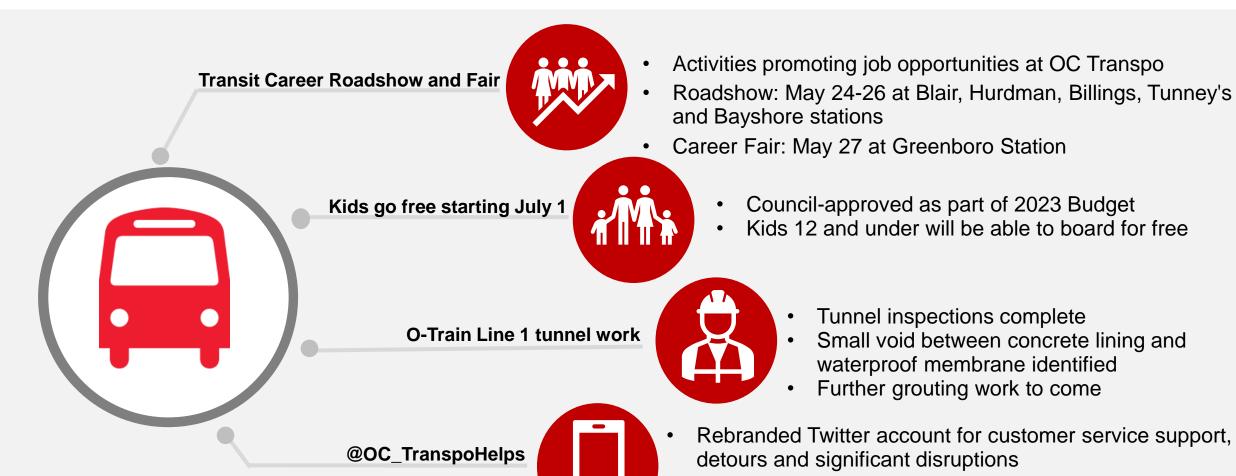


# OC Transpo Update Para Transpo, Rail and Bus

Transit Commission May 11, 2023

### **GM** updates



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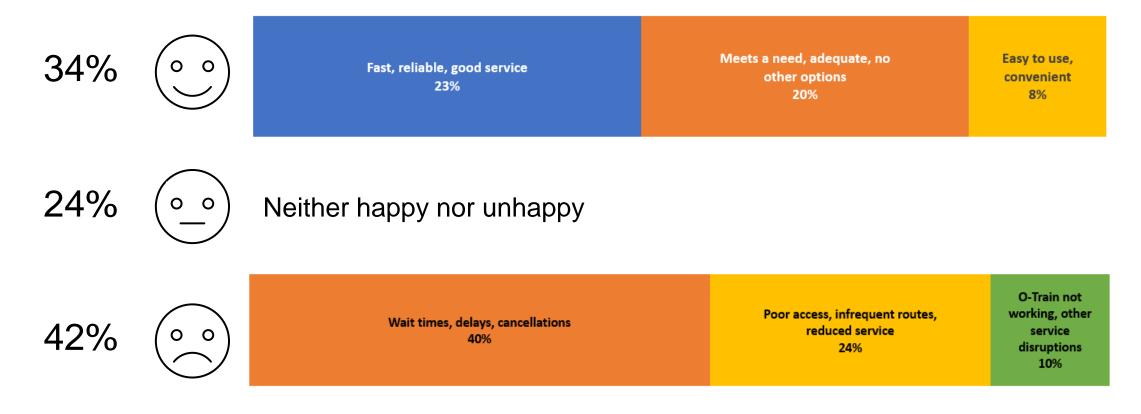
webpage for cancelled bus trips

### **Customer surveys**

- We have four customer surveys in process now and recently:
  - Regional origin-destination all-mode travel survey, used as input to the Transportation Master Plan
  - Transit Attitude survey conducted via telephone by a national research firm, to be used for tracking over time
  - Bus and train surveys conducted for international benchmarking
  - Survey to collect travel needs and views for the bus route review
- We thank our customers for their participation in these surveys
- We will report the results of each as they are available

### Transit Attitude survey – main results

- Telephone survey of 2,029 Ottawa residents, of whom 1,535 were OC Transpo customers (survey margin of error: ±2.2 percentage points, 19 times out of 20)
- 73 percent of customers said they feel secure when traveling on the OC Transpo network
- Transit customers' happiness with the services offered by OC Transpo:



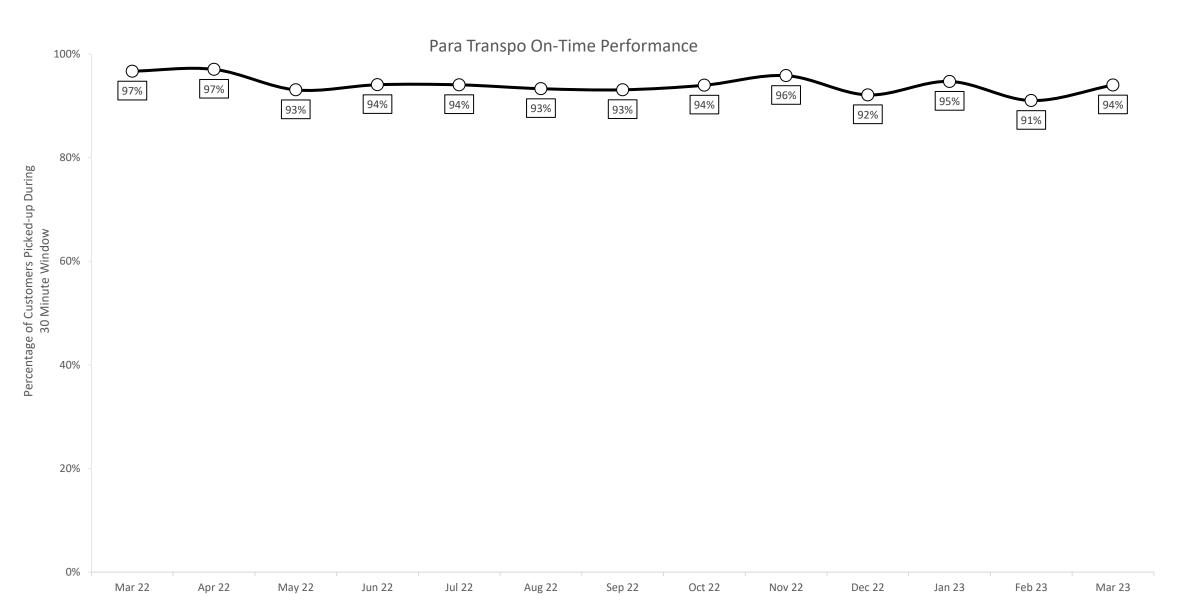
### **Continuing work**

- We will repeat the Transit Attitude survey in detail every three months
- We will have smaller monthly telephone tracking surveys every month
- We will report the results over time, and will draw any connections between results and policy, service, or environment changes
- Surveys will continue for the moment as telephone surveys
- We will request customers' permission to contact them by email
- As we build a panel of customers willing to be contacted, we will change to an online survey instead of a telephone survey
- This will allow us to concentrate our contacts on transit customers
- We will also be surveying Para Transpo customers



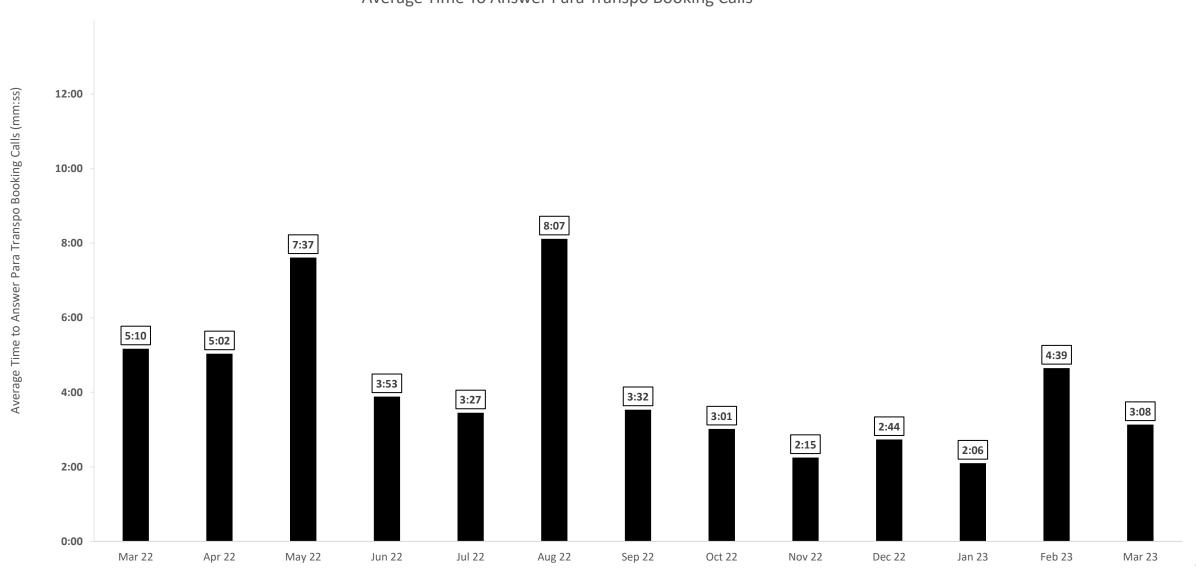
### **Performance indicators**

### Para Transpo on-time performance



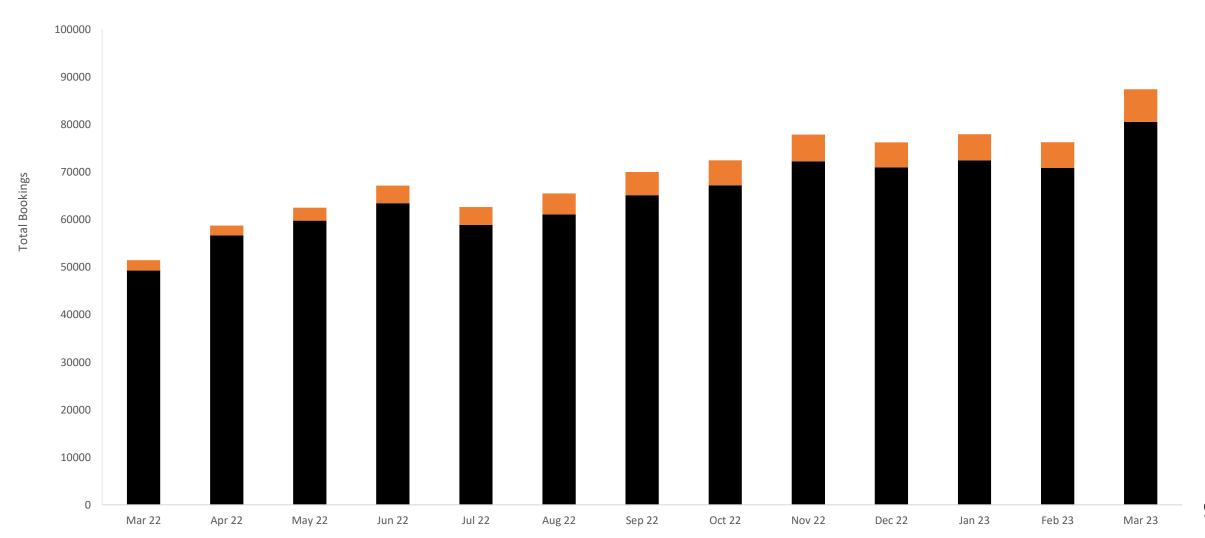
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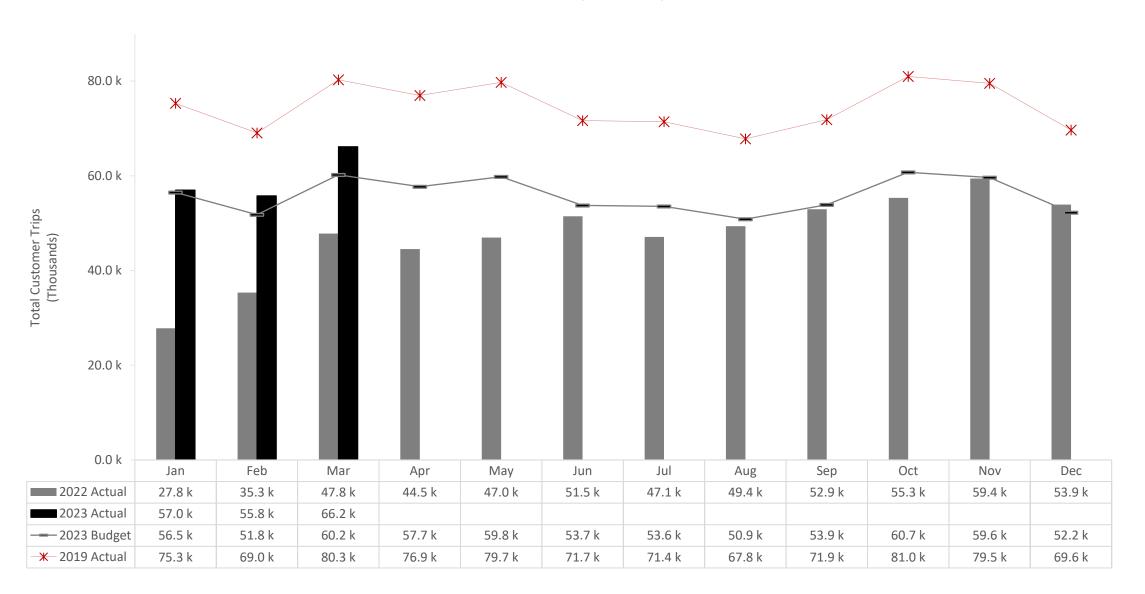
### Para Transpo bookings by phone and online

Para Transpo Bookings by Mode of Booking



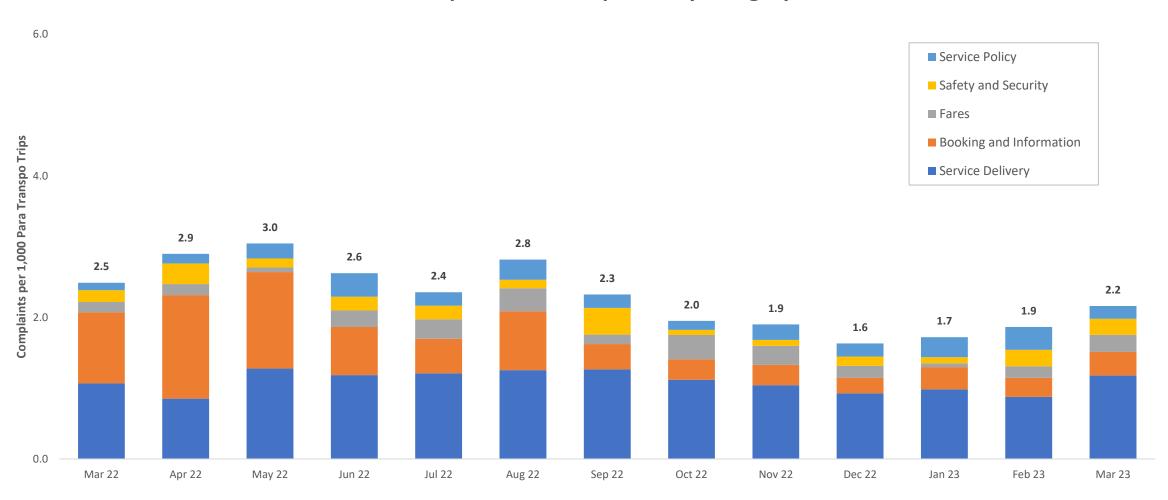
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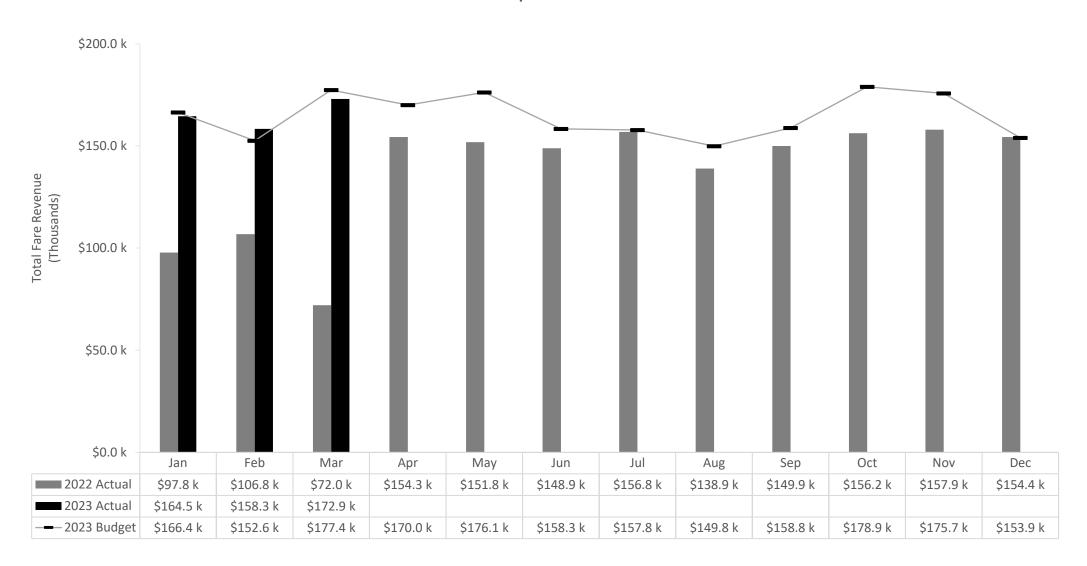
### Para Transpo complaints by month and by category

**Para Transpo Rate of Complaints by Category** 

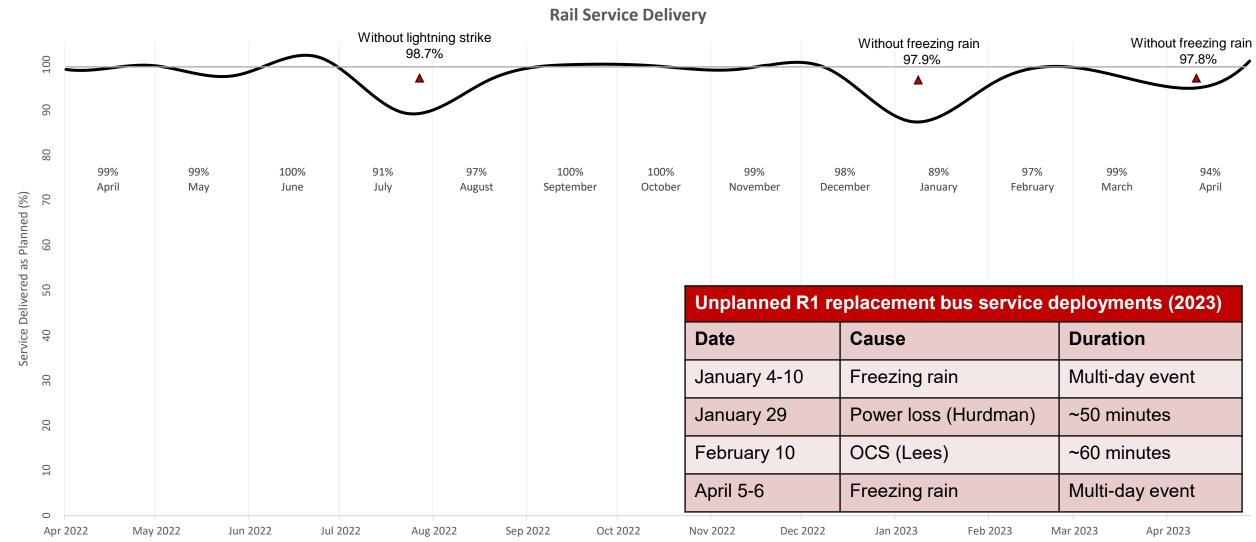


### Para Transpo fare revenue

#### 2023 Para Transpo Fare Revenue

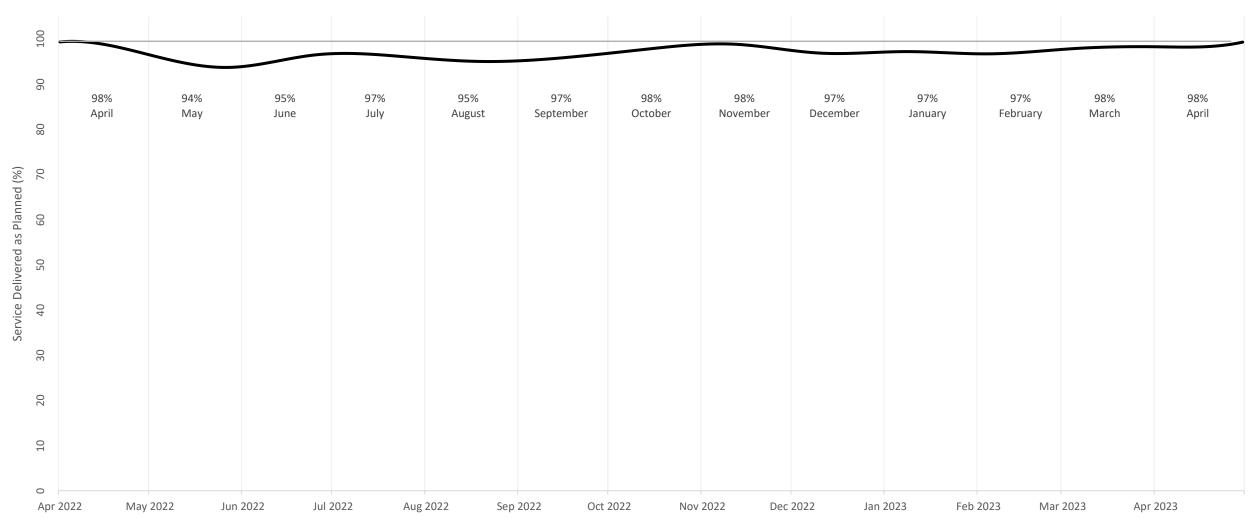


### **O-Train Line 1 service delivery**



### Conventional bus service delivery

**Bus Service Delivery** 



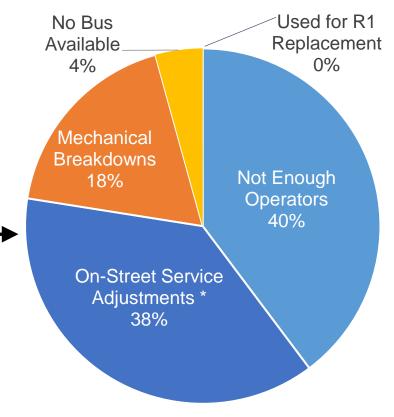
### **Conventional bus service delivery – March 2023**

On an average weekday in March, excluding March Break, 231 out of 8,367 scheduled trips were not delivered.



The below three routes had the most undelivered trips in the month of March. These are also the three routes in the system with the most trips per day.

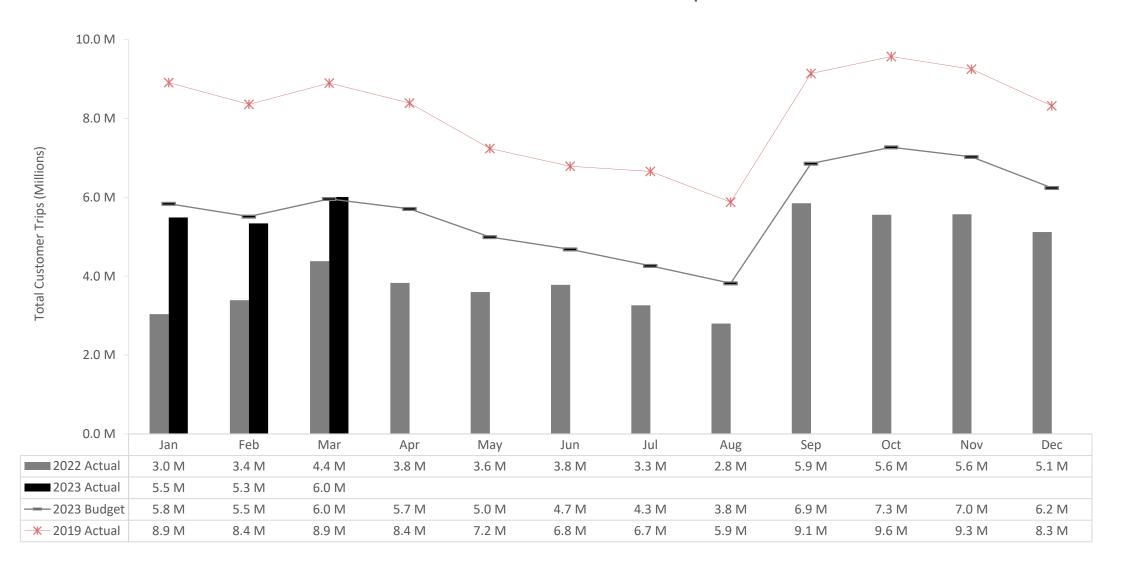
Route	Undelivered trips (full month)	Scheduled trips (full month)	Trips delivered
O-Train Line 2 replacement buses	363		94%
15	313	5,829	95%
85	216	4,090	95%



\* Includes traffic congestion, detours, road closures, sick customers, stuck buses, etc.

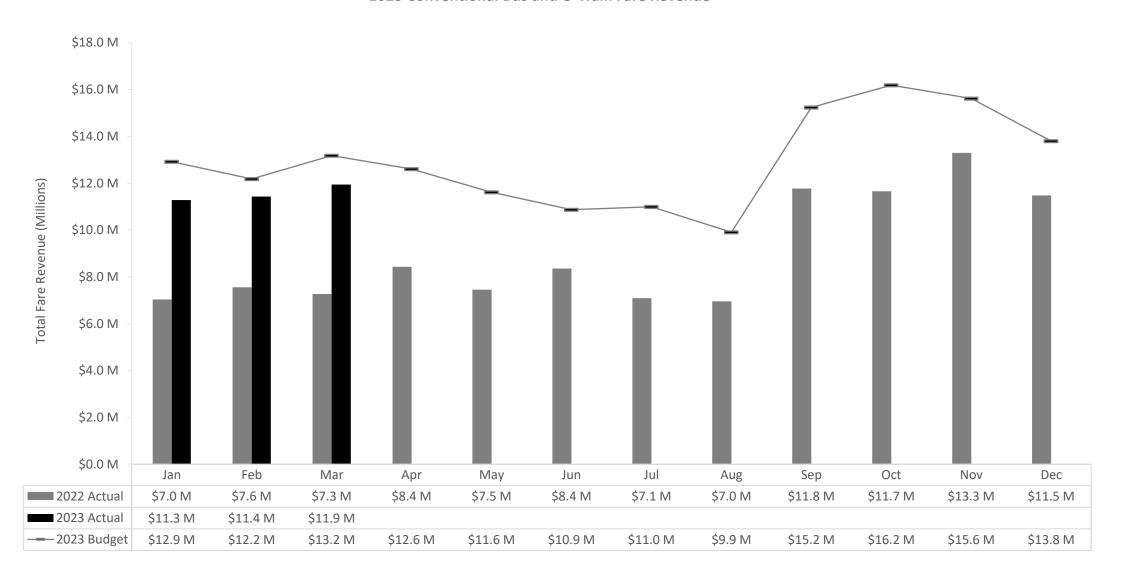
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2023 Conventional Bus and O-Train Ridership

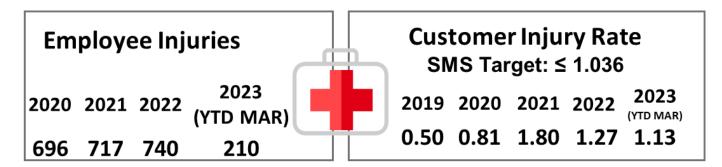


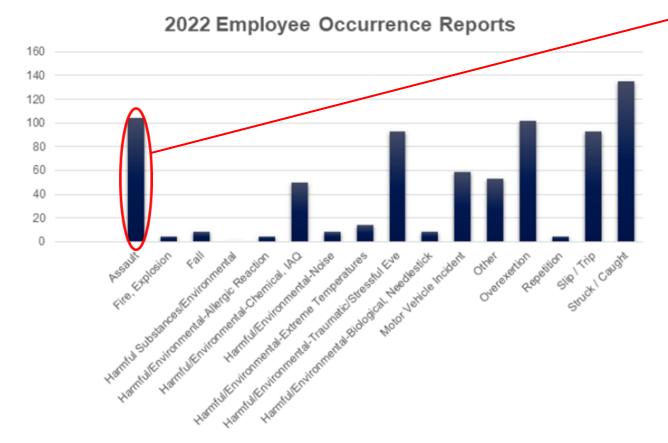
### Fare revenue: Line 1 and conventional bus

2023 Conventional Bus and O-Train Fare Revenue



### Health and safety – employee injuries and assaults





Location						
Year	Operator's	Elsewhere	Off Bus	Total		
	Seat	on Bus				
2018	93	2	10	105		
2019	79	5	3	87		
2020	56	5	4	65		
2021	33	4	1	38		
2022	36	4	9	49		
5 Year %	86%	6%	8%			

#### **Assaults**

- The graph on the left was presented to Transit Commission on 13 April (this slide is focused on assaults)
- The assault category is based on WSIB classifications and is entered by the City of Ottawa HR Workplace Safety and Compliance group.
- All forms of workplace violence and harassment, such as incidents of verbal abuse or other noncriminal behaviours are included
- In 2022, there were 104 "assaults"
- 49 of these assaults were against bus operators
- 40 occurred inside of the bus
- Nine occurred off the bus



# Special Constable Unit

### **Chief McRae**

Chief Special Constable



### **Special Constable Unit (SCU)**

Our Special Constables are sworn Peace Officers under a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Ottawa Police Service.

The Special Constable Unit is a customer service focused unit, dedicated to ensuring the safety of transit customers, employees, and assets.

SCU officers accomplish their mandate through:

- 24/7 patrols
- Attend calls for service
- Investigate incidents
- Assist vulnerable community members (i.e., Grab and Go Program)

Authorities lie within the Criminal Code as well as Provincial and Municipal acts (Liquor License Act, Safe Streets Act, and the Transit By-Law).



#### **SCU Communications Centre**

#### Call Takers

 Calls taken from public, transit staff, emergency call boxes and payphones

#### Dispatchers

 Dispatch Special Constables and request same of other emergency services, when required

#### Security camera operators

 Monitor feeds from stations, buses, trains, Park & Rides and OC Transpo buildings



#### Mandate

- Protect customers, employees and property
- Preserve the peace
- Prevent crime and offences
- Promote public safety and awareness
- Help persons who need assistance

#### Values

- Adhere to the principles of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms
- Provide fair, unbiased and professional service to the community
- Treat all victims of crime with compassion and understanding
- Be approachable, courteous, and open
- Acknowledge and respect the diversity of cultures
- Maintain the highest ethical and professional standards

### Recruit training

SCU officers receive seven weeks of in-class training and four months in car with a coach officer in:

- Canadian Law
- Charter of Rights and Freedoms
- OPS Use of Force (annual requalification)
- First Aid
- Diversity Awareness
- Incident Management

#### Other training:

- The "Path" Indigenous and Inuit and Aboriginal perspective
- Mental Health training

## Advanced Medical Training

- Medical Training "MFR" level response (Advanced Trauma First Aid)
- Narcan spray kits
- Tourniquet
- Pressure Dressings
- Emergency Oxygen Intervention

Ongoing professional development is continuously done through the Ontario Police College and other agencies

### **Key Performance Indicators (KPI)**

Calls for service: Proactive (high visibility patrols at key locations, coordinated enforcement activities), and reactive calls for service received from the public, OC Transpo employees, and other City agencies

# Calls for Service (2022)

Calls for Service: 20,377

Online Incident reports: 207

Criminal charges: 124

Provincial Offences Notice: 143

By-law charges: 29

Medical calls: 662

Naloxone revivals: 48

### **SCU** partnerships

#### Requirement

MOU with Police Services dictates parameters of administration and requirements for the Special Constable Status and operational requirements

#### Response

SCU responds to numerous calls for service that would otherwise fall to OPS, reducing the demand on the OPS

#### **Investigations**

SCU assists OPS specialty investigation units

#### **Patrol**

SCU provides proactive safety and security patrols to the transit system and its ridership

#### **Medical**

SCU provides advanced trauma first aid "MFR" on the transit system

#### Outreach

SCU provides safety on rail and transit presentations to schools and community group

#### **Assistance**

**Unsheltered Task Force** 

#### Collaboration

Internal and external committee membership



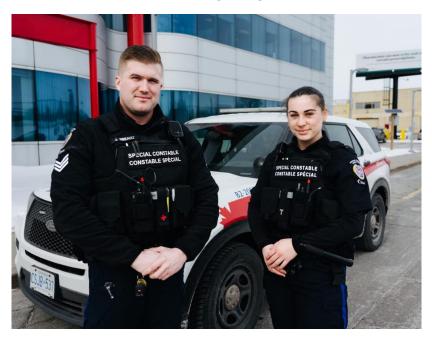
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Building on our past, we are moving into a stronger future

# Questions?