

Personal Rapid Transit



The Future of Mobility



What is Personal Rapid Transit (PRT)?

 How does a PRT system compare to other forms of public transportation?

Who else is using PRT systems?





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Wikipedia...

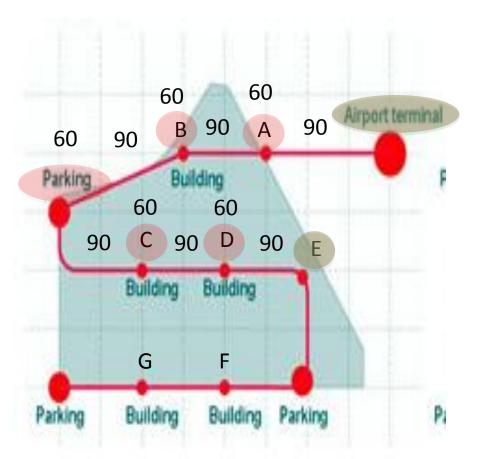


- Typically 3-6 passenger capacity
- Autonomous operation
- Steel or rubber wheeled or aircushion / maglev
- Often referred to as an Intelligent Transportation
 Network System (ITNS)
- Point-to-point travel

LRT, Heavy Rail or Monorail

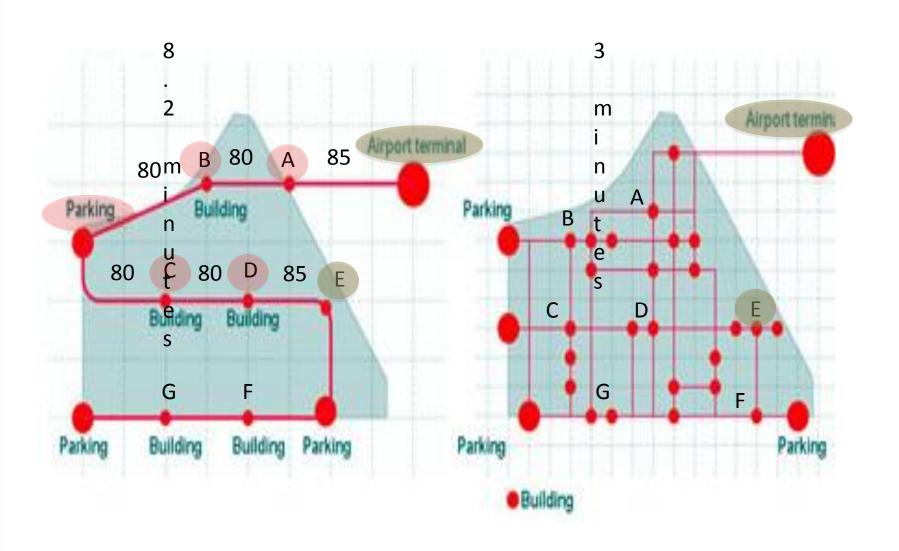


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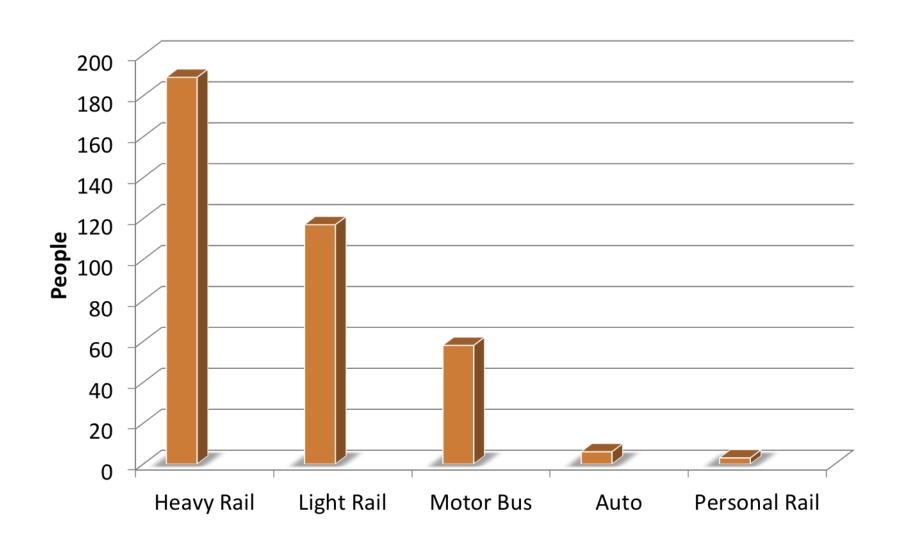
Road or Rail PRT





Vehicle Design Capacity





Transportation Rate Comparison

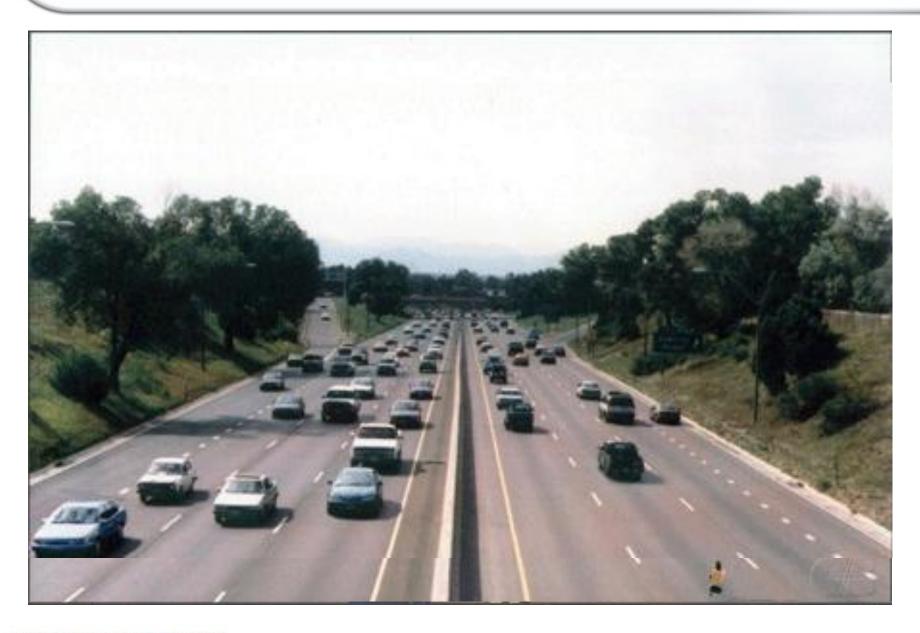


<u>LRT</u>

PRT

- ➤ 400 people / vehicle
- ➤ 3 people / vehicle
- ≥ 6 minutes / vehicle
- ≥ 2 seconds / vehicle
- >4000 people / hour
- > 5400 people / hour





PRT Requirements



- Time competitive with automobiles
- Mitigate point of use emissions
- Quiet operation
- Easy to access
- Space conscious
- Comfortable ride
- Minimize equity required by users
- Provide weather independent service
- Reliable
- Safe

Every Day in 2009...



- ≈ 474 Canadians injured, 73% urban
- ≈ 6 Canadians died, 41% urban

"Ridiculous that humans drive cars"

Eric Schmidt, CEO Google



Morgantown, West Virginia University





Daily Ridership: 16000

Average wait time: < 5 minutes

System Length: 13.2 km

Opened: 1975



Heathrow Airport, London





Average wait time: 12 s

System length: 3.9 km

Opened: 2011

Masdar City, Abu Dhabi, UAE





Average wait time: < 3 minutes

System area: 6 km²

Opening phase 1 (1km²): 2015

Completion: 2020-2025



Skytran, Concept Stage





Artists rendering

Suspension: maglev

Theoretical cruise speed: 250 km/h

Future Project Locations



- Gurgaon, India
- Suncheon, Korea
- Daventry, UK
- Dubai, UAE
- Abu Dhabi, UAE
- Santa Cruz, USA
- Milton Keynes, UK

Motive PRT, Downtown Render





Thank you



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Thank you.

