

December 2013

Boardings	Monthly Total Boardings			Annual YTD Boardings			Average Weekday Boardings			Average Saturday Boardings			Average Sunday Boardings		
Mode	December	December	%	2013	2012	%	December	December	%	December	December	%	December	December	%
	2013	2012	Change			Change	2013	2012	Change	2013	2012	Change	2013	2012	Change
ST Express regional bus	1,261,331	1,193,847	+ 5.7%	16,600,500	15,430,663	+ 7.6%	52,385	50,375	+ 4.0%	19,842	19,691	+ 0.8%	13,645	14,650	- 6.9%
Sounder commuter rail	248,710	216,544	+ 14.9%	3,035,735	2,811,891	+ 8.0%	10,913	9,552	+ 14.2%	0*	0*	+ N/A	9,772*	10,517*	- 7.1%
Tacoma Link light rail	76,985	76,778	+ 0.3%	1,000,316	1,024,053	- 2.3%	3,166	3,096	+ 2.3%	1,826	2,636	- 30.7%	532	747	- 28.8%
Central Link light rail	817,298	684,358	+ 19.4%	9,681,432	8,699,821	+ 11.3%	29,659	25,084	+ 18.2%	20,921	17,356	+ 20.5%	18,462	15,984	+ 15.5%
Paratransit	4,531	4,983	- 9.1%	61,730	62,920	- 1.9%	146	152	- 3.6%	146	152	- 3.6%	146	152	- 3.6%
System Total	2,408,855	2,176,510	+ 10.7%	30,379,714	28,029,349	+ 8.4%	96,270	87,948	+ 9.5%	42,735	40,363	+ 5.9%	36,043	35,909	+ 0.4%

ST Express and System Total ridership includes downtown Seattle only ridership (formerly Ride Free Area) as of October 2012.

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

Ridership Analysis

December 2013: 21 weekdays, 4 Saturdays, 6 Sundays (December 2012: 21 weekdays, 4 Saturdays, 5 Sundays)

Sound Transit ridership increased by over 10% in December 2013, led by strong growth in ST Express, Sounder and Central Link boardings. Paratransit experienced a slight decline over 2013. ST Express routes in East King County, South King County and Pierce County saw the highest growth in bus ridership. Sounder boarding totals were were up almost 15%. No mudslides related service disruptions occured in December. Sounder weekday boardings were up over 14%, with a 18% increase on the North Line and an 8% increase on the South Line. Total monthly Tacoma Link boardings were flat in December, and Tacoma Link closed out 2013 with a 2% decline. Central Link had an excellent month with over 19% growth total monthly boardings and increases of 18% on weekdays, over 20% on Saturdays, and over 15% on Sundays. Finally, paratransit boardings were down 9% for the month. Systemwide, no major service disruptions occurred during December.

^{*} Sounder event service



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Trends

