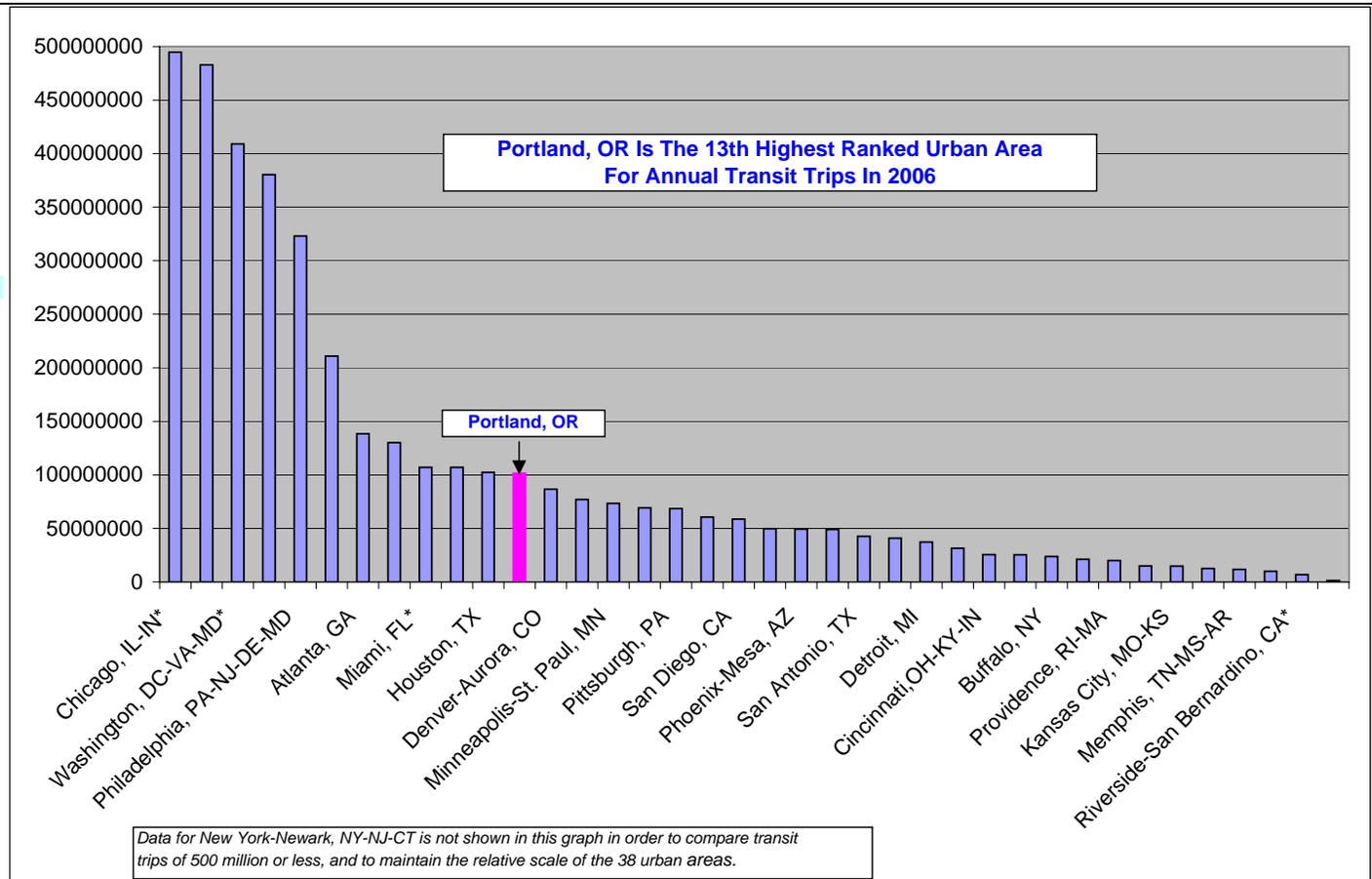


## 2006 Annual Transit Ridership\* - By Large & Very Large Urban Areas (Portland, Oregon is Ranked 13th Highest, Out of 39 Areas, In 2006)

(Sorted and Ranked By 2006 Data)

| Rank | Large Urban Areas               | 2006               |
|------|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1    | New York-Newark, NY-NJ-CT*      | 2,803,463,917      |
| 2    | Chicago, IL-IN*                 | 494,729,137        |
| 3    | Los Angeles-LBch-Santa Ana, CA* | 482,815,939        |
| 4    | Washington, DC-VA-MD*           | 408,988,285        |
| 5    | Boston, MA-NH-RI                | 380,260,730        |
| 6    | Philadelphia, PA-NJ-DE-MD       | 323,050,549        |
| 7    | San Francisco-Oakland, CA*      | 210,848,310        |
| 8    | Atlanta, GA                     | 138,403,312        |
| 9    | Seattle, WA                     | 130,061,947        |
| 10   | Miami, FL*                      | 107,094,084        |
| 11   | Baltimore, MD                   | 107,024,143        |
| 12   | Houston, TX                     | 102,477,574        |
| 13   | <b>Portland, OR-WA</b>          | <b>101,575,197</b> |
| 14   | Denver-Aurora, CO               | 86,571,361         |
| 15   | Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX | 77,010,077         |
| 16   | Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN        | 73,356,649         |
| 17   | Cleveland, OH                   | 69,199,174         |
| 18   | Pittsburgh, PA                  | 68,498,788         |
| 19   | Las Vegas, NV                   | 60,694,858         |
| 20   | San Diego, CA                   | 58,719,518         |
| 21   | St. Louis, MO-IL                | 49,709,780         |
| 22   | Phoenix-Mesa, AZ                | 49,302,895         |
| 23   | Milwaukee, WI                   | 48,972,262         |
| 24   | San Antonio, TX                 | 42,668,464         |
| 25   | San Jose, CA                    | 40,934,975         |
| 26   | Detroit, MI                     | 37,281,540         |
| 27   | Sacramento, CA                  | 31,521,397         |
| 28   | Cincinnati, OH-KY-IN            | 25,555,566         |
| 29   | Orlando, FL                     | 25,326,317         |
| 30   | Buffalo, NY                     | 23,758,048         |
| 31   | Virginia Beach, VA*             | 21,225,018         |
| 32   | Providence, RI-MA               | 20,064,574         |
| 33   | Columbus, OH                    | 15,010,219         |
| 34   | Kansas City, MO-KS              | 14,806,456         |
| 35   | Tampa-St. Petersburg, FL        | 12,573,699         |
| 36   | Memphis, TN-MS-AR               | 11,723,986         |
| 37   | Indianapolis, IN                | 10,033,987         |
| 38   | Riverside-San Bernardino, CA*   | 6,849,166          |
| 39   | New Orleans, LA                 | 1,347,655          |



**Source:** These figures are originally from transit agencies that report data to the Federal Transit Administration. The FTA compiles the data into the National Transit Database (NTD), which shows the data at this internet address (accessed July 16, 2008): <http://www.ntdprogram.gov/ntdprogram/archives.htm>

**Definitions:**

**Transit Ridership\*** is defined by the number of "Unlinked Passenger Trips." "These trips are the number of passengers who board public transportation vehicles. Passengers are counted each time they board vehicles, no matter how many vehicles they use, to travel from their origin to their destination," from the American Public Transportation Association's '2007 Public Transportation Fact Book,' May 2007, page 11, located on the internet, July 16, 2008 at: <http://www.apta.com/research/stats/factbook/documents/factbook07.pdf>  
Annual Unlinked Trips vary by mode in urban areas, and may include several means of transportation: Bus, Heavy Rail, Commuter Rail, Light Rail, Demand Response, Trolleybus, Vanpool, Inclined Plane, & Ferryboat.

**Urban Areas** include, the 'Large' and 'Very Large' areas, as per the Texas Transportation Institute's (TTI) '2007 Urban Mobility Report,' page 32; 'Large' = over 1 million, and less than 3 million; 'Very Large' areas are over 3 million in population. Accessed July 16, 2008: <http://mobility.tamu.edu/ums/report/>

**Notes:** 1) Seattle, WA includes data for King County Metro (NTD ID 0001), and Washington State Ferries (NTD ID 0035), because the ferries are an important component of transit in the Seattle area.  
San Diego, CA includes the San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) (NTD ID 9026), and San Diego Trolley, Inc.(NTD ID 9054), because the trolley is an important component of transit in that area.  
2) There are 8 urban areas (noted by \*) with more than one transit service district reporting data to the FTA. The one transit district, in each of these multiple district urban areas with the preponderance of annual unlinked trips, was chosen as representative of the use of transit in that urban area.

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