



# Amtrak Cascades Ridership Report July 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.

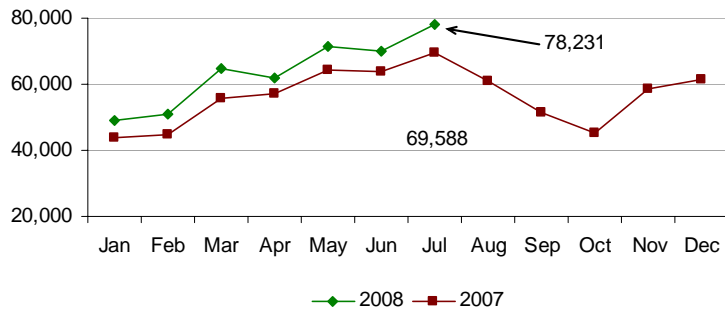
## Ridership

**This was the highest ridership for not only the month of July, but it's the highest ever.**

When compared with July 2007:

- Ridership increased 12.4 percent.
- Ridership for train 501(Sea-Pdx) increased 34.1 percent.
- Ridership for trains 507 (Sea-Pdx) and 507 (Pdx-Eug) increased 22.4 percent and 15.2 percent, respectively.
- Ridership for train 509 (Sea-Pdx) and 509 (Pdx-Eug) increased 18.5 percent and 41.5 percent, respectively.
- Ridership for trains 513 and 516 increased 11.6 percent and 8.8 percent respectively.

### Passengers



## 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.

When compared with July 2007:

- Ridership for Washington State funded trains increased 10.6 percent.
- Ridership for Oregon funded trains increased 17 percent.
- Ridership for Amtrak funded trains increased 15.4 percent.
- See "Other Amtrak Cascades News" below for other information.

Agency	2008	2007
Washington Funded Trains	52,875	47,802
Oregon Funded Trains*	12,992	11,073
Amtrak Funded Trains**	12,364	10,713
<b>Route Totals</b>	<b>78,231</b>	<b>69,588</b>

\*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	446,594	68,679,209	153.8
2007	398,923	61,336,071	153.8

## Other Amtrak Cascades News

- Amtrak Superliner equipment is being used for trains 510 and 517 and is operating with its original schedule.
- WSDOT and Amtrak began a new Amtrak Cascades connecting bus service on May 12. July ridership for this new bus service was 2,293. This was a 96.0% increase over June 2008.
- Pacific Northwest Rail Corridor Ridership on the *Coast Starlight* also increased significantly in July. Corridor ridership increased over 58 percent on trains 11 and 14 from 5,439 to 8,607 over July 2007.