

'L' System Slow Zone Map

July 2024

"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.

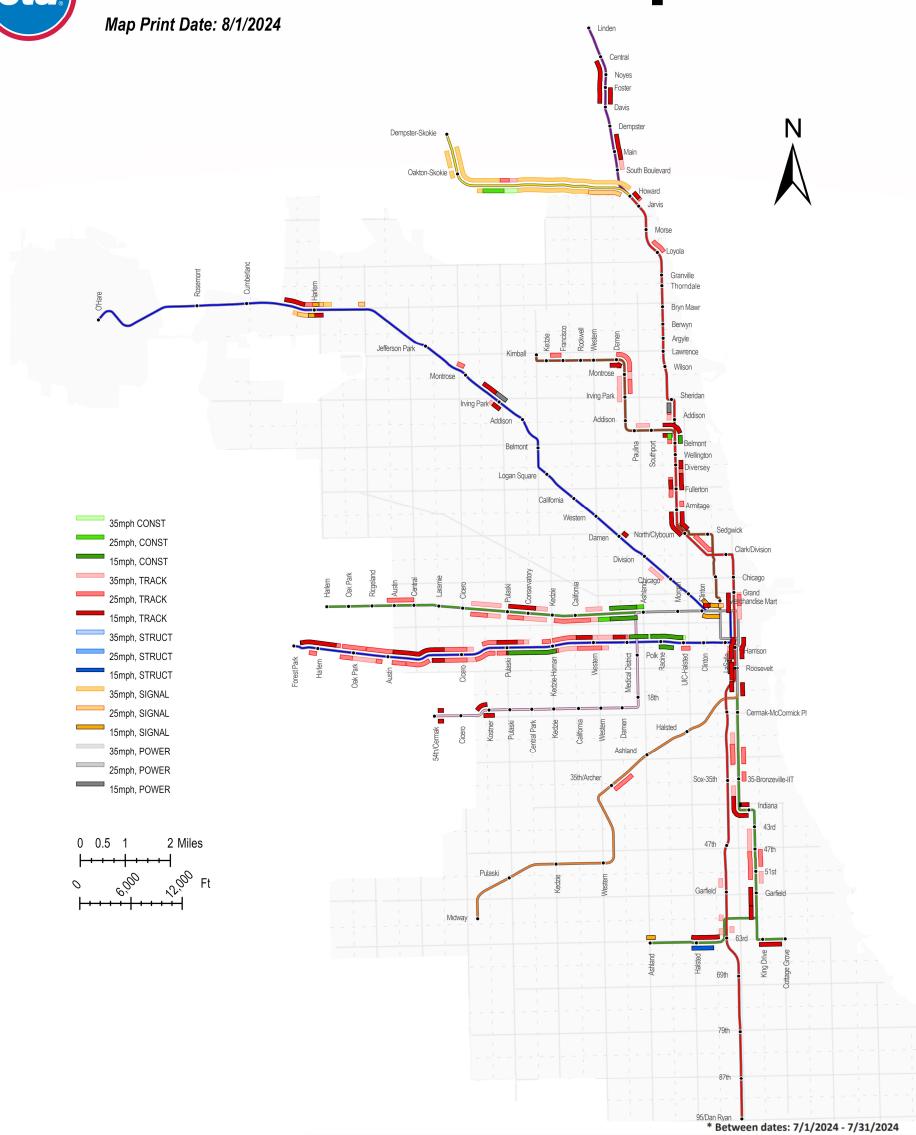
With more than 225 miles of CTA track, slow zones are constantly changing and evolving: As crews repair one section of track, new slow zones can be instituted if track inspectors detect new signs of deterioration somewhere or as an upgrade project begins on our system.

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

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Line Color To	otal Slow Zone	Total I	Length	% Slow Zone	
BLUE	86,04	41	295,009	29.2%	
RED	24,04	17	242,711	9.9%	
YELLOW	41,73	31	51,330	81.3%	
PURPLE	10,05	50	77,784	12.9%	
LOOP	1,11	11	21,419	5.2%	
BROWN	16,32	24	96,171	17.0%	
ORANGE	3,86	52	103,018	3.7%	
GREEN	66,70	04	199,168	33.5%	
PINK	2,04	16	77,613	2.6%	
	251,9 1	16	1,164,223	21.6%	
Area To Be Remov	ved 15 MPH	25 MPH	35 MPH	Total Slow Zone	
TRACK	81,706	77,576	60,570	219,852	
STRUCTURE	2,099			2,099	
SIGNAL	5,612	11,211	68,209	85,032	
POWER	1,425	275		1,700	
CONSTRUCTION	17,298	4,393	2,650	24,341	
	108,140	93,455	131,429	333,024	

					between dates. 7/1/2024 - 7/31/				
Branch Name	15 MPH	25 MPH	35 MPH	Total Slow Zone	Total Length	% Slow Zone	Slow Zone Added*	Slow Zone Removed*	
Congress	25,975	26,988	14,901	67,864	93,771	72.4%			
O'Hare/Logan Square	7,003	3,899	1,647	12,549	155,568	8.1%	1,030		
Dearborn Subway	3,560	548	1,520	5,628	45,670	12.3%			
North Main Line	3,020	4,913	653	8,586	84,286	10.2%			
State Subway	5,208	4,343	2,451	12,002	48,426	24.8%			
Dan Ryan	236		3,223	3,459	109,999	3.1%			
Skokie		6,110	35,621	41,731	51,330	81.3%			
Evanston	8,900		1,150	10,050	40,704	24.7%			
Evanston Express					37,080				
Loop		1,111		1,111	21,419	5.2%			
Ravenswood/Ravenswood-Loop	6,922	4,452	4,950	16,324	96,171	17.0%			
Midway/Grand Junction	1,752	2,110		3,862	103,018	3.7%			
Lake	8,466	11,405	11,435	31,306	91,955	34.0%			
South Loop/South Main Line	11,841	8,696	6,166	26,703	65,403	40.8%			
Englewood	6,535			6,535	30,292	21.6%			
Jackson Park	2,160			2,160	11,518	18.8%			
Douglas/Connector	2,046			2,046	77,613	2.6%			
	93,624	74,575	83,717	251,916	1,164,223	21.6%	1,030		

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.