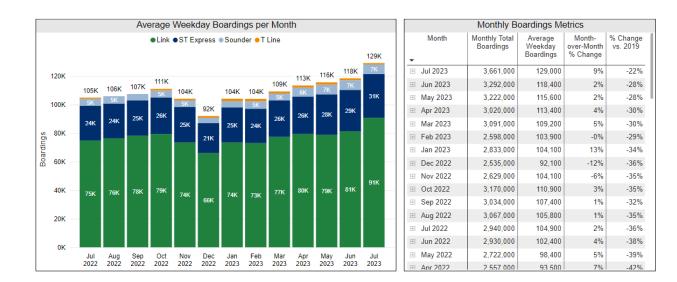
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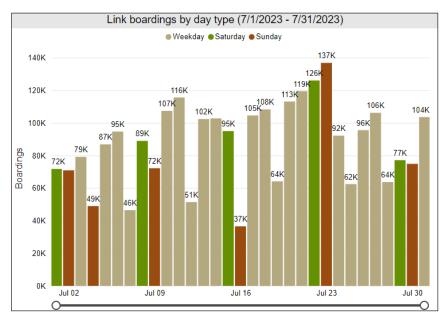
Ridership



For an up-to-date¹, interactive and more detailed look at ridership, please see: https://www.soundtransit.org/ride-with-

• In July, Sound Transit carried the most passengers it has since before the pandemic. Average weekday ridership increased for the fifth consecutive month shattering the highest post-COVID ridership total both in terms of monthly total and average weekday boardings. Ridership in July was nearly 80% of its pre-COVID levels.

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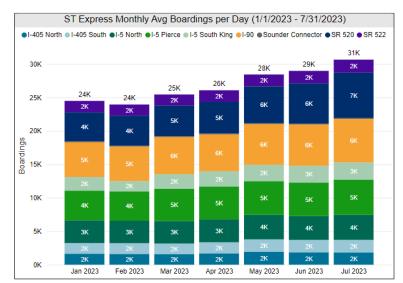


- In July, Link experienced its highest ever single month of ridership, with average daily boardings growing 12% over June 2023 and exceeding the pre-pandemic July 2019 ridership by a whopping 9%.
- Major events in the region, such as the Taylor Swift Concert, the Bite of Seattle and the Capitol Hill Block Party, drove ridership to record highs leading into and on the weekend of July 22-23.
- While major events had a big impact, average passenger loads on cars also grew at all times of day, suggesting that people are beginning to increase their use of Link for commuting and mid-day travel.

¹ ST Express data only becomes available when Sound Transit's operating partners provide it on the 25th of the month following that which is being reported. For this reason any reports that include ST Express only show data through June. All other reports show data through July.

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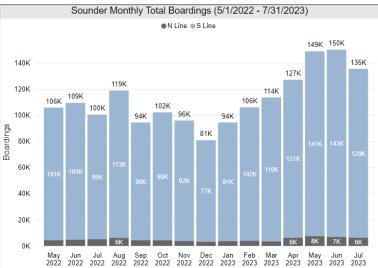


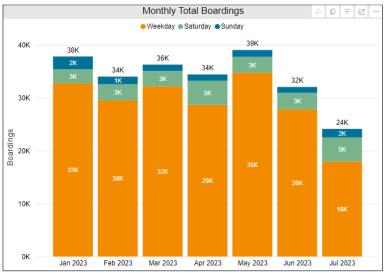
Sounder

• The drop in Sounder ridership in July reflects the seasonality of that service, with things like summer vacations impacting the commuter-oriented service.

ST Express

- As with overall ridership, average boardings per day on ST Express reached its highest livel since before the pandemic.
- In July, ST Express experienced a staggering 6% increase in month-to-month boardings, bringing riderhip above 50% of where it was in the July prior to the pandemic.
- Saturday ST Express ridership reached 60% of the weekday ridership levels, likely the result of the events described above.
- The three routes (542, 545 and 556) in the SR 520 corridor made it the highest ridership corridor for ST Express





T-Line

- Ridership in July on the T-Line continued to show the impact of UW Tacoma's summer break. This can be seen by the decreace in average weekday boardings in particular.
- The return of students coupled with the opening of the Hilltop Extension in September should result in significant increases in T-Line ridership.

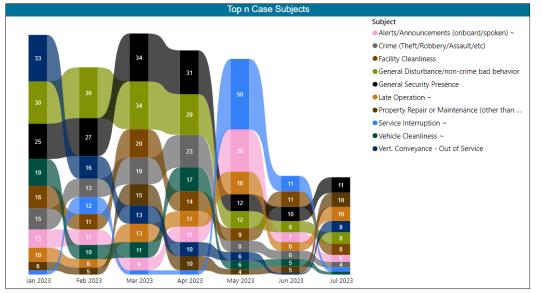
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Link

	On Time Performance	Operated as Scheduled	Fleet Availability	Mean Distance Between Failure	PM Compliance	Parking Usage	Customer Complaints
Target	> 90%	>98.5%	>80%	>20,000	>90%	>40%	<15 per 100,000 boardings
Prior Year	88%	96%	Siemens: 58% Kinkisharyo: 80%	Siemens: 22,926 Kinkisharyo: 35,660	Vehicles: 95% Track: N/A Power: N/A Facilities Mech: N/A Facilities Elec: N/A	84%	5.3
Prior Month	89%	92%	Siemens: 70% Kinkisharyo: 66%	Siemens: 22,808 Kinkisharyo: 88,128	Vehicles: 97% Track: 89% Power: 80% Facilities Mech: 61% Facilities Elec: 80%	94%	5.8
Current	86%	94%	Siemens: 73% Kinkisharyo: 74%	Siemens: 40,426 Kinkisharyo: 63,326	Vehicles: 95% Track: 87% Power: 85% Facilities Mech: 59% Facilities Elec: 92%	100%	3.9
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Link Customer Comments



- Despite record ridership on Link in July, customer complaints dropped stayed very low – less than 4 complaints for every 100,000 boardings.
- Security continued to be among the top concerns for Link riders.

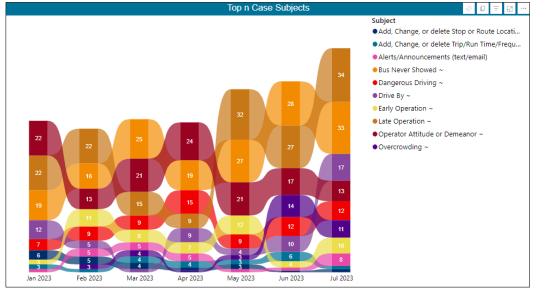
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ST Express

	On Time Performance	Operated as Scheduled	Fleet Availability	Mean Distance Between Failure	PM Compliance	Parking Usage	Customer Complaints
Target	> 85%	99.8%	>90%	>20,000	>90%	>40%	<15 per 100,000 boardings
Prior Year	CT: 95% PT: 76% KCM: 89%	CT: 93.5% PT: 98.8% KCM: 94.9%	CT: 100% PT: 100% KCM: 100%	CT: 10,547 PT: 15,346 KCM: 5,285	CT: 100% PT: 100% KCM: 100%	37%	17.3
Prior Month	CT: 96% PT: 60% KCM: 88%	CT: 97.2% PT: 99.3% KCM: 97.6%	CT: 100% PT: 100% KCM: 98%	CT: 17,369 PT: 11,888 KCM: 4,949	CT: 100% PT: 100% KCM: 99%	43%	19.8
Current	CT: 93% PT: 70% KCM: 85% ²	CT: 95.7% PT: 98.6% KCM: 96.6%	CT: 100% PT: 100% KCM: 99%	CT: 7,056 PT: 33,964 KCM: 5,667	CT: 98% PT: 100% KCM: 100%	51%	19.9
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ST Express Customer Comments



- As noted in prior months, customers have difficulty distinguishing between a late and a missed trip. However, both "late operation" and "bus never showed" continued to top the ST Express customer complaints in July.
- Customer interpretations were confirmed by the operational data showing a significant number of late trips and trips not operated as scheduled.

² ST Express On-Time Performance is provided at the route level by each operating partner. Operating partners use differing methodologies for calculating what constitutes on time. Pierce Transit is currently reviewing equipment and methodologies related to calculating on-time performance and these numbers, along with those from prior months, may change in the future.





Sounder

	On Time Performance	Operated as Scheduled	Fleet Availability	Mean Distance Between Failure	PM Compliance	Parking Usage	Customer Complaints
Target	> 95%	99.5%	TBD	>20,000	>90%	>28.8%	<15 per 100,000 boardings
Prior Year	South: 94% North: 96%	South: 99.6% North: 100%	N/A	N/A	N/A	35%	13.9
Prior Month	South: 95% North: 93%	South: 98.4% North: 98.9%	N/A	14,089	N/A	54%	14.7
Current	South: 96% North: 96%	South: 99.0% North: 98.8%	N/A	51,889	N/A	62%	33.2
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• Sounder service received a significant number of customer complaints related to overcrowding in July, despite overall ridership being down slightly in July. Nearly every crowding complaint referenced South line service and at least a few noted the impact bicycle and e-scooter parking were having on seat availability.

Tacoma Link

	On Time Performance	Operated as Scheduled	Fleet Availability	Mean Distance Between Failure	PM Compliance	Parking Usage ³	Customer Complaints
Target	> 98.5%	98.5%	TBD	TBD	>90%	TBD	<15 per 100,000 boardings
Prior Year	99.7%	99.7%	86.0%	N/A	91%	43%	0.0
Prior Month	99.8%	99.9%	100%	N/A	89%	43%	0.0
Current	99.4%	99.5%	80.1%	N/A	91%	42%	0.0
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• T-Line successfully met all of its performance targets in July.

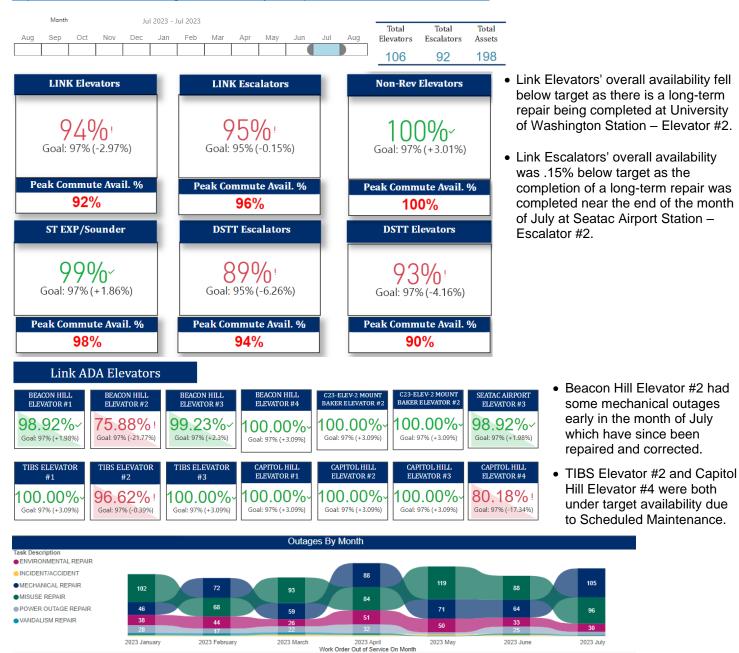
³ Based on Tacoma Dome Station, which is shared with Sounder.

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Vertical Conveyance

For an up-to-date, interactive and more detailed look at escalator and elevator performance, please see: https://www.soundtransit.org/ride-with-us/system-performance-tracker/accessible



- As you can see in the chart above there was an increase in overall mechanical outages from the previous month. This
 was partially due to repeated outages at Westlake on Elevator #305, and Escalator #311. Both units required additional
 electrical troubleshooting to determine the root cause. Both units have since been repaired.
- Misuse continues to be a top outage reason as we saw an increase of almost 10% from the previous month.