

July 2013

Boardings	Monthly Total Boardings			Annual YTD Boardings			Average Weekday Boardings			Average Saturday Boardings			Average Sunday Boardings		
Mode	July 2013	July 2012	% Change	2013	2012	% Change	July 2013	July 2012	% Change	July 2013	July 2012	% Change	July 2013	July 2012	% Change
ST Express regional bus	1,473,371	1,298,809	+ 13.4%	9,602,423	8,842,150	+ 8.6%	58,988	54,005	+ 9.2%	23,809	21,278	+ 11.9%	16,080	13,987	+ 15.0%
Sounder commuter rail	266,148	217,290	+ 22.5%	1,737,071	1,571,167	+ 10.6%	11,786	10,079	+ 16.9%	2,211*	0*	+ N/A	2,320*	1,878*	+ 23.5%
Tacoma Link light rail	75,010	73,259	+ 2.4%	590,576	598,516	- 1.3%	2,921	2,957	- 1.2%	1,919	1,767	+ 8.6%	614	684	- 10.3%
Central Link light rail	953,634	836,940	+ 13.9%	5,407,020	4,853,339	+ 11.4%	31,947	28,870	+ 10.7%	32,853	26,868	+ 22.3%	23,879	20,534	+ 16.3%
Paratransit	5,272	5,188	+ 1.6%	36,816	37,350	- 1.4%	170	167	+ 1.6%	170	167	+ 1.6%	170	167	+ 1.6%
System Total	2,773,435	2,431,486	+ 4. %	17,373,905	15,902,522	+ 9.3%	105,812	96,077	+ 10.1%	59,303	50,079	+ 18.4%	41,670	36,311	+ 14.8%

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

July 2013: 22 weekdays, 4 Saturdays, 5 Sundays for ST Express, Central Link, Sounder and Tacoma Link

All Sound Transit modes experienced ridership growth during July 2013. Downtown Seattle local boardings continue to be included in the ST Express totals since the Ride Free Area was discontinued in October 2012. On ST Express, cross lake routes continue to show impressive ridership increases over 2012 with 18%, 19%, and 15% more weekday ridership on routes 545, 550 and 554 respectively in July. Route 560 showed an increase of 20%, reversing a long decline in ridership. Total Sounder commuter train ridership was over 22% over July 2012, the largest year over year increase for Sounder this year. Average weekday Sounder boardings increased by 18% on the south line and by 7% on the north line. On Central Link, total boardings increased by 14%. Central Link continues to post high weekend numbers. Average Saturday ridership was higher than the weekday ridership for the second straight month this summer. Tacoma Link ridership was mostly flat with a slight decrease in weekday ridership coupled with a slight increase in Saturday ridership.

^{*} Sounder event service



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Trends

