

Travelshops are located at most bus stations in Greater Manchester



Piccadilly Station was voted best in the country for passenger satisfaction



Metroshuttle is the largest free city centre bus network in the UK



Trains

Greater Manchester has an extensive train network of nearly 150 miles with more than 100 stations, forming a central hub for rail in the Northwest.

Five key stations serve Manchester city centre:

Manchester Piccadilly was voted the best in the country for passenger satisfaction in a poll of Great Britain's 20 busiest stations. It provides direct links to London, Glasgow, Edinburgh, Birmingham, Cardiff, Blackpool, Hull, Lancaster, Norwich, Leeds, Sheffield, York, Newcastle and Liverpool. There is also an underground Metrolink stop, where services start on all three tram routes.

Manchester Victoria is close to the Arndale shopping centre, Urbis exhibition centre and the Northern Quarter in the city centre. It also has a Metrolink stop and direct access to the Manchester Evening News Arena. Services run to Wigan, Kirkby, Southport, Clitheroe, Rochdale, Liverpool, Stalybridge, Huddersfield, Bradford, Halifax and Leeds.

Manchester Oxford Road serves the southern part of Manchester City Centre, including the nearby University of Manchester and Manchester Metropolitan University. It sits on one of the busiest bus routes in Europe, making it easy to connect with bus services.

Salford Central neighbours the People's History Museum, the Lowry Hotel, Chapel Wharf and The Edge. The station is within walking distance of central Deansgate, King Street and Albert Square. Frequent bus services connect it to all parts of Salford.

Deansgate is a commuter station that is linked by a footbridge to the exhibition and concert venue, Manchester Central (previously G-Mex) and an adjacent Metrolink stop. It is also close to other tourist attractions including Deansgate Locks, the Great Northern Warehouse, the Museum of Science and Industry and the striking Beetham Tower Manchester.

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Buses

Greater Manchester has an extensive bus network with hundreds of services provided by several commercial bus operators and, in some cases, funded by GMPTÉ*. More than 80% of public transport trips in the county are made by bus.

The county also has a network of Quality Bus Corridors that cover 171 miles and aim to improve the total experience for passengers, from the stations and shelters to the journey times.

Late-night bus services run on a number of key routes. And on Friday and Saturday nights, a network of Nightbuses run from the city centre until around 2am or later.

Bus services operate throughout the city centre, but most run from the main bus terminals at Piccadilly Gardens and Shudehill Interchange. Oxford Road is one of the busiest bus routes in Europe and serves the universities and main hospitals.

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