

Capital Metro Monthly Ridership Report

**May 2016
(Fiscal Year 2016)**



Ridership Summary

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

Total Boardings by Mode

Mode	May-15	May-16	May 15 to May 16	YTD 2015	YTD 2016	YTD Change
Total Fixed Route	1,806,036	1,860,600	3.0%	15,278,612	14,883,335	-2.6%
Total Special Events	403	4,892	1113.9%	215,864	201,447	-6.7%
Total MetroAccess ¹	54,246	56,063	3.3%	434,073	449,587	3.6%
Total UT Shuttle	216,420	152,901	-29.3%	2,956,616	2,560,655	-13.4%
Total Rideshare	28,133	37,813	34.4%	229,987	275,755	19.9%
Total MetroRail	59,186	62,680	5.9%	533,208	549,829	3.1%
Total MetroRapid	207,996	215,090	3.4%	1,850,506	1,830,519	-1.1%
Total System	2,372,420	2,390,039	0.7%	21,498,865	20,751,127	-3.5%

¹ MetroAccess partially estimated (Access-a-Ride & Taxi Overflow data not in as of 6/14/2016)

Average Daily Boardings by Mode

Mode	Weekday			Saturday			Sunday		
	May-15	May-16	May 15 to May 16	May-15	May-16	May 15 to May 16	May-15	May-16	May 15 to May 16
Total Fixed Route	69,616	70,547	1.3%	45,030	45,376	0.8%	31,427	32,936	4.8%
Total Special Events	14	54	276.3%	22	938	4240.3%	1	-	-100.0%
Total MetroAccess ¹	2,215	2,136	-3.6%	990	932	-5.9%	834	828	-0.8%
Total UT Shuttle ²	22,110	17,431	-21.2%	10,137	4,373	-56.9%	888	808	-9.1%
Total Rideshare	908	1,220	34.4%	908	1,220	34.4%	907	1,220	34.4%
Total MetroRail	2,544	2,660	4.5%	1,661	1,706	2.7%			
Total MetroRapid	8,353	8,516	2.0%	4,523	4,586	1.4%	3,054	2,985	-2.3%

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² UT Shuttle Weekday only 5 full class days; Finals Saturday service one day; Sunday 3 days of service

All tables reflect ridership data as of June 14, 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	May 2015	May 2016	Impact
Calendar Mix (FR, Rail, Rapid)	Weekday	20	21	1
	Saturday	5	4	-1
	Sunday	6	6	0
Calendar Mix (UT Shuttle Full Service)	Weekday	5	4	-1
	Sunday	3	3	0
Weather Impact	Weekday	14	11	-3
	Saturday	2	2	0
	Sunday	3	4	1
Special Events	Fixed Route	0	0	0
	MetroRail	1	1	0
	MetroRapid	0	0	0
Fuel Prices*	All	2.56	2.12	-17%

* 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

May 2016

System-wide ridership was up 0.7% compared to May 2015. Average weekday showed a decrease of 1.9%. The main factor affecting the overall increase in the eighth month of FY2016 was one additional weekday compared to last May. Even though there were heavy rains in May, it was a similar amount to 2015. Capital Metro continues 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 up 3.0% from May 2015. Average weekday was up 1.3%. Fixed Route ridership is similarly affected as system ridership.

MetroAccess

MetroAccess showed an increase for May 2016 and was up 3.4% compared to last May. One additional weekday boosted ridership.

UT Shuttle

For May 2016, UT Shuttle showed a 29% decrease from last May. In 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. UT also saw one less full weekday of service this year compared to last.

RideShare

The vRide program continues to see increases in ridership over the previous year, up 34.4% from last May. 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 up 5.9% from May 2015. Average weekday ridership was up 4.6% from the same period. One additional weekday helped the ridership increase.

MetroRapid

For the month of May MetroRapid was up 3.4% from 2016. Average weekday was up 2.0%. The additional weekday helped boost ridership.