

Rail System Fact Sheet

ABOUT VALLEY METRO RAIL

Valley Metro Rail is responsible for the planning, design, construction and operations of the region's light rail and streetcar system, serving nearly ten million total passengers in fiscal year 2025.

The initial 20-mile light rail line opened on December 27, 2008. Two extensions began service by spring 2016, adding six more miles and connecting downtown Mesa to northwest Phoenix. In 2019, the line extended 1.9 miles east to the new Gilbert Rd/Main St light rail station, where there are additional transit connections. The 50th St/Washington station also opened in 2019 with enhanced accessibility features, including advanced pedestrian detection crosswalk signals, wider platforms and gently sloped entries. In 2024, the line extended farther into northwest Phoenix adding another 1.6 miles to the Metro Parkway elevated station at the former Metrocenter mall area. In 2025, Valley Metro Rail added another 5.5 miles of service into South Phoenix while also evolving into a two-line system with the opening of the South Central Extension/Downtown Hub. The system now consists of an A Line operating east to west from Gilbert Rd/Main St to the Downtown Hub and a B Line operation from Metro Parkway to Baseline/Central Ave.

Each of the 51 light rail stations were designed with significant consideration given to the desert heat and sun. Fifteen park-and-rides provide 4,848

parking spaces along 35 miles. Artwork is also an integral part of the urban system, reflecting the history and culture of local neighborhoods. Each light rail vehicle has a comfort capacity of 175 passengers and features state-of-the-art technology designed for the urban desert climate.

In May 2022, the rail system added a new mode with the opening of streetcar. Traveling along a three-mile route in Tempe, the streetcar makes 14 stops. As the Valley's first modern streetcar line, it adds to the comprehensive transit network in Tempe. Currently, streetcar makes two connections to the light rail system providing regional access for travelers. A future extension of streetcar farther east into Mesa is also being studied.

The rail system in metro Phoenix will continue to expand with additional light rail expansion projects in the planning or design phases. The Capitol Extension, which will extend light rail west to the State Capitol area from downtown Phoenix, is currently in the advanced design phase. The I-10 West Extension, which is in the preliminary engineering phase, continues light rail from the State Capitol area for approximately 10 miles along I-17 and I-10 to Desert Sky Transit Center at 79th Avenue and Thomas Road. A study to evaluate high-capacity options in West Phoenix to 99th Avenue has identified a light rail corridor along Indian School Road that would connect the existing B Line to the I-10 West Extension, with planning to continue at a future date.



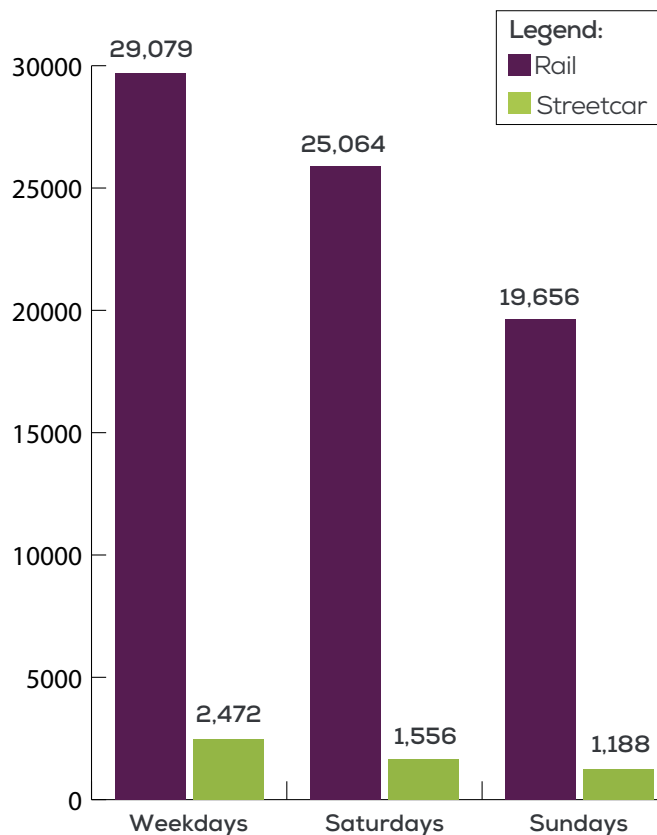
RAIL SYSTEM OVERVIEW

- Number of miles: 35
- Number of stations: 51
- Number of vehicles: 72
- Number of parking spaces: 4,848
- Total A line travel time: 68 minutes
- Total B line travel time: 66 minutes
- Cost to ride: \$2.00 per ride, \$4.00 daily fare

FIVE BUSIEST RAIL STATIONS

1. Gilbert Rd/Main St
2. Metro Parkway
3. 44th St/Washington
4. 19th Ave/Camelback
5. Dorsey/Apache Blvd

FY25 DAILY AVERAGE RIDERS



Total annual rail ridership - 9,858,600
Total annual streetcar ridership - 780,284

STREETCAR SYSTEM OVERVIEW

- Number of miles: 3
- Number of stops: 14
- Number of vehicles: 6
(when fleet is complete)
- Total travel time: 43 minutes
- Cost to ride: \$1 per ride
Fare implemented in August 2025



FIVE BUSIEST STREETCAR STOPS

1. Dorsey Ln/Apache
2. Rural/Apache
3. Paseo Del Saber/Apache
4. College Ave/Apache
5. Ninth St/Mill

OPERATIONS

Valley Metro Rail operates 365 days a year, with light rail trains arriving every 12 minutes and streetcars arriving every 15 minutes during peak travel hours. Operational costs are supported by rail member cities, passenger fares and advertising.

Rail service is coordinated with bus service to provide a regional transit network for customers. Rail and bus services are coordinated to provide a comprehensive regional transit network. Fares can be purchased via mobile app, reloadable Copper card, or a 1-Ride option is available at fare machines. Reduced fare and group fare options are also available. In addition, eligible riders can also apply for ADA certification. For additional fare information, visit valleymetro.org/fares.

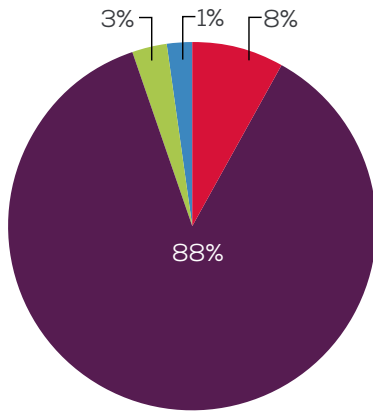
Security officers have a continual presence on the system. Passengers on light rail will be asked at random for proof of payment. Violators are subject

to fines ranging from \$50 to \$500 and can even lose their transit privileges. Customer Experience Coordinators help riders on the rail system, providing a welcoming presence and aiding with wayfinding and purchasing correct fare.

The Valley Metro Rail system connects the region to the cities of Phoenix, Tempe and Mesa. It provides connections to work, education and entertainment. There are many sports, shopping, restaurants and arts and culture destinations along the line. Valley Metro Rail also connects to Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport with PHX Sky Train® at the 44th St/Washington station.

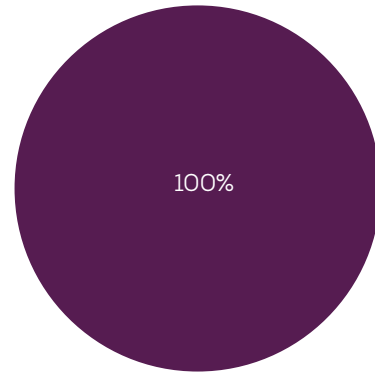
Rail is a catalyst for jobs and economic development with over \$20 billion in public and private sector investment since 2008 along the light rail and streetcar corridors.

RAIL OPERATIONS FUNDING SOURCES



- Fares
- Member Cities
- Federal
- Advertising

STREETCAR OPERATIONS FUNDING SOURCES



- Member Cities

FUTURE EXPANSION

Several high-capacity extensions are planned or under construction to create a 50-mile system. The Valley Metro Rail Board of Directors sets the policy direction for the system with the intent of advancing regional public transit in the Valley.



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