

Knoxville Transportation Authority

Meeting Date: Thursday, June 22, 2023



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CITY OF KNOXVILLE
KNOXVILLE TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY

AGENDA

Thursday, June 22, 2023

City County Building, Main Assembly Room

TOMMY SMITH
CHAIR

CHRISTI KIRK
VICE-CHAIR

ANALISA VALENTINE
RECORDING SECRETARY

CANDACE BRAKEWOOD

DUSTIN DURHAM

VINCE FUSCO

MARK HAIRR

NANCY NABORS

JOEL SIMMONS

KIMBERLY WATKINS

JOHN LAWHORN
ATTORNEY TO K.T.A.

- I. Determination of a Quorum
- II. Approval of Minutes – May 25, 2023
- III. Reports
 - A. KTA Chair
 - B. Commissioner's Comments
 - C. Staff
 - i. City of Knoxville Director of Transit
 - ii. TPO Transit Planner
- IV. New Business
- V. Old Business – KAT Reimagined Final Network Plan
- VI. Public Comments
- VII. Set Next Meeting for July 27, 2023 and Adjourn

Minutes

For Thursday, May 25, 2023, 3:00 p.m. meeting of the
KNOXVILLE TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
City County Building

I. Determination of Quorum

Chair Smith called the meeting to order and asked to confirm a quorum.

Attorney Lawhorn stated that they have 7 members present. They have a quorum.

Commissioners in attendance were as follows:

Vice-Chair Kirk
Commissioner Brakewood
Commissioner Hairr
Commissioner Nabors
Commissioner Simmons
Commissioner Durham

II. Approval of Minutes-May 25, 2023

Chair Smith asked for the approval of minutes, and asked if anyone had any questions about last month's meeting. There were no questions at that time.

Commissioner Brakewood made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 25, 2023, meeting. Commissioner Durham seconded the motion. The board was unanimous.

III. Reports A. KTA Chair

Chair Smith stated that he didn't have any comments. Then he addressed the board and asked if they had any comments or anything they wanted to bring up.

B. Commissioners' Comments

Commissioner Durham mentioned that he will be in Charlotte the weekend after Memorial Day for the Congress for New Urbanism Conference, and the specific focus will be on corridors. He said he's going to take plenty of notes and come back with some ideas. Then he mentioned that Charlotte has invested in rail, and he is going to ride them frequently while he's there. Commissioner Durham stated that he had a few comments from people that he had spoken with about the Draft Network, and they're all in favor of it. He went on to discuss the comments that he received, and they stated they're all in favor in more frequency and said that he's very excited to see the second draft.

Chair Smith thanked Commissioner Durham and asked if any other commissioners had other comments. There weren't any, so he turned it over to the Director of Transit.

C. Staff

i. City of Knoxville Director of Transit

Director Thorne gave an update on ridership. He said that it went up 3.3% for the month of April and saw a decline in the Lift of 9%. He talked about bringing back a draft with proposed changes for KAT Reimagined next month, so be prepared for a lot of discussion.

Chair Smith asked if any of the Commissioners had any questions for staff.

Commissioner Brakewood asked if staff could circulate that draft in advance of the meeting.

Director Thorne answered yes. They should be able to do so.

Chair Smith asked for any further comments or questions. There were no more at that time.

iii. TPO Transit Planner

Doug Burton was not in attendance.

IV. New Business

There was no new business

V. Old Business

There was no old business

VI. Public Comment

Anna Parmly, 3810 Sevierville Pike, spoke of a bus stop across the street from her house. She stated that she's excited about riding the bus downtown, but it does not come that frequently. She then gave a comparison that it would take her 5 minutes to get to downtown in her car, but 45 minutes due to having to wait on the bus. She stated that she was curious in how the transit works the way it does, which lead her to research about the ridership and coverage trade-off. She stated that she has an Economics degree from UT, and she focuses more on Policy Analysis rather than Business Economics, and from what she has read, to increase ridership for a transit system, they would have to increase frequency or people are not going to take the bus unless they must. Anna stated that if they improve a core section of the transit system first, and make that reliable, they will make it something that people actually want to take. KAT could increase their fares, take and increase ridership and then they can increase the coverage of the network from there, but she thinks that they would need to improve the core system before they can make it better. She ended with that she feels that increasing frequency is more important than coverage.

Chair Smith thanked her for her time, and asked if there were any other comments before they concluded. There were none. He gave the date for the next KTA meeting, and the meeting was adjourned.

VII. Set Next Meeting and Adjourn

The next meeting was set for June 22, at 3:00 p.m. at the City County Building Main Assembly Room.

Respectfully submitted,
Analisa Valentine
KTA Recording Secretary



KAT
KNOXVILLE AREA TRANSIT
ROUTE PERFORMANCE REPORT
May, 2023

ROUTE NUMBER	ROUTE NAME	RIDERSHIP	Percentage of Ridership	MILES	Percentage of Miles	HOURS	Percentage of Hours	Passg/ Mile	Passg/ Hour
10	Sequoyah Hills	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.00	0.00
11	Kingston Pike	21,267	12.7%	28,330	13.3%	2,373	14.8%	0.75	8.96
12	Western Ave	14,355	8.6%	18,199	8.5%	1,372	8.5%	0.79	10.46
13	Beaumont	812	0.5%	1,894	0.9%	138	0.9%	0.43	5.88
16	Cedar Bluff Connector	3,124	1.9%	4,969	2.3%	391	2.4%	0.63	7.98
17	Sutherland/Bearden	7,099	4.3%	9,557	4.5%	737	4.6%	0.74	9.64
19	Lakeshore/Lonas Connector	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0.00	0.00
20	Central Ave/Clinton Hwy	11,418	6.8%	12,997	6.1%	803	5.0%	0.88	14.22
21	Lincoln Park	3,114	1.9%	4,668	2.2%	367	2.3%	0.67	8.49
22	Broadway	25,903	15.5%	19,137	9.0%	1,422	8.8%	1.35	18.22
23	Millertown	4,106	2.5%	7,833	3.7%	658	4.1%	0.52	6.24
24	Inskip/Breda Rd	2,607	1.6%	6,608	3.1%	478	3.0%	0.39	5.46
30	Parkridge	3,685	2.2%	3,483	1.6%	274	1.7%	1.06	13.45
31	Magnolia Ave.	18,257	10.9%	13,664	6.4%	1,149	7.2%	1.34	15.88
32	Dandridge	5,464	3.3%	7,434	3.5%	477	3.0%	0.74	11.46
33	M.L.K.	3,586	2.1%	7,410	3.5%	579	3.6%	0.48	6.19
34	Burlington	5,526	3.3%	10,798	5.1%	738	4.6%	0.51	7.49
40	South Knoxville	3,117	1.9%	10,889	5.1%	772	4.8%	0.29	4.04
41	Chapman Hwy	16,843	10.1%	14,419	6.8%	882	5.5%	1.17	19.09
42	UT/Ft Sanders Hospitals	4,578	2.7%	3,554	1.7%	444	2.8%	1.29	10.32
44	University Park	1,326	0.8%	1,533	0.7%	177	1.1%	0.87	7.50
45	Vestal	3,949	2.4%	10,108	4.7%	706	4.4%	0.39	5.60
90	Crosstown	6,727	4.0%	16,102	7.5%	1,138	7.1%	0.42	5.91
	Other/ Unknown	0							
SUB TOTAL LINE SERVICE		166,863		213,587		16,075		0.78	10.38
82	Trolley (Orange Line)	6,686	27.2%	4,495	39.3%	716	41.7%	1.49	9.34
84	Trolley (Green Line)	6,227	25.3%	2,230	19.5%	378	22.0%	2.79	16.47
86	Trolley (Blue Line)	11,669	47.5%	4,723	41.3%	621	36.2%	2.47	18.78
SUB TOTAL TROLLEY SERVICES		24,582		11,448		1,716		2.15	14.33
TOTAL PASSENGERS WITH TROLLEYS		191,445		225,035		17,790		0.85	10.76
LIFT SERVICE		6,674		46,433		3,345		0.14	2.00
TOTAL SCHEDULED SERVICES		198,119		271,468		21,135		0.73	9.37
TOTAL CHARTER SERVICES		205		1,575		16		0.13	13.02
GRAND TOTAL ALL KAT SERVICES		198,324		273,043		21,151		0.73	9.38



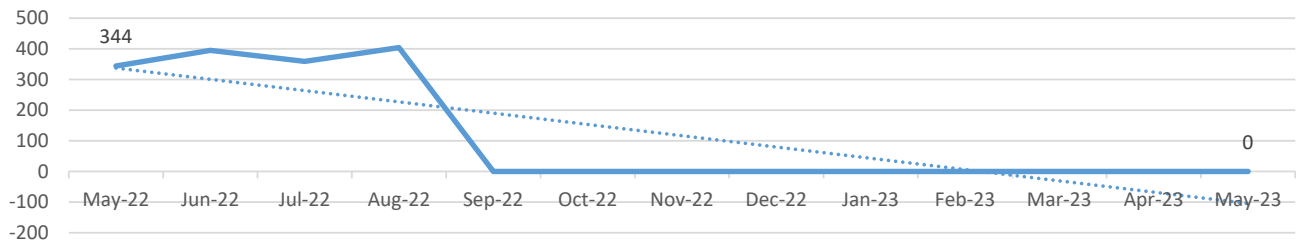
KNOXVILLE AREA TRANSIT

SYSTEM PERFORMANCE REPORT

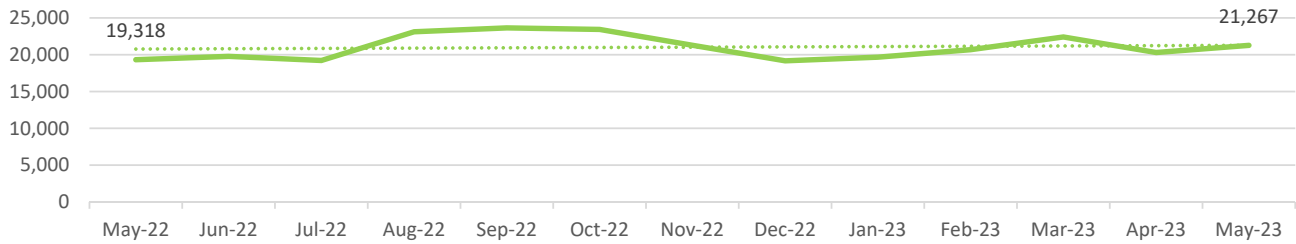
May, 2023

	<u>THIS MONTH</u>			<u>FISCAL YEAR-TO-DATE</u>		
	This Year	Last Year	Change	This Year	Last Year	Change
FIXED ROUTE SERVICE						
Total Passengers	191,445	178,175	7%	2,050,372	1,799,046	14%
System Generated Revenue				\$997,298	\$870,549	15%
Revenue Veh. Miles	225,035	224,551	0%	2,391,936	2,225,456	7%
Revenue Veh. Hours	17,790	18,138	-2%	189,527	180,004	5%
Passengers/Mile	0.85	0.79	7%	0.86	0.81	6%
Passengers/Hour	10.76	9.82	10%	10.82	9.99	8%
Preventable Accidents	5	0	500%	111	0	0%
Mechanical Road Calls	40	20	100%	311	208	50%
Accidents/100,000 Miles	2.22	0.00	222%	4.64	0.00	0%
Miles/Road Failure	5,626	11,228	-50%	7,691	10,699	-28%
DEMAND RESPONSE						
					0	
Total Passengers	6,674	6,708	-1%	71,352	70,252	2%
System Generated Revenue				\$111,547	\$117,128	-5%
Revenue Veh. Miles	46,433	42,884	8%	478,793	462,258	4%
Revenue Veh. Hours	3,345	2,928	14%	34,433	32,405	6%
Passengers/Mile	0.14	0.16	-8%	0.15	0.15	-2%
Passengers/Hour	2.00	2.29	-13%	2.07	2.17	-4%
Preventable Accidents	3	0	300%	12	0	0%
Mechanical Road Calls	1	0	100%	19	11	73%
Accidents/100,000 Miles	6.46	0.00	646%	2.51	0.00	0%
Miles/Road Failure	46,433	42,884	8%	25,200	42,023	-40%
CHARTER SERVICE						
					0	
Charters	205	467	-56%	4,246	6,638	-36%
Sports Charters	0	0	0%	26,329	12,819	105%
Total Passengers	205	467	-56%	30,575	19,457	57%
Revenue						0%
Football Shuttle Charters				\$111,250	\$92,011	21%
Trolley Charters				\$15,900	\$26,525	-40%
Total Miles	1,575	144	994%	8,928	8,361	7%
Total Hours	15.8	30.0	-48%	1,290	1,612	-20%

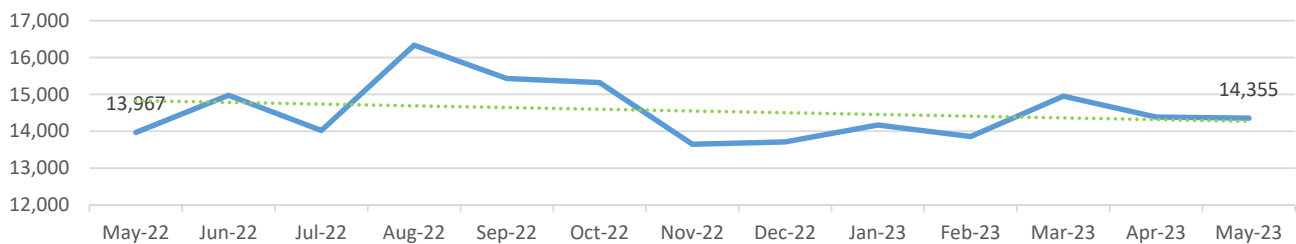
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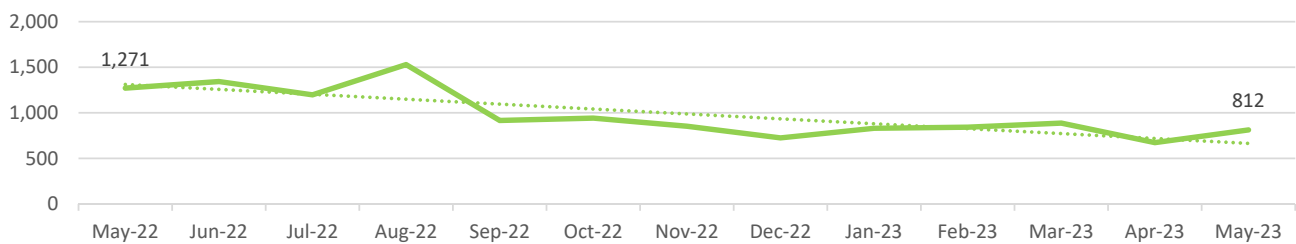
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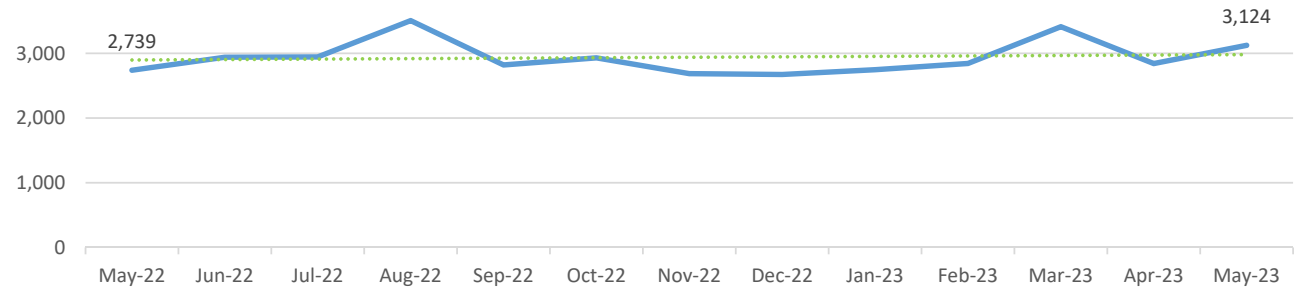
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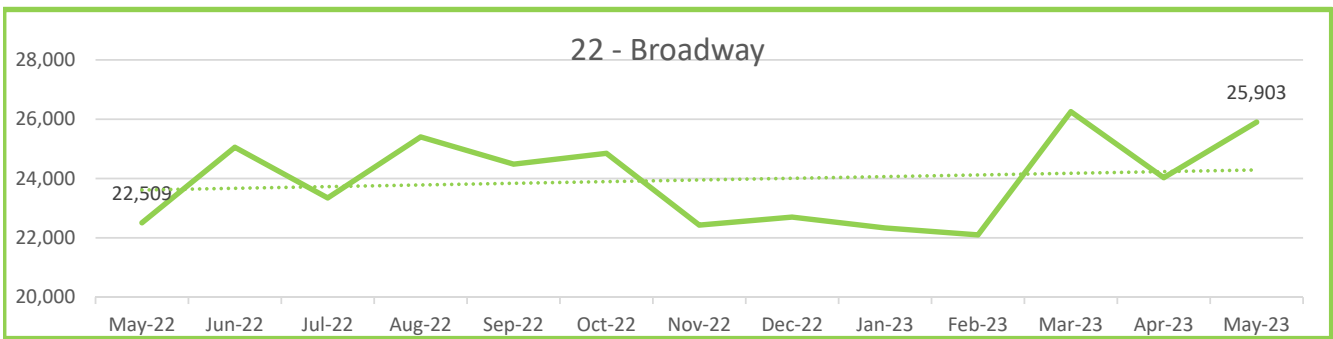
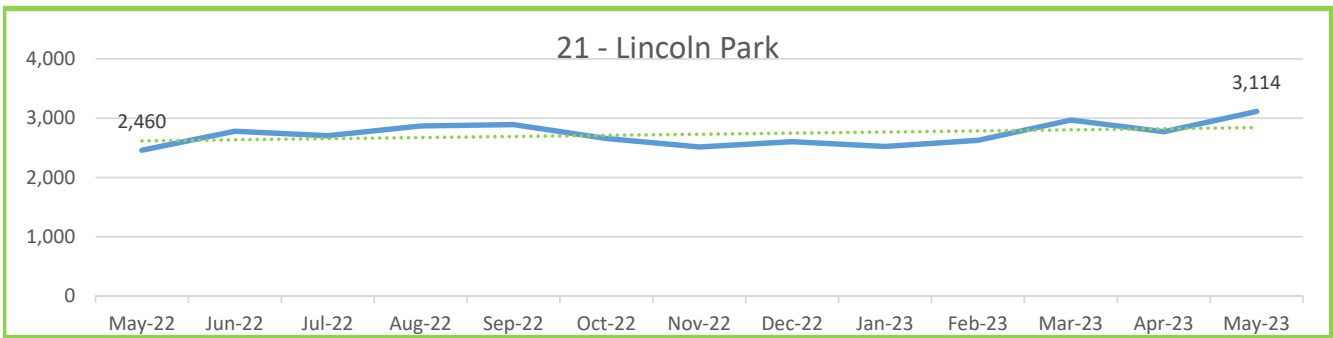
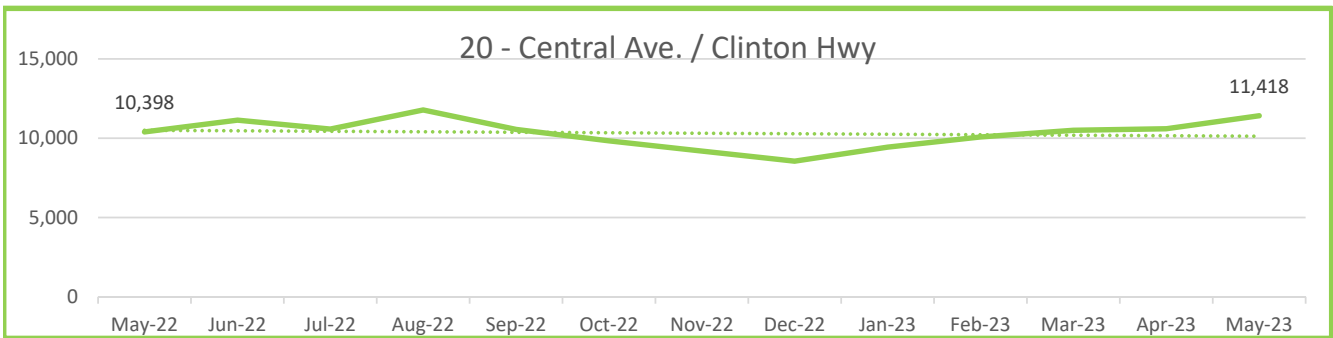
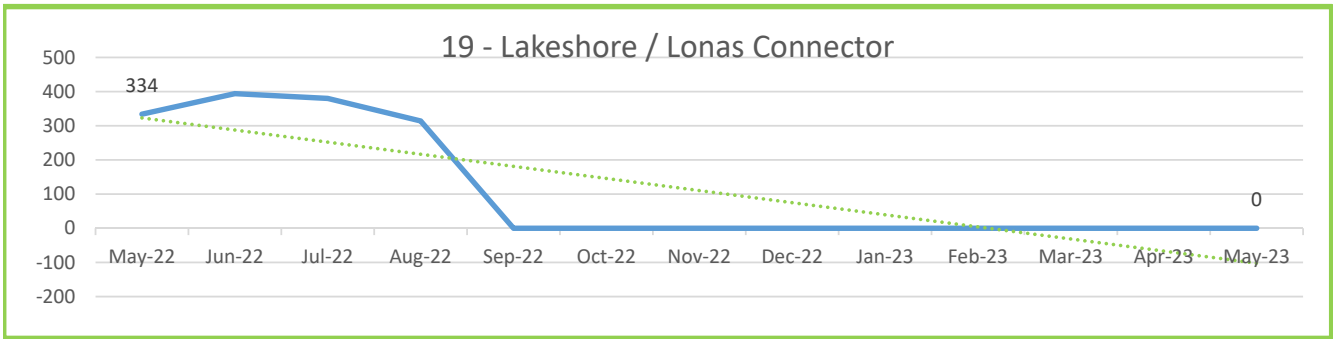
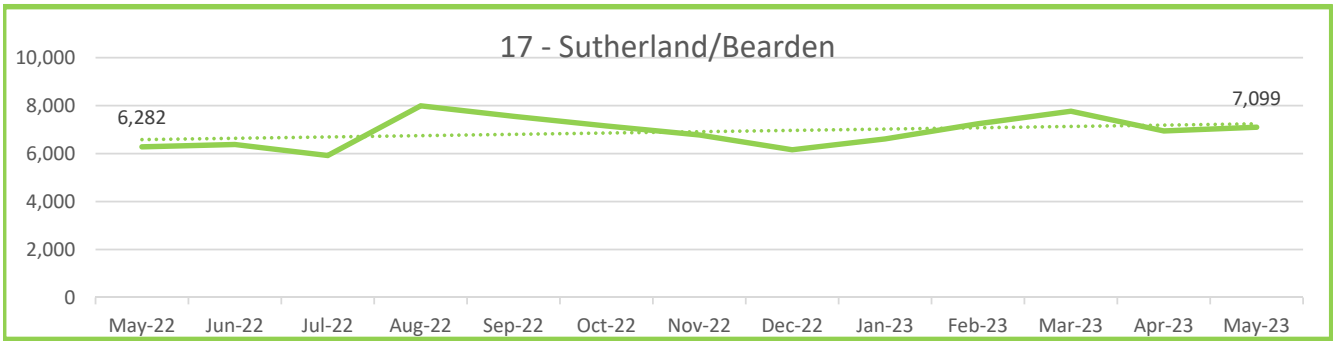


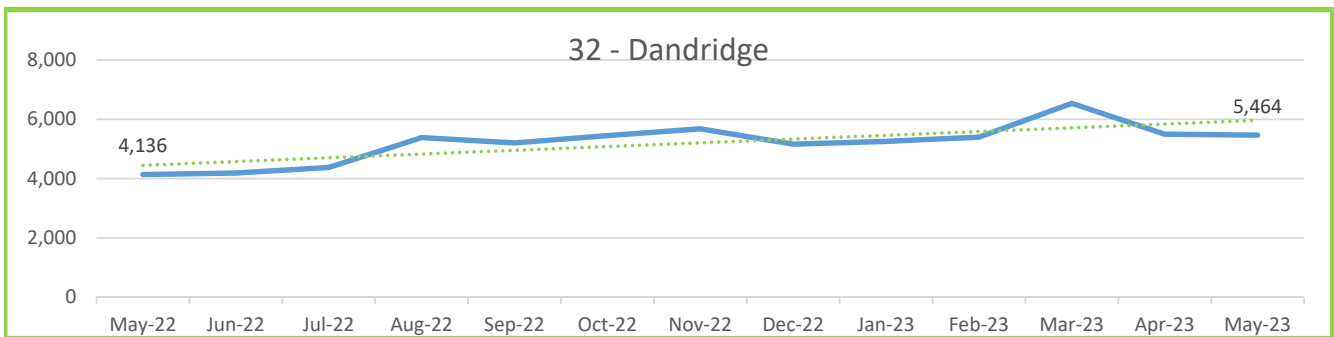
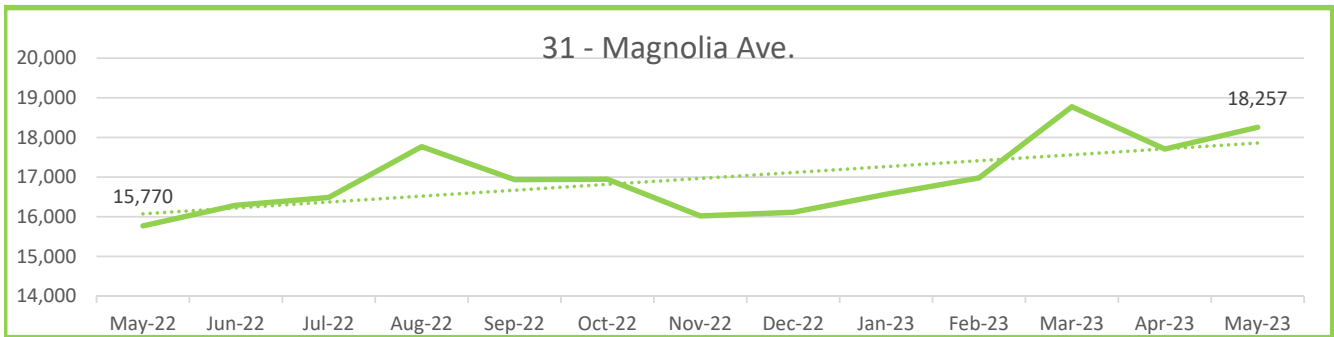
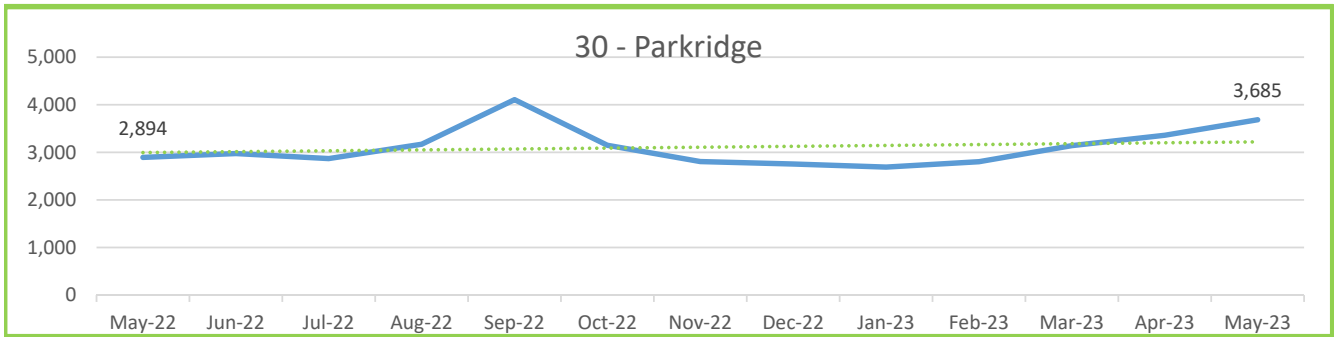
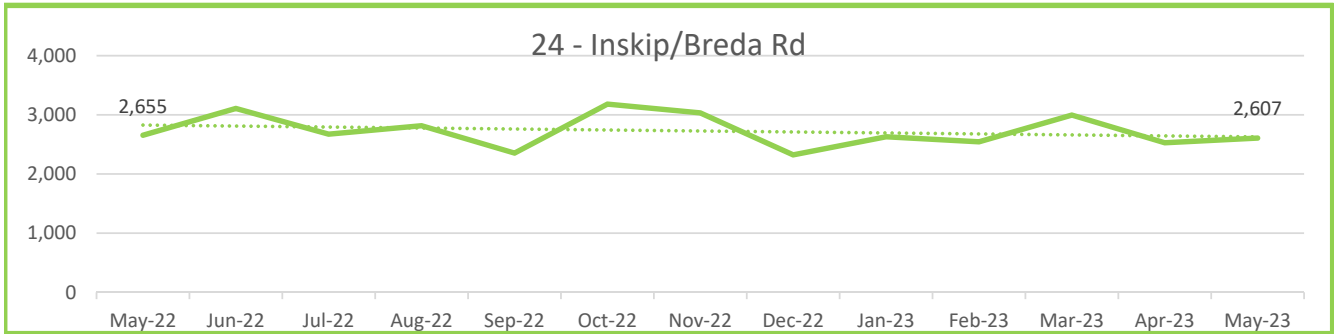
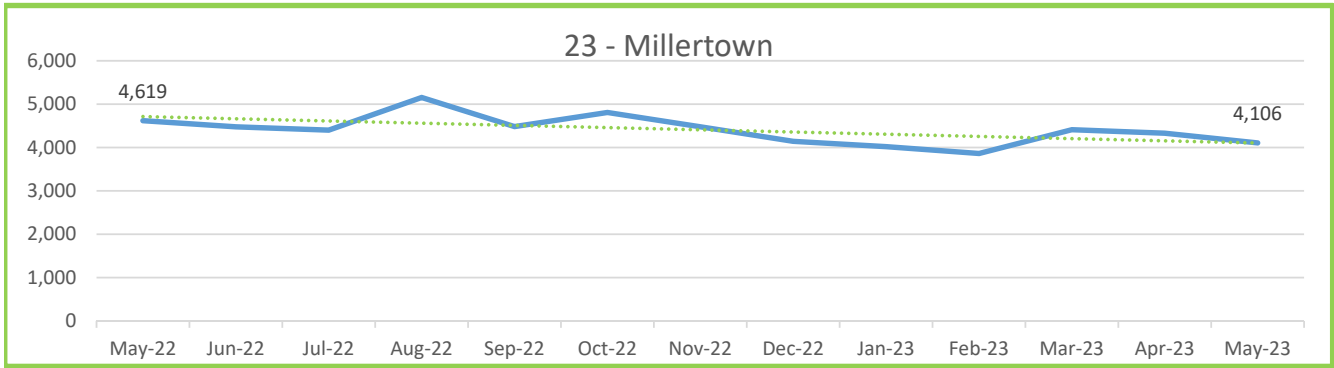
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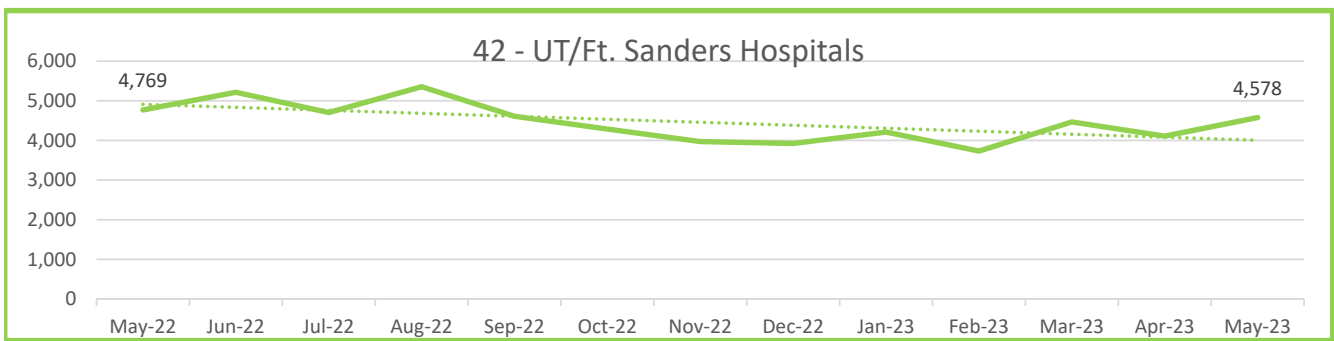
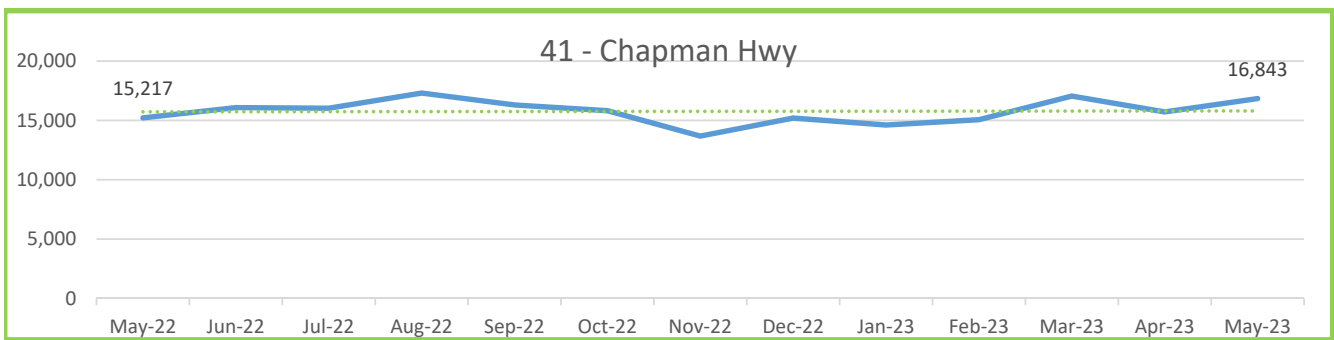
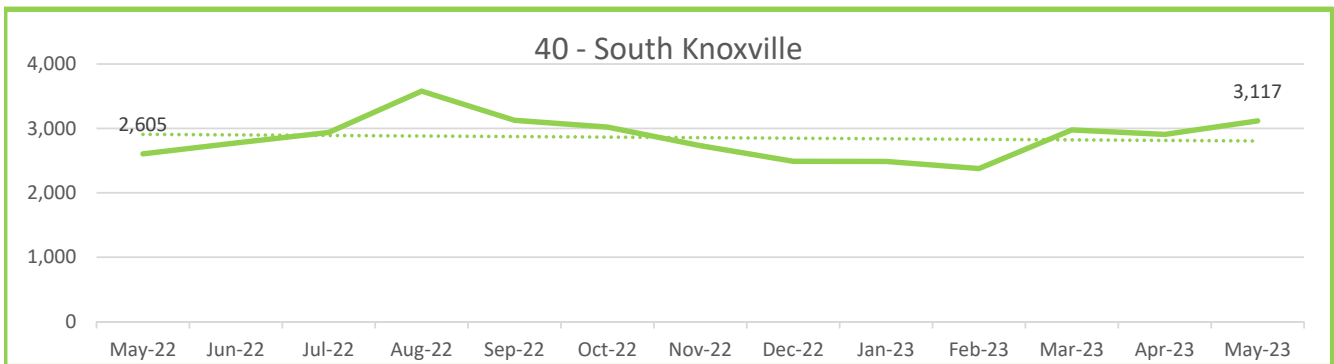
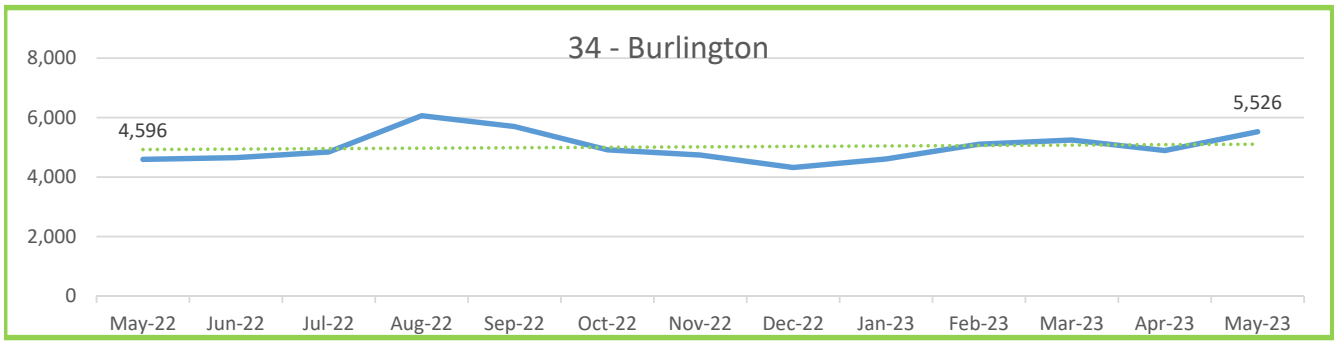
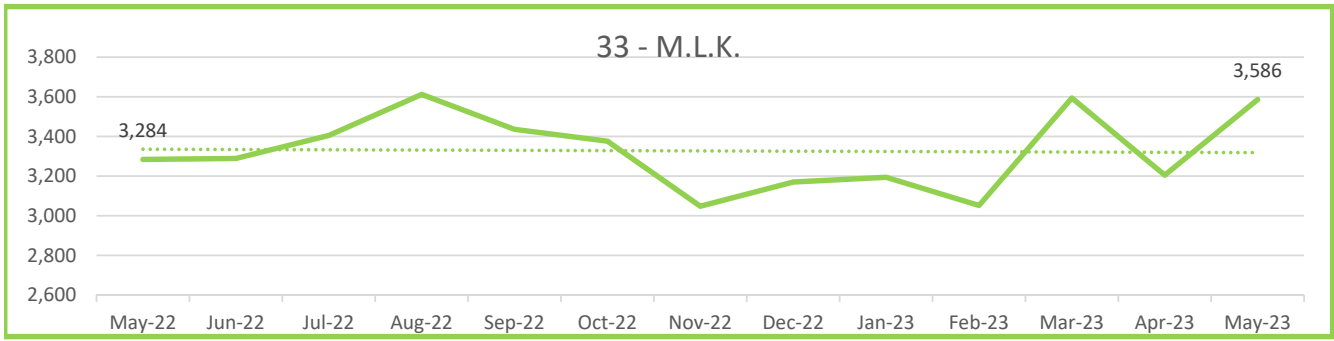


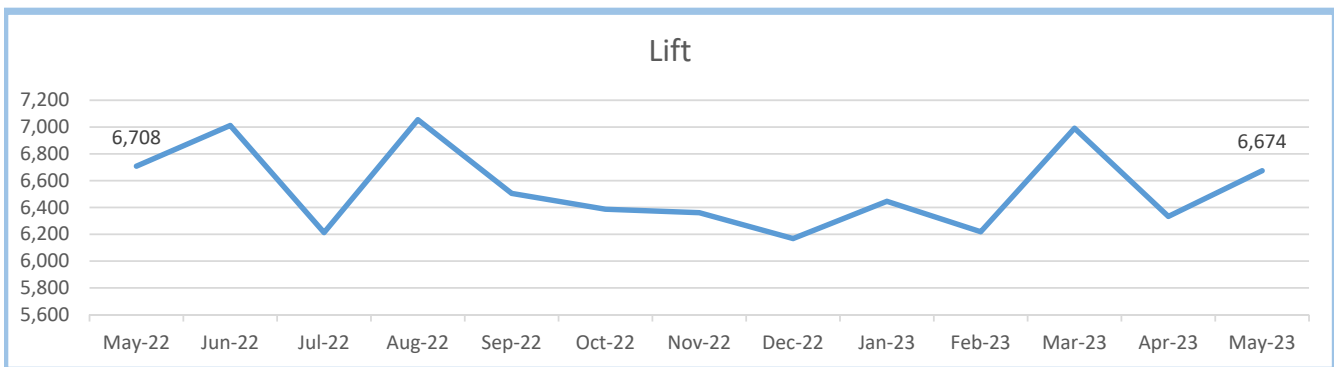
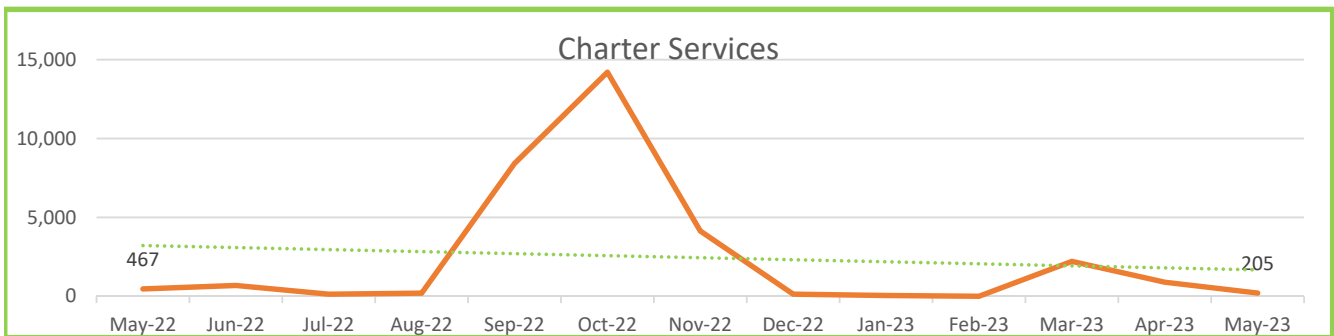
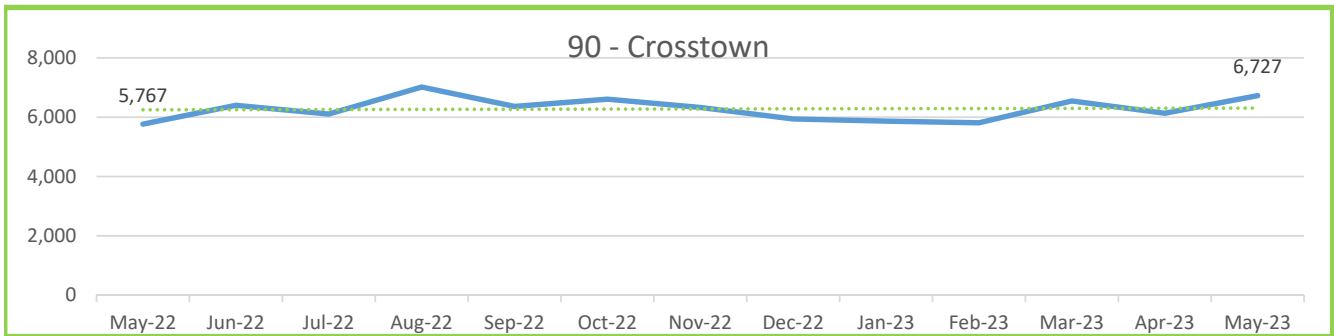
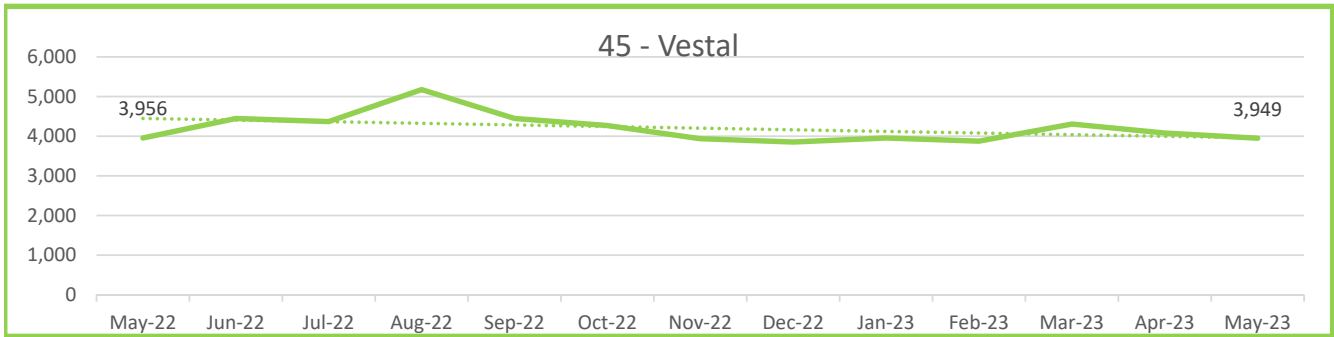
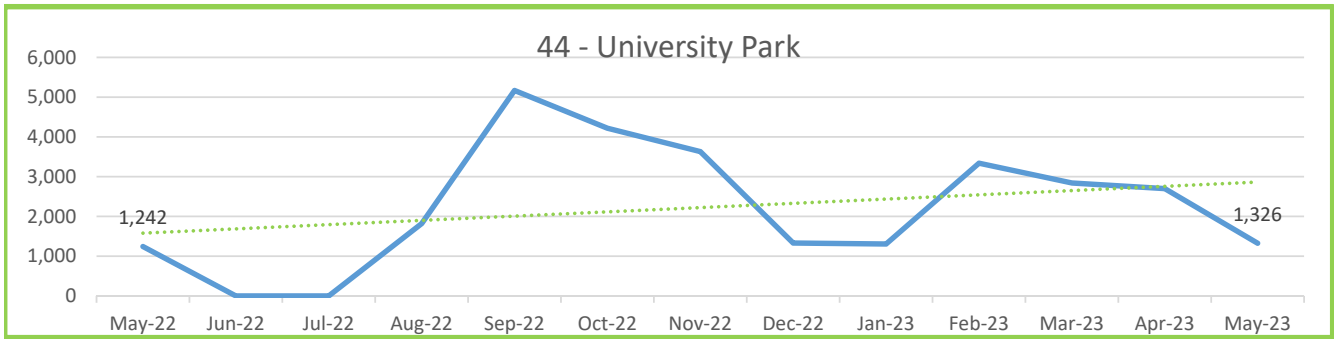
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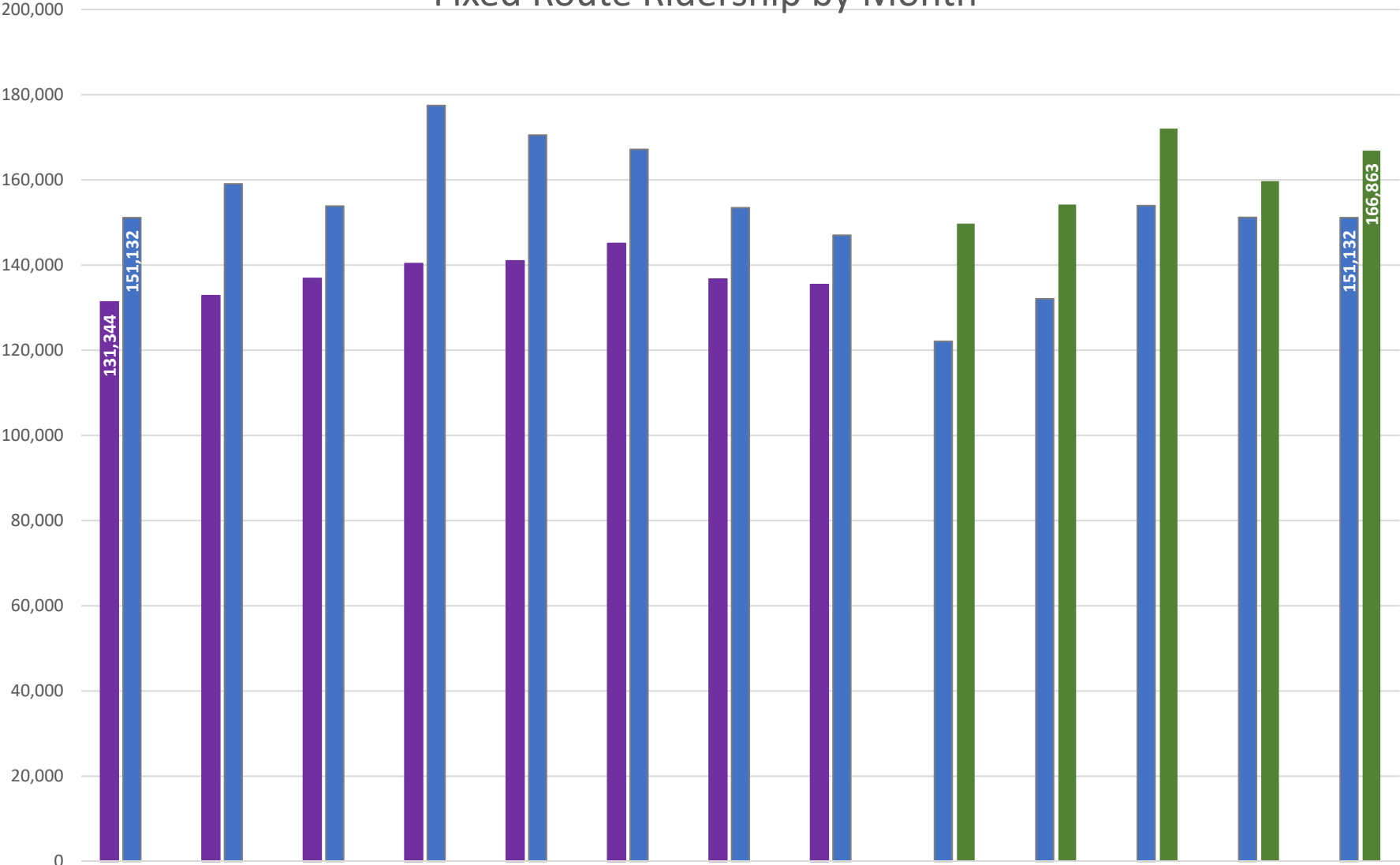






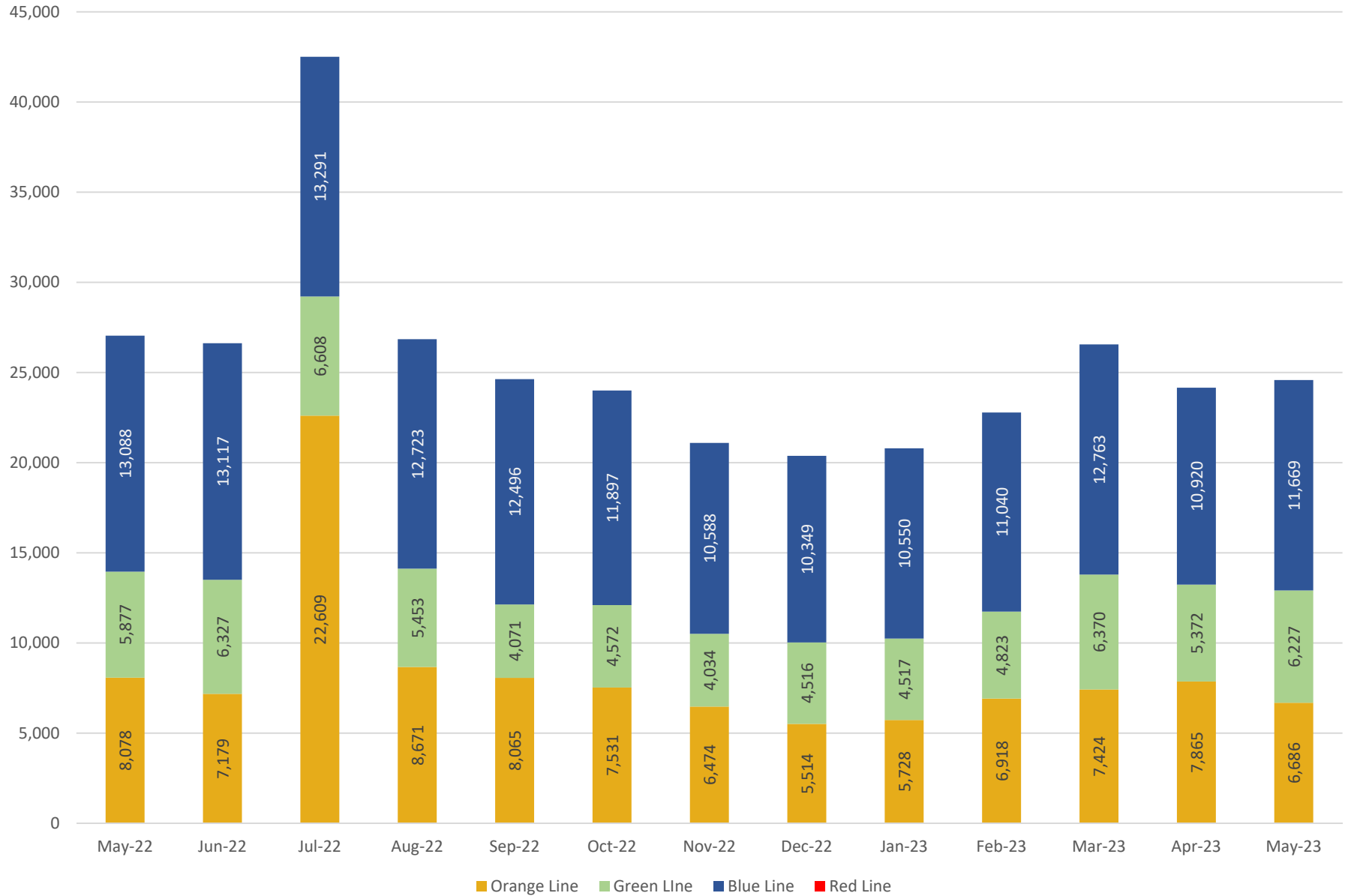


Fixed Route Ridership by Month



■ 2021 ■ 2022 ■ 2023

Trolley Ridership



May 2023 System Ridership by Route

