



Amtrak Cascades Ridership Report November 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.

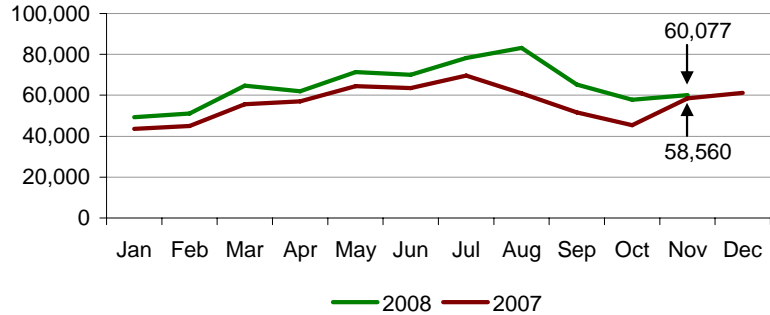


Ridership

November breaks 60,000 for the first time. Passengers

When compared with November 2007:

- Ridership increased 2.6 percent.
- Ridership for train 500 (Pdx-Sea) increased 10.2 percent.
- Ridership for train 500 (Eug-Pdx) increased 9.5 percent.
- Ridership for train 509 (Sea-Pdx) and 509 (Pdx-Eug) increased 4.8 percent and 25.2 percent, respectively.
- Ridership for trains 513 and 516 increased 13.2 percent and 8.6 percent respectively.



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 November 2007:

- Ridership for Washington State funded trains increased 3.8 percent.
- Ridership for Oregon funded trains decreased 5.3 percent.
- Ridership for Amtrak funded trains increased 5.4 percent.
- See "Other Amtrak Cascades News" below for other information.

Agency	2008	2007
Washington Funded Trains	38,951	37,518
Oregon Funded Trains*	9,357	9,880
Amtrak Funded Trains**	11,769	11,162
Route Totals	60,077	58,560

*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

- As of November 2008, year-to-date ridership has already passed 2007 total ridership of 676,760.
- Average trip length is still comparable to 2007.

YTD	Ridership	Passenger Miles (PM)	Ave. Trip Length (miles)
2008	712,889	109,866,535	154.1
2007	615,485	94,433,575	153.4

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. November ticket issuances for this new bus service was 1,648. This was an 11 percent increase from October.
- On-time performance for November was 81.66 percent, the highest on-time performance ever.