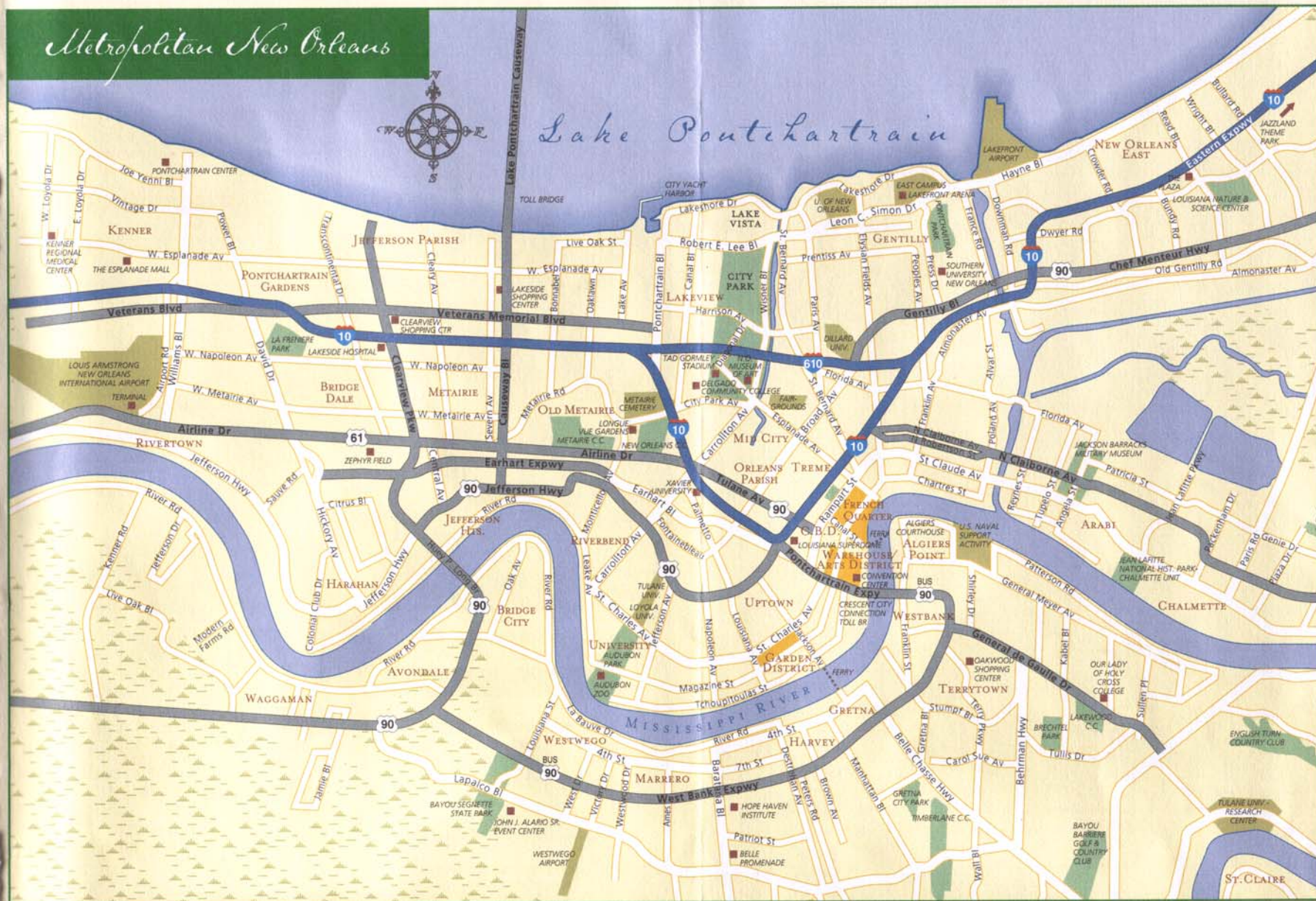


Metropolitan New Orleans



PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

New Orleans has a modern network of highways and roads. Parking, however, is at a premium, particularly in the French Quarter. Taxis and public transportation can take you to points not within walking distance.

Taxis Rates are \$2.50 plus \$1 per mile thereafter. During peak visitor times (including Mardi Gras and Jazz Fest), taxi rates are \$3 per person or the meter rate, whichever is higher. A fixed rate of \$28 (two people) is charged from the airport to most areas of New Orleans; for parties of more than two, the fare is \$12 per person.

Bus Bus routes extend to almost every corner of the city, and the fare is \$1.25 (plus 25 cents per transfer). Express buses cost \$1.50.

Ferry The Canal Street ferry takes pedestrians and automobiles from the foot of Canal Street to Algiers Point several times each day. The last ferry leaves Canal Street at midnight and does not return until the following morning. Toll is \$1 per car. Pedestrians ride free.

Streetcar Historic streetcars run two daily routes: the St. Charles Streetcar runs 24 hours a day down St. Charles Avenue from Canal Street to Claiborne Avenue and the "streetcar-style" Vieux

Carre bus runs the perimeter of the French Quarter from 5am-7:16pm. Fares for the streetcars are \$1.25 each way plus 25 cents per transfer. There is also the Riverfront Streetcar that runs a 1.9-mile route from Canal Street to Riverview weekdays 6am-midnight, weekends 8am-midnight. Fare is \$1.50 with 25-cent transfers.

Discount Passes A VisiTour pass is available from the Regional Transit Authority, which enables visitors to an unlimited ride on all streetcar and bus lines. The pass costs \$5 for one day, \$12 for three days.

Information For information about buses or streetcars, contact the Regional Transit Authority at 504-248-3900.

For information about things to see and do in New Orleans, consult the *New Orleans Official Visitors Guide*, available at New Orleans International Airport, the NOMCVB Information Center in Jackson Square and major hotels. Or call the New Orleans Metropolitan Convention and Visitors Bureau at 504-566-5003 or 800-672-6124.

All prices and hours of operation shown were in force at date of printing.