CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND



The City of South Padre Island serves as a rural transit district for the island under Texas Transportation Code Chapter 458, and therefore receives state funding for rural transit services. The City of South Padre Island has a service agreement with Port Isabel Economic Development Corporation to provide transit services to Laguna Heights and Port Isabel.

The South Padre Island Metro operates fixed-route bus and ADA complementary paratransit services within the city limits of Laguna Heights, Port Isabel, and South Padre Island. Island Metro, B Metro (operated by the City of Brownsville), and Metro McAllen (operated by the City of McAllen) coordinate to deliver an intercity bus service, Metro Connect, for residents to travel in Brownsville, Edinburg, Harlingen, McAllen, Mercedes, and South Padre Island.

Numerous local taxi companies and shuttle providers complement Island Metro's services. Valley Transit Company provides private intercity bus connection to South Padre Island.

Island Metro is administrated by the City of South Padre Island Public Transit Department and is governed by the six-member city council.



- Service Area Population¹: 10,681
- Service Area Land Area²: 10 sq. Miles
- Unlinked Passenger Trips³: 626,330
- Revenue Fleet³: 10 Vehicles



Service Information

Flexible Transit Service

Three flex routes available within the city limits of Laguna Heights, Port Isabel, and South Padre Island.

One-Way Fare Structure:

• Free fare

Regional Bus Service

Three bus lines connect South Padre Island, Brownsville, Harlingen, Mercedes, McAllen and Edinburg.

Fare Structure:

- Day pass: \$5.00^a or \$10.00^b
- Unlimited 30-day pass: \$90^a or \$100^b
- Discounted pass: \$25^{a,c}

Fare Media:



Notes:

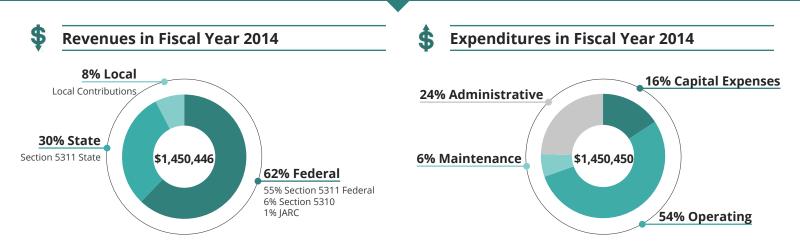
- ^a Metro Connect only.
- ^b All regional systems.
- ^c Students and faculty members.





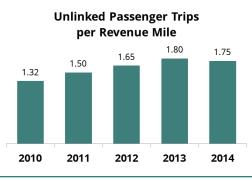


FY 2014 Financial Status³



FY 2010–2014 Performance Measures³





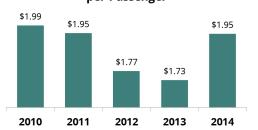


Efficiency in the Past 5 Years

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per Passenger





Fare Recovery Ratio

The WAVE is a fare-free system.

0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
2010	2011	2012	2013	2014

Projects in 2015–2018

Implementation Year	Project Name	Cost
2015-2018	Multimodal Facility	To Be Determined

Data Sources:

¹U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2009–2013 5-Year Estimates and 2010 Census Summary File 1.
²U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 and 2013 TIGER/Line Shapefiles: Places, and Urban Areas.
³Texas Department of Transportation, Public Transportation Division PTN-128 Fiscal Year 2011–2014 data.
⁴City of South Padre Island Transit Department.
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