

#50 – DAMEN route history

- 05-01-1894 Began WEST CHICAGO STREET RR CO horsecar services from Milwaukee via Damen to Kinzie and from Kinzie via Damen to 14th
- c00-00-1895 Thru routed horsecars Milwaukee to 14th
- c05-05-1895 Replaced horsecars with streetcars
- 00-00-1896 Began south streetcar route from 18th via Damen to Blue Island
- 00-00-1897 Began NORTH CHICAGO ELECTRIC RY CO streetcar service from Lincoln via Damen-Balmoral-Ravenswood to Rosehill Dr
- 00-00-1897 Extended Damen streetcars from Milwaukee via Damen to Fullerton
- 02-27-1899 Rosehill route passes to CHICAGO CONSOLIDATED TRACTION CO
- 07-01-1899 Damen and South Damen routes pass to CHICAGO UNION TRACTION CO
- 00-00-1901 Extended Rosehill streetcars via Damen-Lincoln to Wrightwood
- 01-29-1908 Damen and South Damen routes pass to CHICAGO RYS CO
- 00-00-1910 Thru-routed Damen streetcars from Fullerton via Damen to Blue Island
- 12-28-1910 Rosehill route passes to CHICAGO RYS CO, extended Rosehill streetcars from Wrightwood via Lincoln-Armitage-Clark-Wells-Randolph to LaSalle-Randolph-Monroe-Dearborn-Randolph loop
- 00-00-1912 Rerouted Rosehill streetcars via Wells-Illinois-LaSalle to LaSalle-Randolph-Dearborn-Monroe loop
- 02-01-1914 Routes pass to CHICAGO SURFACE LINES
- 03-29-1917 Began owl service on Rosehill route Rosehill Dr to Lincoln only
- 01-29-1922 Rerouted Rosehill streetcars via LaSalle to Randolph-Clark-Monroe-LaSalle loop
- 09-14-1924 Rerouted Rosehill streetcars via Wells to Illinois-LaSalle-Madison-Wells loop
- 02-23-1932 Cut back Rosehill streetcars to Damen/Lincoln evenings and Sundays
- 11-27-1939 Rerouted Mon-Sat daytime Rosehill streetcars via Wells to Randolph-LaSalle-Madison-Wells loop
- 11-27-1944 Rerouted Mon-Sat daytime Rosehill streetcars via Wells-Harrison-Dearborn to Polk
- 06-16-1947 Began extension motor bus service from Elston terminal via Damen to Byron-Seeley-Irving Park-Damen loop
- 09-01-1947 Rerouted Mon-Sat daytime Rosehill streetcars via Lincoln-Larrabee-Chicago-Wells
- 10-01-1947 Routes pass to CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY
- 08-01-1948 Discontinued Rosehill streetcars, extended extension buses from Irving Park via Damen-Balmoral-Ravenswood-Bryn Mawr to Ashland-Olive-Clark-Bryn Mawr loop and began owl service on extension bus. Transferred extension bus work from Limits station to Devon station
- 12-12-1948 Replaced streetcars with motor buses Sat-Sun from Elston terminal via Damen to 23rd-Wolcott-Blue Island-Damen loop
- 08-22-1949 Began using one-man cars daily, discontinued Sat-Sun bus service
- 05-28-1950 Transferred extension bus work from Devon station to North Park station

05-13-1951 Replaced streetcars with motor buses, thru-routed buses from Ashland-Olive-Clark-Bryn Mawr loop via Bryn Mawr-Ravenswood-Balmoral-Damen to 23rd-Wolcott-Blue Island-Damen loop

05-21-1951 Rerouted buses via Damen to Coulter-Hoyne-Blue Island-Damen loop

01-16-1955 Transferred Blue Island station portion of work to Lawndale station

05-20-1955 Rerouted buses via Bryn Mawr to Ashland-Edgewater-Clark-Bryn Mawr loop

09-09-1957 Transferred North Park station portion of work to Limits station

02-09-1964 Transferred Limits station portion of work to North Park station

09-12-1966 Extended some Mon-Fri rush buses via Damen to 34th-Hoyne-35th-Damen loop

11-17-1969 Discontinued service to Damen/35th

09-13-1971 Resumed Mon-Fri rush service to Damen/35th

09-07-1973 Discontinued service to Damen/35th

12-16-1973 Transferred Lawndale station portion of work to Kedzie station

09-02-1979 Transferred all work from Kedzie station to North Park station

09-13-1981 Discontinued owl service

09-09-1984 Transferred part of work from North Park station to Kedzie station

09-07-1986 Transferred Kedzie station portion of work to Lawndale garage

07-03-1994 Transferred all work from North Park and Lawndale stations to Kedzie station

06-18-1995 Extended buses via Damen-Archer to 35th-Leavitt-35th/Archer station terminal-Archer loop

11-16-1997 Rerouted buses via Damen-Foster-Ashland to Ashland-Edgewater-Clark-Bryn Mawr loop

12-28-1997 Discontinued late evening service

03-23-2008 Transferred work from Kedzie station to Archer station