



Chicago Is About to Become the Largest City in the Northern Hemisphere without an Intercity Bus Terminal

THE WINDY CITY IS SET TO JOIN TWO WARMER-WEATHER PLACES, BOTH IN THE SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE, AMONG THE WORLD'S 130 LARGEST CITIES WITHOUT LONG-DISTANCE BUS TERMINALS

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This brief summarizes the Chaddick Institute at DePaul's review of intercity bus stations in the 130 largest cities in the world. It presents this analysis to expand public knowledge on the status of stations during discussions about the impending closure of the Chicago Intercity Bus Station. The lease of this privately owned facility at 630 W. Harrison ends in October 2024.

The analysis focused on the world's 130 largest cities, using a ranking published by the City Mayors Foundation (CMF), an international research think tank. Chicago ranked 114th in population worldwide in this ranking (*see next page*) and currently has an estimated population of 2,664,452. To qualify as an urban intercity bus terminal, a facility needed to have: i) city-to-city bus (or coach) service to a point



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PHOTO (ABOVE): CHICAGO INTERCITY BUS (GREYHOUND) TERMINAL, CIRCA 2006, PHOTO BY STEVE VANCE



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outside the metropolitan region, ii) a physical structure that protects passengers from the weather, typically a station building or large shed over the platforms, and iii) boarding and alighting occurring away from city streets. The station needed to be within the city's municipal limits and, for small private bus stations serving only a single line, less than a 10-kilometer (6.2-mile) drive from the city center, broadly defined. Airport bus terminals more than 10 kilometers from the city center are excluded.

The standard of service for bus passengers varies widely across countries. European countries tend to have modern terminals with climate-controlled waiting rooms, digital departure boards, and other amenities, while many lower-income countries have aging and modest facilities. The study team did not evaluate the condition or quality of the terminals to avoid the subjectivity associated with such assessments. A summary of our methods is provided on the next page.



MAJOR FINDINGS

Key findings about the *general status of bus stations*:

- **All but two of the world's 130 largest cities have intercity bus terminals**, and many have several terminals (Table 1). The two cities lacking terminals are in the Southern Hemisphere: Kinshasa, in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), and Nairobi, Kenya.
- **All 15 largest cities in the Global North (in nations characterized by a high level of economic and industrial development) have intercity bus terminals.** Twelve have central bus terminals in or near downtown districts used by numerous bus lines (Table 2).
- **In many lower-income countries, terminals tend to be a fusion of transit and intercity bus services, with similar arrangements for both.** Some have only modest station buildings, seating, and signage. Nevertheless, it is customary to have physical structures that provide shelter for passengers and off-street boarding and alighting.
- **Many cities, and most in Europe, have publicly run stations open to private bus lines, which is less common in US cities than abroad.** However, many facilities, particularly in lower-income nations, suffer from overcrowding and crime issues.

Key findings about *individual cities*:

- **Kinshasa, DRC, ranking 19th in population, is the world's largest city without an intercity bus terminal.** Locations adjacent to highways or on streets are generally used to load buses. DRC ranks 164 out of 174 countries in the World Bank's 2020 Human Capital Index.
- **Nairobi, Kenya, ranking 94th, has several facilities** used by local transit buses, but intercity coaches use roadside locations. Nairobi's vast Central Bus Station and several smaller stations nearby are oriented toward metropolitan-area transit.
- **Chicago, ranking 114th, will become the largest city in the Northern Hemisphere and the Global North without a terminal if its station closes as anticipated in September.** Chicago, ranking 114th in cities worldwide, will be the world's third-largest city without a terminal. It will

also be the only one of the 15 largest cities in the Global North (a category in which it ranks eighth in population) without a station (Table 2). (See discussion below on proposed curbside locations).

- **Chicago will have the coldest weather**, measured by average temperature during the coldest month, of any city without a terminal. The margin is substantial. Chicago's low is 34° F less than the next-coldest city (Nairobi) without a terminal. The Windy City's coldest month, January, averaged -3.2° C (26° F), compared to Kinshasa's (22.2° C, 71° F) and Nairobi's (15.6° C, 60° F), both also during January.
- **The two U.S. cities larger than Chicago—New York and Los Angeles—have expansive public accommodations for intercity buses.** New York's Port Authority Terminal, among the largest bus stations in the world, is being redesigned and expanded. In Los Angeles, the county government provides space at the Los Angeles Union Station bus concourse for Greyhound and FlixBus. Los Angeles El Paso Limo bus lines have a dedicated station near the heart of Los Angeles.
- **Shenzhen, China**, ranking 12th, is among the largest cities with a highly centralized intercity bus terminal system; it has over a dozen facilities. Nearly all Chinese cities have several terminals.

EVALUATION METHODS

The analysis used [CMF's ranking of world cities](#), a list created after a global review of census records and other sources. The ranking is based on the estimated population at the time of publication in 2017. The study team reviewed the 130 largest cities and six additional Global North cities outside the largest 130 to account for the possibility that some cities ranking below Chicago may have risen to a higher rank since the list was published. The team performed these tasks:

- Searched public informational portals, websites, Google Maps, and travel information sites to identify bus terminals (called "stands" in some Asian cities);
- Reviewed aerial imagery to corroborate whether there was a physical structure and off-street boarding;
- Recorded the name and address of that station and links to key information sources;
- Consulted major booking sites, such as Busbud.com and Flixbus.com, to identify the most prominent stations.
- See endnotes on page 8 for additional information on Karachi (endnote 1), Kinshasa (2), Kano, Nigeria (3) and Chicago (4)



There is a high degree of uncertainty about the population of some Global South cities due to the limitations of census programs and rapid migration. The ambiguities in what constitutes intercity service, particularly in the Global South, must also be acknowledged. In some regions, transit buses also function as intercity buses. To ensure consistency in our evaluation, we searched particularly for

terminals that serve high-floor motor coaches operating on intercity routes. Services using vans and small low-floor buses were not regarded as meeting the definition. Please contact the study team for additional information.

TECHNICAL FACTORS RELATED TO CHICAGO

Proposals have been formulated to move Chicago Intercity Bus Station's four bus lines, Greyhound Lines, Burlington Trailways, FlixBus, and Barons Bus, to a curbside location in mid-September to allow the station to be vacant when the lease ends in October. All publicly discussed relocation options involve curbside spots, none of which would qualify as an intercity bus station. If operations move to a Jackson Blvd. curb adjacent to Chicago Union Station (CUS) as proposed, Chicago will not meet the criteria for having a station for two reasons:

- Boarding and alighting would occur on the street from a public sidewalk.
- Passengers would have to travel to another property across a busy street (Jackson) to directly access waiting areas with seating in CUS. (The pedestrian tunnel is not a practical means of reaching these waiting areas). It is currently doubtful whether Amtrak will allow passengers to stay in CUS or whether signage will be allowed on the sidewalk to alert passengers to the waiting space inside the station.

Several other limitations of this location are also noteworthy. There would be no precise location for passengers to be dropped off or picked up, and the area likely permits only three buses to be parked at any given time, making it much smaller than any of the other terminals listed in Table 1. Although we did not use size as an explicit criterion in our evaluation, this location would make Chicago an outlier among nearly all other large cities worldwide. The Tornado Bus stop at 2807 S. Kedzie did not meet the criteria as an urban bus terminal for reasons discussed in Endnote 4.



Rond-Point Ngaba, a curbside bus departure location in Kinshasa, the Democratic Republic of Congo. Kinshasa was the largest city identified without an intercity bus terminal.

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TABLE 1: INTERCITY BUS TERMINALS IN THE 130 LARGEST CITIES OF THE WORLD

Rank	City Name	Country	Population	One of Primary Terminals	Address	Region
1	Shanghai	China	24,153,000	General Long-Distance Bus Sta., 长途汽车客运总站	No. 1666, Zhongxing Road, Zhabei District	Global South
2	Beijing	China	18,590,000	Dongzhimen Terminal	45 Dongzhimenwaixie St, Dongcheng, Beijing	Global South
3	Karachi	Pakistan	18,000,000	Karachi Bus Terminal Sohrab Goth (see note 1)	Province of Sindh, Karachi, Gulzar E Hijri Scheme 33	Global South
4	Istanbul	Turkey	14,657,000	Esenler Otogarı	137, 34035 Bayrampaşa/Istanbul, Türkiye	Global South
5	Dhaka	Bangladesh	14,543,000	Mohakhali Inter District Bus Terminal	QCC2+RF7, Dhaka 1205, Bangladesh	Global South
6	Tokyo	Japan	13,617,000	Shinjuku Bus Terminal	5-chōme-24 Sendagaya, Shibuya City	Global North
7	Moscow	Russia	13,197,596	Moscow Central Bus Terminal	Shchelkovskoye Shosse, 75	Global South
8	Manila	Philippines	12,877,000	Manila Multimodal Terminal	Ermita, Manila, 1000 Metro Manila	Global South
9	Tianjin	China	12,784,000	Tongsha Passenger Transport Terminal	232 Hongqi Lu, Nankai District, Tianjin	Global South
10	Mumbai	India	12,400,000	Mumbai Central ST Bus Stand	Mumbai, Maharashtra 400008, India	Global South
11	Sao Paulo	Brazil	12,038,000	Sao Paulo Terminal do Tietê	Avenida Cruzeiro do Sul, 1800, 02030-00	Global South
12	Shenzhen	China	11,908,000	Shenzhen Bus Station	District, 金碧路 邮政编码: 518035	Global South
13	Guangzhou	China	11,548,000	dōng shěng qì chē kè yùn zhàn)	No.147, West Huaishi Road, Yuexiu District	Global South
14	Delhi	India	11,035,000	Maharana Pratap Inter State Bus Terminus	ISBT Kashmiri Gate, India	Global South
15	Wuhan	China	10,608,000	Hanyang Long-Distance Bus Station	No. 211, Longyang Avenue, Caidian District, Wuhan	Global South
16	Lahore	Pakistan	10,355,000	Lahore Badami Bagh Bus Terminal	Akbari Mandi, Data Nagar Badami Bagh, Lahore	Global South
17	Seoul	South Korea	10,290,000	Central City Terminal	06545 190, Sinbanpo-ro, Seocho-gu, Seoul	Global South
18	Chengdu	China	10,152,000	Chadianzi Bus Terminal: 茶店子客运站	No.289, Fifth Section, West Third Ring Road	Global South
19	Kinshasa	Congo D.R.	10,125,000	None (see note 2)	None	Global South
20	Lima	Peru	9,752,000	Gran Terminal Terrestre	Martín de Porres 15311, Peru	Global South
21	Jakarta	Indonesia	9,608,000	Pulo Gebang Bus Terminal	Jakarta Timur 13950, Indonesia	Global South
22	Cairo	Egypt	9,500,000	Torgoman bus stand	365Q+H4Q, Boulaq Num.2, Bulaq, Cairo Governorat	Global South
23	Mexico City	Mexico	8,919,000	Central de Autobuses Observatorio	Obregón, 01130 Ciudad de México, CDMX, Mexico	Global South
24	Tehran	Iran	8,847,000	Beyhaqi Bus Terminal	PCP8+WP4 District 6, Tehran, Iran	Global South
25	Baghdad	Iraq	8,765,000	Alawi Garage	89FM+6XG, Baghdad, Baghdad Governorate	Global South
26	Xian	China	8,705,000	Xi'an Bus Station of Shaanxi	13 Fengqing Rd, Lianhu District, Xi'an	Global South
27	London	UK	8,674,000	Victoria Coach Station	164 Buckingham Palace Road , SW1W 9TP	Global North
28	New York City	USA	8,550,000	Port Authority Bust Terminal	625 8th Avenue, New York City, New York	Global North
29	Nanjing	China	8,460,000	Zhongyang Long Distance Bus Station	No. 1, Jianning Lu, Xiaguan District	Global South
30	Bangalore	India	8,444,000	Kempegowda Bus Station (Majestic)	Kempegowda, Sevashrama, Bengaluru, Karnataka	Global South
31	Ho Chi Minh City	Vietnam	8,426,000	Mien Dong bus station	Minh 70000, Vietnam	Global South
32	Bangkok	Thailand	8,281,000	Bangkok Bus Terminal (Chatuchak)	Yao, Chatuchak, Bangkok	Global South
33	Chongqing	China	8,165,500	Chenjiaping Bus Station	Chongqing, China, 400050	Global South
34	Bogota	Colombia	8,081,000	Terminal Salitre (Central)	Diagonal 23 # 69 - 11, Bogotá	Global South
35	Lagos	Nigeria	8,048,000	Terminal)	Overpass, Papa Ajao, Lagos 102215, Lagos	Global South
36	Riyadh	Saudi Arabia	7,506,000	SAPTCO Riyadh Bus Station, Azizia	Al Aziziyah, Riyadh 14512, Saudi Arabia	Global South
37	Hong Kong	China	7,234,800	Central station (MTR)	Central Pier No. 6, Man Kwong Street	Global South
38	Chennai	India	7,088,000	Puratchi Thalaivar Dr. M.G.R. Bus Terminus	Inner Ring Road, Koyambedu, Chennai	Global South
39	Hangzhou	China	7,082,000	Hngzhou Car Passenger Transport Central Sta.	Shengjia Rd, Jianggan District, Hangzhou	Global South
40	Hyderabad	India	6,809,000	Mahatma Gandhi Bus Station	Imlibun, Gowliguda, Hyderabad, Telangana 500095\	Global South
41	Rio de Janeiro	Brazil	6,454,000	Terminal Rodoviário Novo Rio	Av. Francisco Bicalho, 1	Global South
42	Zhengzhou	China	6,406,000	hengzhou Passenger Transport General Station	Hanghai Middle Rd, Erqi District	Global South
43	Shenyang	China	6,255,000	Bus Passenger Transport Terminal	District, Shenyang, Liaoning, China, 110062	Global South
44	Qingdao	China	6,188,000	Qingdao Coach Station	1 Shanxian Byp, Shinan District, Qingdao	Global South
45	Santiago	Chile	6,158,000	Santiago (Terminal San Borja)	9160018 Estación Central	Global South
46	Dalian	China	5,900,000	Dalian Jianshe Street Bus Station	China, 116006	Global South
47	Signapore	Singapore	5,607,000	Toa Payoh Bus Interchange	158 Lor 1 Toa Payoh, Block 158	Global South
48	Ahmadabad	India	5,577,000	Geeta Mandir ST Bus Station	Ahmedabad, Gujarat 380002, India	Global South
49	Suzhou	China	5,468,000	Suzhou New Area Bus Passenger Transport Sta.	Jinshan Rd, 狮山 Huqiu District, Suzhou, Jiangsu	Global South
50	St Petersburg	Russia	5,323,000	St. Petersburg Bus Station("Avtovokzal").	1, Obvodny Canal Embankment	Global South
51	Harbin	China	5,282,000	Nangang Bus Station	26 Chunshen Jie, Nangang District, Harbin	Global South
52	Ankara	Turkey	5,271,000	Terminal, Turkish: Ankara Şehirlerarası Otobüs	Söğütözü, Çankaya	Global South
53	Khartoum	Sudan	5,185,000	Mini Al Berri Bus Station	Coordinates: 15.527655096807678, 32.54331655980072	Global South
54	Yangon	(Burma)	5,160,000	Aung Mingalar Bus Terminal	W5J4+69V, Aung Mingalar Street, Yangon	Global South
55	Casablanca	Morocco	5,118,000	Gare Routiere Ouled Ziane	Casablanca 20100, Morocco	Global South
56	Sydney	Australia	5,005,000	known as Central Station Interchange)	Eddy Avenue, Sydney, NSW 2000	Global South
57	Jinan	China	4,694,000	Jinan Long-Distance Passenger Transport Center	75 Dikou Rd, Tianqiao District, Jinan, Shandong	Global South
58	Melbourne	Australia	4,641,000	Street Station)	Spencer Street, Melbourne, VIC 3000	Global South
59	Changsha	China	4,597,000	Changsha West Station	6W47+786, Yulan Rd, Yuelu District, Changsha	Global South
60	Kolkata	India	4,497,000	International Bus Terminus, Kolkata	West Bengal 700069, India	Global South
61	Fuzhou	China	4,468,000	Fuzhou Bus Station	Fuzhou, Fujian, China, 350004	Global South
62	Surat	India	4,467,000	Surat Central GSRTC Bus Station	Surat, Gujarat 395003, India	Global South
63	Abidjan	Ivory Coast	4,396,000	Gare de Bassam	8X2W+C94, Av. 26, Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire	Global South
64	Dar Es Salaam	Tanzania	4,364,000	Ubungu Bus Terminal in Dar es Salaam	Ubungu Bus Terminal Bridge, Morogoro Rd	Global South
65	Shiziahuang	China	4,303,000	Shijiazhuang Passenger Transport Station	No.81 Zhanqian Street	Global South
66	Jeddah	Saudi Arabia	4,276,000	Jeddah Al-Sulaymaniyah Station (Haramain Ry)	G68V+CRP، النسيم، Jeddah 23236, Saudi Arabia	Global South

TABLE 1 (CONT'D): INTERCITY BUS TERMINALS IN THE 130 LARGEST CITIES OF THE WORLD

Rank	City Name	Country	Population	One of Primary Terminals	Address	Region
67	Faisalabad	Pakistan	4,075,000	Faisalabad General Bus Stand	C3HV+6QR, near Mian Muhammad Trust Hospital, Faisalabad	Global South
68	Nanning	China	4,037,000	Nanning Bus Station	Minzu Blvd, Qingxiu District, Nanning, Guangxi, China, 530022	Global South
69	Alexandria	Egypt	4,028,000	Main Bus Station	5WH8+4HF Main Bus Station, As Sabheyah WA Izbat el-Khelwa	Global South
70	Amman	Jordan	4,008,000	JETT	XW86+J2J, Amman, Jordan	Global South
71	Los Angeles	USA	3,976,000	Los Angeles Union Station	801 N Vignes Street Los Angeles, CA 90012	Global North
72	Kunming	China	3,891,000	Kunming Bus Passenger Transport Station	China, Yunnan, Kunming, Guandu District, 永平路112号	Global South
73	Changchun	China	3,815,000	Changchun Passenger Transport Central Station	238 Renmin Ave, 长江路步行街 Kuancheng District, Ch	Global South
74	Yokohama	Japan	3,733,000	East Exit Bus Station	2-chōme-18 Takashima, Nishi Ward, Yokohama	Global North
75	Kabul	Afghanistan	3,678,000	Mili Bus Depot	Kabol District, Kabul, Afghanistan	Global South
76	Berlin	Germany	3,671,000	Berlin central bus station	Masurenallee 4-6, 14057 Berlin, Germany	Global North
77	Giza	Egypt	3,628,000	Giza Square Station	Oula, Al Giza, Giza Governorate 3725003, Egypt	Global South
78	Urumqi	China	3,550,000	Urumqi Beijiao Passenger Transport Terminal	China, Xinjiang, Ürümqi, Shuimogou District, 南湖北路9号	Global South
79	Wuxi	China	3,542,000	Wuxi Coach Station	No. 227, Xihu West Road, Wuxi	Global South
80	Busan	South Korea	3,526,000	Busan Central Intercity Bus Terminal	133 Nopo-dong, Geumjeong-gu, 부산광역시	Global South
81	Guayaquil	Ecuador	3,500,000	Terminal Terrestre de Guayaquil	Avenida de las Américas y Av. Francisco de Orellana	Global South
82	Hanoi	Vietnam	3,435,000	Giáp Bát Bus Station (Bến xe Giáp Bát).	Giáp Bát Bus Station, Giáp Bát, Hoàng Mai, Hanoi	Global South
83	Hyderabad	Pakistan	3,429,000	Hyderabad Intercity Bus Terminal	Hyderabad Bus Terminal, Main Super Highway, Near Jinnah	Global South
84	Addis Ababa	Ethiopia	3,385,000	Long Distance Bus Station	2PMJ+QHQ, Fit. Habte Gyorgis St, Addis Ababa, Ethio	Global South
85	Albiers	Algeria	3,336,000	Gare Routière d'Alger	Gare Routière d'Alger, Kouba, Algiers, Algeria	Global South
86	Kano	Nigeria	3,333,000	Kano Railroad Station (see note 3)	Kofar Meta, Kano	Global South
87	Mashhad	Iran	3,312,000	Imam Reza Bus Station	Pāyāneh-ye Mosāferbarī-ye Mashhad, Mashhad, Iran	Global South
88	Hefei	China	3,310,000	Hefei Bus Station	Mingguang Rd, Yaohai District, Hefei, Anhui	Global South
89	Changzhou	China	3,290,000	Changzhou Passenger Transport Center	No. 51, Zhulin West Road, Tianning District	Global South
90	Taiyuan	China	3,212,000	Taiyuan Bus Station	88 Yingze Ave, Yingze District, Taiyuan, Shanxi, China,	Global South
91	Rawalpindi	Pakistan	3,189,000	Pirwadhai Bus Terminal Rawalpindi	J2JR+3CM, Pirwadhai, Rawalpindi, Punjab, Pakistan	Global South
92	Tangshan	China	3,187,000	Tangshan West Bus Station	Zhanqian S Rd, Lubei District, Tangshan, Hebei, China,	Global South
93	Madrid	Spain	3,141,000	Madrid (South Bus Station)	Calle de Méndez Álvaro 83, 28045 Madrid, Spain	Global South
94	Nairobi	Kenya	3,138,000	None		Global South
95	Zibo	China	3,129,000	Zibo Long-distance Bus Station	No. 21 West Xinyuan Road, Zhangdian District	Global South
96	Pune	India	3,124,000	Pimpri Chinchwad Bus Terminal	Pimpri Colony, Pimpri-Chinchwad, Maharashtra 411017	Global South
97	Ibadan	Nigeria	3,050,000	PMT Ibadan, Sango Road Bus Park	Samonda Old Airport, UI/Sango Rd, Ibadan, Oyo State	Global South
98	Jaipur	India	3,046,000	Sindhi Camp	Kanti Nagar, Sindhi Camp, Jaipur, Rajasthan	Global South
99	Guiyang	China	3,037,000	Guiyang Coach Terminal	No. 32 Yan'an Xi Road	Global South
100	Incheon	South Korea	3,002,000	Incheon Terminal	35, Yeonnam-ro, Michuhol-gu, Incheon	Global South
101	Brasilia	Brazil	2,978,000	Rodoviária Interestadual de Brasília	SMAS, Trecho 4, Conjunto 5, 6 Asa Sul 70610-63 Bras	Global South
102	(Pretoria)	South Africa	2,922,000	Pretoria Station Terminal	Office 4, Pretoria Station, 180 Scheiding St Pretoria Ce	Global South
103	Kanpur	India	2,920,000	Kanpur Central Bus Station	Bus Station, NH-25, Saina Purwa, Cooperganj, Kanpur,	Global South
104	Salvador	Brazil	2,913,000	Terminal Rodoviário de Salvador	Av. Antônio Carlos Magalhães, 4362, Pernambués, 418	Global South
105	Buenos Aires	Argentina	2,900,000	Terminal Retiro	Terminal is Av. Antartida Argentina and Calle 10 - Buen	Global South
106	Kiev	Ukraine	2,900,000	Kyiv (Central Bus Station)	1/2 Nauky avenue, 03039 Kyiv, Ukraine	Global South
107	Rome	Italy	2,877,000	Rome Tiburtina bus station	Largo Guido Mazzoni, 00162 Rome, Italy	Global South
108	Surabaya	Indonesia	2,865,000	Purabaya Bus Terminal	Kasian, Bungurasih, Waru, Sidoarjo Regency, East Jav	Global South
109	Izmir	Turkey	2,848,000	Izmir Otogar	Located east of the city center	Global South
110	Lucknow	India	2,817,000	Alambagh Bus Terminal	Railway Colony, Alambagh, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh 22	Global South
111	Basrah	Iraq	2,750,000	Al-Basra-Terminal	Coordinates: 0.496666, 47.81889	Global South
112	Toronto	Canada	2,731,000	Toronto (Union Station Bus Terminal)	81 Bay St, M5J2X8 Toronto, ON, Canada	Global North
113	Gujranwala	Pakistan	2,723,000	GBS Gujranwala Bus stand	134-B, Judicial Housing Colony, Gujranwala, Punjab 52	Global South
114	Chicago	USA	2,720,000	Chicago Greyhound Terminal (closing, see note 4)	630 West Harrison, Chicago	Global North
115	Taipei	Taiwan	2,705,000	Taipei Bus Station	103, Taiwan, Taipei City, Datong District, Section 1, Sh	Global South
116	Quito	Ecuador	2,671,000	Bus Station Quito Sur	Av. Mariscal Sucre 2756, Quito 170146, Ecuador	Global South
117	Osaka	Japan	2,668,000	Osaka Station	3 Chome-1-1 Umeda, Kita Ward, Osaka, Japan	Global North
118	Xuzhou	China	2,623,000	Xuzhou Bus Station	Yunlong District, Xuzhou, Jiangsu, China, 221005	Global South
119	Fortaleza	Brazil	2,610,000	João Thomé	Av. Borges de Melo, 1630, Fátima 60415-51 Fortaleza	Global South
120	Chittagong	Bangladesh	2,581,000	BRTC Chittagong Bus Depot	N106, Chittagong, Bangladesh	Global South
121	Pyongyang	North Korea	2,581,000	Central Bus Station.	Central Pyongyang	Global South
122	Bandung	Indonesia	2,575,000	Terminal Cicaheum	Cicaheum , Kiaracandong , Bandung , West Java Indon	Global South
123	Kaohsiung	Taiwan	2,540,000	Cishan Bus Station	No. 23, Datong Street, Cishan, Kaohsiung, Taiwan	Global South
124	Yaounde	Cameroon	2,535,000	United Express	Ave Germaine Ahidjo, Yaoundé, Cameroon	Global South
125	Daegu	South Korea	2,522,000	Seobu Bus Terminal station	Daemyeong-dong, Nam District / Songhyeon-dong, Dal	Global South
126	Taichung	Taiwan	2,520,000	Gancheng Station (Shuangshi Rd.)	400, Taiwan, Taichung City, Central District	Global South
127	Belo Horizonte	Brazil	2,502,000	Terminal Rodoviário de Belo Horizonte	Praça Rio Branco 100 Centro Belo Horizonte - MG CEF	Global South
128	Puebla	Mexico	2,500,000	Central de Autobuses de Puebla (CAPU)	San Felipe Hueyotlipan Puebla de Zaragoza Puebla	Global South
129	Douala	Cameroon	2,447,000	Gare Routière de Bonabéri	Gare Routière, 9342, Bonabéri, Cameroon	Global South
130	Medellin	Colombia	2,441,000	Metro Autobuses del Norte	Eje Central Lázaro Cárdenas, Panamericana, Gustavo .	Global South

Population estimates from the City Mayors Foundation.

Addresses are truncated. Contact us for more information.

TABLE 2: INTERCITY BUS TERMINALS IN THE 15 LARGEST CITIES OF THE GLOBAL NORTH

Rank	City Name	Name	Population	One of Primary Terminals	Address
6	Tokyo	Japan	13,617,000	Shinjuku Bus Terminal	Busta Shinjuku, 5-24-55 Sendagaya, Shibuya-ku
27	London	UK	8,674,000	Victoria Coach Station	164 Buckingham Palace Road, SW1S 9 TP
28	New York City	USA	8,550,000	Port Authority Bust Terminal	625 8th Avenue
71	Los Angeles	USA	3,976,000	Los Angeles Union Station	801 N Vignes Street
74	Yokohama	Japan	3,733,000	East Exit Bus Station	2-chōme-18 Takashima, Nishi Ward
76	Berlin	Germany	3,671,000	Berlin central bus station	Masurenallee 4-6, 14057
112	Toronto	Canada	2,731,000	Toronto (Union Station Bus Terminal)	81 Bay St, M5J2X8
114	Chicago	USA	2,720,000	Chicago Greyhound Terminal	630 West Harrison
117	Osaka	Japan	2,668,000	Osaka Station	3 Chome-1-1 Umeda, Kita Ward
135	Brisbane	Australia	2,350,000	Brisbane Coach Terminal	Parkland Cres, Brisbane City QLD 4000
138	Houston	USA	2,296,000	Houston Greyhound Station	7000 Harrisburg Blvd.
139	Nagoya	Japan	2,283,000	Nagoya Station Bus Terminal	Chome-1-1 Meieki Nakamura-ku
142	Paris	France	2,230,000	Gare Routière Internationale de Paris	17 rue Jean Jaurès , 93170 Bagnolet
150	Bucharest	Romania	2,106,000	autogara Militar	Strada Valea Cascadelor nr. 1, 061511
159	Perth	Australia	1,980,000	East Perth Terminal	E Parade, Perth WA 6004, Australia

Population estimates from the City Mayors Foundation.



TABLE 4: STATUS OF INTERCITY BUS TERMINALS IN CITIES, RANKED BY MONTHLY LOW-TEMPERATURE

Temp. Rank	City Name	Country Name	Temperature - Celsius	Temperature Farenheit	Intercity Bus Station
1	Harbin	China	-17.6	0	Yes
2	Changchun	China	-15	5	Yes
3	Urumqi	China	-12.1	10	Yes
4	Shenyang	China	-12	10	Yes
5	St Petersburg	Russia	-7	19	Yes
6	Moscow	Russia	-6.7	20	Yes
7	Taiyuan	China	-6	21	Yes
8	Pyongyang	North Korea	-5.8	22	Yes
9	Dalian	China	-5	23	Yes
10	Incheon	South Korea	-5	23	Yes
11	Toronto	Canada	-5	23	Yes
12	Daegu	South Korea	-5	23	Yes
13	Tianjin	China	-4	25	Yes
14	Zhengzhou	China	-3.9	25	Yes
15	Kiev	Ukraine	-3.5	26	Yes
16	Xuzhou	China	-3.3	26	Yes
17	Chicago	USA	-3.2	26	No*
18	Beijing	China	-3.1	26	Yes
19	Mashhad	Iran	-3	27	Yes
20	Tangshan	China	-3	27	Yes
21	Seoul	South Korea	-2.4	28	Yes
22	Shizihuang	China	-1.1	30	Yes
23	Jinan	China	-1	30	Yes
24	Wuxi	China	-1	30	Yes
25	Hefei	China	-1	30	Yes
26	Changzhou	China	0	32	Yes
27	Zibo	China	0	32	Yes
28	Xian	China	0.3	33	Yes
29	Ankara	Turkey	0.4	33	Yes
30	New York City	USA	0.6	33	Yes
31	Berlin	Germany	0.6	33	Yes
32	Nanjing	China	2.5	37	Yes
33	Wuhan	China	3	37	Yes
34	Osaka	Japan	3	37	Yes
35	Rawalpindi	Pakistan	3.3	38	Yes
36	Suzhou	China	3.55	38	Yes
37	Busan	South Korea	3.6	38	Yes
38	Yokohama	Japan	4	39	Yes
39	Faisalabad	Pakistan	4.1	39	Yes
40	Hangzhou	China	4.5	40	Yes
41	Shanghai	China	4.6	40	Yes
42	Tehran	Iran	4.7	40	Yes
43	Changsha	China	4.9	41	Yes
44	Tokyo	Japan	5.2	41	Yes
45	London	UK	5.2	41	Yes
46	Istanbul	Turkey	5.7	42	Yes
47	Amman	Jordan	6	43	Yes
48	Madrid	Spain	6.3	43	Yes
49	Guiyang	China	6.5	44	Yes
50	Delhi	India	7	45	Yes
Other Cities Without Terminal					
87	Nairobi	Kenya	15.6	60	Yes
108	Kinshasa	Congo D.R.	22.2	72	Yes

* set to close in October 2024

Notes

1. **Karachi, Pakistan**, launched the program in August 2024 to transfer passengers from the city to suburban intercity bus stations to ease congestion. However, its intercity bus facilities remain, and Karachi Bus Terminal Sohrab Goth is currently in use.

2. **Kinshasa, DRC**, has numerous roadside boarding and alighting areas for intercity buses that allow off-street loading, but we could not identify dedicated locations for intercity bus arrivals and departures. Station facilities appear to be retail stores. The city’s Mason Bus Station may have a modest waiting facility but primarily involves curbside loading. Kinshasa is also one of the largest cities in the world without an urban metro system.

3. **Kano, Nigeria**, has only primitive facilities but meets the criteria of having a terminal. Busbud.com, a major bus-travel booking site, shows services between Lagos and Kano by E-Express, Right On Time, and Sokoto State Mass Transit terminating at the Kano Railroad Station. Delta Express and Landstar Express also have an off-street station. Several other bus facilities are also off-street, although information is limited.

4. **Chicago, USA**, has a Tornado Bus Station at 2807 S. Kedzie, typically having four daily departures. However, this facility serves only one carrier and is more than 10 kilometers from the city center (7.6 miles from State Street & Madison Street). The facility did not meet the criteria as an urban intercity bus terminal. Primarily serving Spanish-speaking travelers, it is a converted retail building where buses load on a parking lot area without designating markings for bus arrivals and departures. Chicago also has intercity bus service from the 95th & Dan Ryan CTA station, 15.5 miles from the city center, and from the Multimodal Center at O’Hare International Airport, which is excluded due to being an airport shuttle terminal. A former Tufesa bus terminal on S. Kedzie now has no intercity bus activity