

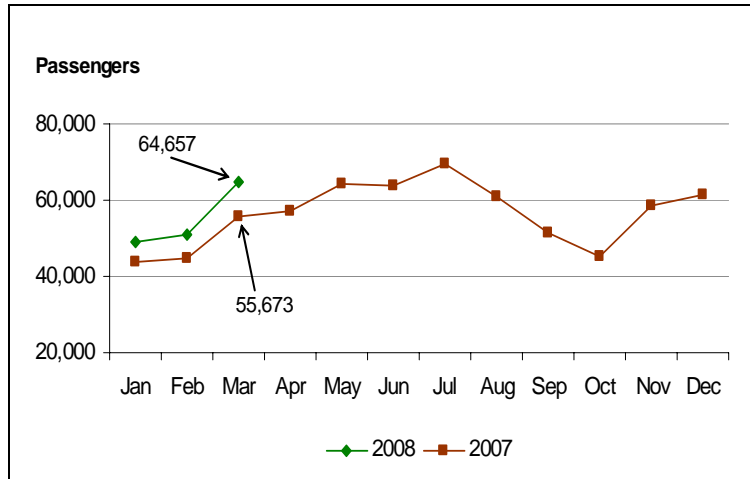


Amtrak Cascades Ridership Report March 2008

The following information is a snapshot of ridership performance (with a few observations), average trip length, a year-to-date summary, and other Amtrak Cascades news.

Ridership

- Ridership increased 16.1 percent when compared with March 2007.
- Ridership for train 501(Sea-Pdx) increased 46.1 percent when compared with March 2007.
- Ridership for trains 507 (Sea-Pdx) and 507 (Pdx-Eug) increased 18.1 and 38.7 percent respectively when compared with March 2007.
- Ridership for train 508 (Pdx-Sea) increased 14.1 percent when compared with March 2007.
- Ridership for trains 513 and 516 increased 37.2 and 16.2 respectively when compared with March 2007.
- This is the highest ridership for the month of March since the inception of the service.



Monthly Ridership per Funding Agency

Amtrak Cascades operations are funded by the states of Washington and Oregon and Amtrak. This table provides a breakdown per funding agency.

- Ridership for Washington State funded trains increased 21.0 percent when compared with March 2007.
- Ridership for Oregon funded trains increased 2.2 percent when compared with March 2007.
- Ridership for Amtrak funded trains increased 12.9 percent when compared with March 2007.
- See "Other Amtrak Cascades News" below for explanation.

Agency	2008	2007
Washington Funded Trains	43,664	36,077
Oregon Funded Trains*	10,756	10,523
Amtrak Funded Trains**	10,237	9,073
Route Totals	64,657	55,673

*Represents trains 500 (Eug-Pdx), 504, 507 (Pdx-Eug), and 509 (Pdx-Eug).

**Represents trains 500 (Pdx-Sea) and 509 (Sea-Pdx).

Year-to-Date (YTD) Summary

- Average trip length remained consistent when compared with 2007.

YTD	Ridership	Passenger Miles (PM)	Ave. Trip Length (miles)
2008	165,004	25,510,474	154.6
2007	144,251	22,209,630	154.0

Other Amtrak Cascades News

- Amtrak Superliner equipment is being used for trains 510 and 517 and is operating with its original schedule.
- Amtrak's Coast Starlight service was suspended on January 19, 2008, due to a landside in Oregon, with local passengers being re-accommodated on Amtrak Cascades Service.