#### CURRENT FEDERAL AND STATE SOURCES OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FUNDING



New NY Bridge Mass Transportation Task Force April 26, 2013

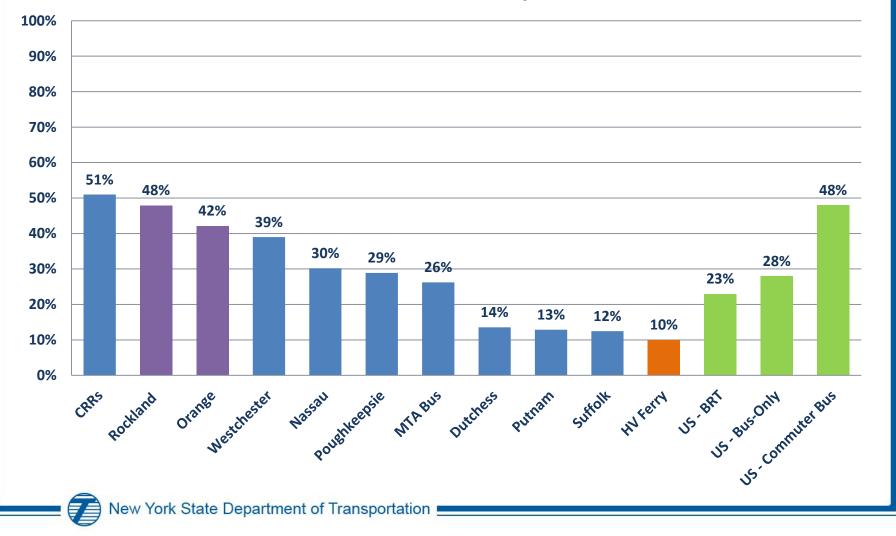
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## **OBJECTIVES...**

- Present factual information on current sources/uses of federal/State revenues for public transportation
- Begin dialogue on the feasibility of current and/or new resources to support expanded trans-Hudson commuter services
- Provide context for the current federal/State funding environment

## **NO FREE RIDE**

#### **Farebox Recovery**



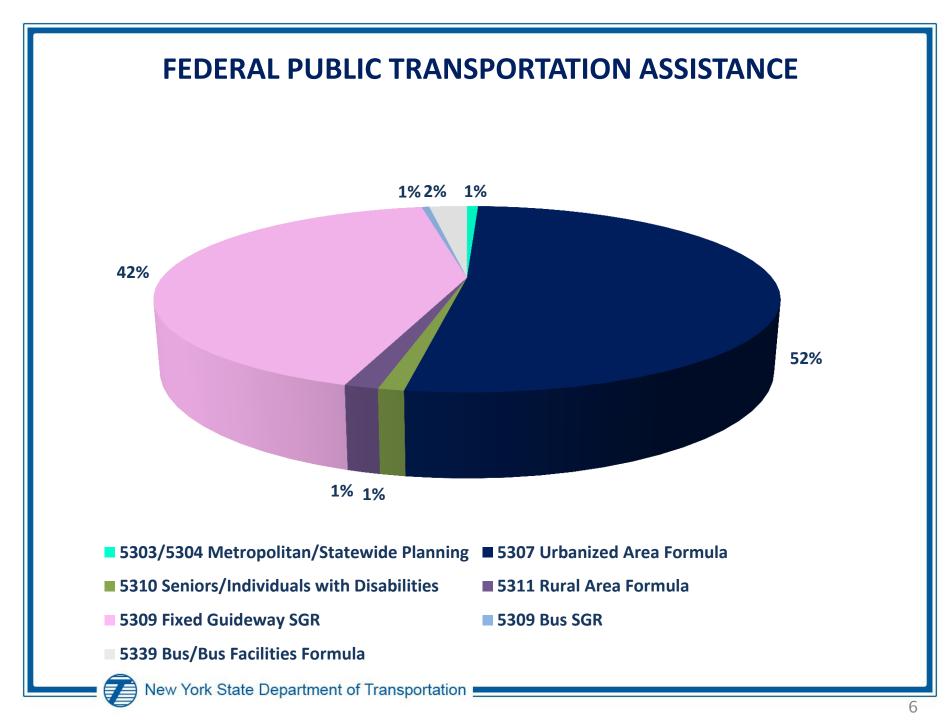
## **FEDERAL TRANSIT FUNDING**

- Separate Mass Transit Account (MTA) within the federal Highway Trust Fund (HTF)
- Account receives 20 percent of each increase in the motor fuel tax (beginning in 1983)
- The current motor fuel tax is 18.4 cents, of which 2.86 cents is dedicated to the transit
- Transit program also receives 20% of total funding through general revenues



## **MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY (MAP-21)**

- Authorizes federal transportation funds through September 30, 2014
- Extends federal motor fuel taxes through FFY 2016 and other highway trust fund related taxes through FFY 2017
- Eliminates earmarks; reduces the number of discretionary programs
- Re-focuses highway and transit resources on the repair, rehabilitation and replacement of aging infrastructure, vehicles and equipment



#### **SECTION 5307 - URBANIZED AREA FORMULA PROGRAM**

- Apportionment to urbanized areas of more than 200,000 in population based on multi-tiered formula, including:
  - Population and population density
  - Bus revenue vehicle miles
  - Fixed guideway revenue vehicle miles
  - Fixed guideway route miles
  - Incentive tier based on bus/fixed guideway passenger miles and operating costs
- Eligible activities include:
  - Replacement of buses/rollingstock
  - Construction/rehabilitation of passenger/maintenance facilities
  - Communications and fare collection systems
  - Preventive maintenance
- Federal share for eligible capital activities is 80 percent
- In FFY 2011, the ten-county urbanized area received \$680 million; 95% of which was generated by services in the five-boroughs

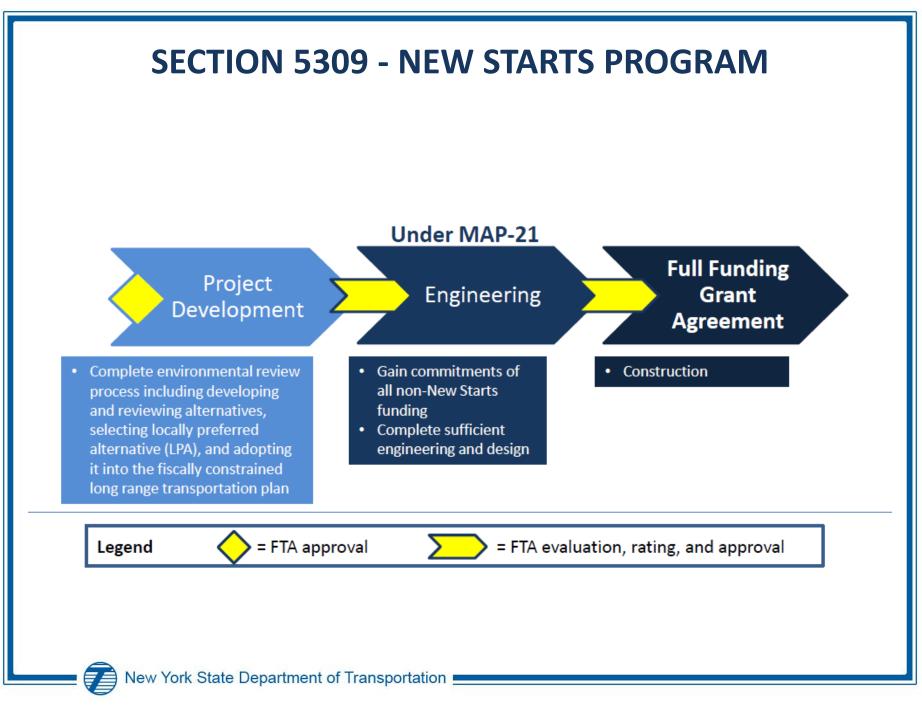


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#### **SECTION 5309 - NEW START PROGRAM**

- Provides the federal share of new/extensions to existing fixed-guideway systems
- Eligible projects include:
  - Busways/high occupancy vehicle (HOV) facilities
  - Bus Rapid transit
  - Subway systems/extensions
  - Commuter rail systems/extensions
  - Light rail systems/extensions
  - Vintage trolleys
  - Ferries
  - Other
- Federal share for eligible capital activities is 80 percent; however, practice is a maximum of 60 percent





#### **SECTION 5309 - NEW STARTS PROGRAM**

- Projects become candidates by completing the appropriate steps in the major capital investment planning and project development process
- Project must be based on the results of an Alternatives Analysis, justified against a set of statutory criteria, and supported by an *adequate* degree of local financial commitment
- Funds provided pursuant to a full funding grant agreement (FFGA) that defines the project scope/specifies the multi-year federal commitment; any additional costs are the responsibility of the project sponsor
- Funding allocation recommendations are made in an annual report to Congress: "Annual Report on New Starts"
- Significant pipeline/lengthy process

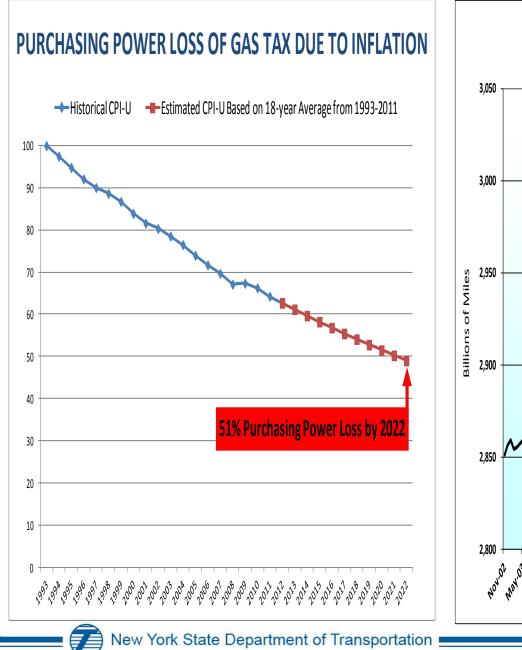
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- Adequate degree of local financial commitment, as measured by:
  - The proposed share of total project costs from sources other than from the New Starts program (overmatch)
  - The strength of the proposed project's capital financing plan
  - The ability of the sponsoring agency to fund operation and maintenance of the entire system existing and planned

## **FUTURE HAS NEVER LOOKED MURKIER**

- Sequestration
- Continuing Resolutions
- Solvency of HTF
- New House T&I Leadership/Policy Direction





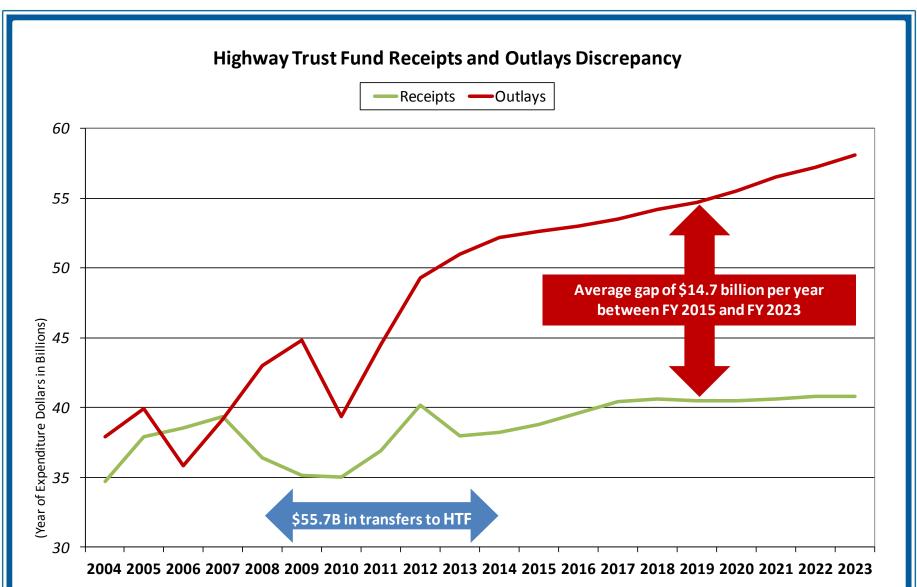


## CASH TRANSFERS TO HIGHWAY TRUST FUND TO MAINTAIN CURRENT FUNDING

Required General Fund transfer to the Highway Trust Fund

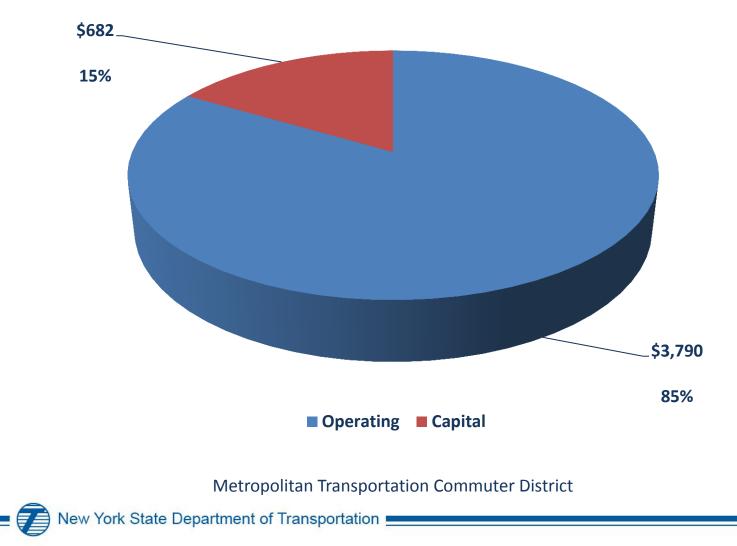
- September 2008 \$8 billion
- August 2009 \$7 billion
- March 2010 \$19.5 billion
- July 2012 \$2.4 billion (Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund)
- FFY 2013 \$6.2 billion General Fund transfer to HTF (scheduled)
- FFY 2014 \$12.6 billion General Fund transfer to HTF scheduled
  - 2014 budget proposes to increase by \$2.6 billion

Total transfers to HTF: \$55.7 billion since 2008

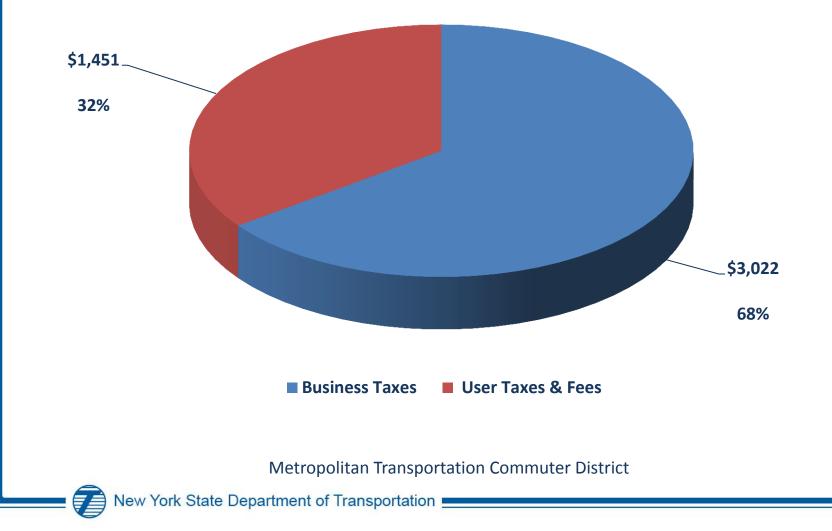


Excludes \$8.017 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway Account of HTF in September 2008; \$7 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway Account of HTF in August 2009; \$19.5 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway and Mass Transit Accounts of HTF in March 2010; \$2.4 billion transfer from Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund to HTF in July 2012; \$6.2 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway Account of HTF in FY 2013; \$10.4 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway Account of HTF in FY 2013; \$10.4 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway Account of HTF in FY 2013; \$10.4 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway Account of HTF in FY 2013; \$10.4 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway Account of HTF in FY 2014; \$2.2 billion transfer from General Fund to Mass Transit Account of HTF in FY 2014; \$10.4 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway Account of HTF in FY 2014; \$10.4 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway Account of HTF in FY 2014; \$10.4 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway Account of HTF in FY 2014; \$10.4 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway Account of HTF in FY 2014; \$10.4 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway Account of HTF in FY 2014; \$10.4 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway Account of HTF in FY 2014; \$10.4 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway Account of HTF in FY 2014; \$10.4 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway Account of HTF in FY 2014; \$10.4 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway Account of HTF in FY 2014; \$10.4 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway Account of HTF in FY 2014; \$10.4 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway Account of HTF in FY 2014; \$10.4 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway Account of HTF in FY 2014; \$10.4 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway Account of HTF in FY 2014; \$10.4 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway Account of HTF in FY 2014; \$10.4 billion transfer from General Fund to Highway Account of HTF in FY 2014; \$10.4 billion tr

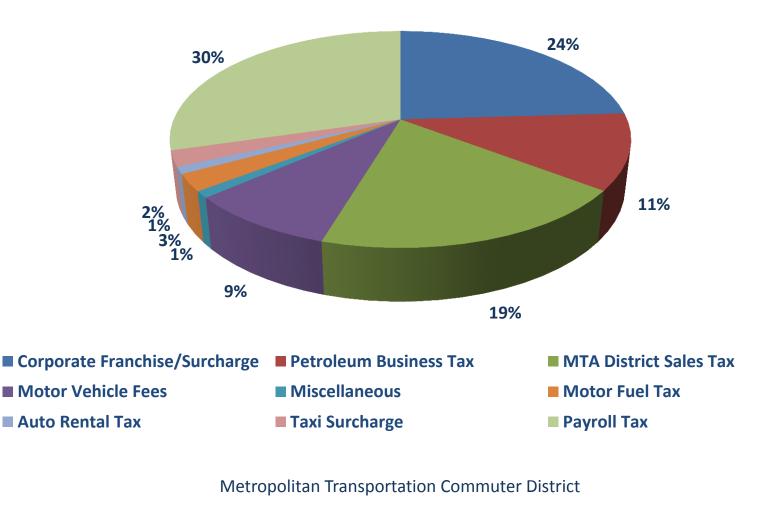
# WHAT TYPE OF STATE ASSISTANCE IS PROVIDED?



### HOW ARE STATE RESOURCES FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION GENERATED?



## WHAT ARE THE SOURCES THAT SUPPORT STATE ASSISTANCE?



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## SYSTEM REVENUES/EXPENSES

- State Operating Aid and Passenger Revenue account for +/- 66% of TOE
- State taxes and fees supporting public transportation are economically sensitive
- System labor, health, legacy and fuel costs are fastest growing components of operating budgets
- Increasing pressure on locally-derived revenues
- Growing demand fueled by changing demographics



