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MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 1, 2026

TO: El Dorado County Transit Authority

FROM: Erik Bergren, Planning and Marketing Manager

SUBJECT: August 2026 Ridership Report

REQUESTED ACTION:

BY MOTION,

Receive and file August 2026 Ridership Report

BACKGROUND

The El Dorado County Transit Authority (El Dorado Transit) staff typically reports monthly and fiscal year-to-date ridership at each Board meeting.

DISCUSSION

For the month of August 2026, ridership for Demand Response Services and Commuter Routes trended up and Local Fixed Routes stayed flat. Fiscal year-to-date ridership was up 17.7% overall.

The attached August 2026 Ridership Report compares systemwide monthly passenger trips to the same period in the previous fiscal year. Demand Response ridership increased by 7.8%, Local Fixed Route ridership stayed flat, decreasing by 1.9%, and Commuter ridership increased by 62.9%. The Commuter ridership increase was due to the return-to-office mandate that went into effect July 1, 2026. We've had 16,885 Commuter trips so far in fiscal year 2026-27, a 58% increase over the same period last year. Overall ridership was up 17.6%.

The attached Fiscal year-to-date Ridership Report compares the current fiscal year to the same period in the previous seven (7) fiscal years to analyze pre-COVID and current ridership trends.

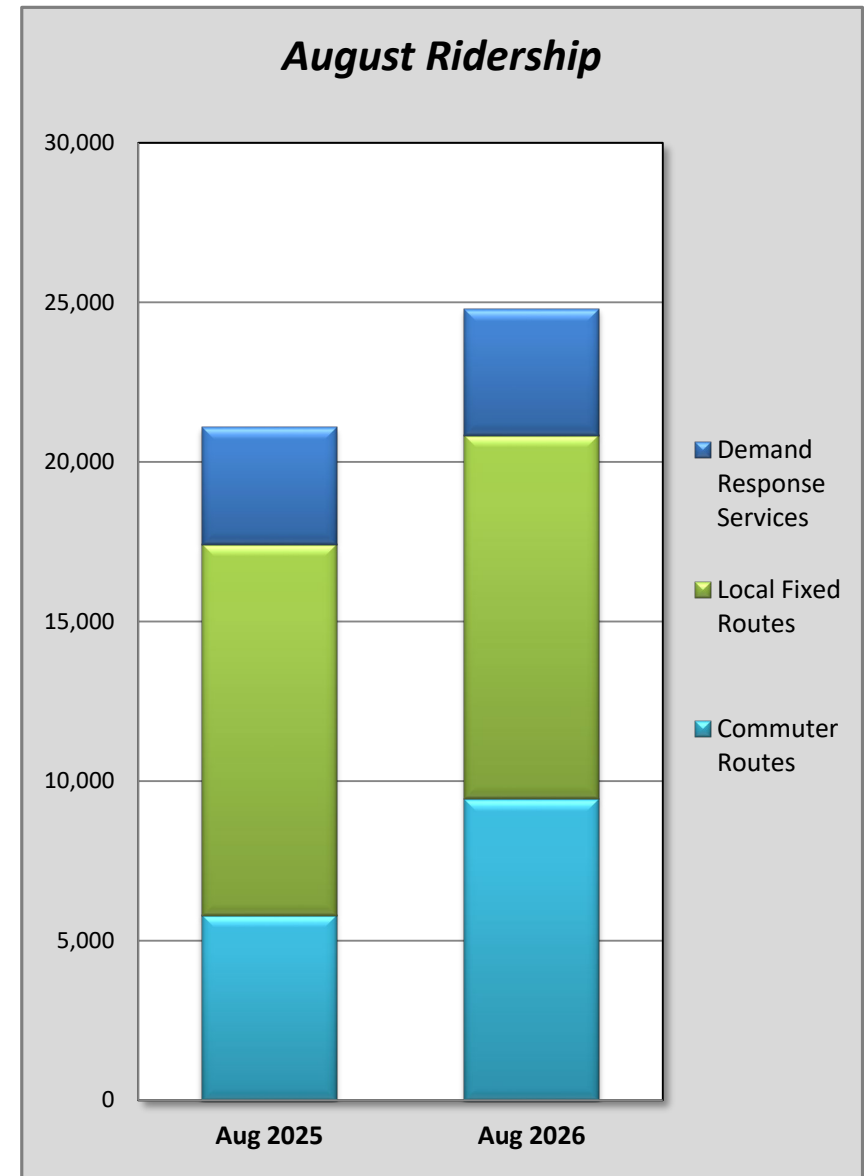
August 2026 Ridership Report

Demand Response Services	Aug 2025	Aug 2026	% Change
Dial-a-Ride	1,066	1,069	0.3%
Sac-Med	56	46	-17.9%
ADA Paratransit	311	331	6.4%
M.O.R.E.*	706	586	-17.0%
My Ride	1,544	1,631	5.6%
EDT Go (Microtransit)	0	309	100.0%
Total Demand Response	3,683	3,972	7.8%

Local Fixed Routes	Aug 2025	Aug 2026	% Change
20 - Placerville	1,849	1,431	-22.6%
25 - Saturday Express	481	589	100.0%
30 - Diamond Springs	1,169	1,198	2.5%
35 - Diamond Springs Saturday	180	0	100.0%
40 - Cameron Park	1,188	1,172	-1.3%
50x - 50 Express	5,304	5,217	-1.6%
60 - Pollock Pines	1,443	1,785	23.7%
Total Local Fixed Routes	11,614	11,392	-1.9%

Commuter Routes	Aug 2025	Aug 2026	% Change
Sacramento Commuter	5,002	8,582	71.6%
Reverse Commuter	59	65	10.2%
Sacramento/Tahoe Connector	731	788	7.8%
Total Commuter Routes	5,792	9,435	62.9%

	Aug 2025	Aug 2026	% Change
Systemwide	21,089	24,799	17.6%
Passengers per Revenue Hour	4.9	5.3	8.5%



*Contracted Services - Ridership Determined by Client Enrollment

Fiscal Year-to-Date Ridership Report

August 2026

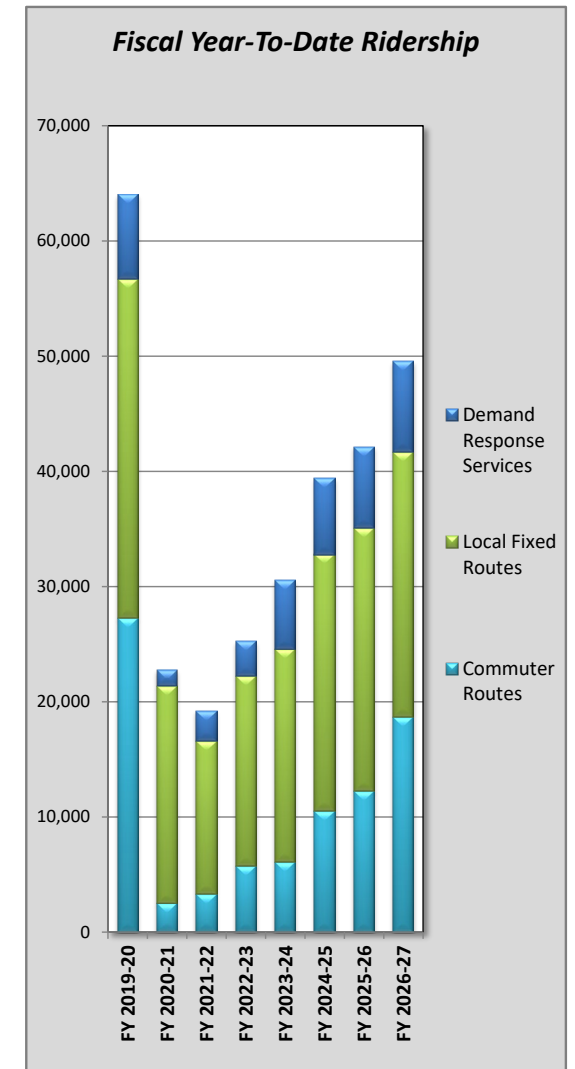


Demand Response Services	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	% Year Change
Dial-a-Ride	3,208	1,019	1,116	1,445	2,198	2,041	2,062	2,153	4.4%
Sac-Med	53	26	44	34	69	89	120	114	-5.0%
ADA Paratransit	134	204	458	450	474	509	627	755	20.4%
M.O.R.E.*	3,919	190	1,025	1,145	1,359	1,517	1,452	1,218	-16.1%
My Ride	0	0	0	0	1,849	2,466	2,797	3,238	15.8%
EDT Go (Microtransit)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	420	100%
Total Demand Response	7,314	1,439	2,643	3,074	5,949	6,622	7,058	7,898	11.9%

Local Fixed Routes	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	% Year Change
20 - Placerville	7,638	3,172	2,011	2,626	2,752	2,998	3,637	2,873	-21.0%
25 - Saturday Express	895	603	551	0	0	725	842	910	8.1%
30 - Diamond Springs	4,375	1,905	1,394	1,860	2,136	2,653	2,265	2,337	3.2%
35 - Diamond Springs Saturday	271	144	162	0	0	236	301	0	-100.0%
40 - Cameron Park	2,604	2,148	1,542	2,019	2,093	2,339	2,325	2,407	3.5%
50x - 50 Express	6,707	6,937	5,598	6,833	8,545	10,203	10,385	10,873	4.7%
60 - Pollock Pines	6,960	3,926	2,026	3,120	3,006	3,116	3,070	3,625	18.1%
Total Local Fixed Routes	29,450	18,835	13,284	16,458	18,532	22,270	22,825	23,025	0.9%

Commuter Routes	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	% Year Change
Sacramento Commuter	27,030	2,480	2,392	3,809	4,305	8,496	10,660	16,885	58.4%
Reverse Commuter	224	22	9	37	50	65	78	160	105.1%
Sacramento/Tahoe Connector	0	0	892	1,908	1,716	1,961	1,530	1,624	6.1%
Total Commuter Routes	27,254	2,502	3,293	5,754	6,071	10,522	12,268	18,669	52.2%

	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	% Year Change
Systemwide	64,018	22,776	19,220	25,286	30,552	39,414	42,151	49,592	17.7%
Passengers per Revenue Hour	14.4	8.5	6.8	8.4	7.6	9.6	9.8	10.6	8.5%



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