

The City of Laredo serves as an urban transit district (UTD) for the Laredo urbanized area (UZA) under Texas Transportation Code (TTC) Chapter 458 and therefore receives state funding. The City of Laredo, under TTC Chapter 453, is also a municipal transit department with a local sales tax dedicated to transit. Laredo Transit Management, Inc., known as El Metro, is a public transit provider in the UTD, providing fixed-route bus service and ADA paratransit service throughout Laredo. The service area falls entirely into Webb County, covering 99.4 percent of the population and 96.6 percent of the land area¹ of the Laredo UZA. The rural part of Webb County is served by the El Aguila Rural Transit System of Webb County Community Action Agency.

El Metro is a department of the City of Laredo and is governed by the nine-member Laredo Mass Transit Board. The City of Laredo currently contracts with First Transit to manage the daily operation of El Metro.



- Service Area Population²: 240,524
- Service Area Land Area³: 92.28 sq. Miles
- Unlinked Passenger Trips⁴: 3,221,013
- Revenue Fleet⁴: 67 Vehicles

Service Information



Local Bus Service

23 bus routes available within the city limits of Laredo.

One-Way Fare Structure:

Base fare: \$1.50Discounted fares:

\$1.25^a, \$0.75^b, \$0.50^c, \$0.35^d, \$0.25^e

Fare Media:



Notes:

- ^a Students.
- ^b Seniors, people with disabilities, and Medicare cardholders.
- ^c Children (5–11).
- ^d Seniors (62+) and people with disabilities riding during peak hours.
- $^{\rm e}$ People with disabilities riding during off-peak hours.



ADA Paratransit Service

Available in areas within 3/4-mile on both sides of the fixed-route service.

Trips can be scheduled up to 7 days in advance, up to the day before the trip.

One-Way Fare Structure:

Base fare: \$1.00

Fare Media:





Operating Time (Excluding Holidays)

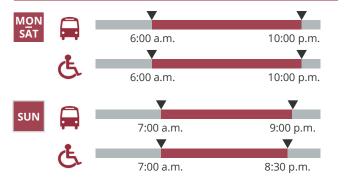


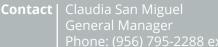
Operating Days by Mode





Operating Hours by Mode





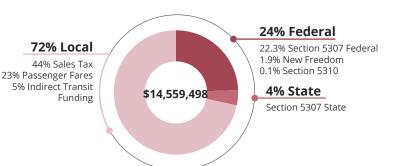
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FY 2014 Financial Status⁴



Revenues in Fiscal Year 2014





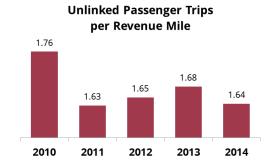
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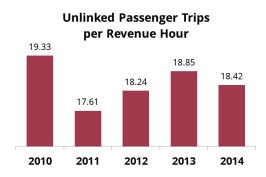


FY 2010-2014 Performance Measures⁴



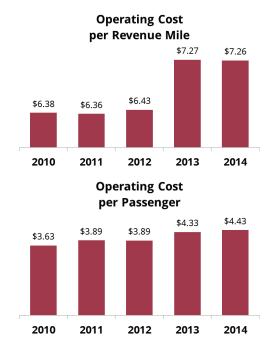
Productivity in the Past 5 Years

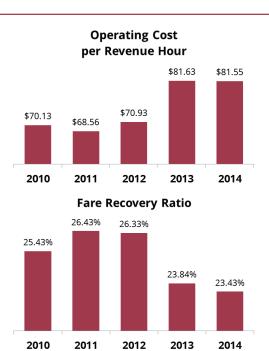






Efficiency in the Past 5 Years





Projects in the 2015-2018 STIP⁵

Implementation Year	Project Name	Cost
2015	Bus Replacement	\$3,400,000
2016	Operations and Maintenance	\$13,710,614
2016	Transportation for Seniors & Disabled	\$208,060
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Data Sources:

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February, 2016





¹ Texas A&M Transportation Institute, Urban Gap Analysis using U.S. Census 2010 data,

²U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2009–2013 5-Year Estimates.

³U.S. Census Bureau, 2013 TIGER/Line Shapefiles: Places

 $^{^4}$ Texas Department of Transportation, Public Transportation Division PTN-128 Fiscal Year 2011–2014 data

 $^{^5}$ Texas Department of Transportation, Proposed 2015–2018 District Statewide Transportation Improvement Programs