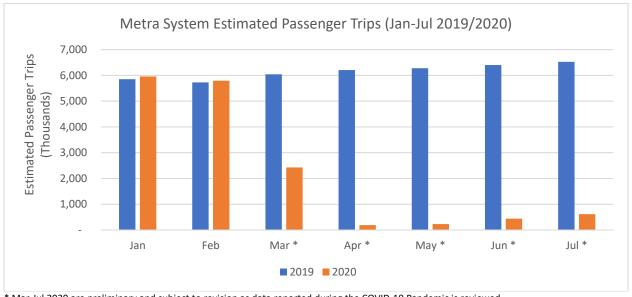


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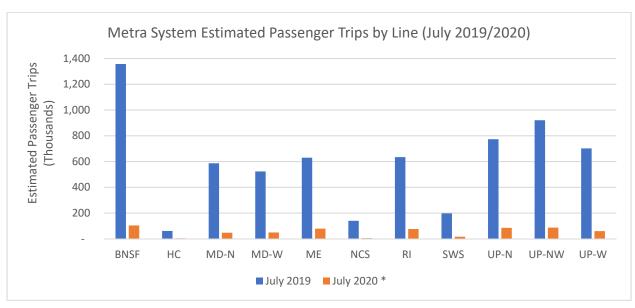
Ridership grew slightly in July compared to June as the State of Illinois and the city of Chicago remained in Phase IV of their respective COVID-19 recovery plans. Preliminary July 2020 estimated passenger trips were about 614,000, a 39 percent increase from the 442,000 estimated passenger trips in June 2020, and a 91 percent decrease from July 2019.



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On June 29, two trains each were added to the Heritage Corridor and North Central Service and six trains were added to the SouthWest Service. Metra operated 376 trains per day for all weekdays in July. All lines operated on a Sunday schedule on Friday, July 3 and Saturday, July 4; and beginning Saturday, July 11 the Metra Electric Line operated on a Sunday schedule on Saturday.

The system averaged about 22,740 riders per weekday in July, reaching a maximum of about 25,200 riders per weekday on Wednesday, July 22. Tuesdays and Wednesdays remained the strongest performing weekdays throughout the month, with an average around of 23,330 and 23,290 riders per day, respectively. Fridays showed relatively lower ridership at an average of 19,570 riders per day.



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