

March 2019 Monthly Ridership Report

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March 2019 (Fiscal Year 2019) Ridership Summary

Monthly Total Ridership

Monthly Total Ridership	Local Network			Commuter Network	Entire Network
March	Local Bus	Light Rail	Total	Park & Ride	Grand Total
2019	4,892,141	1,875,392	6,767,533	649,786	7,417,319
2018	5,123,729	1,944,593	7,068,322	658,263	7,726,584
Change	-231,588	-69,201	-300,789	-8,476	-309,265
Percent	-5%	-4%	-4%	-1%	-4%

Average Daily Ridership

Average Weekday	Local Network			Commuter Network	Entire Network
March	Local Bus	Light Rail	Total	Park & Ride	Grand Total
2019	181,961	61,476	243,437	30,790	274,226
2018	187,584	60,683	248,267	30,673	278,940
Change	-5,623	793	-4,830	116	-4,714
Percent	-3%	1%	-2%	0%	-2%

Average Saturday	Local Network			Commuter Network	Entire Network
March	Local Bus	Light Rail	Total	Park & Ride	Grand Total
2019	121,798	30,477	152,275	N/A	152,275
2018	124,492	31,366	155,858		155,858
Change	-2,694	-889	-3,583		-3,583
Percent	-2%	-3%	-2%		-2%

Average Sunday	Local Network			Commuter Network	Entire Network
March	Local Bus	Light Rail	Total	Park & Ride	Grand Total
2019	96,004	23,092	119,096	N/A	119,096
2018	98,905	26,651	125,556		125,556
Change	-2,901	-3,559	-6,460		-6,460
Percent	-3%	-13%	-5%		-5%

This report reflects ridership results as of April 5, 2019

Executive Summary

Ridership Factors This Month

Factor	Measurement	March 2019	March 2018	Positive Impact	Neutral Impact	Negative Impact
Calendar Mix	Weekdays	21	22	One more Sunday	No Difference	One fewer Weekday
	Saturdays	5	5			
	Sundays	5	4			
Weather Impact	Weekdays	1	0		No Difference	One more weather day
	Saturdays	0	0			
	Sundays	0	0			
Service Interruptions	Red Line	0	0	One fewer service interruption	No Difference	
	Green Line	0	1			
	Purple Line	0	0			
Special Events	Red Line	17	18			One fewer Special Event
	Green Line	17	18			One fewer Special Event
	Purple Line	17	18			One fewer Special Event

The above table serves as a snapshot of the typical factors that impact ridership, and illustrates the differences which exist between the current month and the same month in the previous year. If a change occurred, it is categorized to represent a (typically) positive, negative or neutral impact on ridership. More details on the observed impacts are noted in the description of ridership results below.

Local Network Overview

Local Bus

Monthly Total

There were 4,892K boarding in March 2019 compared to approximately 5,124K in March 2018, a decrease of approximately 232K boardings (or 5 percent) on local bus service. A negative calendar mix of one fewer weekday and one more Sunday relative to the previous year a ridership loss would be expected.

Average Daily Ridership: Weekday / Saturday / Sunday

Average daily ridership decreased on Weekday, Saturday and Sunday. Weekday average daily ridership decreased by approximately 6K boardings (or 3 percent), Saturday average daily ridership decreased by approximately 3K boardings (or 2 percent) and Sunday average daily ridership decreased by approximately 3K (or 3 percent) in March 2019 compared to March 2018.

Light Rail

Monthly Total

There were 1,875K boardings on all three light rail lines in March 2019 compared to 1,945K boardings in March 2019, a decrease of 69K boardings (or 4 percent). Red line ridership decreased by less than 5 percent, Green line ridership increased by 3 percent, and Purple line ridership increased by 5 percent in March 2019 compared to March 2018. One factor contributing to the decrease was one fewer rodeo concert day March 2019 compared to March 2018. Another factor contributing to the ridership decrease was a negative calendar mix of one fewer weekday and one more Sunday relative to the previous year.

Average Daily Ridership: Weekday / Saturday / Sunday

Average Weekday ridership on the Red, Green, and Purple lines decreased by less than 1K boardings (or 1 percent), increased by less than 1K boardings (or 9 percent) and increased by less than 1K boardings (or 12 percent) respectively in March 2019 compared to March 2018. Average Saturday ridership on Red, Green, and Purple lines decreased by less than 1K boardings (or less than 1 percent), decreased by less than 1K boardings (or 14 percent), and decreased by less than 1K boardings or (or 6 percent) respectively in March 2019 compared to March 2018. Average Sunday ridership on Red, Green, and Purple lines decreased by 3K (or 15 percent), decreased by less than 1K boardings (or 9 percent), and decreased by less than 1K boardings (or 8 percent) respectively in March 2019 compared to March 2018 respectively.

Total Local Network

Monthly Total

There were approximately 6,768K boardings in March 2019 compared to approximately 7,068K in March 2018, a decrease of approximately 301K boardings (or 4 percent).

Average Daily Ridership: Weekday / Saturday / Sunday

Average local network decreased on Weekday, Saturday and Sunday in March 2019 compared to March 2018. Average Weekday ridership decreased by approximately 5K boardings (or 2 percent), average Saturday ridership decreased by approximately 4K boardings (or 2 percent) and average Sunday ridership decreased by 6K boardings (or 5 percent) in March 2019 compared to March 2018.

Commuter Network Overview

Park & Ride

Monthly Total

There were approximately 650K Park and Ride boardings in March 2019 compared to approximately 658K boardings in March 2018, a decrease of 8K boardings (or 1 percent).

Average Daily Ridership: Weekday

Average Weekday ridership in March 2019 was 31K boardings compared to approximately 31K boardings March 2018, a decrease of less than 1K boardings (or less than 1 percent).

Entire Network Summary

Monthly Total

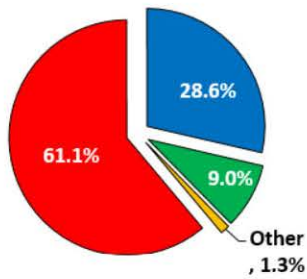
There were 7,417K boardings on the entire fixed-route network in March 2019 compared to approximately 7,727K boardings in March 2018, a decrease of approximately 309K boardings (or 4 percent). Relevant factors were noted earlier and are included in the table above.

Average Daily Ridership: Weekday / Saturday / Sunday

Average daily ridership for the fixed-route network decreased on Weekday, Saturday and Sunday in March 2019 compared to March 2018. Average weekday ridership decreased by approximately 5K boardings (or 2 percent), average Saturday ridership decreased by approximately 4K boardings (or 2 percent) and average Sunday ridership decreased by 6K (or 5 percent) in March 2019 compared to March 2018.

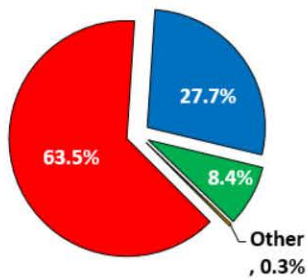
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Average Weekday

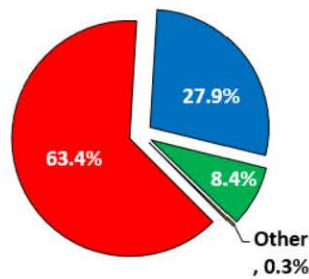


March 2019			
Frequency	Average Weekday	Average Saturday	Average Sunday
Red	61.1%	63.5%	63.4%
Blue	28.6%	27.7%	27.9%
Green	9.0%	8.4%	8.4%
Other	1.3%	0.3%	0.3%
Total	100%	100%	100%

Average Saturday



Average Sunday



Red Routes (15 Minute Off-Peak Service)

Average Daily Ridership & Performance Indicators

Red Routes										
March 2019		Weekday			Saturday			Sunday		
#	Route	Average Boardings	Boardings per Revenue Hour	Boardings per Revenue Mile	Average Boardings	Boardings per Revenue Hour	Boardings per Revenue Mile	Average Boardings	Boardings per Revenue Hour	Boardings per Revenue Mile
2	Bellaire	7,093	28.04	2.77	5,679	28.98	2.56	4,609	23.52	2.08
4	Beechnut	7,940	24.28	2.06	5,118	22.30	1.59	3,982	17.36	1.24
25	Richmond	6,656	22.84	2.05	4,451	19.42	1.71	3,613	15.92	1.39
26	Long Point / Cavalcade	3,768	22.40	1.76	3,066	19.42	1.50	2,263	14.45	1.12
27	Shepherd	2,939	18.72	1.71	2,159	14.88	1.26	1,588	10.94	0.92
33	Post Oak	1,722	14.35	1.45	1,210	10.52	1.01	965	8.40	0.80
40	Telephone / Heights	4,094	21.00	1.75	2,800	18.36	1.50	2,257	14.78	1.21
41	Kirby / Polk	1,634	14.84	1.44	919	10.10	0.95	723	7.96	0.75
46	Gessner	6,535	31.22	2.70	4,900	24.78	2.09	3,576	18.08	1.52
50	Broadway	2,705	18.39	1.53	1,976	17.95	1.40	1,681	14.84	1.19
51	Hardy - Kelley	865	16.10	1.64	561	12.43	1.08	419	9.28	0.81
52	Hardy - Ley	2,066	18.67	1.57	1,354	14.26	1.11	1,181	12.43	0.97
54	Scott	5,553	30.14	2.74	4,051	25.49	2.28	3,219	20.28	1.81
56	Airline / Montrose	5,740	21.48	1.68	4,903	20.84	1.65	4,398	18.75	1.48
63	Fondren	4,106	31.84	3.08	3,194	27.24	2.46	2,474	21.09	1.90
65	Bissonnet	6,046	26.77	2.47	3,929	22.13	1.82	2,877	16.25	1.33
73	Bellfort	4,776	35.05	2.92	3,238	29.29	2.52	2,525	23.57	1.97
80	MLK / Lockwood	4,650	20.74	1.60	3,149	15.86	1.09	2,426	12.22	0.84
82	Westheimer	12,157	25.63	2.51	9,860	25.63	2.37	7,773	23.01	1.87
85	Antoine / Washington	6,203	22.32	1.75	4,060	17.88	1.35	3,258	14.37	1.08
137	Northshore Express	2,935	19.19	1.28	2,086	20.47	1.39	1,669	16.40	1.11
151	Westpark Express	1,817	17.75	1.27	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
152	Harwin Express	1,482	20.04	1.40	985	16.48	1.07	777	12.99	0.85
153	Harwin Express	2,367	17.59	1.13	1,263	12.41	0.75	911	8.95	0.54
160	Memorial City Express	93	9.36	0.62	198	7.06	0.35	151	5.42	0.27
161	Wilcrest Express	2,629	21.92	1.43	1,789	16.53	0.90	1,240	11.55	0.63
162	Memorial Express	1,247	15.57	1.00	487	10.69	0.58	350	7.67	0.42
402	Bellaire Quickline	1,323	16.34	1.38	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total		111,143	23.08	1.94	77,384	20.26	1.60	60,904	16.17	1.26

Blue Routes (20 - 30 Minute Off-Peak Service)

Average Daily Ridership & Performance Indicators

Blue Routes										
March 2019		Weekday			Saturday			Sunday		
#	Route	Average Boardings	Boardings per Revenue Hour	Boardings per Revenue Mile	Average Boardings	Boardings per Revenue Hour	Boardings per Revenue Mile	Average Boardings	Boardings per Revenue Hour	Boardings per Revenue Mile
6	Jensen / Greens	2,692	21.73	1.73	1,920	16.69	1.38	1,445	12.62	1.04
7	West Airport	1,012	23.22	1.74	542	16.13	1.21	431	12.89	0.96
8	West Bellfort	3,012	35.76	2.99	1,936	26.24	2.31	1,497	20.29	1.79
9	Gulfton / Holman	2,161	20.33	1.79	1,397	15.38	1.17	1,026	11.33	0.86
11	Alameda / Lyons	3,076	18.97	1.59	1,669	14.48	1.12	1,267	10.99	0.85
14	Hiram Clarke	2,019	27.63	2.30	1,252	21.74	1.83	900	15.63	1.32
20	Canal / Memorial	1,772	13.87	1.16	1,098	12.96	1.00	863	10.27	0.79
28	OST - Wayside	2,410	23.83	2.34	1,688	22.92	1.89	1,144	15.53	1.28
29	Cullen / Hirsch	3,025	19.20	1.50	2,353	18.96	1.41	1,931	15.43	1.16
32	Renwick / San Felipe	1,785	15.62	1.69	1,215	13.41	1.15	1,020	11.26	0.97
36	Kempwood	2,050	18.02	1.46	1,289	15.55	1.37	954	14.17	1.01
44	Acre Homes	2,580	14.54	1.08	1,750	11.66	0.87	1,441	9.88	0.74
45	Tidwell	4,152	28.11	2.17	2,875	26.42	2.07	2,248	20.69	1.62
47	Hillcroft	2,864	26.14	2.95	1,976	22.85	2.16	1,588	18.35	1.73
49	Chimney Rock / S Post Oak	2,727	20.70	1.78	1,849	16.90	1.41	1,439	13.16	1.10
60	Cambridge	2,236	22.62	2.70	727	13.11	1.47	625	11.27	1.27
68	Braeswood	2,427	23.15	1.86	1,375	20.20	1.50	1,173	17.23	1.28
84	Buffalo Speedway	1,530	12.18	1.27	988	11.89	1.09	837	10.07	0.92
86	FM 1960 / Imperial Valley	2,584	22.38	1.64	1,836	20.78	1.50	1,485	16.87	1.21
89	Dacoma	239	16.78	2.11	73	5.15	0.65	41	2.86	0.36
99	Ella - FM 1960	2,267	21.99	1.54	1,603	16.51	1.11	1,297	13.36	0.90
102	Bush IAH Express	3,472	22.35	1.11	2,357	24.13	1.04	2,137	21.91	0.94
Total		52,093	20.91	1.70	33,768	17.76	1.37	26,788	14.25	1.09

Green Routes (60 Minute Off-Peak Service)

Average Daily Ridership & Performance Indicators

Green Routes										
March 2019		Weekday			Saturday			Sunday		
#	Route	Average Boardings	Boardings per Revenue Hour	Boardings per Revenue Mile	Average Boardings	Boardings per Revenue Hour	Boardings per Revenue Mile	Average Boardings	Boardings per Revenue Hour	Boardings per Revenue Mile
3	Langley	596	18.63	1.31	448	14.53	1.02	353	11.44	0.80
5	Southmore	1,020	16.78	1.39	619	12.39	0.97	443	8.86	0.70
10	Willowbend	737	18.23	1.76	386	13.34	1.33	364	12.57	1.25
23	Clay - W 43rd	619	15.98	1.55	425	13.37	1.45	308	9.71	1.05
30	Clinton / Ella	886	10.49	0.87	512	7.33	0.62	410	5.88	0.49
38	Manchester - Lawndale	107	7.46	0.63	135	9.45	0.80	86	6.02	0.51
39	Katy Freeway	258	8.05	0.58	160	5.59	0.37	122	4.26	0.29
48	Market	646	14.93	1.43	418	11.74	1.13	273	7.82	0.74
58	Hammerly	525	14.10	1.25	309	10.22	0.92	250	8.26	0.75
59	Aldine Mail	362	12.68	1.04	276	9.86	0.79	232	8.31	0.67
64	Lincoln City	89	3.37	0.33	49	1.86	0.18	51	1.94	0.19
66	Quitman	464	12.53	1.02	277	9.39	0.77	223	7.59	0.62
67	Dairy Ashford	536	16.55	1.81	292	10.74	1.33	225	8.27	1.02
70	Memorial	336	10.40	0.68	149	6.22	0.42	138	5.76	0.39
71	Cottage Grove	21	1.43	0.13	10	0.70	0.06	8	0.54	0.05
72	Westview	371	12.57	0.92	252	11.45	0.82	179	8.11	0.58
75	Eldridge	745	16.13	1.33	405	13.76	0.96	322	10.96	0.77
76	Evergreen	1,343	18.83	1.44	716	20.10	1.53	575	16.19	1.23
77	Homestead	514	13.08	1.20	398	10.16	0.93	357	9.09	0.83
78	Wayside	434	11.65	1.03	344	9.25	0.82	290	7.79	0.69
79	West Little York	1,198	18.73	1.47	720	15.26	1.22	609	12.93	1.03
83	Lee Road - JFK	330	11.30	0.90	278	9.54	0.75	201	6.91	0.54
87	Sunnyside	1,230	19.69	1.58	728	15.75	1.40	506	10.95	0.97
88	Sagmont	890	19.22	1.62	599	17.71	1.50	502	14.84	1.25
96	Veterans Memorial	689	18.08	1.28	609	18.22	1.20	477	14.30	0.94
97	Settegast	572	18.06	1.17	199	6.41	0.41	151	4.86	0.31
98	Briargate	467	21.99	1.62	266	19.28	1.28	188	13.65	0.91
360	Peerless Shuttle	243	10.81	0.89	164	8.78	0.72	116	6.23	0.51
399	Kuykendahl Shuttle	187	12.51	1.18	105	7.14	0.67	93	6.33	0.59
Total		16,414	14.81	1.21	10,248	11.37	0.93	8,049	8.95	0.73

Other Routes

Average Weekday Ridership & Performance Indicators

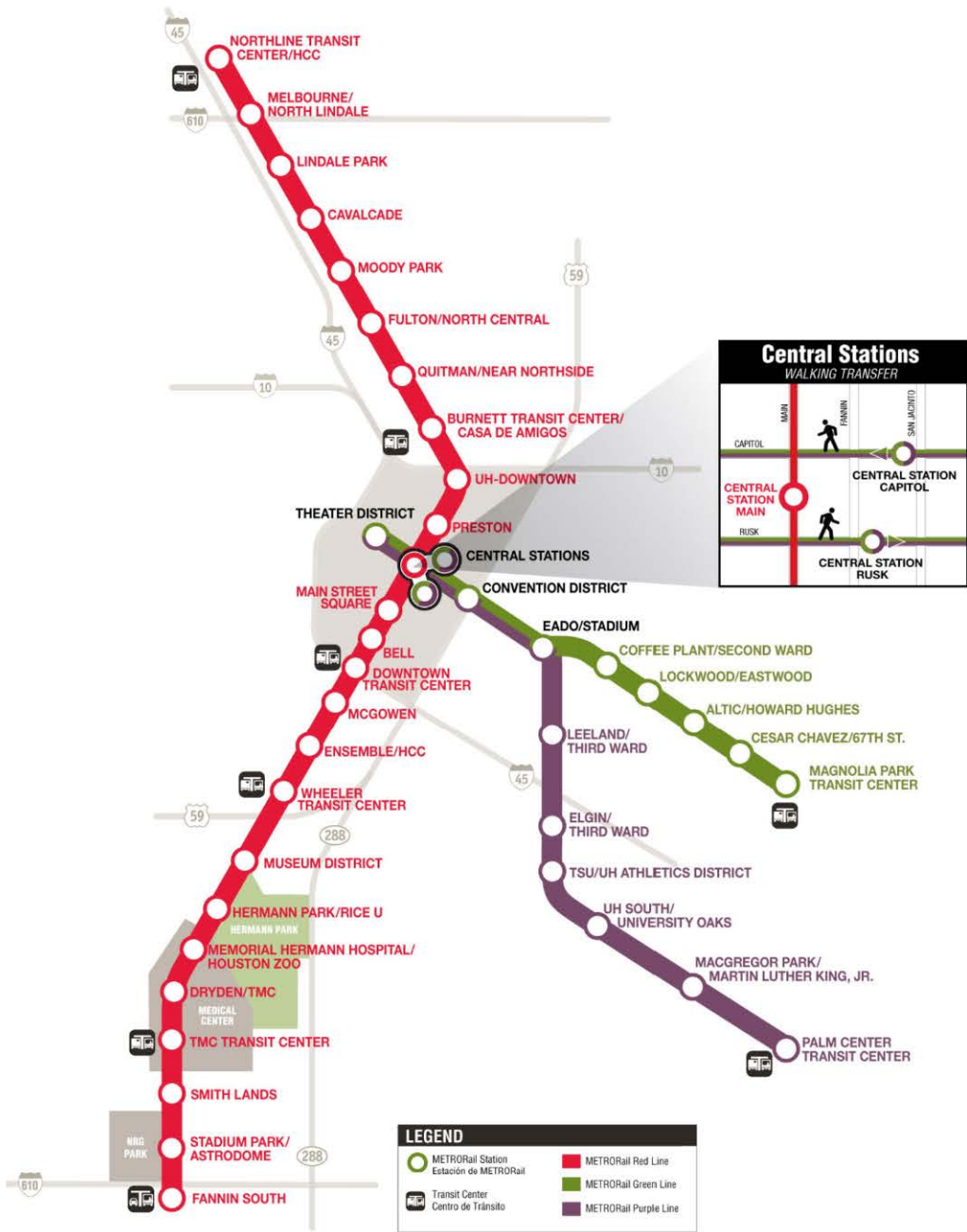
Other Routes										
March 2019		Weekday			Saturday			Sunday		
#	Route	Average Boardings	Boardings per Revenue Hour	Boardings per Revenue Mile	Average Boardings	Boardings per Revenue Hour	Boardings per Revenue Mile	Average Boardings	Boardings per Revenue Hour	Boardings per Revenue Mile
108	Veterans Memorial Express	976	18.16	1.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
412	Greenlink	384	7.05	1.23	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
413	Greenlink Orange	51	3.12	0.57	207	4.65	0.86	97	3.59	0.67
418	Juror Shuttle	473	19.47	4.28	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total		1,884	12.66	1.27	207	4.65	0.86	97	3.59	0.67

Community Connector

Average Daily Ridership & Performance Indicators

Community Connector Routes										
March 2019		Weekday			Saturday			Sunday		
#	Route	Average Boardings	Boardings per Revenue Hour	Boardings per Revenue Mile	Average Boardings	Boardings per Revenue Hour	Boardings per Revenue Mile	Average Boardings	Boardings per Revenue Hour	Boardings per Revenue Mile
344	Acre Homes	294	2.78	0.37	113	2.04	0.28	104	1.88	0.25
363	Missouri City	114	2.06	0.40	66	1.52	0.29	52	1.20	0.23
364	Missouri City FLEX	19	0.45	0.09	12	0.29	0.06	10	0.22	0.04
Total		427	2.09	0.33	191	1.35	0.22	165	1.17	0.19

Local Network: Light Rail Service Map



Local Network: Light Rail

Average Daily Ridership

March 2019	Average Boardings		
	Weekday	Saturday	Sunday
Red Line			
Northline Transit Center / HCC	3,082	1,892	1,639
Melbourne / North Lindale	293	153	158
Lindale Park	205	122	96
Cavalcade	813	527	382
Moody Park	536	348	308
Fulton / North Central	1,161	784	615
Quitman / Near Northside	610	360	286
Burnett Transit Center / Casa De Amigos	858	399	297
UH-Downtown	1,042	311	199
Preston	2,832	1,321	1,012
Central Station Main	2,666	1,376	963
Main Street Square	3,055	1,786	1,168
Bell	991	590	334
Downtown Transit Center	3,340	1,662	1,446
McGowen	1,342	872	564
Ensemble / HCC	2,362	1,195	935
Wheeler Transit Center	3,019	1,780	1,378
Museum District	1,515	730	577
Hermann Park / Rice U	553	543	675
Memorial Hermann Hospital / Houston Zoo	3,941	1,003	694
Dryden / TMC	4,834	949	742
TMC Transit Center	3,325	1,320	1,003
Smith Lands	3,284	392	288
Stadium Park / Astrodome	951	999	481
Fannin South	3,460	1,687	1,265
Red Line Total	50,071	23,100	17,502
Green Line			
Theater District	447	305	202
Central Station	1,146	725	606
Convention District	304	248	196
EaDo / Stadium	417	324	240
Coffee Plant / Second Ward	410	332	280
Lockwood / Eastwood	433	300	255
Altic / Howard Hughes	413	338	266
Cesar Chavez / 67th Street	324	248	178
Magnolia Park Transit Center	937	636	551
Green Line Total	4,829	3,454	2,772
Purple Line			
Theater District	863	284	214
Central Station	1,122	705	559
Convention District	306	289	208
EaDo / Stadium	468	328	257
Leeland / Third Ward	196	132	84
Elgin / Third Ward	492	402	322
TSU / UH Athletics District	1,045	524	354
UH South / University Oaks	856	348	219
MacGregor Park / Martin Luther King, Jr.	403	314	184
Palm Center Transit Center	826	599	419
Purple Line Total	6,577	3,924	2,819
All Lines			
Red, Green & Purple Lines	61,476	30,477	23,092

Commuter Network: Park & Ride Service Map

Park & Ride Routes



Commuter Network: Park & Ride

Average Weekday Ridership & Performance Indicators

Park & Ride Routes				
March 2019		Weekday		
#	Route	Average Boardings	Boardings per Revenue Hour	Boardings per Revenue Mile
Peak Period				
170	Missouri City	835	24.46	0.92
202	Kuykendahl	1,633	24.84	1.00
204	Spring	1,233	29.21	0.99
212	Seton Lake	941	18.80	0.85
214	Northwest Station	1,822	25.03	0.83
216	West Little York	495	15.82	0.63
217	Cypress	2,153	28.13	0.89
221	Kingsland	2,072	22.59	0.75
222	Grand Parkway	2,657	30.66	1.00
228	Addicks	1,848	26.64	0.99
236	Maxey Road / Baytown	539	21.10	0.90
244	Monroe	417	18.16	0.92
246	Bay Area	1,134	18.36	0.75
247	Fuqua	764	25.03	1.14
248	El Dorado	566	16.91	0.67
255	Kingwood	770	17.21	0.56
256	Eastex	832	30.88	1.11
257	Townsen	959	30.14	1.08
261	West Loop	221	11.59	0.62
262	Westwood	532	16.35	0.67
265	West Bellfort	2,639	31.63	1.30
283	Kuykendahl - Greenway/Uptown	322	15.41	0.65
292	Southwest Corridor - TMC	496	13.04	0.62
297	Gulf Corridor - TMC	1,015	26.27	1.04
298	Katy Corridor - TMC	1,395	21.95	0.96
Subtotal		28,289	23.68	0.89
Off-Peak				
209	North Corridor Midday/Evening	568	19.32	0.75
219	Northwest Corridor Midday/Evening	385	13.34	0.54
229	Katy Corridor Midday/Evening	662	20.16	0.74
249	Gulf Corridor Midday/Evening	343	9.60	0.50
259	Eastex Corridor Midday/Evening	246	11.59	0.39
269	Southwest Corridor Midday/Evening	296	12.37	0.68
Subtotal		2,500	14.54	0.61
Grand Total		30,790	22.53	0.86