

NJ TRANSIT

NJ TRANSIT runs the public transportation system in New Jersey, offering commuters bus, train, and light rail options. Its mission is to provide safe, reliable, and affordable mass transit service.

Planning Your Trip

NJ TRANSIT has several bus lines, both local and regional, that run through Middlesex County. To plan your trip, you should check for service near you to find the nearest bus stops. If you do not know which bus will take you where you need to go, you can use the NJ TRANSIT Trip Planner or Bus Point-to-Point for travel itineraries and timetables on [njtransit.com](https://www.njtransit.com).



If you need additional assistance, call NJ TRANSIT Customer Service at 973-275-5555.

KMM can also help you with trip planning. Contact us at 732-745-4465.

Timetables

To learn how to read a timetable, follow the instructions below, and practice with the example on the next page.

1

Once you know which bus line you will be riding, find your direction of travel and choose the weekday or weekend section of the schedule.

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Find your origin bus stop at the top of the schedule. If your origin is between two major stops, choose the earlier time.

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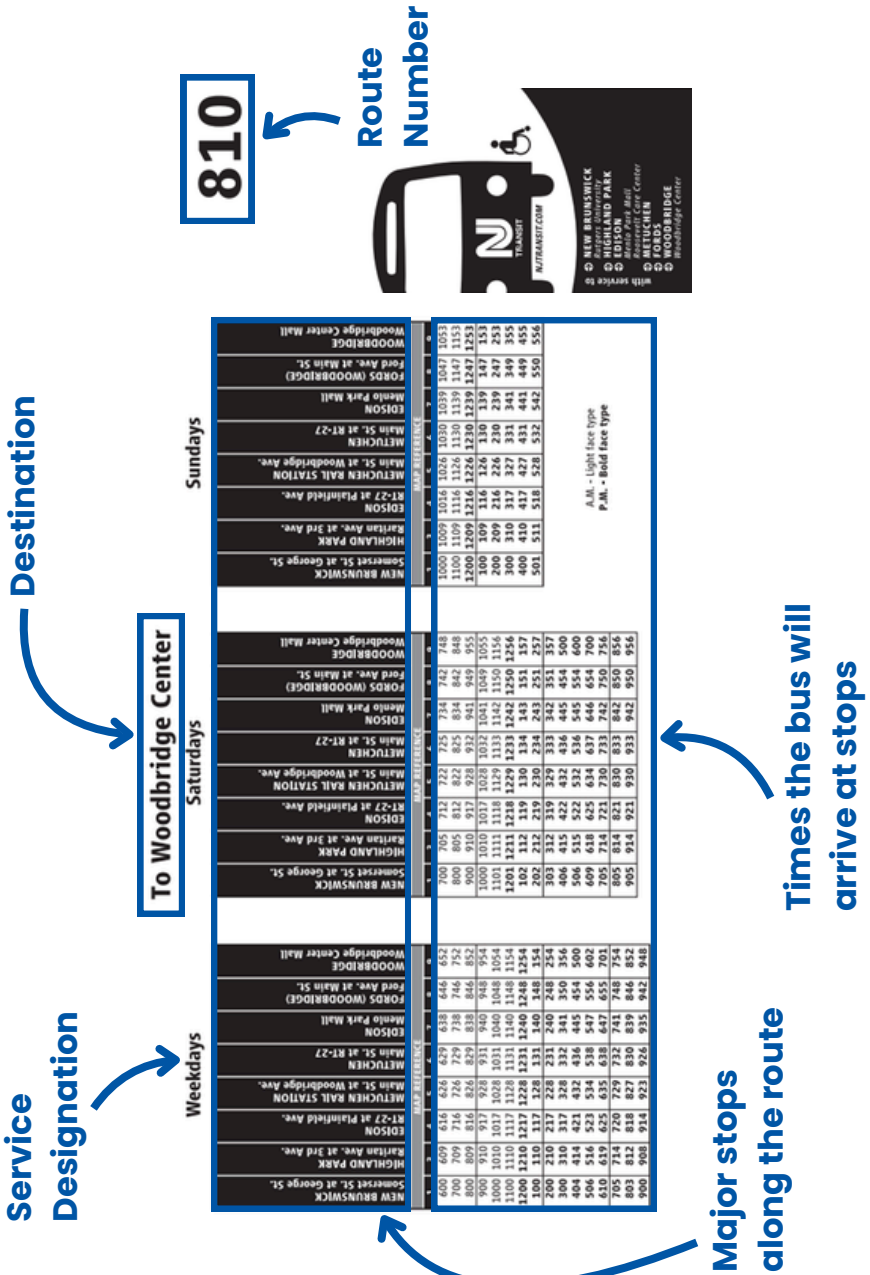
To find out your arrival time, start at the departure time and read across the timetable until you reach the time next to your destination.



QUICK TIPS

Not every bus stop is shown on the timetable. The stops listed are major stops, or timepoints, along the route. Buses also stop at designated bus stops between these locations when it is safe to do so.

Reading a Timetable



Fares

NJ TRANSIT fares are determined by the number of zones you travel through. To find this information, check the map on the bus route schedule. The dashed lines show when you enter a new zone. You can also plan your trip (enter your origin and destination) on [njtransit.com](https://www.njtransit.com). The itinerary will tell you when you will enter a new zone.



All one-way bus tickets have a 30-day expiration period, unless stated otherwise.



Above: Tap-to-Pay Reader on a NJ TRANSIT bus for contactless payments by credit or debit card, mobile wallets, and paper bus tickets.



Above: NJ TRANSIT Ticket Vending Machines are located at almost all major rail and bus stations. They sell bus and train tickets, along with monthly passes.

Paying the Fare

Once you know the route you are taking and how much it will cost, you can pay the fare in one of several ways. You can buy tickets:

Using the NJ TRANSIT app before boarding the bus

With cash*, a paper ticket, a credit/debit card using Tap & Ride, or a FARE-PAY Card



Using a monthly pass or FlexPass



QUICK TIPS

If you plan to commute by bus regularly, you may want to invest in a monthly pass to save up to 30%. You can use your monthly pass to make unlimited trips for a whole month for the number of zones indicated on the pass. College students can save 25% using the NJ TRANSIT monthly Student Pass.

In Middlesex County, all local route buses require **exact fare. If paying your fare with cash, have the exact amount ready before boarding. Bus operators cannot provide change.*

*Some regional buses are **full service**, meaning that drivers will provide change. These buses are indicated in the [Regional & NY Bus Routes chart](#) (page 30).*

North Jersey Intrastate Fares* (Local)

ZONE	1	2	3	4	TRANSFER
Reduced Fare	\$0.85	\$1.25	\$1.60	\$2.10	\$0.40
Full Fare	\$1.90	\$3.00	\$3.80	\$4.55	\$0.85
Monthly Pass	\$71.00	\$93.00	\$112.00	\$121.00	N/A
Student Pass	\$52.00	\$71.00	\$84.00	\$90.00	N/A
FlexPass**	\$32.30	\$51.00	\$64.60	\$77.35	N/A

North Jersey Interstate Fares* (Regional & NYC)

ZONE	1	2	3	4	TRANSFER
Reduced Fare	\$0.95	\$1.85	\$2.45	\$3.20	N/A
Full Fare	\$2.20	\$4.20	\$5.45	\$7.30	N/A
Monthly Pass	N/A	\$129.00	\$180.00	\$202.00	N/A
Student Pass	N/A	\$96.00	\$133.00	\$151.00	N/A
FlexPass**	\$37.40	\$71.40	\$92.65	\$124.10	N/A

*Fare prices as of July 2026

**20 one-way adult tickets between origin & destination, at a 15% discount

Local Bus Routes

Visit [njtransit.com](https://www.njtransit.com) to view timetables.

Route	Bus
801	Metropark Loops
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810	New Brunswick – Woodbridge Center
811	New Brunswick – South River
813	Perth Amboy – Middlesex County College
814	North Brunswick – New Brunswick – Middlesex County College
815	New Brunswick – East Brunswick – Woodbridge Center
817	Perth Amboy – Campbell's Junction
818	New Brunswick – East Brunswick – Old Bridge
819	Piscataway – Plainfield – Metuchen – South Plainfield
600	Trenton – Plainsboro (US 1 Corridor)

Regional & NY Bus Routes

Visit [njtransit.com](https://www.njtransit.com) to view timetables.

Route	Bus
48	Elizabeth – Woodbridge – Perth Amboy
59	Plainfield – Newark
63/64*	Lakewood – Jersey City – Weehawken
65	Newark – Mountainside – Somerville
67*	Toms River – Lakewood – Newark
68*	Old Bridge – East Brunswick – Jersey City – Weehawken
113*	Dunellen – New York
114*	Bridgewater – New York
115*	Rahway – New York
116*	Perth Amboy – New York
131/135*	Freehold – Sayreville – Old Bridge – New York
133	Old Bridge – Aberdeen – New York
138*	Old Bridge – East Brunswick – New York
139*	Lakewood – Old Bridge – New York

*Full-service bus

NJ TRANSIT MyBus

MyBus provides real-time information on when your bus will be arriving at your stop.

- 1 Find the MyBus sign below the NJ TRANSIT bus stop sign.
- 2 Identify the bus stop number.
- 3 Use the NJ TRANSIT app, call 973-275-5555, or text your bus stop number to mybus (69287). You will find out what time the next scheduled bus will arrive at that stop.



All bus stops in New Brunswick use Navilens technology. Those who are blind or have low vision can scan the multicolored QR code from up to 60 feet away to find out next bus arrivals, service status, and directions through audio messages.

Learn more at njtransit.com/navilens.



Boarding the Bus

- 1** Arrive at your bus stop at least 5 minutes before the scheduled departure time. Check the bus stop sign to confirm that your bus route serves that stop.
- 2** When you see your bus approaching, raise your arm and wave to signal to the driver that you would like to board. Otherwise, the driver might not stop.
- 3** Many bus stops serve multiple routes, so be sure to board the correct bus. The route number and destination are displayed on the front of the bus. If you are unsure, ask the bus operator before boarding.
- 4** As you are boarding, tell the driver where you are going, so they can confirm how many zones you need to travel, and pay the fare.



All NJ TRANSIT buses can lower the front entrance ("kneel") to make boarding easier. If you need this assistance, let the bus operator know before boarding.

For those using wheelchairs or other mobility devices, all NJ TRANSIT buses are also equipped with lifts and ramps.



Transfers

Sometimes you may need to take more than one bus to reach your destination. If your trip requires two buses, purchase a transfer from the driver when boarding your first bus instead of paying a second full fare.

A full fare transfer is \$0.85, and a reduced fare transfer is \$0.40.

If you are traveling more than one zone after transferring, you will need to pay an override fee on the second bus.

If you are transferring more than once, you must pay the full fare on the third bus, as you cannot use a transfer ticket to buy another transfer ticket.



Transfer tickets must be used within 2 hours.



To request a stop, press the signal strip above your seat or the red “stop” button.

Bikes on the Bus

Most NJ TRANSIT buses in Central and Northern NJ have front mounted bike racks.

- Each rack holds up to 2 bikes.
- If the rack is full, wait for the next bus.
- Folding bikes may be brought onboard.

Using the Bike Rack:

1. Tell the driver you will be loading a bike.
2. Place your bike on the rack and secure it using the support arm.
3. Tell the driver before unloading your bike.
4. Remove your bike and return the rack to its upright position if empty.

Personal Electric Vehicles (PEVs):

- PEVs must be powered off during transport.
- Riding and charging are prohibited.
- Hoverboards and shared/rental devices (e.g., Citi Bike, Lime, Bird) are not permitted.
- Foldable PEVs must be folded.
- Size and weight restrictions apply.



Bikes are not permitted on buses going into New York City.



NJ TRANSIT Reduced Fare Program

If you are 62 and older, have a disability, or are in the military, you can **save 50% or more** on NJ TRANSIT tickets and passes for buses, trains, and light rail systems. To receive this discount, you will need to show the bus driver proof of your age. Valid IDs for seniors must include your date of birth and be issued by a government, social service, or mass transportation agency.

When you board the bus, show the driver your NJ TRANSIT Reduced Fare ID or Medicare Card.



If you are a passenger with a disability or do not have a qualifying form of identification, you need to sign up for a NJ TRANSIT Reduced Fare Card. Reduced Fare Cards are valid for four years. **Those who are eligible for Access Link automatically qualify for the Reduced Fare Program.**



Reduced Fare Cards cannot be used on Access Link.

For more information and to apply, visit njtransit.com/schedules-and-fares/reduced-fare-program or call the Reduced Fare Office at [973-491-7112](tel:9734917112).

Access Link ADA Paratransit

NJ TRANSIT Access Link provides curb-to-curb transportation for people with disabilities who are unable to use local bus or light rail service. Trips must begin and end within $\frac{3}{4}$ mile of a NJ TRANSIT local bus route or light rail line, and service is available during the same days and hours as the corresponding fixed-route service. All Access Link vans are wheelchair accessible. Access Link drivers must verbally announce every scheduled stop.

Fare: The fare is the same as the local fixed-route bus fare.

Eligibility: To determine eligibility, applicants must complete an interview and provide documentation of their disability. To begin the application process, call 973-491-4224 and select Option 1.

Scheduling A Trip: Eligible riders can schedule trips through the Access Link app, online, or by calling 973-491-4224 and selecting Option 2.



You must reserve your ride at least 24 hours, but no more than 7 days, before your trip.



Riders' Choice Pilot Program by Access Link

The Riders' Choice Pilot Program is a supplemental rideshare service for NJ TRANSIT Access Link customers.

NJ TRANSIT contracts out to rideshare services like Via and UZURV. There are some wheelchair accessible vehicles. You pay the same fee as you would for an Access Link shuttle.

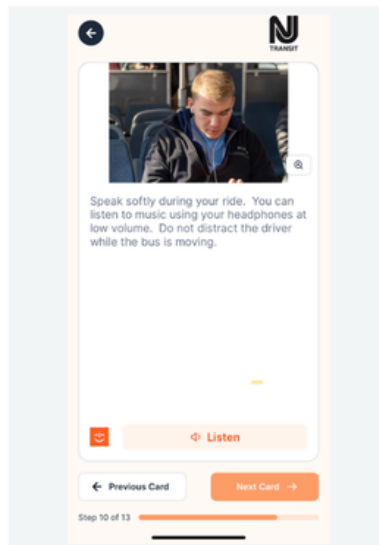
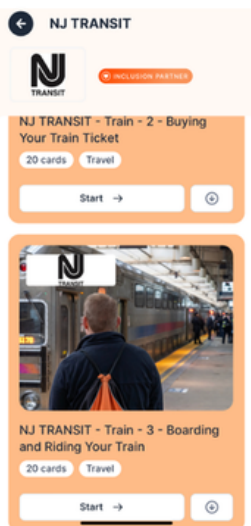
To be eligible, you must have been an Access Link customer for 6 months and have taken at least 24 rides.

If you have any questions or need help applying, email accesslinkaltservices@njtransit.com or leave a voicemail at [973-491-4297](tel:973-491-4297).

Accessibility Feature: Magnusmode

NJ TRANSIT partnered with Magnusmode to create 15 MagnusCards decks to help neurodivergent and autistic people navigate public transit step by step. The card decks use simple and clear instructions accompanied by pictures, sounds, and rewards, helping you plan a trip, buy a ticket, board and ride a bus or train, ride with a mobility device, and have a safe trip.

Learn more at njtransit.com/magnusmode.



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Through one-on-one and small group travel instruction, the New Jersey Travel Independence Program aims to increase the independence and self-sufficiency of people with disabilities and older adults by empowering them and providing them with the tools to use the public transit system safely and successfully. One-on-one instruction is available free of charge to those who have applied to Access Link, except those with visual impairments.



To learn more about this program, visit vtc.rutgers.edu/njtip.

KMM can coordinate travel instruction services for your group. Contact us at [732-745-4465](tel:732-745-4465).