



U.S. Department of Transportation  
Federal Transit Administration



## 2014 Statistical Summaries

### *FTA Grant Assistance Programs*

### Background

The mission of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) is to improve public transportation for America's communities. FTA seeks to deliver products and services that are valued by its customers and to assist transit agencies in better meeting the needs of their customers. This comprehensive report presents detailed FY funding data for FTA's major financial aid programs. Use of these funds is identified by program, program element, urbanized area, and state.

### Objectives

The 2014 Statistical Summaries report provides information about FTA's major financial aid programs for Federal Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 that were authorized under the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) federal legislation, which was signed into law in July 2012. The data in this report were compiled from the capital, operating, and planning assistance grants to transit authorities, states, planning agencies, and other units of local government and eligible recipients.

### Findings and Conclusions

*Funds obligated by the Federal Transit Administration to support transit continue to rise, and the transfer of certain Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funds to FTA for use in transit projects has continued to play a key role in project funding.*

FY 2014 marks the second year of authorization for MAP-21. The 2014 Statistical Summaries report provides information about FTA's major financial aid programs for FY 2014, including Urbanized Area Formula, Non-urbanized Area Formula, Rural Transit Assistance, Formula Funds for the Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities, Capital, Interstate Substitution, Metropolitan Transportation Planning, Statewide Transportation Planning, Consolidated Planning Grants, Emergency Supplemental Funding, and State Infrastructure Bank. MAP-21 also created new programs and restructured some existing programs. New programs include the Section 5337 State of Good Repair Program and the Section 5339 Bus Formula Program. Programs repealed under MAP-21 include Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC), New Freedom, Over-the-Road Bus, Clean Fuels, Fixed Guideway Modernization, Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities, Paul S. Sarbanes Transit in Parks, and Alternative Analysis; related data are included in the report because FTA awarded grants in FY 2014 that originated under these programs.

Transit continues to receive significant funding to support projects. For FY 2014, FTA's grant obligations totaled about \$15.7 billion. This represents an FTA record high for funds awarded in a fiscal year. Of the \$15.7 billion, capital expenses accounted for about 91% (\$14.2 billion) of the obligations. Funds were obligated for the purchase of 10,090 motor vehicles (buses, vans, sedans, station wagons, ferry boats) and 1,073 rail cars, totaling approximately \$1.7 billion and \$320 million, respectively.

## Benefits

Obligations for FTA major financial programs are distributed among various population and programmatic categories and must be used for certain purposes to meet all legal and administrative requirements for program eligibility. The statistical summaries contained in this report promote accountability and foster transparency by providing accurate, user-friendly information on FTA programs.

## Project Information

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