# 2023/24 – Q2 Performance Measures Report HALIFAX TRANSIT

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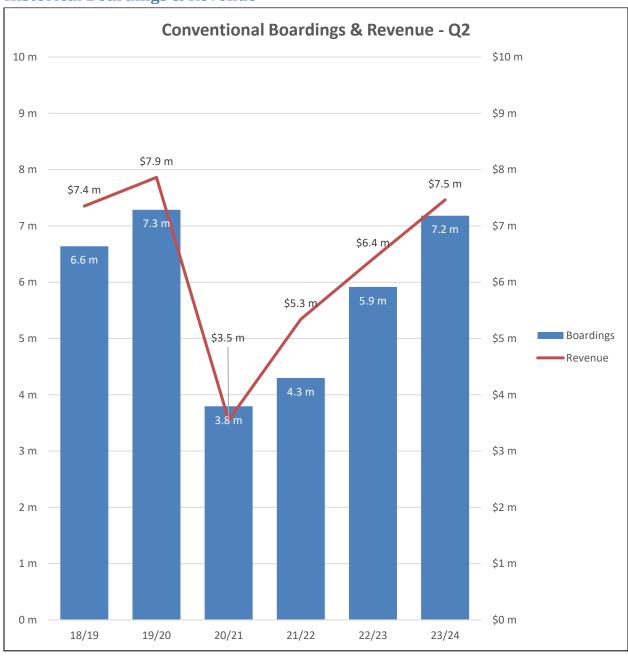
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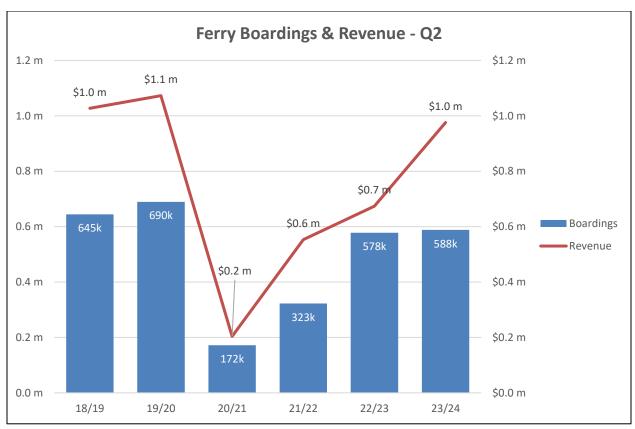
## **Boardings & Revenue**

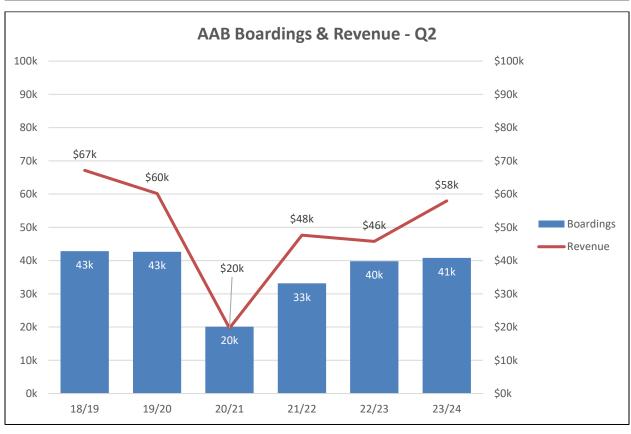
Revenue and boardings are reported to demonstrate how well transit services were used over the quarter, in comparison to the same quarter the previous year.

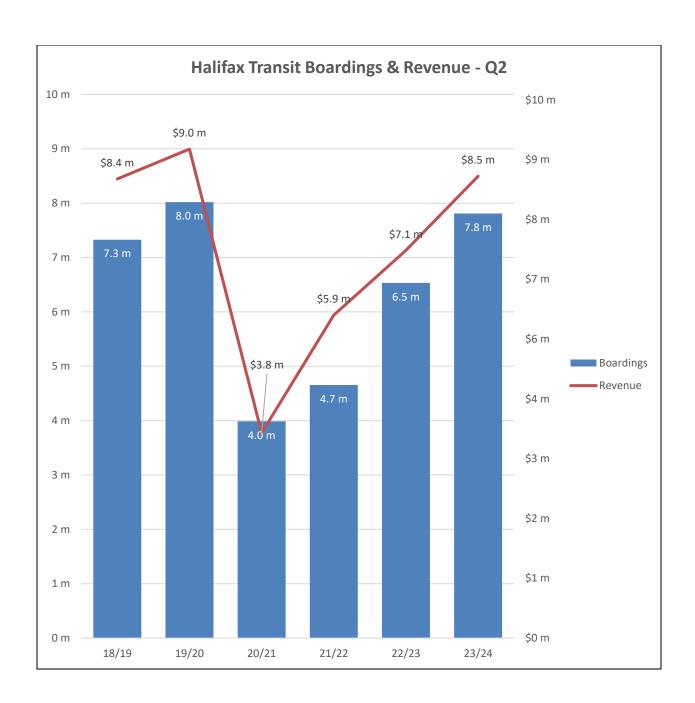
Recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic continued through the second quarter this year. Conventional boardings increased 21% from this quarter last year, Ferry boardings increased 2% and Access-A-Bus boardings increased 3%. Overall, system wide boardings increased this quarter by 20% compared to last year, which is still 3% lower than second quarter 2019/20. Overall revenue this quarter increased 19% from last year but remains 6% lower than first quarter 2019/20.

### **Historical Boardings & Revenue**





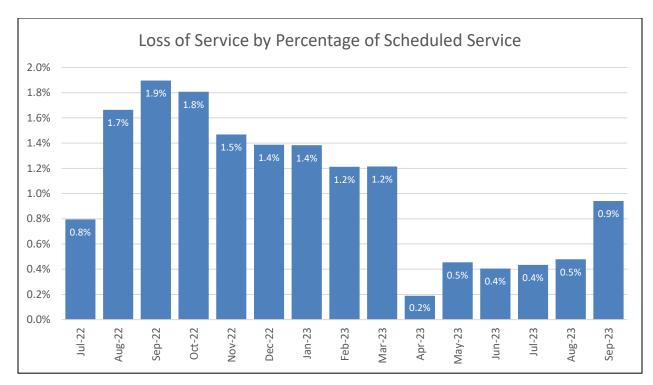




#### **Loss of Service**

Loss of service represents the total number of scheduled bus service hours that were not completed.

In the second quarter, the total loss of service was 1,276 hours, which is 0.6% of the quarterly revenue hours. The chart below shows the total loss of service for each month. In late February 2023 temporary service reductions were put in place to address staffing issues, these reductions have reduced the amount of scheduled service that has to be cancelled ad hoc.

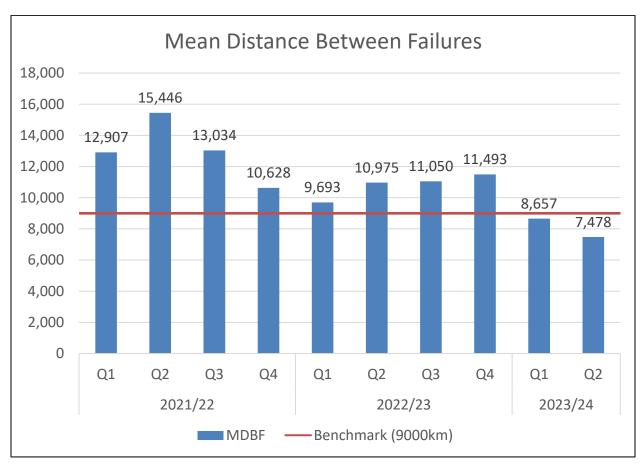


#### **Fleet Services**

#### **Mean Distance Between Failures**

Halifax Transit's Mean Distance Between Failures (MDBF) is the distance in kilometres covered between vehicle related failures that prevent a vehicle from completing scheduled service.

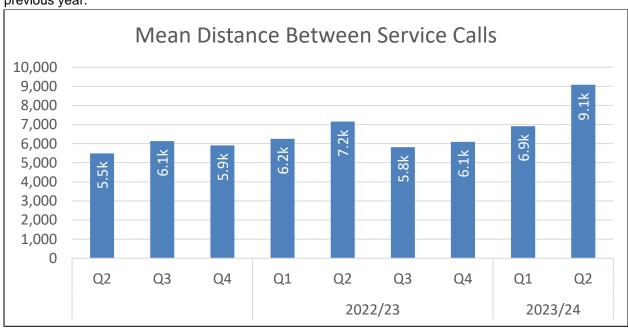
For the second quarter of 2023/24, the MDBF for conventional transit was 7,478 kms. This is a 32% decrease from the second quarter of the previous year, and below the benchmark of 9,000 kms. The average age of the conventional fleet is nine (9) years, and this is traceable to the MDBF dipping below the benchmark compared to previous consecutive quarters where the average age of fleet was lower.

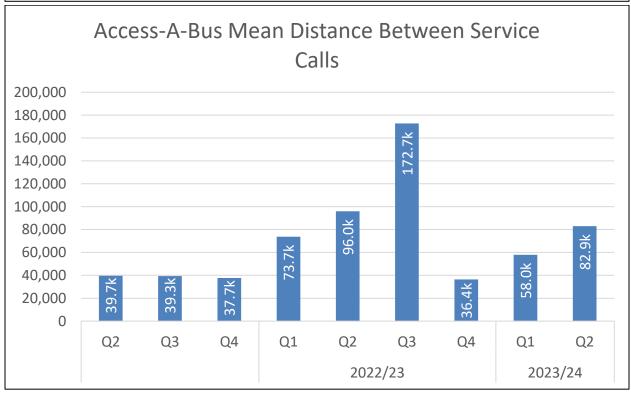


#### **Mean Distance Between Service Calls**

Mean Distance Between Service Calls (MDBS) reflects the average distance in kilometres covered between maintenance service calls. This metric includes all instances of service calls, including issues with secondary equipment, passenger-related events and damages to the bus resulting from minor accidents.

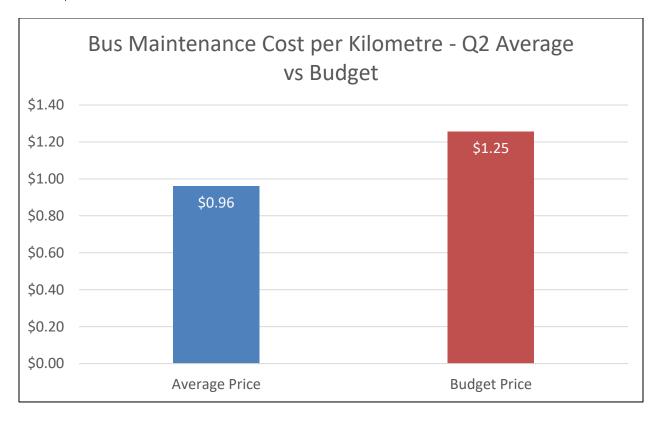
For the second quarter of 2023/24, the MDBS for conventional transit was 9,086 kms, and increase of 27% over the previous year. The MDBS for Access-A-Bus service was 82,934 kms, a 14% decrease from the previous year.





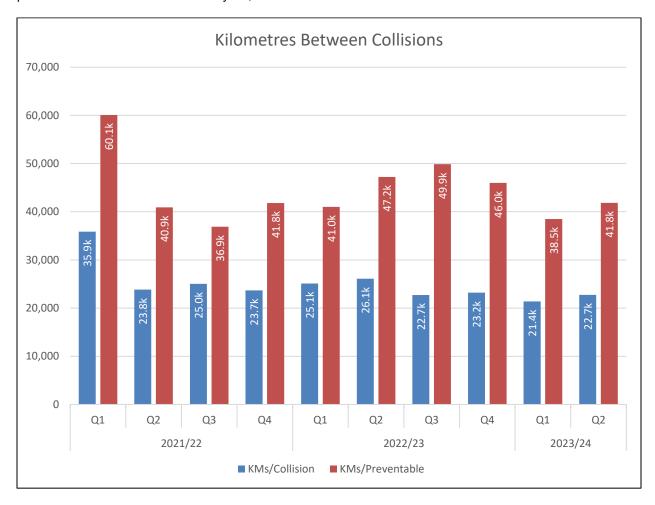
## **Bus Maintenance Cost - Quarter Average vs Budget**

In the second quarter bus maintenance costs were \$0.96/km, 23% lower than the budgeted maintenance cost of \$1.25/km.



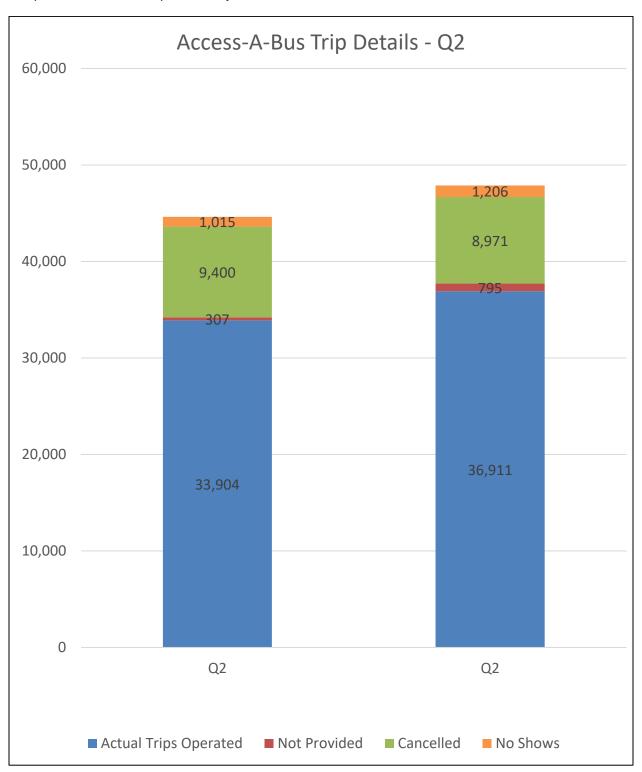
# **Safety - Collisions**

In the first quarter, a collision involving Halifax Transit vehicles occurred once every 22,700 kilometres, a preventable collision occurred every 41,800 kilometres.



## **Access-A-Bus Trip Details**

Access-A-Bus trip details are tracked monthly to provide an indication of efficiency in Access-A-Bus usage and booking. In the second quarter of 2023/24 a total of 36,911 trips were operated, an increase of 9% compared to the second quarter last year.

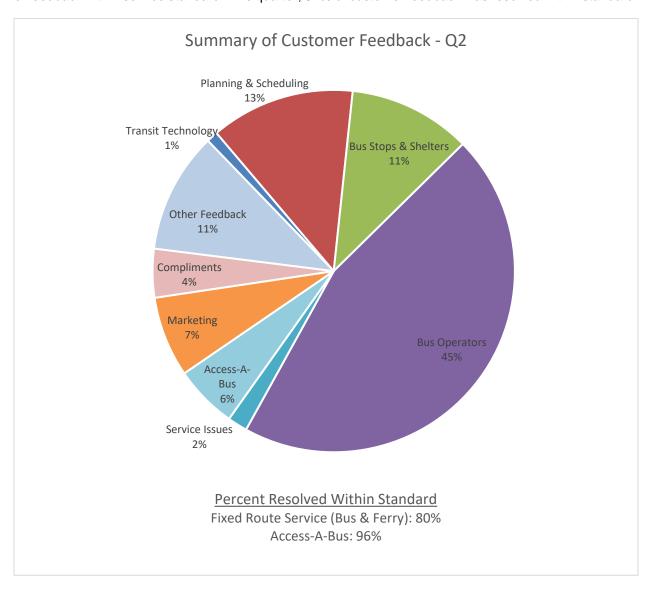


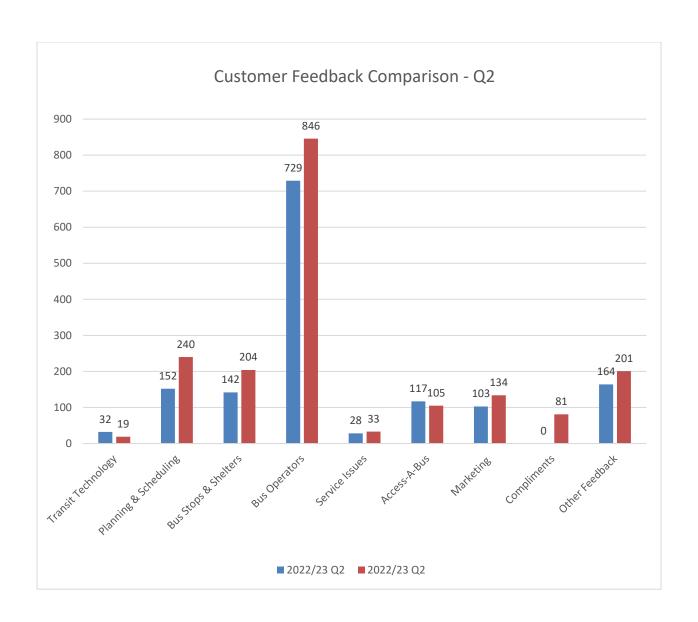
#### **Customer Service - All Services**

Customer service statistics are measured monthly using the Cityworks Customer Relationship Management software. Feedback is first categorized by subject matter and then divided into two categories: feedback resolved within service standard and feedback resolved outside service standard. The service standard varies from 3 to 10 days depending on the subject matter.

- 3 Days Accessibility on Conventional Bus, Infrastructure, Prohibited Conduct, Vehicle Related
- 5 Days Access-A-Bus, Bus Operator Compliments, Ferries, Policies, Technology
- 10 Days Bus Operator Behaviour, Bus Operator Driving, Marketing & Communications, Planning & Scheduling, Programs

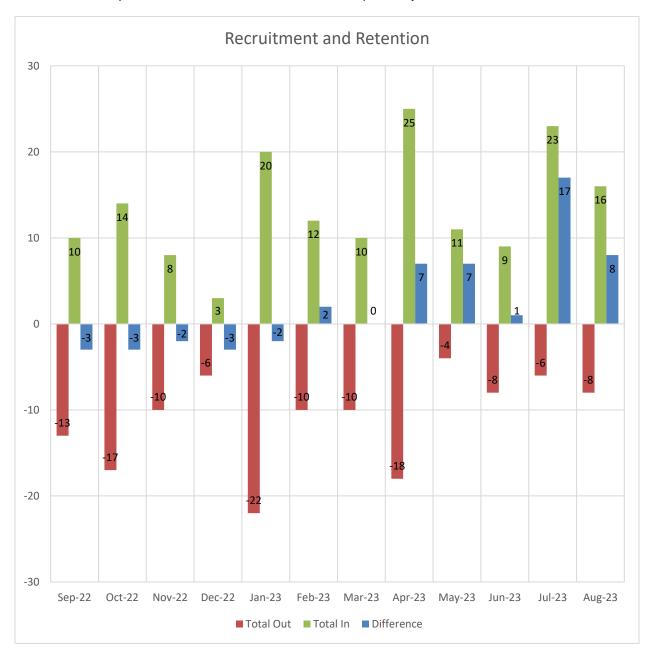
In the second quarter, 48% of feedback received was related to Bus Operator Driving and Behaviour. The remaining 52% is comprised of feedback regarding service issues, planning and scheduling, bus stops and shelters, marketing, compliments and other miscellaneous comments. Halifax Transit aims to address 90% of feedback within service standard. This quarter, 81% of customer feedback was resolved within standard.





# **Recruitment and Retention**

The figure below includes information on the number of conventional Bus Operators entering and exiting Halifax Transit between over the past year. The blue bar illustrates the net loss/gain of staff each month and shows that Operator numbers have continued to trend positively in recent months.



#### **Service Utilization**

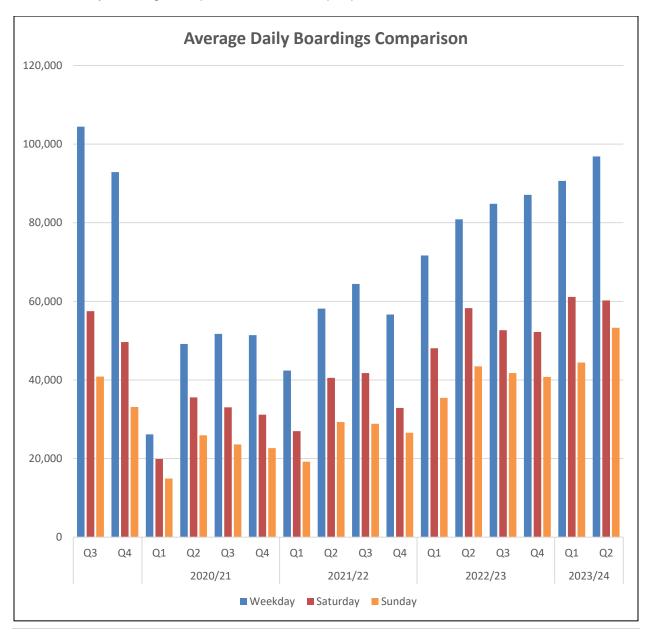
#### **Boardings**

Average weekday boardings in the second quarter were  $96,873 \pm 11,339$  (12% variance). Average Saturday boardings this quarter were  $60,234 \pm 16,163$  (27% variance). Average Sunday boardings this quarter were  $53,253 \pm 5,204$  (10% variance).

#### **Average Daily Boardings by Service Day**

The following chart shows average daily boardings by quarter tracking to Pre COVID periods. Covid pandemic impacts began near the end of 2019/20 Q4.

This quarter weekday and Saturday boardings were below pre-pandemic levels at 94% of 2019/20 Q2 values. Sunday boardings this quarter were 119% of pre-pandemic values.



#### Ridership Guidelines by Route - Passengers Per Hour

Halifax Transit established ridership guidelines as part of the Moving Forward Together Plan, the table below displays route performance in comparison to these guidelines. Several routes are replaced during the peak hour in the peak direction by express services, as such these routes are not expected to meet typical ridership guidelines during peak periods. Colour coding has been applied as follows:

Green = Exceeding Ridership Guideline

Yellow = Within 50% of meeting Ridership Guideline

Red = More than 50% below Ridership Guideline

Grey = Routes replaced by express services in peak direction.

2023/24 Q2 Ridership Guidelines by Route									
	Weekday				Saturda			Sunday	
Route	Boardings		Passengers Per Ho		Boardings	Pass/Hour	Boardings	Pass/Hour	
Didambia Cuidaliaa	All Day	AM & PM Peak 25	Midday 15	Evening 10	All Day	15	A	I Day 10	
Ridership Guideline 1	8,322	58	58	42	5,584	49	4,861	52	
2	5,012	48	47	43	4,507	46	3,808	54	
3	7,370	55	45	42	3,653	42	4,431	45	
4	5,186	41	40	39	2,191	45	2,175	47	
5	4,174	51	48	39	2,867	40	2,223	49	
6A/B/C	3,043	37	37	26	1,625	35	1,576	37	
7A/B	5,038	44	39	26	3,053	30	2,344	33	
8	4,795	42	39	29	3,251	33	3,431	36	
9A/B	6,877	46	48	42	3,629	56	3,626	57	
10	4,489	44	49	32	2,933	39	2,194	45	
21	1,307	46	52	35	1,032	30	891	48	
22	714	27	25	14	546	17	518	15	
24	1,934	41	36	26	1,909	34	1,721	32	
25	627	30	34	24	424	29	518	38	
26	32	12							
28	2,012	52	50	47	1,733	42	1,152	53	
29	3,135	37	38	27	1,915	30	1,870	31	
30A/B	1,210	35	35	29	804	23	689	33	
39	1,480	38	31	25	1,196	24	689	32	
50	81	<u>22</u>	5						
51	1,042	49	43	28	544	35	350	23	
53	1,143	40	35	24	1,005	31	623	30	
54	967	31	40	23	592	29	521	32	
55	444	<u>24</u>	29	14	381	25	304	21	
56	1,136	44	35	28	1,117	36	970	31	
57	33	10	4	9					
58	143	10	12	6	99	6	82	6	
59	152	13	21	12	130	18	105	16	
61	223	12	18	12	201	12	172	11	
62	595	26	30	16	358	21	404	25	
63 64	502	23	26	15	296	20	262	18	
65	766 112	20	14	8 10	93	9	90	9	
67	742	22	32	15	315	20	288	18	
68	246	14	23	12	231	14	198	13	
72	1,745	44	37	25	1,330	30	774	29	
82	290	15	21	9	214	13	227	14	
83	110	9	11	6	89	10	79	7	
84	1,091	22	23	13	434	14	421	13	
85	165	11	20	8	116	15	121	14	
86	140	9	12	8	138	9	116	8	
87	1,423	35	21	18	886	17	606	22	
88	276	25	17	13	208	14	173	12	
90	2,460	44	34	25	1,684	26	1,137	33	
91	1,109	35	35	24	509	24	583	27	
93	190	<u> </u>	16	9					
401	148	15	15	11	49	11	41	7	
415	62	8	<u> </u>						
433	104	<u> </u>		9					

#### **Express Service Peak Boardings & Passengers per Trip**

The table below displays average daily boardings and passengers per trip on Halifax Transit Express services. Colour coding has been applied as follows:

Green = Exceeding Ridership Guideline Yellow = Within 50% of meeting Ridership Guideline Red = More than 50% below Ridership Guideline

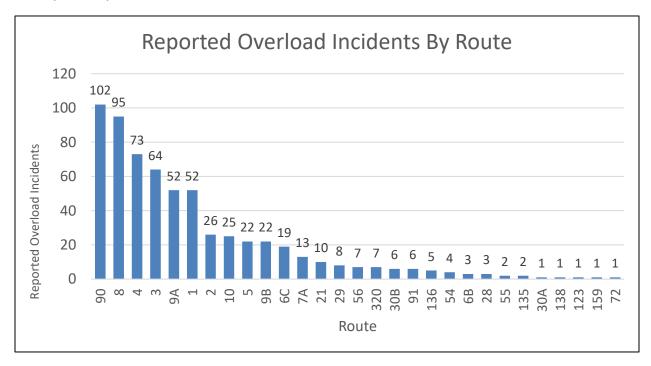
2023/24 Q2 Express Route Ridership Guidelines by Route						
	Weekday Peak Hours					
Route	Boardings	F	Pass/Trip			
Express Ridership Guideline 20						
123	311		26			
127	290		21			
135	290		29			
136	434		36			
137	278		28			
138	318		32			
158	121		20			
159	298		25			
161	323		27			
165	202		25			
168A/B	576		27			
182	472		21			
183	248		23			
185	468		23			
186	219		22			
194	165		27			
196	102		26			
Regional Express Ridership Guideline 15						
320	459		18			
330	195		11			
370	69		6			

#### **Passenger Overloads**

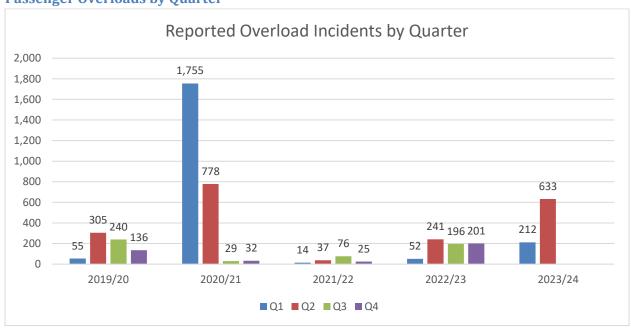
Halifax Transit tracks overloads that are reported to help match scheduling requirements to passenger demands. During the second quarter 633 overloads incidents were reported.

#### **Passenger Overloads by Route**

Corridor routes experienced the majority of overlod reports, accounting for 74% of reported overloads this quarter. 86% of overloads occurred on weekdays, 6% occurred on Saturdays, and 8% occurred on Sundays/holidays.



#### **Passenger Overloads by Quarter**



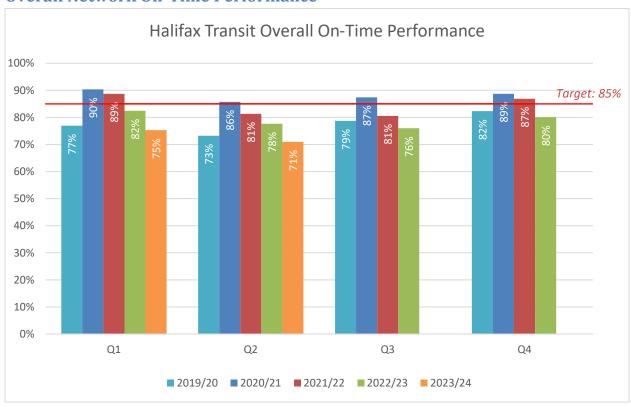
#### **On-Time Performance**

On-time performance is a measure of route reliability and is tracked monthly to demonstrate schedule adherence across the network of routes. Terminals and select bus stops along each route are classified as timepoints and have assigned and publicized scheduled arrival times. On-time performance demonstrates the percentage of observed timepoint arrivals that are between one minute early and three minutes late.

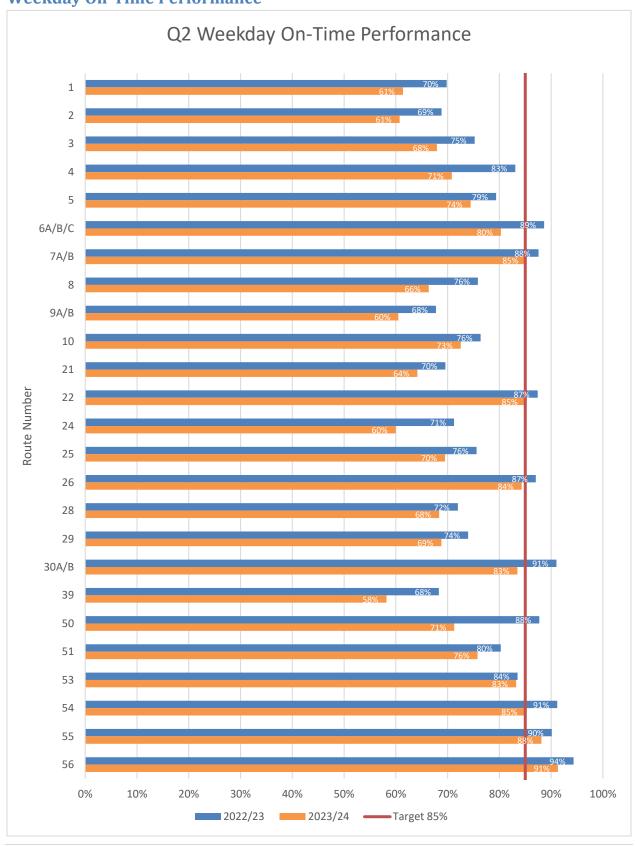
As traffic congestion and transit usage has continued to increase in recent months, overall on time performance has decreased and several routes have performed poorly. As part of quarterly service changes in November 2023 several routes had schedule adjustments made to address poor on-time performance including Routes 2, 24, 39, 72, 91, 158, 159, 161, 165, 168A/B, 194, and 433. Other poor-performing routes will continue to be monitored and will have schedule adjustments in the future.

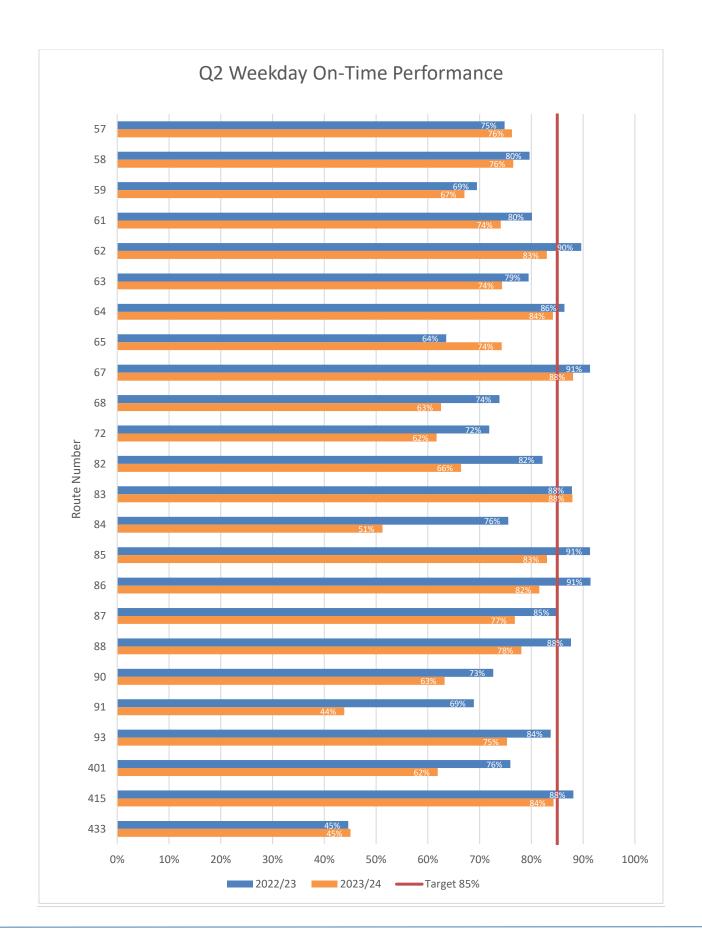
Routes 1 and 10 are part of the postponed *Moving Forward Together Plan* service adjustments. These routes will have new schedules once staffing levels are sufficient and they are able to be implemented.

#### **Overall Network On-Time Performance**

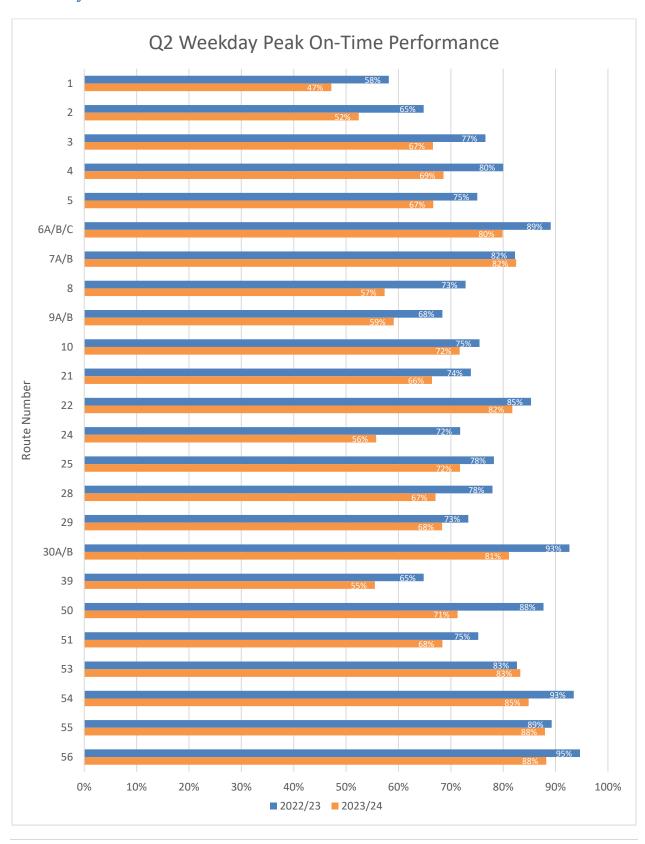


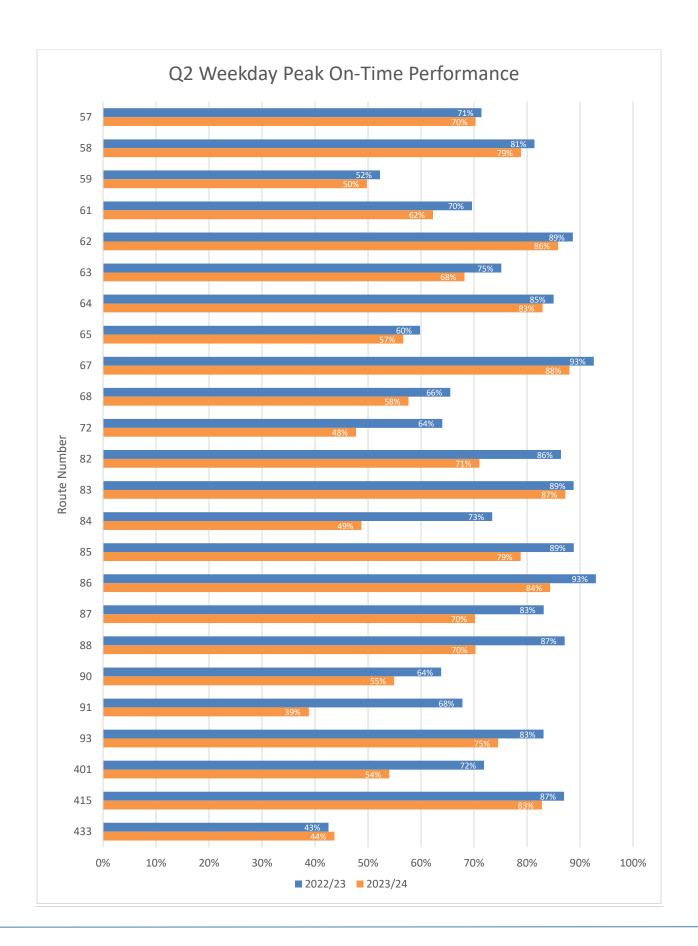
# **Weekday On-Time Performance**





# **Weekday Peak Period On-Time Performance**





# **Express Service On-Time Performance**

