Metro Transit Strategic Plan Progress Report



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King County Metro
Strategic Plan
for Public
Transportation
2011-2021

2015 UPDATE









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How to read the report

- 66 measures associated with 8 goals
 - The 2017 report includes 3 new measures not included in 2015 report
- Indicator for each measure whether we are moving toward our goal, stable or need improvement

SYMBOLS—intended to give a general indication of our performance over time relative to goals.



Opportunity to improve



 N/A, just one year of data, or trend not easily defined

| MEASURES | | TREND |
|----------------|---|-------|
| GOAL 1: SAFETY | | |
| 1 | Preventable accidents per million miles | |
| 2 | Operator and passenger incidents and assaults | 0 |
| 3 | Customer satisfaction regarding safety and security | • |
| 4 | Effectiveness of emergency responses | |

Themes

Ridership Growth

- Metro continues to defy national trends regarding ridership growth
- Market share an issue to monitor
- Service affected by restructures

Accessibility

Suburbanization of poverty





Partnering with Employers

Employers represent a growing market segment

Costs

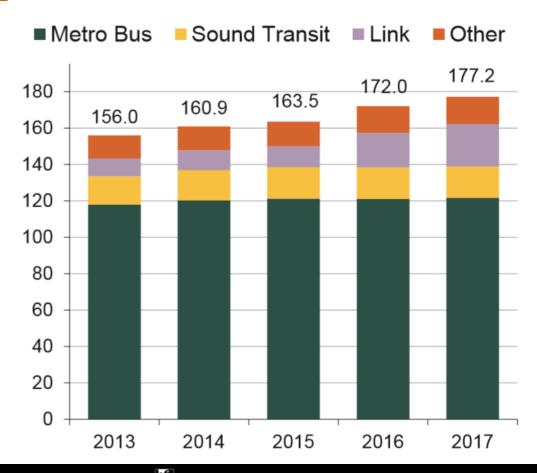
Impact of market forces

Goal: Economic Growth and Built Environment



- New high of over 122 million trips on Metro
 - Almost 75% of all boardings in the County

3.1 Transit Boardings in King County (in millions)

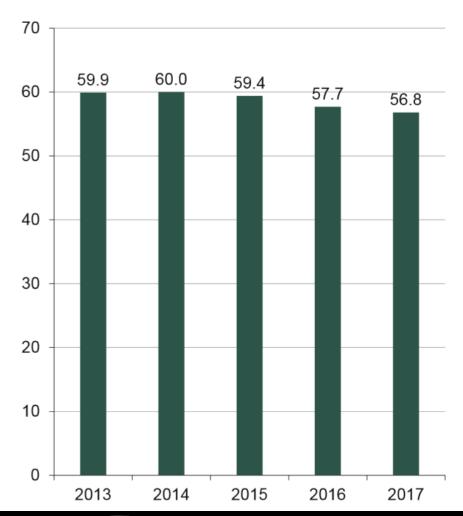


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 Ridership is not keeping pace with population growth

3.2 Transit rides per capita



Goal: Environmental Sustainability

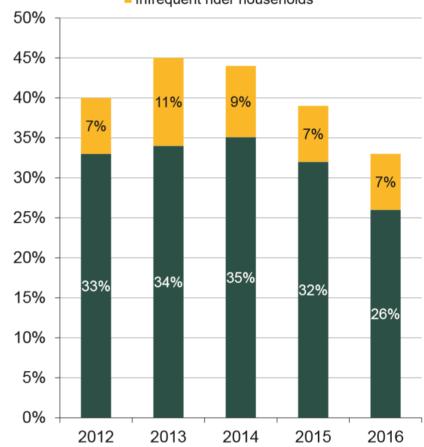


• **Metro's** share of the mobility market is declining

4.7 Transit mode share





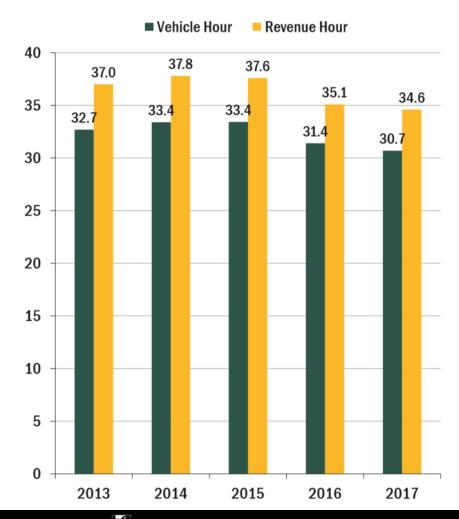


Goal: Financial Stewardship



 Service productivity has declined after peaking in 2016

6.3 & 6.4 Boardings per hour



Theme: Accessibility to Transit

Goal: Human Potential

Access to transit

- 2.1 Population living within a ¼-mile walk to a transit stop
- 64%

2.2 Percentage of households in low-income census tracts within a ¼-mile walk of transit stop







2.3 Percentage of households in minority census tracts within a ¼ walk to a transit stop







2.4 Jobs within a ¼ mile walk to a transit stop



78%



New Metrics

- Average number of households accessible within 30 minutes countywide
- Average number of jobs and households accessible within 30 minutes via transit from regional growth centers, manufacturing/industrial centers and transit activity centers

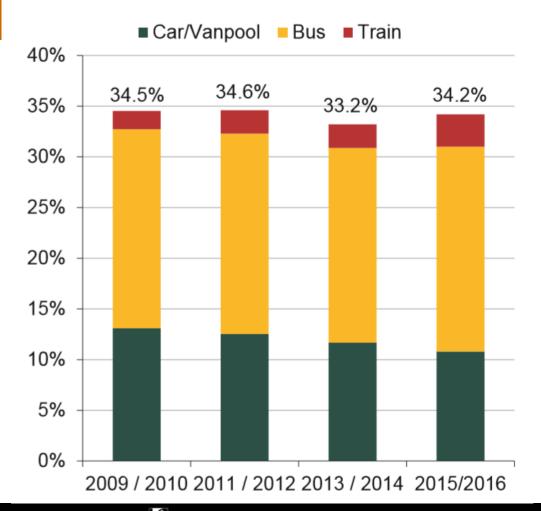
Theme: Partnering with Employers

Goal: Economic Growth and Built Environment



 While overall market share is in decline, market share among employees at the county's largest employers grew over the past year

3.4 Peak mode share at King County CTR sites



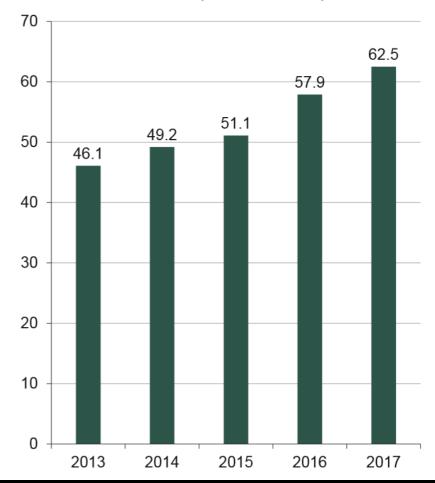
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- Ridership growth increased across all of Metro's Passport accounts, like due to:
 - increasing number of Passport participants; and
 - higher ridership from existing participants

3.5 Regional boardings with ORCA Passport Passes (in millions)



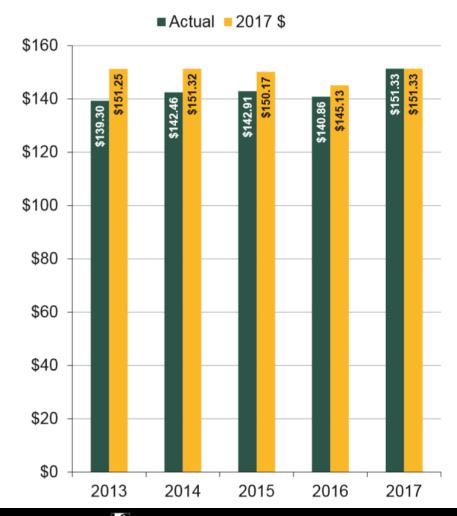
Theme: Costs

Goal: Financial Stewardship



- In 2017, Metro's real cost returned to about where it was following a decline in 2016
- Critical components in Metro's cost per hour include:
 - Fuel costs
 - Centralized services
 - Vehicle maintenance
 - Labor

6.8 Cost per hour



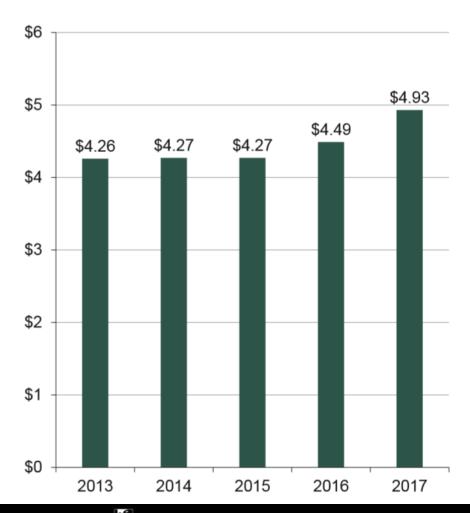
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 Metro's cost per boarding grew as a result of service hour expenditures without corresponding ridership growth

6.10 Cost per boarding



Addressing Challenges

- Focus on ridership
 - Coverage, accessibility
 - Fares/fare payment
 - Customer service and operations
- Improve accessibility
 - Matching coverage and demand



- Maintain strong partnerships with employers
 - Focus on developing mobility solutions
- Contain costs
 - Monitor investments in infrastructure