

Introduction

Welcome to the March 2023 Customer Survey!

This survey is about your experiences using transit and your viewpoints on important issues. Your responses are extremely valuable.

Your insights will help us serve your changing needs.

As always, your responses will be anonymous, and no personal data will be shared with third parties.

Thank You,

RTA Market Research Team



Panel Membership

Welcome!

The RTA has created a Customer Panel to collect frequent and timely short surveys. We always welcome new members to improve the quality of the data we collect. If you choose to join to the panel, you will receive quarterly invitations from "SurveyResearch@rtachicago.org" to take similar surveys.

You may choose to leave the panel at any time by clicking to the unsubscribe link that appears at the bottom of the survey invitations.

Would you like to be a part o	f RTA's Customer Panel?
Yes	
○ No	



Eligibility - Returning Members

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Yes No					
) NO					



Eligibility - New Members

Are you still a	a resident of I	llinois, Wisc	onsin, or l	ndiana?	
Yes					
○ No					



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Based on your current response, you do not qualify for the March 2023 RTA Customer Survey this time.

Thank you.



Travel Behavior

Let's start by reviewing or defining your typical and non-typical transit trips.

How long have you been riding transit in the Chicago region? (If you are using transit regularly now, include the time you may have stopped using transit during the pandemic).

- 1 2 years
- 3 4 years
- 5 6 years
- 7 8 years
- 9 10 years
- 11 20 years
- More than 20 years



Typical Transit Trip

<u>FOR THE LAST 3 MONTHS</u>, consider a trip that you <u>REGULARLY</u> make during a <u>TYPICAL</u> week using <u>TRANSIT</u> (CTA/Metra/Pace/ADA Paratransit). This trip could be your commute to work, trip to school, or a routine trip for another purpose.

Example:

John lives in a suburb where he takes a Pace bus to a Metra station. He commutes 3 days a week to his workplace in the City of Chicago and he attends graduate school in Downtown Chicago 2 evenings a week. He takes Metra and Pace to return home when he travels to Downtown. John's typical transit trip is his trip to his workplace by Pace and Metra.



Typical Transit Trip

In this section, we will focus on the number of TYPICAL transit trips you make in a
typical week and your mode of travel.

Example:

John commutes 3 days a week, therefore, he would choose "2-3 days/week" for the question below.

FOR THE LAST 3 MONTHS,	how often do	you ride transit	for your <u>TYP</u> I	CAL transit
trip?				

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- 4-5 days/week
- 2-3 days/week
- Once a week
- 1-3 days/month
- Less than once a month
- Stopped using transit



Example: Since John takes Metra and Pace to commute to work, he would choose "I used multiple modes for my typical trip" below. What is your MODE of travel for your TYPICAL transit trip? I use multiple modes for my typical transit trip. CTA Bus CTA Rail Metra Pace ADA Paratransit



Primary Transit Mode

CTA Bus	or your <u>TYPI</u>	_ •		
CTA Rail				
Metra				
Pace				



Secondary Mode

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{{ Q7 }}					
CTA Bus					
CTA Rail					
Metra					
Pace					
Place other mo	des here, if you u	se more than t	wo modes for yo	our TYPICAL trans	sit trip



Trip Purpose

FOR THE LAST 3 MONTHS, what is the main purpose of your TYPICAL transit trip?
commuting to/from work
traveling to/from school
business related trips
visiting family/friends
entertainment
recreation
shopping (groceries, supplies)
medical appointments
opersonal business
eating/drinking out
traveling to a place of worship



End of Eligibility Survey

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In the next section, we will ask you about your general satisfaction with transit service in the region and your viewpoints on personal safety while riding transit.



Satisfaction wi	

For the questions below, please consider your experience with all transit services you have used (CTA/Metra/Pace).

IN THE PAST 3 MONTHS,

How satisfied are you with the value of service considering the fare paid?

Very									Very
Dissatisfied									Satisfied
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

How likely are you to recommend public transit to others?

Very									Very
Dissatisfied									Satisfied
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Overall, how satisfied are you with Chicago-area public transit?

Very									Very
Dissatisfied									Satissfied
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10



Primary Transit Use

o you?			
CTA Bus			
CTA Rail			
Metra			
Pace			



CTA Bus

Think about the CTA Bus trips you've made **IN THE PAST 3 MONTHS**.

Please indicate how each of the following strategies would impact your perception of personal safety/security

	Less safe	Neutral	More safe
Police Officers			
Private security personnel		\bigcirc	\bigcirc
K-9 dog patrols			
Ambassador/Social worker		\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Enhanced lighting			\bigcirc
Clean, well- maintained stations, platforms, & vehicles			
Presence of other passengers/Full vehicle	0		\circ
Frequent and reliable service			



Safety Concerns - CTA Bus

Think about the CTA Bus trips you've made IN THE PAST 3 MONTHS.

What makes you feel less safe/secure while riding transit?

	Much less safe	Somewhat less safe	Neutral/Not concerned		
Dangerous or suspicious behavior		\circ			
Use of vehicle as a temporary shelter		\bigcirc			
Disturbance such as excessive noise	\bigcirc	\circ			
Substance use (alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, etc.)	\bigcirc				
Less crowded vehicles/stations	\bigcirc	\circ			
Damaged facilities or broken vehicles	\bigcirc	\bigcirc			
Dirty facilities and infrastructure (e.g., graffiti)	\bigcirc		0		
Other factors that make you feel less safe (please specify – limit of 140 characters)					



Experience with Safety Issues - CTA Bus

Please answer these questions considering your CTA Bus trips $\underline{\text{IN THE PAST 3}}$ $\underline{\text{MONTHS}}.$

Mark the options below that best corresponds with your experience. You may select more than one option per row.

	I have heard about this through word of mouth or social media	I have heard about this through traditional news media	I have witnessed this	Have not witnessed or Don't Know
Robbery, theft, or related crime				
Assault or related crimes				
Harassment				
Use of vehicle as a temporary shelter				
Disturbance such as excessive noise				
Nuisance related to alcohol, tobacco, or marijuana use				
Damaged facilities or broken vehicles				
Dirty facilities or infrastructure				



CTA Rail

Think about the CTA Rail trips you've made <u>IN THE PAST 3 MONTHS</u>.

Please indicate how each of the following strategies would impact your perception of personal safety/security.

	Less safe	Neutral	More safe
Police Officers			
Private security personnel		\bigcirc	\bigcirc
K-9 dog patrols			
Ambassador/Social worker		\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Enhanced lighting			
Clean, well- maintained stations, platforms, & vehicles			
Presence of other passengers/Full vehicle	0		\bigcirc
Frequent and reliable service	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc



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Substance use (alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, etc.)	\bigcirc		\circ		
Less crowded vehicles/stations	\bigcirc	\circ	\bigcirc		
Damaged facilities or broken vehicles	\bigcirc	\bigcirc			
Dirty facilities and infrastructure (e.g., graffiti)			0		
Other factors that make you feel less safe (please specify – limit of 140 characters)					



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Dirty facilities or infrastructure				



Metra

Think about the Metra trips you've made IN THE PAST 3 MONTHS.

Please indicate how each of the following strategies would impact your perception of personal safety/security.

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Police Officers			
Private security personnel		\bigcirc	\bigcirc
K-9 dog patrols			
Ambassador/Social worker		\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Enhanced lighting			
Clean, well- maintained stations, platforms, & vehicles			
Presence of other passengers/Full vehicle	0		\bigcirc
Frequent and reliable service	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc



Safety Concerns - Metra

Think about the Metra trips you've made IN THE PAST 3 MONTHS.

What makes you feel less safe/secure while riding transit?

	Much less safe	Somewhat less safe	Neutral/Not concerned
Dangerous or suspicious behavior	\bigcirc	\circ	
Use of vehicle as a temporary shelter	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	
Disturbance such as excessive noise	\bigcirc	\circ	
Substance use (alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, etc.)	\bigcirc		
Less crowded vehicles/stations	\bigcirc	\circ	
Damaged facilities or broken vehicles	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	
Dirty facilities and infrastructure (e.g., graffiti)	\circ	\bigcirc	
Other factors that make y	you feel less safe (please	specify – limit of 140 character	rs)



Experience with Safety Issues - Metra

Please answer these questions considering your Metra trips $\underline{\text{IN THE PAST 3}}$ $\underline{\text{MONTHS}}.$

Mark the options below that best corresponds with your experience. You may select more than one option per row.

	I have heard about this through word of mouth or social media	I have heard about this through traditional news media	I have witnessed this	Have not witnessed or Don't Know
Robbery, theft, or related crime				
Assault or related crimes				
Harassment				
Use of vehicle as a temporary shelter				
Disturbance such as excessive noise				
Nuisance related to alcohol, tobacco, or marijuana use				
Damaged facilities or broken vehicles				
Dirty facilities or infrastructure				



Pace Bus

Think about the Pace trips you've made <u>IN THE PAST 3 MONTHS</u>.

Please indicate how each of the following strategies would impact your perception of personal safety/security.

	Less safe	Neutral	More safe
Police Officers			
Private security personnel		\bigcirc	\bigcirc
K-9 dog patrols			
Ambassador/Social worker		\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Enhanced lighting			\bigcirc
Clean, well- maintained stations, platforms, & vehicles			
Presence of other passengers/Full vehicle	0		\circ
Frequent and reliable service	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc



Safety Concerns - Pace

Think about the Pace trips you've made **IN THE PAST 3 MONTHS**.

What makes you feel less safe/secure while riding transit?

	Much less safe	Somewhat less safe	Neutral/Not concerned
Dangerous or suspicious behavior	\bigcirc	\circ	
Use of vehicle as a temporary shelter	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	
Disturbance such as excessive noise	\bigcirc	\circ	\bigcirc
Substance use (alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, etc.)	\bigcirc		\circ
Less crowded vehicles/stations	\bigcirc	\circ	\bigcirc
Damaged facilities or broken vehicles	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	
Dirty facilities and infrastructure (e.g., graffiti)			0
Other factors that make y	ou feel less safe (please	e specify – limit of 140 characte	75)



Experience with Safety Issues - Pace

Please answer these questions considering your Pace trips $\underline{\text{IN THE PAST 3 MONTHS}}$ only.

Mark the options below that best corresponds with your experience. You may select more than one option per row.

	I have heard about this through word of mouth or social media	I have heard about this through traditional news media	I have witnessed this	Have not witnessed or Don't Know
Robbery, theft, or related crime				
Assault or related crimes				
Harassment				
Use of vehicle as a temporary shelter				
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Dirty facilities or infrastructure				



Secondary Service

	other service	besides {{	Q13 }}?		
Yes					
No					



Safety Using Other Services

Please answer the previous three questions again,	, this time considering a different
service besides {{ Q13 }}.	

Considering your travel <u>IN THE PAST 3 MONTHS</u>, which other service was also important to you?

\bigcirc	CTA	Bus
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CTA Rail

Metra

Pace



CTA Bus

Think about the CTA Bus trips you've made **IN THE PAST 3 MONTHS**.

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	Less safe	Neutral	More safe
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Private security personnel		\bigcirc	\bigcirc
K-9 dog patrols			
Ambassador/Social worker		\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Enhanced lighting			
Clean, well- maintained stations, platforms, & vehicles	\bigcirc		
Presence of other passengers/Full vehicle	0		
Frequent and reliable service	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	



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Substance use (alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, etc.)	\bigcirc		
Less crowded vehicles/stations	\bigcirc	\circ	
Damaged facilities or broken vehicles	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	
Dirty facilities and infrastructure (e.g., graffiti)	\bigcirc		0
Other factors that make y	ou feel less safe (please	e specify – limit of 140 character	rs)



Experience with Safety Issues - CTA Bus

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Harassment				
Use of vehicle as a temporary shelter				
Disturbance such as excessive noise				
Nuisance related to alcohol, tobacco, or marijuana use				
Damaged facilities or broken vehicles				
Dirty facilities or infrastructure				



CTA Rail

Think about the CTA Rail trips you've made **IN THE PAST 3 MONTHS**.

Please indicate how each of the following strategies would impact your perception of personal safety/security.

	Less safe	Neutral	More safe
Police Officers			
Private security personnel			\bigcirc
K-9 dog patrols			
Ambassador/Social worker		\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Enhanced lighting			
Clean, well- maintained stations, platforms, & vehicles			
Presence of other passengers/Full vehicle	0		\bigcirc
Frequent and reliable service	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc



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Substance use (alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, etc.)	\bigcirc		
Less crowded vehicles/stations	\circ	\bigcirc	
Damaged facilities or broken vehicles	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Dirty facilities and infrastructure (e.g., graffiti)	\bigcirc		0
Other factors that make you feel less safe (please specify – limit of 140 characters)			



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Harassment				
Use of vehicle as a temporary shelter				
Disturbance such as excessive noise				
Nuisance related to alcohol, tobacco, or marijuana use				
Damaged facilities or broken vehicles				
Dirty facilities or infrastructure				



Metra

Think about the Metra trips you've made IN THE PAST 3 MONTHS.

Please indicate how each of the following strategies would impact your perception of personal safety/security.

	Less safe	Neutral	More safe
Police Officers			
Private security personnel			\bigcirc
K-9 dog patrols			
Ambassador/Social worker	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Enhanced lighting			
Clean, well- maintained stations, platforms, & vehicles			
Presence of other passengers/Full vehicle	0		\circ
Frequent and reliable service	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc



Safety Concerns - Metra

Think about the Metra trips you've made IN THE PAST 3 MONTHS.

What makes you feel less safe/secure while riding transit?

	Much less safe	Somewhat less safe	Neutral/Not concerned	
Dangerous or suspicious behavior	\bigcirc	\circ		
Use of vehicle as a temporary shelter	\bigcirc	\bigcirc		
Disturbance such as excessive noise	\bigcirc	\circ		
Substance use (alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, etc.)	\bigcirc			
Less crowded vehicles/stations	\bigcirc	\circ		
Damaged facilities or broken vehicles	\bigcirc	\bigcirc		
Dirty facilities and infrastructure (e.g., graffiti)	\circ	\bigcirc	0	
Other factors that make you feel less safe (please specify – limit of 140 characters)				



Experience with Safety Issues - Metra

Please answer these questions considering your Metra trips $\underline{\text{IN THE PAST 3}}$ $\underline{\text{MONTHS}}.$

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Harassment				
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Disturbance such as excessive noise				
Nuisance related to alcohol, tobacco, or marijuana use				
Damaged facilities or broken vehicles				
Dirty facilities or infrastructure				



Pace Bus

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Private security personnel		\bigcirc	\bigcirc
K-9 dog patrols			
Ambassador/Social worker		\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Enhanced lighting			
Clean, well- maintained stations, platforms, & vehicles			
Presence of other passengers/Full vehicle	0		\bigcirc
Frequent and reliable service	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc



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Use of vehicle as a temporary shelter	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	
Disturbance such as excessive noise	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	
Substance use (alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, etc.)	\bigcirc		
Less crowded vehicles/stations	\circ	\bigcirc	
Damaged facilities or broken vehicles	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
Dirty facilities and infrastructure (e.g., graffiti)	\bigcirc		0
Other factors that make you feel less safe (please specify – limit of 140 characters)			



Experience with Safety Issues - Pace

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	media	media	this	or Don't Know
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Assault or related crimes				
Harassment				
Use of vehicle as a temporary shelter				
Disturbance such as excessive noise				
Nuisance related to alcohol, tobacco, or marijuana use				
Damaged facilities or broken vehicles				
Dirty facilities or infrastructure				



Thank you!

We are done!

Thank you very much for sharing your insights and contributing to our efforts to improve transit in our region.

We look forward to hearing from you next time!

RTA Market Research Team.



Leaving	the	Panel	

Sorry to see you leave.

We will no longer contact you for another RTA survey, unless you agree to participate in future transit surveys.