

'L' System Slow Zone Map

June 2023

"Slow zones" are areas of track where trains are required to operate at slower-than-normal speeds due to certain track conditions and other temporary concerns. Track conditions can develop on railways from age, weather and other sometimes unpredictable forces that cause distress or deterioration on track components. Slow zones can also be implemented due to nearby construction work, which can last for weeks or even months.

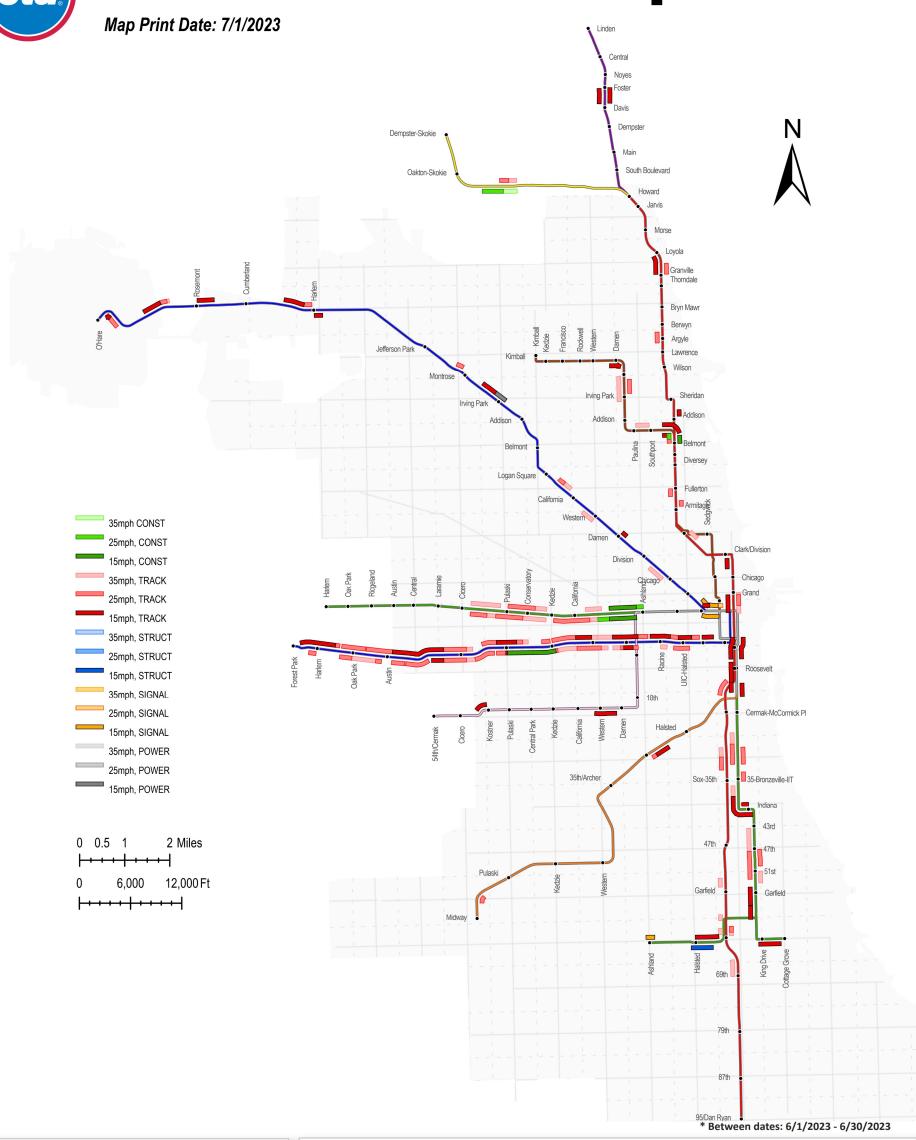
With more than 225 miles of CTA track, slow zones are constantly changing and evolving: As crews repair one section of track, new slow zones can be instituted if track inspectors detect new signs of deterioration somewhere or as an upgrade project begins on our system.

As a result, the percentage of slow zones across our system vary from month to month.

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CTA Slow Zone Map



Line Color To	tal Slow Zone	Total	Length	% Slow Zone	
BLUE	96,15	59	295,889	32.5%	
RED	16,80	00	234,179	7.2%	
YELLOW	5,10	00	51,330	9.9%	
PURPLE	2,69	90	86,549	3.1%	
LOOP	1,11	.1	21,164	5.2%	
BROWN	8,42	23	97,657	8.6%	
ORANGE	4,35	51	102,831	4.2%	
GREEN	64,79	96	197,543	32.8%	
PINK	2,51	.6	76,294	3.3%	
	201,94	16	1,163,436	17.4%	
Area To Be Remov	ed 15 MPH	25 MPH	35 MPH	Total Slow Zone	
TRACK	72,077	77,854	58,411	208,342	
STRUCTURE	2,099			2,099	
SIGNAL	4,102	548		4,650	
POWER	1,030			1,030	
TOWER	•				
CONSTRUCTION	11,004	4,393	1,550	16,947	

	Detween dates: 0/1/2025 - 0/30/2025							
Branch Name	15 MPH	25 MPH	35 MPH	Total Slow Zone	Total Length	% Slow Zone	Slow Zone Added*	Slow Zone Removed*
Congress	24,831	31,927	15,863	72,621	94,010	77.2%		
O'Hare/Logan Square	9,270	4,562	2,364	16,196	156,209	10.4%	5,632	4,119
Dearborn Subway	4,429	1,393	1,520	7,342	45,670	16.1%		1,398
North Main Line	2,723	2,639		5,362	75,270	7.1%		
State Subway	2,361	795	1,793	4,949	48,426	10.2%		
Dan Ryan		2,315	4,174	6,489	110,483	5.9%		
Skokie		3,550	1,550	5,100	51,330	9.9%		
Evanston	2,690			2,690	40,704	6.6%		
Evanston Express					45,845			
Loop		1,111		1,111	21,164	5.2%		
Ravenswood/Ravenswood-Loop	2,743	2,105	3,575	8,423	97,657	8.6%		
Midway/Grand Junction	3,027	1,324		4,351	102,831	4.2%		
Lake	5,746	12,825	11,435	30,006	91,228	32.9%		
South Loop/South Main Line	12,946	8,696	6,166	27,808	65,403	42.5%	3,941	
Englewood	4,987			4,987	29,394	17.0%		
Jackson Park	1,995			1,995	11,518	17.3%		
Douglas/Connector	2,516			2,516	76,294	3.3%		
	80,264	73,242	48,440	201,946	1,163,436	17.4%	9,573	5,517

Note: 1. Unless otherwise specified, all measurements above are displayed in linear feet.

^{2.} Multiple slow zones due to different root causes and different departments can potentially overlap. Therefore, the system-wide total slow zone length by department (area to be removed) may add to a higher number than the total slow zone length in effect on each branch.