Funding for Georgia’s transit agencies is comprised of four main categories:

1. Revenues from fare collection, parking, advertising and other sources
2. Local funds generated through sales tax, property tax and other fees
3. Federal appropriations and grants
4. State funds
A Reminder:

Funding Sources and Flow
History of State Transit Funding in Georgia

- State supports GRTA/SRTA’s Xpress Bus service with annual appropriations
- Only other annual funding is minimal state match for federal rural transit $
- 2015 – GO! Transit Bond Program: $75 million for competitive capital grants
- Georgia is the largest state offering no dedicated funding for transit
Percentage of Total Transit Funds From the State of GA: 1.24%
Total State Funds Spent on Transit in GA: $14,488,110

NATIONAL AVERAGES
26.90%  $270,849,704

Source: National Transit Database
Georgia Rankings in Various Categories vs. All 50 States

Total State Funding: **27th** ($14,488,110)

% of Total Funding from State: **45th** (1.24%)

State Transit Funding Per Transit Trip: **45th** ($0.09)

**NATIONAL AVERAGE:** $1.32

State Transit Funding Per Capita: **37th** ($1.42)

**NATIONAL AVERAGE:** $43.05
Only 5 States Ranking Below Georgia in All Categories

Colorado's state transit funding is lower due to the existence of a regional sales tax in the Denver area. Total transit funding in Colorado is $1.738 billion, compared to $1.164 billion in Georgia (mostly MARTA sales tax).

Population (2016):
Georgia: 10.2 million
Atlanta Region: 4.4 million*

*10-county
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Further Comparison of Georgia to Selected Competitor States

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*NOTE: Virginia ridership does not include Washington Metro*
In summary, Georgia ranks low in terms of state participation in transit:

- 45th in % of funding from the state
- 45th in state funds per transit trip
- 37th in state funds per capita
- 27th in total state funds for transit
- Significantly below our most direct economic competitors across the board
- Significantly below the national average in all categories
- Significantly below the median of 12% state participation, $6.57 in state funds per capita, and $0.89 per transit trip - despite the 10th HIGHEST ridership
What is Georgia’s vision for transit?

- Permanent Funding Source
- Governance Structure
- Service Coordination
- Local Decision-making