

BOARD COMPOSITION FOR MAJOR U.S. TRANSIT AGENCIES

Agency	Number	How Appointed	Board Composition Types of Members	Comments
New York MTA	17 Voting (14 Votes)	5 + Chmn by NY Governor 4 by NYC Mayor 7 by Suburban Counties	Citizens Citizens/City Officials Citizens	4 small counties share 1 Vote
	6 Non Voting	3 Labor Union 3 Citizen Advocates	Union Leaders Citizens	
New Jersey Transit	7	Appointed by Governor	3 Public Officials 4 Citizens	State Dot Commissioner serves as Chair
Chicago Transit Authority	7	5 by Chicago Mayor 2 by Illinois Governor	Citizens Citizens	Governor must approve Mayor must approve
Regional Transportation Authority (Illinois)	13	4 by Chicago Mayor CTA Chair 4 by Suburban Cook County Commissioners 2 by 4 suburban counties 1 by 1 suburban county	Citizens Citizens Citizens Citizens Citizens	Automatic appointment
Mass Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA)	9	Mass Secretary of Transp 1 by Gov from Boston 1 by Gov from 14 Cities 1 by Gov from 51 Towns 5 by Governor	Public Official Citizens Citizens Citizens Citizens	List provided by Mayor List provided by Mayors List provided by MPO Shall include various backgrounds (labor, enviro, adm/fin, consumer, transport) No more than 5 from one party
Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority (SEPTA)	15	1 by Governor 4 by Legislative Leaders 2 by City of Philadelphia 2 Each from 4 Suburban Counties	Citizens Citizens Citizens Citizens	
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LAMTA)	13	5 County Supervisors Mayor of Los Angeles 3 by Mayor of LA 4 from 87 other Cities	Elected Officials Elected Official Elected Officials Elected Officials	City Council Members Mayors
San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART)	9	Popularly Elected from Districts	Citizens	
San Francisco Municipal Railway (MUNI)	6	Appointees	Citizens	Organized as MTA (Muni Transp Agency)
Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA)	22	6 City of Atlanta 6 DeKalb County 3 Fulton County 1 Clayton County 1 Gwinnett County 4 ExOfficio	Citizens Citizens Citizens Citizens Citizens Public Officials	GDOT, SRTA, Rev Dept, Property Dept
Dallas Area Rapid Transit Authority (DART)	15	Appointed from Participating Jurisdictions, weighted by Population	Citizens	Currently 8 1/2 Dallas, 7 1/2 Suburban
Denver Regional Transportation District (RTD)	15	Popularly Elected From Districts	Citizens	
Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County (Houston Metro)	9	5 by Houston Mayor 2 by Harris County Judge 2 by Mayors of Other Cities	Citizens Citizens Citizens	
Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA)	19	6 City of San Jose 8 Other Cities 3 County Supervisors 2 Ex-Officio	Elected Officials Elected Officials Elected Officials Elected Officials	12 voting, 5 alternates 2 Reps to MPO

BOARD COMPOSITION FOR MAJOR U.S. TRANSIT AGENCIES

Agency	Number	How Appointed	Board Composition Types of Members	Comments
Maryland Mass Transit Administration (MTA)	0	No Board		Agency Part of State DOT
King County DOT (Seattle Metro)	0	No Board		Agency Part of County Gov't
NYC Dept of Transportation	0	No Board		Agency Part of City Gov't
Port Authority of Allegheny County (PAT)	9	By County Commissioners	Citizens	
Minneapolis Metro Transit (A part of the Metropolitan Council)	17	Appointed by Governor 16 from Districts 1 At-Large (Chairman)	Citizens Citizens	Metropolitan Council oversees planning and service delivery for various regional services (transit, water, parks, etc)
Tri-County Metropolitan Transportation District of Oregon (Portland Tri-Met)	7	Governor appoints from geographic districts	Citizens	
Miami Dade Transit Agency (MDT)	0	No Board		Oversight by County Commission & Manager
	15	Citizen's Independent Transportation Trust (CITT) (13 districts, 2 at large)	Citizens	Oversight of capital program, appointed by commission from a blue-ribbon nominating committee.
Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority (Seattle Sound Transit)	18	17 local officials appointed by County Executive Washington State DOT Sect	Elected Officials Ex-Officion	Currently 10 King County/Seattle, 7 suburban
Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (GCRTA)	10	4 by Mayor of Cleveland 3 by Cuyahoga County Comm 3 by suburban mayors/mgrs	Citizens and Elected Officials	
Bi-State Development Agency (BSDA) (St Louis Metro)	10	5 by Governor of Missouri 5 by Governor of Illinois	Citizens	