



MEMORANDUM

TO: The Commonwealth Transportation Board

THROUGH: Charles M. Badger
Agency Director

FROM: Corey Hill
Chief of Public Transportation

DATE: July 16, 2009

SUBJECT: Monthly Statewide Ridership Report

DRPT is pleased to present the monthly statewide ridership report, summarizing May 2009 transit, human service and passenger rail ridership data. This monthly report provides a snapshot of current performance and recent trends. DRPT continues to work with individual operators to refine data and ensure that all modes, including bus, rail and specialized service for the elderly and disabled, are accurately reported, and to ensure that this monthly report is comprehensive.

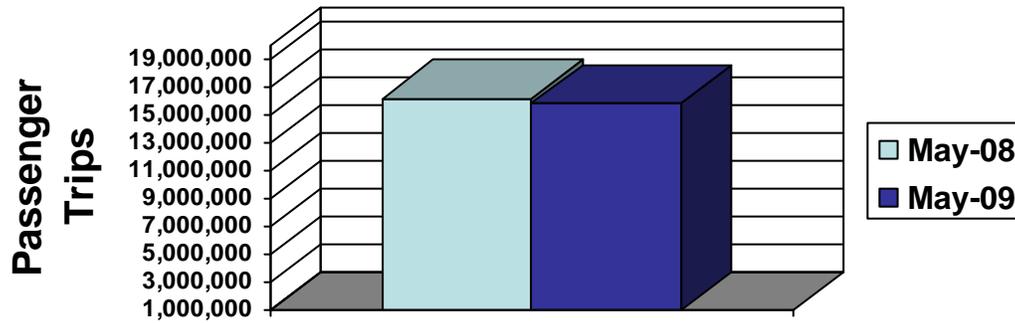
The following key facts are based on a year-over-year comparison of monthly results reported by operators for May 2008 and May 2009.

Key Facts

- Year over year comparisons:
 - The price of fuel per gallon dropped 28 percent to \$2.26 per gallon in May 2009, as compared to the May 2008 price of \$3.14 per gallon.
 - Virginia statewide ridership for the month of May 2009 decreased by two percent, or 312,954 trips, as compared to May 2008 based on reports from all 59 transit operators, 51 (of 54) human service operators, and both passenger rail operators.
 - May 2009 included two fewer weekdays than May 2008.
 - Year-to-date Virginia statewide ridership increased by six percent, or 9,683,815 trips, over the same period in FY08.
- Transportation district comparisons:
 - In transit ridership, the Northern Virginia District accounts for the majority at 78.5 percent in May 2009, followed by the Hampton Roads District at 10.2 percent and the Richmond District at 5.5 percent.
 - In human service ridership, the Staunton District accounts for the majority at 37.8 percent in May 2009, followed by the Hampton Roads District at 14 percent and the Fredericksburg District at 11.6 percent.
 - The district with the greatest increase in transit and human service ridership combined for May 2009, as compared to May 2008, is the Staunton district at 74 percent, or 48,689 additional trips.

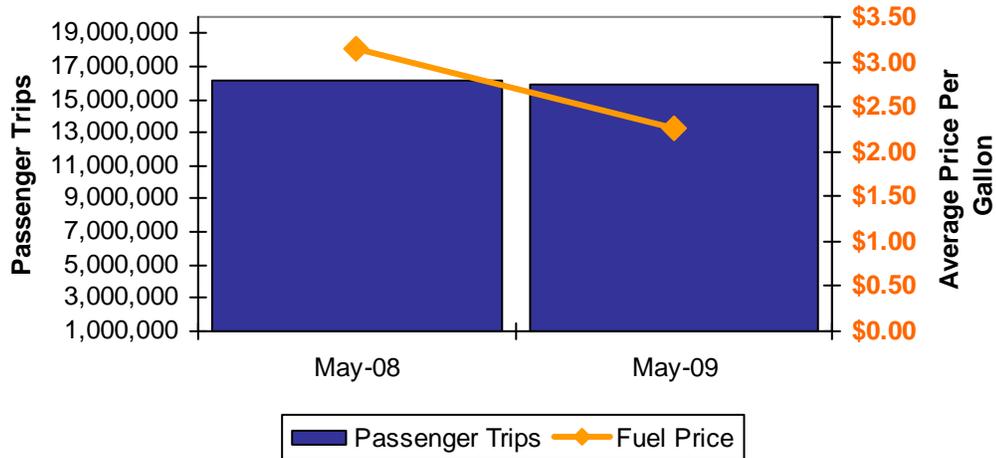
Statewide Ridership May 2008 and May 2009

2% Ridership Decrease

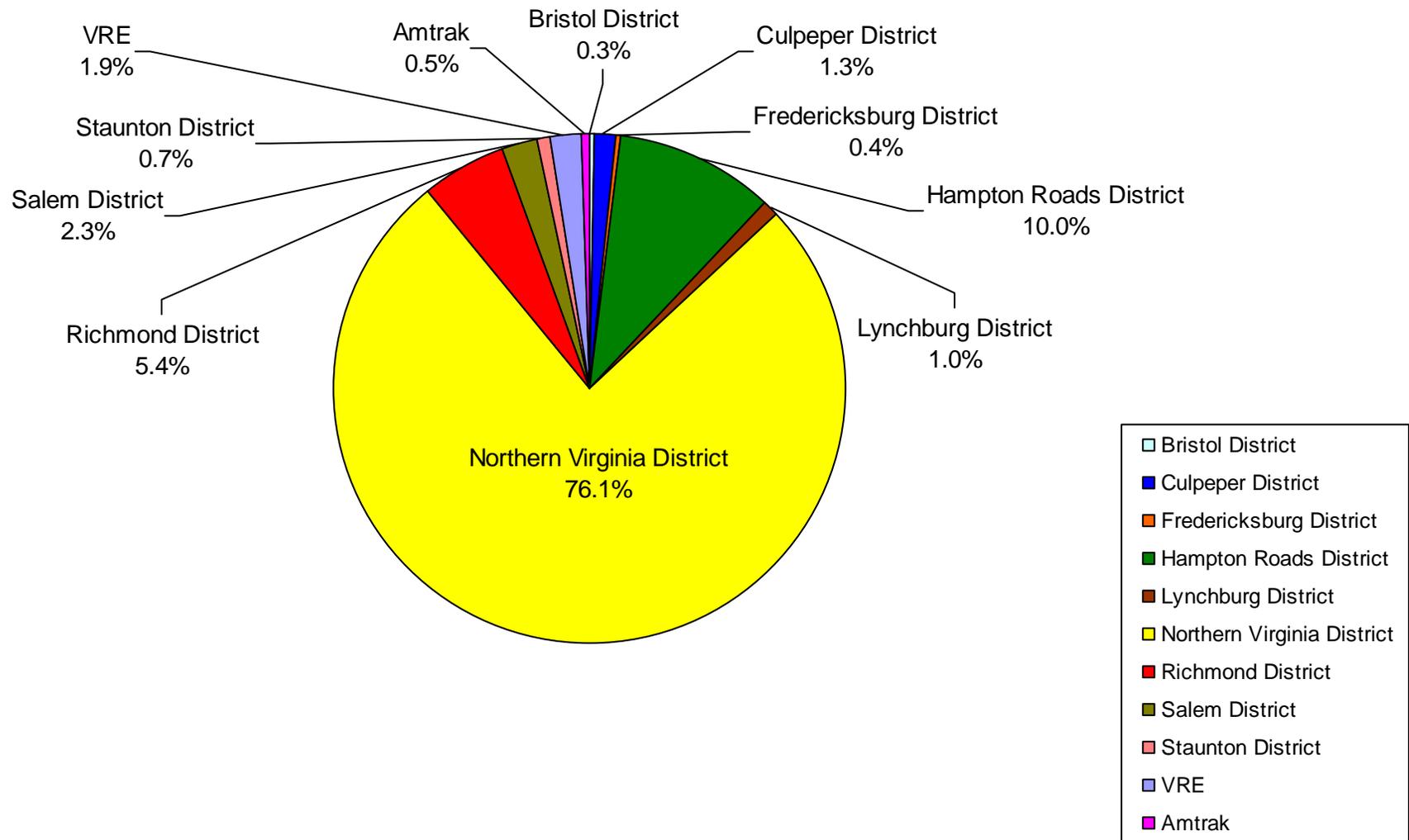


Average Fuel Price vs. Statewide Ridership May 2008 and May 2009

28% Fuel Price Decrease

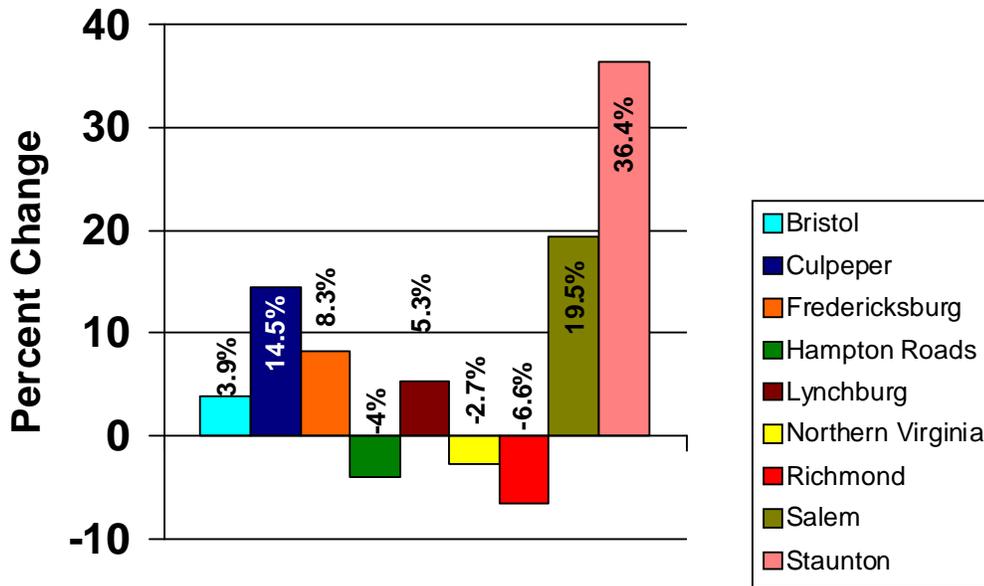


May 2009 Statewide Ridership by District

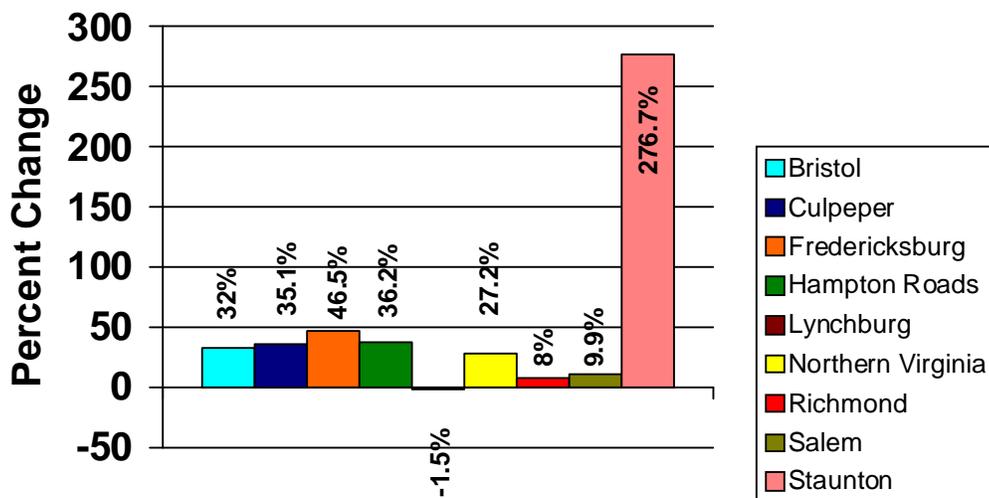


VRE and Amtrak ridership is not included within district totals because the operators provide cross-district service. Percentages may not add to 100 due to rounding.

May 2008 and May 2009 Transit Ridership by District



May 2008 and May 2009 Human Service Ridership by District



Staunton's dramatic human service ridership increase can be attributed to the addition of a new service, Vector Industries, in 2009.

May 2009 Ridership Report

Operator	Total Ridership May 2009	Total Ridership May 2008	Percent Change	Fiscal YTD 2009 (July 2008 - May 2009)	Fiscal YTD 2008 (July 2007 - May 2008)	Percent Change
Passenger Rail						
Virginia Railway Express	309,040	305,560	1%	3,508,820	3,300,410	6%
Amtrak (Virginia Only)	86,114	95,418	-10%	947,181	928,918	2%
Total Passenger Rail Ridership	395,154	400,978	-1%	4,456,001	4,229,328	5%
Bristol District						
Four County Transit	12,642	13,183	-4%	156,434	168,550	-7%
City of Bristol Transit	6,788	7,033	-3%	70,527	63,764	11%
District Three Transit	18,876	16,632	13%	201,638	192,782	5%
Junction Center for Independent Living	127	252	-50%	1,950	3,028	-36%
Mount Rogers Community Services Board	2,056	1,402	47%	23,364	15,387	52%
Mountain Empire Older Citizens, Inc.	6,946	6,290	10%	68,138	57,190	19%
Town of Bluefield-Graham Transit	2,714	3,025	-10%	34,754	36,475	-5%
Bristol District Total	50,149	47,817	5%	556,805	537,176	4%
Culpeper District						
Charlottesville Transit Service	158,367	135,103	17%	1,837,889	1,570,023	17%
Greene County Transit	4,985	4,598	8%	51,775	49,031	6%
JAUNT	23,496	21,894	7%	259,226	239,836	8%
Rappahannock-Rapidan CSB-AAA	3,149	2,331	35%	31,014	25,641	21%
Virginia Regional Transit - Culpeper County	560	446	26%	5,186	3,987	30%
Virginia Regional Transit - Fauquier/Warrenton	3,338	3,057	9%	28,933	27,955	3%
Virginia Regional Transit - Town Of Culpeper	5,371	5,509	-3%	63,260	53,906	17%
Virginia Regional Transit - Town Of Orange	2,204	2,550	-14%	25,008	25,511	-2%
Culpeper District Total	201,470	175,488	15%	2,302,291	1,995,890	15%
Fredericksburg District						
Bay Aging***	11,001	12,149	-9%	122,377	122,462	0%
Bay Aging/Colonial Beach Transit***	898	920	-2%	10,382	8,290	25%
FRED - Caroline County	715	493	45%	7,463	5,434	37%
FRED - King George	1,780	1,706	4%	20,091	13,909	44%
Fredericksburg Regional Transit	41,954	36,749	14%	483,720	365,167	32%
Rappahannock Area Community Services Board	11,942	8,152	46%	112,437	91,266	23%
Fredericksburg District Total	68,290	60,169	13%	756,470	606,528	25%

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Hampton Roads District						
Arc of the Virginia Peninsula	800	n/a	n/a	13,092	n/a	n/a
Bon Secours Senior Health	402	484	-17%	4,002	2,189	83%
Chesapeake Service Systems	512	400	28%	4,718	4,245	11%
Eastern Shore Community Services Board	3,120	2,156	45%	29,151	27,454	6%
ESAAA/CAA	1,237	823	50%	10,477	10,897	-4%
Hampton Roads Transit	1,340,161	1,376,653	-3%	14,555,050	14,243,428	2%
Historic Triangle Senior Center	597	n/a	n/a	4,806	n/a	n/a
Peninsula Agency on Aging	1,551	1,878	-17%	20,611	20,952	-2%
Senior Services	3,823	2,126	80%	33,856	23,427	45%
STAR Transit	2,654	3,031	-12%	33,571	38,920	-14%
Sussex-Greenville-Emporia Adult Activity Services	1,758	1,962	-10%	19,922	19,784	1%
Town of Chincoteague Transit**	397	375		11,485	12,843	-11%
Western Tidewater Community Service Board	475	656	-28%	8,208	6,692	23%
Williamsburg Area Transport	232,825	260,792	-11%	2,643,907	2,715,044	-3%
Hampton Roads District Total	1,590,312	1,651,336	-4%	17,392,856	17,125,875	2%
Lynchburg District						
Blackstone Area Bus / Piedmont Area Transit	617	588	5%	9,076	5,762	58%
Central VA Area Agency on Aging	3,398	3,258	4%	31,086	28,326	10%
Crossroads Community Services	171	n/a	n/a	1,187	n/a	n/a
Danville City's Parks, Recreation and Tourism; Stonewall Therapeutic Recreation Center	75	73	3%	784	827	-5%
Danville Transit System	19,512	19,346	1%	234,988	210,493	12%
Farmville Area Bus	4,040	4,391	-8%	113,887	106,735	7%
Greater Lynchburg Transit Company	128,634	120,725	7%	2,967,139	2,483,551	19%
JAUNT Buckingham	847	736	15%	10,347	8,301	25%
Lake Area Bus/Halifax Area Rural Transit	434	556	-22%	5,853	5,722	2%
Southside Community Services Board	1,798	2,068	-13%	27,092	16,988	59%
STEPS	975	1,126	-13%	12,366	10,562	17%
The Arc Of Central Virginia	10	n/a	n/a	88	n/a	n/a
Lynchburg District Total	160,511	152,867	5%	3,413,893	2,877,267	19%

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Northern Virginia District						
Alexandria Transit Company - DASH	320,499	337,972	-5%	3,661,936	3,621,526	1%
Arlington Transit	114,135	114,615	0%	1,304,502	1,106,942	18%
City of Alexandria - King St. Trolley	35,797	49,638	-28%	346,640	79,861	334%
City of Fairfax - CUE	74,883	87,438	-14%	874,211	963,001	-9%
ECHO.INC	3,893	3,743	4%	43,030	37,727	14%
Fairfax County - Connector	767,219	881,371	-13%	8,803,488	8,908,686	-1%
Jewish Community Center of Northern Virginia	130	91	43%	1,350	715	89%
Loudoun County Transit	70,355	71,191	-1%	809,346	701,201	15%
PRTC	249,805	256,580	-3%	2,900,526	2,579,662	12%
The Arc of Greater Prince William	6,146	4,160	48%	61,207	53,262	15%
Virginia Regional Transit - Loudoun	46,665	39,364	19%	503,229	406,957	24%
Virginia Regional Transit - Town Of Purcellville	1,652	1,484	11%	15,348	16,800	-9%
WMATA Metrobus	1,838,106	1,897,223	-3%	20,816,142	19,654,463	6%
WMATA Metrorail**	8,563,477	8,685,916	-1%	92,170,784	89,252,421	3%
Northern Virginia District Total	12,092,762	12,430,786	-3%	132,311,739	127,383,224	4%

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Richmond District						
A Grace Place Adult Care Center	552	489	13%	5,479	5,430	1%
American Red Cross	814	743	10%	8,666	8,541	1%
Bay Aging/New Kent/Charles City***	1,001	978	2%	10,447	9,787	7%
Beth Sholom Home	419	324	29%	3,488	3,363	4%
Blackstone Area Bus	1,744	1,328	31%	18,103	14,634	24%
Blackstone Area Bus / Dinwiddie County	119	n/a	n/a	170	n/a	n/a
Blackstone Area Bus/Town & County Transit	312	171	82%	3,743	2,611	43%
Blackstone Area Bus/Brunswick Express	262	221	19%	4,220	2,833	49%
Chesterfield Community Services Board	1,952	1,543	27%	17,955	16,561	8%
Petersburg Area Transit	50,350	51,612	-2%	317,386	553,228	-43%
Crater District Area Agency on Aging	3,757	4,573	-18%	43,671	47,070	-7%
Daily Planet	33	n/a	n/a	227	n/a	n/a
ElderHomes Corporation	108	134	-19%	1,600	1,764	-9%
Goochland Free Clinic and Family Services	126	176	-28%	1,114	1,730	-36%
Greater Richmond Transit Company	796,596	856,020	-7%	12,126,464	9,396,117	29%
Lake Country Area Agency on Aging	1,663	1,609	3%	13,997	19,238	-27%
RCAP	525	n/a	n/a	3,328	n/a	n/a
St. Joseph's Villa	372	n/a	n/a	3,330	n/a	n/a
Weinsten Jewish Community Center	95	125	-24%	1,047	1,376	-24%
Richmond District Total	860,800	920,046	-6%	12,584,435	10,084,283	25%

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Salem District						
Blacksburg Transit	135,580	77,071	76%	2,911,083	2,584,560	13%
Goodwill Industries of the Valleys	260	n/a	n/a	1,559	n/a	n/a
Greater Roanoke Transit Company	209,535	216,657	-3%	2,368,797	2,262,923	5%
New River Valley Community Services	1,808	1,501	20%	24,087	19,748	22%
Piedmont Community Services	571	560	2%	6,057	6,005	1%
Pulaski Area Transit	7,411	2,928	153%	59,396	85,077	-30%
RADAR/Roanoke	2,086	187	1016%	21,275	7,911	169%
Southern Area Agency on Aging	4,205	4,210	0%	33,636	48,179	-30%
Stepping Stones	36	38	-5%	562	405	39%
RADAR/Martinsville/Henry County	56	n/a	n/a	345	n/a	n/a
Salem District Total	361,548	303,152	19%	5,426,797	5,014,808	8%
Staunton District						
Harrisonburg Dept. of Public Transportation	49,019	27,979	75%	1,688,312	1,471,975	15%
Winchester Transit	8,700	11,878	-27%	120,164	125,806	-4%
Friendship Industries	907	921	-2%	10,113	11,386	-11%
Grafton	1,210	2,059	-41%	16,400	20,896	-22%
Northwestern Community Services	1,103	2,385	-54%	11,015	13,770	-20%
Pleasant View	5,693	n/a	n/a	61,109	n/a	n/a
RADAR/Covington and Clifton Forge	1,050	1,121	-6%	12,100	11,550	5%
Rockbridge Area CSB	880	940	-6%	12,208	11,040	11%
Rockbridge Area Occupational Center	269	669	-60%	5,892	6,101	-3%
Rockbridge Area Transportation System Inc.	881	481	83%	9,476	5,383	76%
Shen-Paco Industries	80	126	-37%	1,206	1,392	-13%
The Arc of Harrisonburg/Rockingham	662	537	23%	6,478	5,974	8%
Valley Program for Aging Services	2,548	2,165	18%	26,673	24,042	11%
Vector Industries	24,501	n/a	n/a	41,641	n/a	n/a
Virginia Regional Transit - CATS	4,032	3,195	26%	41,866	35,007	20%
Virginia Regional Transit - City of Staunton	9,032	8,181	10%	90,541	83,990	8%
Virginia Regional Transit - Clarke County	134	78	72%	1,813	1,618	12%
Virginia Regional Transit - Page County	517	651	-21%	7,199	14,083	-49%
Virginia Regional Transit - Shenandoah Blue Ridge Service	2,086	1,211	72%	40,745	23,941	70%
Virginia Regional Transit - Town of Front Royal	1,206	1,244	-3%	11,225	11,315	-1%
Staunton District Total	114,510	65,821	74%	2,216,176	1,879,269	18%

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Statewide Total Ridership	15,895,506	16,208,460	-2%	181,417,463	171,733,648	6%
CALENDAR COMPARISON						
	May 2009	May 2008	Percent Change	Fiscal Year-to- Date 2009 (July 2008-May 2009)	Fiscal Year-to- Date 2008 (July 2007-May 2008)	Percent Change
Number of Weekdays	20	22	-9%	221	226	-2%
Number of Saturdays and Sundays	10	9	11%	96	96	0%
Number of State Holidays	1	1	0%	16	15	7%
PASSENGER RAIL ON-TIME PERFORMANCE						
	May 2009	May 2008	Percent Change	Fiscal YTD 2009 (July 2008 - May 2009)	Fiscal YTD 2008 (July 2007 - May 2008)	Percent Change
Virginia Railway Express	91.4%	59.7%	53.1%	88.6%	86.3%	2.7%
Amtrak*	62.4%	47.2%	32.2%	n/a	n/a	n/a

*Amtrak provides on-time performance data on a quarterly basis. Amtrak currently does not provide fiscal year-to-date on-time performance data.

**WMATA Metrorail has implemented a more accurate methodology for capturing Virginia-only unlinked passenger trips.

***Bay Aging fiscal year-to-date totals were inaccurate in the previous report.