

# Buses replace trains for the T3 Bankstown Line upgrade

From 24 December 2019



## Replacement buses on the T3 Bankstown Line

The NSW Government is delivering Sydney Metro, Australia's biggest public transport project extending from Sydney's north west, under Sydney Harbour through new underground city stations and beyond to Bankstown in Sydney's south west.

Stations between Campsie and Sydenham, along the T3 Bankstown Line, will temporarily close between 24 December 2019 and 5 January 2020 while the train line is being upgraded to metro standards.

During this period, up to 90 buses in the busiest part of the day will operate to provide extra services between Punchbowl and Central Stations to keep customers moving over the holiday period.

### Key features of the temporary bus plan include:

- Frequent, all stops bus services connecting closed stations along the T3 Bankstown Line
- Express and limited stops services during peak and off peak periods for trips towards Sydenham or Central

- Evening bus services to reflect customer demand
- Low floor accessible buses will be provided on the majority of services between Punchbowl and Central
- Bus marshals or station staff will also be available during the busiest parts of the day to provide assistance to customers with accessible needs.

Planned works at Sydenham Station will also impact the T4 Illawarra Line with buses replacing trains between Hurstville and Central Stations from 24 to 28 December 2019.

Train services will continue to operate on the T3 Bankstown Line while stations between Sydenham and Campsie are temporarily closed during upgrade work.

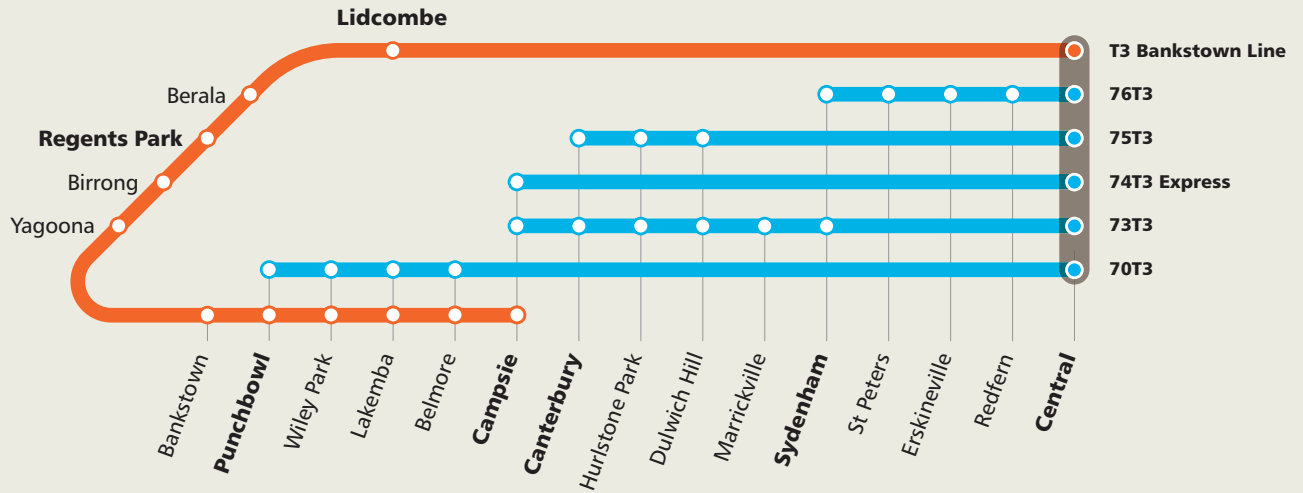
- T3 Line services to Central via Lidcombe Station will be provided for customers at Campsie, Belmore, Lakemba, Wiley Park, Punchbowl, Bankstown, Yagoona, Birrong, Regents Park and Berala Stations.
- T3 Line services will be provided between Liverpool and Central via Regents Park and Lidcombe Stations.
- T2 Line services will continue to operate between Liverpool and Central via Granville station.

T3 Line Temporary Closure	Travelling towards City	Travelling towards Lidcombe Station
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## Temporary bus route map



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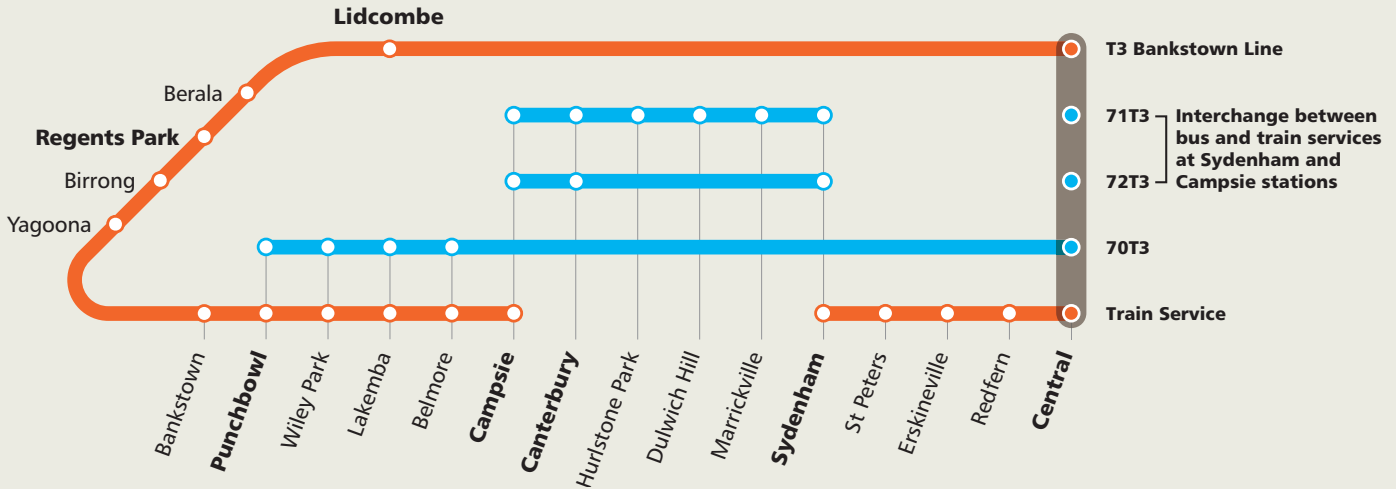
### Legend

-  Temporary bus services and stops
-  T3 Bankstown Line

<b>T3 Bankstown Line</b>	Train services between Campsie and Central via Regents Park and Lidcombe Stations
<b>70T3</b>	Punchbowl to Central via Wiley Park, Lakemba and Belmore
<b>73T3</b>	Campsie to Central via Canterbury, Hurlstone Park, Dulwich Hill, Marrickville and Sydenham
<b>74T3</b>	Campsie to Central
<b>75T3</b>	Canterbury to Central via Hurlstone Park and Dulwich Hill
<b>76T3</b>	Sydenham to Central via St Peters, Erskineville and Redfern

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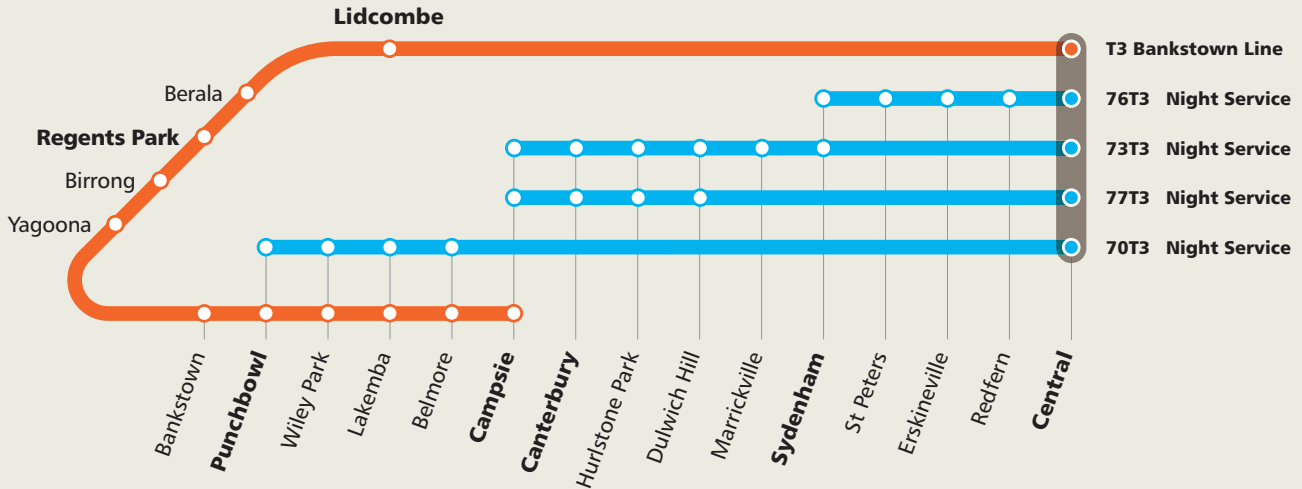
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<b>72T3</b>	Campsie to Sydenham



**NIGHT SERVICES from 10pm to last service:  
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## About Sydney Metro: Sydney Metro City & Southwest

Sydney's new metro railway system is now open.

Sydney Metro services run every four minutes in the peak in the city's north west. Metro rail is being extended into the CBD and beyond to Bankstown in 2024 as part of the Sydney Metro City & Southwest project. There will be new CBD metro railway stations underground at Martin Place, Pitt Street and Barangaroo and new metro platforms under Central.

In 2024, Sydney will have 31 metro railway stations and a 66 km standalone metro railway system – the biggest urban rail project in Australian history. There will be capacity for a metro train every two minutes in each direction under the Sydney city centre.

As part of the Sydney Metro City and Southwest project, the T3 Bankstown Line is being upgraded to metro standards between Sydenham and Bankstown with all stations to be fully accessible with lifts and level access between platforms and trains.

Work to upgrade the T3 Bankstown Line has started, including surveys and investigations, and signalling work.



## FAQs

### **How will community and customers be notified of the temporary transport plan?**

Information about the temporary transport plan will be made available on [transportnsw.info](https://transport.nsw.gov.au) well in advance of the temporary train line closure to give customers plenty of time to plan ahead.

Information will also be made available at train stations.

### **Why is the T3 Bankstown Line being upgraded over the holiday period?**

We have chosen the quieter Christmas and New Year holiday period to close and upgrade the T3 Bankstown Line as there will be less people on the transport network. Our data shows there is a 35 per cent drop in customer patronage over the holiday period.

### **Will there be extra transport services over New Year's Eve?**

During special events like New Year's Eve, extra bus and train services will be operating to get customers to and from the New Year's Eve celebrations.

### **Will there be extended train line closures for the T3 Metro upgrade?**

The Christmas closure of the T3 Bankstown Line was announced in 2017. Following community feedback in early 2018, the Christmas closure was reduced from six weeks to two weeks.

Short individual station closures will be investigated to deliver customer benefits such as new lifts, level platforms and building upgrades sooner to reduce the length of the T3 Line closures and impacts.

The T3 Line will remain open during the majority of construction. Upgrade of the Sydenham to Bankstown line for metro will be coordinated with regular track work to minimise customer impacts.

Weekend possessions will continue as usual and we will keep you informed of the weekend track work schedule later in the year.

### **Where can I get more information?**

For more information about buses replacing trains for the T3 Bankstown Line upgrade visit [mysydney.nsw.gov.au/sydenhamtobankstown](https://mysydney.nsw.gov.au/sydenhamtobankstown)



## Plan ahead

Trip planning will be available at [transportnsw.info](https://transportnsw.info) prior to the train line closure for upgrade