

Inland Empire Highlights

- The high-speed train system would change the competitive dynamics of the Inland Empire, making it profitable for some sectors to expand, adding both new businesses and increased employment. Those changes would translate into greater output, earnings and local governmental revenue for the Inland Empire's economy.
- The high-speed train system would increase wage and salary earnings in the inland economy by \$711.9 million (in 2008 dollars) by 2030 and each year thereafter.
- The additional \$711.9 million in earnings would be associated with an estimated output of \$2.15 billion (in 2008 dollars) by 2030 and each year thereafter due to the high-speed train.
- The extra output of \$2.15 billion from the high-speed train system would generate an additional \$101.6 million (in 2008 dollars) in indirect business taxes going to the local governments of the area by 2030 and each year thereafter
- Assuming the entire high-speed train system has been built, the Inland Empire would add 871,880 jobs by 2030, an increase of 19,200 jobs (0.8%) when compared to the No-Project alternative.
- Many of these new jobs would go to good paying sectors, including transportation, communication and utilities (1,900 jobs; \$40,023 average salary), financial activity (1,500 jobs; \$51,894 average salary), wholesale trade (1,000 jobs; \$50,922 average salary), manufacturing (900 jobs; \$45,648 average salary), and government (600 jobs; \$52,986 average salary).
- A high-speed train system in the Inland Empire would lower the cost and increase the ability of consumers living along the high-speed train system to access places where they wish to shop or visit.
- The system would stimulate transit oriented housing and business nodes in Ontario and Riverside and would help the Murrieta-Temecula area close the jobs to population gap that has emerged.
- A high-speed train would extend the time before intra-state travel causes the LA-Ontario International Airport to reach capacity by giving people an alternative to mode of travel.