



**NORTH YORKSHIRE
MOORS RAILWAY**

Facts and Figures

- **The North Yorkshire Moors Railway owns and operates 18 miles of preserved railway between Pickering and Grosmont, situated in the heart of the North York Moors National Park.**
- **It is Britain's (and we think the world's) most popular heritage steam railway. In recent years the number of annual visitors has exceeded 300,000. In 2009 the Railway welcomed 350,000 visitors, an all-time high.**
- **With such large numbers of visitors, it is estimated that the Railway helps to lever some £30 million per year into the local and regional economy. The Railway has a turnover in excess of £5 million.**
- **By any standards, the operation is big. A pool of 300 volunteers help to keep the Railway running. They carry out a variety of roles which include engine drivers, firemen, guards, ticket collectors, booking office clerks, station foremen, tearoom assistants, shop assistants, fitters, handymen and gardeners.**
- **Full and part-time paid staff number 130, and fulfill a variety of management, supervisory and specialist support roles including operations, marketing, finance, retail, health & safety, customer services, rolling stock management, catering, signalling & telecoms, track maintenance, and admin.**
- **The Railway is owned by a charitable trust, the North York Moors Historical Railway Trust. Day to day operations are run on behalf of the Trust by its trading arm, the NYMR plc. Both the trust and plc have their own board of directors.**
- **The line was once part of the national network, until its closure in 1965. It has been run as a preserved line since the mid 1970s and is now a tourist attraction, heritage steam railway and accredited museum.**

