

# Meet the Fleet New Train Car Project

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## A NEW ERA BEGINS

Most BART train cars have been carrying customers since BART's first day of service more than 40 years ago, and are near the end of their useful lives. To prevent future breakdowns and delays, the first new train cars will start going into service in the coming year.

The Fleet of the Future meets a 66% Buy America standard, and final assembly is in the United States.

## MEET THE FLEET

Based on input from over 35,000 customers, the new train cars will be:

- **Quieter:** micro-plug doors will help seal out noise and a new tapered wheel shape will provide a quieter ride
- **Cooler:** cooling systems will distribute air directly from the ceilings, making it more comfortable for standees on hot days
- **Comfortable:** padded seats will have lumbar support and will be covered with wipeable fabric for ease of cleaning
- **Easy to use:** routes will be color coded like the BART system map, and next stop information will be readily available via automated announcements and digital screens
- **Accessible:** improved identification of priority seating and wheelchair areas, wider aisles, and testing of an induction loop system for riders with hearing aids and cochlear implants
- **Sustainable:** lightweight cars, regenerative braking, a white roof, and LED lighting make these cars exceptionally energy efficient

## LISTENING TO YOU

- Additional doors and wider aisles to make boarding and exiting faster and easier
- Wheelchair area floor graphic to keep area clear for people who use wheelchairs
- Different color priority seats to keep these seats available for seniors and people with disabilities
- Higher ceiling over the aisle for our taller passengers
- More hand straps and vertical poles for our shorter passengers for safe starts/stops
- Bike racks to give bicyclists an out-of-the-way spot to store bicycles

For more information about the Fleet of the Future, including frequently asked questions, survey results, and new car photos and renderings, visit [bart.gov/cars](http://bart.gov/cars).

## More Cars Mean More Seats

To alleviate crowding, BART has a goal to order 1,081 new train cars. With 1,081 new cars, the number of seats in the fleet will increase by 49%

## Safety & Reliability Testing 82% Complete

Of the 282 tests required for the new trains, 82% have been completed.

## Timeline

### 2016

First test cars arrive for safety and reliability testing

### 2017–2021

Subject to successful completion of safety and reliability tests:

*by end of 2016:* 10 new train cars in service

*by end of 2017:* at least 60 new cars in service

*by end of 2018:* at least 230 new cars in service

*by end of 2019:* at least 420 new cars in service

*by end of 2020:* at least 610 new cars in service

### 2021

Balance of cars delivered to reach total of 775 new cars in service

