

# Metro Ridership Snapshot



**August 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**. 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 August

## Total Ridership

- Compared to August 2024, ridership increased by 4% overall, 6% on weekdays, 2% on Saturdays, and 2% on Sundays.

## Rail

- Compared to August 2024, ridership increased by 17% overall, 22% on weekdays, 12% on Saturdays, and 12% on Sundays.

## Bus

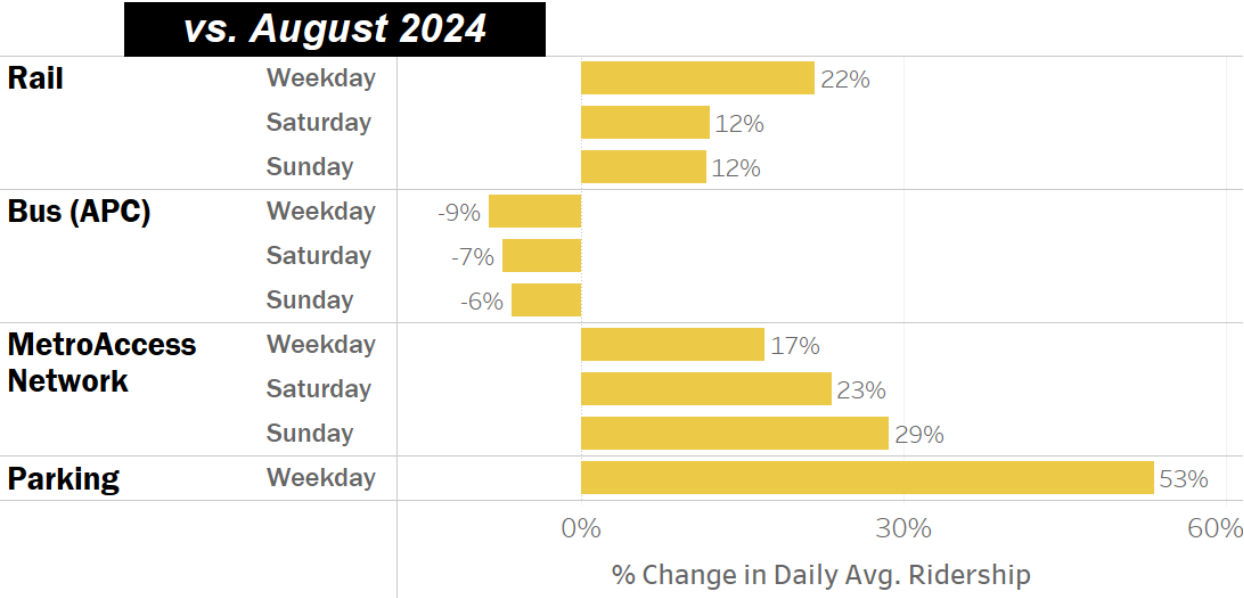
- Ridership decreased by 10% overall, 9% on weekdays, 7% on Saturdays, and 6% on Sundays compared to August 2024.

## MetroAccess

- Compared to August 2024, ridership increased by 16% overall, 17% on weekdays, 23% on Saturdays, and 29% on Sundays.

## Parking

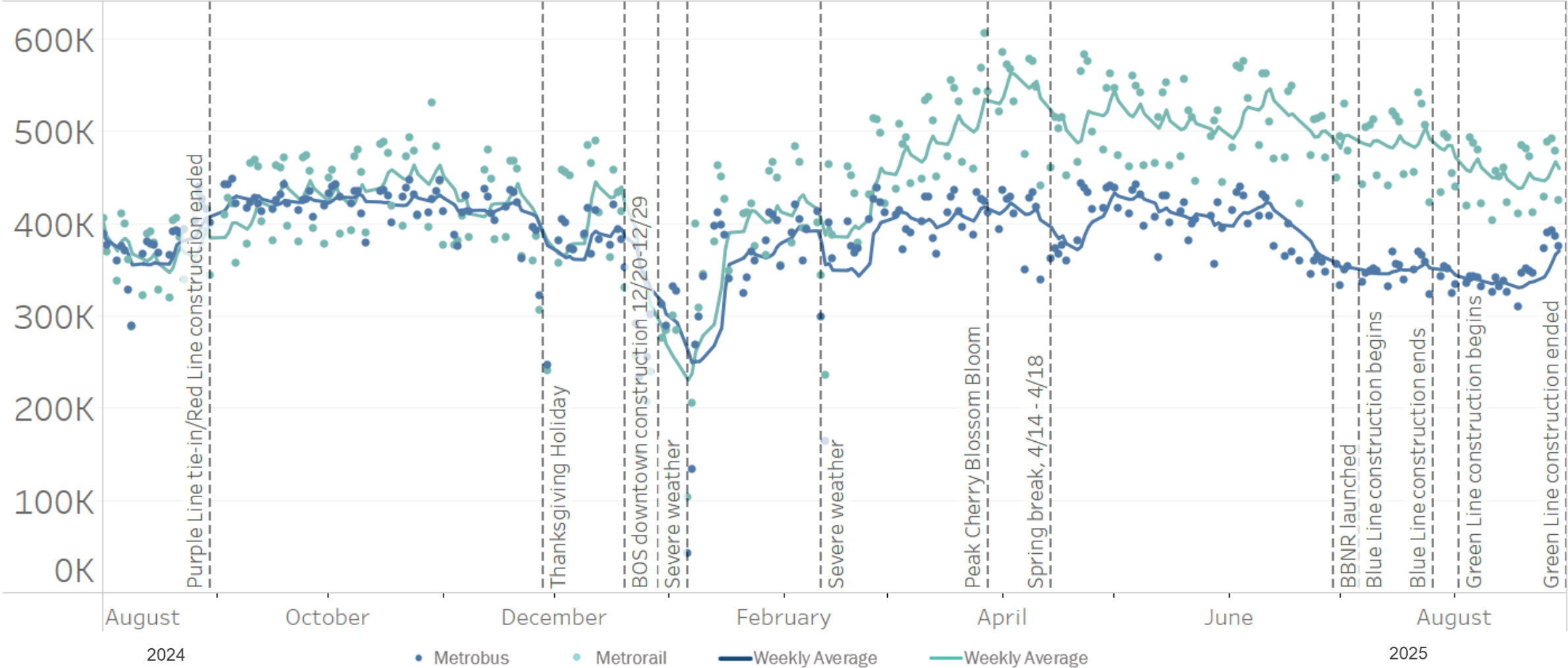
- Paid parking transactions have increased by 53% compared to August 2024.



August 2025 Averages	Weekday	Saturday	Sunday	Total Ridership
Rail	452,600	281,600	213,900	11,983,000
Bus (APC)	348,100	241,000	204,000	9,535,000
MetroAccess Network	9,800	4,900	4,200	251,000
Parking	27,700			589,000



# Ridership Trends Over the Past Year

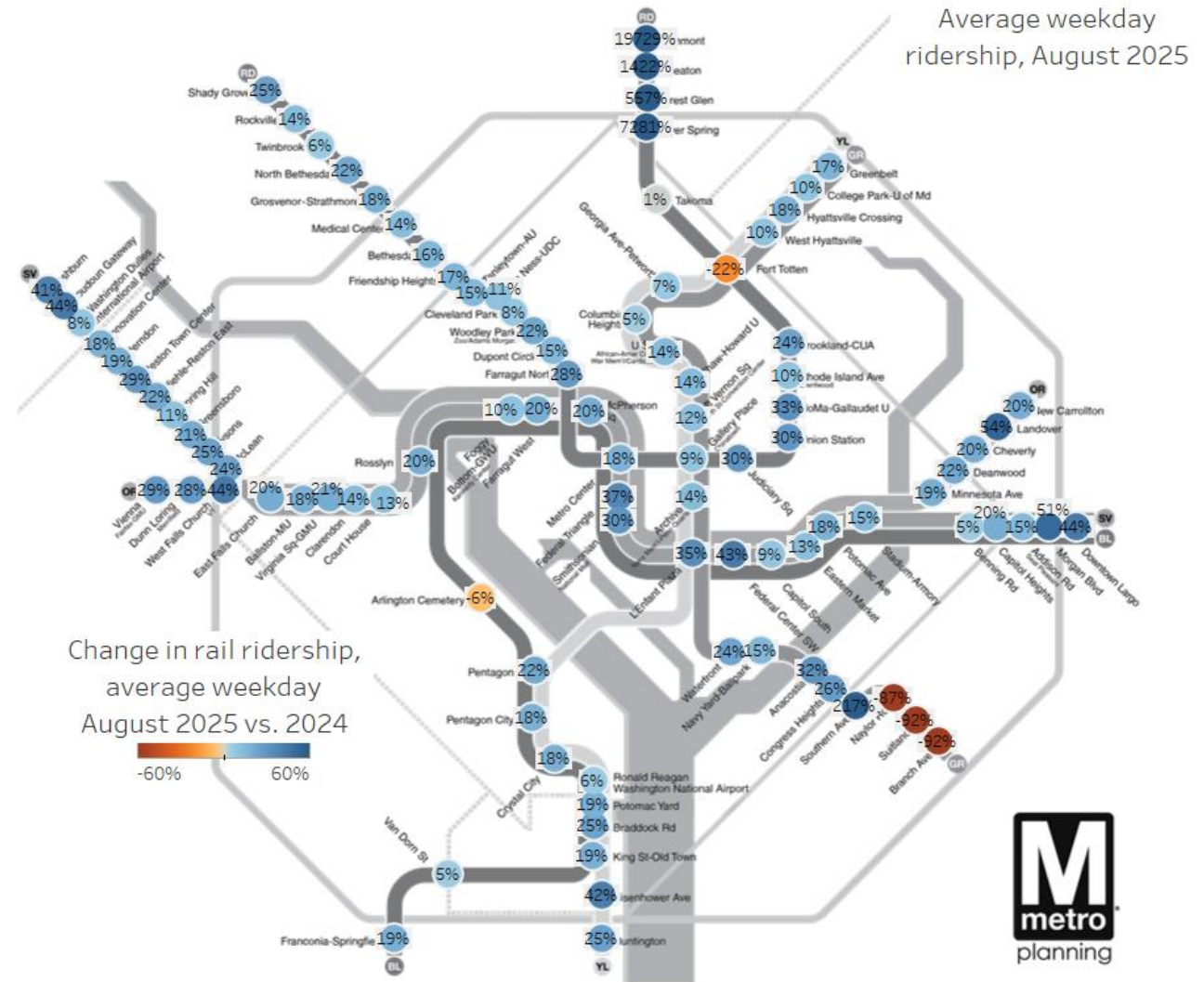


# Metrorail Ridership

- In August 2025, average daily Metrorail ridership was 453,000 rides on weekdays, 282,000 on Saturdays, and 214,000 on Sundays.
- Ridership increased by 17% overall, 22% on weekdays, 12% on Saturdays, and 12% on Sundays compared to August 2024.
- About 1% of customer time was crowded on average with most crowding occurring on Saturdays.

## Notes:

- In 2024, Purple Line tie-in construction began on August 1st. No Red Line service from Glenmont – Takoma in August 2024.
- Aug. 2–31: Construction shifts to the southern end of the Green Line. Closed: Naylor Road, Suitland, Branch Av.
- Aug. 9–10 & Aug. 16–17: Construction zone extends to Anacostia. Closed: Congress Heights, Southern Av., Naylor Road, Suitland, Branch Av.

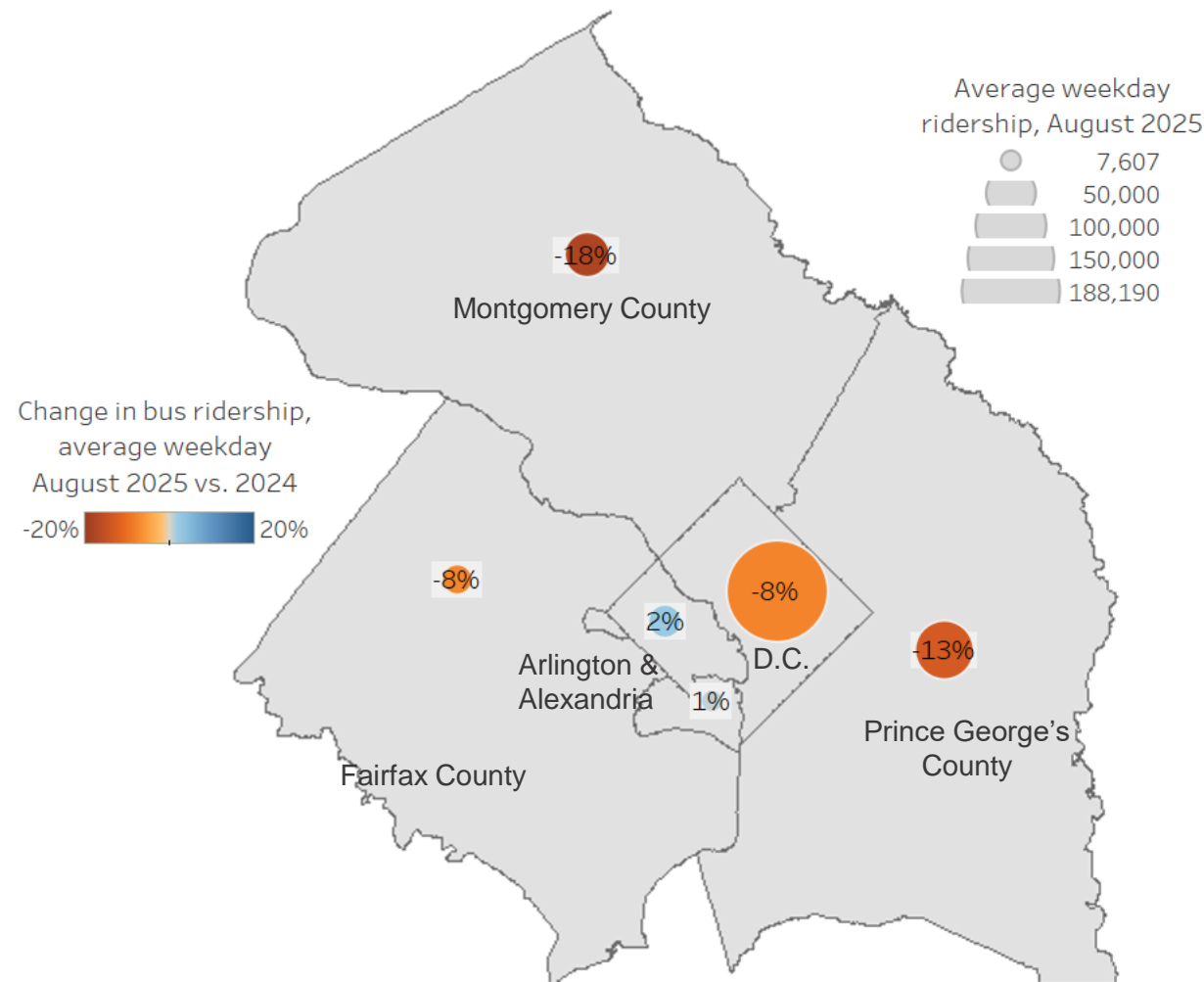


# Metrobus Ridership

- In August 2025, average daily Metrobus ridership was 348,000 rides on weekdays, 241,000 on Saturdays, and 204,000 on Sundays.
- Ridership decreased by 10% overall, 9% on weekdays, 7% on Saturdays, and 6% on Sundays compared to August 2024.
- About 2% of customer time was crowded on average with most crowding occurring on weekdays.

## Notes:

- There were approximately 271,000 total shuttle rides made in August 2025, serving customers on:
  - Green line service during closures between Anacostia and Branch Avenue for construction from 8/2-8/31.
- 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.



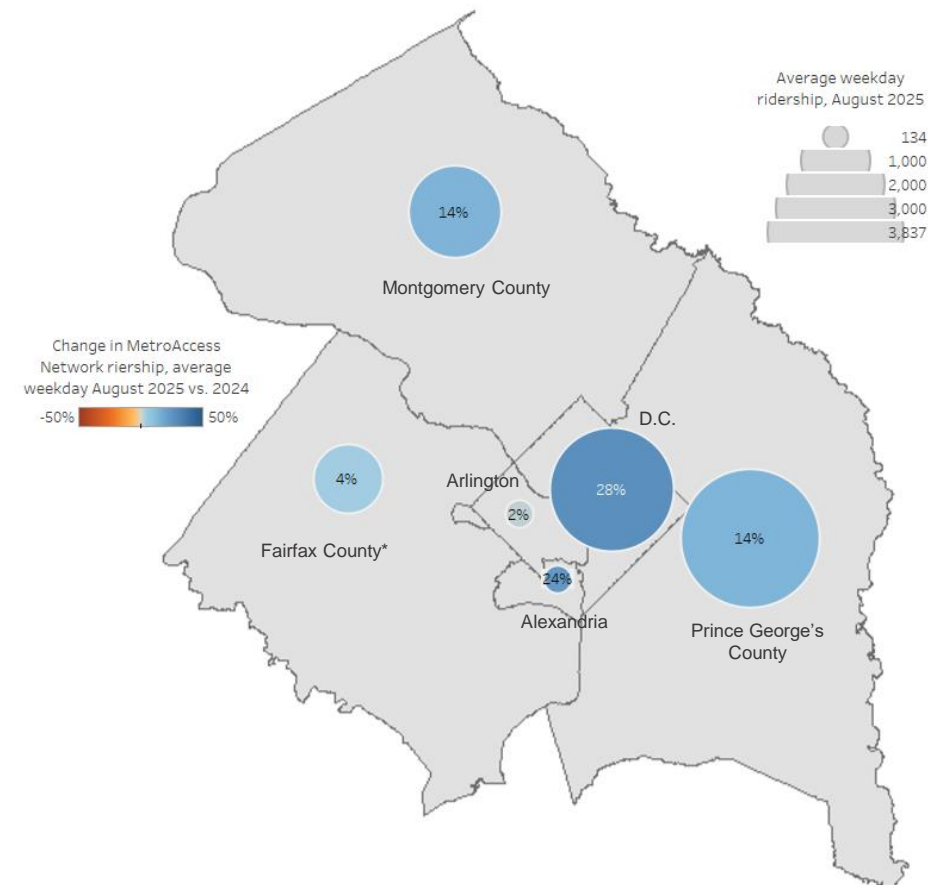
Because all routes were changed, the graphic above now shows year-over-year change in bus boardings by jurisdiction based on bus stop location.

# MetroAccess Network Ridership

- In August 2025, the MetroAccess network provided on average 9,800 rides on weekdays, 4,900 on Saturdays, and 4,200 on Sundays.
  - MetroAccess paratransit service provided on average 3,400 rides on weekdays, 1,600 rides on Saturdays, and 1,400 rides on Sundays.
  - Abilities-Ride providers received requests for an average of 6,300 rides per weekday, 3,300 rides per Saturday, and 2,900 rides per Sunday.
- MetroAccess network ridership is up 16% overall, 17% on weekdays, 23% on Saturdays, and 29% on Sundays compared to August 2024.

## 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.



August 2025 Averages	Weekday	Saturday	Sunday
MetroAccess	3,400	1,600	1,400
Abilities-Ride	6,300	3,300	2,900
Total	9,800	4,900	4,200

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



# Metro Parking Transactions

- In August 2025, there were 27,000 average weekday paid parking transactions.
- Weekday paid parking transactions increased 53% compared to August 2024

### Notes:

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