



ARS: Arkansas Southern Railroad

210 South Front St. • Nashville, AR 71852

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Railroad Statistics

Interchanges:

KCS in Ashdown, AR and Heavener, OK

- UP in Nashville, AR

Track Mileage: 62

Employees: 8

Cars: 0

Locomotives: 4

Track Capacity:

263K—Waldron subdivision

286K—Nashville subdivision

Services Offered

- Industrial Development Sites Available
- Car Storage Facility Available

Industries Served

- General Chemical
- Pilgrim's Pride
- Sandhill
- Tyson

The track that originally made up the ARS from Ashdown to Nashville, AR started in 1907 as a freight and passenger line known as the MP&G (Memphis, Paris & Gulf) Railroad. The line was later restructured to be the GN&A (Graysonia, Nashville & Ashdown) Railroad. By 1954, 75% of the GN&A business came from quarry rock and cement. From 1960-1966, the GN&A worked with the Army Corps of Engineers to move the track to make room for the Millwood dam. The line was successfully relocated from MP 7.1 to 31.1, resulting in continuing operation of the railroad and the cement quarry. In 1998, KCS purchased the track from Ashdown to Nashville from the GN&A Railroad. The ARS started operating in October of 2005 after Watco acquired the ARS from KCS through a lease agreement.



System Map

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