters from the 1930s-1960s.
http://quod.lib.umich.edu/b/bhlead/umich-bhl-87400?view=text

Pennsylvania Railroad

Employee Listings - Pennsylvania State Archives
Harrisburg, PA
Voluntary Relief Enrollment Cards, 1865-1937
Deceased and Left Service Cards 1880-1960
Contact: ra-statearchives@pa.gov
(Click here for an example contributed by Jeremy Kenney from his great grandfather William F. Kenney)

Employee Listings - Railroaders Memorial Museum
Altoona Works Employee Records, 1890-1980.
1300 Ninth Ave.
Altoona, PA 16602
https://www.railroadcity.org/about

Employee Rosters - Rosters for the Western & Northwestern regions, Fort Wayne Division and the Grand Rapids Branch, compiled by John Perrey. Available from:
Allen County Public Library
P.O.Box 2270
200 East Berry Street
Fort Wayne, IN 46801-2270
http://www.acpl.lib.in.us/genealogy/

Employee Rosters - Numerous rosters online and available at:
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/prrrosters.pdf

Pere Marquette Railway (C&O)

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/pm1900.jpg

Employee Roster- 1943 Roster of Trainmen, Chicago-Petoskey Division.
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/pmcopetoskey1943.pdf

Employee Roster - 1943 Roster of Brakemen on the Kalamazoo, Lake Shore & Chicago Railroad (Kalamazoo – South Haven, MI).
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/klscfreight1943.pdf

Philadelphia & Reading Railroad (The Reading)

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/reading1900.jpg

Employee Listing - 1907 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1907reading.pdf

Employee Listing - Sept., 1910 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091910reading.pdf

Pittsburgh & Lake Erie Railroad

Personnel Records - The University of Pittsburgh Library holds records that include Out of Service listings from 1880-1950; Military Leave records; Seniority rosters, Employee Record Cards, 1870-1950; Disciplinary records; and indexes of deceased employees. Good finding aid at:
https://tinyurl.com/m4u6lbh

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984ple.pdf

Pullman Company

Archives - Newberry Library
60 W. Walton St.
Chicago, IL 60610
https://www.newberry.org/collection/research-guide/pullman-employee-records
Holdings include personnel listings

Employee Listing - Internet Registry of African American employees of Pullman from 1800s through 1969 (not from company archives) published in "An Anthology of Respect: The Pullman Porter National Historic Registry," by Lyn Hughes, available from the A. Philip Randolph Pullman Porter Museum:
https://aprpullmanportermuseum.org/national-registry/

Personnel Records - The South Suburban Genealogical and Historical Society has records on shops employees of the Pullman Car Works, Pullman (Chicago), IL. Copies of "The Car Builder" magazine from Pullman are also available. They do not hold records for company administration or for Pullman porters or conductors.
https://ssghs.org/tools-resources/pullman-employee-records/

Employee Listing - Sept., 1889 Official Railway Guide listing of officers.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091889pullman.pdf

Pullman (Cont'd)

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/pullman1900.jpg

Personnel Records - IUScholarWorks at Indiana University has indexes of records of shops workers at Hammond, IN and some records from the Michigan City shops. Records are in the collection of IU Northwest's Calumet Regional Archives. Searchable at:
https://scholarworks.iu.edu/dspace/handle/2022/20515

Employee Roster - Portland, OR District roster of Pullman Conductors, Jan. 1, 1959
From the Conger Electric Lantern Co. roster published in 1959, covering railroad employees in the Pacific Northwest. Roster courtesy of Harold Gjermann.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/pullman1959.pdf

Richmond, Fredericksburg & Potomac Railroad

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984rfp.pdf

Rio Grande Southern Railroad

Archives - Center of Southwest Studies
Fort Lewis College
1000 Rim Drive
Durango, CO 81301
970-247-7126
https://www.fortlewis.edu/finding_aids/inventory/RGS.htm
Includes personnel records and seniority lists from 1890 through 1963.

Employee Listing- Ridgway Railway Museum
P.O. Box 588
Ridgway, CO 81432
Online employee list gathered from a variety of personnel record sources:
http://www.ridgwayrailroadmuseum.org/Employee.html

Seaboard Air Line Railroad

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/sal031900.jpg

Employee Listing - Sept., 1910 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091910sal.pdf

SAL (Cont'd)

Employee Listing - 1924 Tampa, FL-based employees, including Firemen, Engineers, Brakemen, Conductors and Switchmen
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/tampa1924.pdf

Employee Roster- Jacksonville Car and Locomotive Shops Roster as of January 1, 1948. Company employee roster listing Boilermakers, Machinists, Laborers, Carmen, Sheet Metal Workers, Electricians, Cranemen and Engine Maintainers, including Helpers and Apprentices. This is a Jim Crow roster with several employment categories segregated by race. 1,371 employees listed. Transcription at:
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/salshops1948.pdf

Employee Roster- Agents Roster, July 1, 1953, North Florida Division
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/salagents07011953.pdf

Seaboard Coast Line Railroad

Employee Listing - Traffic Department representatives list, from the Dec. 11, 1970 timetable.
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/scl121970.pdf

Employee Roster - Agents/Operators Roster, 1971, Rocky Mount Division
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/1971sclagtsopsp.pdf

Seaboard System Railroad

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives for the Seaboard System.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984seaboard.pdf

Sierra Railroad

Various Records - California Railroads: Various rosters and records, including scans of the source documents, for a number of railroads serving California. This appears to be the first fruit of an effort by Ancestry to acquire and post original documents from railroad companies. Note that the database is only accessible if you have an Ancestry United States subscription or are able to access the site from a library that holds a subscription.
http://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=2046

Soo Line Railroad (Minneapolis, St. Paul and Sault Ste. Marie Railroad)

Archives - Minnesota Historical Society
http://www2.mnhs.org/library/findaids/00343.xml
Corporate records primarily

Employee Listing - 1889 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091889soo.pdf

Soo Line (Cont'd)

Employee Listing - 1907 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives. https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1907soo.pdf

Employee Roster - 1952 Roster published by Stanley's Big 7 for the Minnesota Division. Several pages of this roster are missing, survivors include lists for Conductors and Switchmen. https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/soo1952minndiv.pdf

Employee Listing - 1960 Traffic Department officials, from the public timetable issued on March 6, 1960. https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/soo031960076.jpg

Employee Roster - Company employee roster for the Bridge & Building division of the Engineering Department, systemwide. Includes Carpenters, Painters, Helpers, Foremen and Crane Operators, May 20, 1964. Transcription at: https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/soo1964engrdept.pdf

Employee Roster - Company employee roster for the Maintenance of Way Department, systemwide. Includes Section Foremen, Assistant and Relief Foremen, Track Inspectors, and Sectionmen, April 1, 1964. Actual roster images online at: https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/soolinemow1964.pdf

Employee Listing- Veteran Employees Association of the Soo Line Railroad membership list, October 1, 1973. Transcription available online at: https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/soovets.pdf

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives. https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984soo.pdf

Southern Railway

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives. https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/srr031900.pdf

Employee Listing - 1907 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives. https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1907southern.pdf

Employee Roster - 1926 Directory of Knoxville employees of the Southern, Knoxville & Augusta, Knoxville & Bristol and Tennessee & Carolina Southern railroads. Includes Dispatchers, Agents, Operators, Mechanical Foremen, Clerks, Engineers, Firemen, Brakemen, Conductors, Switchmen, Machinists, Boilermakers, Blacksmiths, Tinners, Pipefitters, Electricians, Car Repairers, Hostlers, Porters and Laborers (including Helpers and Apprentices). Published by W.T. Palmer. https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/srrknoxville1926.pdf

Southern (Cont'd)

Employee Roster - 1943 Birmingham Division Enginemens' Roster. Published by the company.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1943southernrybirmingham.pdf

Employee Listing- Ashville Division advertising rosters, 1944, 1945, 1952, 1959 and 1961 editions, published under the auspices of B of RC Branch 313. Includes virtually all Ashville, NC-area Southern employees, including Road, Yard, Shop, Maintenance of Way, Depot, Police, Medical and Operator positions. Pensioners, too. Online at:

https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/srrashville1944.pdf
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/srrashville1945.pdf
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/04/srashville1952.pdf
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/srrashville1953.pdf
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/04/srashville1959.pdf
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/01/1961srrashvillediv.pdf

Employee Roster - 1947 Coster Car Shop Roster (Knoxville, TN). Includes Car Repairers, Helpers and Apprentices; Painters and Helpers; Upholsterers; Knoxville Division Carmen and Helpers; Coach Cleaners; Bulls Gap, TN Car Repairers and Helpers; Published by the company.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1947srrcarshop.pdf

Employee Roster - 1964 Georgia Division roster, includes Conductors, Trainmen and Switchmen (Howells and Athens, GA, Charlotte, NC, Greenwood, SC, and Birmingham, AL yards).
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/srrgeorgiadiv1964.pdf

Employee Listing - May-June, 1984 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/051984sr.pdf

Southern Pacific Railroad

Archives - California State Railroad Museum Foundation
Includes seniority lists and Sacramento Shops employee lists
https://www.californiarailroad.museum/visit/library

Employee Rosters - Several rosters from the webmaster's collection.
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/sprosters-1.pdf

Employee Roster - Numerous rosters for the SP are online, courtesy of Ed Gibson:
https://wx4.org/sp_employees/pages/rosters/sp_rosters.html

ESPEE (Cont'd)

Employee Magazine - Southern Pacific Historical & Technical Society
Some issues available, collection housed at the Sherman Library and Gardens, Corona del Mar, CA.
https://spht s.org/archives/

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/espee1900.jpg

Employee Roster - 1925 San Antonio & Aransas Pass Railroad, rosters of Train Crews as well as Agents and Telegraph Operators. Rosters online through the Texas Transportation Archive.
https://ttarchive.com/Library/Index_Employees.html

Various Records - California Railroads: Various rosters and records, including scans of the source documents, for a number of railroads serving California. This appears to be the first fruit of an effort by Ancestry to acquire and post original documents from railroad companies. Note that the database is only accessible if you have an Ancestry United States subscription, or are able to access the site from a library that holds a subscription.
http://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=2046

Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railroad

Employee Rosters - 1934 Pacific Northwest Railroads Big 5 Railroad Operating Employee Roster, published by J.A. Cheatham. Typical advertising roster of the time listing employee names and seniority dates (with some obvious errors). Includes the SP&S and other northwest roads. Index at:
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/big4roster1934.pdf

Employee Listing - 1959 Eastern Washington Rosters (Pasco area). Advertising roster including Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railroad Engineers, Firemen, Conductors, Brakemen (Vancouver Division).
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/ewash1959.pdf

Employee Rosters - Conger Electric Lantern Co. roster published in 1959, covering SP&S Roster courtesy of Harold Gjermann.

Engineers and Hostlers:
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/spsengineers1959.pdf

Trainmen and Yardmen:
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/spstrainmen1959.pdf

Vancouver Division Conductors and Brakemen. Undated but the latest hire date is in 1952. Collection of Harold Gjermann:
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/spsconductors1952.pdf

SP&S (Cont'd)

Employee Rosters - Maintenance of Way department, issued by the railroad, June 1, 1969. Rosters courtesy of Harold Gjermann:

Section and Gang Foremen, Asst. and Relief Foremen, Track Inspectors and MOW Cooks, systemwide:
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/spssectionmen1969.pdf

Track Laborers:
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/spstracklaborers1969.pdf

Welders & Crossing Watchmen:
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/spswelderswatchmen1969.pdf

Roadway Equipment Repair & Operation roster:
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/spsrdequiprepair1969.pdf

Employee Rosters - Vancouver Division Engineers and Hostlers from a 1961 roster. Collection of Harold Gjermann:
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/spsengineers1961.pdf

St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad (Frisco)

Employee Magazine - Many issues online in PDF format at:
https://thelibrary.org/lochist/Frisco/

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/frisco1900.jpg

Employee Listing - 1907 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1907frisco.pdf

Employee Records - Some post-1940 employee cards available online at:
https://thelibrary.org/lochist/Frisco/

Also at Fred Veregge's Web Site:
http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~veregge/frisco.htm

Employee Listings - 1935-36 Advertising Roster for the Frisco and subsidiary Fort Worth & Rio Grande, covering Sherman-Ft. Worth District and branches. Includes Conductors, Brakemen, Engineers, Firemen, and Switchmen. Frisco section begins on page 10 of combined roster.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/texas1936rosters.pdf

Employee Rosters - Rosters for employees in Missouri, 1956-1988 (includes Burlington Northern). Records held by the State Historical Society of Missouri. For more information, see:
https://collections.shsmo.org/manuscripts/rolla/r1368

Also rosters from 1930s – 1970s:
https://collections.shsmo.org/manuscripts/springfield/sp0057

Frisco (Cont'd)

Employee Cards- Ancestry.com has employee cards for Frisco workers for Springfield, MO. These cards include work summaries and were prepared for Railroad Retirement (RRB) use. Data covers 1940-1980.
https://www.ancestry.com/search/collections/62251/

St. Louis Southwestern Railroad (Cotton Belt)

Employee Listing - Sept., 1910 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091910cotton.pdf

Employee Rosters - Extensive company rosters of engineers and firemen from 1920 to 1959, both mainline and switching. Mostly Cotton Belt Texas Division employees. Webmaster's collection:
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/cotttonbetrosters.pdf

San Jose Street Railway

Employee Listing - 1934 listing of motormen and conductors found in a larger advertising roster.
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/sanjosestry1934.pdf

Terre Haute & Indianapolis Railroad

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/vandalia1900.jpg

Texas & Pacific Railway

Employee Listing - 1889 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091889tandp.pdf

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/tp1900.jpg

Employee Lists - Read postings about T&P employees at the "Route of the Eagles" Forum:
https://www.texaspacificrailway.org/people

Employee Listings - 1935-36 Advertising Roster for the T&P, Fort Worth Subdivision. Includes Conductors, Brakemen, and Switchmen at Dallas Yard and Fort Worth Terminal (including International-Great Northern men at Mara Yard). T&P section begins on page 48 of combined roster.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/texas1936rosters.pdf

Texas Midland Railway

Employee Listings - 1935-36 Advertising Roster for the TMR, around the time of its takeover by the T&NO. Includes Brakemen. TMR section begins on page 48 of combined roster.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/texas1936rosters.pdf

Tidewater Southern Railway Company

Employee Listings - From a 1953 San Jose advertising roster. Includes Engineers, Firemen, Conductors and Brakemen.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/04/1953sanjosemisc.pdf

Union Pacific Railroad

Employee Rosters - All Union Pacific materials have been moved onto their own page:
https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/uprosterpage.pdf

Wabash Railroad

Employee Listing - 1889 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091889wabash.pdf

Employee Listing - March, 1900 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/wabash1900.jpg

Employee Listing - 1907 Official Railway Guide listing of officers and traffic representatives
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1907wabash.pdf

Employee Roster - 1943 Roster of Wabash operating department employees in the Peru, IN area. Advertising roster, published locally.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/wabash1943.pdf

Wagner Palace Car Co.

Employee Listing - Sept., 1889 Official Railway Guide listing of officers.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/091889wagner.pdf

Western Maryland Railway

Employee Listing - 1910 Membership Roster, Western Maryland Railroad Employee Benefit Association. Mutual benefit groups like this were common at a time before Railroad Retirement and accident insurance.
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/02/wmrrbenassoc.pdf

Employee Listing - Numerous telegrapher rosters, published by the Order of Railroad Telegraphers, System Division No. 82, online at:
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/wmrosters.pdf

Western Pacific Railroad

Employee Roster - 1934 Western Division operating department roster, including Engineers, Firemen; Conductors, Brakemen; Switchmen, Yardmen and Yardmasters (Oakland, Stockton, Sacramento, Oroville and Portola); Timekeepers; Clerks (Oakland, Fruitvale, Hayward, San Jose, Stockton, Sacramento, Oroville and Reno); Telegraphers, Towermen and Dispatchers. https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/wp1934.pdf

Employee Roster- 1936 Operating Division roster, entire railroad. Online at: https://wx4.org/sp_employees/pages/rosters/002/1936WP_rosters.pdf

Employee Roster - 1948 advertising roster of the Western Division Operating Department, including Engineers, Firemen, Conductors, Brakemen, Switchmen and Yardmasters (Stockton, Sacramento, Oroville and Keddie), and Nevada-California-Oregon Railway Brakemen, Conductors, Firemen and Engineers. https://railgenealogy.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/wp1948.pdf

Government Agencies

U.S. Department of Transportation
ICC Historical Railroad Investigations Reports 1911-1994

Reports of accidents investigated by the Interstate Commerce Commission. Reports contain employee last names through about 1946. Records in the custody of the National Archives: https://www.archives.gov/research/transportation/railroad-accidents.html

Records online at:

http://dotlibrary.specialcollection.net/

Other accidents may have been investigated by state bodies such as public service or railroad commissions or departments, and records may be in custody of individual state historical societies.

U.S. Railroad Retirement Board

From the RRB's website in 2010: "The U.S. Railroad Retirement Board administers a Federal retirement benefit program covering the nation's railroad workers. The records it maintains deal primarily with the administration and payment of these benefits. The Board will provide information from its records on deceased persons for the purpose of genealogical research. However, it will not release information on persons who are still living without the written consent of that person.

The Railroad Retirement Board, like the Social Security Administration, was not established until the mid-1930's, and it began maintaining its own records of all covered rail service in 1937. Therefore, the Board's service records are limited to individuals who worked in the rail industry after 1936. If a person was not actually working for a railroad after 1936, he or she would not be listed in these records. Nor would the Board generally have any pertinent records of persons whose rail service was performed on a casual basis and/or was of short duration. Also, the Board's records are only on persons whose employers were covered under the Railroad Retirement Act. Employers such as street, interurban, or suburban electric railways are not covered under this Act."

Note that the RRB's current website makes no mention of genealogical research.

Early RRB records are held by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), including work the RRB did early on to establish prior service records of employees.

NARA:
http://www.archives.gov/research/guide-fed-records/groups/184.html

An index of the NARA records is available from the Midwest Genealogical Center. Note that search results for some last names are truncated to the first 5 letters:
http://quicklook.midwestgenealogycenter.org/index.php

Union Records/Publications

Order of Railway Conductors and Brakemen

- Local 65 and 137, Osawatomie, KS, Missouri Pacific Railroad, 1890 –1969
  Attendance registers and minutes books, service records, payroll information, retirement lists, membership rosters, seniority lists
  Kansas State Historical Society
  Howard L. Brown Collection
  http://www.kshs.org/research/collections/documents/personalpapers/findingaids/brown_howard.htm

- Div. 115, El Capitan, San Francisco, CA, 1892-1969
  Membership rosters, Minutes

  Division 267, Pacific Division, Vancouver BC, 1891-1911
  Membership rosters

  Division 575, Paris, TN, 1965-1968
  Membership rosters

  Miscellaneous records from several hundred locals

  Kheel Center for Labor-Management Documentation and Archives
  Cornell University Libraries
  Martin P. Catherwood Library
  227 Ives Hall
  Cornell University
  Ithaca, NY 14853
  (607) 255-3183
  http://rmc.library.cornell.edu/EAD/htmldocs/KCL05148.html

Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen (BRT)

- Lodge 191, Fort Howard, WI, Fond du Lac, WI and Milwaukee, 1886 –
  Attendance registers and minutes books.
  University of Wisconsin--Milwaukee
  UWM Libraries, Archives
  P.O. Box 604
  Milwaukee, WI 53201-0604
  http://uwm.edu/libraries/archives/

- Lodge 105, Oil Creek Lodge (Oil City, PA) 1885-1959
  Record books and insurance registers

  Lodge 187, Buffalo, NY, 1898-1927
  Record books and insurance registers

  Lodge 96, Perseverance Lodge, Oneonta, NY, Ladies Auxiliary
  Lodge 595, Sunshine Lodge, Albuquerque, NM, Ladies Auxiliary, 1917-1945
  Minutes and roll books

Lodge 927, Cleveland, OH, 1941-1945
Miscellaneous correspondence

Lodge 143, Syracuse, NY, 1925-1968
Membership applications, grievance files

Lodge 1, Oneanta, NY 1893-1894
Request for beneficiary claims, all lodges

Lodge 122, Ladies Auxiliary, 1946-1953
Minutes books

Local 311, Mechanicsville, NY
Claims correspondence

Kheel Center for Labor-Management Documentation and Archives
Cornell University Libraries
Martin P. Catherwood Library
227 Ives Hall
Cornell University
Ithaca, NY 14853
(607) 255-3183
http://rmc.library.cornell.edu/EAD/htmldocs/KCL05149.html

- Lodge 42, Keystone Lodge, Harrisburg, PA
  Record books

  Pennsylvania State Archives
  Special Microfilm Collections
  http://www.phmc.pa.gov/Archives/Research-Online/Pages/Railroad-Employees.aspx

- Chicago Great Western Lodges in Minnesota, Iowa, Illinois, and Missouri
  Employee rosters and seniority lists, along with other artifacts from 13 BRT locals.

  Minnesota Historical Society
  Manuscript Collections
  345 W. Kellogg Blvd.
  St. Paul, MN 55102-1906
  http://www.mnhs.org/collections/manuscripts/labor.php

- Lodge 671, Cherry Blossom Lodge, Dallas, TX
  Texas and Pacific Railway
  Membership ledgers and other records from 1908.

  The University of Texas at Arlington
  http://www.lib.utexas.edu/taro/utarl/00095/arl-00095.html

- Lodge 888, Altoona, WI
  Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha (CStPM&O)
  Membership applications, 1917-1929, Meeting Attendance Records, 1917-1935
  http://digital.library.wisc.edu/1711.dl/wiarchives.uw-whs-ec00af

- 1923 Directory of all Lodges, US and Canada, and officers
  https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/03/brt1923directory.pdf

- National Convention Roster, 1954, Miami Beach, FL
  https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/03/brt1954convention.pdf

- National Convention Roster, 1968, Hollywood, FL
  https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2024/03/brt1968roster.pdf

Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen

Grievance files and publications

Kheel Center for Labor-Management Documentation and Archives
Cornell University Libraries
Martin P. Catherwood Library
227 Ives Hall
Cornell University
Ithaca, NY 14853
(607) 255-3183
http://rmc.library.cornell.edu/EAD/htmldocs/KCL05141.html

BLE Eureka Lodge #14, Indianapolis, IN, including bound minutes and rosters

Manuscript and Visual Collections Department
William Henry Smith Memorial Library
Indiana Historical Society
450 West Ohio Street
Indianapolis, IN 46202-3269
http://www.indianahistory.org/library/manuscripts/collection_guides/BV3429.html

Listing of BLE Divisions, 1888:
https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/ble1888.pdf

Locomotive Engineers Journal, monthly magazine. Several years of issues have been digitized and are available from Google Books:
http://books.google.com/books?lr=&q=locomotive+engineers+journal&btnG=Search+Books

Brotherhood of Railway Signalmen, New York Central Railroad, General Committee
Signal Dept. Seniority Rosters

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http://rmc.library.cornell.edu/EAD/htmldocs/KCL05182.html

Other Resources

Passenger Traffic Agents' Associations

In many cities, the passenger agents for various transportation companies banded together and formed professional groups for the purposes of business development, education and entertainment. These groups included agents for the railroads, as well as airlines, steamships and local tour operators.

Chicago	The Chicago Passenger Club. 1945 Victory Edition Roster. https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/chicagopc1945.pdf
Kansas City	The Kansas City Passenger Agents' Association. 1938 Directory. https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1938kcpaa.pdf
Minneapolis	The Minneapolis Passenger Traffic Club. Dues $1.25 per year. 1940 Directory: https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/1940minneapolisptcroster.pdf

Los Angeles Union Passenger Terminal (LAUPT)

Several employee rosters for terminal workers, available from the Internet Archive:
https://archive.org/search?tab=all&query=+Los+Angeles+Union+Railroad+Seniority

National Veteran Employees Associations

The National Association of Retired and Veteran Railway Employees (NARVRE) is a membership organization open to railroad employees which primarily follows issues surrounding Railroad Retirement. Organization has been by local chapters in the past.

Unit 52 was active in the Albany, NY area, and the roster below lists members reported to have worked for the following railroads: the NYC, Boston & Albany, Boston & Maine, Delaware & Hudson, Rutland, Troy Union, New Haven and Erie railroads, as well as the Railway Express Agency and Pullman Standard. All members were at one point operating in the Albany area. From a handwritten member list with numerous illegible entries, so some spellings are best guesses. Dates from 1956 through 1970. 1,374 records. From the webmaster's collection:

Albany: https://railgenealogy.files.wordpress.com/2023/12/narvrealbany.pdf