

Amtrak Virginia Update

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New Amtrak Service

- October 1, 2009: New service began with one daily train from Lynchburg to the Northeast Corridor, as far north as Boston
- June 2010: New service is scheduled to begin from Richmond Staples Mill station to the Northeast Corridor
- □ DRPT will provide monthly performance reports on Amtrak service in Virginia, including the performance of the new trains against annual targets
- Performance reports will be available on DRPT's website www.drpt.virginia.gov and on the Amtrak Virginia website www.amtrakvirginia.com



About Amtrak Performance

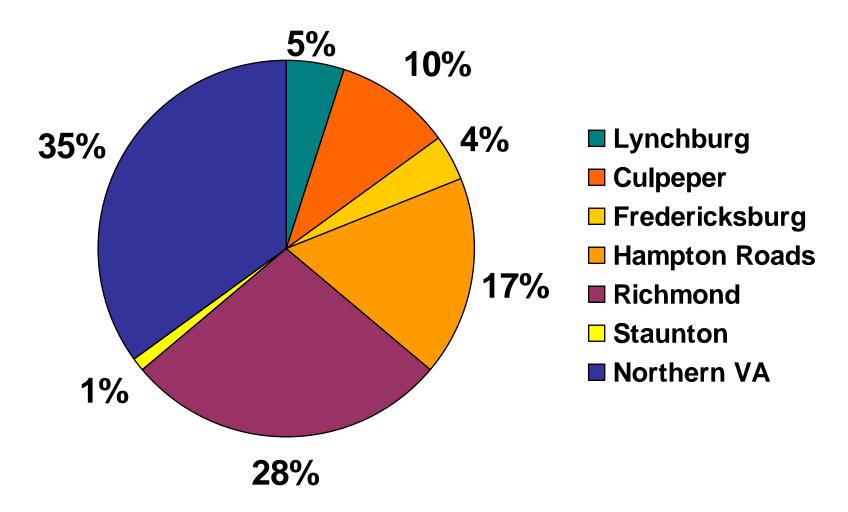
- Amtrak performance is impacted by a number of factors including land use, population density, seasonal changes, service changes, the number of days in a particular month, weather, fuel price, economic conditions and fare adjustments.
- The best method for comparison is the current month's performance compared to the previous year's performance for the same month.
- □ Amtrak passenger data for each station represents the number of passengers who are either boarding or disembarking from the train at each station.
- □ Passenger data by station will not directly correlate to the ridership number credited for the Lynchburg train, since Virginia also receives credit for a portion of ridership north of Washington, DC

Statewide Amtrak Ridership Oct. 09

- Statewide ridership increased by 7% in Oct 09 as compared to Oct 08
- Statewide on-time performance increased by 9.4% in Oct 09 as compared to Oct 08
- The Northern Virginia district had the majority of ridership in Oct 09 at 35%
- □ The Lynchburg district had the greatest increase in ridership from Oct 08 to Oct 09 at 59%



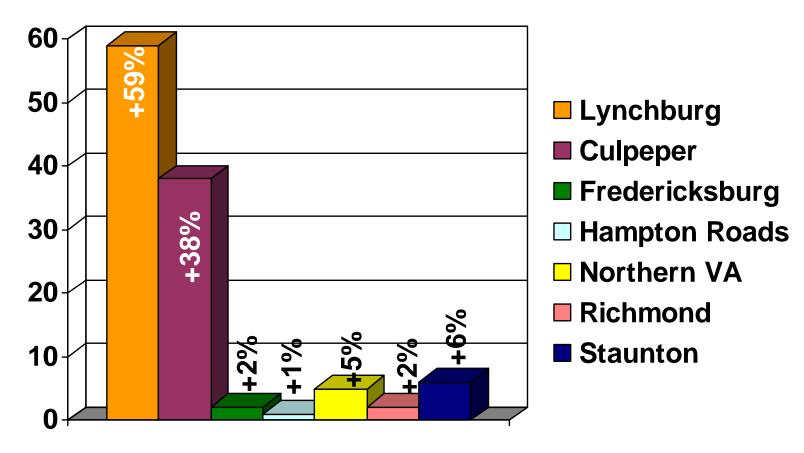
Oct 09 Ridership by District



The Salem and Bristol districts are excluded because they currently do not have Amtrak service. Percentages may not add to 100 due to rounding.



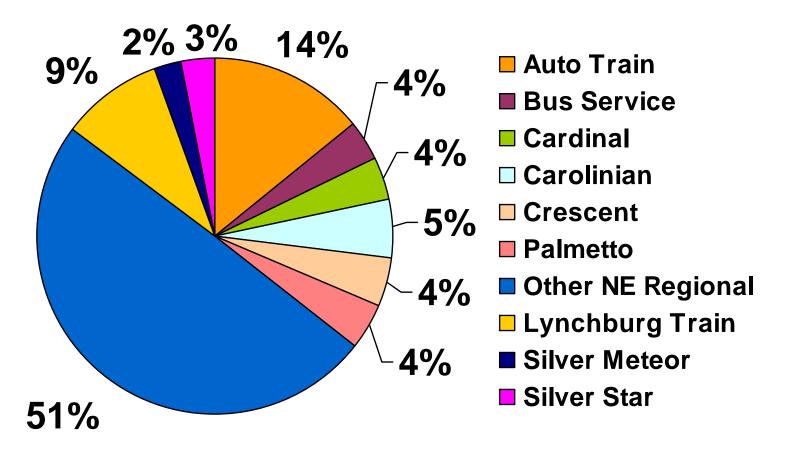
% Ridership Change by District Oct 08 - Oct 09



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Oct 09 Statewide Ridership by Service



Total I-95 corridor: 82%, Total I-81/Route 29 corridor: 18% Results are for Virginia stations only



Top five Virginia stations: passengers served

8,537

Top five stations in Oct. 09 by total passengers served:

	20,564
	18,936
	11,755
	9,845
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Charlottesville

Top five Virginia stations: % growth Oct 08 - Oct 09

Top five stations by percentage growth in total number of passengers served from Oct 08 to Oct 09:

1.	Lynchburg	+68%
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2.	Manassas	+54%

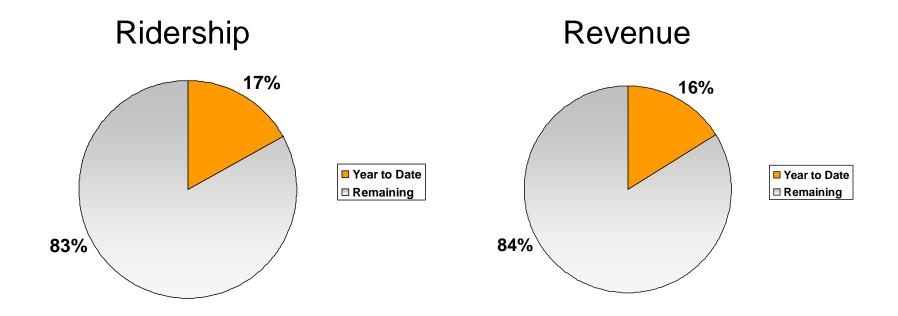
3.	Culpeper	+52%
		

4.	Charlottesville	+37%
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5. Richmond Main St. +25%



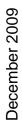
New Lynchburg Train Performance: Oct 09



- Ridership achieved to date is 8,585, exceeding the monthly target by 97%
- Revenue achieved to date is \$414,410, exceeding the monthly target by 89%

Notes on Lynchburg Train Performance

- October 09 results are not typical, since this was the first month of service and significant promotional support was provided to launch the new train.
- Although it is difficult to predict future performance, ridership and revenue tend to decline in winter months and increase in summer months.
- □ The cost of fuel, the number of holidays and weekends, and other economic factors will also influence performance of the new train.
- While the first month's results are encouraging, we will have a better sense of the train's performance after the first quarter of performance reporting.





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