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Blackpool has a great public transport network, including:

- Bus services provided by Blackpool Transport Services Ltd, Stagecoach Bus, Transpora and Preston Bus
- Railway lines to the north and south of the town providing direct links to London, Preston, Manchester, York and Liverpool. Change at Preston for services beyond
- Tramway with a frequent tram service between Starr Gate and Fleetwood. A new extension connecting Blackpool North railway station to the Pleasure Beach and Bispham is imminent
- Taxi and private hire vehicles
- Coach services

By bus

Bus services are better than ever, offering contactless card and 'tap on tap' off payment. Smartphone apps enable season product purchase. No change needed.

£2 Fare cap extending to October 2023

All our bus operators are taking part in the government's £2 fare cap scheme. This means that any operator single journey will cost you no more than £2. When the scheme ends in October 2023, all operators will be capping single bus tickets at £2.50 in line with the government scheme. This will be locked until November 2024.

Blackpool Transport Services Ltd

Is a local bus operator serving the Fylde coast with a high frequency bus network linking:

- Lytham
- St Annes
- Blackpool
- Bispham
- Fleetwood
- Cleveleys
- Poulton
- Knott End

The network is a cost-effective way of travelling around the Fylde coast area, utilising high quality buses and easy to follow timetables to make your journey easy and pleasurable.

Blackpool Transport website

Stagecoach Bus

Stagecoach Bus runs the:

- Number 42 service between Blackpool and Lancaster via Garstang
- Number 61 services between Preston and Blackpool via Wrea Green and Kirkham

Number 68 service between Preston and Blackpool via Warton and Freckleton

Stagecoach website

Preston Bus

Preston Bus run the Number 76 between Blackpool and St Anne's via Victoria Hospital

Preston Bus website

Transpora Buses

Transpora Buses operate:

- Service 21, sea front bus operates from Cleveleys and North Promenade through to St.Annes, serving destinations right along Blackpool sea front
- Service 22, Blackpool town centre to zoo
- Service 26, Beach Bus operates from Marton Mere Holiday Village to Blackpool Tower and town centre and then serving all stops along the Promenade to Pleasure Beach
- Service 24, Blackpool town centre to Fleetwood

Transpora Buses website

Bus and tram route information and timetable information is available by contacting <u>Traveline</u> on 0871 200 22 33, or use the webbased journey planner

By tram

The frequent and reliable tram service provides an energy efficient mode of transport connecting residents and visitors to all major leisure, retail and businesses along the 11 mile stretch of coastline between Starr Gate and Fleetwood. New service to Blackpool North train station will start operating in 2024.

Heritage tram trips are also available from the designated stops.

By rail

Blackpool enjoys up to five train departures an hour from Blackpool North railway station, with a further hourly service from Blackpool South. Direct routes provide destinations including:

- Preston
- Manchester Piccadilly and then Airport
- York
- Liverpool Lime Street.

Change at Preston for further trains to London, Glasgow, Edinburgh, Colne, Birmingham New Street and many other destinations.

Check out our operators' sites for journey planning and offers:

Northern Railway

- Avanti West Coast | Buy Train Tickets | No Booking Fee
- Trans Pennine Express provide connecting services from Preston

Northern Railway now offers through ticketing from train to Blackpool Transport Services Ltd bus and tram services. Ask for this when you buy your train ticket for seamless public transport into and around the resort.

In recent years a number of charter train excursions have come to Blackpool, some using steam engines.

By taxi

Taxis and private hire vehicles play an important role in supporting the visitor and night-time economies. Horse drawn landaus provide promenade pleasure trips.

Taxis and private hire vehicles reduce the need for car ownership for the occasional car user. They provide an essential link between transport hubs, hotels and attractions. Hackney carriage stands are provided throughout the town centre.

Taxi companies are increasingly using smartphone apps to enable booking.

By coach

National Express coaches and a number of city operators bring services into the Blackpool Central Coach Station.

Modern coach vehicles are highly specified, rivalling rail for comfort, and fares are often very good value.

Additional information

Over 60s and disabled bus pass

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