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Gateway East Bus Priority Lanes Pilot Evaluation

Quarter 3 Analysis

February 1, 2025 – April 30, 2025

Presentation to Brookline Transportation Board

June 25, 2025

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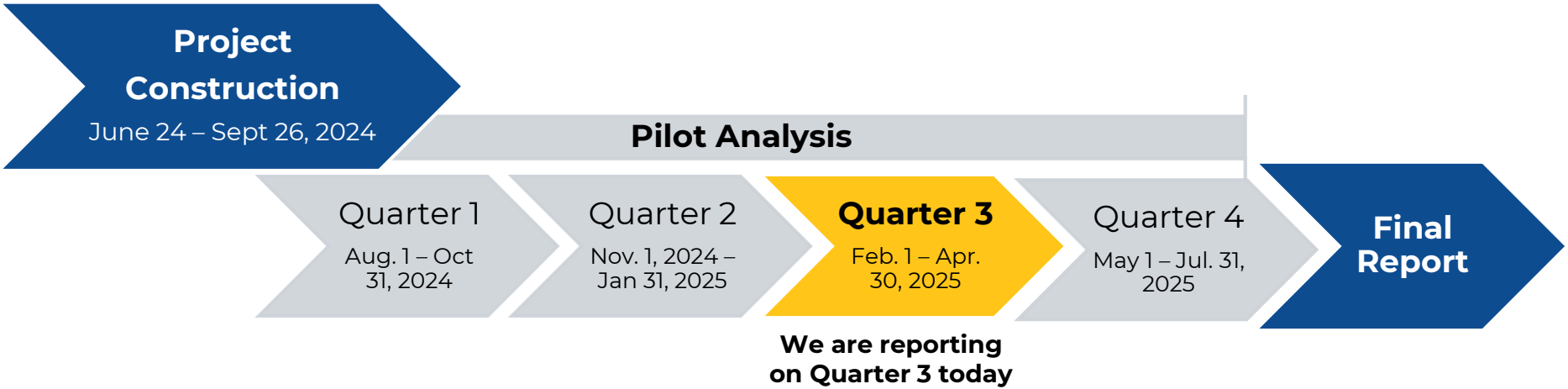
Agenda

- Project Status
- Summary of Quarter 3 Analysis
    - Bus Travel Times
    - Vehicle Volumes & Speeds
    - Vehicle Travel Times & Control Delay
    - Vehicle Queuing
- Key Findings
- Next Steps

Pilot Analysis Schedule



Project Status & Operations Update

Transit Signal Priority

- Due to technical difficulties, the Transit Signal Priority (TSP) elements of the adaptive traffic signaling system are not currently functioning, but are being troubleshooted by the vendor – activation currently anticipated in late June

Bus Lane Enforcement

- BPD is working on an enforcement program. MBTA provided educational flyer that explains regulations & how to turn across bus lanes

Route 9 Eastbound Approach to Bus Lane

- Town reviewing opportunities for advanced warning signage to better organize queues

Other Factors Affecting Local Travel Patterns

- The **Pierce School closure** may explain reduced traffic on Cypress St and increased traffic on Walnut St, as the school was relocated to the old Lincoln School between Boylston St and Walnut St

Quarter 3 Findings

Quarter 3 Summary

Gateway East, after
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Bus lanes have provided consistent travel times for bus riders

Overall, in the *morning inbound peak*, bus travel times in Q3 compared to Q2 are:

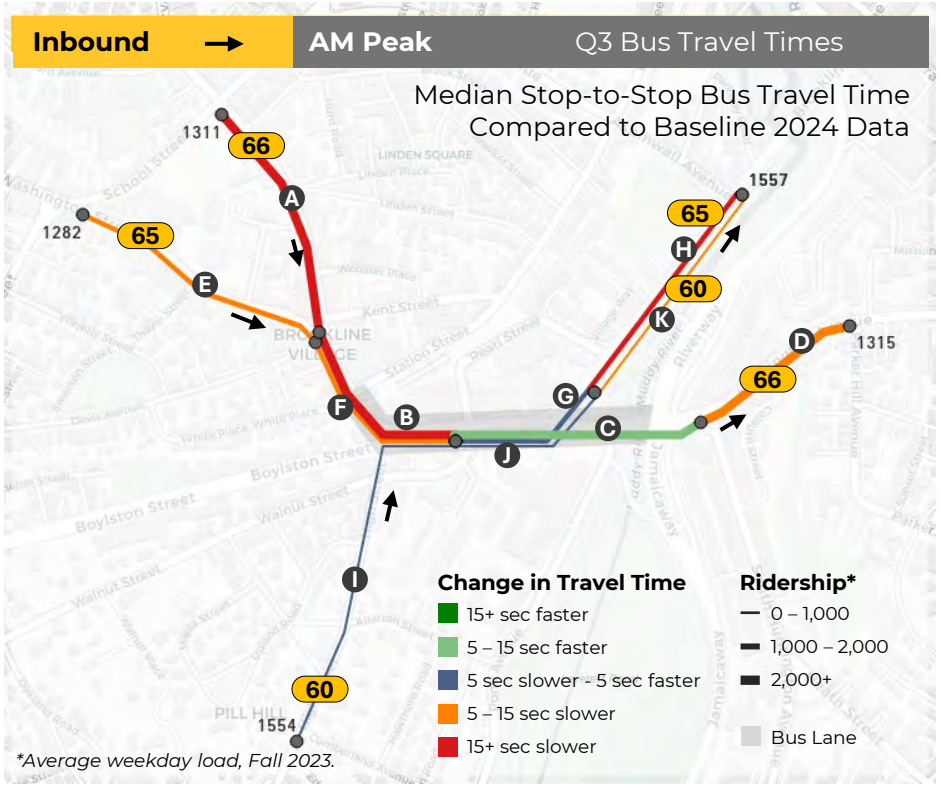
- Improving within the bus lane
- Consistent or slightly slower outside the bus lane
- Segment A continues its trajectory, and performance worsened on segments B, H, G

Compared to the same time-period in 2024:

- Continued congestion leading into and exiting the bus lane
- Improvements in travel time within the bus lane, especially for Route 66 (segment C)

During AM inbound trips, most bus lanes are **protecting bus service from worsening**

*See Appendix B for full details of Bus Service Analysis



Travel time has improved for bus riders

Overall, in the *evening outbound peak*, bus travel times in Q3 compared to Q2 are:

- Improving within the bus lane
- Consistent outside the bus lane.
- Segments F and D continues on the same trajectory and needs further investigation.

Compared to the same time-period in 2024:

- Continued congestion outside of the bus lane
- Faster travel times within the bus lane

During PM outbound trips, the bus lanes are performing well & **achieving significant time savings**

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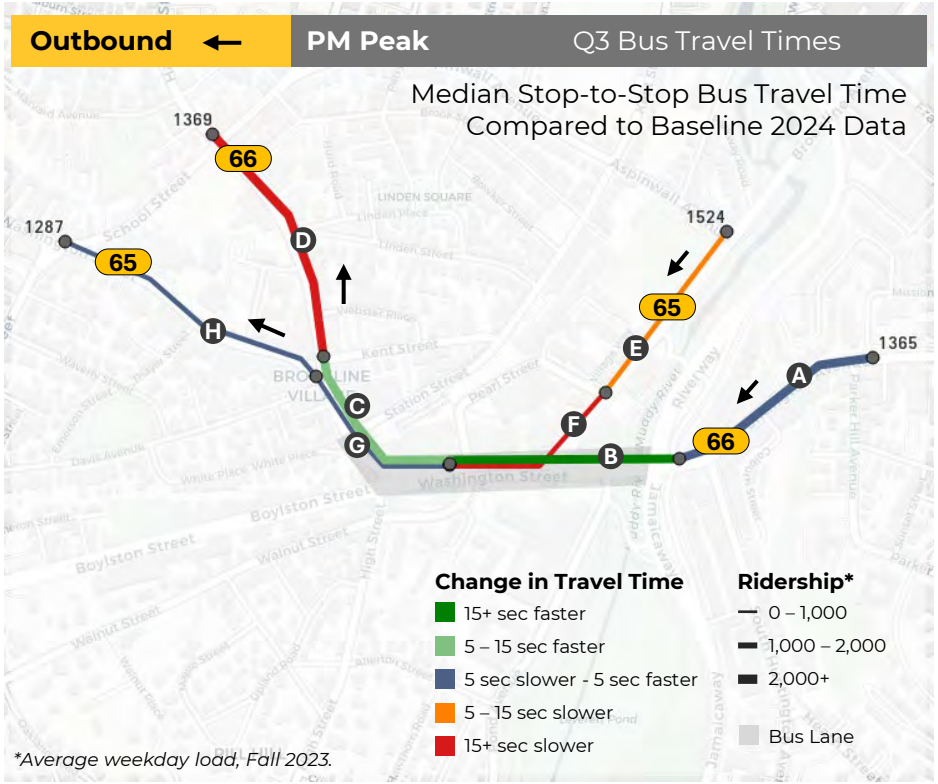
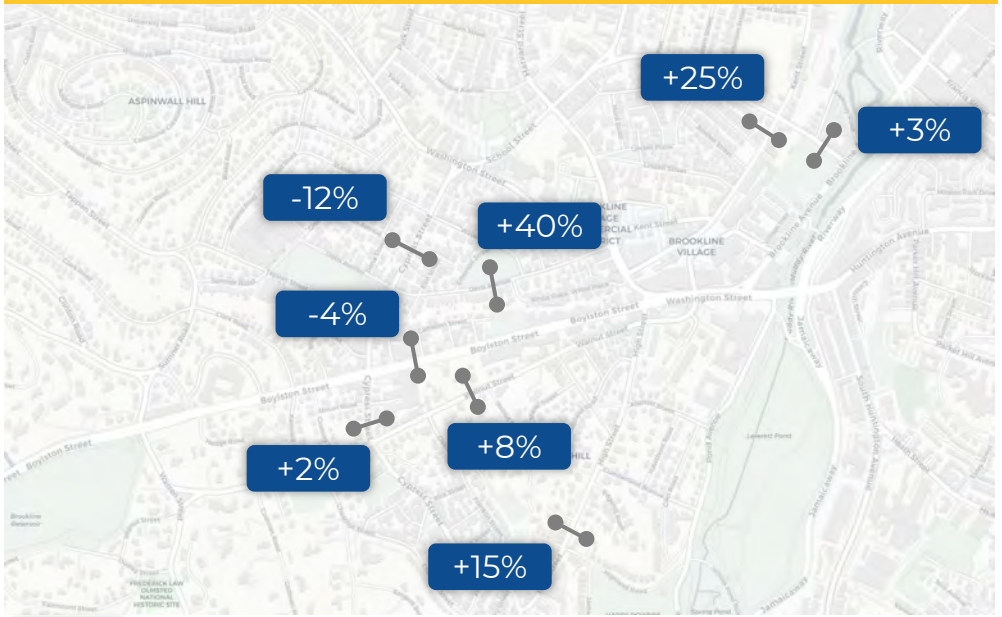


Vehicle volumes & speeds have remained similar to Q1 and Q2

- **Volumes increased in and around study area by approximately 0.6%** on average, relative to baseline
- Volumes on Route 9 **decreased slightly** with **moderate increase** of volume on side streets
- Some fluctuation with speeds, but in general **most observed speeds decreased**
- Could be options for **traffic calming** in the future if trends don't correct
- Nearby traffic patterns: **Pierce School** closed for construction and relocated to Old Lincoln School on Boylston St/Walnut St

Q3 Average Daily Traffic (ADT) Volume Change – Percentage



+00% = Change in vehicle volumes (compared to baseline volumes)

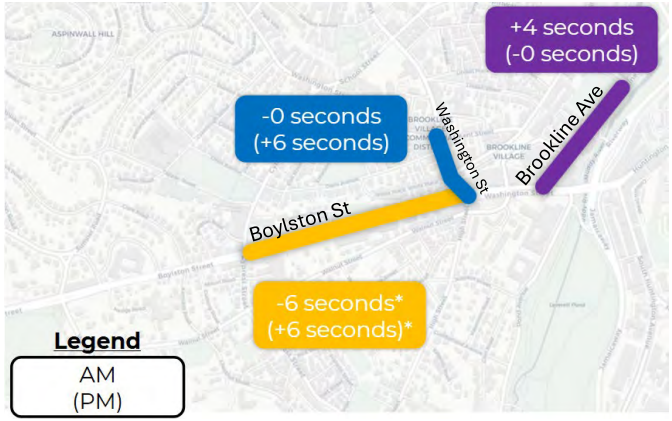
**See Appendix C for full details of Vehicle Volumes & Speeds*

Travel times for general traffic have somewhat improved, and delays have remained similar

Intersection delay

- Either remains constant or fluctuates slightly
- Remain broadly similar to Q1, Q2, and baseline

Intersection Approaches Analyzed for Delay



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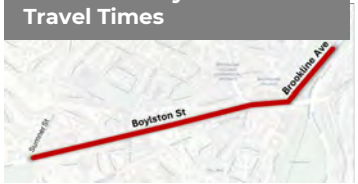
Corridor travel times

- After some fluctuations in Q1 and Q2, the Q3 corridor travel times stabilized to baseline levels

Corridor Analyzed for Travel Times



Inbound

Period	Baseline	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3
AM Peak	9.0 minutes	9.7 minutes	10.3 minutes	8.8 minutes
MD Peak	5.7 minutes	6.6 minutes	6.0 minutes	6.5 minutes
PM Peak	7.0 minutes	7.5 minutes	6.4 minutes	7.3 minutes

Outbound

Period	Baseline	Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3
AM Peak	6.2 minutes	6.0 minutes	6.0 minutes	6.0 minutes
MD Peak	5.5 minutes	5.9 minutes	5.7 minutes	6.0 minutes
PM Peak	8.5 minutes	8.8 minutes	8.3 minutes	8.4 minutes

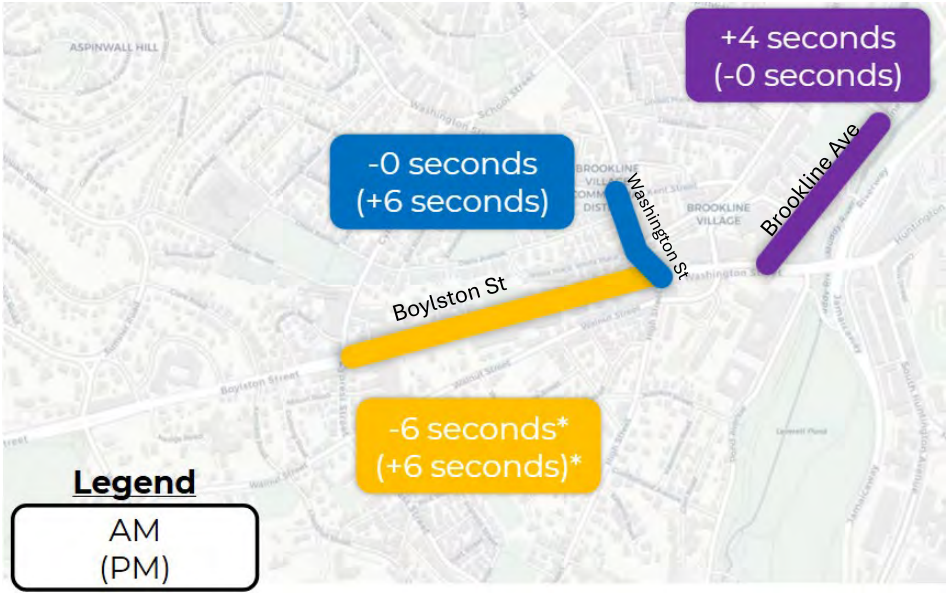
Vehicle queue lengths have seen minor increases at most approaches

Queue lengths:

Minimal increases in queue lengths at most approaches, but intersection delays (at right) are still similar to baseline

- One exception was at the Boylston Street eastbound approach, which saw a significant increase (similar to Q1 and Q2)

Intersection delays:



**See Appendix E for full details of Vehicle Queue Lengths*

Summary & Next Steps

Key Findings Summarized

- **Bus Travel Times** have improved in Q3 from Q2.
    - Travel times outside of bus lanes have remained generally consistent from last quarter. Continuing to see faster travel times within the bus lanes.
- **Vehicle Volumes** are relatively consistent from Q1 and Q2
    - Traffic decreased slightly on Route 9 and moderate increase on side streets.
- **Vehicle Speeds** mostly decreased, consistent from Q1 and Q2
- **Vehicle Travel Times** have stabilized to baseline levels
    - Intersection delays remain broadly similar to Q1, Q2, and baseline
- **Vehicle Queue Lengths** increased minimally, while delays remained consistent
    - One exception was at the Boylston Street eastbound approach, which saw a significant increase (similar to Q1 and Q2)
- **User Feedback Surveys** continue to remain open throughout the pilot

Next Steps

- **Continue monitoring** & reporting quarterly throughout pilot duration
    - **Next report - Summer 2025: Quarter 4 (May 1, 2025 – July 31, 2025)**
- **MBTA continue coordination on activating Transit Signal Priority** with adaptive signal system vendor
    - Currently, Transit Signal Priority is expected to be activated in late June 2025
- Brookline continue coordination with BPD on **education & enforcement**
- **Discuss extending the pilot** to ensure the pilot analysis reflects quarters with Transit Signal Priority fully activated

Appendix

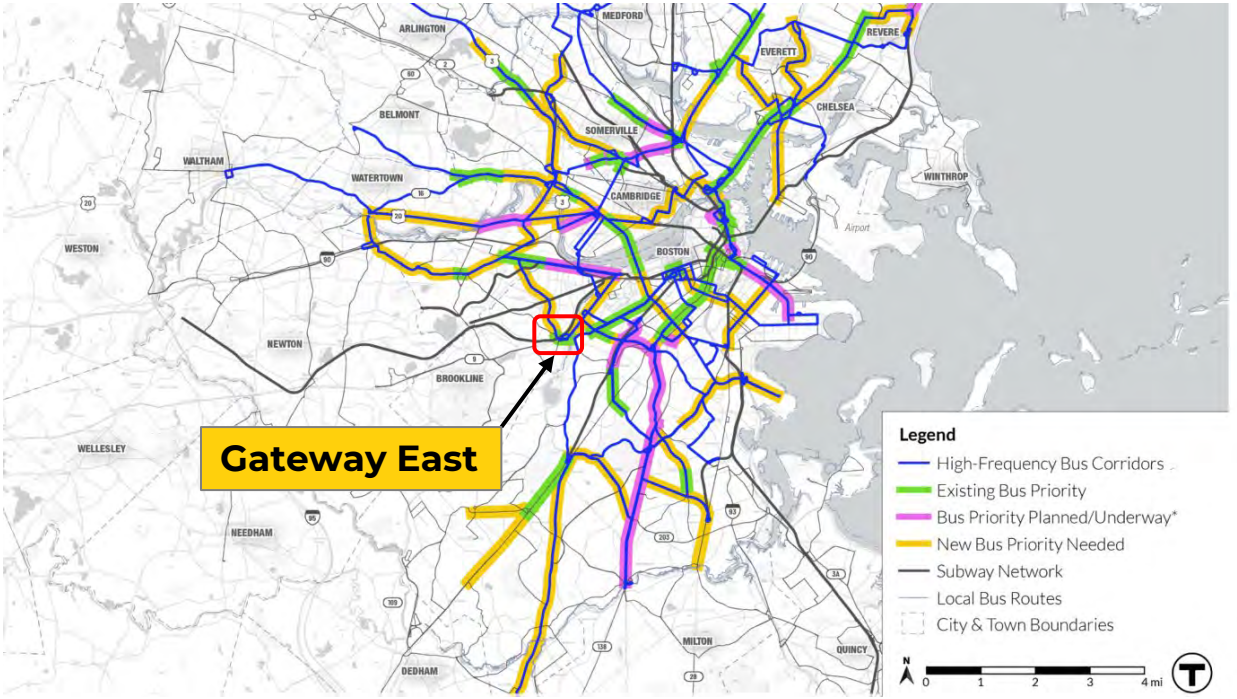
Appendix A

Project Background

MBTA Bus Priority

MBTA's Bus Priority Vision Plan

- **Targets existing delay** and service along 26 corridors
- Improves service to **220,000 daily bus riders**
- Covers 10-15% of the bus network; **impacts 80% of all bus riders**
- 5-7+ years of implementation



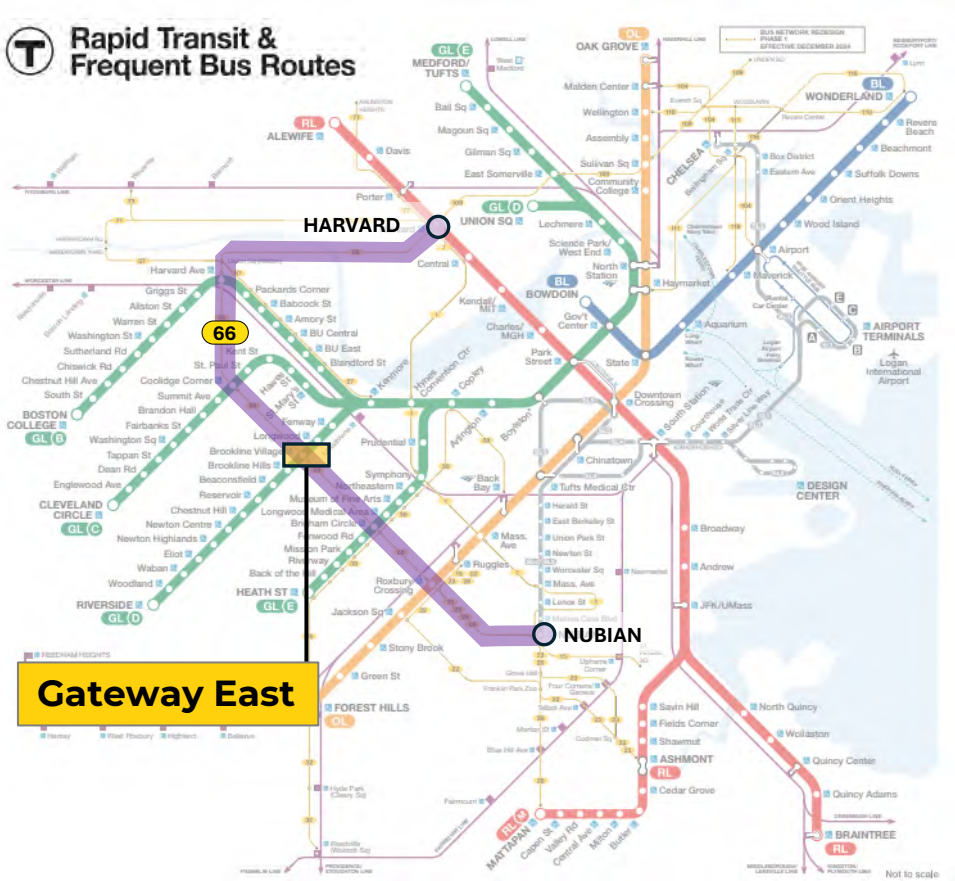
Gateway East:
Route 66 Network Context

Route 66 is **the 2nd busiest line in the entire MBTA bus system**

Connects Red Line, Green Line, Orange Line, Silver Line, & several Frequent Bus Routes between Harvard & Nubian Stations

Gateway East project benefits nearly **15,000 daily riders** on Routes 60, 65, 66 – half of which travel through the project

Route 66 is a **Frequent Bus Route** (every 15 min or better)



Gateway East: Route 66 Network Context

Existing Projects

- Gateway East Bus Lanes
- Brighton Ave Bus Lanes
- Harvard Bus Tunnel Reroute
- TSP at Packard's Corner
- Huntington Ave Bus Lanes
- Tremont Street Queue Jump

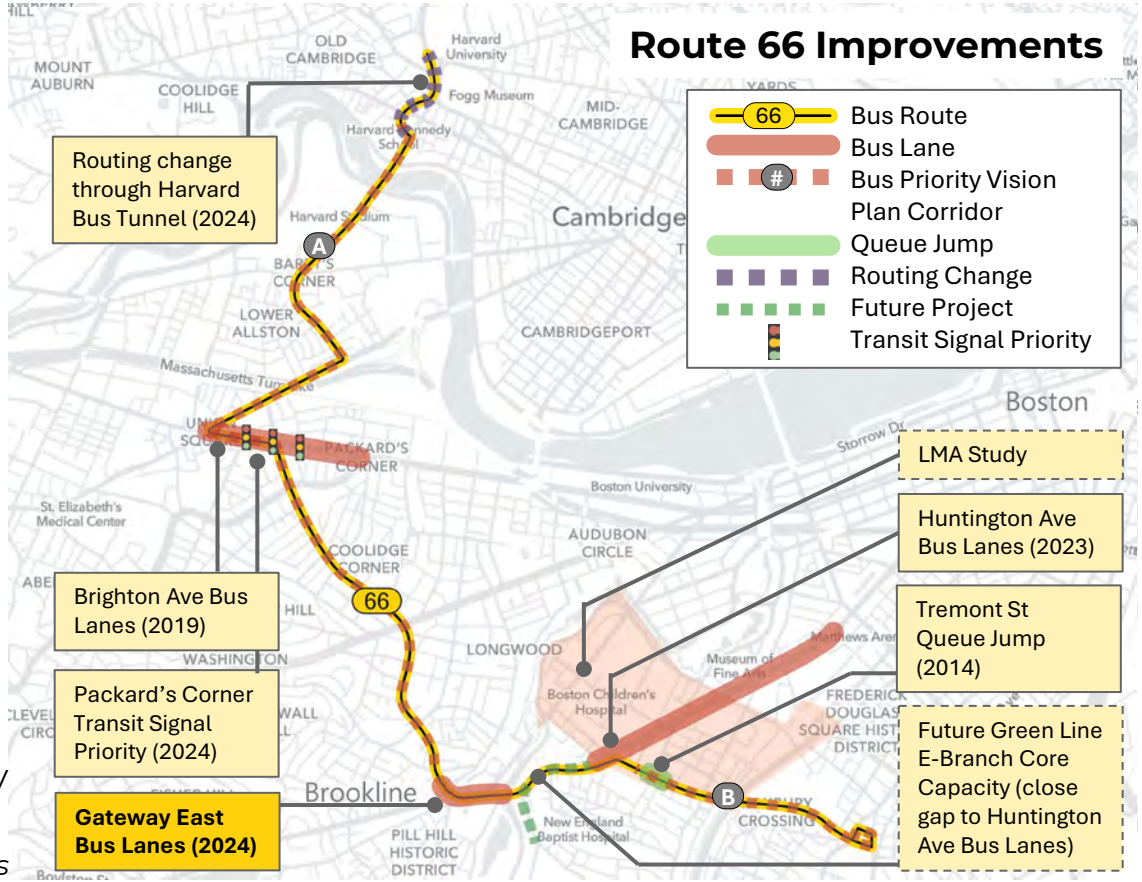
MBTA Bus Priority Vision Plan Corridors

- (A) Harvard Sq - Brookline Village
- (B) Nubian Sq - LMA (via Malcom X Blvd)

In Development

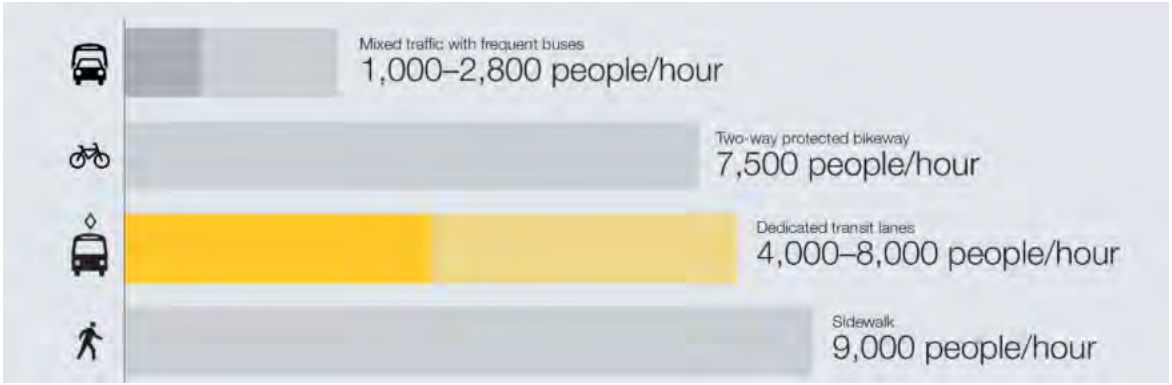
- Green Line E-Branch Core Capacity: Transit Lanes on Huntington Ave
- Longwood Medical Area Study

Future approach will address delays along the 66 by targeting key junctions



Transit Priority Moves More People

How many people can the space of one travel lane serve?



Person-Throughput Capacity (Graphic from MBTA Bus Priority Toolkit)

By repurposing space for transit, bus lanes can **increase the number of people that can travel along the corridor**, supporting future growth and mode shift to transit.

Project Goals: Why Are Bus Lanes Needed?

- **Fastest, most affordable way** to improve transit service for riders in a short time frame
- **Improving access** to Longwood Medical Area, grocery stores, and other essential services throughout the pandemic and recovery
- **Improving transit equity** by supporting the commuting needs of essential workers, low-income people, and people of color
- **Moving more people more efficiently**

Gateway East, before the bus lanes

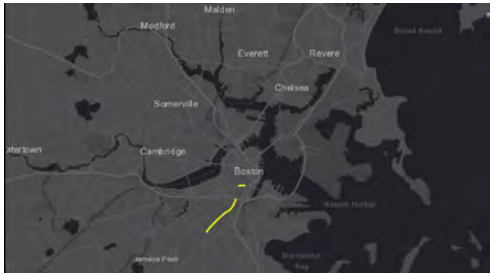
MBTA's Bus Priority Projects

Advance the Bus Priority Vision Plan to reduce bus rider delay through projects such as

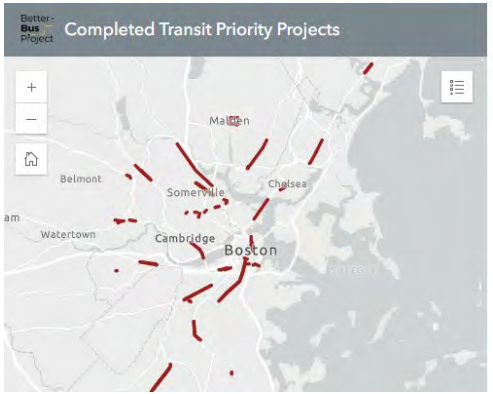
- Bus lanes
- Queue jumps
- Transit signal priority (TSP)

Growth of Bus Priority Projects in Greater Boston

- 40+ miles of bus lanes have been installed
- TSP has been activated at 85+ locations
- Collaboration is ongoing between MBTA and 12+ partner municipalities



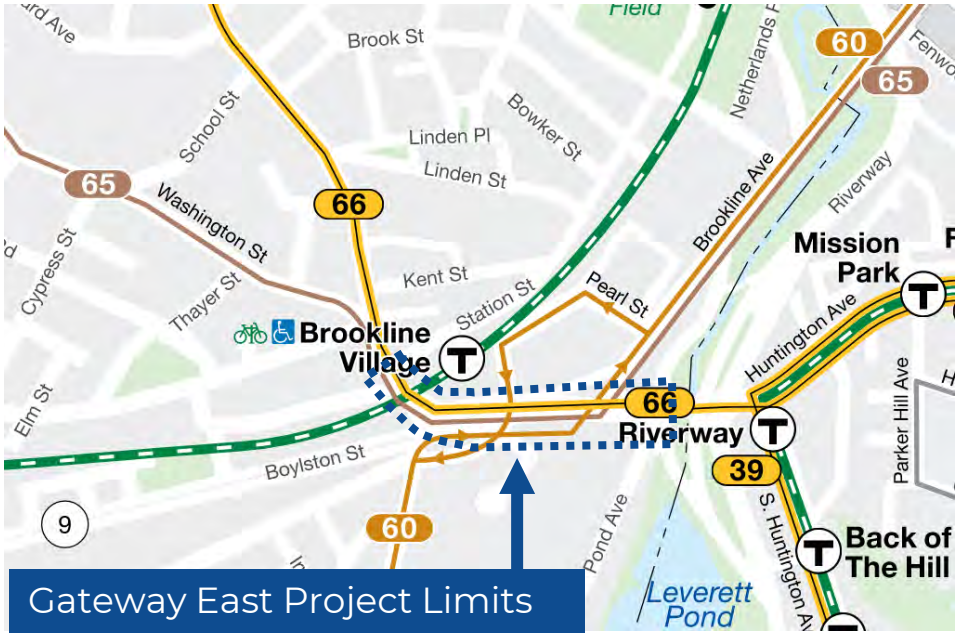
*Bus lanes completed as of **2015***



*Bus lanes completed as of **2024***

Project Motivation: Critical Transit Connection

- **Crossroads for three busiest bus routes** servicing Brookline: 60, 65, and 66 - highest bus ridership in all of Brookline
- Route 66 is **the 2nd busiest line in the entire MBTA bus system**
- Critical connections to and from the **Longwood Medical Area**, the Green Line (D and E branches), and other transit services
- Gateway East is the **busiest section of roadway** in Brookline for MBTA buses



MBTA Bus Map

Project Motivation: Bus Ridership & Equity

Typical Ridership on the Route 66 Bus

- 55% are from households without vehicles
- 40% are from households with incomes of less than $43,500
- 40% are people of color
- 67% are women

Benefits nearly **15,000 daily riders** on Routes 60, 65, 66 – half of which travel through the Gateway East Corridor

During peak hours, the average 66 bus passing through the corridor has 35-45 riders - this means **multiple riders standing**

Route Number	Total Weekday	Through Riders
66*	**11,293**	5,086
65	**2,396**	1,833
60	**873**	343
Total	**14,562**	7,262

**Second-highest ridership* *in entire MBTA bus system*

Gateway East Bus Lane Pilot

Project Background

The **Gateway East Bus Lane Pilot** is a collaborative effort between MBTA, MassDOT, and The Town of Brookline to **build on the 2021 corridor reconstruction.**

One of principles the Brookline Transportation Board set for the Priority Bus Lane Pilot:

- **“To prioritize safe, space-efficient, and energy efficient movement of people and goods over the movement and parking of private vehicles when designing and improving our public ways** with particular focus on **high traffic routes connectivity and directness** consistent with Brookline Town meetings almost unanimously approval of Warrant Article 31 (WA31), titled as a “**resolution to respond to climate change by prioritizing health, access, and equity of Brookline’s public ways**.”

Pilot Performance Indicators

- User Feedback Surveys
- MBTA Bus Travel Time
- MBTA Bus Travel Time Variability
- Volume and Speed tracked on Boylston St, Secondary Roads, and Residential Side Streets
- Vehicle Travel Times and Control Delay
- Queue Length Analysis

Project Timeline

2020: Collaborative planning effort began.

2021: Brookline Transportation Board authorized Gateway East Bus Priority Lane Pilot project, funded by the MBTA.

2024: Dedicated bus lanes were implemented on Washington St between Station St and the Town Line in both directions.

2024-2025: The pilot is expected to run for one year between August 2024 and July 2025 (note: bus lane installation occurred 6/24/2024 to 9/26/2024).

Quarterly evaluations of the pilot's impacts on bus travel times and car traffic are being conducted by Arcadis and Toole Design Group.

Gateway East, before

Gateway East, after

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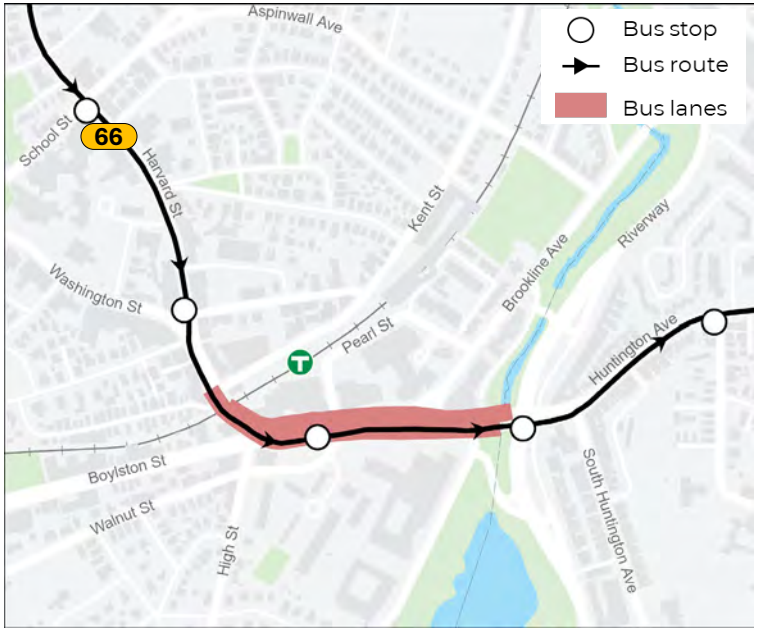
Bus Routing Through the Project Area

66 Inbound



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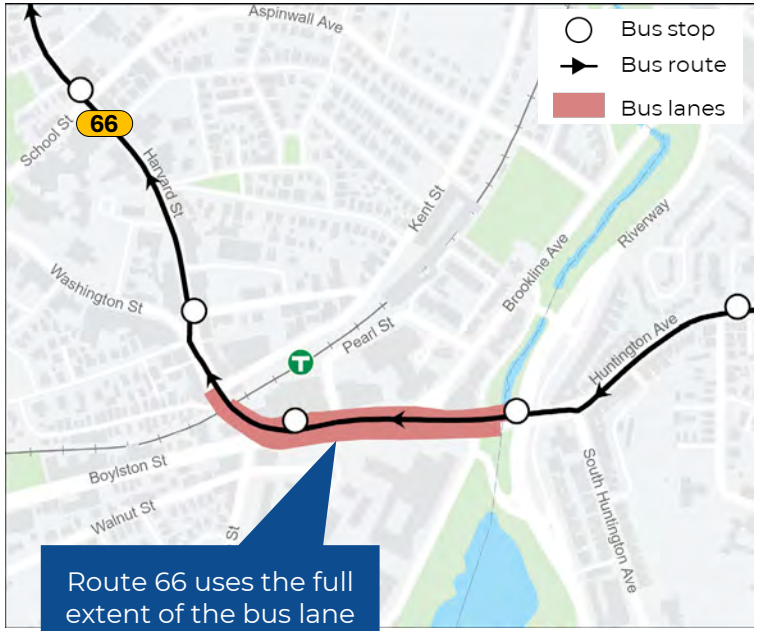

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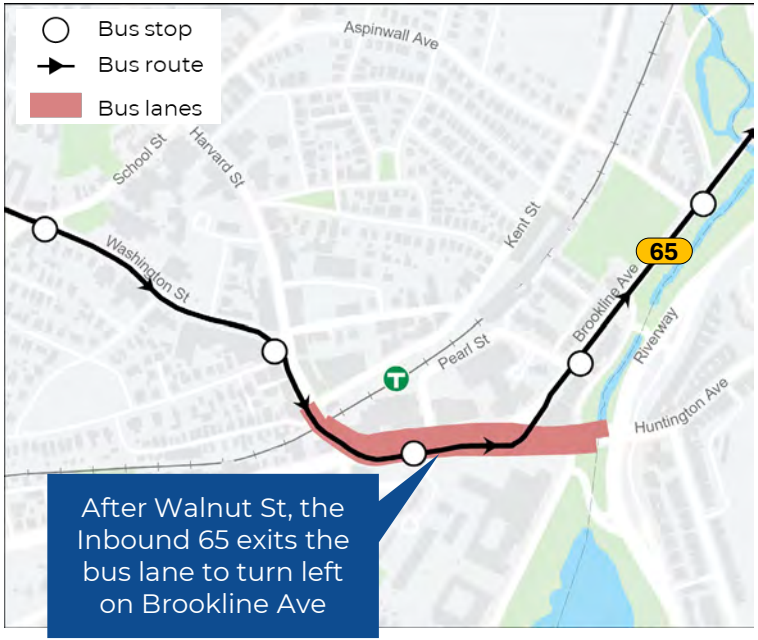
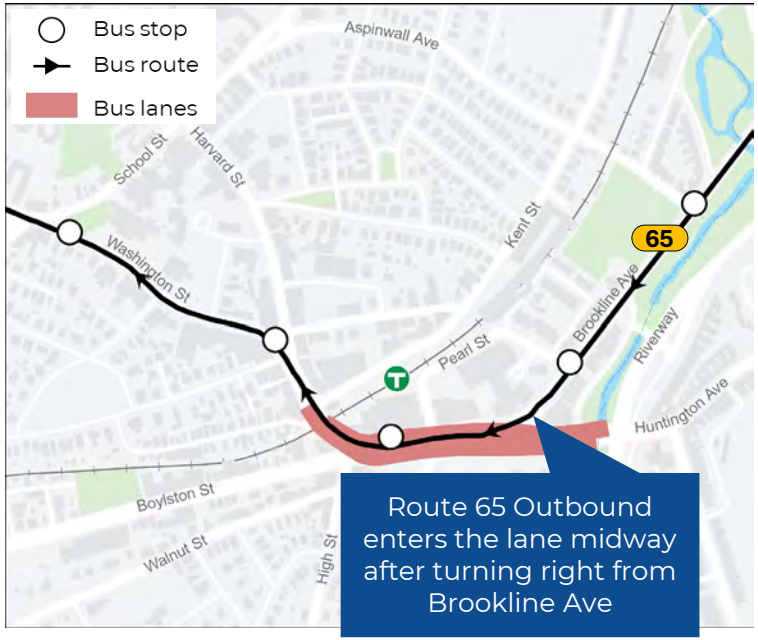
65 Inbound

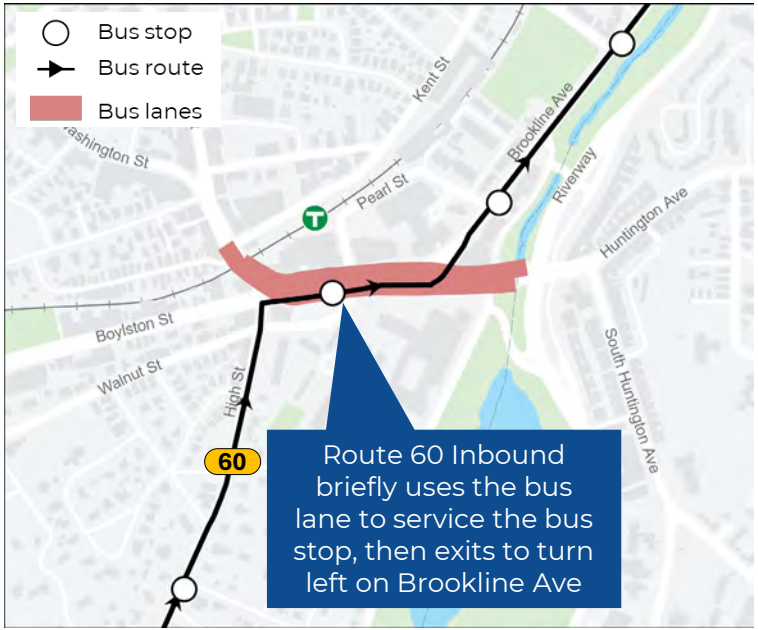


65 Outbound



Bus Routing Through the Project Area

60 Inbound



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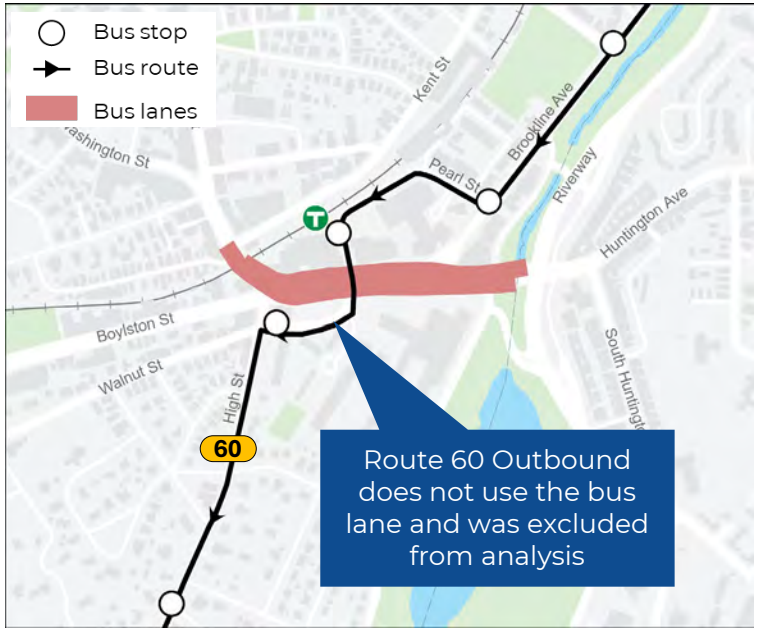

Project Status

Project Status & Operations

Construction – Markings & Signs Completed late September

- Installation period extended well into the Q1 analysis period, ending 9/26/24 due to delays with signage installation

Traffic Signals – New Signaling System Not Currently Activated

- Due to technical difficulties with the vendor, the Adaptive Signal System with Transit Signal Priority is only in partial operation.

Project Status & Operations

Enforcement

- Start of enforcement postponed due to delays with signage installation
- Provided time for drivers to adjust
- BPD is working on an enforcement program. MBTA provided educational flyer that explains regulations & how to turn across bus lanes

Other Factors Affecting Local Travel Patterns

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Gateway East, after
Photo Credit: Toole Design

Quarter 1 should be viewed as an adjustment period due to the conditions listed above.

Public Feedback - Gateway East Bus Lane Pilot Survey

The survey was launched in mid-November and promoted through various channels, including:

- DPW and Town social media
- The Town Administrators' Newsletter
- The Longwood Collective Newsletter
- Eye-catching yard signs along the corridor
- The survey remains open for the duration of the pilot and we'd love to hear from you! Haven't taken the survey? Go to: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CN3S9WZ
- Survey results are included in the final Appendix.

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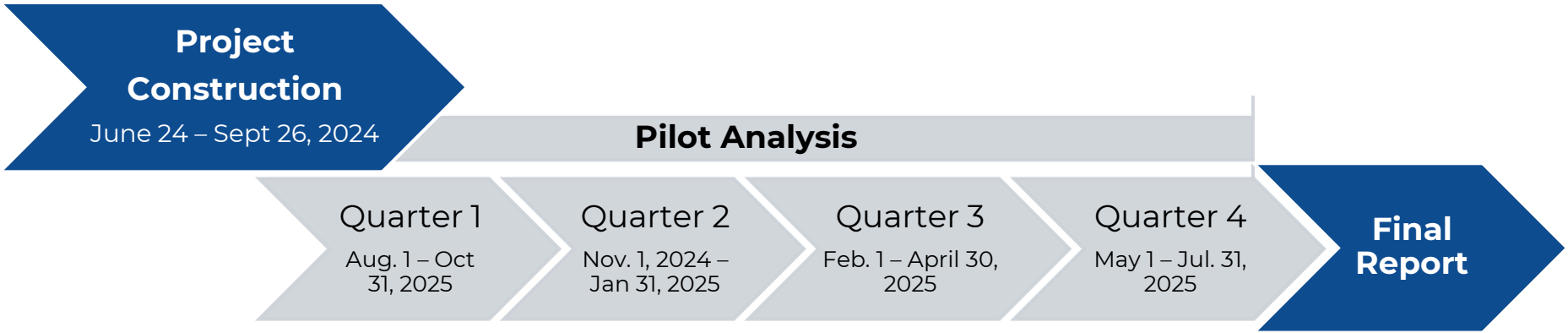


Data Collection Schedule

Period	Period Dates*	Traffic Count Dates	INRIX Dates	Queuing Dates
Baseline	Aug 1 – Oct 31, 2023	Sep 26-28, 2023	Jun 2024**	May 18, 2021***
Quarter 1	Aug 1 – Oct 31, 2024	Oct 8-10, 2024	Oct 2024	Dec 3, 2024
Quarter 2	Nov 1, 2024 – Jan 31, 2025	Feb 25-27, 2025	Jan 2025	Feb 26, 2025
Quarter 3	Feb 1 – Apr 30, 2025	Apr 8-10, 2025	Apr 8-10, 2025	Apr 8, 2025
Quarter 4	May 1 – Jul 30, 2025	Jul 2025	Jul 2025	

**APC data for travel time analysis collected over entire period.*

***INRIX Blackout from 6/2023 – 2/2024*

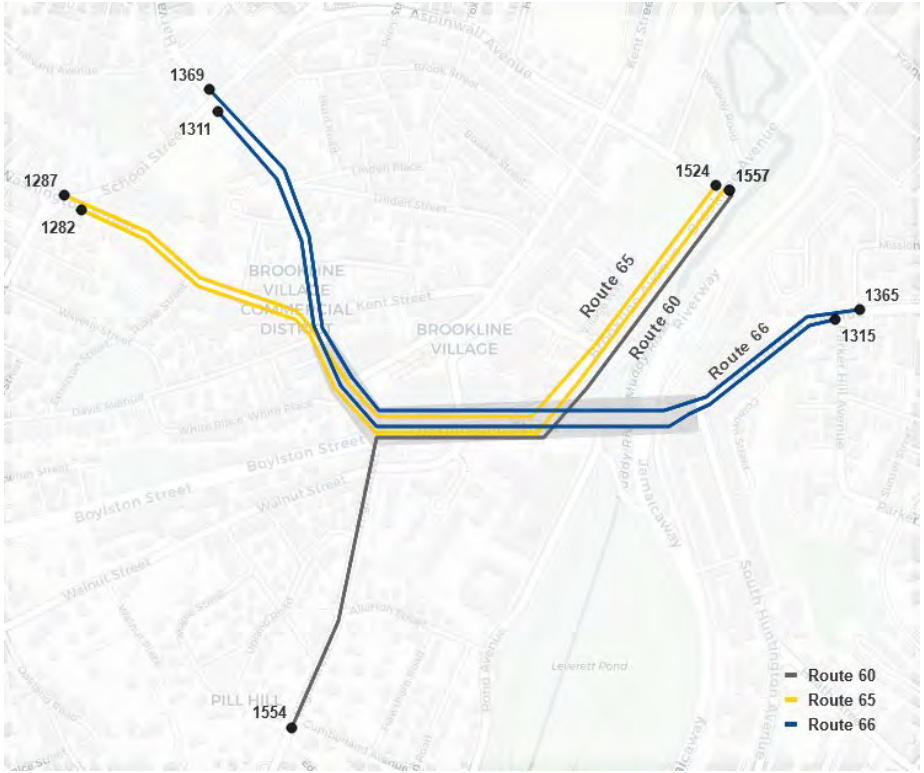
****Baseline queue data may be affected by decreased traffic in wake of COVID-19 pandemic*

Appendix B

Bus Travel Times

Methodology

Analysis Area



Route 60 inbound between High St at Cumberland Ave (1554) and Brookline Ave opposite Aspinwall Ave (1557)

Route 65 inbound between Washington St at Cypress St (1282) and Brookline Ave at Aspinwall Ave (1557)

Route 65 outbound between Brookline Ave at Aspinwall Ave (1524) and Washington St at School St (1287)

Route 66 inbound between Harvard St at School St (1311) and Huntington Ave at Parker Hill Ave (1315)

Route 66 outbound between Huntington Ave opposite Parker Hill Ave (1365) and Harvard St at Aspinwall Ave (1369)

Data

- All analysis was completed using stop arrival and departure times in **automatic passenger counter (APC)** data.
- Data was collected for **weekdays** from February 2025 through April 2025.
    - The baseline period was weekdays from February 2024 through April 2024.
- MBTA-defined **time periods**:
    - AM Peak: 7:00 AM to 9:00 AM
    - Afternoon: 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM *(corresponds with the end of school)*
    - PM Peak: 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Metrics

Travel Time	Variability (MBTA Metric)	Travel Time Quality of Service (TTQOS)	Travel Time Variability Quality of Service (TTVQOS)
Median travel time of a vehicle over a segment at a given time.	**Relative difference** between the median and 90th percentile of travel times.	Letter grade (A to E) for **how much delay** vehicles experience on average over a segment at a given time.	Letter grade (A to E) for **how consistent** vehicle travel time is over a segment at a given time.

Metrics

$$\text{TTQOS} = \frac{\text{average travel time (}\textit{observed}\text{)}}{\text{reference travel time*}}$$

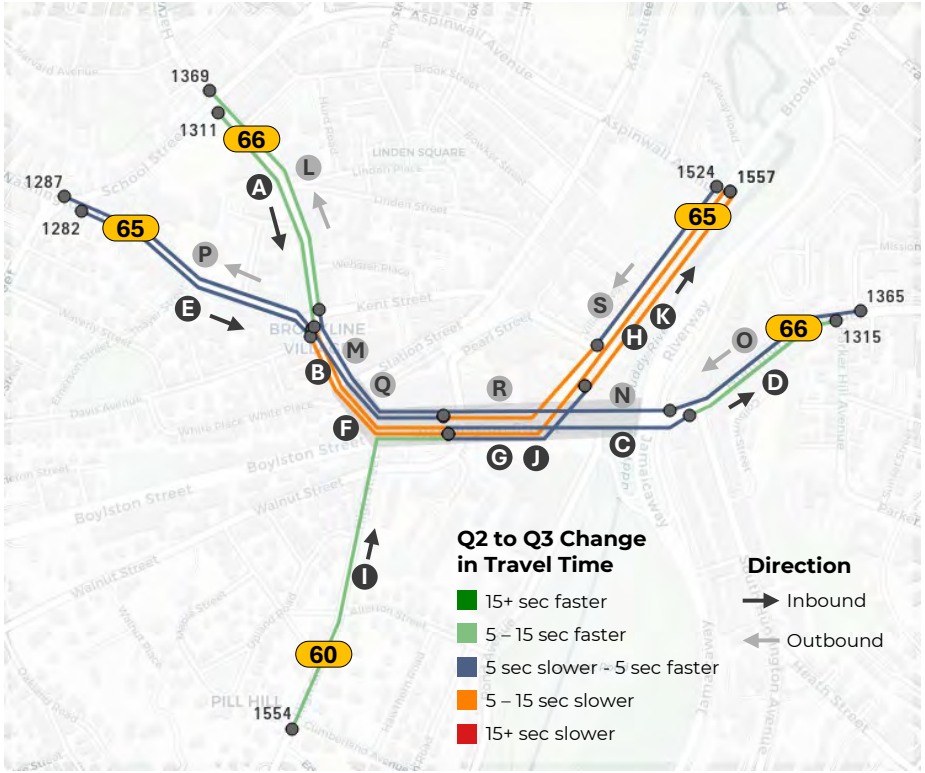
$$\text{TTVQOS} = \frac{\text{standard deviation travel time (}\textit{observed}\text{)}}{\text{average travel time (}\textit{observed}\text{)}}$$

Grade	Metric Upper Threshold		Representative Bus Service
	TTQOS	TTVQOS	
A	1.4	1.4	Fully grade-separated
B	1.8	2.7	Reserved right-of-way, subject to traffic signal control
C	2.4	3.8	Mixed traffic, little to no traffic congestion
D	3.0	5.1	Mixed traffic, modest traffic congestion
E	4.0	8.0	Mixed traffic, moderate traffic congestion
F	N/A	N/A	*Perceived as too slow to be a good travel choice*

**Based on segment length.*

Quarter 3 Findings

What has changed in bus travel times between Q2 and Q3?



Change in Median Stop-to-Stop Bus Travel Time* (seconds)

Represents a combination of AM, PM, and afternoon peak periods

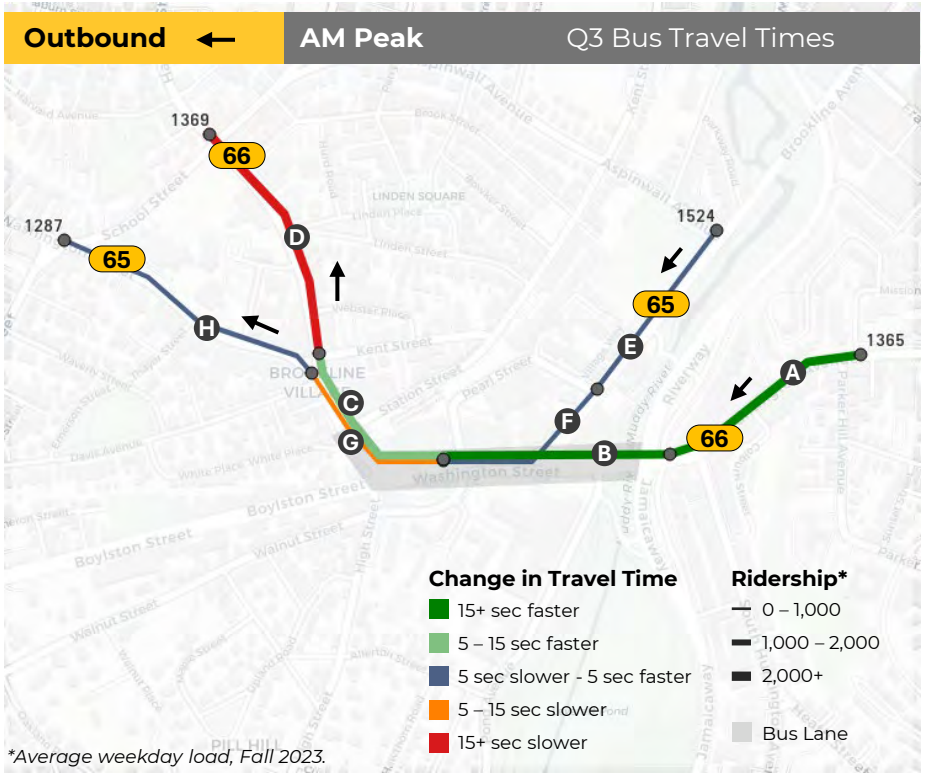
	Inbound		
	Q2 to Q3 Diff*	Baseline Diff**	
		Q2	Q3
Route 66			
A	-5	36	36
B	7.5	-13	-2.5
C	0	1	-7
D	-11	25	6
Route 65			
E	-2	4	2
F	11	0	6
G	6	10	2
H	8	0	13
Route 60			
I	-7	8	-1
J	-3	2	-17.5
K	6	6	19

	Outbound		
	Q2 to Q3 Diff*	Baseline Diff**	
		Q2	Q3
Route 66			
L	-6	31	26
M	-1	-11.5	-7
N	5	-23	-24
O	-4.5	-1.5	-8
P	-1	1	-1
Q	5	-1.5	2
R	13	17	15
S	5	4.5	3

**Difference in travel time (s) between Q2 and Q3.*

***Difference in travel time (s) between each quarter and its baseline.*

Has travel time improved for bus riders?



Median Stop-to-Stop Bus Travel Time

Segment	Baseline	Q3	Change (s)
Route 66			
Full corridor	8:48	8:16	-32
A	2:10	1:46	-24
B	2:21	2:04	-16
C	1:47	1:37	-10
D	2:03	2:33	+30
Route 65			
Full corridor	5:52	6:06	+14
E	1:16	1:15	-1
F	1:51	1:54	+4
G	1:31	1:42	+10
H	1:04	1:03	0

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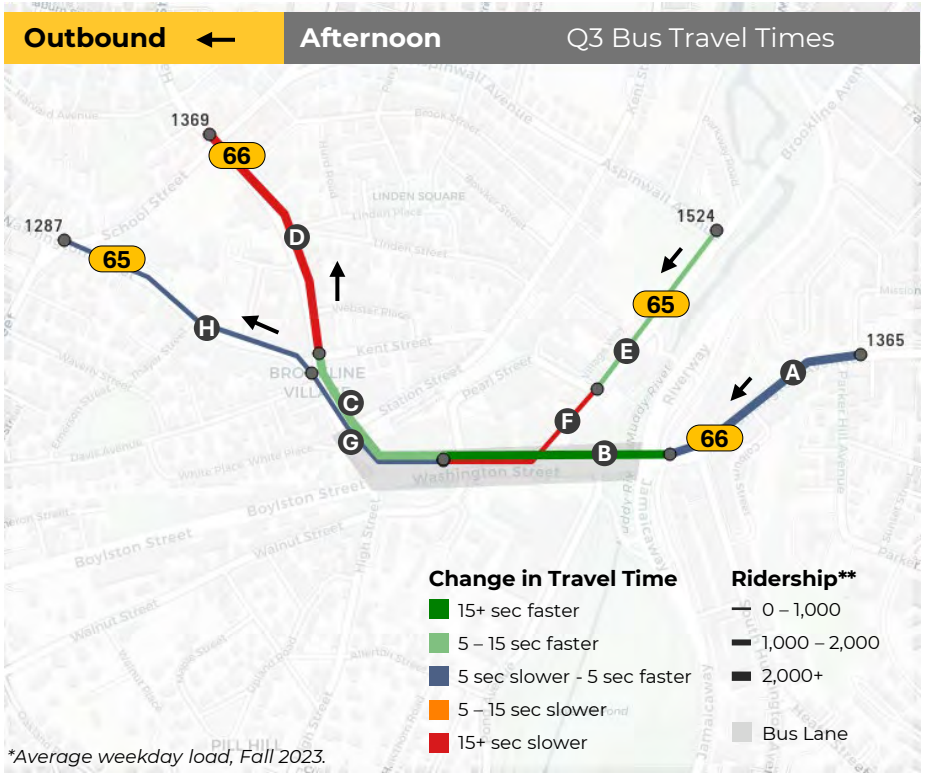
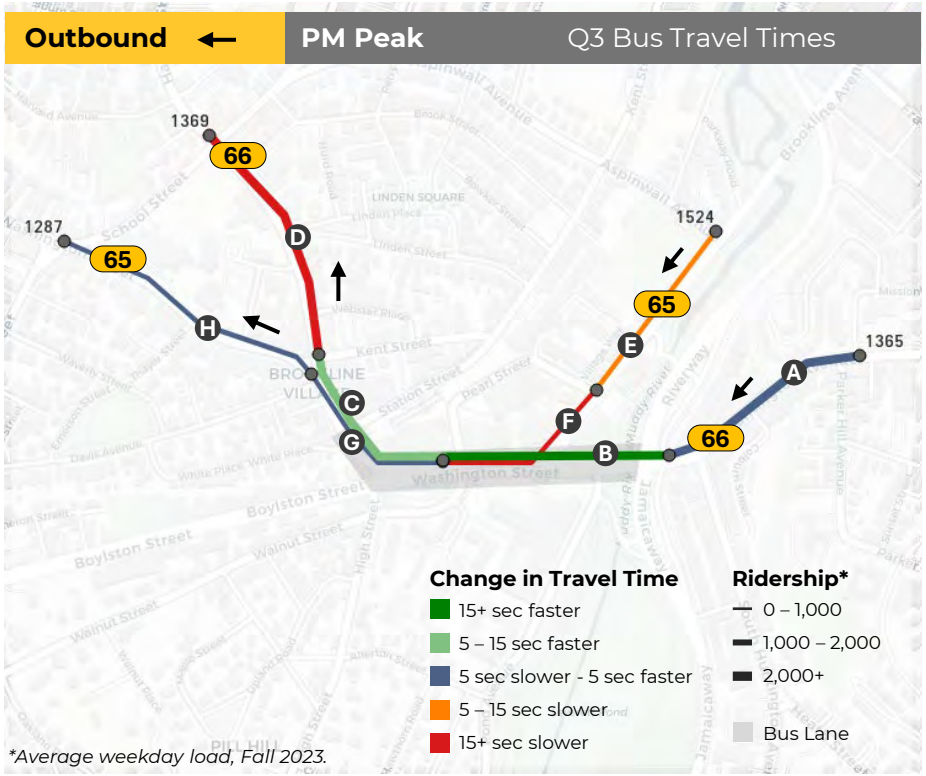


*Average weekday load, Fall 2023.

Median Stop-to-Stop Bus Travel Time

Segment	Baseline	Q3	Change (s)
Route 66			
Full corridor	8:21	8:16	-6
A	2:01	2:00	-2
B	2:31	1:58	-34
C	1:43	1:37	-6
D	1:58	2:22	+24
Route 65			
Full corridor	6:13	6:31	+17
E	1:24	1:16	-7
F	1:49	2:04	+16
G	1:45	1:43	-1
H	1:07	1:04	-3

Has travel time improved for bus riders?



Median Stop-to-Stop Bus Travel Time

Segment	Baseline	Q3	Change (s)
Route 66			
Full corridor	8:41	8:42	0
A	2:04	2:03	-2
B	2:37	2:13	-24
C	1:43	1:39	-5
D	2:07	2:31	+23
Route 65			
Full corridor	6:34	7:03	+28
E	1:19	1:25	+7
F	1:58	2:19	+22
G	1:51	1:55	5
H	1:07	1:07	-1

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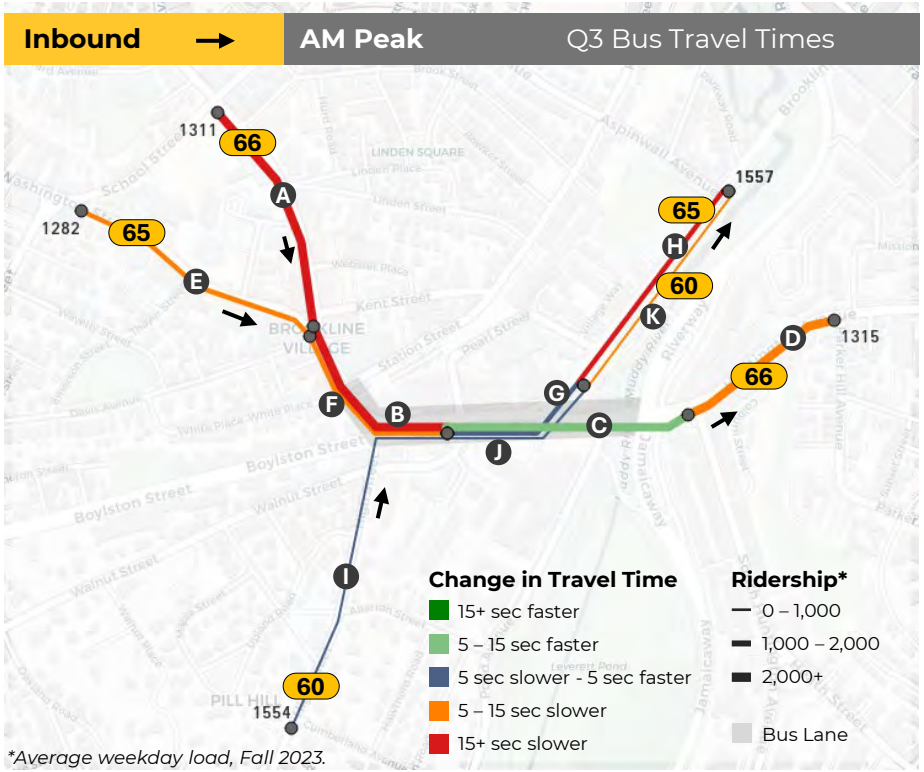

Median Stop-to-Stop Bus Travel Time

Segment	Baseline	Q3	Change (s)
Route 66			
Full corridor	8:25	9:14	+48
A	1:13	1:43	+30
B	2:36	2:58	+22
C	1:46	1:40	-7
D	2:28	2:34	+6
Route 65			
Full corridor	7:13	7:39	+26
E	1:16	1:24	+7
F	2:22	2:37	+15
G	2:07	2:03	-4
H	0:55	1:10	+16
Route 60			
Full corridor	6:21	6:48	+27
I	3:13	3:15	+1
J	2:01	1:58	-4
K	0:58	1:10	+12

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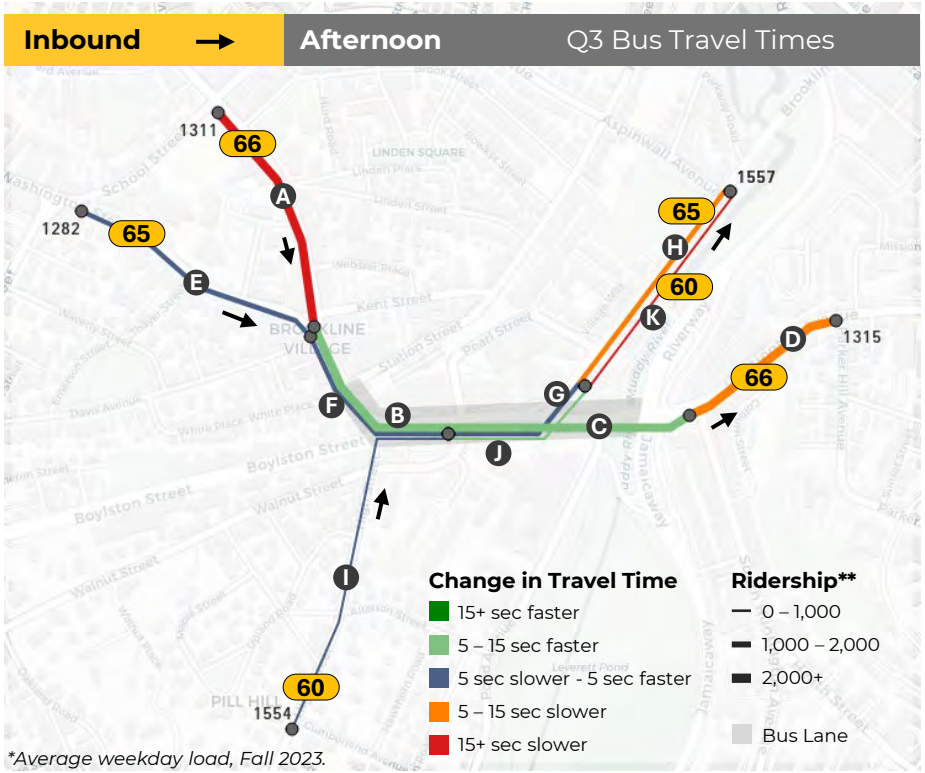

Median Stop-to-Stop Bus Travel Time

Segment	Baseline	Q3	Change (s)
Route 66			
Full corridor	8:13	8:33	+19
A	1:39	2:15	+36
B	2:52	2:39	-13
C	1:34	1:30	-5
D	1:52	1:58	+6
Route 65			
Full corridor	7:01	7:07	+6
E	1:27	1:25	-1
F	2:27	2:25	-2
G	1:52	1:49	-3
H	0:46	1:01	+15
Route 60			
Full corridor	5:52	5:40	-12
I	2:36	2:37	+1
J	1:55	1:48	-8
K	0:48	1:07	+20

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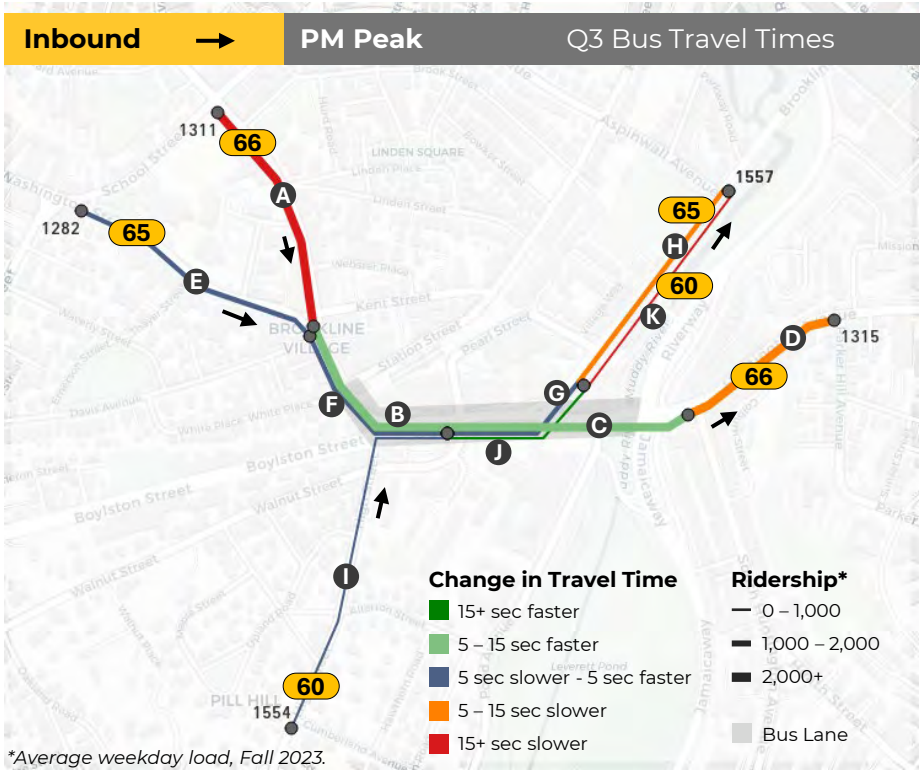

Median Stop-to-Stop Bus Travel Time

Segment	Baseline	Q3	Change (s)
Route 66			
Full corridor	8:27	8:37	+10
A	1:34	2:16	+41
B	2:57	2:46	-10
C	1:46	1:34	-12
D	1:51	1:58	+7
Route 65			
Full corridor	6:52	7:08	+16
E	1:22	1:22	0
F	2:24	2:25	+2
G	1:49	1:54	+5
H	0:51	1:04	+13
Route 60			
Full corridor	5:57	5:52	-5
I	2:31	2:34	+3
J	2:25	1:54	-32
K	0:49	1:10	+21

Quarter 3 Complete Results

Travel Times, Dwell, and QOS Ratios | Time Period: AM Peak

Q3 Baseline (Feb 2024 – Apr 2024)

Route	Direction	Segment Start	Segment End	Travel Time Percentile (seconds)		Downstream Stop Dwell Percentile* (seconds)			Var (MBTA)	TTQOS Ratio		TTVQOS Ratio	
				50th	90th	50th	90th	Stopped %					
60	Inbound	**1554**	**1557**	**381**	**642.2**	**11**	**16**	**40%**	**0.69**	**3.7**	**E**	**4.9**	**D**
		1554	1555	194	413.4	12	23.5	90%	1.13	5.0	F	6.7	E
		1555	1556	122	176	9	22	50%	0.44	4.1	F	3.4	C
		1556	1557	58	109.6	11	16	40%	0.89	1.8	B	4.5	D
65	Inbound	**1282**	**1557**	**433**	**586.7**	**10**	**15**	**23%**	**0.35**	**3.1**	**E**	**3.5**	**C**
		1282	1283	77	131.8	12	25	65%	0.71	2.2	C	3.6	C
		1283	1555	143	234.9	14	29	89%	0.64	4.6	F	4.3	D
		1555	1556	127.5	209.9	10	20	58%	0.65	4.4	F	4.1	D
		1556	1557	55.5	112	10	15	23%	1.02	1.8	B	4.9	D
65	outbound	**1524**	**1287**	**352**	**460.8**	**9**	**14**	**35%**	**0.31**	**2.6**	**D**	**2.9**	**C**
		1524	1525	76	112	9	19.1	57%	0.47	2.3	C	2.9	C
		1525	1526	111	163	10	16	66%	0.47	3.2	E	3.8	D
		1526	1286	92	158.8	10	16	62%	0.73	3.3	E	3.7	C
		1286	1287	64	105.8	9	14	35%	0.65	2.0	C	3.1	C
66	inbound	**1311**	**1315**	**506**	**682.7**	**19**	**50**	**90%**	**0.35**	**3.7**	**E**	**3.6**	**C**
		1311	1313	74	129.9	14	29.7	84%	0.76	2.3	C	6.0	E
		1313	1555	156	250.9	14	32	84%	0.61	5.0	F	4.2	D
		1555	1314	107	180.9	16	29	96%	0.69	3.4	E	3.9	D
		1314	1315	148.5	229.9	19	50	90%	0.55	4.4	F	4.0	D
66	outbound	**1365**	**1369**	**528**	**728**	**10.5**	**19**	**84%**	**0.38**	**3.8**	**E**	**3.7**	**C**
		1365	1366	130	194.5	14	33	91%	0.5	3.8	E	3.4	C
		1366	1526	141	229	13	23	94%	0.62	4.2	F	4.0	D
		1526	1367	107.5	181	12	20	84%	0.68	3.5	E	4.0	D
		1367	1369	123.5	248	10.5	19	84%	1.01	3.8	E	5.3	E

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Travel Times, Dwell, and QOS Ratios | Time Period: Afternoon

Q3 Baseline (Feb 2024 – Apr 2024)

Route	Direction	Segment Start	Segment End	Travel Time Percentile (seconds)		Downstream Stop Dwell Percentile* (seconds)			Var (MBTA)	TTQOS Ratio		TTVQOS Ratio	
				50th	90th	50th	90th	Stopped %					
60	inbound	**1554**	**1557**	**352.5**	**529.9**	**8**	**9.6**	**7%**	**0.5**	**3.2**	**E**	**3.9**	**D**
		1554	1555	156	321.3	12	22	89%	1.06	3.9	E	5.6	E
		1555	1556	116	191.7	8	13	55%	0.65	4.2	F	3.9	D
		1556	1557	48	105	8	9.6	7%	1.19	1.6	B	3.6	C
65	inbound	**1282**	**1557**	**422**	**554.6**	**9**	**13**	**8%**	**0.31**	**3.1**	**E**	**3.2**	**C**
		1282	1283	87	134.2	13	46	74%	0.54	2.4	C	3.4	C
		1283	1555	147	234.2	12	23	86%	0.59	4.7	F	3.9	D
		1555	1556	113	210.8	9	18.7	51%	0.87	4.2	F	4.3	D
		1556	1557	46	93	9	13	8%	1.02	1.5	B	3.7	C
65	outbound	**1524**	**1287**	**374**	**494.8**	**9**	**24**	**45%**	**0.32**	**2.8**	**D**	**2.8**	**C**
		1524	1525	84	121	12	29	73%	0.44	2.5	D	3.7	C
		1525	1526	109	177	12	24	83%	0.62	3.5	E	3.8	D
		1526	1286	105	164	12	26	71%	0.56	3.5	E	3.8	C
		1286	1287	67	101.8	9	24	45%	0.52	2.0	C	2.5	B
66	inbound	**1311**	**1315**	**494**	**647**	**14**	**35**	**84%**	**0.31**	**3.6**	**E**	**3.0**	**C**
		1311	1313	99	162	15	51	81%	0.64	2.9	D	3.7	C
		1313	1555	172	263	18	44.1	85%	0.53	5.4	F	3.8	C
		1555	1314	95	151	13	26	84%	0.59	3.0	D	3.7	C
		1314	1315	112	182	14	35	84%	0.62	3.4	E	3.8	C
66	outbound	**1365**	**1369**	**501.5**	**655.2**	**13**	**29.7**	**74%**	**0.31**	**3.6**	**E**	**3.5**	**C**
		1365	1366	122	172.1	15	37	78%	0.41	3.3	E	3.2	C
		1366	1526	152	216.1	15	37.9	91%	0.42	4.3	F	5.5	E
		1526	1367	103	165.1	14	30.3	82%	0.6	3.4	E	3.7	C
		1367	1369	119	187.3	13	29.7	74%	0.57	3.4	E	4.3	D

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Travel Times, Dwell, and QOS Ratios | Time Period: PM Peak

Q3 Baseline (Feb 2024 – Apr 2024)

Route	Direction	Segment Start	Segment End	Travel Time Percentile (seconds)		Downstream Stop Dwell Percentile* (seconds)			Var (MBTA)	TTQOS Ratio		TTVQOS Ratio	
				50th	90th	50th	90th	Stopped %					
60	inbound	**1554**	**1557**	**357**	**463.4**	**8**	**12.6**	**8%**	**0.3**	**3.2**	**E**	**3.1**	**C**
		1554	1555	152	235.4	13	26	94%	0.55	3.5	E	4.4	D
		1555	1556	146	183.4	9	14	52%	0.26	4.6	F	3.8	C
		1556	1557	50	104.8	8	12.6	8%	1.1	1.6	B	3.9	D
65	inbound	**1282**	**1557**	**412**	**541**	**8**	**11**	**8%**	**0.31**	**3.0**	**D**	**3.2**	**C**
		1282	1283	82.5	136	11	22	54%	0.65	2.3	C	3.7	C
		1283	1555	144	229	11	22	78%	0.59	4.5	F	3.9	D
		1555	1556	109	191.1	9	14	39%	0.75	4.0	E	3.9	D
		1556	1557	51	105.1	8	11	8%	1.06	1.6	B	3.8	C
65	outbound	**1524**	**1287**	**395**	**529.8**	**12**	**25.4**	**65%**	**0.34**	**3.0**	**D**	**3.4**	**C**
		1524	1525	79	128	13	31	69%	0.62	2.5	D	3.6	C
		1525	1526	118	198.4	14	32	83%	0.68	3.8	E	4.5	D
		1526	1286	111	172	12	25.7	70%	0.55	3.6	E	3.7	C
		1286	1287	68	108.8	12	25.4	65%	0.6	2.1	C	3.1	C
66	inbound	**1311**	**1315**	**507.5**	**682**	**13**	**27**	**80%**	**0.34**	**3.7**	**E**	**4.6**	**D**
		1311	1313	95	162.3	14	51	83%	0.71	2.8	D	3.9	D
		1313	1555	177	276	20	54	88%	0.56	5.6	F	4.1	D
		1555	1314	106	166	14	30	88%	0.57	3.3	E	8.9	F
		1314	1315	111	174.3	13	27	80%	0.57	3.4	E	5.1	D
66	outbound	**1365**	**1369**	**521.5**	**714**	**14**	**30.9**	**79%**	**0.37**	**3.7**	**E**	**5.2**	**E**
		1365	1366	124.5	207.7	18	49	84%	0.67	3.6	E	6.4	E
		1366	1526	157	243	16	36	87%	0.55	4.6	F	7.4	E
		1526	1367	104	163	15	34	79%	0.57	3.2	E	9.0	F
		1367	1369	128	200	14	30.9	79%	0.56	3.5	E	6.7	E

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Travel Times, Dwell, and QOS Ratios | Time Period: AM Peak **Q3 (Feb 2025 – Apr 2025)**

Route	Direction	Segment Start	Segment End	Travel Time Percentile (seconds)		Downstream Stop Dwell Percentile* (seconds)			Var (MBTA)	TTQOS Ratio		TTVQOS Ratio	
				50th	90th	50th	90th	Stopped %					
60	inbound	**1554**	**1557**	**408**	**639**	**8**	**15.7**	**27%**	**0.57**	**3.8**	**E**	**4.4**	**D**
		1554	1555	195	388	13	24.9	96%	0.99	5.0	F	6.0	E
		1555	1556	118	194	9	21	36%	0.64	4.2	F	3.7	C
		1556	1557	70	129	8	15.7	27%	0.84	2.1	C	3.9	D
65	inbound	**1282**	**1557**	**459**	**607**	**9**	**13**	**30%**	**0.32**	**3.3**	**E**	**3.3**	**C**
		1282	1283	84	127.2	11	26	80%	0.51	2.3	C	3.2	C
		1283	1555	158	257	13	22	92%	0.63	5.0	F	4.4	D
		1555	1556	123	200	9	16	48%	0.63	4.3	F	3.8	D
		1556	1557	71	127.1	9	13	30%	0.79	2.1	C	4.4	D
65	outbound	**1524**	**1287**	**366.5**	**474**	**8**	**11**	**22%**	**0.29**	**2.7**	**D**	**2.5**	**B**
		1524	1525	75	109.1	9	16	44%	0.45	2.2	C	2.7	C
		1525	1526	114.5	176	12	18	85%	0.54	3.5	E	3.3	C
		1526	1286	102	171	9	15	51%	0.68	3.5	E	3.6	C
		1286	1287	63.5	102.1	8	11	22%	0.61	1.9	C	2.7	B
66	inbound	**1311**	**1315**	**554.5**	**740.3**	**19**	**46.9**	**90%**	**0.34**	**4.0**	**F**	**3.4**	**C**
		1311	1313	104	175	14	29.7	93%	0.68	3.0	E	3.8	C
		1313	1555	178	265.3	16	35.1	94%	0.49	5.5	F	4.0	D
		1555	1314	100	160.6	14	28	91%	0.61	3.1	E	4.1	D
		1314	1315	154	239.3	19	46.9	90%	0.55	4.6	F	3.8	C
66	outbound	**1365**	**1369**	**496**	**698**	**11**	**21**	**76%**	**0.41**	**3.7**	**E**	**4.6**	**D**
		1365	1366	106	173	12	21	81%	0.63	3.2	E	8.9	F
		1366	1526	125	181	14	22	93%	0.45	3.5	E	4.1	D
		1526	1367	98	159	12	20	77%	0.62	3.2	E	3.7	C
		1367	1369	153	302	11	21	76%	0.97	4.6	F	5.7	E

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Travel Times, Dwell, and QOS Ratios | Time Period: Afternoon **Q3 (Feb 2025 – Apr 2025)**

Route	Direction	Segment Start	Segment End	Travel Time Percentile (seconds)		Downstream Stop Dwell Percentile* (seconds)			Var (MBTA)	TTQOS Ratio		TTVQOS Ratio	
				50th	90th	50th	90th	Stopped %					
60	inbound	**1554**	**1557**	**341**	**459**	**9**	**13**	**12%**	**0.35**	**3.1**	**E**	**3.0**	**C**
		1554	1555	157	236.5	13	25	98%	0.51	3.5	E	3.8	C
		1555	1556	108	181.5	9	14.4	36%	0.68	3.9	E	3.8	C
		1556	1557	67.5	118	9	13	12%	0.75	2.0	C	3.6	C
65	inbound	**1282**	**1557**	**428**	**542**	**9**	**12.2**	**8%**	**0.27**	**3.1**	**E**	**2.8**	**C**
		1282	1283	86	135	11	30.6	74%	0.57	2.4	C	3.2	C
		1283	1555	145	233	11	20	89%	0.61	4.6	F	3.7	C
		1555	1556	110	191	10	16	42%	0.74	3.9	E	3.8	C
		1556	1557	61	109	9	12.2	8%	0.79	1.8	B	4.3	D
65	outbound	**1524**	**1287**	**391**	**516**	**10**	**20**	**50%**	**0.32**	**2.9**	**D**	**2.7**	**B**
		1524	1525	77	123	10	19.7	61%	0.6	2.5	D	3.4	C
		1525	1526	125	192.2	13	26	90%	0.54	3.8	E	3.4	C
		1526	1286	104	174.6	11	21	78%	0.68	3.5	E	3.8	D
		1286	1287	64	105	10	20	50%	0.64	2.0	C	3.2	C
66	inbound	**1311**	**1315**	**513**	**655**	**13**	**26**	**84%**	**0.28**	**3.7**	**E**	**3.3**	**C**
		1311	1313	135	197	14	38.1	82%	0.46	3.7	E	3.8	D
		1313	1555	159	251	16	39.7	87%	0.58	5.1	F	4.6	D
		1555	1314	90	141	12	27	80%	0.57	2.7	D	3.3	C
		1314	1315	118	171	13	26	84%	0.45	3.4	E	3.5	C
66	outbound	**1365**	**1369**	**496**	**663**	**13**	**23**	**75%**	**0.34**	**3.6**	**E**	**3.5**	**C**
		1365	1366	120	171.5	16	33.7	83%	0.43	3.5	E	5.7	E
		1366	1526	118	172.5	16	31.3	94%	0.46	3.4	E	4.9	D
		1526	1367	97	167	15	30	84%	0.72	3.2	E	4.9	D
		1367	1369	142.5	271	13	23	75%	0.9	4.3	F	5.5	E

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Travel Times, Dwell, and QOS Ratios | Time Period: PM Peak **Q3 (Feb 2025 – Apr 2025)**

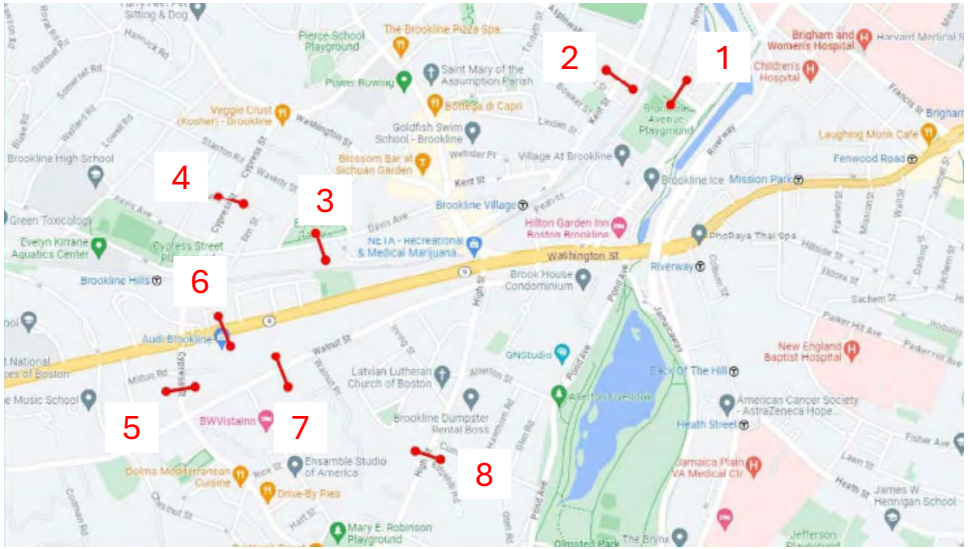
Route	Direction	Segment Start	Segment End	Travel Time Percentile (seconds)		Downstream Stop Dwell Percentile* (seconds)			Var (MBTA)	TTQOS Ratio		TTVQOS Ratio	
				50th	90th	50th	90th	Stopped %					
60	inbound	**1554**	**1557**	**352**	**477**	**8**	**17.8**	**10%**	**0.36**	**3.2**	**E**	**3.7**	**C**
		1554	1555	155	232.2	15	27	98%	0.5	3.6	E	4.4	D
		1555	1556	114	193	9	12.8	33%	0.69	4.0	E	4.0	D
		1556	1557	71	119	8	17.8	10%	0.68	2.0	C	3.4	C
65	inbound	**1282**	**1557**	**428.5**	**564**	**8**	**11**	**10%**	**0.32**	**3.1**	**E**	**3.1**	**C**
		1282	1283	82.5	142	9	16	55%	0.72	2.4	D	3.8	D
		1283	1555	146	238.7	11	18	78%	0.63	4.6	F	4.4	D
		1555	1556	114	187.4	9	14.6	40%	0.64	4.0	E	3.7	C
		1556	1557	64	119	8	11	10%	0.86	1.9	C	3.7	C
65	outbound	**1524**	**1287**	**423**	**569.4**	**12**	**23**	**61%**	**0.35**	**3.2**	**E**	**3.4**	**C**
		1524	1525	86	145.4	12	24	67%	0.69	2.7	D	4.3	D
		1525	1526	140	227	14	28	88%	0.62	4.4	F	4.0	D
		1526	1286	116	180.4	12	21	72%	0.56	3.8	E	3.7	C
		1286	1287	67	110	12	23	61%	0.64	2.1	C	3.1	C
66	inbound	**1311**	**1315**	**518**	**683**	**12**	**22**	**81%**	**0.32**	**3.8**	**E**	**3.3**	**C**
		1311	1313	136	197.2	15	40.4	87%	0.45	3.7	E	4.3	D
		1313	1555	167	263	18	43	91%	0.57	5.3	F	4.3	D
		1555	1314	94	149	13	26	91%	0.59	2.8	D	3.2	C
		1314	1315	118	167	12	22	81%	0.42	3.4	E	3.4	C
66	outbound	**1365**	**1369**	**522**	**727.4**	**14**	**30**	**80%**	**0.39**	**3.8**	**E**	**4.1**	**D**
		1365	1366	123	209.4	18	39	88%	0.7	3.8	E	6.3	E
		1366	1526	133	189	17	34	93%	0.42	3.8	E	4.8	D
		1526	1367	99	161.4	16	33	84%	0.63	3.3	E	6.0	E
		1367	1369	151	262.8	14	30	80%	0.74	4.4	F	5.0	D

*Calculated for buses that stop (excludes stops with no boardings, alightings, or dwell).

Appendix C

Highway Volumes

Data Collection Locations



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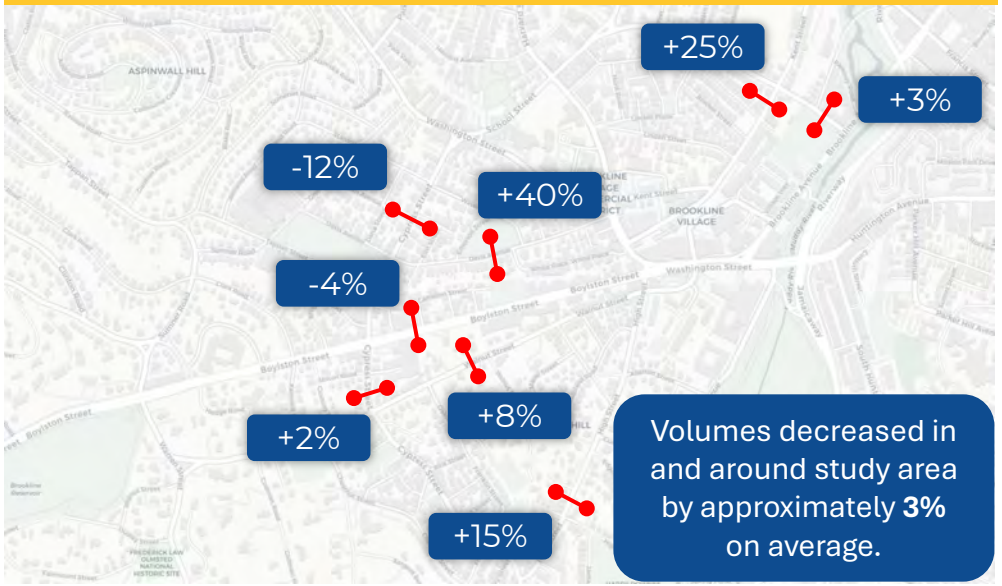
4. Cypress St, between Tappan St & Davis Ave
5. Cypress St, between Boylston St & Walnut St
6. Boylston St (Route 9), between Cypress St & High St
7. Walnut St, between Cypress St & High St
8. High St, between Cumberland Ave & Edgehill Rd

Quarter 3 Findings

Has the project impacted traffic on secondary streets and residential side streets?

Q3 Average Daily Traffic (ADT) Volume Change – Percentage



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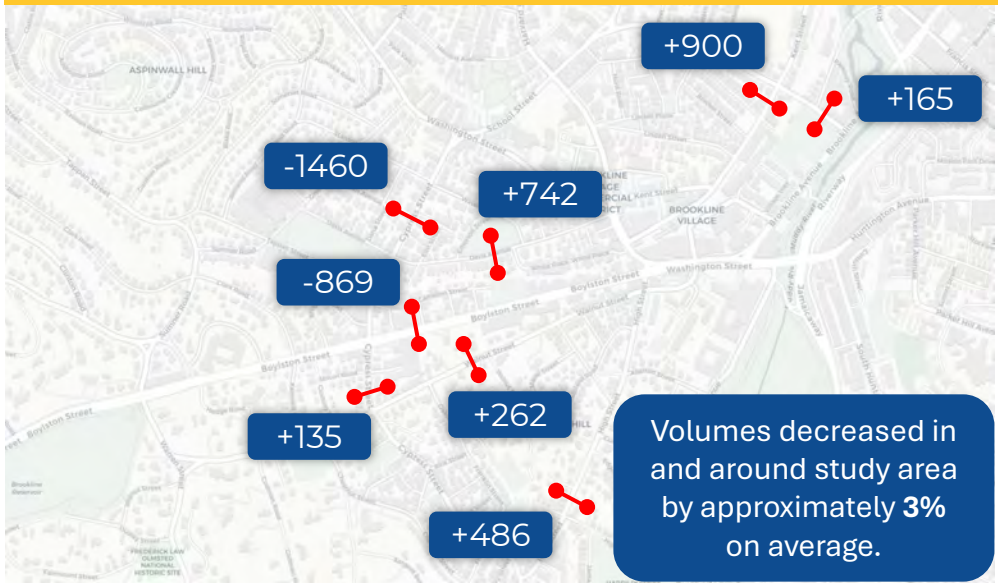

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Has the project impacted speed on side streets?

Northbound/Eastbound

Location	NB/EB **50th** Percentile Speeds (MPH)			NB/EB **85th** Percentile speeds (MPH)		
	Baseline Sept 2023	**Q3 Speeds Apr 2025**	**Change**	Baseline Sept 2023	**Q3 Speeds Apr 2025**	**Change**
Aspinwall Ave, between Brookline Ave & Kent St	20.2	**17.3**	**-14.5%**	24.7	**22.6**	**-8.5%**
Kent St, between Aspinwall Ave & Brook St	18.0	**16.8**	**-6.7%**	24.1	**23.0**	**-4.9%**
Davis Ave, between Cypress St & Washington St	22.7	**20.8**	**-8.3%**	27.7	**24.8**	**-10.3%**
Cypress St, between Davis Ave & Gorham Ave	21.4	**21.1**	**-1.5%**	26.4	**25.4**	**-3.6%**
Cypress St, between Boylston St & Walnut St	19.5	**19.7**	**+1.0%**	24.1	**23.8**	**-1.3%**
Boylston St (Rt 9), between Cypress St & High St	28.8	**28.4**	**-1.5%**	34.6	**35.6**	**+2.9%**
Walnut St, between Cypress St & High St	23.5	**21.5**	**-8.5%**	28.4	**24.9**	**-12.6%**
High St, between Cumberland Ave & Edgehill Rd	22.6	**25.7**	**+13.5%**	27.4	**29.5**	**+7.7%**

Speed % Change Key:

<-10%	-10% to -5%	-5% to -1%	-1% to +1%	+1% to +5%	+5% to +10%	>+10 %

Some fluctuation with speeds, but in general most observed speeds have decreased

Has the project impacted speed on side streets?

Southbound/Westbound

Location	NB/EB **50th** Percentile Speeds (MPH)			NB/EB **85th** Percentile speeds (MPH)		
	Baseline Sept 2023	**Q3 Speeds Apr 2025**	**Change**	Baseline Sept 2023	**Q3 Speeds Apr 2025**	**Change**
Aspinwall Ave, between Brookline Ave & Kent St	20.2	**20.1**	**-2.0%**	24.7	**24.1**	**-3.2%**
Kent St, between Aspinwall Ave & Brook St	18.0	**20.6**	**-5.2%**	24.1	**24.5**	**-6.4%**
Davis Ave, between Cypress St & Washington St	22.7	**18.2**	**-14.7%**	27.7	**23.2**	**-11.1%**
Cypress St, between Davis Ave & Gorham Ave	21.4	**19.9**	**+3.3%**	26.4	**25.6**	**+3.3%**
Cypress St, between Boylston St & Walnut St	19.5	**18.4**	**+1.8%**	24.1	**24.0**	**+1.3%**
Boylston St (Rt 9), between Cypress St & High St	28.8	**28.9**	**-1.0%**	34.6	**35.7**	**-0.3%**
Walnut St, between Cypress St & High St	23.5	**21.5**	**-4.7%**	28.4	**25.3**	**-7.2%**
High St, between Cumberland Ave & Edgehill Rd	22.6	**23.0**	**-2.7%**	27.4	**27.5**	**-3.1%**

Speed % Change Key:

<-10%	-10% to -5%	-5% to -1%	-1% to +1%	+1% to +5%	+5% to +10%	>+10 %

Some fluctuation with speeds, but in general most observed speeds have decreased

Quarter 3 Complete Results

Baseline Volumes – Sept 2023

Location	ADT	Peak AM	Peak PM
Aspinwall Ave, between Brookline Ave & Kent St	5,484	465	501
Kent St, between Aspinwall Ave & Brook St	3,605	364	292
Davis Ave, between Cypress St & Washington St	1,840	264	177
Cypress St, between Davis Ave & Gorham Ave	12,553	1113	932
Cypress St, between Boylston St & Walnut St	7,730	879	585
Boylston St (Rt 9), between Cypress St & High St	22,520	1777	1765
Walnut St, between Cypress St & High St	3,193	472	435
High St, between Cumberland Ave & Edgehill Rd	3,224	321	310
Total Volumes	**60,149**	**5,655**	**4,997**

Q3 Volumes – Apr 2025

Location	ADT	Change	Peak AM	Change	Peak PM	Change
Aspinwall Ave, between Brookline Ave & Kent St	5,649	**+3.0%**	635	**+36.6%**	621	**+24.0%**
Kent St, between Aspinwall Ave & Brook St	4,505	**+25.0%**	557	**+53.0%**	440	**+50.7%**
Davis Ave, between Cypress St & Washington St	2,582	**+40.3%**	328	**+24.2%**	301	**+70.1%**
Cypress St, between Davis Ave & Gorham Ave	11,093	**-11.6%**	909	**-18.3%**	994	**+6.7%**
Cypress St, between Boylston St & Walnut St	7,865	**+1.7%**	886	**+0.8%**	760	**+29.9%**
Boylston St (Rt 9), between Cypress St & High St	21,651	**-3.9%**	1,708	**-3.9%**	1,716	**-2.8%**
Walnut St, between Cypress St & High St	3,455	**+8.2%**	553	**+17.2%**	458	**+5.3%**
High St, between Cumberland Ave & Edgehill Rd	3,710	**+15.1%**	383	**+19.3%**	376	**+21.3%**
Total Volumes / Average % Change	60,510	**+0.6%**	5,959	**+5.4%**	5,666	**+13.4%**

Appendix D

Highway Travel Times and Control Delays

Study Locations

Intersections

1. Washington St at Station St
2. Boylston St (Route 9) at High St and Washington St
3. Washington St (Route 9) at Pearl St and Walnut St
4. Washington St (Route 9) at Brookline Ave

Corridors

1. Boylston St eastbound between Cypress St and High St
2. Washington St southbound between Boylston St and Harvard St
3. Brookline Ave northbound between Aspinwall Ave and Washington St.

Intersections

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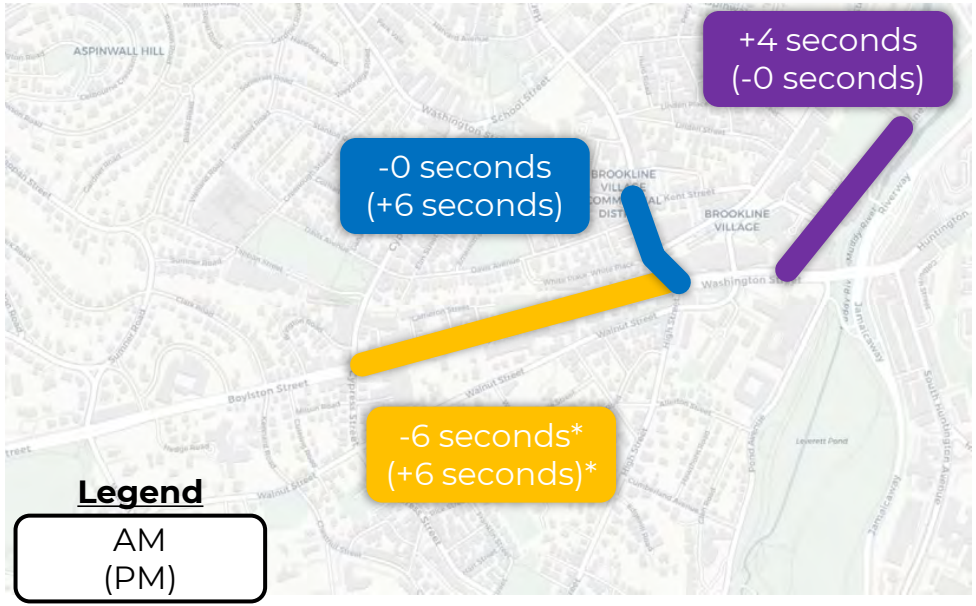
Quarter 3 Findings

Has the project created impacts to general purpose traffic?

1. Boylston St eastbound between Cypress St and High St (**orange**)
2. Washington St southbound between Boylston St and Harvard St (**blue**)
3. Brookline Ave northbound between Aspinwall Ave and Washington St (**purple**)

Has the project created impacts to general purpose traffic? Comparing Q3 to Baseline



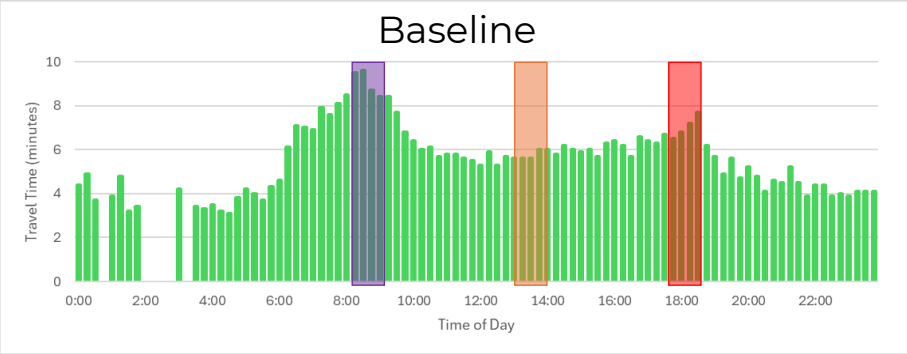
- Intersection delay either remains constant or fluctuates slightly.
- *Data may be affected by INRIX platform limitations, but does not indicate significant increases in vehicle delay

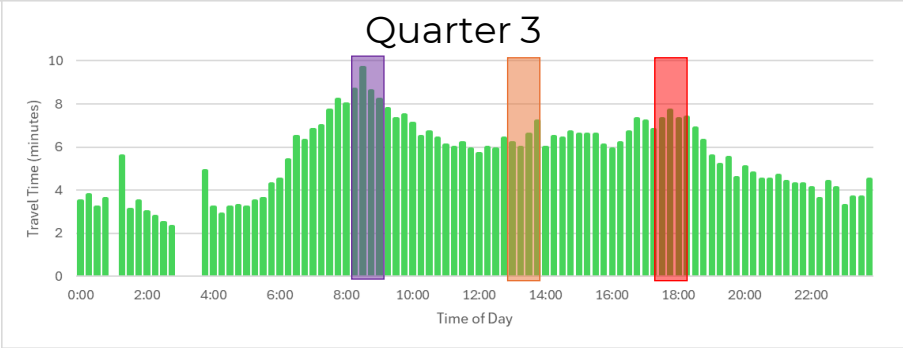
Corridor Travel Time

- Boylston Street & Brookline Avenue between Sumner Street and Aspinwall Avenue
- Approximately 1.2 miles
- Includes all three intersections in project area

Q3 Travel Time - Boylston Street and Brookline Avenue inbound between Sumner Road and Aspinwall Avenue

Average Travel Time over Time of Day



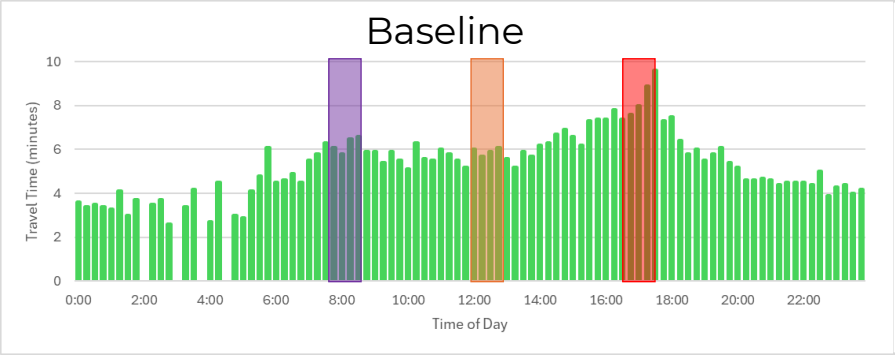


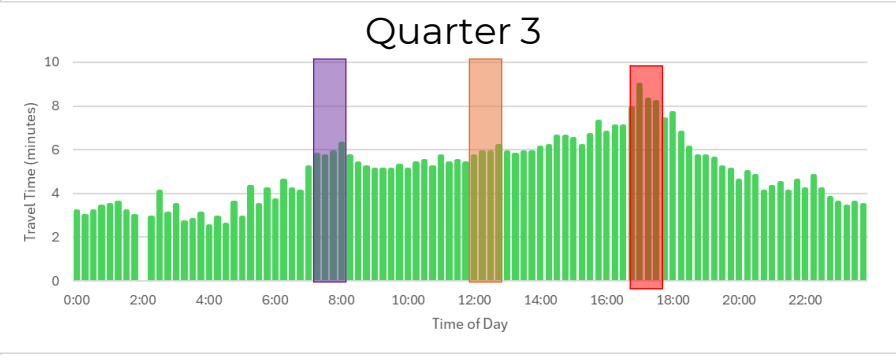
Period	Baseline Travel Time	Quarter 2 Travel Time
AM Peak Hour	9.0 minutes	8.8 minutes
MD Peak Hour	5.7 minutes	6.5 minutes
PM Peak Hour	7.0 minutes	7.3 minutes

Approximately 48 second increase in MD Peak travel time for vehicles travelling through all project area intersections, with AM and PM travel times remaining fairly constant

Q3 Travel Time - Boylston Street and Brookline Avenue outbound between Sumner Road and Aspinwall Avenue

Average Travel Time over Time of Day





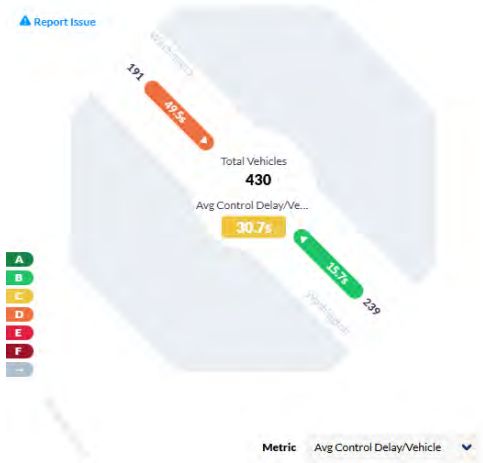
Period	Baseline Travel Time	Quarter 2 Travel Time
AM Peak Hour	6.2 minutes	6.0 minutes
MD Peak Hour	5.5 minutes	6.0 minutes
PM Peak Hour	8.5 minutes	8.4 minutes

Approximately 30 second increase in MD Peak travel time for vehicles travelling through all project area intersections, with AM and PM travel times remaining fairly constant

Quarter 3 Complete Results

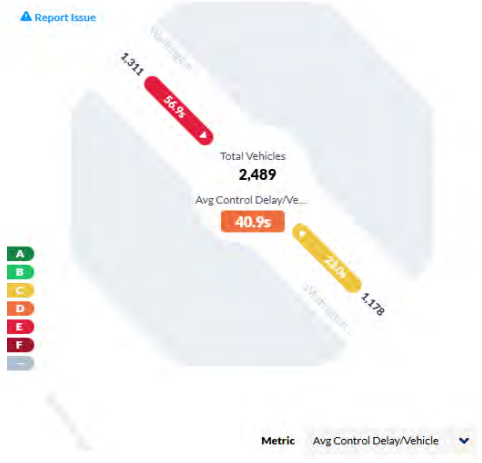
#1 Washington St at Station St – Baseline

Delay AM (6am-9am)



Delay PM (4pm-7pm)

Delay Avg. Daily

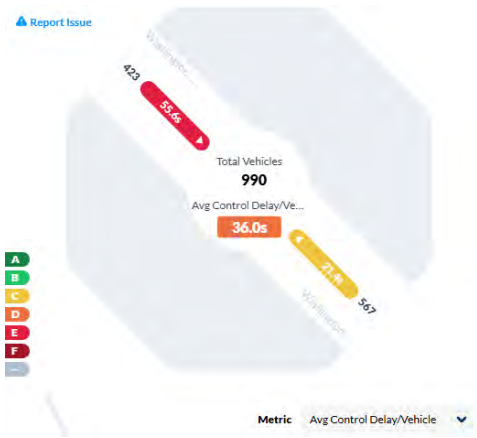


- Average intersection delay of about 40 seconds
- Average intersection delay varies from ~30-60 seconds during peak periods
- Most significant delay is Washington St southbound, in the PM peak (about 1.2 minutes)

All data is from June 2024 weekdays.

#1 Washington St at Station St – Quarter 3

Delay AM (6am-9am)



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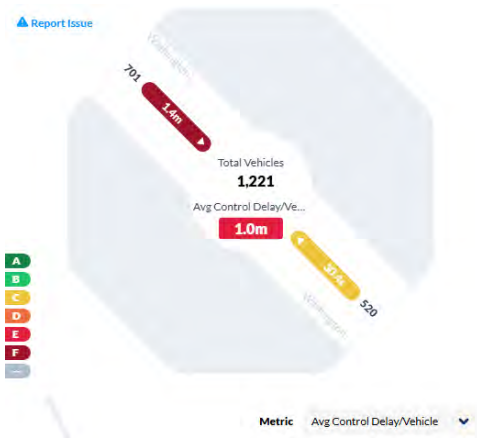

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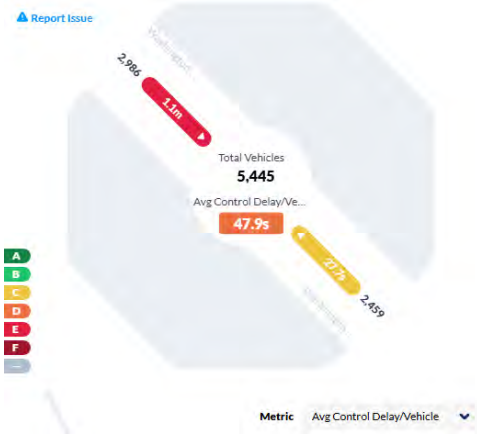


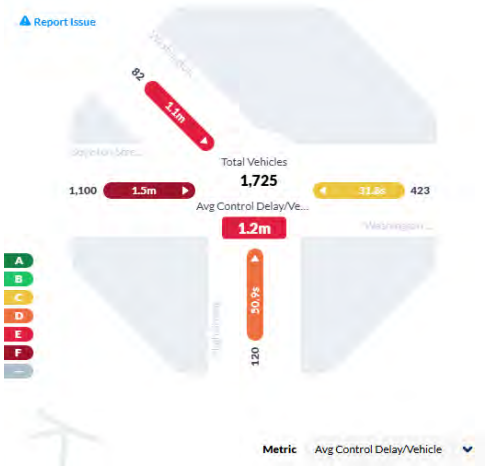
- **~7 second increase in average intersection delay compared to Baseline**
- All movements see slight fluctuations in delay

All data is from April 2025 weekdays.

**Note increase in volumes related to INRIX data sample. Not indicative of actual volume change.*

#2 Boylston St (Route 9) at High St and Washington St – Baseline

Delay AM (6am-9am)



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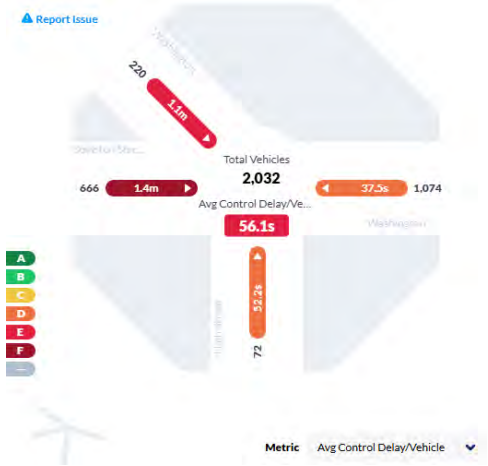

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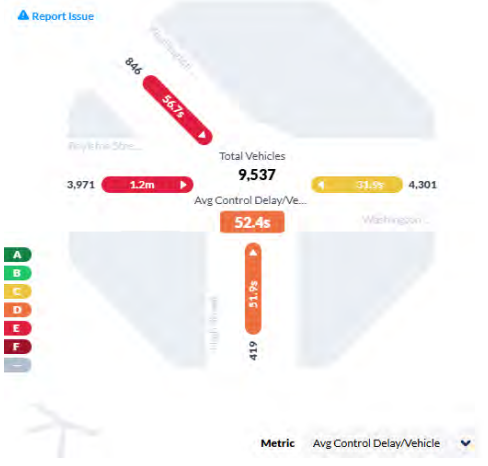
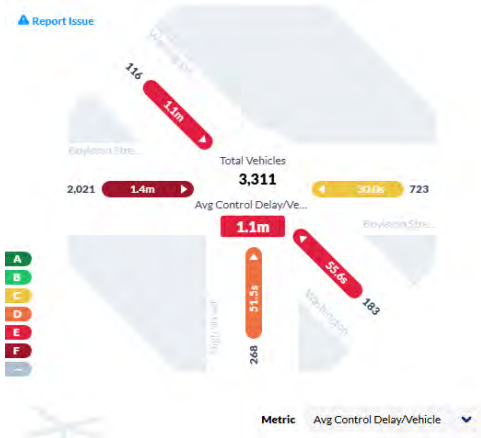


All data is from June 2024 weekdays.

- Average intersection delay of about 1 minute throughout day
- Highest delay on Boylston St (Route 9), approximately 1.5 minutes during peak periods

#2 Boylston St (Route 9) at High St and Washington St – Quarter 3

Delay AM (6am-9am)



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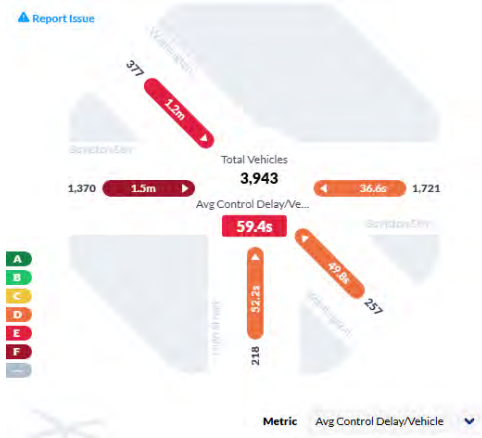

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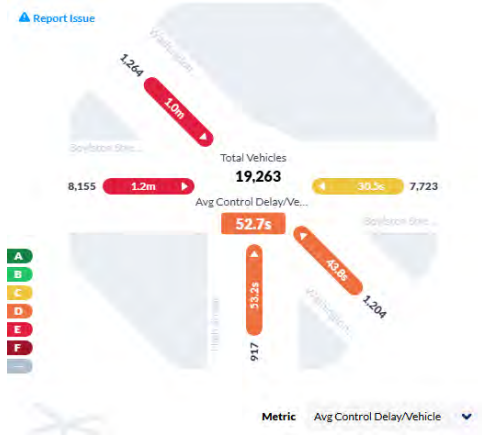


- **<u>Inrix shows no change in total intersection delay compared to Baseline</u>**
- Long queue lengths extend past the 500' approach distance INRIX uses to collect data, so actual intersection delay is likely higher

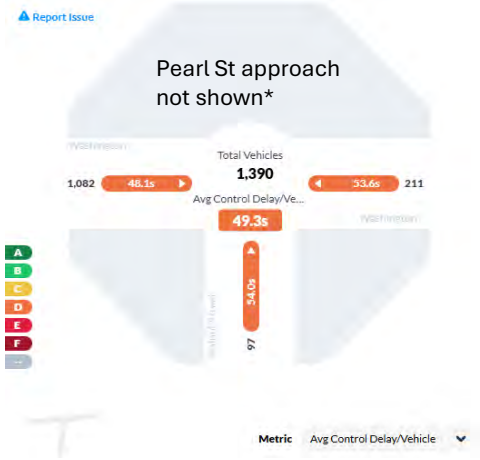
All data is from April 2025 weekdays.

**Note increase in volumes related to INRIX data sample. <u>Not indicative of actual volume change</u>.*

**Note Washington St northwest-bound approach represents westbound right turning movements. INRIX has changed how the approaches are displayed*

#3 Washington St (Route 9) at Pearl St and Walnut St – Baseline

Delay AM (6am-9am)



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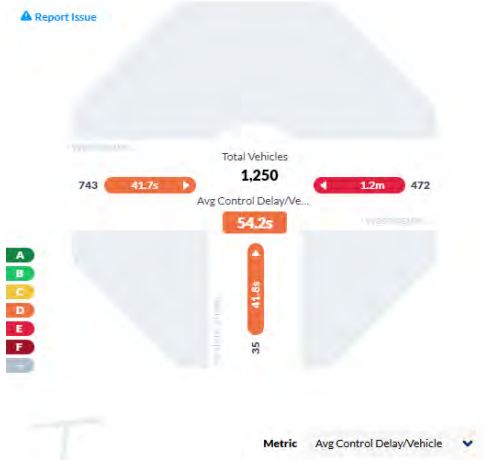

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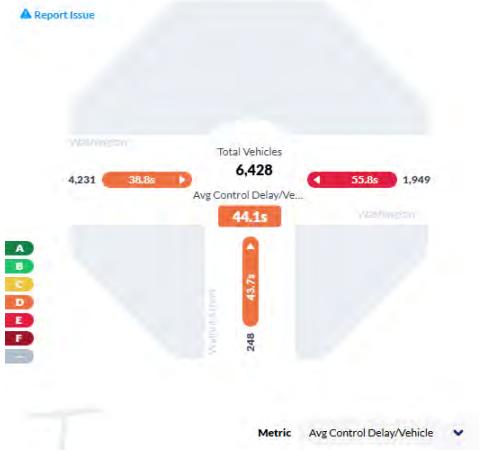


- Average intersection delay of 45-55 seconds throughout day
- Washington St (Route 9) through movements typically see highest delay

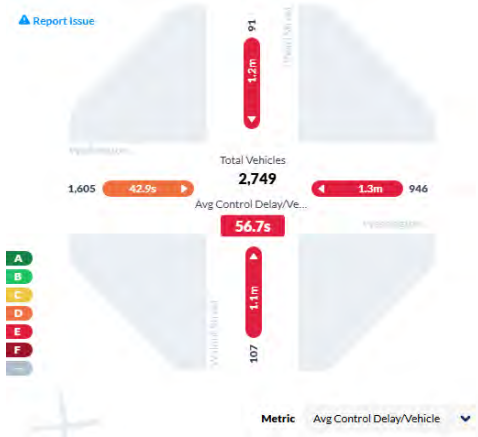
All data is from June 2024 weekdays.

**Intersection diagram is missing the Pearl St approach because no volumes were recorded by INRIX at this approach during June 2024*

#3 Washington St (Route 9) at Pearl St and Walnut St – Quarter 3

Delay AM (6am-9am)

Delay PM (4pm-7pm)



Delay Avg. Daily

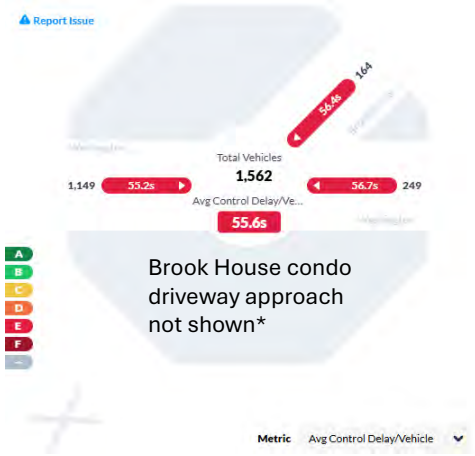
- **<u>Generally, no change in total intersection delay</u>**
- All movements see slight fluctuations in delay

All data is from April 2025 weekdays.

**Note increase in volumes related to INRIX data sample. <u>Not indicative of actual volume change</u>.*

#4 Washington St (Route 9) at Brookline Ave - Baseline

Delay AM (6am-9am)



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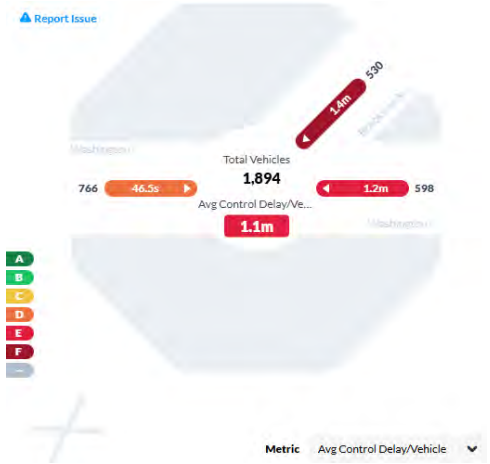

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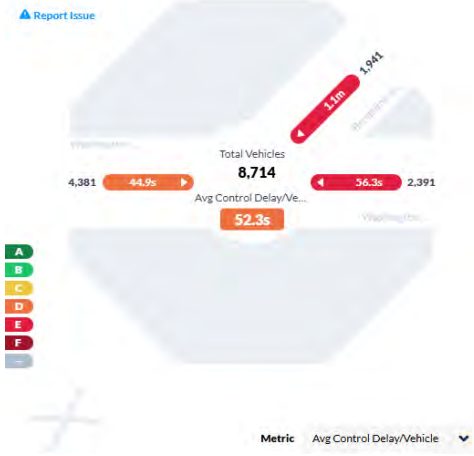


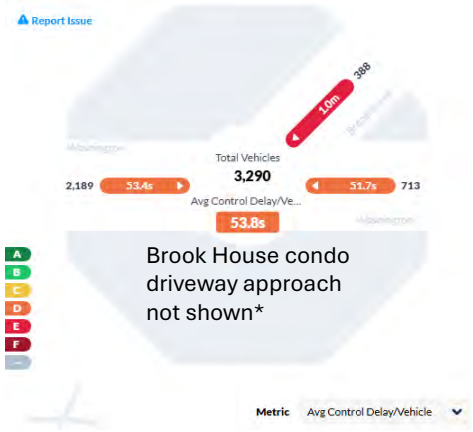
- Average intersection delay of ~50-70 seconds throughout day
- Highest delays are approaching project area
- Generally lesser delays leaving project area

All data is from June 2024 weekdays.

**Intersection diagram is missing the northbound approach because no volumes were recorded by INRIX at this approach during June 2024*

#4 Washington St (Route 9) at Brookline Ave – Quarter 3

Delay AM (6am-9am)



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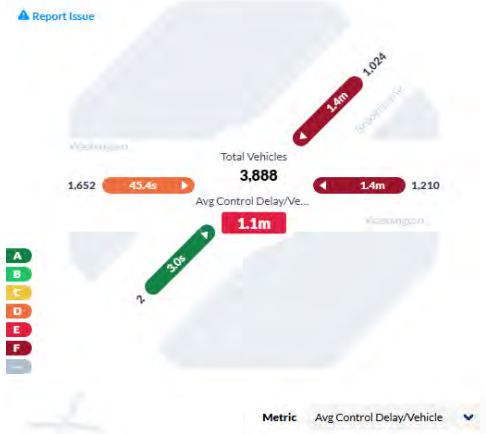

Delay Avg. Daily

- **<u>Generally, no change in total intersection delay</u>**
- All movements see slight fluctuations in delay

All data is from April 2025 weekdays.

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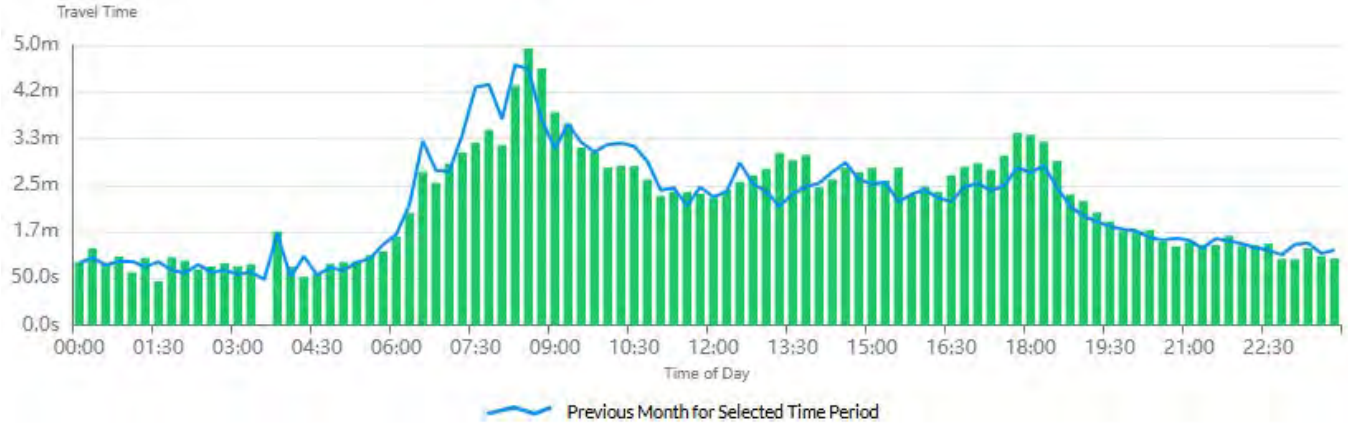
Q3 Travel Time - Boylston St eastbound from Cypress St to High St

Average Travel Time over Time of Day*



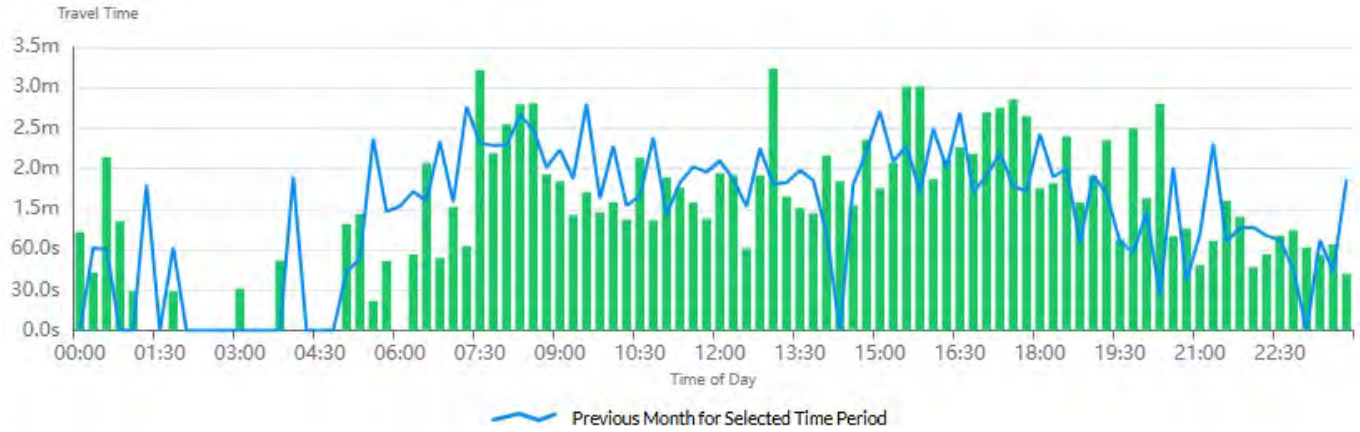
All data is from April 2025 weekdays.

Period	Travel Time	Time of Day
AM Peak Hour	4.4 minutes	8:15am-9:15am
MD Peak Hour	3.0 minutes	1:00pm-2:00pm
PM Peak Hour	3.3 minutes	5:30pm-6:30pm

**Baseline data not available from INRIX.*

Q3 Travel Time - Washington St southbound from Harvard St to Boylston St

Average Travel Time over Time of Day*



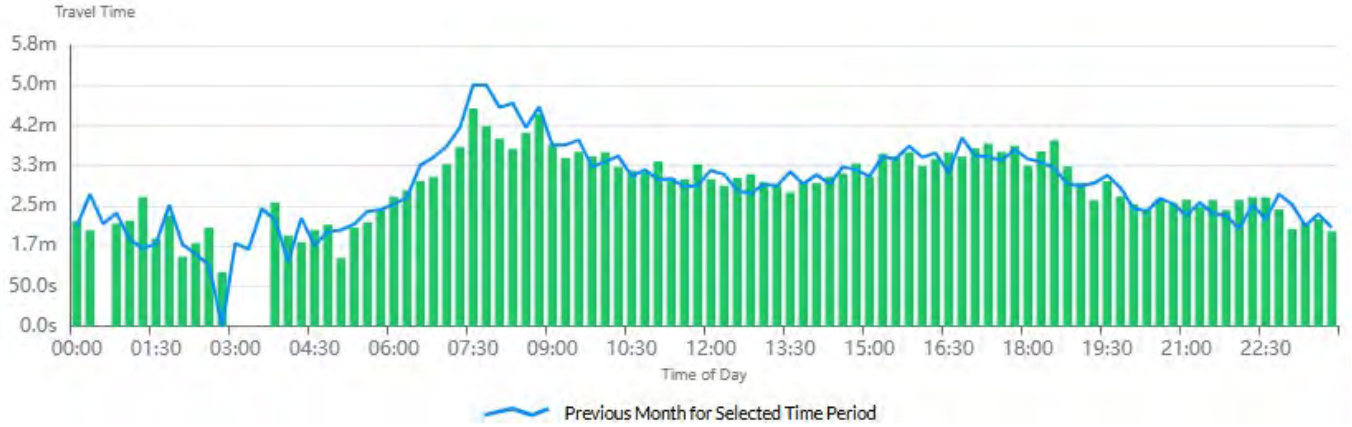
All data is from April 2025 weekdays.

Period	Travel Time	Time of Day
AM Peak Hour	2.7 minutes	7:30am-8:30am
MD Peak Hour	2.1 minutes	12:45pm-1:45pm
PM Peak Hour	2.8 minutes	5:00pm-6:00pm

**Baseline data not available from INRIX.*

Q3 Travel Time - Brookline Ave northbound from Washington St to Aspinwall Ave

Average Travel Time over Time of Day*



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Period	Travel Time**	Time of Day
AM Peak Hour	4.1 minutes	7:30am-8:30am
MD Peak Hour	3.2 minutes	2:00pm-3:00pm
PM Peak Hour	3.7 minutes	5:00pm-6:00pm

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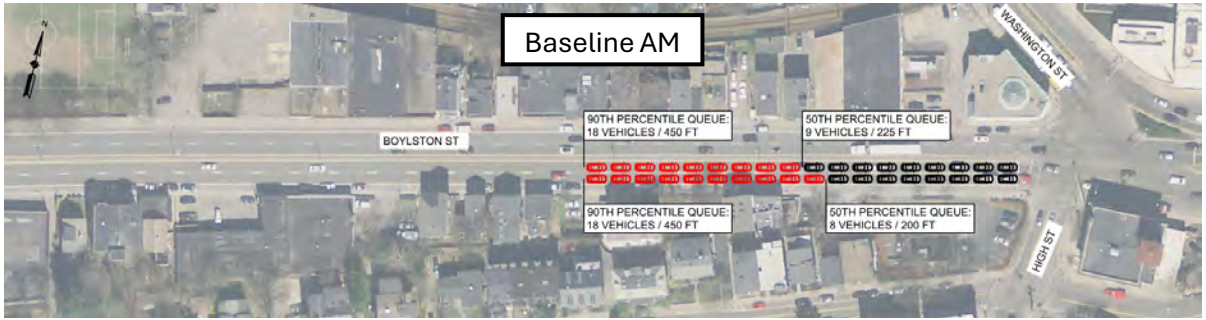
***Note this includes delay at the Washington St & Brookline intersection approach.*

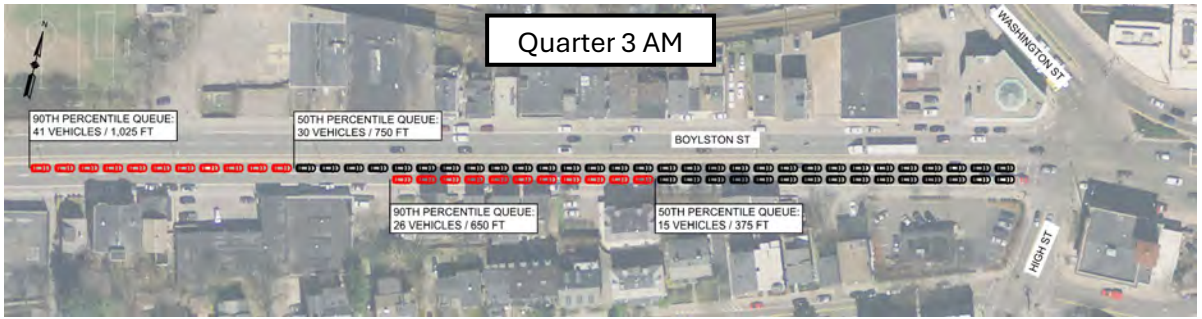
Appendix E

Queueing Data

Q3 Findings

Boylston Street (Rt 9), approaching Washington Street, AM





- Significant increase in AM vehicle queues

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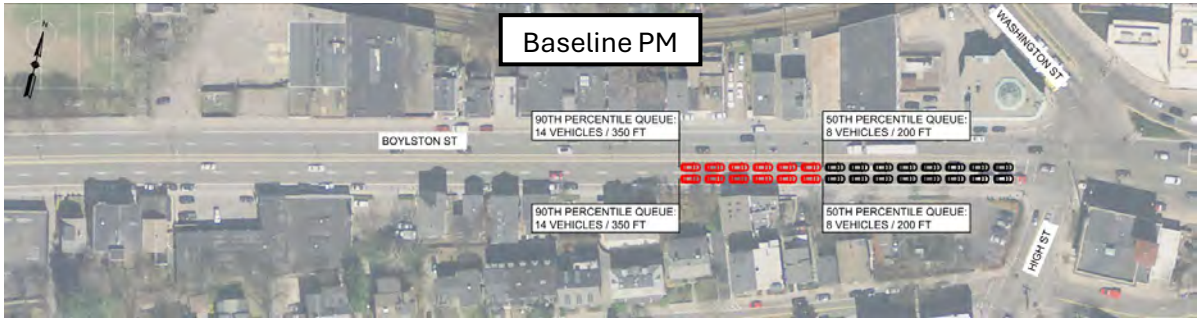
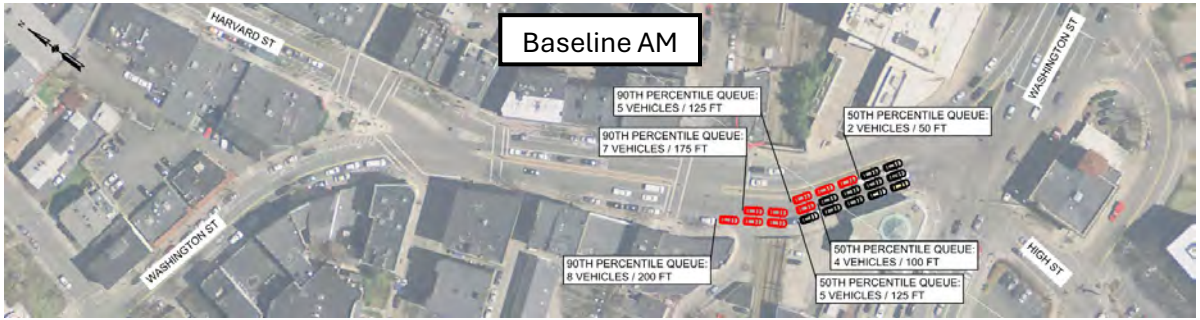


- Number of PM vehicles queued remains relatively constant

Washington Street, approaching Boylston Street (Rt 9), AM



- Increase in AM vehicle queues

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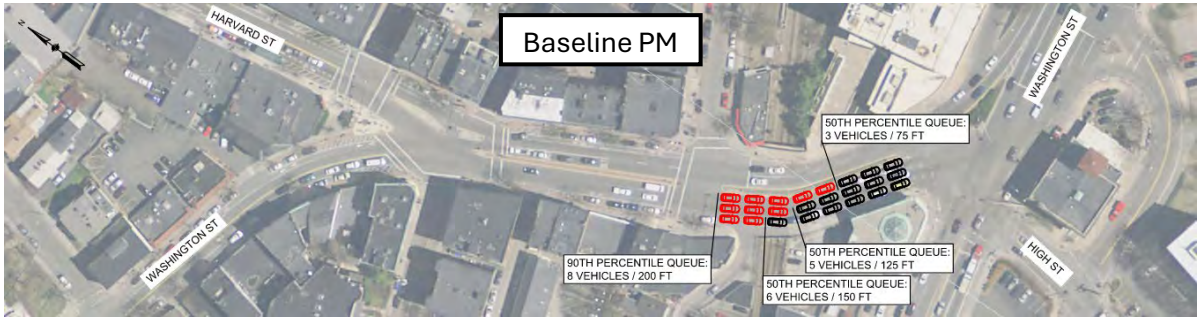

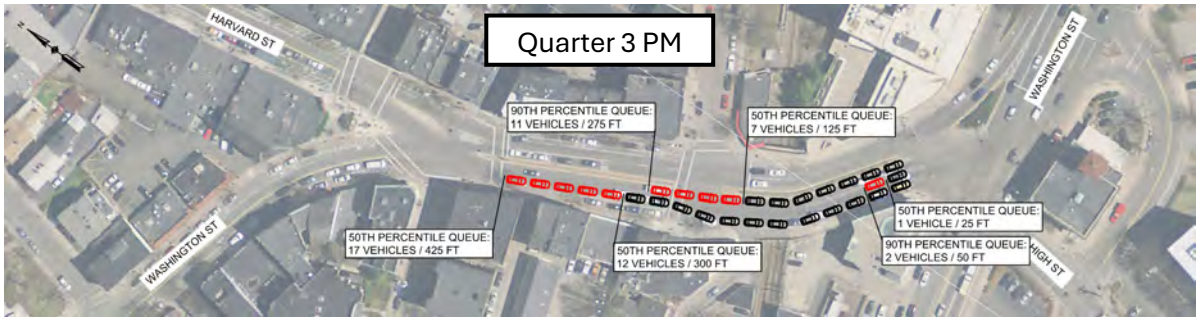

- Increase in PM vehicle queues

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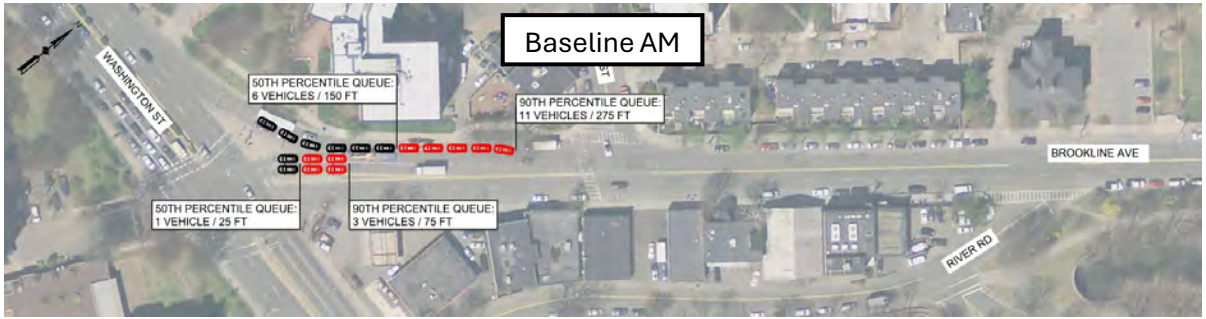

- Number of AM vehicles queued remains relatively constant

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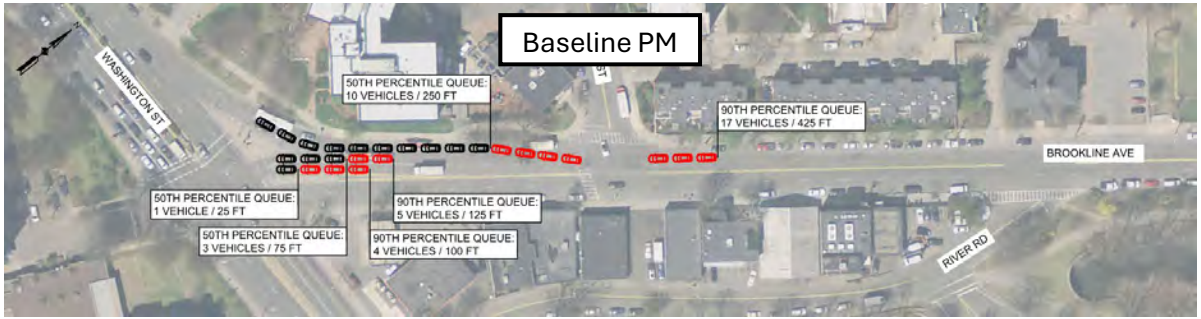
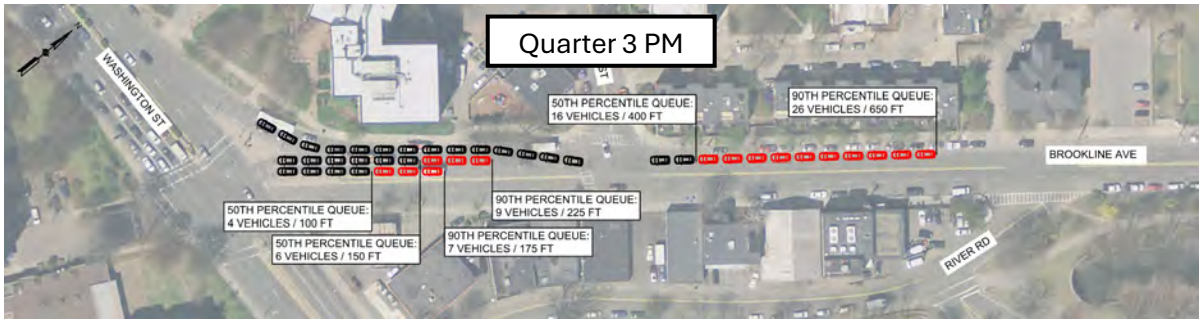




- Increase in PM vehicle queues

Quarter 3 Complete Results

Queue Length of Boylston St EB, west of Washington St

		Left Lane		Right Lane		Total		
		Baseline	Q3	Baseline	Q3	Baseline	Q3	Change
	10th %ile	2	11	1	4	3	15	+485%
AM	50th %ile	9	30	8	15	17	45	**+165%**
	90th %ile	18	41	18	26	36	67	**+86%**
	Longest	25	49	25	38	50	87	+74%
	10th %ile	1	2	1	0	2	2	-5%
PM	50th %ile	8	10	8	2	16	12	**-25%**
	90th %ile	14	20	14	6	28	26	**-7%**
	Longest	21	29	22	15	43	44	+2%

Queue Length of Washington St SB, north of Boylston St

		Left Lane		Center Lane		Right Lane		Total		
		Baseline	Q3	Baseline	Q3	Baseline	Q3	Baseline	Q3	Change
	10th %ile	0	2	2	0	2	2	4	4	+0%
AM	50th %ile	2	5	4	1	5	5	11	11	**+0%**
AM	90th %ile	5	11	7	3	8	11	20	25	**+25%**
	Longest	8	19	13	4	9	15	30	38	+27%
	10th %ile	1	3	1	0	4	6	6	9	+50%
PM	50th %ile	3	7	5	1	6	12	14	20	**+43%**
PM	90th %ile	8	11	8	2	8	17	24	30	**+25%**
	Longest	28	15	10	4	11	21	49	40	-18%

Bus only lane

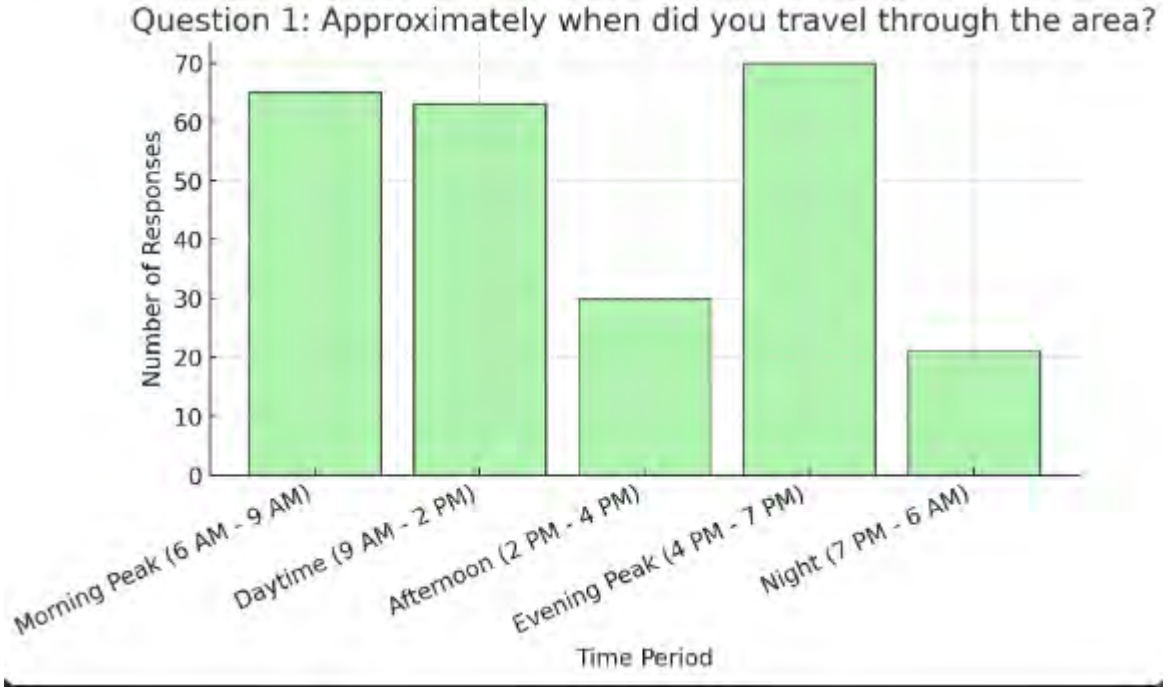
Queue Length of Brookline Ave SB, north of Boylston St

		Left Lane		Center Lane		Right Lane		Total		
		Baseline	Q3	Baseline	Q3	Baseline	Q3	Baseline	Q3	Change
AM	10th %ile	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	+0%
	50th %ile	1	1	1	2	6	6	8	9	**+13%**
	90th %ile	3	3	3	4	11	10	17	17	**+0%**
	Longest	4	5	4	5	16	15	24	25	+4%
PM	10th %ile	0	2	1	3	4	7	5	12	+145%
	50th %ile	1	4	3	6	10	16	14	26	**+82%**
	90th %ile	4	7	5	9	17	26	26	42	**+60%**
	Longest	6	14	8	10	21	30	35	54	+54%

Appendix F

Survey Results as of June 4, 2025

Gateway East Bus Lanes Pilot Survey: Question 1



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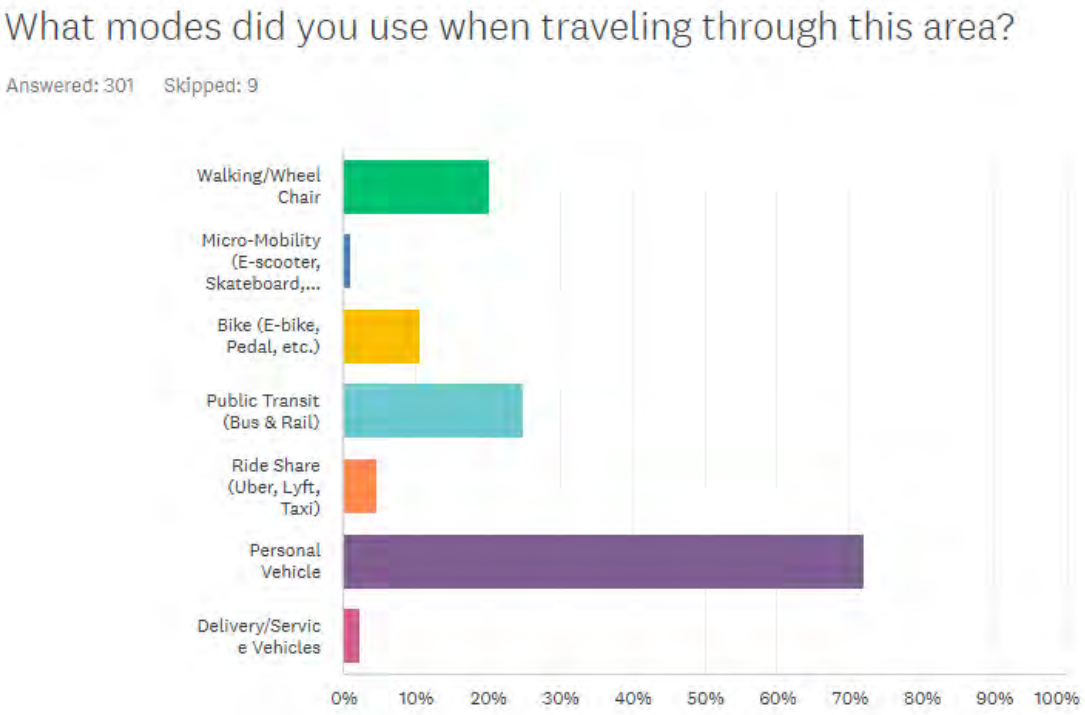

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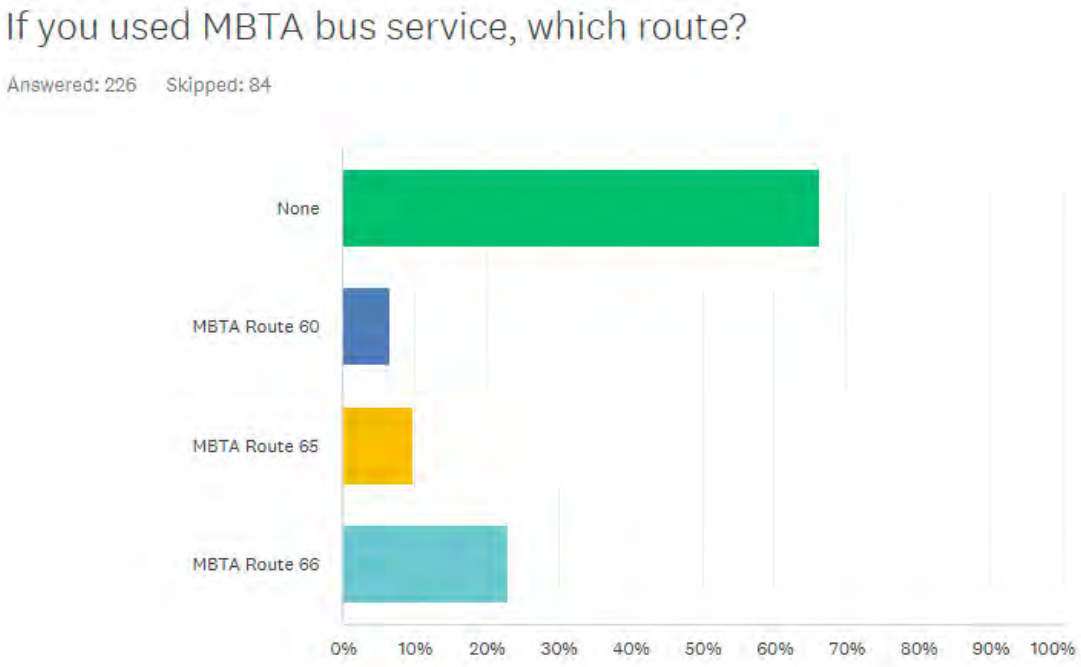

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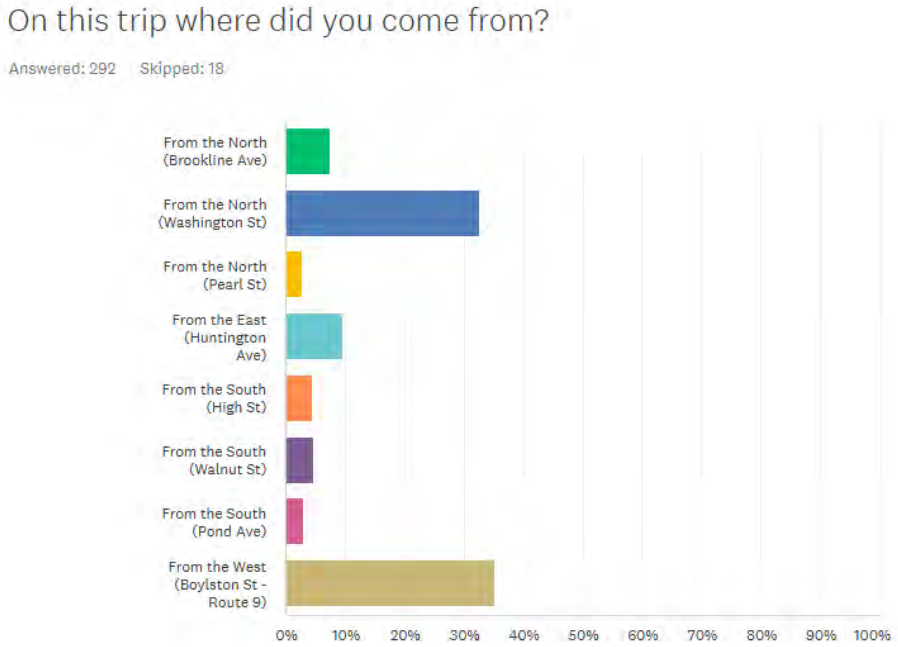

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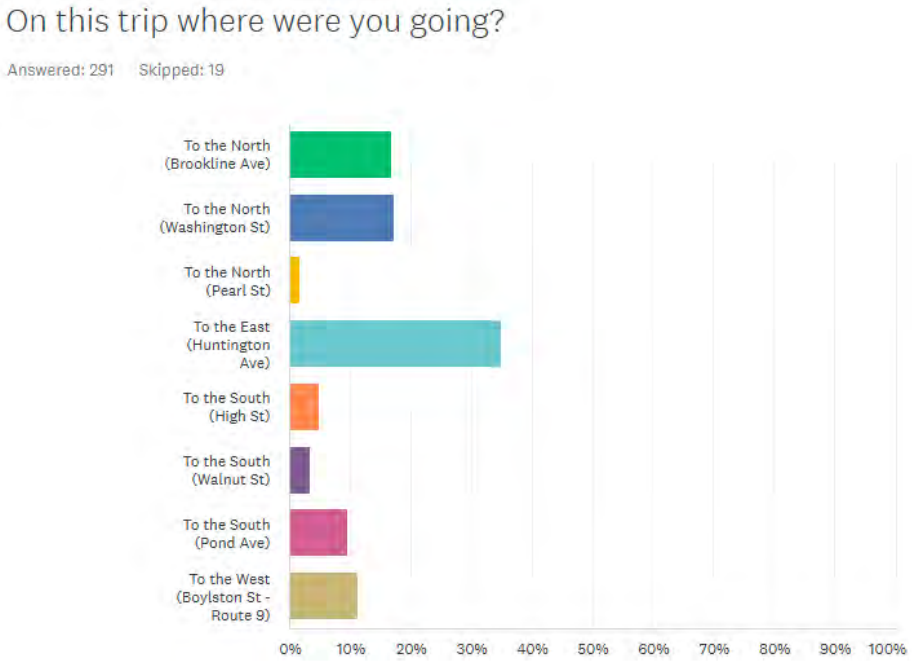

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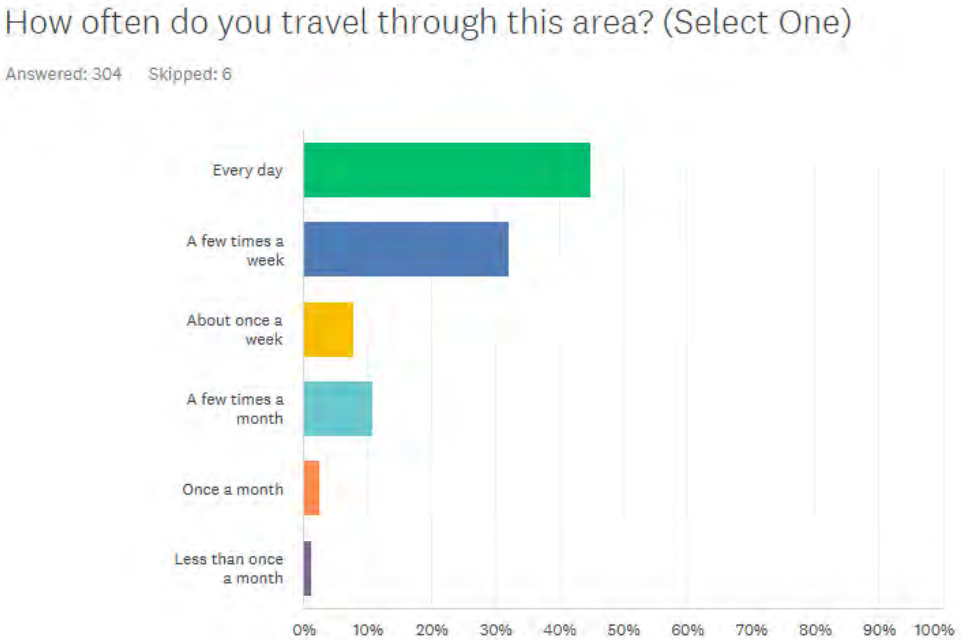

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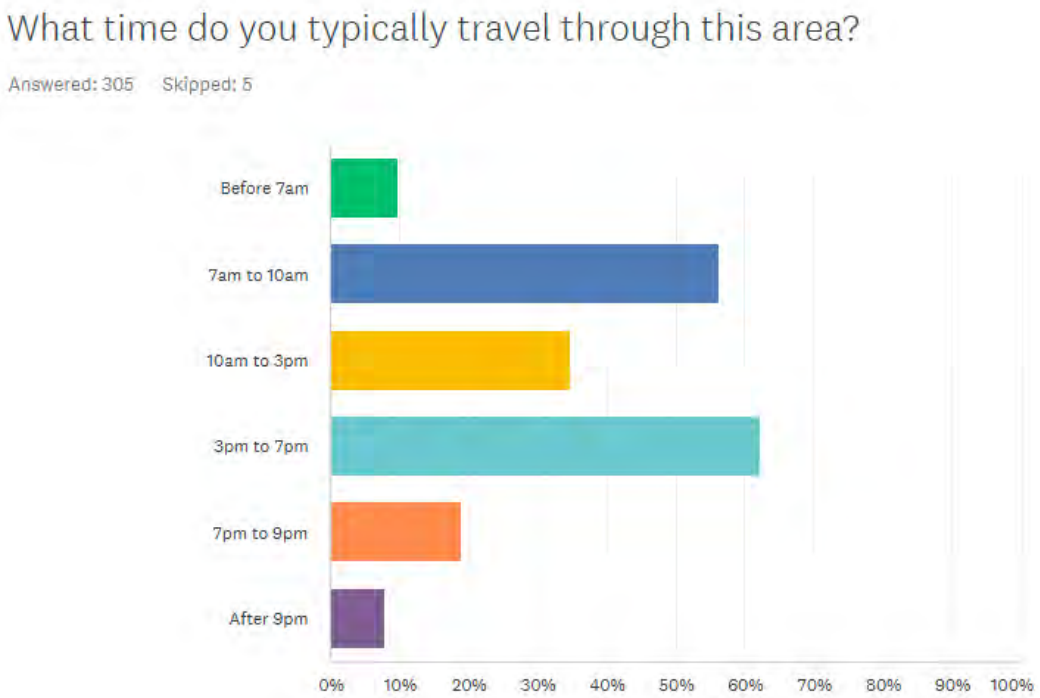
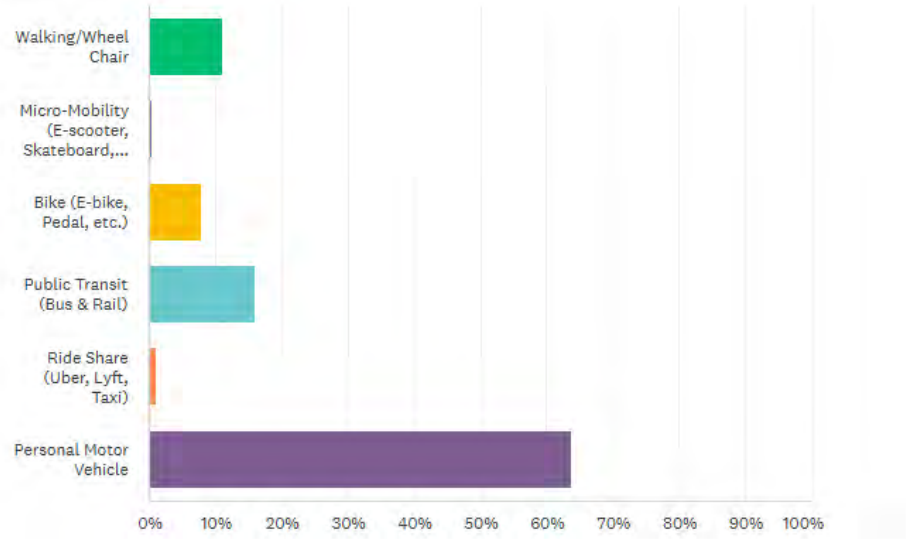


Gateway East Bus Lanes Pilot Survey – Question 8

What is your primary mode of transportation when traveling through this area? (Select one)

Answered: 306 Skipped: 4



Gateway East Bus Lanes Pilot Survey – Question 9

The dedicated bus lane has improved safety for:

Answered: 306 Skipped: 4

	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DISAGREE	NEITHER AGREE NOR DISAGREE	AGREE	STRONGLY AGREE	TOTAL
those walking through this area	37.58% 112	14.43% 43	25.84% 77	11.07% 33	11.07% 33	298
those biking or using micro-mobility devices through this area	37.29% 110	15.59% 46	23.73% 70	12.20% 36	11.19% 33	295
those taking public transit through this area.	25.17% 74	8.16% 24	28.23% 83	20.75% 61	17.69% 52	294
those driving through this area.	55.45% 168	12.54% 38	15.84% 48	9.57% 29	6.60% 20	303

Gateway East Bus Lanes Pilot Survey – Question 10

The dedicated bus lane has improved access for:

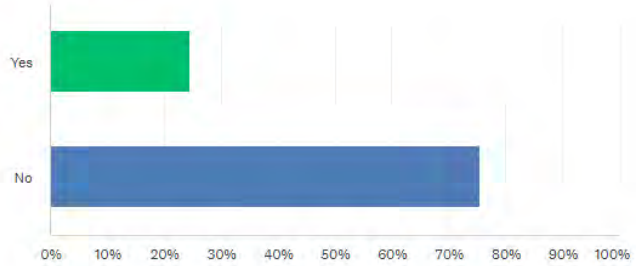
Answered: 305 Skipped: 5

	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DISAGREE	NEITHER AGREE NOR DISAGREE	AGREE	STRONGLY AGREE	TOTAL
those walking through this area	36.12% 108	13.71% 41	29.77% 89	9.70% 29	10.70% 32	299
those biking or using micro-mobility devices through this area	33.56% 99	14.92% 44	26.78% 79	13.56% 40	11.19% 33	295
those taking public transit through this area.	23.89% 70	9.22% 27	21.84% 64	22.53% 66	22.53% 66	293
for those driving through this area.	59.14% 178	12.96% 39	19.27% 58	4.32% 13	4.32% 13	301

Gateway East Bus Lanes Pilot Survey – Question 11 & 12

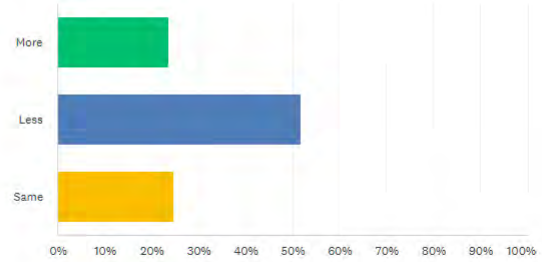
Do you feel your trip is faster with the bus lanes?

Answered: 297 Skipped: 13



Do you feel that your trip time is more or less consistent from day to day with the bus lanes?

Answered: 292 Skipped: 18



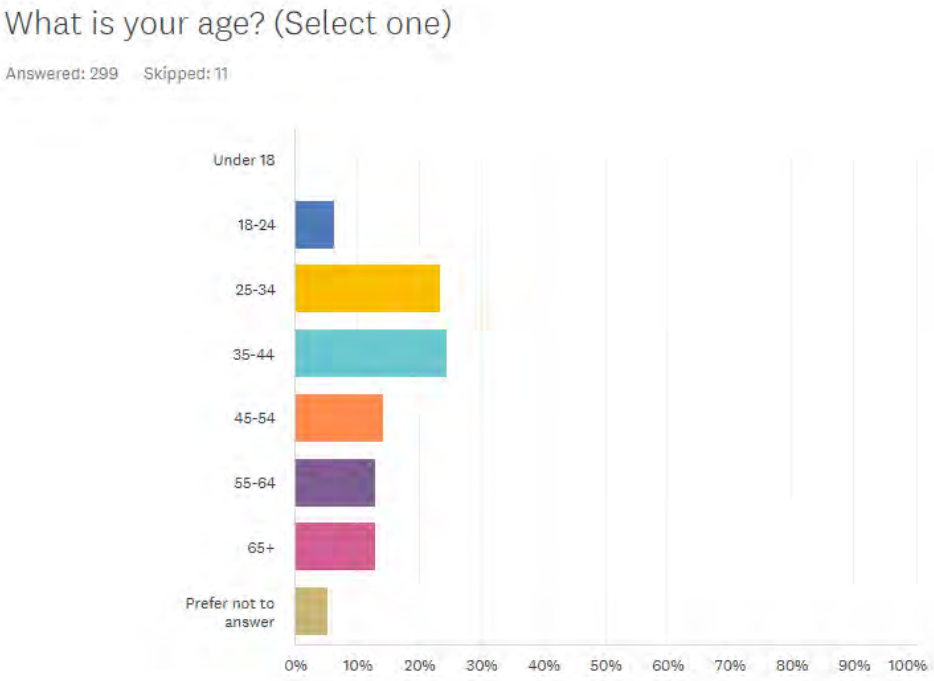
Gateway East Bus Lanes Pilot Survey – Question 13

- Q13 Has the dedicated bus lanes caused you to change how you travel through the area? (Open ended)
    - 246 responses Key Themes from the Open ended Comments:
        - Negative Feedback (~75%):
            - Increased Traffic congestion and delays.
            - Drivers feel confused and forced into last-minute lane changes.
            - Insufficient bus frequency to justify the dedicated lane.
            - Gridlock caused by poorly timed traffic signal and misuse of the lane.
            - Attempts to avoid area.
        - Positive Feedback (~10%):
            - Improved reliability and speed for buses.
            - Some responder are more likely to use buses.
        - Neutral or Unclear Feedback (~15%):
            - Observations without a clear stance (e.g., “no noticeable change”)
            - Mixed sentiments that acknowledge both pros and cons.

Gateway East Bus Lanes Pilot Survey – Question 14

- Q14 Should the Town and MBTA make changes to the dedicated bus lanes? (Open-ended)
  - 264 responses Key Themes from the Open ended Comments:
    - Negative Feedback (~60%):
      - Strong calls to remove the bus lanes or restrict their hours of operation.
      - Frustration over increased congestion and poor implementation while the bus lane is empty.
      - Concerns about drivers not respecting the bus lanes and safety issues with merging and turning.
      - Concerns about unsafe merging, turning conflicts, and widespread driver disregard for bus lane restrictions.
    - Positive Feedback (~20%):
      - Suggestions to adjust signal timings and improve enforcement.
      - Recognition of the potential for better transit efficiency if changes are made.
    - Neutral or Unclear Feedback (~20%)
      - Observations without a clear stance (e.g., “no noticeable change”, “lack of enforcement”)
      - Mixed sentiments that acknowledge both pros and cons.

Gateway East Bus Lanes Pilot Survey – Question 15



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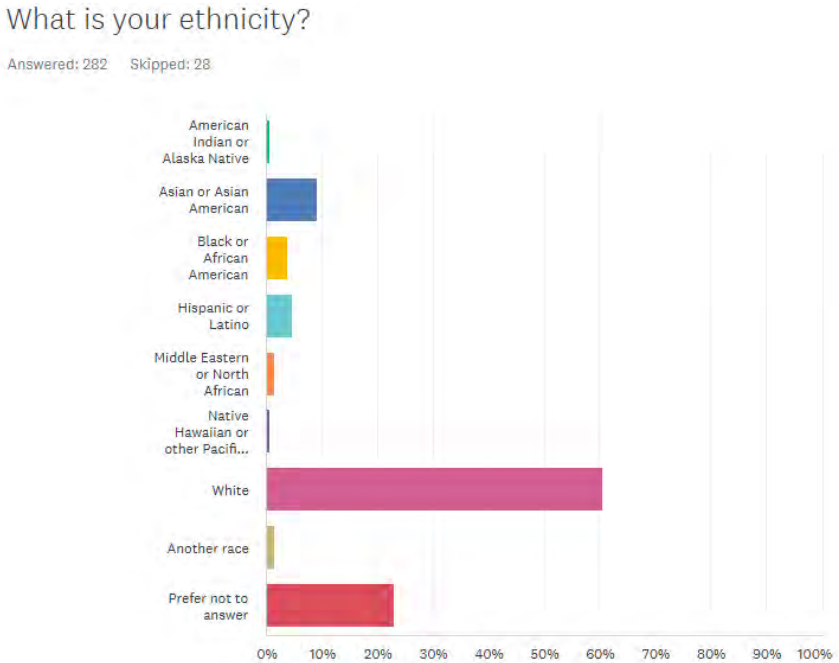

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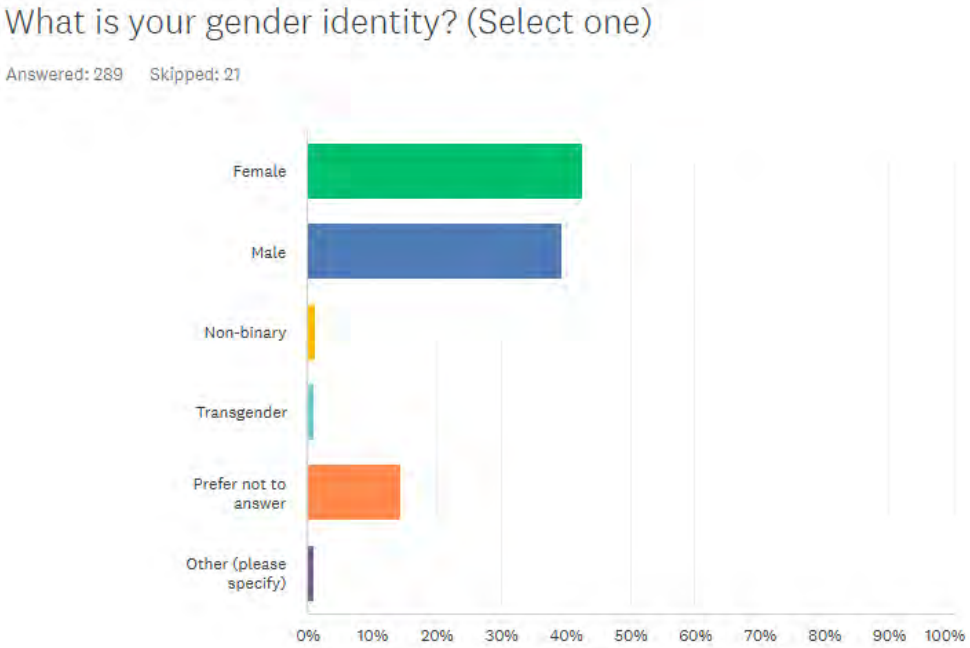

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