

Compare and contrast mass transit services

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There have been several recent letters, op-eds and editorials in The Star concerning the proposal for an expanded mass transit system in Indianapolis. What's missing is the [data](#) or descriptions of other cities' experiences with their transit systems, which usually include rail service.

I suggest that The Star let readers know of a very thorough study that was published by the Cato Institute in 2010. Using data from the U.S. Census, the federal Department of Transportation and local transit authorities, an analysis is provided of 31 urban areas with rail systems included in their mass transit services. This study, Policy Analysis 663, can be found at cato.org.

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