

Transit Choices Presentation

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The ***Transit Riders Rally*** for
#BetterTransitNOW

Maryland State House

February 4, 2025

Red Line Revival Announcement





#BetterTransit **NOW**

Reliability — Frequency — Accountability

A Long Overdue Campaign for Baltimore Transit Riders

Reliability

- Minimum 90% bus and rail on-time performance
- Minimum 90% bus and rail scheduled runs made

Frequency

- 10 to 15 minute weekday bus and rail service
- 20 to 30 minute evening/weekend bus and rail service

Accountability

- Outside assessment of MTA structure, culture, communications, systems management practices, etc.
- MTA implements recommendations within a year

Baltimore's light rail is long overdue for a rehab. How did we get here?

Daniel Zawodny, Adam Willis and Taylor DeVille 12/9/2023 5:30 a.m. EST



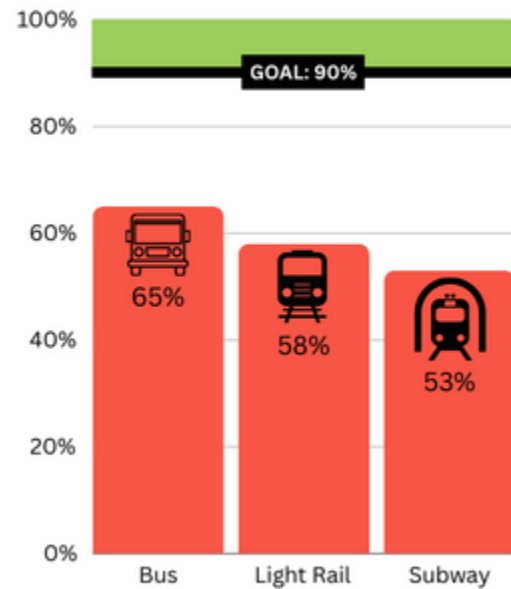
Night of wrong turns: Orioles fans bound for home caught on 'shuttle bus from hell'

Tim Prudente 10/3/2024 5:00 p.m. EDT



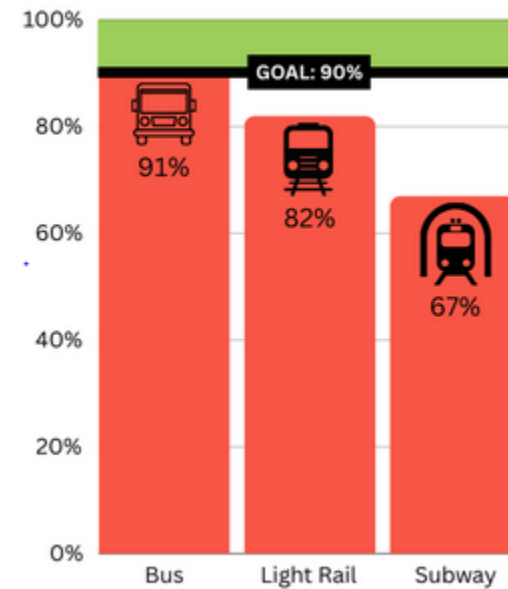
MTA Current Performance Data

MTA ON-TIME PERFORMANCE
September through November



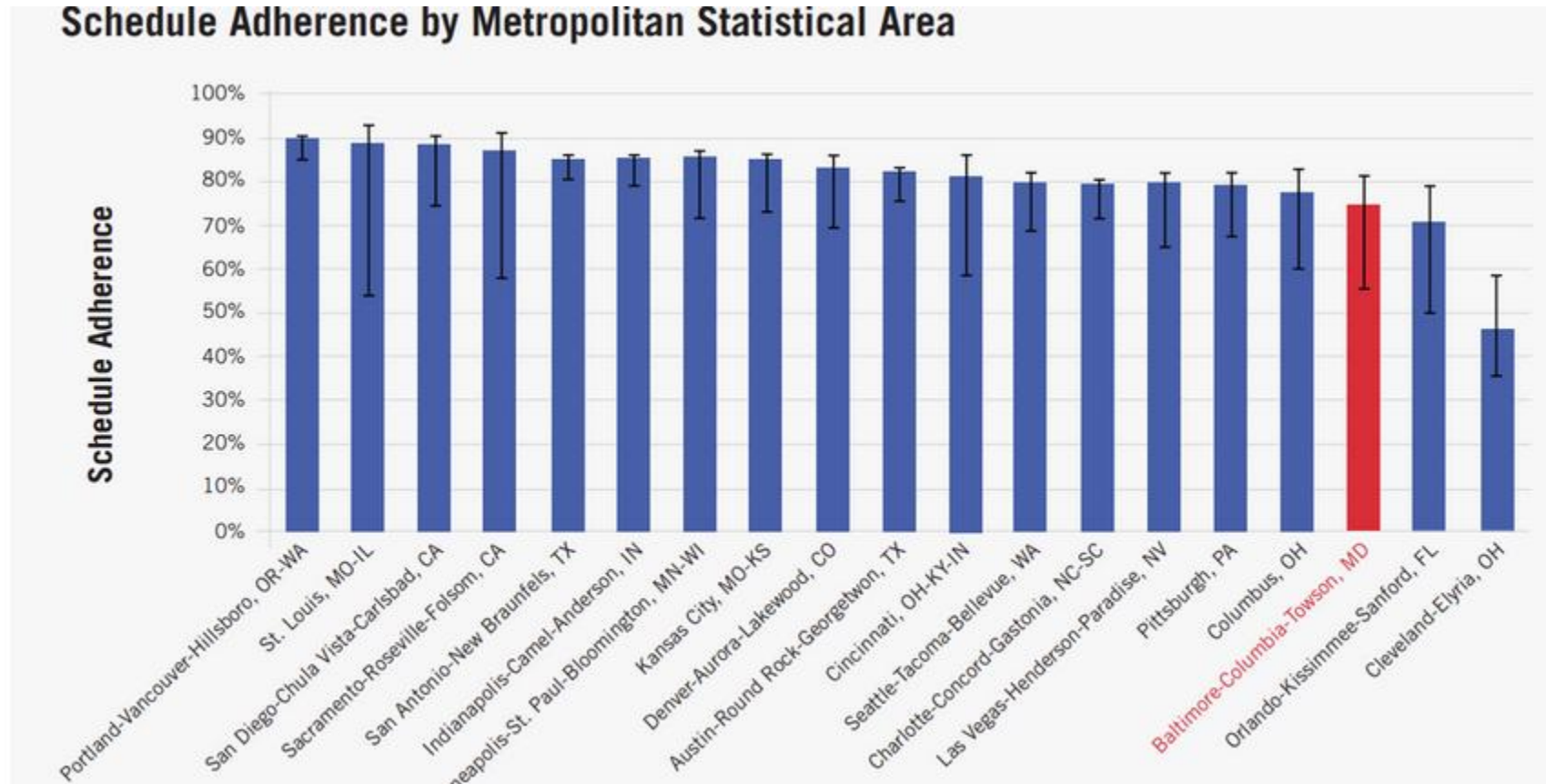
MTA riders need at least 90% on-time performance.

MTA SCHEDULED RUNS MADE
September through November



MTA riders need at least 90% of scheduled trips to run.

How we compare to peer transit systems



CMTA Report Card



Transportation
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Transportation
Report Card

THE CENTRAL MARYLAND
REGION'S GRADE

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Unreliable Transit Hurts Baltimore

Population Changes 2010 to 2020

Boston: 58,000 increase

New York: 629,000 increase

Philadelphia: 77,000 increase

Baltimore: 35,000 decrease

Washington DC: 88,000 increase

Atlanta: 78,000 increase

**The Transit Riders Rally for #BetterTransitNOW
February 4, 2025 (Transit Equity Day): 2 p.m.
Maryland State House**



“The best defense is a good offense.”



Keep in mind...

We know it's a challenging budget year, but government always finds money for what it values:

- ***Orioles***
- ***Ravens***
- ***Pimlico***

Baltimore-area residents rely on transit 365 days a year. It's long past time to value transit & the people who use it in the Baltimore region.

Other States Have Created New Transit Funding

- **Massachusetts: Millionaires Fair Share Tax**
- **New Jersey: Corporate Transit Fee**
- **Pennsylvania: Reallocating highway funds to transit**

“You cannot have a thriving Maryland if you don’t have a thriving Baltimore”



More from Governor Moore

“You can’t have economic mobility without physical mobility”

“Leave no one behind”

Thank You Transit Choices!

www.bettertransitnow.org

www.eventbrite.com/e/the-transit-riders-rally-for-better-transit-now-tickets-1078469514349?aff=website

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