

**American Light Rail Systems
Cost per Mile**

System	US\$ Millions	Miles	\$M/Mile
MUNI (SF) Third Street Extension	1,297.95	1.7	\$763.5
Sound Transit (Seattle) Central Link projects	4,384.58	17.0	\$257.9
Portland-Milwaukie LRT (Oregon)	1,471.76	7.3	\$201.6
Hudson-Bergen MOS-2 (New Jersey)	1,215.40	6.1	\$199.2
North Shore LRT Connector (Pittsburgh)	235.70	1.2	\$196.4
Metro Gold Line Eastside Extension (Los Angeles)	898.81	5.9	\$152.3
North Corridor LRT (Houston)	677.00	5.3	\$128.2
Southeast Corridor LRT (Houston)	680.60	6.2	\$109.8
Central Corridor LRT (St. Paul/Minneapolis)	914.89	9.7	\$94.3
Gold Line (Denver)	859.51	10.8	\$79.6
Central Phoenix/East Valley Light Rail	1,412.12	19.6	\$72.0
Northeast Corridor Light Rail Project (Charlotte)	748.96	10.7	\$70.0
South Corridor I-205/Portland Mall LRT (Oregon)	575.70	8.3	\$69.4
Northwest/Southeast LRT MOS (Dallas)	1,406.22	21.0	\$67.0
South Corridor Phase 2 (Sacramento)	270.00	4.3	\$62.8
West Corridor LRT (Denver)	709.83	12.1	\$58.7
Mid-Jordan LRT (Salt Lake City)	535.37	10.6	\$50.5
Southeast Corridor LRT (Denver)	879.27	19.1	\$46.0
East Corridor (Denver)	788.69	22.7	\$34.7
Norfolk LRT (Virginia)	232.10	7.4	\$31.4
CenterLine (Orange County, CA ~2005)	1,167.00	9.3	\$125.5
Honolulu, HI Elevated LRT	5,300.00	20.0	\$265.0

Average Cost/Mile \$142.5
Avg Cost less Honolulu, OC \$137.3

Light rail (LRT) projects identified in the U.S. DOT/Federal Transit Administration "Annual Report on Funding Recommendations" for Fiscal Year 2010, sorted in declining order of cost per mile
Orange County and Honolulu estimates per PRT Strategies research
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