

Capital Metro Monthly Ridership Report

**April 2016
(Fiscal Year 2016)**



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Ridership Summary

This is a summary of Capital Metro system-wide ridership statistics for the month of April 2016 by mode of service.

Total Boardings by Mode

Mode	Apr-15	Apr-16	Apr 15 to Apr 16	YTD 2015	YTD 2016	YTD Change
Total Fixed Route	1,919,324	1,843,670	-3.9%	13,472,575	13,021,654	-3.3%
Total Special Events	930	241	-74.1%	215,461	196,555	-8.8%
Total MetroAccess ¹	57,553	56,838	-1.2%	379,827	393,314	3.6%
Total UT Shuttle	458,069	375,118	-18.1%	2,740,196	2,407,754	-12.1%
Total Rideshare	29,934	34,761	16.1%	201,854	237,942	17.9%
Total MetroRail	64,669	62,335	-3.6%	474,023	487,149	2.8%
Total MetroRapid	245,146	223,506	-8.8%	1,642,510	1,615,429	-1.6%
Total System	2,775,624	2,596,469	-6.5%	19,126,446	18,359,797	-4.0%

¹ MetroAccess partially estimated (Access-a-Ride & Taxi Overflow data not in as of 5/13/2016)

Average Daily Boardings by Mode

Mode	Weekday			Saturday			Sunday		
	Apr-15	Apr-16	Apr 15 to Apr 16	Apr-15	Apr-16	Apr 15 to Apr 16	Apr-15	Apr-16	Apr 15 to Apr 16
Total Fixed Route	72,905	70,664	-3.1%	46,807	46,636	-0.4%	32,049	31,635	-1.3%
Total Special Events	-	11	#DIV/0!	232	-	-100.0%	-	2	#DIV/0!
Total MetroAccess ¹	2,271	2,196	-3.3%	1,049	971	-7.4%	851	869	2.0%
Total UT Shuttle	20,603	17,680	-14.2%				1,201	962	-20.0%
Total Rideshare	998	1,159	16.1%	998	1,159	16.1%	998	1,159	16.1%
Total MetroRail	2,738	2,724	-0.5%	1,108	1,025	-7.5%			
Total MetroRapid	9,603	9,020	-6.1%	5,116	4,449	-13.0%	3,356	2,961	-11.8%

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All tables reflect ridership data as of May 13, 2016.

The table below shows the factors that have potential impacts on ridership in the current month. Other peer agencies have shown that this type of information is useful to explain ridership changes.

Factors Affecting Ridership this Month

Factor	Service Level	April 2015	April 2016	Impact
Calendar Mix (FR, Rail, Rapid)	Weekday	22	21	-1
	Saturday	4	5	1
	Sunday	4	4	0
Calendar Mix (UT Shuttle Full Service)	Weekday	22	21	-1
	Sunday	4	4	0
Weather Impact	Weekday	6	7	1
	Saturday	3	3	0
	Sunday	2	1	-1
Special Events	Fixed Route	0	0	0
	MetroRail	0	0	0
	MetroRapid	0	0	0
Fuel Prices*	All	2.36	2.01	-15%

* Average monthly Gulf Coast All Grades Reformulated (<http://www.eia.gov/petroleum/gasdiesel/>)

Red indicates potential negative impact on ridership

Green indicates potential positive impact on ridership

Ridership Overview

April 2016

System-wide ridership was down 6.5% compared to April 2015. Average weekday showed a decrease of 5.2%. Factors affecting the decrease in the seventh month of FY2016 include one less weekday and heavier rain in 2016. Capital Metro is working on Connections 2025 to comprehensively review the system including other factors that may be contributing to ridership changes.

Fixed Route

Total month Fixed Route ridership was down 3.9% from April 2015. Average weekday was down 3.1%%. Fixed Route ridership is similarly affected as system ridership.

MetroAccess

MetroAccess showed a decrease for April 2016 and was down 1.2% compared to last April. One less weekday and heavy rain affected ridership.

UT Shuttle

For April 2016, UT Shuttle showed an 18.1% decrease from last April. UT Shuttle routes began rolling out new buses equipped with fareboxes requiring non-UT ID holders to begin paying a fare on this service.

RideShare

The vRide program continues to see increases in ridership over the previous year, up 16.1% from last April. The program is successfully attracting new groups with a fare structure more attractive to "regional" riders. There are now over 200 vehicles in the RideShare program.

MetroRail

MetroRail ridership was down 3.6% from April 2015. Average weekday ridership was down 0.5% from the same period. One less weekday affected the monthly total.

MetroRapid

For the month of April MetroRapid was down 8.8% from 2016. Average weekday was down 6.1%.