School Bus Services and Travel Advice

Trafford Schools

Academic Year 2019/20

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Summary

This booklet shows all home to school bus services as provided to schools within the Borough of Trafford.

Other booklets are available for schools across the other 9 districts of Greater Manchester and these can be found at www.tfgm.com/schools.

In addition to the services contained in this booklet, there is a network of general bus services which can also be used to get to and from school. Details of these can be found at www.tfgm.com/bus.

Services shown in this booklet operate only on the school days of the schools that the services operate for and will not operate during school holidays or on days when students are not in attendance. Some buses are shared between schools and in these instances, buses will operate on days that all relevant schools are in attendance unless marked on the timetable.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS/CARERS - If you are using this information to choose your child's school, please be aware that these services are subject to change and may be withdrawn due to low use and/or a suitable public transport alternative. This may involve a journey of up to 90 minutes and a change of bus on route.

Frequently Asked Questions

Please see the information below on popular questions relating to school bus services in Trafford.

Who co-ordinates and funds the school bus services?

Schools bus services are co-ordinated by Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM). TfGM don't run any buses, but most of the services in this booklet are provided by funding from TfGM to bus operators to provide the services shown.

How do you decide where to run the buses?

Most schools have provided information to TfGM to allow us to understand the areas where students live to determine where there is likely to be a demand for services. Buses are not cheap to run, so to ensure that we make the maximum use of the resources we have available, we will only provide buses where there are at least 30 students on a line of route. Where there are less than 30 students then the general service network can be used to get to/from school.

There is no bus for my child to get to school. How are they going to get there?

Many students across Greater Manchester use the general network of services to get to/from school, details of these are provided within the timetable pages.

The route and timetable of my child's service has been changed from last year, why is this?

As the numbers of students to schools from individual areas fluctuates, this means that routes may be revised to cater for these fluctuations. In order to ensure that there are enough students on the route, buses from areas may be combined to ensure that there are enough numbers of students along the line of route.

Will it change again?

TfGM reviews the operation and use of services throughout the year and particularly during the autumn term to determine whether any changes are necessary. Mid-year changes predominantly take place at October half-term but can take place at any point in the year. It is possible that routes may change again next year if the number of students using services are low, suitable alternative services are in place or if there has been a change in the location of students attending school.

My child is applying for a place not at our local school, there is a bus service there now, will it be there next year?

Services are unfortunately subject to change, and the provision of a service this year does not mean that the service will necessarily be provided next year. Before deciding to attend a non-local school, parents/carers are urged to consider how your child would get to school if the school bus was no longer provided.

My child's school bus now drops them off much earlier and picks them up later than now, why is this?

In order to make maximum use of our buses, we will look to use the buses to run more than one journey. This means that some students will be dropped off earlier in the morning to allow the bus to run onto another school or will be picked up later in the afternoon because the bus has run a journey preceding. Morning drop offs may be up to 30 minutes before start of school and afternoon pick-ups may be up to 20 minutes after the end of school.

We live local to our school - will my child be able to use the bus?

Most of our school bus services have been designed to carry students who live more than 2 miles from school. 2 miles has been used as this is the minimum statutory distance before students may be eligible for free school travel. Whilst there may be a limited number of places available for students who live closer than 2 miles, local students are encouraged to walk to school. More information on walking to/from school can be found at www.tfgm.com/walking.

Why don't you just put another bus?

TfGM's funding predominantly comes from a levy on the 10 districts of Greater Manchester and ultimately from the Council Tax. Like most Local Authorities we have a limited budget, and this means that we don't have the money to simply put on an extra bus. Where buses are not provided, the students numbers are low enough to be accommodated on the general service network.

Will my child get a seat on the bus?

Most buses provided allow for both seated and standing passengers, this means that some students may need to stand especially on more popular services. This ensures that we can provide places to the maximum number of students possible.

My child has a large sports bag or instrument, do you provide luggage space?

Unfortunately, the buses we use have very limited luggage space to ensure that we can carry the maximum number of students. If there is room on the bus then drivers may allow the carriage of a large item, but this cannot be at the expense of carrying another student and if your child's service is very popular then you will need to consider alternative methods.

My child has lost their bag, who do I contact?

Check who the operator of the service is and contact them directly using the contact information on Page 5.

Are the buses provided only for school students?

Except for services beginning with a Y, all school bus services operate as local bus services. This means that they are open for everyone to use. Most of the time services are not used by anyone other than students, but it is possible.

Do I need a special pass to use the school buses?

Except for services beginning with a Y, then no passes are required to travel. However, in order to travel for reduced fare on the bus, students must hold an igo card and present this to the driver each time. More information on igo cards can be found at www.tfgm.com/tickets-and-passes/igo-pass. Students travelling on most services beginning with a Y also require a Yellow School Bus Pass. More information on this can be found at www.tfgm.com/tickets-and-passes/bus-yellow-school-buses.

If you've any other question not answered above, then please call our Traveline team on 0161 244 1000.

Using the Bus

The following notes will help you in using the bus, especially if it is your first time using one.

Planning the journey

It's a good idea to check which bus is best to catch. All school bus services are shown in this booklet, but you may be using a regular bus service which carries other people. Try and find out in advance where to find the nearest stop is, so that you are confident where to go on the first day.

Even if you've caught the bus before then check that the times and the route haven't changed, you don't want to be late on the first day!

Plan to arrive at the stop 5 minutes before the bus is due to ensure that you don't miss it.

Waiting for the bus

There may be more than one person waiting for a bus at the stop, so wait sensibly away from the road; please be mindful of other bus passengers who may be waiting for the bus also. Do not push or trip others on the pavement whilst waiting for the bus, as it could cause an accident.

Make sure you have your pass and any fare ready before the bus arrives, this will mean that the driver won't have to wait for you to find it and delay the journey.

As the bus approaches make sure it is your bus by checking the service number and destination which are clearly displayed on the front of the bus; raise your arm as a signal to the driver that you want the bus to stop.

Getting on the bus

Board the bus calmly and do not push other people in front or to the side of you to get on more quickly; make sure that you allow other passengers to board the bus if they were there before you.

Show your pass to the driver, and where necessary pay your fare, try to have the correct change if possible.

Then find a seat on the bus, use seats upstairs if necessary.

During the journey

Stay seated throughout the journey, if seatbelts are fitted then they must be worn.

If no seats are available and you must stand then ensure that you always hold onto handrails, that you don't stand upstairs, on the stairs or to the side of the driver.

Do not distract the driver unless it is an emergency and do not cause any damage to the bus or interfere with its working.

Getting off the bus

When your stop is next, ring the bell once. If it has already been rung, you do not need to ring it again.

If you need to cross the road when you get off the bus, wait until the bus has moved off and you can see the road clearly in both directions or go to the nearest available crossing.

REMEMBER: When using the bus, behave sensibly and safely for all parts of the journey.

Any pupil that causes damage to buses, bus stops or shelters and/or does not meet the required standard of behaviour on the bus could:

- Have their pass withdrawn.
- · Be banned from the bus.
- Be prosecuted by the police.
- Be required to pay for any damage they have caused.

Operator Contact Details

The following operators operate bus services across Trafford, if you have any lost luggage queries or complaints regarding the operation of the services then please contact the operators below.

Code	Contact Details		
		р	0344 800 4411
ARR Arriva North	70 Omnahida Daad Aistora Linamaad LOSAD	w	www.arrivabus.co.uk
ARR West 7	73 Ormskirk Road, Aintree, Liverpool, L9 5AR	е	customer.services@arrivanw.co.uk
		t	@arrivanorthwest
		р	0161 947 9477
	51 T 10 1 0 1 D 101 1 1011 5DT	w	www.bellevue-mcr.com
BEV Belle Vue 1	The Travel Centre, Crossley Road, Stockport, SK4 5DZ	е	sales@bellevue-mcr.com
		t	@BelleVue_Buses
		g	01270 252970
DGB D&G Buses N	Mossfield Road, Stoke-on-Trent, ST3 5BW		www.dabus.co.uk
	,,	е	info@dgbus.co.uk
		р	01942 888 893
	20,000 01	w	www.diamondbuses.com/north-west
DIA Diamond Bus 2	22/23 Chanters Industrial Estate, Atherton, Manchester, M46 9BE	е	comments@diamondbusnorthwest.co.uk
		t	@DiamondBusNW
		D	0161 789 4545
		w	www.gogoodwins.co.uk
GOO Go Goodwins L	Lyntown Trading Estate, Eccles, Manchester, M30 9QG	е	enquiries@gogoodwins.co.uk
		t	@gogoodwins
	Boyle Street, Manchester, M8 8UT	р	0330 1234 121
Go North		w	www.gonorthwest.co.uk
GNW West E		е	ask@gonorthwest.co.uk
		t	@gnwbus
	Crossley Park, Crossley Road, Heaton Chapel, Stockport, SK4 5BF	р	0161 946 9255
Manchester		w	www.manct.org
MCT Community S		е	info@manct.org
Transport		t	@mct_travel
		р	0161 205 2000
MET Metrolink	Matalial Contains Condes M40 007	W	www.tfgm.com/tram
IVIE I IVIETIOIINK IV	Metrolink Customer Services, M16 0GZ		customerservices@metrolink.co.uk
		t	@MCRMetrolink
		р	0800 200 6060
NRL Northern Rail F	Transat NODTHEDN DAILWAY	W	www.northernrailway.co.uk
NRL Northern Rail F	Freepost NORTHERN RAILWAY	е	enquiries@northernrailway.co.uk
			@northernassist
		р	0161 945 9122
SEL Selwyns	Init 6 Deaten Dead Charaten Manchester MOO ATE	w	www.selwyns.co.uk
SEL Travel	Jnit 6, Paston Road, Sharston, Manchester, M22 4TF	е	sales.manchester@selwyns.co.uk
		t	@SelwynsCoaches
	Hyde Road, Manchester, M12 6JS	р	0161 273 3377
STG Stagecoach F		w	www.stagecoachbus.com
STG Stagecoach F		е	manchester.enquiries@stagecoachbus.com
		t	@StagecoachGM
Maninate:-1-		р	01925 634296
WOB Warrington's Own Buses	Nilderspool Causeway, Warrington, WA4 6PT	W	www.warringtonsownbuses.co.uk
Own buses	3		@WarringtonBuses

For any other queries or comments on services in Trafford then please contact TfGM on 0161 244 1000 or use the contact form at www.tfgm.com/contact.

Fares Information

Passengers can pay a fare to the driver for each journey shown on this timetable. However, students will need to show an IGO pass to travel at the concessionary (reduced) fare. If students do not have an IGO pass, they will have to pay a higher fare.

All students between the ages of 11 and 16 need an igo pass if they wish to travel at the concessionary fare on buses. It must be carried on all journeys and shown to the driver before paying the fare.

The igo pass costs £10 and can only be bought by students who live in or go to school in Greater Manchester. More information on IGO and an application form to get an IGO pass is on the TfGM website at http://igo.tfgm.com

Students who are entitled to a free Scholars Travel Pass and students aged between 16 and 19 who have a Scholars Concessionary Pass, do not need an igo Pass for these journeys.

Unless marked within the timetables then the following fares are applicable on school bus services:

igo Single Ticket - £1.40 igo Return Ticket - £2.40 Scholar Pass Single Ticket - £1.40 no return available Single Ticket (without igo) - £1.80 no return available

TfGM School Weekly - £7.40

The above tickets are only valid for use on the school bus service to/from school. It is not valid on any other services, therefore if you miss the bus you will need to buy another ticket to travel.

System One Passes

System One passes allow use on the school bus services included in this guide as well as all other bus services within Greater Manchester for the duration of the ticket. Tickets may be used after school and at weekends where applicable and offer better value than purchasing additional tickets at the weekend.

1 Day Any Bus Junior - £2.90 – available from the driver 7 Day Any Bus Junior - £9.50 – available from the driver 28 Day Any Bus Junior - £34.00 – must be purchased at TfGM Travelshops or Pay Point locations.

The above tickets are for 11-16 years only and an igo card is required.

1 Day Any Bus 16-18 - £2.90 – available from the driver
7 Day Any Bus Young Person - £13.50 – must be purchased at TfGM Travelshops or Pay Point locations.
28 Day Any Bus Young Person - £47.50 – must be purchased at TfGM Travelshops or Pay Point locations.

These tickets are available to Sixth Form and College students with a get me there card.

Other tickets are available for individual operators, details of these can be found on their respective websites.

Free School Travel

You may be entitled to free travel to and from school if you:

are under 8 years old and live more than 2 miles from your nearest qualifying school; are aged 8-16 years old and live more than 3 miles from nearest qualifying school.

Your child may qualify for free travel if they are eligible for free school meals or if the parents receives their maximum level of Working Tax Credit. In this instance the following applies:

are under 11 years old and live more than 2 miles from your nearest qualifying school; are aged 11-16 years old and live between 2 and 6 miles from attended school, if there are not three or more nearer qualifying schools. are aged 11-16 years old and live between 2 and 15 miles from your nearest school preferred on the grounds of religion or belief.

Further information on eligibility for free school travel may be found below, please select the council where the student is resident:

Students living in Trafford - https://www.trafford.gov.uk/residents/schools/school-transport/travel-assistance.aspx Students living in Manchester -

https://www.manchester.gov.uk/info/100005/schools_education_and_childcare/7048/apply_for_a_school_travel_pass_or_cycle_voucher Students living in Stockport - https://www.stockport.gov.uk/travel-to-school

Students living in Salford - https://www.salford.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/info-for-parents-students-and-teachers/help-and-support-for-students/transport-to-school/

Altrincham College of Arts 0845 – 1510 Mon-Thu / 1450 Fri

The following bus services run close by - more details can be found at www.tfgm.com:

Diamond Bus service 283/284 - Altrincham, Hale, Hale Barns

Diamond Bus service 285/286 - Altrincham, Timperley Grange, Timperley

Additionally specific schoolday only services also serve the school as follows:

Belle Vue service 770 - Sale, Brooklands

Belle Vue service 771 - Sale, Northern Moor

Belle Vue service 772 - Sale Moor, Northern Moor

Diamond Bus / Belle Vue service 773 - Oldfield Brow

Go Goodwins service 774 - Sharston, Benchill, Wythenshawe, Newall Green, Baguley

Belle Vue service 776 – Ashton, Woodheys, Broadheath

Changes to schoolday only services from 1 September 2019

Service 770 will be rerouted between Dane Road and Brooklands Tram Stop to run direct via Washway Road and not via Ashton, Ashton will be served by service 776.

Service 771 will be replaced by changes to service 776 which will commence in Ashton.

Service 772 will be amended to revert to three large double deck buses, one bus will run as service 771 and will start at Sale Metrolink, two buses will continue to run as service 772 starting at Sale Moor.

Service 773 will be retimed to improve punctuality, the afternoon journey will be operated by Belle Vue instead of GoGoodwins

Service 774 will commence from Sharston and be re-routed in Wythenshawe and Baguley and retimed to improve punctuality. It will no longer run via Broomwood and will be operated by GoGoodwins instead of M Travel.

Service 775 will be withdrawn due to low student numbers. Students should travel via Altrincham Interchange.

Service 776 will be extended to start from Ashton to partially replace service 771, between Broadheath and School buses will run direct and not via Timperley. It will be operated by Selwyns instead of GoGoodwins.

Changes to schoolday only services from 30 September 2019

Service 770 morning journey retimed to depart Sale at 0738- to assist with punctuality.

Changes to schoolday only services from 27th October 2019

Service 797 – new morning service introduced from Bowdon Vale – shared with Wellington High School

Service 773 – morning journey retimed to improve punctuality.

Changes to schoolday only services from 9 December 2019

Service 776 will be operated by Belle Vue instead of Selwyns, there are no changes to the route/times.

Changes to schoolday only services from 17th February 2020

Service 771/772 – these services will be operated by Belle Vue instead of Selwyns.

Changes to schoolday only services from 24th February 2020

Service 773/797 - service 773 is extended to start from Hale replacing service 797 which is withdrawn.

Sale / Brooklands				Service 770
TfGM Contract: Minimum Capacity: Operator Code:	0080 86 BEV	TfGM Contract: Minimum Capacity: Operator Code: Days of Operation Code:	0080 86 BEV F	0080 86 BEV NF
Sale, Glebelands Road	0738	Altrincham College of Arts	1500	1520
Sale, M&S	0745	Brooklands, Metrolink	1511	1531
Brooklands, Metrolink	0801	Sale, M&S	1516	1536
Altrincham College of Arts	0825	Sale, Grosvenor Road	1524	1544

Days of Operation Codes: NF – Operates Monday to Thursday. F – Operates Friday Only.

Service 770 route: From Sale, Glebelands Road/Grosvenor Road via Glebelands Road, Cross Street, Washway Road, Marsland Road, Brooklands Road, Shaftesbury Avenue, Thorley Lane, Green Lane to Altrincham College of Arts.

Returning from Altrincham College of Arts via Green Lane, Wood Lane and outward route reversed to Glebelands Road, Grosvenor Road to Sale, Grosvenor Road/Glebelands Road.

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Sale / Northern Moor				
TfGM Contract: Minimum Capacity: Operator Code:	0521 85 BEV	TfGM Contract: Minimum Capacity: Operator Code: Days of Operation Code:	0521 85 BEV F	0521 85 BEV NF
Sale, Metrolink (Broad Road)	0755	Altrincham College of Arts	1500	1520
Worthington Park	0757	Northern Moor, Gardeners Arms	1511	1531
Orton Road/Sale Road	0806	Orton Road/Sale Road	1515	1535
Northern Moor, Gardeners Arms	0810	Worthington Park	1524	1544
Altrincham College of Arts	0825	Sale, Broad Road	1527	1547

Days of Operation Codes: NF - Operates Monday to Thursday. F - Operates Friday Only.

Service 771 route: From Sale, Metrolink via Broad Road, Wythenshawe Road, Northenden Road, Sale Road, Orton Road, Moorcroft Road, Wythenshawe Road, Ferndown Road, Altrincham Road, Shaftesbury Avenue, Thorley Lane, Green Lane to Altrincham College of Arts.

Returning from Altrincham College of Arts via Green Lane, Wood Lane, Thorley Lane and outward route reversed to Sale, Broad Road (Lynwood Lodge).

NB: sections of route shown in italics operate on a 'hail and ride' basis.

Sale Moor / Northern Moor						Service 772	
TfGM Contract: Minimum Capacity: Operator Code:	0521 85 BEV	0521 85 BEV	TfGM Contract: Minimum Capacity: Operator Code: Days of Operation Code:	0521 85 BEV F	0521 85 BEV F	0521 85 BEV NF	0521 85 BEV NF
Norris Road/Helsby Road	0755		Altrincham College of Arts	1500	1501	1520	1521
Derbyshire Rd Sth/Marsland Rd	0759		Northern Moor, Gardeners Arms	1511	1512	1531	1532
Sale Moor, Legh Arms	0802	0802	Orton Road/Sale Road	1515	1516	1535	1536
Orton Road/Sale Road	0806	0806	Sale Moor, Legh Arms	1520	1521	1540	1541
Northern Moor, Gardeners Arms	0810	0810	Derbyshire Rd Sth/Marsland Rd	1522	1523	1542	1543
Altrincham College of Arts	0825	0825	Norris Road/Helsby Road	1527	1528	1547	1548

Days of Operation Codes: NF – Operates Monday to Thursday. F – Operates Friday Only.

Service 772 route: From Sale Moor, Norris Road/Helsby Road via Norris Road, Derbyshire Road South, Marsland Road, Northenden Road, Old Hall Road, Baguley Road, Northenden Road, Sale Road, Orton Road, Moorcroft Road, Wythenshawe Road, Ferndown Road, Altrincham Road, Shaftesbury Avenue, Stockport Road, Thorley Lane, Green Lane to Altrincham College of Arts.

Returning from Altrincham College of Arts via Green Lane, Wood Lane, Thorley Lane, Shaftesbury Avenue, Altrincham Road, Ferndown Road, Wythenshawe Road, Moorcroft Road, Orton Road, Sale Road, Northenden Road, Marsland Road, Derbyshire Road South, Norris Road to Sale Moor, Norris Road/Helsby Road.

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Hale / Bowdon Vale / Oldfield Brow				Service 773	
TfGM Contract: Minimum Capacity: Operator Code:	0522 53 DIA	TfGM Contract: Minimum Capacity: Operator Code: Days of Operation Code:	0461 78 BEV F	0461 78 BEV NF	
Hale, Hale Road (Cemetery)	0735	Altrincham College of Arts	1500	1520	
Bowdon Vale, St Lukes Church	0745	Cresta Court Hotel	1507	1527	
Oldfield Brow, Greenway	0800	Oldfield Brow, Post Office	1514	1534	
Cresta Court Hotel	0810	·			
Hare and Hounds	0815				
Altrincham College of Arts	0820				

Days of Operation Codes: NF - Operates Monday to Thursday. F - Operates Friday Only.

Service 773 route: From Hale, Hale Road (Cemetery) via Hale Road, Ashley Road, Langham Road, Green Road, Bow Lane, Priory Road, Vicarage Lane, Langham Road South, Richmond Road, Stamford Road, The Firs, St Margaret's Road, Dunham Road, Suffolk Road, Bradgate Road, Bonville Road, Oldfield Road, Greenway, Taylor Road, Stamford Ave Seamons Road, Oldfield Road, Church Street, Woodlands Road, Stockport Road, Wood Lane, Thorley Lane, Green Lane to Altrincham College of Arts.

Returning from Altrincham College of Arts via Green Lane, Wood Lane, Stockport Road, Woodlands Road, Church Street, Oldfield Road, Seamons Road Walton Road, Oldfield Road, Greenway, Taylor Road, Stamford Avenue, Seamon's Road to Oldfield Brow, Post Office.

Sharston / Benchill / Wythenshawe / Newall Green / Baguley				
TfGM Contract: Minimum Capacity: Operator Code:	0503 53 GOO	TfGM Contract: Minimum Capacity: Operator Code:	0503 53 GOO F	0503 53 GOO NF
Sharston, Altrincham Road	0754	Altrincham College of Arts	1500	1520
Benchill, Tram Stop	0757	Baguley, McDonalds	1508	1528
Wythenshawe, Market	0800	Newall Green, Post Office	1514	1534
Newall Green, Post Office	0804	Wythenshawe, Market	1519	1539
Baguley, McDonalds	0813	Benchill, Tram Stop	1522	1542
Altrincham College of Arts	0825	Sharston, Altrincham Road	1527	1547

Days of Operation Codes: NF - Operates Monday to Thursday. F - Operates Friday Only.

Service 774 route: From Sharston, Altrincham Road via Brownley Road, Simonsway, Tuffley Road, Greenbrow Road, Hollyhedge Road, Marden Road, Bowland Road, Hall Lane, Altrincham Road, Shaftesbury Avenue, Thorley Lane, Green Lane to Altrincham College of Arts.

Returning from Altrincham College of Arts via Green Lane, Wood Lane, Thorley Lane, and outward route reversed to Sharston, Altrincham Road.

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Ashton / Woodheys / Stamford Brook / Broadheath				Service 776	
TfGM Contract: Minimum Capacity: Operator Code:	0520 85 BEV	TfGM Contract: Minimum Capacity: Operator Code: Days of Operation Code:	0520 85 BEV F	0520 85 BEV NF	
Ashton, Carrington Lane	0750	Altrincham College of Arts	1500	1520	
Ashton, The Brigadier	0754	Broadheath, Barlow Road	1515	1535	
Woodheys, The Drive	0804	Woodheys, The Drive	1520	1540	
Broadheath, Barlow Road	0811	Ashton, The Brigadier	1527	1547	
Altrincham College of Arts	0835	Ashton, Carrington Lane	1537	1557	

Days of Operation Codes: NF – Operates Monday to Thursday. F – Operates Friday Only.

Service 776 route: From Ashton, Carrington Lane/Buck Lane via Carrington Lane, Manor Avenue, Firsway, Cherry Lane, Manor Avenue, Woodhouse Lane, Washway Road, Manchester Road, Stamford Brook Road, Turnbull Road, Barlow Road, Craven Road, George Richards Way, Manchester Road, Barrington Road, Woodlands Road, Stockport Road, Wood Lane, Thorley Lane, Green Lane to Altrincham College of Arts.

Returning from Altrincham College of Arts via Green Lane, Wood Lane and outward route reversed to Ashton, Carrington Lane/Buck Lane.

NB: sections of route shown in italics operate on a 'hail and ride' basis.