



Dallas Area Rapid Transit

Dallas, Texas

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Dallas Area Rapid Transit, known as DART, is the regional transit agency of the Dallas, Texas metropolitan area. A one-cent local sales tax was approved by voters on August 13, 1983 and DART was created. Today, DART service includes approximately 130 bus routes, 45 miles of light rail transit (LRT), 75 miles of high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes, and paratransit service. Additionally, DART works in conjunction with the Fort Worth Transportation Authority (the T) to operate 35 miles of Commuter Rail linking downtown Dallas and Fort Worth.

Consisting of 13 member cities, DART is directed by a 15 member board (based on population) which is selected by each member's city council.

Member Cities

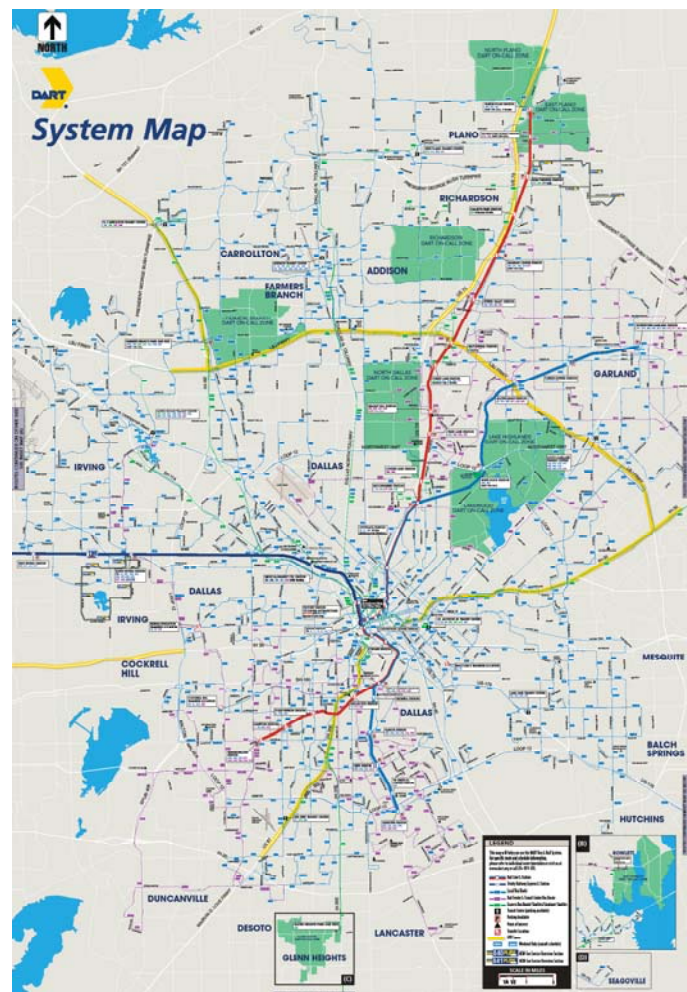
Addison	Carrollton
Cockrell Hill	Farmers Branch
Dallas	Garland
Glenn Heights	Highland Park
Irving	Plano
Richardson	Rowlett
University Park	

REGIONAL CHARACTERISTICS

Population:	4,809,000
Land Area:	1,529 sq mi

REGIONAL MODES

- Commuter Rail
- Light Rail
- Local/Express Bus



Source: DART, 2008

HOURS OF OPERATION

Weekday / Weekend

Local Bus – 5:00am to 1:30am / 5:00am to 12:00am

Light Rail – 4:30am to 1:00am / 4:30am to 1:00am

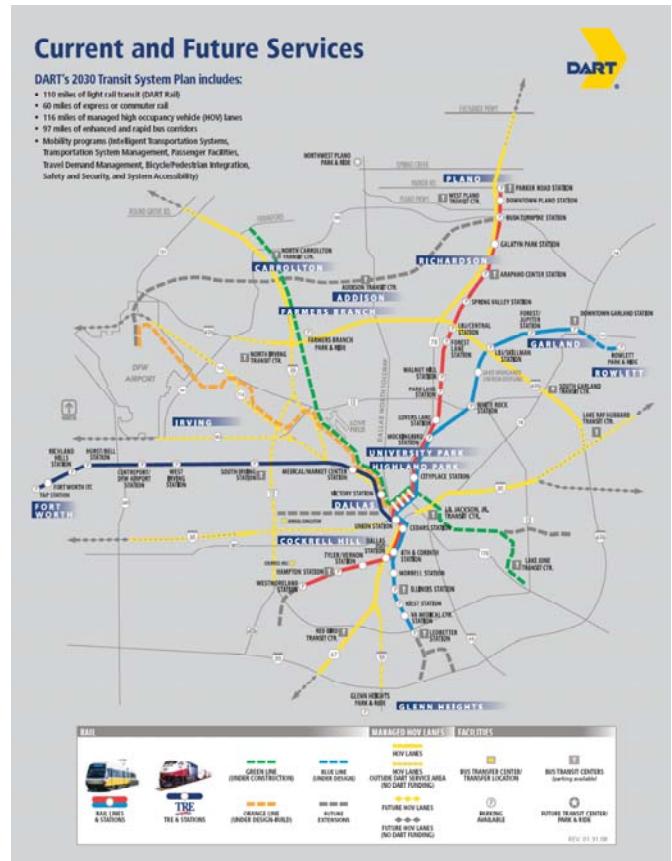
*Commuter Rail – 5:00am to 12:00am / 7:30am to 12:00am

Demand Response – 5:00am to 9:00pm / No Service

*No Sunday Service

FUTURE EXPANSION

- Green Line (SE) – 10.1-miles of LRT opening in 2009
- Green Line (NW) – 12.1-miles of LRT opening in 2009
- Orange Line (NW) – 14-miles of LRT opening in 2011
- Blue Line (Rowlett) – 4.5-miles of LRT opening in 2012
- Dallas CBD – LRT extension opening in 2014
- South Oak Cliff – 2.9-miles of LRT opening in 2018
- Cotton Belt – 26-miles of Commuter Rail opening TBD
- Southport – 2.9-miles of LRT opening TBD
- Scyene Rd – 4.3-miles of LRT opening TBD
- West Oak Cliff – 4.3-miles of LRT opening TBD
- West Dallas – 6.0-miles of LRT opening TBD
- NW Highway – 13.8-miles of BRT opening TBD
- Ferguson – 6.3-miles of BRT opening TBD



Source: DART, 2008

FUNDING

Transit-related funding for the Dallas region is supported by a one-cent regional sales tax which is dedicated to fund DART. Additional funding has been secured through a \$2.9 billion bond and a \$700 million federal grant that will be used for the future expansion of the rail system. Future funding is dependant on voter approval.

