



A broad challenge ...



Public Transit Agencies Face Severe Fiscal Cliff



City Transit Systems Begin to Peer Over the Fiscal Cliff

BART and other transit agencies are budgeting the last of their pandemic-era federal relief and looking ahead to big, ongoing deficits. Solutions are still hard to find.









Bloomberg

Commuters Ditched Public Transit for Work From Home. Now There's a Crisis

- Without help, agencies warn of higher fares, service cuts
- Top transit systems see total \$6.6 billion shortfall by 2026



Public transit in the US is already underfunded. The pandemic has made it worse.

Transit officials in Boston, New York, and DC are reducing service, eliminating routes, and laying off employees to shrink budgets.

By Terry Nguyen | Dec 14, 2020, 9:00am EST



Impending 'Fiscal Cliff' Could Doom DC Transit's Dramatic

Without additional funding, the region's transit agency could be forced to reverse key changes that have improved service in the past year.

October 29, 2023, 7:00 AM PDT

By Diana Ionescu 🎔 @aworkoffiction



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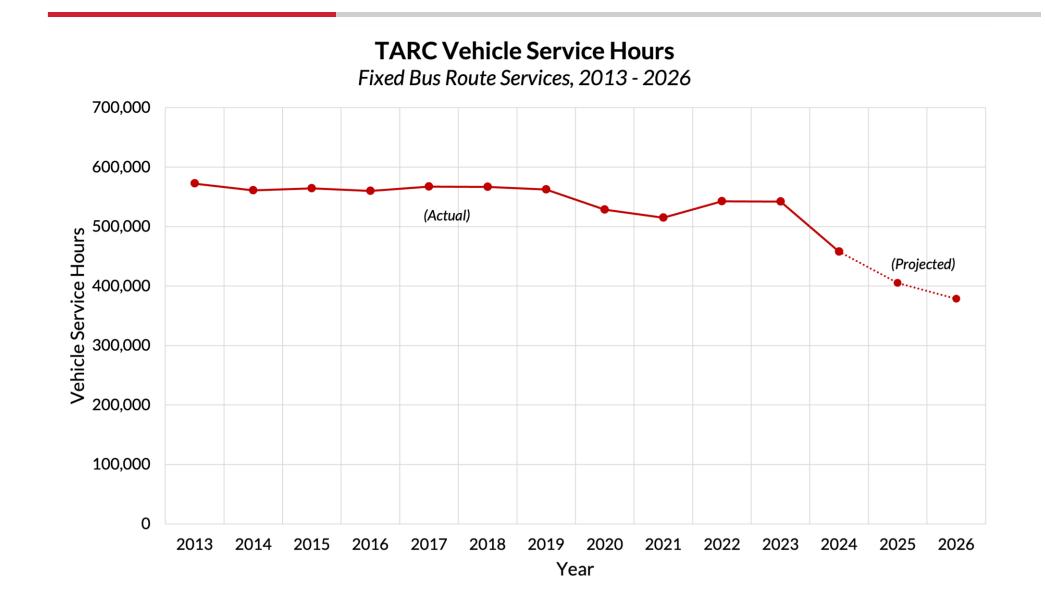
On the Edge of a Fiscal Cliff: Transit Agencies Seek Solutions Post-COVID

Big-city transit struggles amid mounting budget pressures, lost ridership, and changing customer expectations while smaller systems are leading through innovation.

...many U.S. transit systems are facing fiscal cliffs



WITH NO NEW FUNDING, SERVICE WILL DECREASE BY ABOUT 50%





DIFFERENT GOALS, DIFFERENT SERVICE

If TARC must cut service, to fit its current revenues, where on

this spectrum should we be?



Coverage Concept Get some transit service close to as many people as possible, even if it is not very useful.

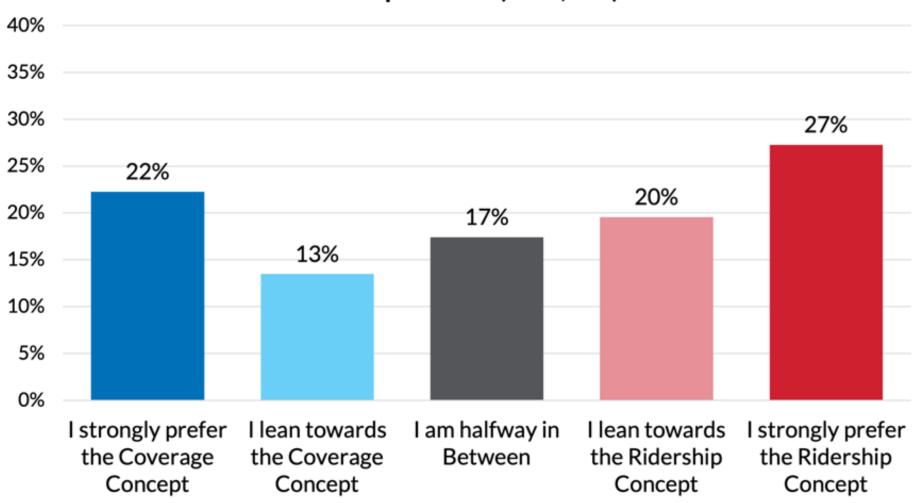
Provide very useful service so that many people can reach the most opportunities.





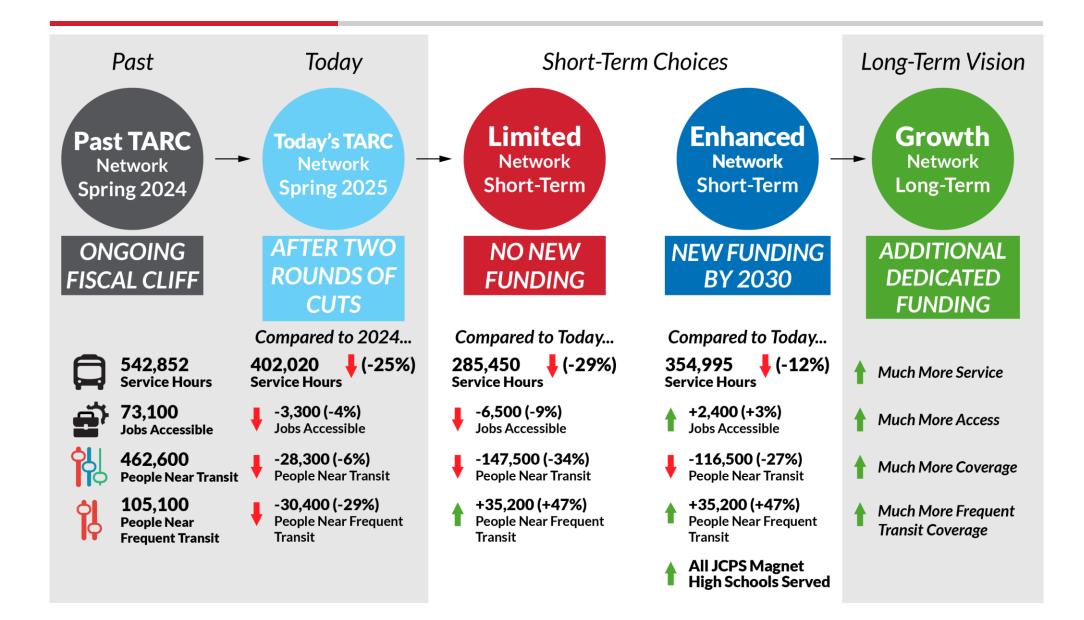
PUBLIC SURVEY RIDERSHIP COVERAGE BALANCE







NETWORK SCENARIOS







Existing Network

TARC - Louisville Area Spring 2025 Network

At midday, the bus comes about every...

—0— 15 minutes or better

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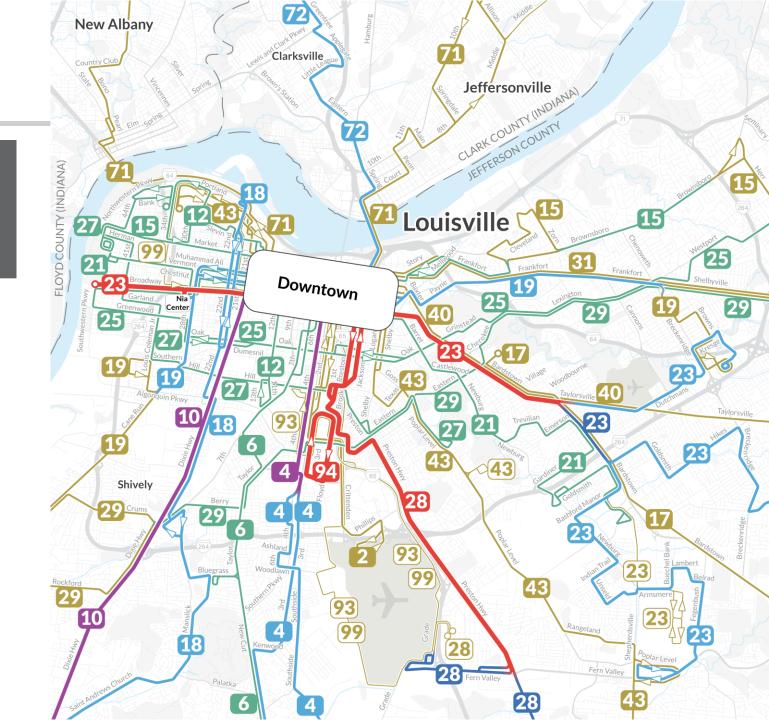
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Limited or peak-only trips

Route branches continue at lower frequency





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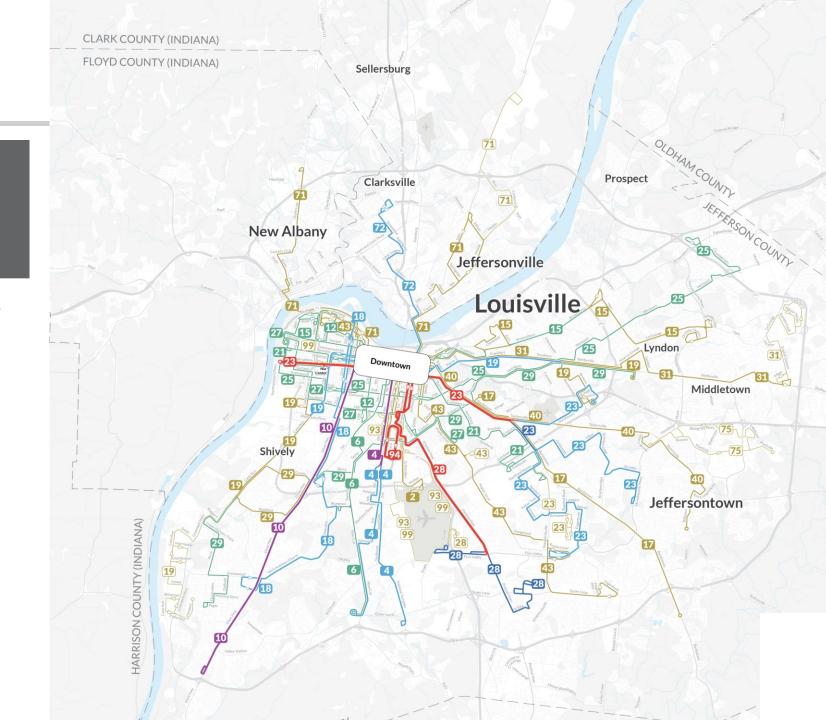
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Limited Plan

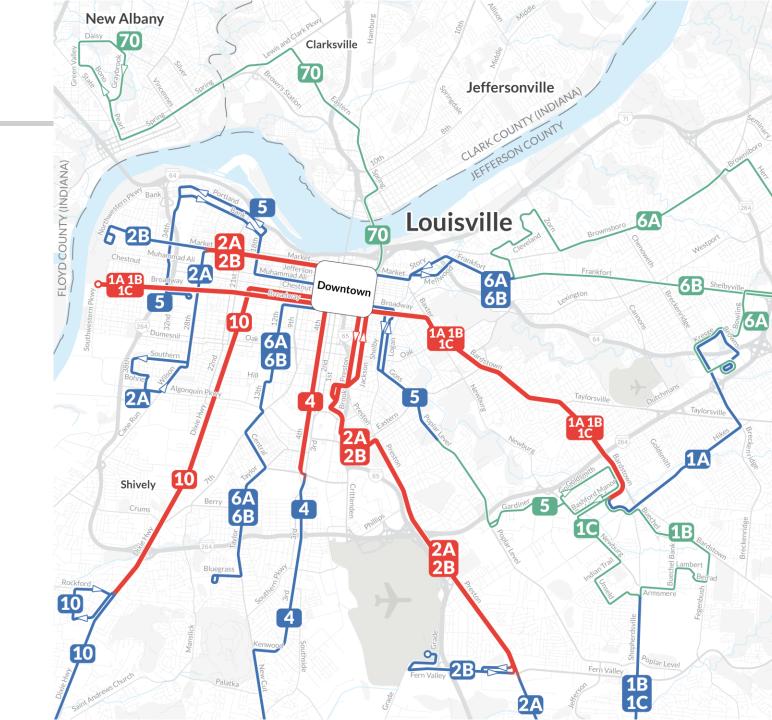
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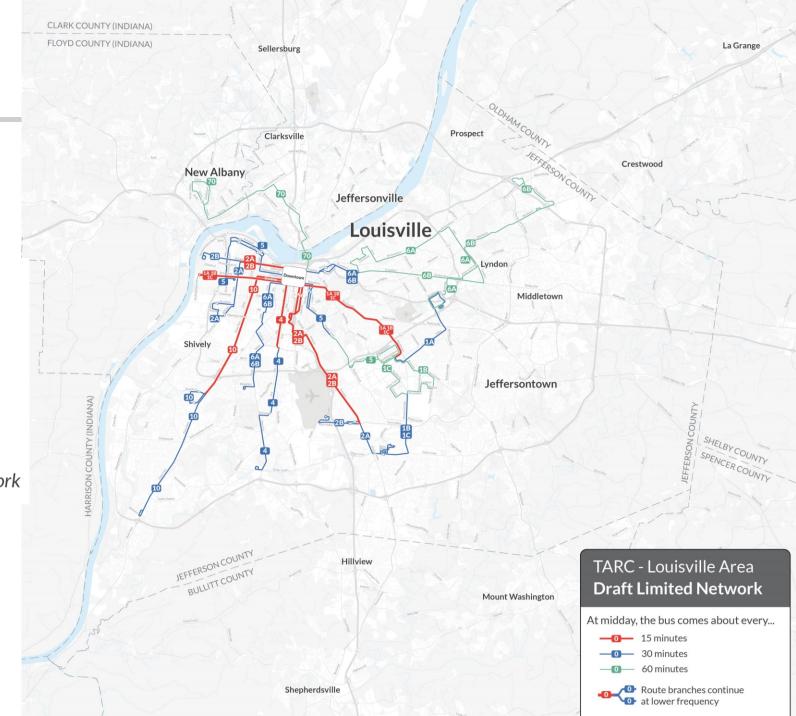
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Enhanced Plan

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Expanded Service (Every 30 Minutes) at School Start/End Times

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Better Frequency at School Times





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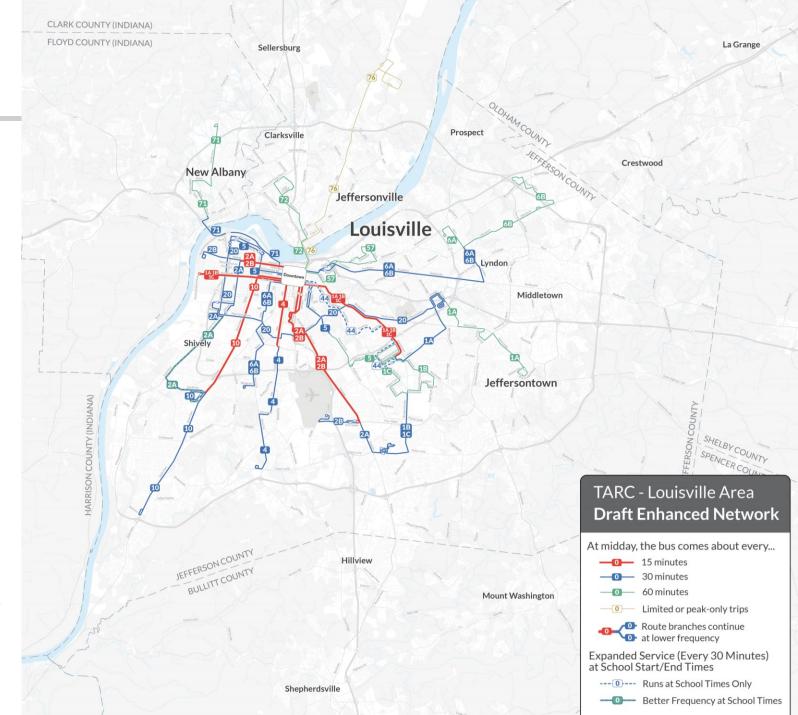
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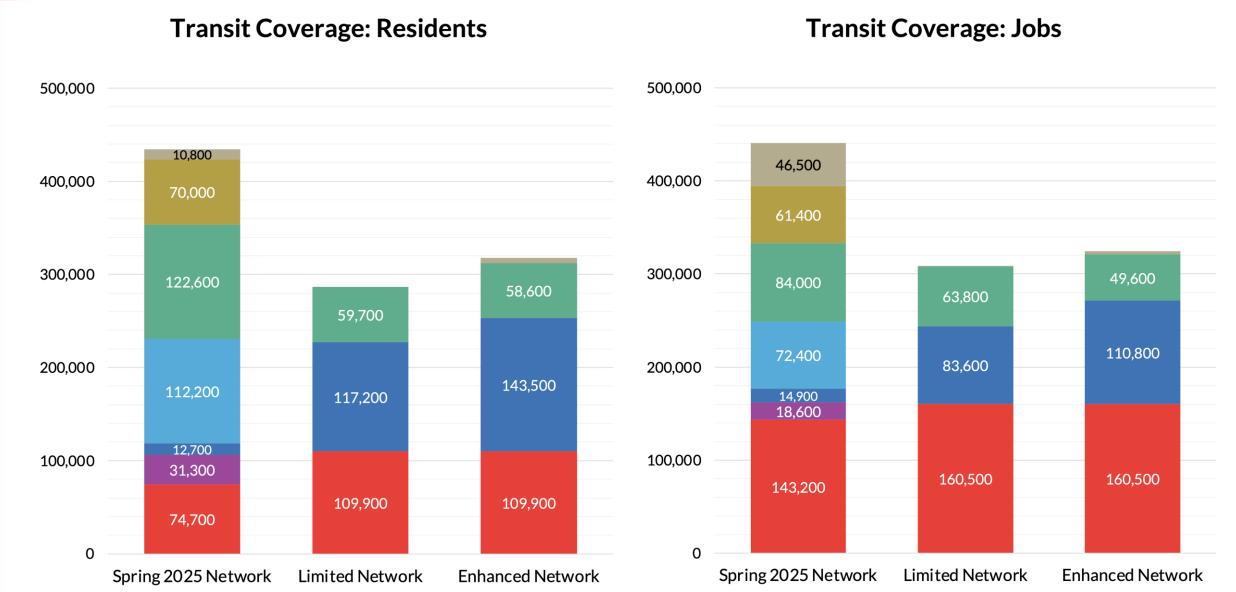
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Proximity or Coverage: Residents & Jobs



From UofL

Where can I be in 60 minutes?

Today I could reach

- 242,200 Jobs
- 219,800 Residents

In the **Spring 2024 Network**, how far can I travel from **University of Louisville Campus**

I can reach...
242,200 Jobs
and
219,800 Residents

within 60 minutes, at midday on weekdays?





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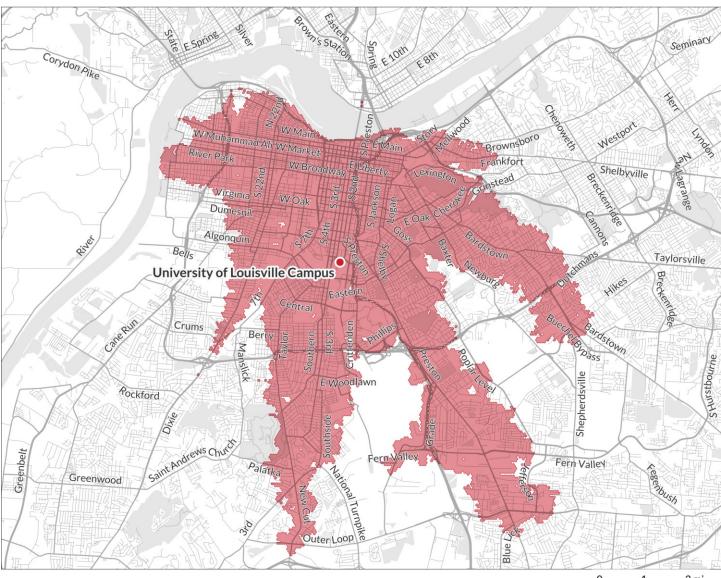
In the **Limited Network** I could reach

- -7% Jobs
- -10% Residents

In the **Draft Limited Network**, how far can I travel from **University of Louisville Campus**

I can reach...
226,000 Jobs
and
197,200 Residents

within 60 minutes, at midday on weekdays?





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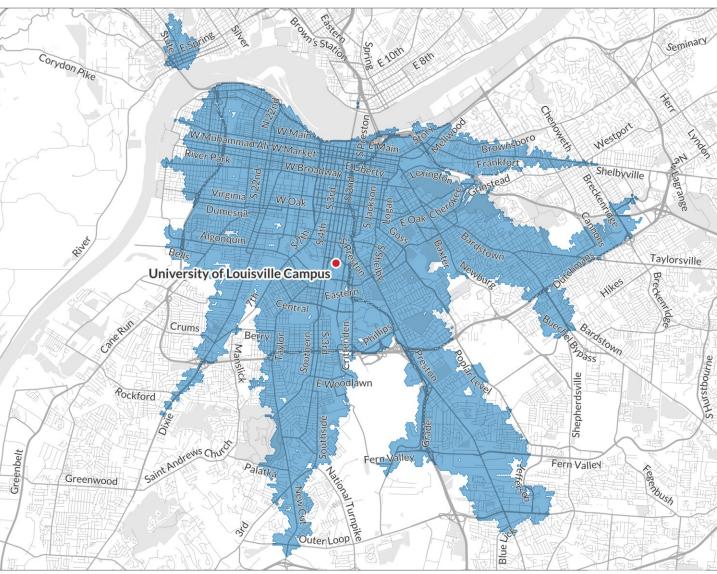
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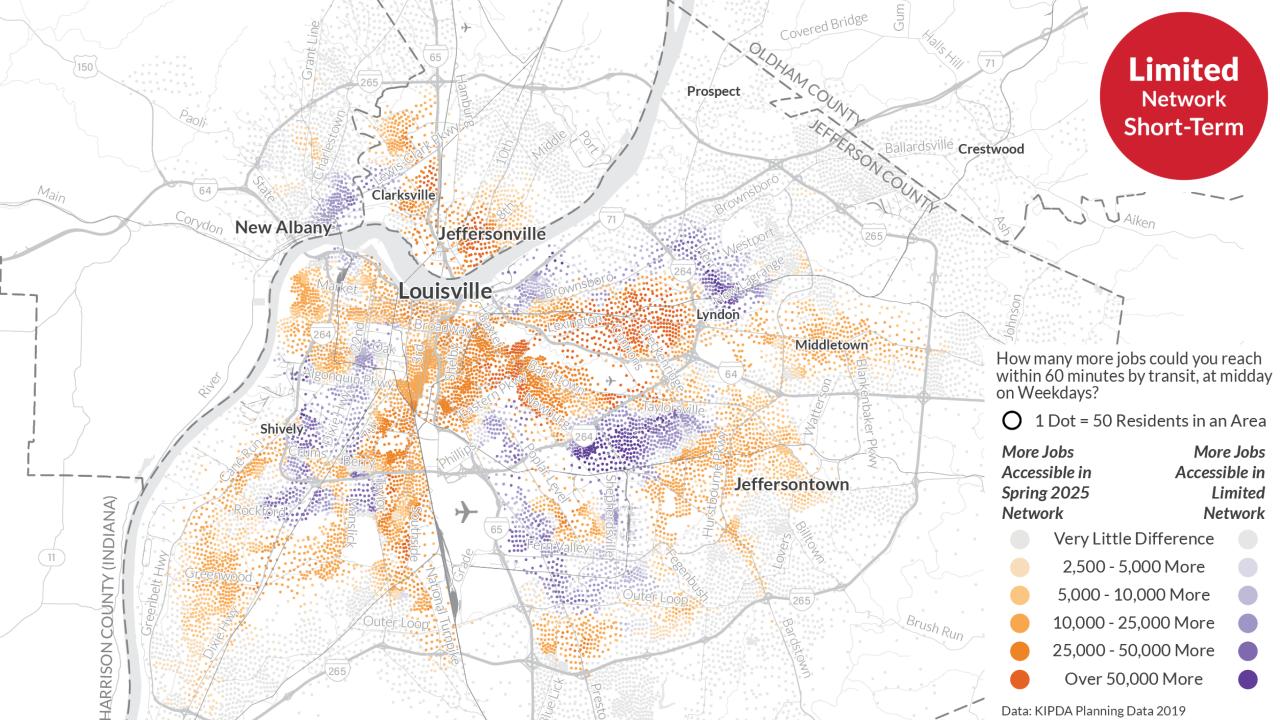
- +2% Jobs
- -2% Residents

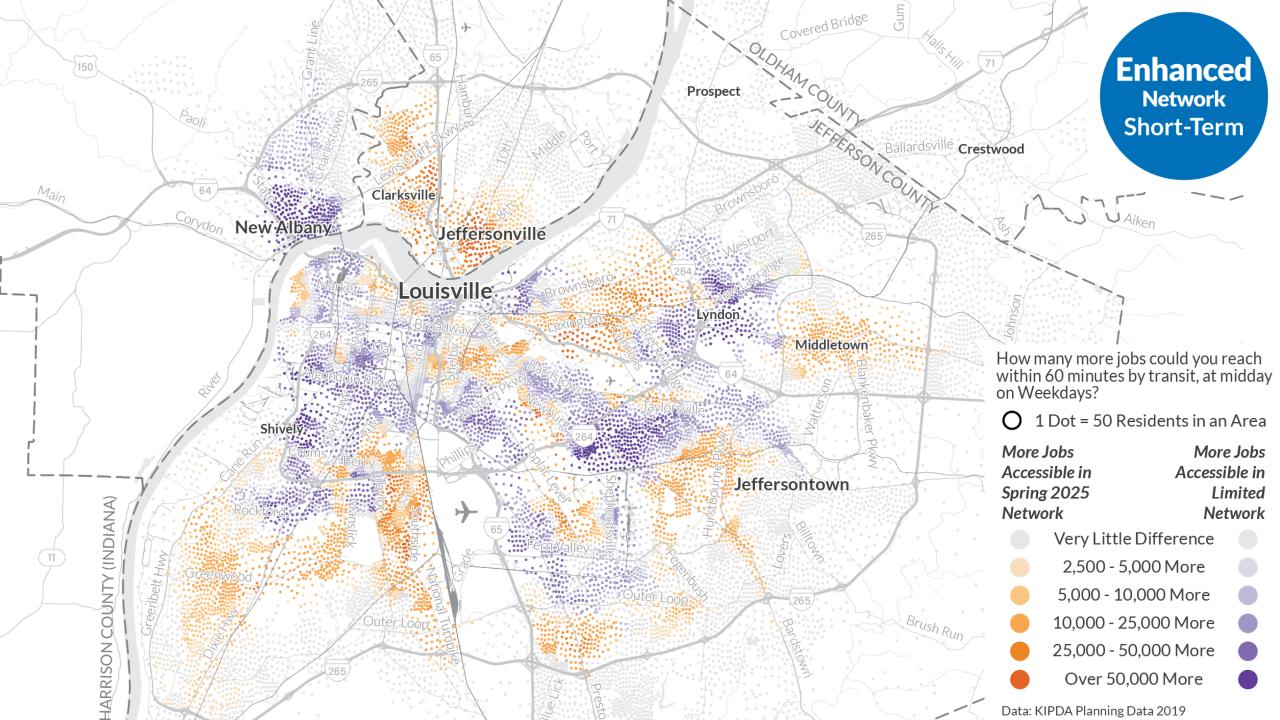
In the **Draft Enhanced Network**, how far can I travel from **University of Louisville Campus**

I can reach...
247,900 Jobs
and
216,500 Residents

within 60 minutes, at midday on weekdays?





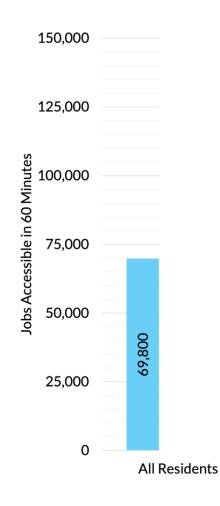




AVERAGE ACCESS CHANGE

Jobs Accessible in 60 Minutes - Jefferson County

At midday on weekdays, on average, how many jobs are accessible by transit within 60 minutes for...



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Growth Network

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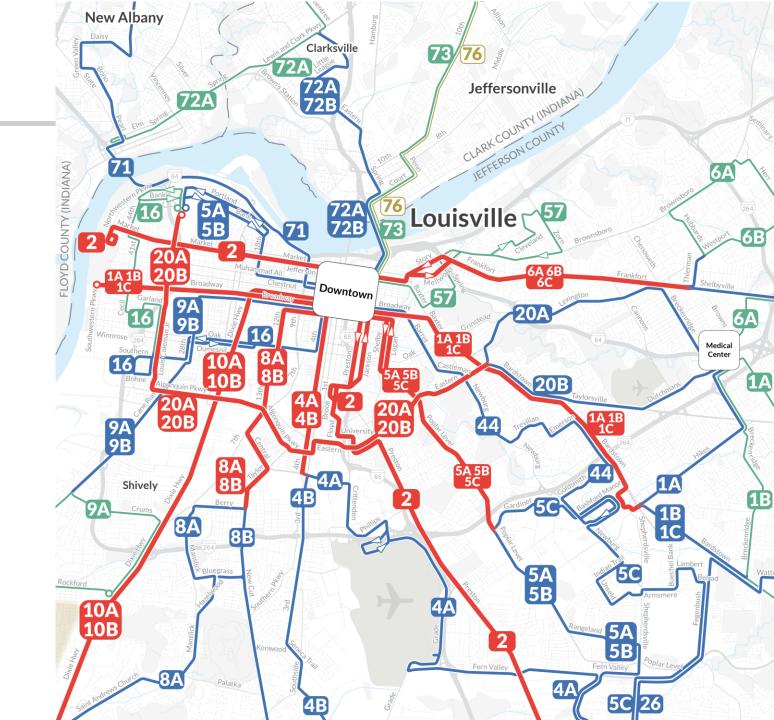
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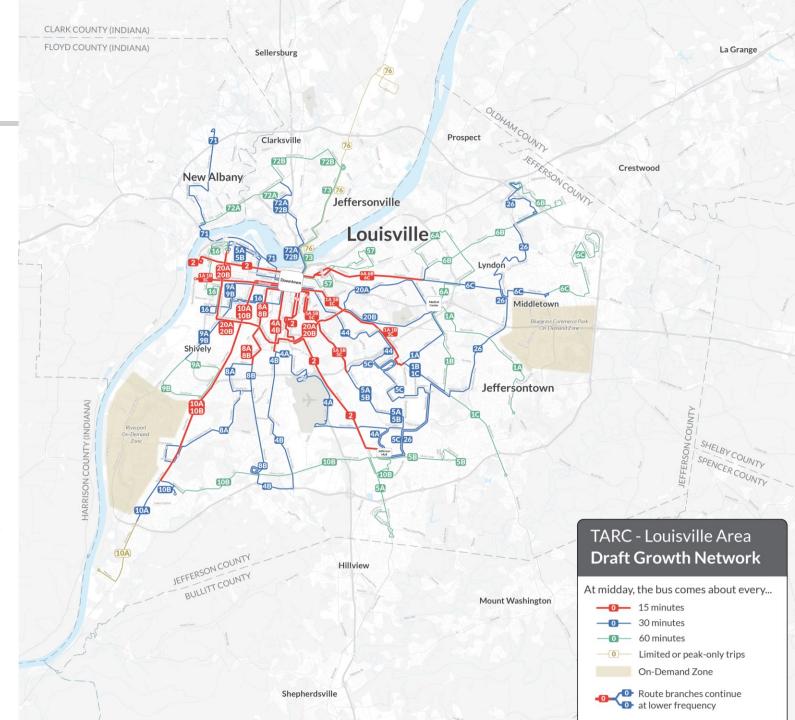
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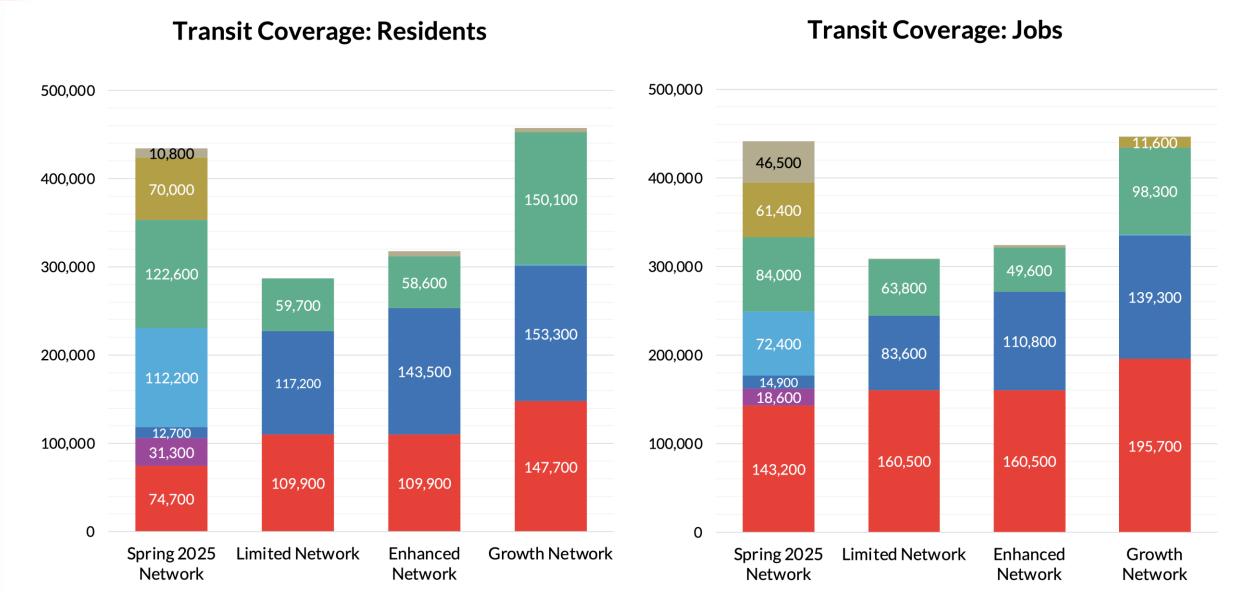
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ESTIMATED ACCESS OUTCOMES

Based on previous Growth Concept analysis we expect

- More than 20% improvement in jobs reachable for the average resident.
- More than 15% improvement in jobs reachable for the average resident in poverty.
- More than 20% improvement in jobs reachable for the average resident of color.
- More than 10% improvement in jobs reachable for the average resident without a vehicle.



WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Tell us what you think!

- Take the Survey.
- Send out an e-blast to your organization.
- Help us identify a community event to canvass.
- Have a speaker come to your community meeting.
- Help us reach the community
 - Many community events and public meetings
 - March 5 April 30
- Stay up to date on future events at our website: <u>https://www.ridetarc.org/tarc2025/</u>



If you can help with any of this, contact TARC2025@ridetarc.org, or 502-561-5115

