# Ridership

Total Boardings by Mode								
Mode	Jun-15	Jun-16	$\Delta$	YTD-15	YTD-16	$\Delta$		
ST Express	1,622,222	1,617,420	-0.3%	9,159,934	9,228,211	0.7%		
Sounder	323,747	361,919	11.8%	1,843,914	2,099,824	13.9%		
Tacoma Link	75,396	73,634	-2.3%	508,445	481,397	-5.3%		
Link	1,059,864	1,789,217	68.8%	5,380,429	8,296,484	54.2%		
Paratransit	3,756	4,154	10.6%	24,526	19,354	-21.1%		
System Total	3,084,985	3,846,345	24.7%	16,917,247	20,125,270	19.0%		
Monthly ridership figures are preliminary and subject to revision on a quarterly basis.								

June 2015: 22 Weekdays 4 Saturdays 4 Sundays

22 Weekdays

**Sound Transit** ridership increased by 761K, or 24.7%, compared to June 2015. With the opening of the University Link extension, records continue to be set for system-wide total monthly, average weekday, average Saturday, and average Sunday boardings.

4 Saturdays

4 Sundays

*ST Express* ridership remained essentially flat, decreasing slightly by 5K, or 0.3%, while average weekday boardings increased by 2.1%, compared to the same period last year. Routes connecting the East side of King County to Seattle via I-90 saw the biggest increases in ridership, with Route 550, Bellevue-Seattle, and Route 554, Issaquah-Seattle, seeing increases in average weekday boardings of 5% and 10%, respectively. In addition, average weekday boardings on Route 550 reached a new record of 11,138, the first time an ST Express route surpassed the 11,000 threshold.

*Sounder* ridership increased by 38K, or 11.8%, compared to the same period last year, while average weekday boardings increased by 11.0%. Average weekday boardings increased significantly on both the North and South line, up 18.7% and 10.2%, respectively.

Tacoma Link ridership decreased slightly by 1.8K, or 2.3%, compared to June 2015.

*Link* ridership increased by 729K or 68.8%, compared to June 2015. Similarly, average weekday, average Saturday and average Sunday boardings were up 68.8%, 66.3%, and 71.9%, respectively. The significant growth is attributed to the opening of University Link extension in Q1 2016 and the implementation of 6-minute peak frequencies in Q4 2015.

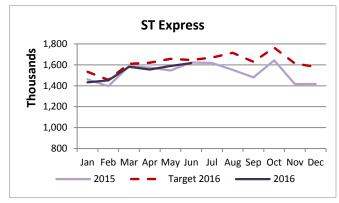
*Paratransit* services increased by 10.6% compared to June 2015. The increase in Paratransit ridership is attributed to the increased ridership with the opening of University Link extension and additional customers requesting access to the Link system.

Average Daily Boardings									
Mode	Weekday			Saturday			Sunday		
Wode	Jun-15	Jun-16	$\Delta$	Jun-15	Jun-16	$\mathbf{\%}\Delta$	Jun-15	Jun-16	$\Delta$
ST Express	64,550	65,877	2.1%	25,317	23,733	-6.3%	18,385	18,300	-0.5%
Sounder	14,517	16,111	11.0%	1,795	2,331	29.9%	1,290	2,578	99.8%
Tacoma Link	2,980	2,927	-1.8%	1,724	1,663	-3.5%	737	646	-12.4%
Link	38,446	64,904	68.8%	29,807	49,572	66.3%	23,707	40,763	71.9%
Paratransit	125	138	10.6%	125	138	10.6%	125	138	10.6%
System Total	120,618	149,957	24.3%						

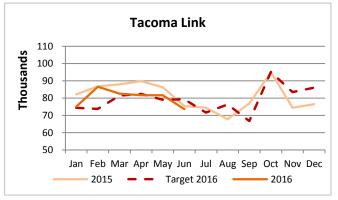
Paratransit daily boardings are assumed equal between weekdays, Saturdays, and Sundays.

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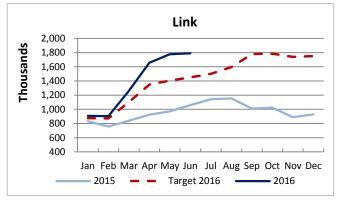
## Monthly Ridership Trends by Mode



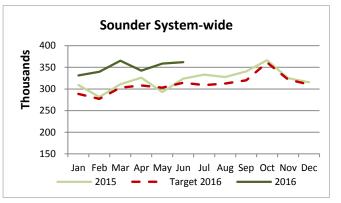
ST Express ridership decreased slightly by 0.3% compared to June 2015, while average weekday boardings were up by 2.1%.



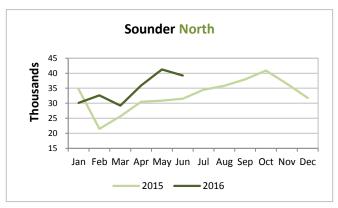
Tacoma Link ridership was down 2.3% compared to June 2015, and average weekday boardings decreased by 1.8%.



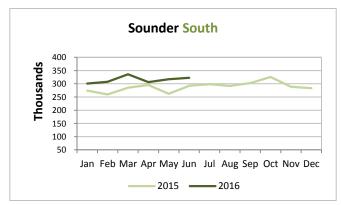
Link ridership was up 68.8% compared to June 2015, and average weekday boardings also increased by 68.8%. Link's impressive ridership gains are largely a result of new service to Capitol Hill and UW stations.



Sounder system-wide ridership increased by 11.8% compared to June 2015, and average weekday boardings increased by 11.0%.

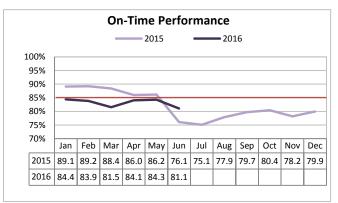


Sounder North ridership was up 24.7% compared to June 2015. Ridership is trending higher than last year as demand for the services increases.



Sounder South ridership grew by 10.4% compared to June 2015. Ridership continues to increase year over year.

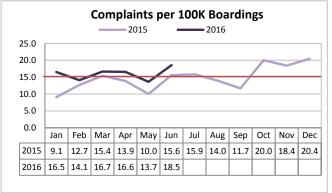
## ST Express



Target: 85%

June 2016: 81.1% YTD 2016: 83.2%

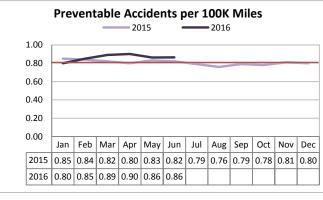
OTP declined in June due to traffic congestion and overcrowding that caused late buses, although we continue to see better results from the new methodology based on actual GPS readings implemented in June 2015.



Target: <15 June 2016: 18.5

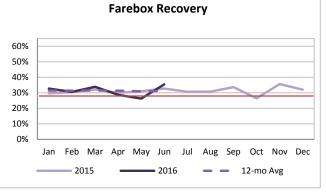
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Complaints have been up since last fall due to overcrowding and congestion. We expect to see improvement as hours are added in September to mitigate some of the issues.



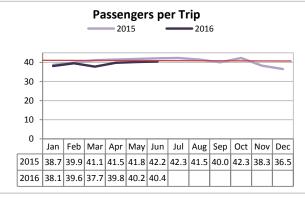
Target: 0.80 June 2016: 0.86 YTD 2016: 0.90

Preventable accidents per 100K miles increased slightly compared to last year. Safety is the top priority as staff and partners continue working together to identify and address the issues.



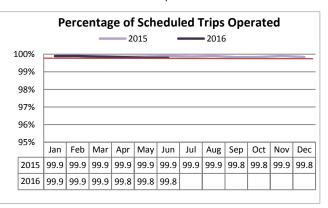
Target: 28.8% June 2016: 35.5% 12-Mo Avg: 31.2%

Farebox recovery was up in June due in large part to the timing of transactions. ST Express has performed better than target, at 31.2% farebox recovery, over the most recent rolling 12 months.



Target: 41.8 June 2016: 40.4 YTD 2016: 39.3

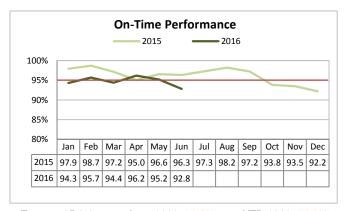
Passengers per trip decreased versus last year, as more trips were added this year to ease overcrowding. However, demand for service is growing and we expect passengers per trip will continue to increase since the addition of trips in March.



### Target: 99.8% June 2016: 99.8% YTD 2016: 99.8%

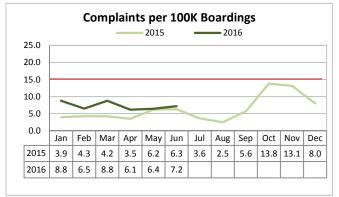
ST Express consistently operates within the targeted range for the percentage of scheduled trips operated.

# Sounder Commuter Rail



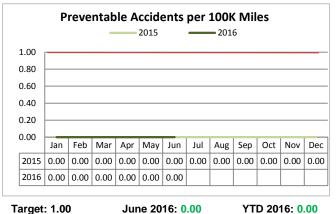
Target: 95.0% June 2016: 92.8% YTD 2016: 94.8%

OTP declined in June and YTD performance was slightly below target of 95%, mainly due to construction of the third mainline by BNSF (an ST2 project to expand railroad capacity) near Tukwila that forced a single track railroad for a number of weeks.

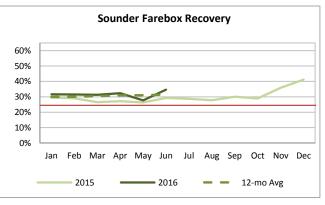


Target: <15 June 2016: 7.2 YTD 2016: 7.3

Sounder received 0.9 more complaint per 100K boardings in June versus the same period of 2015. Delays were the biggest complaint category.

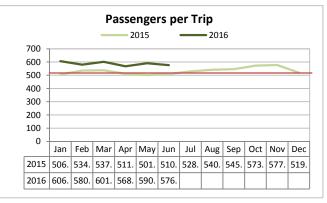


Sounder has not experienced a preventable accident since service began.



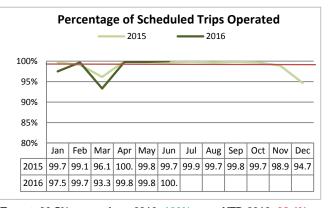
Target: 25.3%June 2016: 34.7%12-Mo Avg: 31.5%Farebox recovery is up compared to same period of 2015.Sounder continues to perform better than target, at 31.5%

farebox recovery, over the most recent rolling 12-month period.



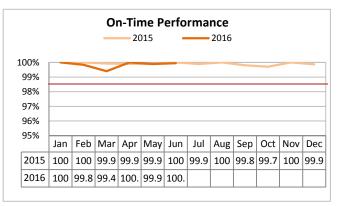
#### Target: 507 June 2016: 576.3 YTD 2016: 586.9

The number of passengers per trip increased 12.9% compared to June 2015, as Sounder continued to experience ridership growth on both the North and South lines.

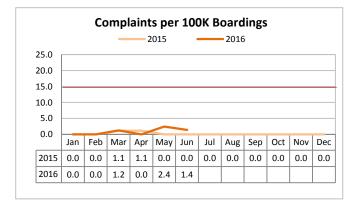


Target: 99.5%June 2016: 100%YTD 2016: 98.4%Sounder operated all scheduled trips in June and met the target<br/>for the percentage of scheduled trips operated.

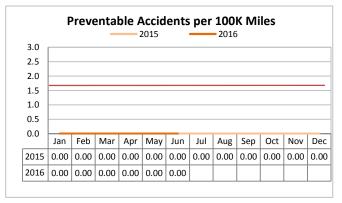
## **Tacoma Link**



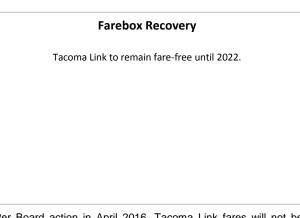
Target: 98.5%June 2016: 100%YTD 2016: 99.8%Tacoma Link consistently performs well above the target for<br/>on-time performance.



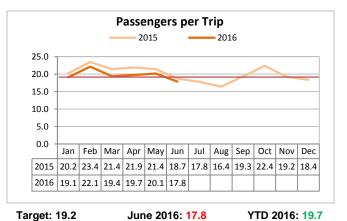
Target: <15</th>June 2016: 1.4YTD 2016: 0.8Tacoma Link received 1 complaint in June, but consistently<br/>operates well within the target of less than 15 complaints per<br/>100K boardings.



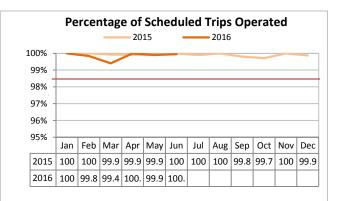
Target: 1.66June 2016: 0.00YTD 2016: 0.00Tacoma Link has not experienced any preventable accidents<br/>since March 2013.



Per Board action in April 2016, Tacoma Link fares will not be implemented until the opening of the Hilltop extension.

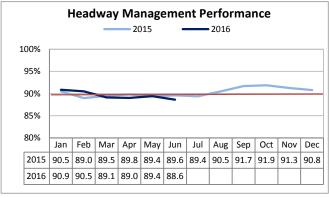


Tacoma Link carried one fewer passenger per trip versus same period of 2015.



Target: 98.5%June 2016: 100%YTD 2016: 99.8%Tacoma Link consistently operates nearly all scheduled trips and<br/>performs better than the target.

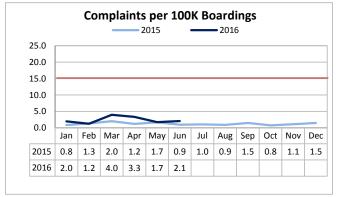
# Link



Target: 90%

June 2016: 88.6% YTD 2016: 89.6%

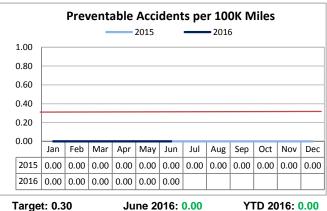
Headway management is slightly below targeted levels. Performance has deteriorated since the start of University Link due to increased passenger traffic on buses and trains in the DSTT.



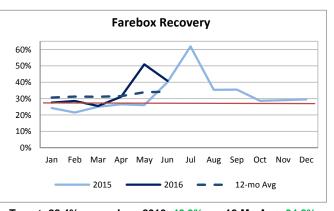
Target: <15 June 2016: 2.1

Link received 1.2 more complaint per 100K boardings in June, compared to the same period of 2015. However, it is well within the targeted range despite healthy ridership gains.

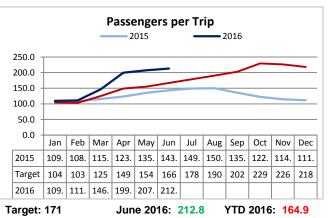
YTD 2016: 2.4



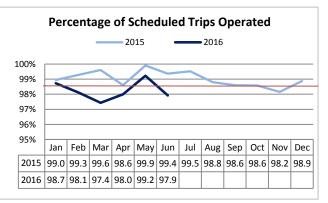
Link has not experienced any preventable accidents since July 2013.



Target: 28.4%June 2016: 40.9%12-Mo Avg: 34.2%Farebox recovery improved slightly compared to last year. Farebox<br/>recovery was 34.2% during the most recent rolling 12 months,<br/>which is well above target.



Passengers per trip continue to increase since University Link launch. The target line for passengers per trip (red) reflects the openings of the University Link and Angle Lake extensions.

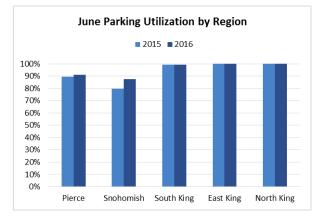


### Target: 98.5% June 2016: 97.9%

Scheduled trips operated in June are slightly below target mainly due to a non-preventable incident on MLK that blocked service both directions.

YTD 2016: 98.2%

# **General Transit**

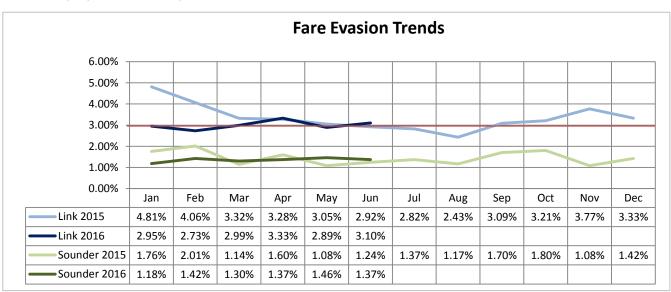


System-wide Permanent & Leased Parking						
June 2016						
Region	Available	Utilized	% Utilized			
Snohomish	3,613	3,161	87%			
North King	159	159	100%			
East King	1,488	1,493	100%			
South King	3,927	3,903	99%			
Pierce	4,921	4,480	91%			
System Total	14,108	13,196	94%			

A total of 14,108 parking stalls are available at 31 locations in Pierce County, Snohomish County, as well as South, East, and North King County. Temporary (leased) parking is available in all regions except East King County.

Utilization continues to be at or near capacity at many of our parking facilities. Overall utilization increased by 3% compared to June 2015, reflecting 94% system-wide utilization.

The Pierce County region experienced 1% growth, while Snohomish County increased by 8%. North King, East King, and South King regions are unchanged versus last year.



**Fare Evasion** on Link increased marginally compared to June 2015, with final results falling slightly outside the targeted range at 3.10%. June Link boardings increased 68.8% compared to last year.

Sounder fare evasion was up slightly compared to June 2015, with final results of 1.37% for the month. System-wide Sounder boardings increased by 11.8% in June.

Overall, combined fare evasion increased slightly compared to June 2015, for a combined rate of 2.87%. Fare inspections trended over 5% of all rail passengers in June 2016, below the targeted inspection rate of 10%.

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<sup>2</sup> Actual performance compared to the Budget standard-ST Express: >85%, Sounder: >95%, Link: >90%, Tacoma Link: >98.5%.

 $^{3}$  Headways are scheduled intervals between trips.

 $^4$  An accident in which the operating employee(s) failed to do everything reasonable to prevent the accident.  $^5$  YTD Preventable accidents per 100,000 miles is based on a rolling 12-month period of data.

<sup>6</sup> Farebox recovery is calculated as farebox revenues divided by total modal operating expenses.