

# Metro Ridership Snapshot

October 2022



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 three years-ago. For more details, see [How to Use and Interpret Metro Ridership Data](#).

Bus ridership shown here is from Metro's automatic passenger counters (APCs), in both current and baseline months. Rail ridership and parking utilization is from the farebox system.

# Overall Ridership in October

## Year-Over-Year

### Rail

- Weekday ridership has increased 45% compared to October 2021.

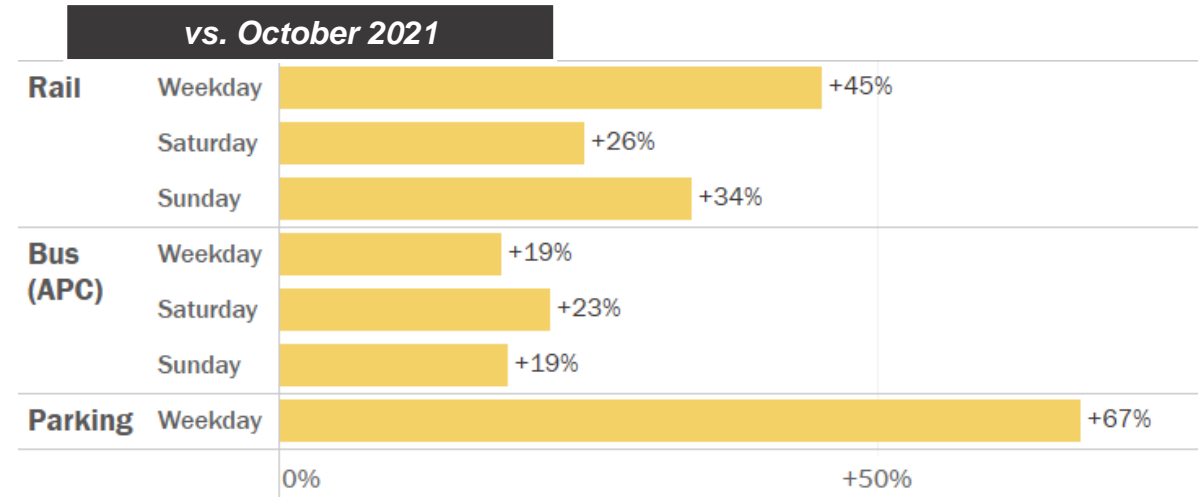
### Bus

- Ridership has increased about 20% across all service types compared to October 2021.

### Parking

- Usage has increased 67% compared to October 2021.

**Rail and bus ridership grew year over year in October 2022.**



October 2022 Averages	Weekday	Saturday	Sunday
Rail	269,000	186,000	137,000
Bus (APC)	293,000	187,000	145,000
Parking	12,000		

# Overall Ridership in October

## Month-Over-Month

### Rail

- Weekend ridership has increased 8% on Saturdays and 14% on Sundays compared to September 2022.

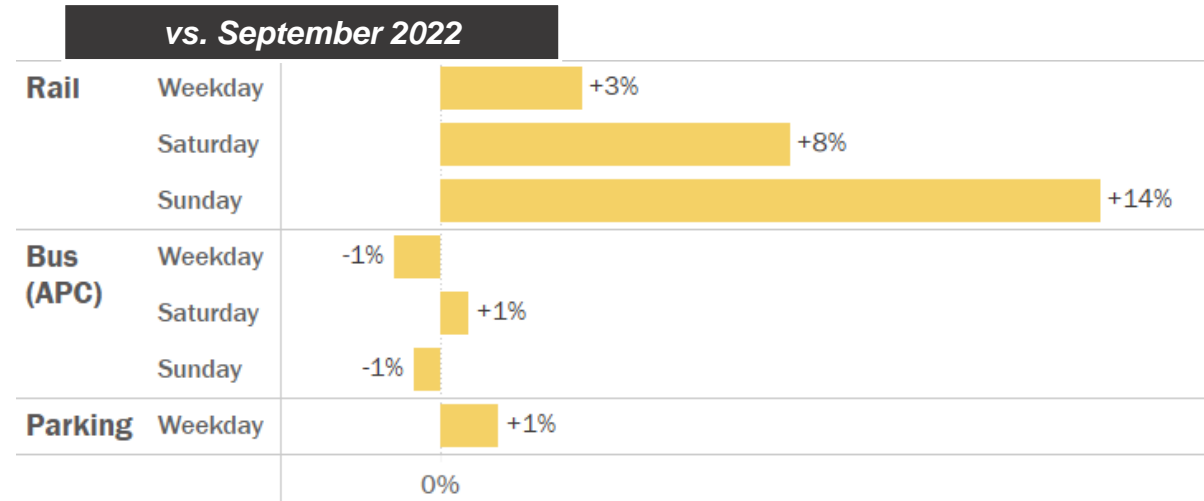
### Bus

- Ridership has remained stable across all service types compared to September 2022.

### Parking

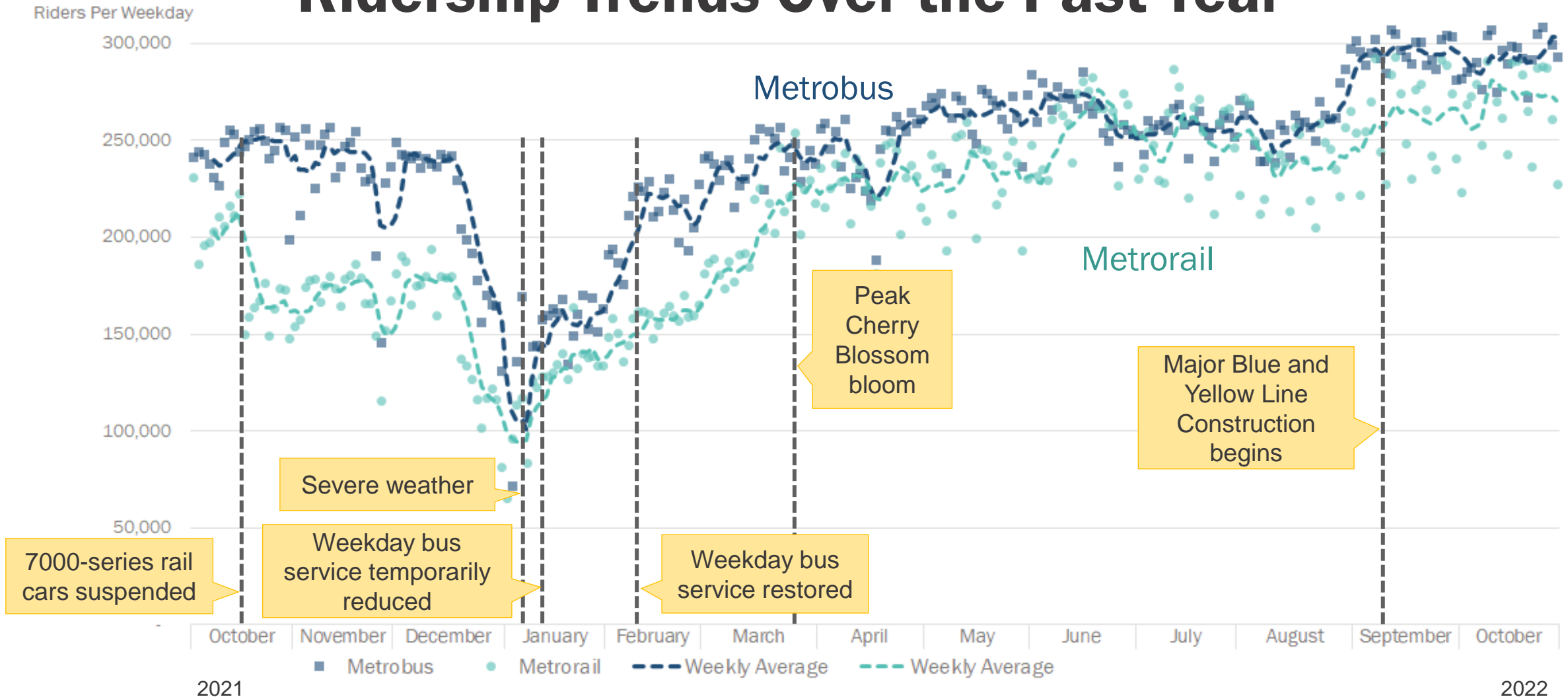
- Usage has increased 1% compared to September 2022.

**Weekday and weekend rail ridership grew month over month from September to October 2022, and bus ridership and parking remained stable.**



October 2022 Averages	Weekday	Saturday	Sunday
Rail	269,000	186,000	137,000
Bus (APC)	293,000	187,000	145,000
Parking	12,000		

# Ridership Trends Over the Past Year

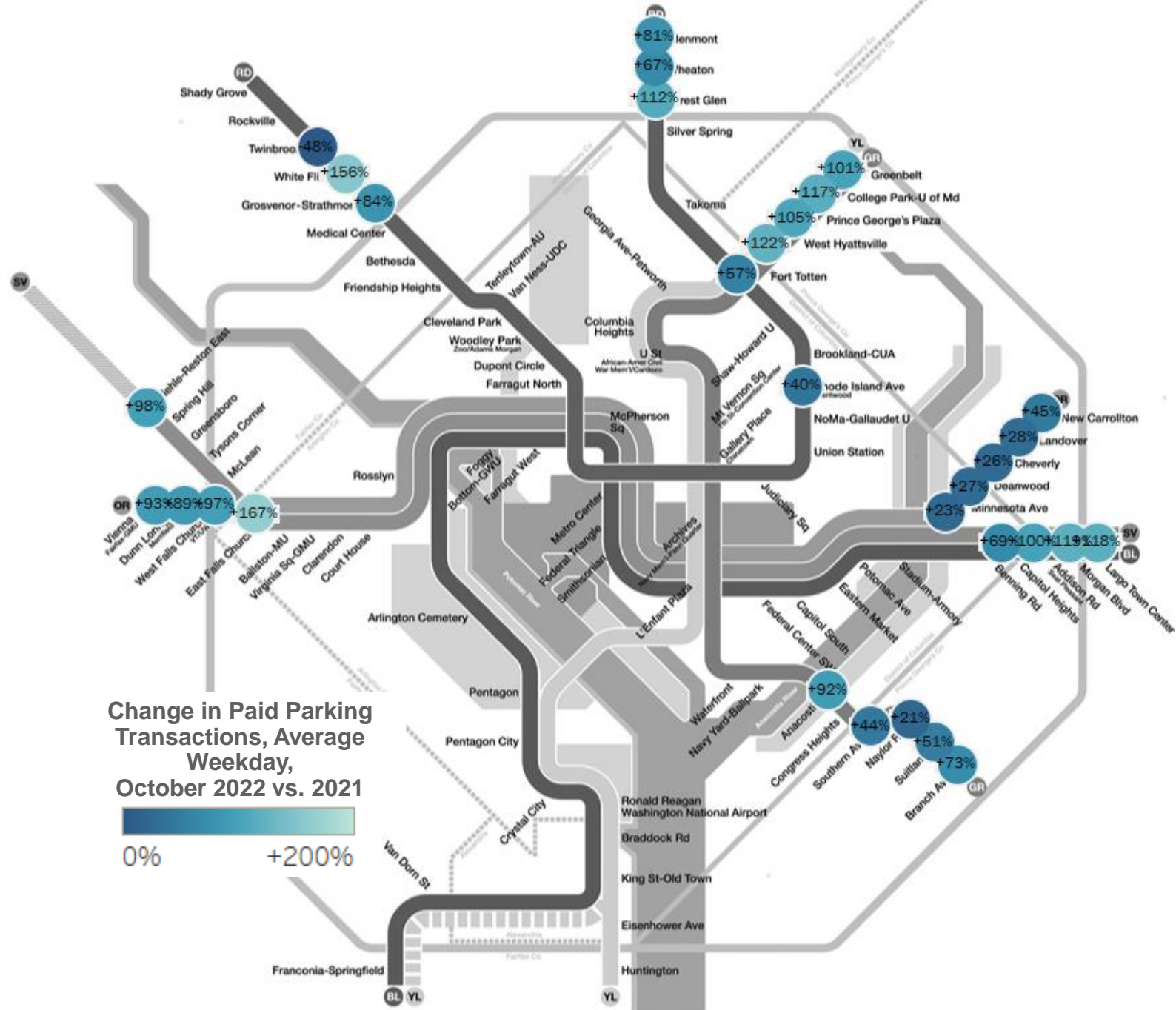






# Metro Parking Transactions

- Parking usage has increased by at least 20% at all stations not affected by closures compared to October 2021.
  - Most stations grew between 70-170%
- Notes:
  - Six stations (Braddock Road, King St. - Old Town, Eisenhower Ave, Huntington, Van Dorn St, Franconia-Springfield) closed on September 10th for Potomac Yard prep work.
  - Shady Grove and Rockville were closed for repairs from mid-September until early December 2021.
  - Stations with insignificant average parking transactions have been omitted from this chart

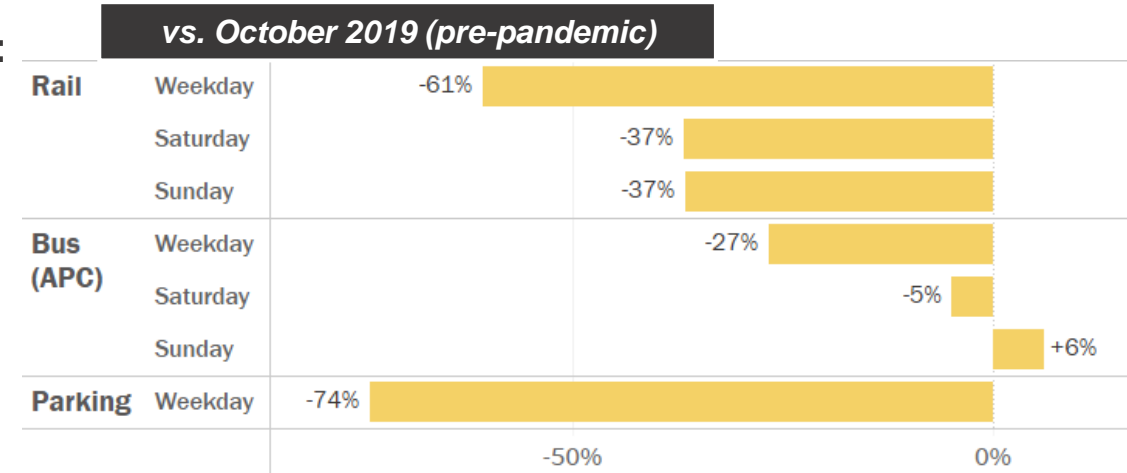


For more nuanced parking information, additional data can be found on the [WMATA Ridership Data Portal](#).

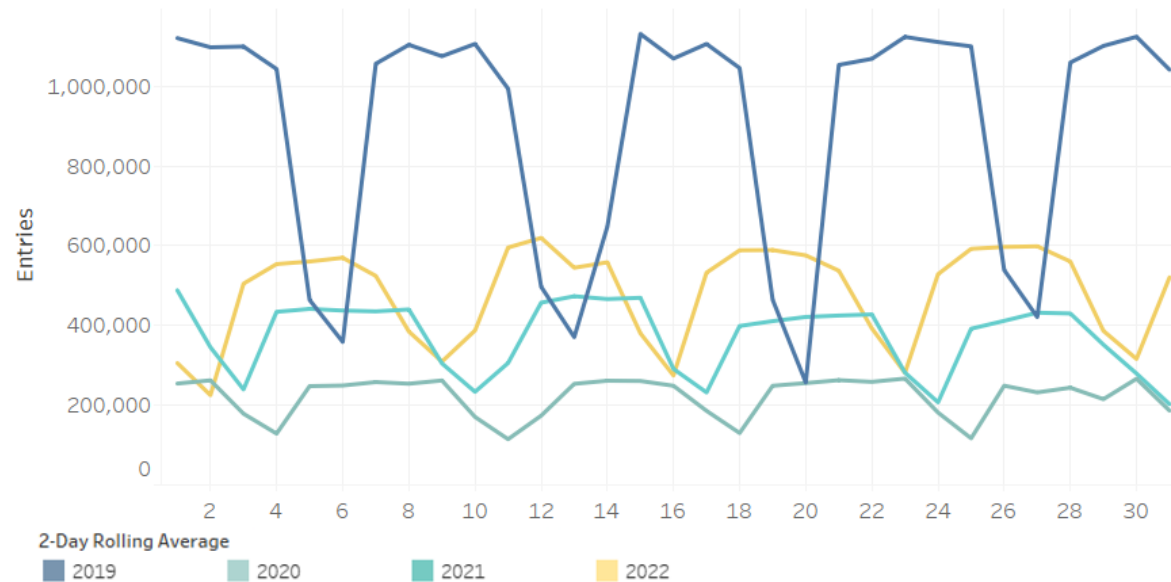
# Pre-Pandemic Ridership Comparison

## Current vs. pre-pandemic levels (October 2022 vs. October 2019):

- October **Rail** ridership was at 39% of pre-pandemic levels on weekdays and 63% of pre-pandemic levels on weekends
- October **Bus** ridership was at 72% of pre-pandemic levels on weekdays, and 95%-106% of pre-pandemic levels on weekends
- October **Parking** usage was at 26% of pre-pandemic levels



October Ridership over the Past Four Years



October 2019 Averages	Weekday	Saturday	Sunday
Rail	683,000	294,000	216,000
Bus (APC)	400,000	197,000	136,000
Parking	47,000		

