# Taipei Mass Transit System

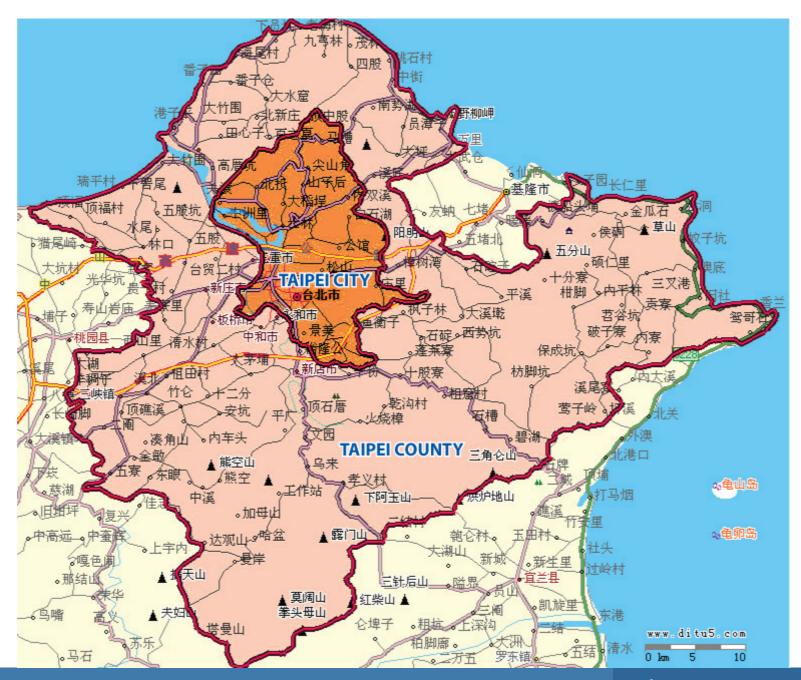
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#### Taipei Mass Transit System

- MRT System
- Bus System
- High Speed Rail
- Intermodal Station
- ITS Application





#### The City of Taipei

- Area 105 sq mi
- Population 2.6 million in City, 6.8 million in Metro
- Density 24,800 p/sq mi (SF=15,600 p/sq mi)
- Transportation Modes -
  - High Speed Rail
  - Subway 9 lines
  - LRT- 1 line
  - Bus more than 300 routes





#### Taipei Metro Rapid Transit (MRT)

- Began Service in 1996 (elevated LRT). First subway begin service in 1997
- Number of Lines: 9 (8 subways, 1 LRT), 7 under construction (5 new lines, 2 extension). More are under study
- Number of Stations: 93
- Total Operational Distance: 100.8km or 63mi (BART 104 mi). Total 169 miles
- Ridership: 1.4 million/day in 2010 (BART 330,000/day)



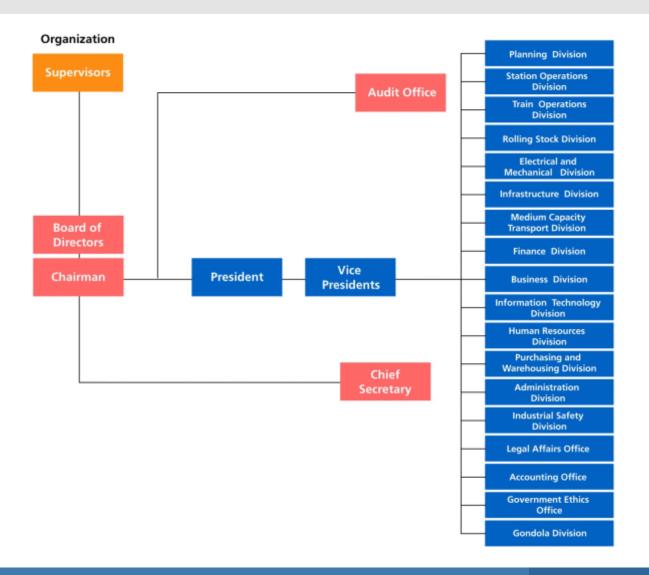
### Taipei Rapid Transit Corporation

- A public/private corporation with a Board of Directors
- The Chairman and the President are appointed by the Mayor. Only Senior Managers are civil service employees
- Mandate to provide public transit services and be profitable
- 8-10% profit annually

#### Taipei Rapid Transit Corporation

- Taipei Rapid Transit Corporation is a public/private partnership company:
  - Taipei City Government (73.75%)
  - Ministry of Transportation and Communications (17.14%)
  - Taipei County Government (8.75%)
  - Tang Eng Iron Works Co. Ltd., Taipei Fubon Bank, Mega International Commercial Bank and Taiwan Cooperative Bank (0.36%)

#### MRT Organizational structure











#### **MRT Map**



#### **MRT Map - Future**





#### Taipei MRT - LRT

- 1 line all elevated, rubber tires
- Train set: 2 unit EMU sets, total of 4 cars
- Max Speed: 80 km/hr (50 mph)
- Car Capacity: 105-107 passengers (20 seats)
- Total Capacity: 428 passengers/train
- Dwell Time:
  - 20-30 seconds for most of stations
  - 40-50 seconds at Zhongxiao Fuxing Station









### Taipei MRT - Subway

- Both elevated and underground
- Train set: total of 6 cars
- Max Speed: 80km/hr (50 mph)
- Car Capacity: 320 passengers (58 seats)
- Total Capacity: 1,936 passengers
- Dwell Time
  - 18-35 seconds for most of stations
  - 40-50 seconds at Taipei Main Station and Zhongxiao Fuxing Station











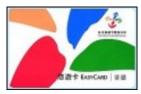
#### **MRT Fare Structure**

- Fare Structure Zone Structure
  - 65 ¢ to \$2
  - Single ride vs. one day pass (\$6.25 unlimited)





 EastCard (20% off; 25¢ discount while transferring between bus and MRT)









## MRT Fare - By Zone















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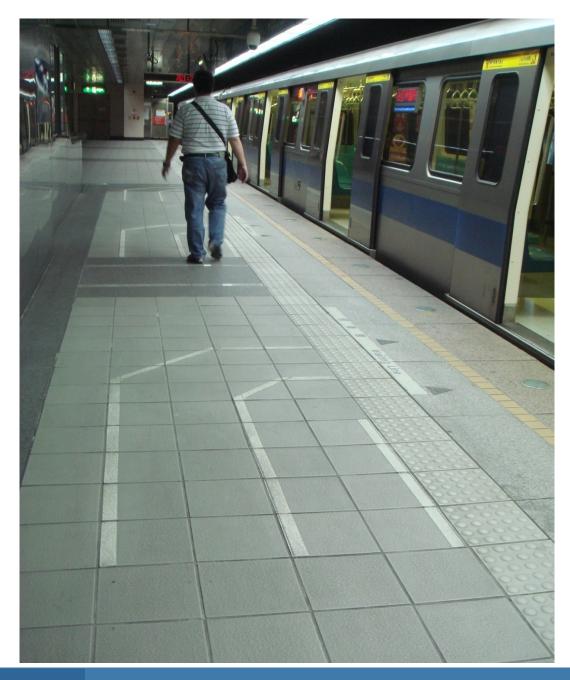


















#### Taipei Bus System

- Before 1976 both by the City Bus Administration and 15 major private bus companies with different fare structure and tickets.
- Now jointly operated by 16 individual bus transit agencies, sharing the same fare structure, ticketing process, and route numbering, administered by the Taipei DOT.
- There are 14 Bus Transportation Co., Ltd. in total, with more than 300 routes now
- Extensive BRT system

#### Taipei Bus System

- Payment system Easy Card
- Ticket Zone system
- Ticket price 50¢/journey, student 40¢
- Transfers 25¢ if transfer is within 1 hour







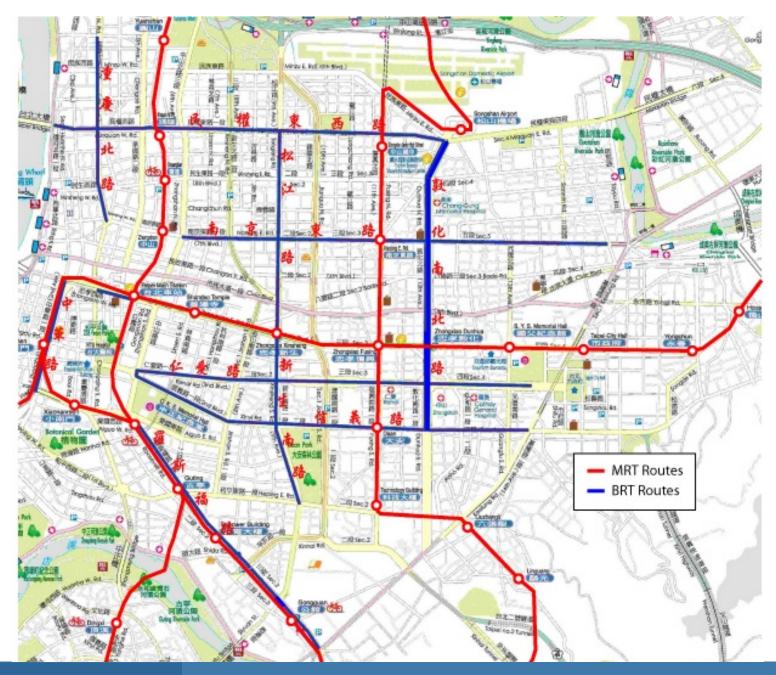
#### Taipei Bus System

- Begin with 0 to Taipei Main Station
- 2 digits One zone
- 3 digits
  - Begin with 1 Major tourist spots
  - Begin with 2 Two zone
  - Begin with 3 Three zone
  - Begin with 5 Originally, one zone with A/C
  - Begin with 6 Originally, two zone with A/C
  - Begin with 7 Short distance intercity bus
  - Begin with 8 Taipei County bus
  - Begin with 9 Express bus
  - Named with color MRT shuttle bus



#### Taipei BRT/Bus Lane

- First bus lane started in 1989 both with flow and Contraflow bus lanes in a major east west boulevard. Controversial, but very successful
- Mostly center running with near-side side platforms
- Recent conversion to far-side platform to take advantage of signal priority system
- Benefits
  - speed increased 30-40%
  - During peak hour, 6,000 passengers per direction per hour (triple the capacity of a mixed traffic lane)



























# **BRT Bus Stop**





### **BRT Bus Stop**







### Intermodalism and Land Use Integration

- Seamless connection between MRT and buses and MRT/ Railroad/HSR - physical, fare, ticketing
- Underground pedestrian shopping streets connecting with surrounding buildings
- Adjacent high density development, incentives for housing near MRT stations

# Intermodalism and Land Use Integration





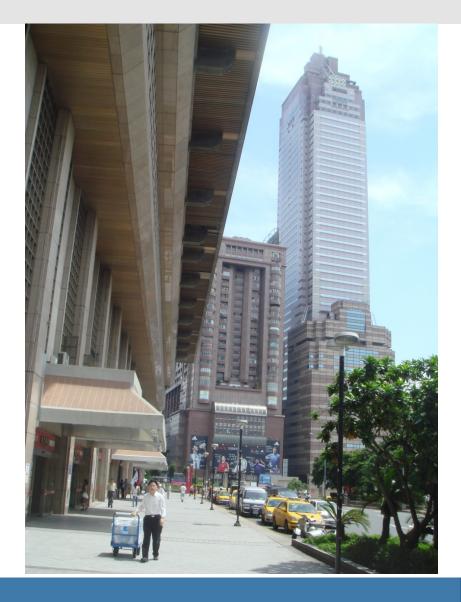








# Intermodalism and Land Use Integration







### Taipei Bus Terminal

- Location Immediately to the west of Taipei Main Railroad Terminal
- Pedestrian access underground passage way from the main Railroad Terminal and ground access
- Bus Access Direct access to an elevated expressway
- Number of floors 3
- Number of stalls 16/floor. Total 48 stalls
- Bus companies 9 companies
- Average more than 2,000 buses per day





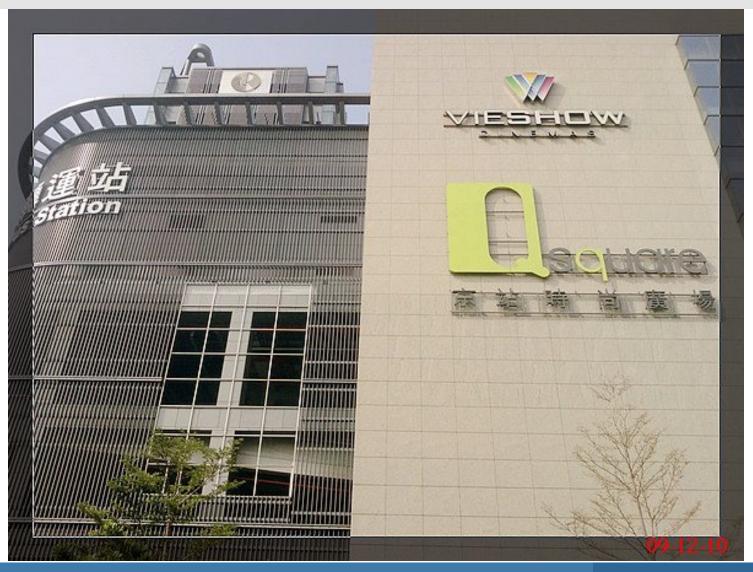






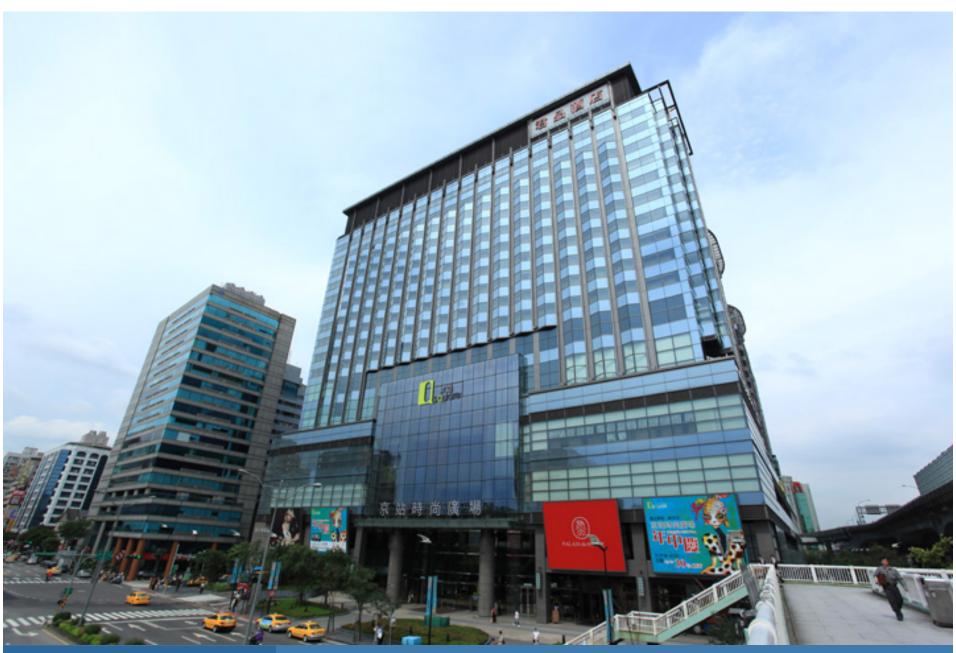


# **Bus Terminal Connects to Shopping Center**





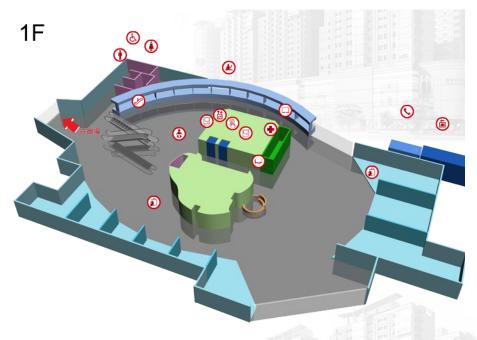


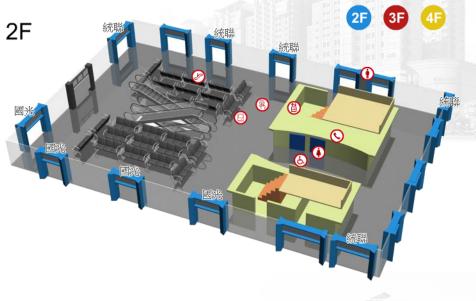




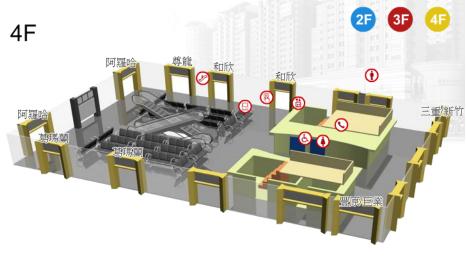


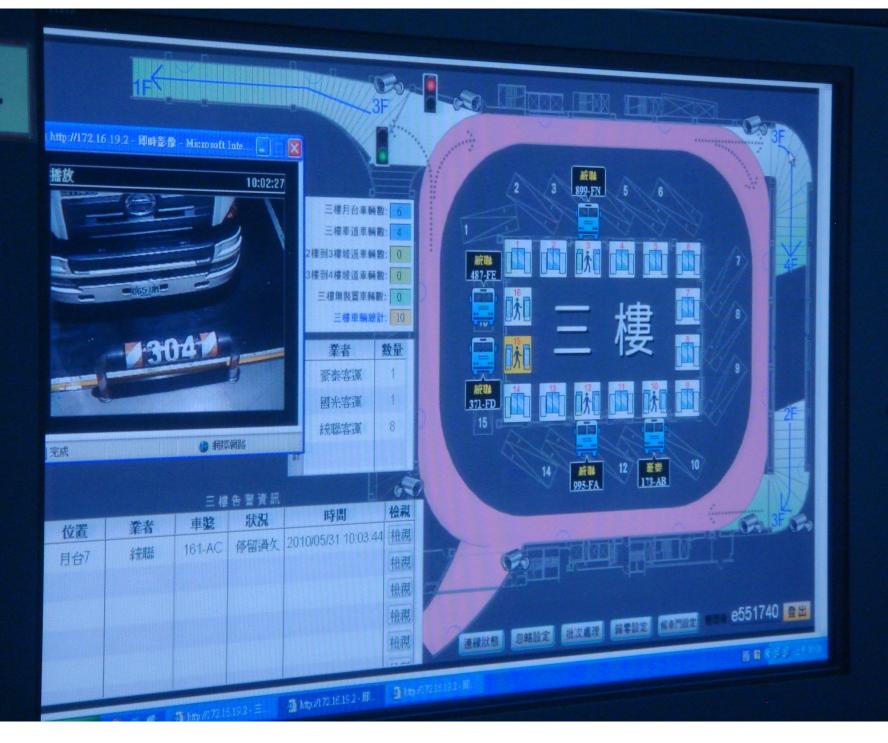














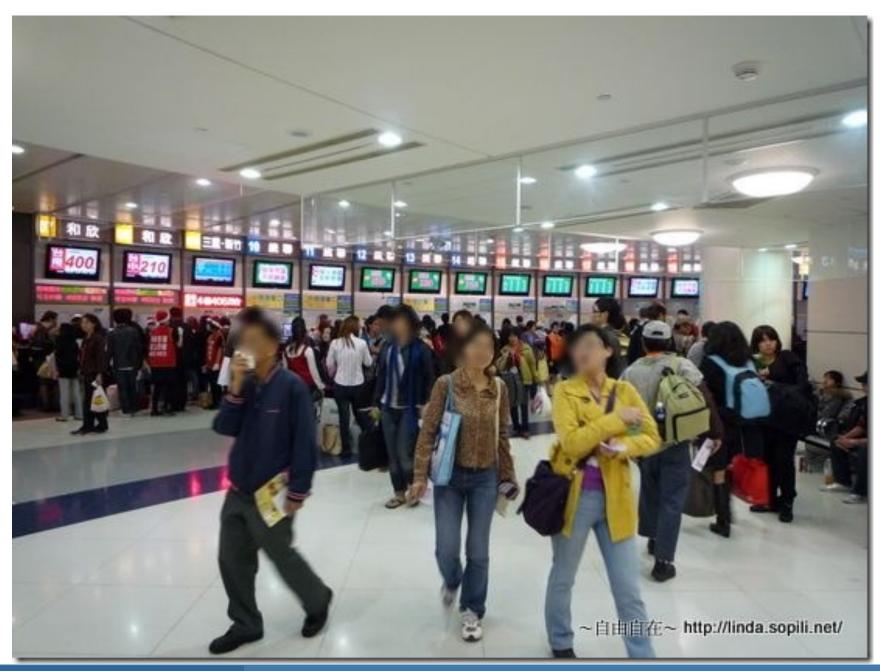


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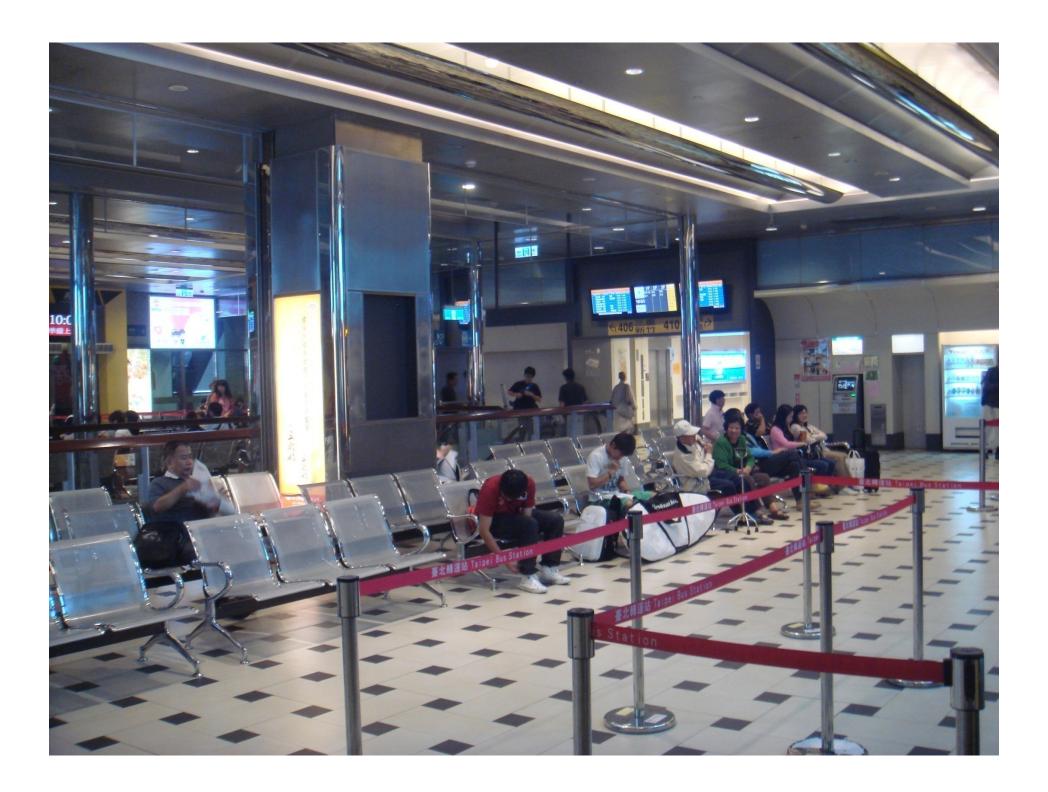














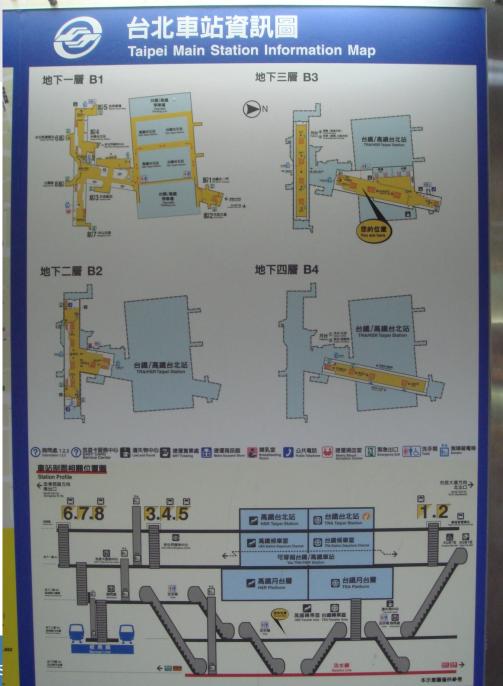




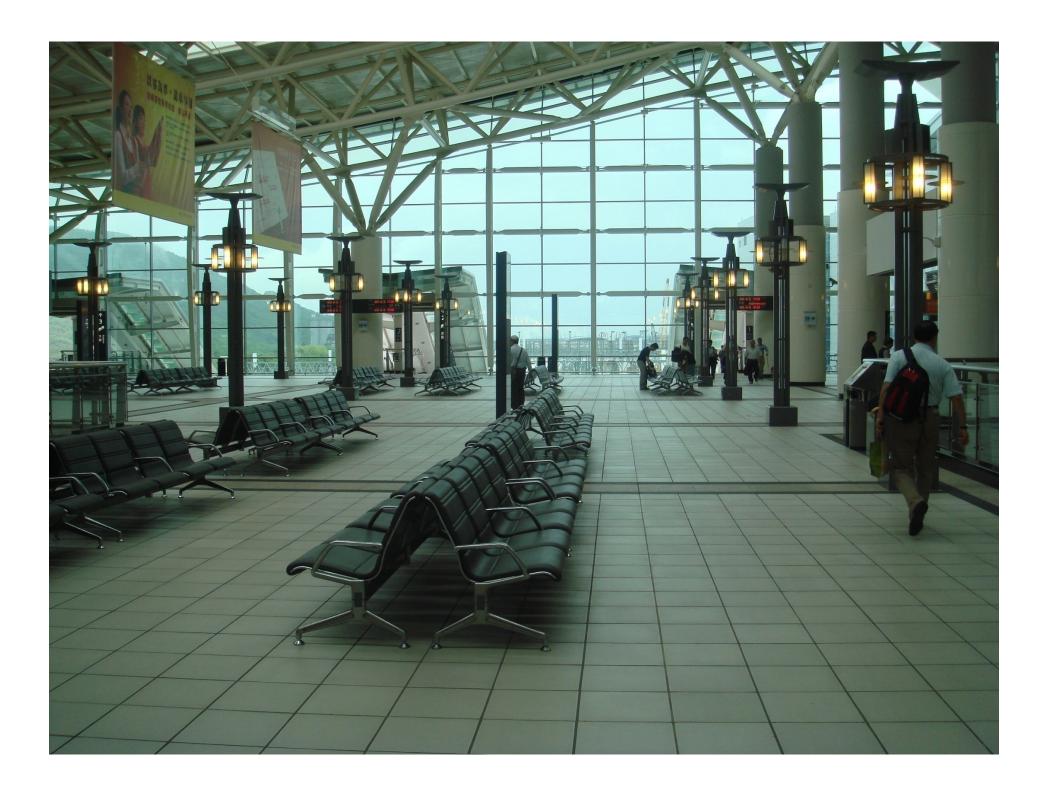
### Taiwan High Speed Rail System

- BOT Project 35 Year agreement
- Total cost NT\$460 billion (\$14.5 billion)
- Top speed 300 km/hr (187.5 mph)
- Total distance 345 km (215 mi)
- Number of stations 8 stations
- Open year 2007
- Annual Ridership more than 30 million people













### **Transit ITS Application**

- Real Time Arrival Information
- Web based schedule and arrival time computer and cell phone

## Bus Stops and Real Time Messaging



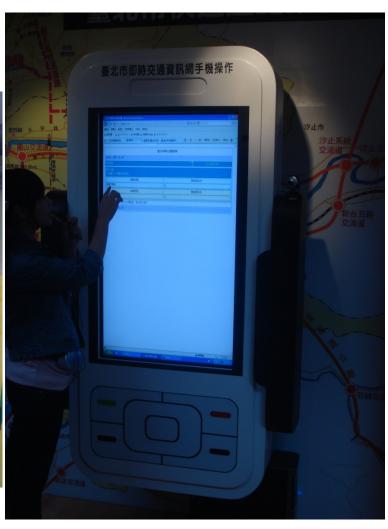






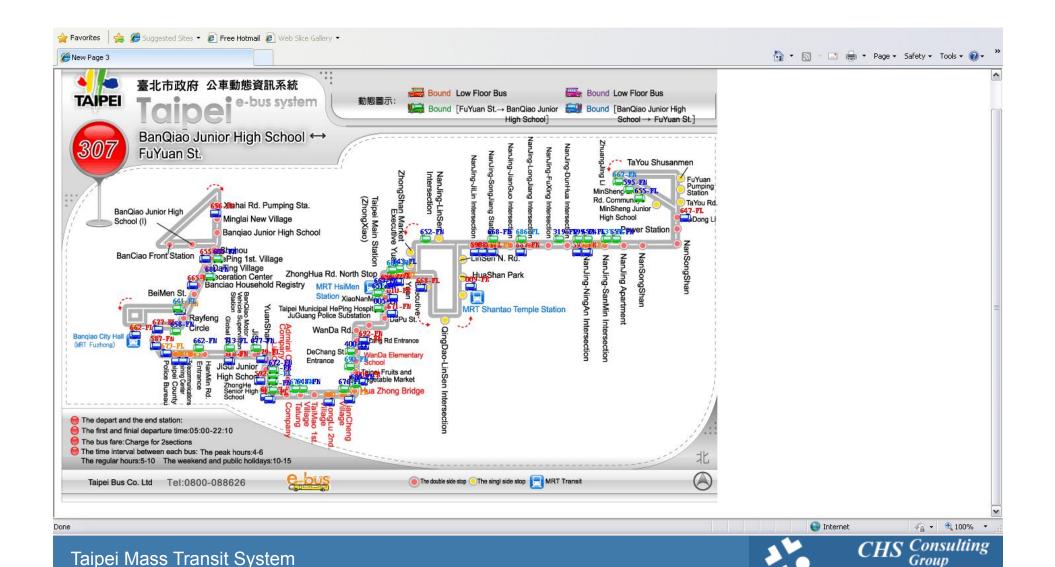
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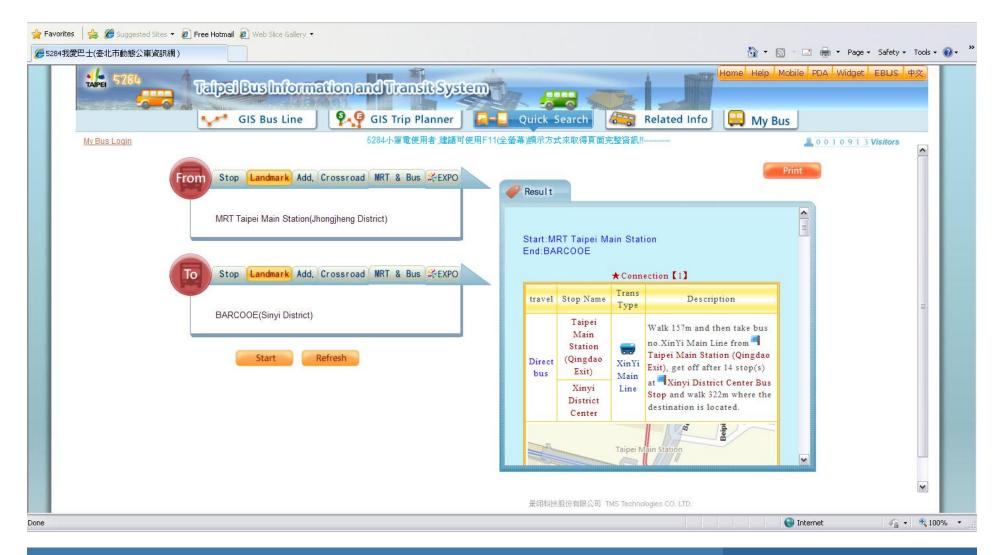




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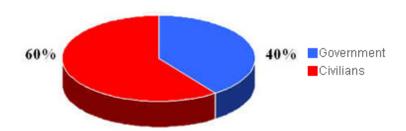
### **Online Trip Planner**





### **EasyCard**

- Private company formed in 2000
- Shareholders
  - Taipei City Government (40%)
  - Bus Service (25%)
  - Banks (15%), Construction and other (20%)



### **EasyCard**

- Easy Card can be used for
  - All transit modes (except HSR), Taiwan Railway
  - Intercity bus, and taxi
  - Parking, public bicycle rental
  - Taipei Zoo and Library
  - Designated stores (i.e. convenient stores, pizza hut, dunkin donut, and so on)















































































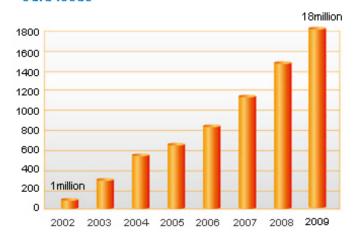




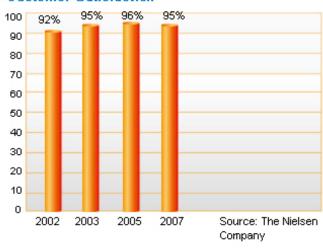


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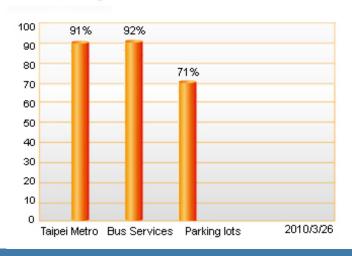
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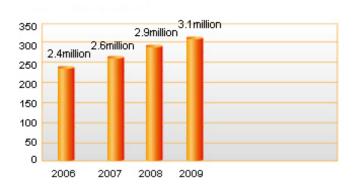
#### **Customer Satisfaction**



#### **Overall Usage**



#### **Average Number of Daily Transactions**







# END Questions and Answers





### Taipei City DOT

### **Organizational Chart**

