

Service Delivery Quarterly Performance Report

System-wide Boardings									
Boardings by Service Mode	Q1 2018	Q1 2019	%∆	YTD 2018	YTD 2019	%∆	YTD Budget	% YTD	
ST Express	4,438,809	4,220,584	-4.9%	4,438,809	4,220,584	-4.9%	4,317,837	97.7%	
Sounder	1,162,589	1,126,553	-3.1%	1,162,589	1,126,553	-3.1%	1,171,755	96.1%	
Tacoma Link	236,426	228,474	-3.4%	236,426	228,474	-3.4%	243,782	93.7%	
Link	5,475,375	5,780,297	5.6%	5,475,375	5,780,297	5.6%	6,258,267	92.4%	
Paratransit	15,830	16,193	2.3%	15,830	16,193	2.3%	17,500	92.5%	
Total Boardings	11,329,029	11,372,101	0.4%	11,329,029	11,372,101	0.4%	12,009,141	94.7%	
Average Weekday Boardings	154,119	155,986	1.2%	154,119	155,986	1.2%			

Total Sound Transit ridership slightly increased by 43K, or 0.4%, compared to the first quarter of 2018; systemwide average weekday boardings increased by 1.2%.

ST Express ridership and average weekday boardings decreased by 4.9% and 3.8%, respectively, compared to the first quarter of last year mainly attributed to the snow events and the closure of the Rainier Freeway Station in September 2018 due to East Link construction. Nearly half of the decline in average weekday boardings occurred on routes 554 (Issaquah-Seattle) and 550 (Bellevue-Seattle) that were impacted by the closure.

Sounder ridership decreased by 36K, or 3.1% compared to the first quarter of 2018 and average weekday boardings decreased overall by 2.1% mainly driven by the inclement weather in February.

Tacoma Link ridership decreased by 8K, or 3.4%, compared to the first quarter of last year. Average weekday boardings decreased by 3.9% compared to the same period last year.

Link light rail ridership grew 305K, or 5.6%, compared to the first quarter of 2018; average weekday boardings increased by 6.8%.

Paratransit ridership services increased by 2.3% for the first quarter of 2019.

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ST Express								
	Q1 2018	Q1 2019	Q1 Budget	YTD 2018	YTD 2019	YTD Budget		
Revenue Vehicle Hours Operated ¹	157,954	150,746	159,503	157,954	150,746	159,503		
Revenue Vehicle Miles Operated	2,978,955	2,909,500	3,035,011	2,978,955	2,909,500	3,035,011		
Trips Operated	120,087	117,493	116,754	120,087	117,493	116,754		
Platform Hours Operated	197,317	195,299	204,931	197,317	195,299	204,931		
Boardings	4,438,809	4,220,584	4,317,837	4,438,809	4,220,584	4,317,837		
Boardings per Revenue Vehicle Hour	28	28	27	28	28	27		
Boardings per Trip	37	36	37	37	36	37		
Cost per Boarding ²	\$7.59	\$8.21	\$8.59	\$7.59	\$8.21	\$8.59		
Percentage of Scheduled Trips Operated	99.9%	98.0%	≥ 99.8%	99.9%	98.0%	≥ 99.8%		
On-Time Performance ³	86.6%	86.9%	≥ 85.0%	86.6%	86.9%	≥ 85.0%		
Customer Complaints per 100K Boardings	17.5	15.3	< 15.0	17.5	15.3	< 15.0		
Prev. Accidents per 100K Platform Miles ⁵	0.59	0.75	< 0.80	0.59	0.75	< 0.80		

	ST Express Average Weekday Boardings by Route								
		Q1 2018	Q1 2019	%∆	YTD				
510-513	Everett-Seattle	8,575	8,331	-2.8%	8,331				
522	Woodinville-Seattle	4,905	4,992	1.8%	4,992				
532	Everett-Bellevue	2,047	1,786	-12.8%	1,786				
535	Lynnwood-Bellevue	1,968	1,941	-1.4%	1,941				
540	Kirkland-U. District	590	567	-3.9%	567				
541	Overlake-U. District	780	813	4.3%	813				
542	Redmond-U. District	2,185	2,123	-2.9%	2,123				
545	Redmond-Seattle	8,363	8,363	0.0%	8,363				
550	Bellevue-Seattle	9,663	8,959	-7.3%	8,959				
554	Issaquah-Seattle	3,948	3,491	-11.6%	3,491				
555/556	Issaquah-Northgate	1,470	1,385	-5.7%	1,385				
560	West Seattle-SeaTac-Bellevue	1,744	1,674	-4.0%	1,674				
566/567	Auburn-Kent-Overlake	2,052	1,891	-7.8%	1,891				
574	Lakewood-SeaTac	2,187	2,177	-0.5%	2,177				
577/578	Seattle-Federal Way/Puyallup	3,762	3,717	-1.2%	3,717				
580	Lakewood-Puyallup	768	879	14.4%	879				
586	Tacoma-U. District	484	432	-10.8%	432				
590-595	Lakewood/Tacoma-Seattle	6,074	5,669	-6.7%	5,669				
596	Bonney Lake-Sumner	585	579	-1.1%	579				
	Total Average Weekday Boardings	62,150	59,771	-3.8%	59,771				

ST Express on-time performance was above the target at 86.9% for the first quarter. Boardings per trip was slightly below the target and below last year. Percentage of scheduled trips operated was lower than target and lower than last year on year-to-date basis mainly due to the snow events.

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Sounder Commuter Rail									
	Q1 2018	Q1 2019	Q1 Budget	YTD 2018	YTD 2019	YTD Budget			
Revenue Vehicle Hours Operated ¹	18,854	18,935	18,650	18,854	18,935	18,650			
Revenue Vehicle Miles Operated	557,920	558,032	2,189	557,920	558,032	2,189			
Trips Operated	2,130	2,165	2,144	2,130	2,165	2,144			
Boardings	1,162,589	1,126,553	1,171,755	1,162,589	1,126,553	1,171,755			
Boardings per Revenue Vehicle Hour	62	59	63	62	59	63			
Boardings per Trip	546	520	547	546	520	547			
Cost per Boarding ²	\$9.40	\$12.07	\$11.48	\$9.40	\$12.07	\$11.48			
Percentage of Scheduled Trips Operated	97.6%	99.2%	≥ 99.5%	97.6%	99.2%	≥ 99.5%			
On-Time Performance ³	92.3%	95.2%	≥ 95.0%	92.3%	95.2%	≥ 95.0%			
Customer Complaints per 100K Boardings	7.9	5.8	< 15.0	7.9	5.8	< 15.0			
Prev. Accidents per 100K Platform Miles ⁵	0.00	0.00	≤ 1.00	0.00	0.00	≤ 1.00			

Sounder Commuter Rail Average Weekday Boardings by Corridor							
Q1 2018							
North Line, Everett - Seattle	1,751	1,644	-6.1%	1,644			
South Line, Tacoma - Seattle	16,519	16,238	-1.7%	16,238			
Total Average Weekday Boardings	18,270	17,882	-2.1%	17,882			

Sounder achieved the on-time performance target (95.2%) in the first quarter of 2019, an improvement compared to the same period last year. Boardings per trip dropped by 4.8% compared to the first quarter of 2018. Percentage of scheduled trips operated was better than last year on year-to-date basis and nearly met target at 99.2%.

Tacoma Link Light Rail									
	Q1 2018	Q1 2019	Q1 Budget	YTD 2018	YTD 2019	YTD Budget			
Service Hours Operated	2,416	2,343	2,450	2,416	2,343	2,450			
Service Miles Operated	18,605	18,057	12,243	18,605	18,057	12,243			
Trips Operated	12,074	12,027	11,938	12,074	12,027	11,938			
Boardings	236,426	228,474	243,782	236,426	228,474	243,782			
Boardings per Service Vehicle Hour	98	98	100	98	98	100			
Boardings per Trip	20	19	20	20	19	20			
Cost per Boarding ²	\$4.47	\$5.05	\$5.45	\$4.47	\$5.05	\$5.45			
Percentage of Scheduled Trips Operated	99.9%	99.8%	≥ 98.5%	99.9%	99.8%	≥ 98.5%			
On-Time Performance ³	99.9%	99.8%	≥ 98.5%	99.9%	99.8%	≥ 98.5%			
Customer Complaints per 100K Boardings	0.0	0.0	< 15.0	0.0	0.0	< 15.0			
Prev. Accidents per 100K Platform Miles ⁵	1.32	0.00	≤ 1.7	1.32	0.00	≤ 1.7			

Tacoma Link Light Rail Average Weekday Boardings						
	Q1 2018	Q1 2019	%∆	YTD		
Total Average Weekday Boardings	3,244	3,118	-3.9%	3,118		

Tacoma Link on-time performance was above target at 99.8% for the first quarter of 2019. Preventable accidents per 100K miles is based on a 12-month rolling average. There has been no preventable accident since June 2017. Boardings per trip was slightly lower than the target and last year.

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Link Light Rail									
	Q1 2018	Q1 2019	Q1 Budget	YTD 2018	YTD 2019	YTD Budget			
Revenue Vehicle Hours Operated ¹	64,932	65,278	66,550	64,932	65,278	66,550			
Revenue Vehicle Miles Operated	1,336,878	1,338,933	1,365,775	1,336,878	1,338,933	1,365,775			
Trips Operated	25,236	25,107	25,311	25,236	25,107	25,311			
Boardings	5,475,375	5,780,297	6,258,267	5,475,375	5,780,297	6,258,267			
Boardings per Revenue Vehicle Hour	84	89	94	84	89	94			
Boardings per Trip	217	230	247	217	230	247			
Cost per Boarding ²	\$4.50	\$5.04	\$5.48	\$4.50	\$5.04	\$5.48			
Percentage of Scheduled Trips Operated	98.8%	98.7%	≥ 98.5%	98.8%	98.7%	≥ 98.5%			
Headway Performance ⁴	90.2%	89.1%	≥ 90.0%	90.2%	89.1%	≥ 90.0%			
Customer Complaints per 100K Boardings	2.0	2.0	< 15.0	2.0	2.0	< 15.0			
Prev. Accidents per 100K Platform Miles ⁵	0.00	0.05	< 0.30	0.00	0.05	< 0.30			

Link Light Rail Average Weekday Boardings by Station								
	Q1 2018	Q1 2019	%∆	YTD 2019				
University of Washington	9,840	10,349	5.2%	10,349				
Capitol Hill	7,567	8,118	7.3%	8,118				
Westlake	10,813	11,457	6.0%	11,457				
University Street	5,516	5,884	6.7%	5,884				
Pioneer Square	4,048	4,362	7.8%	4,362				
International District / Chinatown	5,813	6,252	7.6%	6,252				
Stadium	1,226	1,282	4.6%	1,282				
SODO	2,238	2,359	5.4%	2,359				
Beacon Hill	2,785	3,029	8.8%	3,029				
Mount Baker	2,416	2,481	2.7%	2,481				
Columbia City	2,510	2,684	6.9%	2,684				
Othello	2,465	2,762	12.0%	2,762				
Rainier Beach	1,993	2,132	7.0%	2,132				
Tukwila International Boulevard	2,720	2,806	3.2%	2,806				
SeaTac / Airport	4,772	5,360	12.3%	5,360				
Angle Lake	3,557	3,723	4.7%	3,723				
Total Average Weekday Boardings	70,279	75,040	6.8%	75,040				

Link boarding performance increased by 5.6% compared to the first quarter of 2018 and was 92.4% of the target on year-to-date basis. Percentage of scheduled trips operated was above target at 98.7% for Q1 2019. Preventable accidents per 100K platform miles was 0.05 for year to date as Link light rail determined that there was a preventable accident in June 2018 at the intersection of Martin Luther King Jr. Way S. and S. Myrtle Street. No injuries were reported as a result of the incident.

Paratransit Boardings					
	Q1 2018	Q1 2019	%∆	YTD 2019	
Link Service Area Average Daily Boardings	176	180	2.3%	180	

¹⁻Revenue hours: The total amount of time during which service is available to carry passengers. Tacoma Link reports as service hours since it does not collect fares.

²⁻Cost per boarding is calculated as the total actual operating costs (including Agency overhead) before depreciation and operating leases divided by the total number of riders.

³⁻On-time performance standards are described in the budget.

⁴⁻Headway Performance: Using a tolerance of +/- 2 minutes.

⁵⁻Preventable accident: An accident in which the operating employee failed to do everything reasonable to prevent the accident.