



MTA Press Releases

[Select Language](#) | ▼

Press Release

August 5, 2020

[MTA Headquarters](#)

IMMEDIATE

MTA Announces Additional Service Restorations on LIRR and Metro-North Following Tropical Storm Isaias

Subway Service Fully Restored; Staten Island Railway Running Every 30 Minutes, No Express Service

Long Island Rail Road Restores Service on Babylon, Huntington, Ronkonkoma, Far Rockaway, Hempstead, Long Beach, Port Washington and West Hempstead Branches

Metro-North Operating Weekend Service on the Hudson Line; Harlem Line Operating Weekend Service from Grand Central Terminal to North White Plains; Metro-North Resumed Service on the New Haven Line from Grand Central Terminal to Stamford at 8:00 a.m.

[View Photos of the MTA's Storm Response Throughout the Region](#)

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) today announced additional service restorations across the Long Island Rail Road and Metro-North as more than 11,000 personnel worked around-the-clock to respond to the storm and clear debris to restore service for the morning rush. Tropical Storm Isaias brought sustained winds of up to 60 miles per hour and gusts of up to 75 miles per hour across the MTA service region. As a result of the storm, Long Island Rail Road experienced more downed trees, utility poles and wind damage than Superstorm Sandy. More than 2,000 trees fell across the MTA's transportation network yesterday impeding service delivery.

"This storm caused severe damage. Not since Superstorm Sandy has our system experienced this type of wind," said MTA Chairman and CEO Patrick Foye. "We had crews working well into the night and early morning to restore service and I cannot stress the herculean effort it took to accomplish this. I thank everyone for their hard work and dedication to delivering the best possible service for our customers."

On the subways, where most outdoor lines were temporarily suspended yesterday, full service has been restored and subways are running a normal weekday schedule. Buses are operating a full weekday schedule at this time with some delays and detours.

Bus routes that remain impacted by the storm are as follows:

Manhattan - M2

Brooklyn - B4, B9 and Q55

Bronx - Bx1, Bx2, Bx8, Bx13, Bx18 and Bx24

Queens South - Q7, Q9, Q40 and B104

Queens North - Q4, 12, 15, 18, 17, 23 28, 30, 31, 34, 38, 39, 47, 66, 72, 83, 84 and 88

Staten Island - SIM30, S55, S74/84 and SIM22

Staten Island Railway service is operating approximately every 30 minutes, but due to storm damage all trains will arrive and depart from the Tottenville-bound platforms between Old Town and Jefferson Av and between Eltingville and Huguenot stations. Express service is currently suspended.

On the Long Island Rail Road, crews have restored service on the Babylon, Far Rockaway, Hempstead, Huntington, Ronkonkoma, Long Beach, Port Washington and West Hempstead branches. Service remains suspended on the Port Jefferson, Montauk, Oyster Bay and Greenport branches due to fallen trees, downed utility poles and power lines caused by high winds from Tropical Storm Isaias.

On Metro-North Railroad, crews have restored service on the Hudson Line and will operate a weekend schedule. Harlem Line service has been restored between Grand Central Terminal to North White Plains and will also operate on a weekend schedule. The New Haven Line resumed service between Stamford and Grand Central Terminal at 8 a.m. Northbound service from Grand Central commences with the 8:36 a.m. train to Stamford. There will be no service in either direction at New Rochelle, Pelham, and Mt. Vernon East stations.

Tropical Storm Isaias marked the first time the MTA has closed a vehicular crossing due to high wind speeds since Superstorm Sandy. Sustained winds reached 60 miles per hour at the Verrazzano-Narrows Bridge.

NYC Transit has had over 9,445 employees out throughout the system delivering service and assessing and repairing storm damage. Long Island Rail Road has had 1,000 employees, Metro-North Railroad has had 400 employees, and Bridges and Tunnels has had 280 employees removing debris and

making needed repairs.

Customers are encouraged to monitor new.mta.info, the MYmta app, and MTA agencies on Twitter for the latest service information. Customers may also sign up for text and email alerts at MYmtaalerts.com.