

Metro Ridership Snapshot



December 2025

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority

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Note: Percentage changes in this document represent year-over-year changes in ridership, compared to the same time, location, and day type **one year ago** unless noted as 'pre-pandemic' which then represents a comparison to the same month from March 2019 - February 2020. For more details, see [How to Use and Interpret Metro Ridership Data](#).

Metrobus ridership shown here is from Metro's automatic passenger counters (APCs), in both current and baseline months. Metrorail ridership shown here is total (tap and no-tap) ridership recorded through faregates. MetroAccess Network ridership refers to the combined ridership from Metro-operated paratransit service as well as from the Abilities-Ride program which launched in September 2020. Parking transactions are from the farebox system.

Overall Ridership in December

Total Ridership

- Compared to December 2024, ridership increased by 4% overall, 2% on weekdays, 3% on Saturdays, and decreased 4% on Sundays.

Rail

- Compared to December 2024, ridership increased by 14% overall, 13% on weekdays, 9% on Saturdays, and stayed the same on Sundays.

Bus

- Ridership decreased 7% overall, 9% on weekdays and Sundays, and 3% on Saturdays compared to December 2024.

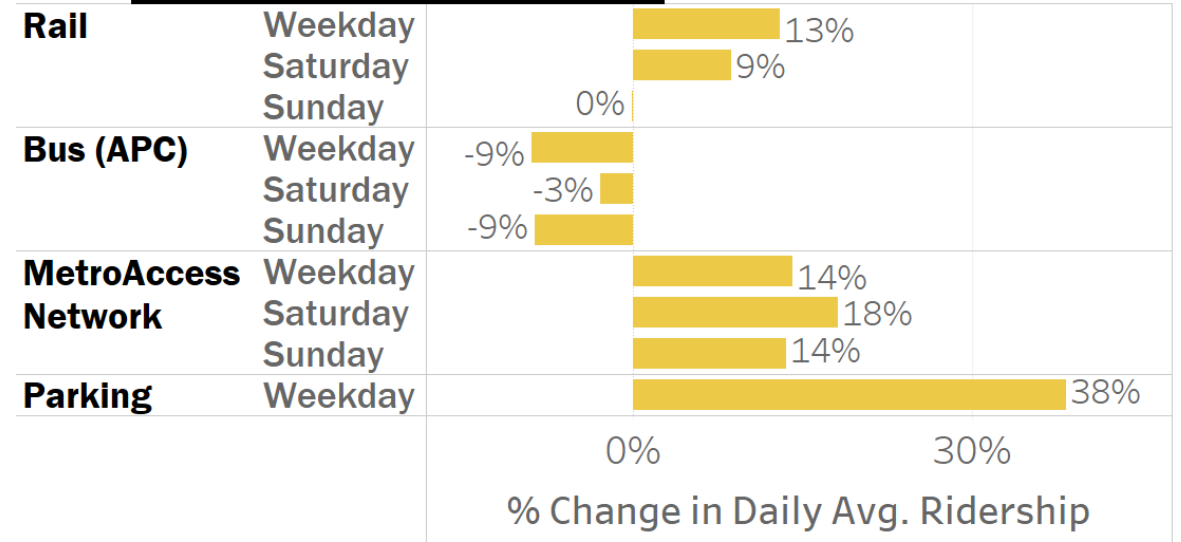
MetroAccess

- Compared to December 2024, ridership increased by 17% overall, 14% on weekdays and Sundays, and 18% on Saturdays.

Parking

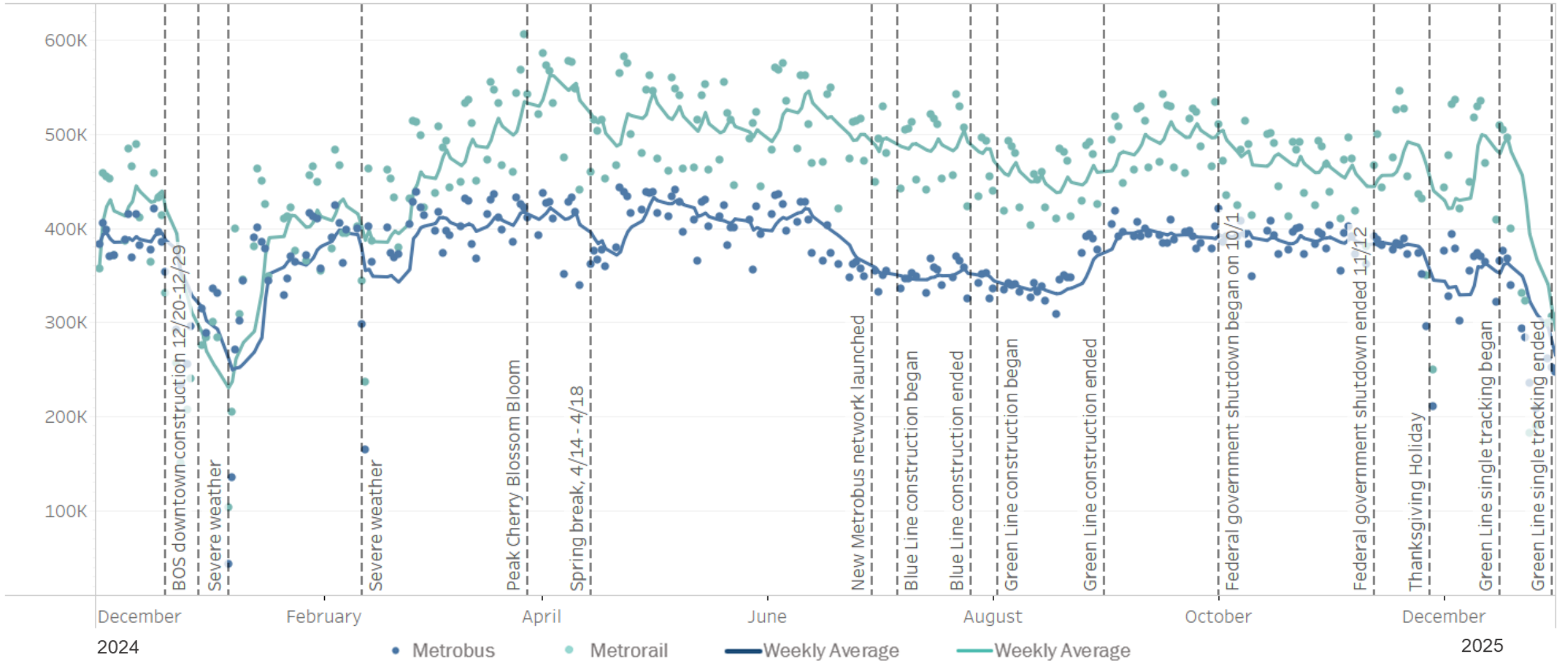
- Paid parking transactions have increased by 38% compared to December 2024.

vs. December 2024



| December 2025 Averages | Weekday | Saturday | Sunday | Total Ridership |
|----------------------------|---------|----------|---------|-----------------|
| Rail | 416,500 | 271,900 | 188,200 | 11,003,000 |
| Bus (APC) | 325,400 | 218,000 | 175,600 | 8,733,000 |
| MetroAccess Network | 9,700 | 5,100 | 4,300 | 251,000 |
| Parking | 24,200 | | | 536,000 |

Ridership Trends Over the Past Year

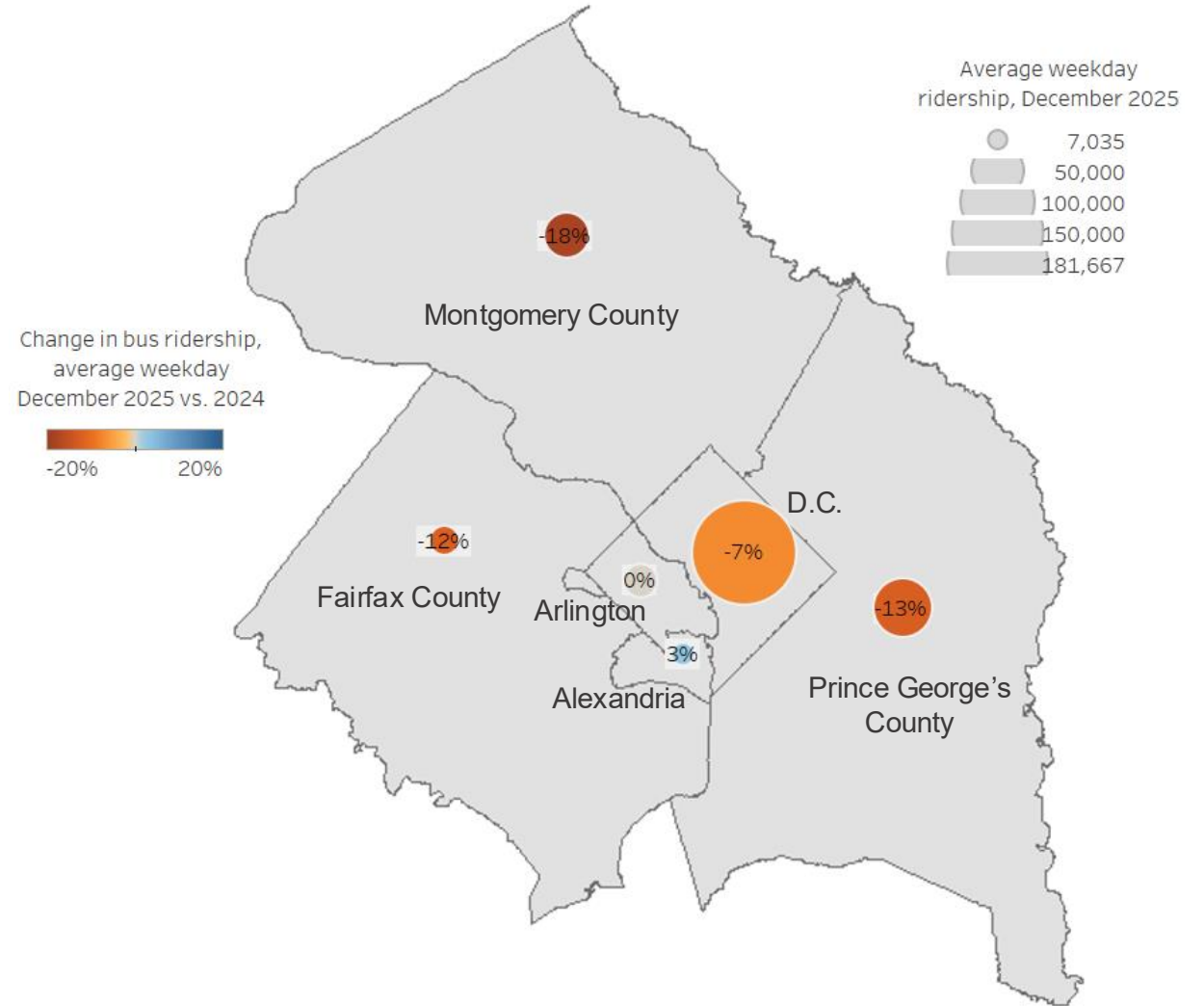


Metrobus Ridership

- In December 2025, average daily Metrobus ridership was 325,000 rides on weekdays, 218,000 on Saturdays, and 176,000 on Sundays.
- In December 2025, ridership decreased 7% overall, 9% on weekdays and Sundays, and 3% on Saturdays compared to December 2024.
- About 2% of customer time was crowded on average with most crowding occurring on weekdays.

Notes:

- There were approximately 8,000 total shuttle rides made in December 2025, serving customers on:
 - Green line service between Greenbelt and College Park stations from 12/6 – 12/7.
- The [Better Bus Network Redesign \(BBNR\)](#) launched on 6/29/2025, a comprehensive overhaul of the entire Metrobus network. Because all routes were changed, the graphic on the right now shows year-over-year change in ridership by jurisdiction.

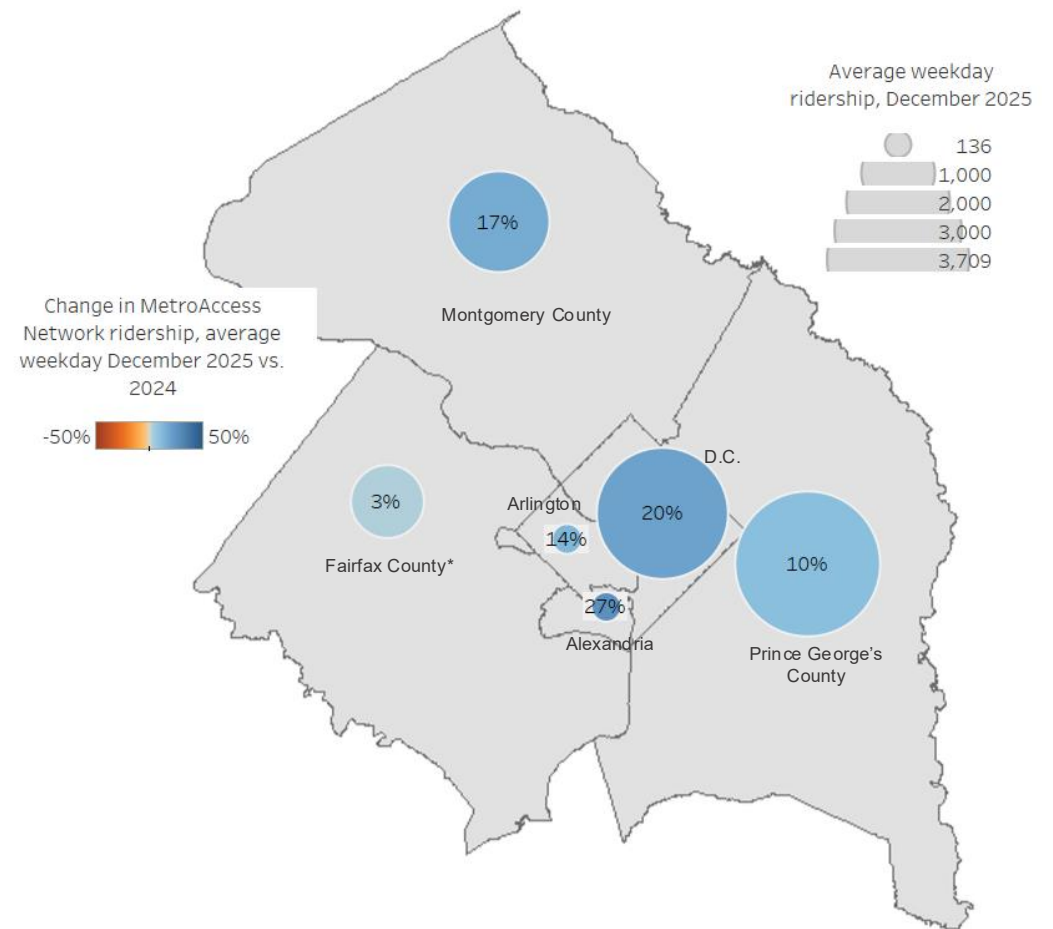


MetroAccess Network Ridership

- In December 2025, the MetroAccess network provided on average 9,700 rides on weekdays, 5,100 on Saturdays, and 4,300 on Sundays.
 - MetroAccess paratransit service provided on average 2,900 rides on weekdays, 1,300 rides on Saturdays, and 1,100 rides on Sundays.
 - Abilities-Ride provider received requests for an average of 6,800 rides per weekday, 3,800 rides per Saturday, and 3,300 rides per Sunday.
- MetroAccess network ridership is up 17% overall, 14% on weekdays and Sundays, and 18% on Saturdays compared to December 2024.
 - MetroAccess paratransit service ridership is down 1% on weekdays, 6% on Saturdays, and 11% on Sundays.
 - Abilities-Ride ridership is up 22% on weekdays, 29% on Saturdays, and 25% on Sundays

Notes:

- The MetroAccess network comprises rides made via our paratransit service, MetroAccess, as well as rides requested through the Abilities-Ride program which is a curb-to-curb transportation option for MetroAccess-enrolled customers who opt in and is operated by local taxi companies and transportation network companies.
- Metro Access-eligible customers' rail and bus rides are counted in overall rail and bus ridership.



| December 2025 Averages | Weekday | Saturday | Sunday |
|------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| MetroAccess | 2,900 | 1,300 | 1,100 |
| Abilities-Ride | 6,800 | 3,800 | 3,300 |
| Total | 9,700 | 5,100 | 4,300 |

*Fairfax City and Falls Church are counted here as a part of Fairfax County

