Using Archived Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Data for Transit Operations, Planning and Scheduling: The Tri-Met Experience.

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## **Tri-Met System Information**

- 105 Bus Lines
- 2 Light Rail Lines
- 825 Vehicles

- 9,000 Bus Stops
- 50 Light Rail Stops
- 270,000 Weekday Boardings

## **Tri-Met Bus Dispatch System (BDS)**

- Activated October, 1996
- Smart "Magic" Buses
  - Automatic Vehicle Location (AVL)
    - GPS-based locational referencing system
    - Fleet 100% AVL equipped
  - Automatic Passenger Counter (APC)
    - Fleet 50% APC equipped
  - On-Board Interface Unit (OBIU)
    - Schedule deviation
    - Pre-coded messages to dispatch
  - 2 Way Radio Communication
- Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD)
  - Dispatch consoles

## **Stop Records**

- Route
- Direction
- Trip
- Date
- Vehicle ID
- Operator ID
- Stop Location
- Actual Arrive Time
- Actual Leave Time
- Scheduled Leave Time

- Ons (Boardings)
- Offs (Alightings)
- Passenger Load
- Door Opening
- Lift Operation
- Dwell Time
- Maximum Speed
- Latitude
- Longitude

Recorded at every bus stop or door opening (automatic collection) 500,000 daily stop records generated

## **Event Records**

- Pass Up / Overload
- Traffic Delay
- Bridge / Train Delay
- Deadhead Delay
- Route Blocked
- Silent Alarm
- Accident
- Medical Emergency

- Fare Evasion
- Securement Refused
- Bill/Coin Jam
- Mechanical: Blocking/Danger
- Mechanical: Lift Problem
- Restroom break
- Operator Ill
- Etc.

Recorded at various locations (operator-initiated collection) 25,000 daily event records generated

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STOP	ID STOP NAME		ARRIVE	LEAVE	ON	OFF	MI	FT N	FT E	D	L	DWEL	SPD	LOD
9302	5TH & HOYT	(OP)	16:25:02	16:25:04	0	0	0			0	0		17	2
0	unscheduled stop		16:25:06	16:25:08	0	0	0	-868	28	1	0	1	3	2
9222	5TH & EVERETT	(NS)	16:25:08	16:25:52	2	0	1			0	0		18	4
9303	5TH & COUCH	(NS)	16:26:04	16:26:40	8	0	1	-10	6	1	0	21	20	12
7631	5TH & PINE	(OP)	16:27:14	16:28:28	4	1	1	2	5	1	0	45	19	15
	Scheduled times	>	16:28:00	16:28:00										
7635	5TH & STARK	(FS)	16:28:30	16:29:52	3	0	1	-42	2	1	0	17	17	18
7585	5TH & ALDER	(FS)	16:29:58	16:31:26	6	2	2	8	14	1	0	24	16	22
7645	5TH & YAMHILL	(FS)	16:31:28	16:31:46	0	0	0			0	0		15	22
7633	5TH & SALMON	(FS)	16:31:50	16:33:24	15	2	1	143	80	1	0	34	20	35
	Scheduled times	>	16:33:00	16:33:00										
3639	MADISON & 4TH	(FS)	16:33:46	16:35:24	8	0	2	-14	59	1	0	22	15	43
	time=16:36:02; Fare Eva	sion	-											
3635	MADISON & 1ST	(NS)	16:36:10	16:36:16	0	0	2			0	0		24	48
2641	HAWTHORNE BRIDGE & EAST	(AT)	16:37:16	16:37:38	0	2	4	28	60	1	0	7	30	46
0	unscheduled stop		16:38:50	16:39:02	0	1	2	47	1119	1	0	5	29	45
2594	HAWTHORNE & 6TH	(NS)	16:39:02	16:39:08	0	0	0			0	0		15	45
2597	HAWTHORNE & 9TH	(NS)	16:40:04	16:40:28	1	1	2	10	23	1	0	6	24	45
2599	HAWTHORNE & 12TH	(NS)	16:41:28	16:42:04	3	5	2	-2	8	1	0	18	23	43
	Scheduled times	>	16:39:00	16:39:00										
2595	HAWTHORNE & MAPLE	(FS)	16:42:10	16:42:16	0	0	1			0	0		31	43
2603	HAWTHORNE & 16TH	(FS)	16:42:22	16:42:56	0	5	1	8	-12	1	0	9	29	38
2596	HAWTHORNE & POPLAR	(NS)	16:42:58	16:43:24	0	1	1	23	-100	1	0	4	21	37
2607	HAWTHORNE & 20TH	(FS)	16:43:50	16:44:10	0	1	1			0	0		22	36
2608	HAWTHORNE & 23RD	(NS)	16:44:20	16:44:26	0	0	1			0	0		31	36
2612	HAWTHORNE & 25TH	(FS)	16:44:30	16:44:56	0	2	1	6	31	1	0	5	32	34
2614	HAWTHORNE & 28TH	(OP)	16:45:12	16:45:44	1	3	2	12	29	1	0	15	21	32
2615	HAWTHORNE & 30TH	(NS)	16:45:54	16:46:00	0	0	1			0	0		28	32
2617	HAWTHORNE & 32ND PL	(FS)	16:46:16	16:46:44	0	3	2	1	-3	1	0	6	29	29
2620	HAWTHORNE & 34TH	(FS)	16:46:50	16:47:28	1	3	1	2	32	1	0	11	19	27
2623	HAWTHORNE & 37TH	(FS)	16:48:00	16:48:24	0	2	2	1	-85	1	0	5	26	25
2625	HAWTHORNE & 39TH	(NS)	16:49:16	16:50:38	1	9	1	11	-80	1	0	12	22	17

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## **Data Collection and Archiving Process**



## **Agency Uses of BDS Data**

- <u>Real-Time Data</u>
  - Operations
  - Dispatch
  - Security

### • Archived Data

- Performance Monitoring
- Scheduling
- Service Planning
- Field Supervision
- Project Development
- Maintenance
- Customer Service
- Legal
- Training

## Scheduling

- Concerned with implementing the service design-assignment of revenue vehicles and development of individual work schedules (runs)
- Key inputs related to run times and passenger loads
- Schedule efficiency down approx. 3% since 1982 due to more variable operating conditions

## Definitions

- Run time- amount of time taken for a bus to traverse between 2 points
- Headway- relative spacing between buses passing a single point
- On-time- bus departure between 1 minute early and 5 minutes late (discreet)
- Departure delay- actual departure time minus scheduled departure time (continuous)
- Trip- single bus run from route origin to route destination
- Tripper- bus brought on line during peak periods to complete 1 trip

# APRIL 2000 SIGNUP - Run Time Data

Includes Analysis of Locations Where Operators are Killing Time March 6, 2000 to April 12, 2000



# Running Time Analysis Report [Example Trip]

	_Seg. 1	_Seg. 2	_Seg. 3	_Seg. 4	_Seg.5	_Total
Sched.	10:00	12:00	5:00	9:00	6:00	42:00
Mean RT	13:05	9:38	5:39	8:12	7:18	42:52
Median RT	12:44	9:20	5:34	7:41	6:49	42:18
Std Dev.	2:38	1:38	0:48	2:58	2:09	5:12
Avg. Mph	28	49	37	52	33	52
Max. Load	43	45	31	15	18	43

#### Run Time Distribution: PM Peak [72] Killingsworth - 82nd Ave: East/South



### Operators Leaving the End of the Line Late by More than 3 Minutes after an Adequate Layover (Sorted by Operator and District)

May 15, 2000 - May 26, 2000

#### Supervisor District: 6 PM Shift

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Badge	and Operator	Line/Train	Beginning of Line Location	Direction	Sched. Time	Late	Min. Late*
128	<b>Operator Name</b>	3107	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	7:09 PM	33%	04:29
162		5411	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	7:35 PM	38%	03:37
162		5411	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	9:35 PM	50%	03:48
162		5411	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	12:35 AM	38%	04:09
233		5412	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	11:35 PM	29%	04:19
355		3205	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	5:28 PM	50%	05:23
483		1409	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	6:43 PM	60%	04:27
483		1409	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	8:29 PM	40%	07:00
483		1409	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	10:16 PM	60%	06:27
633.		1414	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	6:20 PM	33%	07:29
633.		1414	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	8:14 PM	100%	05:11
633.		1414	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	10:01 PM	100%	09:25
633.		1414	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	11:46 PM	83%	07:22
696		1407	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	5:02 PM	67%	04:16
696		1407	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	6:58 PM	83%	04:56
696		1407	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	8:44 PM	67%	05:38
696		1407	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	10:31 PM	83%	06:00
697		1404	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	9:00 PM	40%	05:45
887		5402	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	8:05 PM	38%	06:08
1090		5406	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	3:09 PM	40%	03:52
1168		3106	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	3:09 PM	100%	03:55
1693.		3501	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	3:54 PM	50%	03:34
1736		1401	NORTH TERMINAL / NOT A STOP	Out	4:23 PM	33%	03:38
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## **Current Research: Run Time**

- Run Time Variation Analysis (in process)
  - Study focuses on determinants of run time variation
  - Route-level analysis, variance generated over multiple trips
  - Run time variation= f(sched. headway, route char., passenger activity, delay events, route type, direction, time period
- **Operator Behavior Study (in process)** 
  - Want to determine whether operator behavior influences run times
  - Fixed-effects model- dummy variable for each operator
  - Trip-level analysis, min. 10 trips per operator
  - Actual run time = f(sched. headway, route char., passenger activity, operator char., delay events, route typology, direction, time period
    - Operator char. = badge #, length of service, operator type, depart late from terminal

## **Operations Planning**

- Concerned with matching ridership to service levels subject to policy and budget constraints
- Key inputs related to passenger loads, bus performance, bus productivity
- Route performance reports generated at route and trip-level on quarterly basis
- Passenger census generated at route, trip, and time point-level
  - Passenger census used to be undertaken every 5 years measuring a single trip, now conducted on quarterly basis using numerous trips

#### Route: 014 - Hawthorne

#### Weekdays

#### December 5, 1999 to March 4, 2000

Direction: Outbound to Foster & 94th

Start			Boarding	Max	Max	Percent	# of Pass	APC	Sched.	Median Run	Run Time	Run Time	Median	Sched	Madian	On		
Time	Train	Start Location	Rides	Load	Factor	Capacity	Ups	Obs	Time	Time	Ratio	CV	Speed	Recoverv	Recoverv	Time	Farly	Late
							- /		h:mm:ss	h:mm:ss			mph	mm:ss	mm:ss			
5:13 P M	1404	NVV 5th & Hoyt	47	36	85%	10%	1	62	0:43:00	0:47:09	110%	10%	10.5	25:00	19:34	55%	3%	42%
5:19 P M	1411	NW 5th & Hoyt	55	37	86%	11%		19	0:43:00	0:47:22	110%	8%	10.5			61%	2%	37%
5:25 P M	1406	NVV 5th & Hoyt	67	46	108%	17%	9	63	0:43:00	0:53:04	123%	12%	9,4			61%	1%	38%
5:31 PM	1405	NVV 5th & Hoyt	64	49	114%	35%	6	62	0:43:00	0:46:14	108%	10%	10.7	22:00	16:56	58%	1%	41%
5:40 P M	1402	NW 5th & Hoyt	72	53	124%	56%	1	62	0:43:00	0:47:18	110%	8%	10.5	28:00	22:10	62%	0%	38%
5:50 P M	1412	NW 5th & Hoyt	70	45	104%	35%	8	17	0:43:00	0:47:07	110%	10%	10.5			61%	2%	37%
6:00 P M	1408	NW 5th & Hoyt	67	52	120%	42%	1	60	0:43:00	0:45:26	106%	9%	10.9	23:00	18:12	70%	1%	29%
6:10 P M	1410	NW 5th & Hoyt	61	37	85%	0%	1	14	0:40:00	0:42:24	106%	10%	11.7			65%	4%	31%
6:20 P M	1414	NVV 5th & Hoyt	63	45	105%	22%	4	54	0:40:00	0:44:48	112%	8%	11.1	21:00	14:56	54%	1%	45%
6:30 P M	1415	NW 5th & Hoyt	45	31	71%	0%		17	0:38:00	0:40:50	107%	9%	12.2			64%	1%	35%
6:43 P M	1409	NVV 5th & Hovt	59	43	99%	3%		59	0:38:00	0:41:28	109%	10%	12.0	15:00	09:10	64%	1%	35%
6:58 P M	1407	NW 5th & Hoyt	58	41	96%	7%		60	0:38:00	0:42:41	112%	10%	11.6	15:00	07:58	48%	1%	52%
7:13 P M	1404	NW 5th & Hoyt	50	36	83%	3%		62	0:38:00	0:37:16	98%	13%	13.3	15:00	14:56	56%	5%	38%
7:28 P M	1405	NVV 5th & Hoyt	44	34	78%	0%		61	0:38:00	0:41:02	108%	8%	12.1	17:00	12:24	78%	2%	21%
7;44 P M	1402	NW 5th & Hoyt	43	30	70%	0%		62	0:35:00	0:38:04	109%	10%	13.1	19:00	14:54	75%	0%	25%
7:59 P M	1408	NVV 5th & Hoyt	43	31	73%	0%		60	0:35:00	0:38:30	110%	11%	12.9	19:00	13:27	53%	0%	47%
8:14 P M	1414	NVV 5th & Hoyt	41	28	66%	0%		53	0:35:00	0:40:13	115%	11%	12.4	19:00	13:02	47%	0%	53%
8:29 P M	1409	NVV 5th & Hoyt	32	24	55%	0%		59	0:35:00	0:37:49	108%	11%	13.1	19:00	14:58	69%	1%	31%
8:44 P M	1407	NVV 5th & Hoyt	38	25	59%	0%		58	0:35:00	0:37:26	107%	12%	13.3	19:00	13:20	49%	1%	50%
9:00 P M	1404	NVV 5th & Hoyt	41	27	64%	0%		62	0:35:00	0:36:28	104%	11%	13.6	18:00	13:42	51%	3%	45%
9:16 P M	1405	NVV 5th & Hoyt	47	34	78%	2%		62	0:35:00	0:38:00	109%	8%	13.1	17:00	13:28	68%	0%	32%
9:31 P M	1402	NW 5th & Hoyt	39	28	64%	0%		62	0:35:00	0:37:10	106%	7%	13.4	17:00	14:44	82%	0%	17%
9:46 P M	1408	NVV 5th & Hoyt	42	32	73%	0%		60	0:35:00	0:37:13	106%	7%	13.4	17:00	13:49	78%	0%	22%

### Sorted by Total Excess Wait Time by Trip (Weighted by Boarding Rides)

	Trips	Boarding Rides	Rides/ Rev.Hr	Nex Load	Load Factor	% Over Capacity	# of Passuos	On Time	Early	Late	Sched. Headway	Headway CV	Excess Wait Time	Wait Time Per Trio
-	1.44			-72968							hours/min	-	min/sec.	hours/min
075 - 39th Avenue-Lombard (Outbound) - PM Peak	10	750	52.3	28	72%	0%	2	69%	6%	25%	0:11	43%	00:59	1:13
075 - 39th Avenue-Lombard (Inbound) - PM Peak	10	771	56.6	28	71%	0%	1	74%	7%	20%	0:11	42%	00:55	1:10
072 - Killingsworth-82nd Ave (Inbound) - PM Peak	15	1,256	68.4	31	81%	1%	9	77%	10%	13%	0:08	50%	00:50	1:09
012 - Barbur Blvd (Outbound) - PM Peak	18	771	45.7	33	76%	4%	8	71%	7%	22%	0:07	82%	01:29	1:03
119 - Woodstock (Outbound) - PM Peak	9	381	46.0	37	89%	4%	14	52%	8%	40%	0:13	51%	01:26	1:00
071 - 60th-122nd Ave (Outbound) - PM Peak	9	624	49.8	23	53%	0%	0	78%	6%	17%	0:14	35%	00:49	0:56
057 - TV Hwy / Forest Grove (Outbound) - PM Peak	8	498	60.0	30	70%	0%	1	70%	17%	12%	0:14	36%	00:53	0:55
117 - Holgate (Outbound) - PM Peak	10	461	51.1	36	83%	2%	2	47%	7%	47%	0:12	46%	01:08	0:52
072 - Killingsworth-82nd Ave (Inbound) - AM Peak	12	825	63.4	30	77%	2%	20	83%	9%	8%	0:09	41%	00:46	0:52
072 - Killingsworth-82nd Ave (Inbound) - Midday	46	3,556	67.8	32	83%	3%	24	82%	11%	7%	0:09	40%	00:40	0:51
072 - Killingsworth-82nd Ave (Outbound) - PM Peak	16	1,251	63.2	30	78%	2%	6	74%	13%	14%	0:08	45%	00:40	0:51
109 - Powell (Inbound) - PM Peak	10	577	76.3	31	71%	2%	2	83%	4%	14%	0:12	38%	00:53	0:50
006 - ML King Jr Blvd. (Outbound) - PM Peak	9	431	60.2	35	82%	3%	1	71%	8%	21%	0:13	43%	01:04	0:50
005 - Interstate (Inbound) - PM Peak	10	536	91.4	32	73%	5%	3	82%	3%	15%	0:12	42%	00:54	0:48
014 - Hawthorne (Outbound) - PM Peak	20	1,177	82.0	44	102%	22%	57	54%	1%	45%	0:07	59%	00:50	0:48
072 - Killingsworth-82nd Ave (Outbound) - Midday	45	3,239	63.5	29	75%	1%	14	78%	9%	13%	0:09	39%	00:39	0:47
009 - Broadway (Outbound) - PM Peak	10	387	67.1	38	88%	5%	4	64%	8%	28%	0:12	44%	01:11	0:45
099 - McLoughlin Express (Outbound) - PM Peak	8	321	52.0	36	86%	5%	6	66%	6%	28%	0:16	38%	01:07	0:45
075 - 39th Avenue-Lombard (Outbound) - Midday	31	2,253	53.8	26	66%	1%	1	79%	7%	14%	0:13	30%	00:38	0:45
075 - 39th Avenue-Lombard (Inbound) - Midday	30	2,307	58.3	27	68%	1%	12	77%	8%	15%	0:14	29%	00:35	0:45
014 - Hawthorne (Inbound) - PM Peak	12	503	58.7	25	58%	0%	0	83%	7%	10%	0:10	46%	01:04	0:44
109 - Powell (Outbound) - PM Peak	11	624	59.8	39	92%	8%	2	63%	9%	28%	0:11	38%	00:47	0:44
104 - Division (Outbound) - PM Peak	15	742	54.4	37	95%	6%	5	59%	6%	35%	0:09	54%	00:54	0:44
008 - NE 15th Avenue (Outbound) - PM Peak	11	495	63.6	40	104%	8%	13	43%	2%	55%	0:11	46%	00:56	0:42
004 - Fessenden (Outbound) - PM Peak	10	706	75.9	42	109%	10%	8	68%	4%	28%	0:13	32%	00:36	0:42
110 - Harold (Outbound) - PM Peak	9	335	48.0	31	71%	1%	2	58%	2%	40%	0:14	43%	01:09	0:42

### Actual Headway to Passenger Load Relationship Line 14 Hawthorne (Outbound - PM Peak)



	Direct	ion: Outbound		
Start Tin	ne: 5:10 PM	End Time: 5:29 1	PM	
SCHED TIME	LOC_ID	BUSSTOP	ONS	OFFS
5:10:00 PM	6160	WASHINGTON / 5TH	21 N	nn
5:11:11 PM	6137	WASHINGTON / BROADWAY	2.1	0.8
5:11:56 PM	6169	WASHINGTON / 9TH	2.1	0.6
5:13:28 PM	9600	11TH / ALDER (SW)	0.6	1.7
5:14:28 PM	9598	MORRISON / 12TH (SW)	2.5	0.7
5:15:32 PM	9708	MORRISON / 14TH (SW)	0.2	0.4
5:16:36 PM	9613	MORRISON / 16TH (SW)	0.4	0.5
5:17:27 PM	9599	MORRISON / 17TH (SVV)	2.4	0.9
5:19:00 PM	735	BURNSIDE / 19TH	0.3	1.2
5:19:33 PM	741	BURNSIDE / 20TH (WEST)	0.5	1.9
5:19:51 PM	742	BURNSIDE / 20TH PL	1.3	3.0
5:20:22 PM	747	BURNSIDE / 21ST (WEST)	0.3	1.2
5:20:57 PM	720	BURNSIDE / ST CLAIR	0.1	2.0
5:21:21 PM	755	BURNSIDE / 23RD	0.1	2.0
5:22:11 PM	7157	23RD / FLANDERS	0.1	2.2
5:23:04 PM	7161	23RD / IR MNG	0.2	3.6
5:24:00 PM	7163	23RD / LOVEJOY	0.3	4.3
5:24:32 PM	8981	23RD/OVERTON	0.0	1.6
5:24:56 PM	9031	23RD / RALEIGH	0.0	1.5
5:25:53 PM	6014	VAUGHN / 24TH	0.0	0.7
5:26:13 PM	6016	VAUGHN / 25TH	0.0	0.5
5:26:31 PM	8414	VAUGHN / 26TH	0.0	0.7
5:26:51 PM	8802	VAUGHN / 27TH	0.1	1.8
5:27:06 PM	8481	WARDWAY/MONTGOMERYPK	0.0	0.8
5:27:53 PM	8482	NICOLAI / WARDWAY	0.1	0.5
5:28:19 PM	4105	NICOLAI / 27TH	0.1	0.1
5:28:49 PM	8483	27TH / WILSON	1.2	0.4
5:29:00 PM	8484	27TH / VAUGHN	0.0	0.7

### Line 115 - NW 23rd Avenue - Trip Level Passenger Census (Fall 1999)

Trip Total:

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### Tri-Met Passenger Census - Fall 1999 Weekday All-Day Ons and Offs by Route and Stop

Route: 115 - NW 23rd Avenue

Outbound to Montgomery Pk / 27th & Thur

Stop Location	Location ID	Ons	Offs	Total
WASHINGTON / 5TH	6160	1,001	D	1,001
WASHINGTON / BROADWAY	6137	114	71	185
WASHINGTON / 9TH	6169	97	108	205
11TH / ALDER (SW)	9600	31	122	153
MORRISON / 12TH (SW)	9598	122	103	225
MORRISON / 14TH (SW)	9708	23	51	74
MORRISON / 16TH (SW)	9613	56	46	102
MORRISON / 17TH (SW)	9599	172	45	217
BURNSIDE / 19TH	735	42	73	115
BURNSIDE / 20TH (WEST)	741	29	104	133
BURNSIDE / 20TH PL	742	63	137	200
BURNSIDE / 21ST (WEST)	747	14	69	83
BURNSIDE / ST CLAIR	720	21	114	135
BURNSIDE / 23RD	755	14	94	108
23RD / FLANDERS	7157	15	112	127
23RD / IRVING	7161	12	165	177
23RD / LOVEJOY	7163	19	267	286
23RD / OVERTON	8981	4	91	95
23RD / RALEIGH	9031	2	94	96
THURMAN / 23RD PL	8984	1	44	45
THURMAN / 25TH	8985	3	19	20

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### Outbound to Montgomery Pk / 27th & Thurman

Beginning Time Point	Ending Timepoint		Revenue Hours	Trips	Ons	Offs	Total	Total/ Rev.Hr.
SVV Washington at 5th	Burnside & 19th		11:28	98	1,615	619	2.234	194.8
Burnside & 19th	23rd & Lovejoy		7:22	98	211	1,062	1,273	172.8
23rd & Loveiov	Thurman & 27th		2:29	42	16	223	239	96.2
23rd & Loveiov	Montdomerv Plark		3:57	56	78	365	443	112.2
Thuman & 27th	Gordon & Thurman		1:21	27	3	47	50	37.0
Gordon & Thurman	Thurman & 27th		1:21	27	8	19	27	20.0
		Totals	27:58	98	1,931	2,335	4,266	152.5

#### Inbound to Portland

			Revenue					Total
Beginning Time Point	Ending Timepoint		Hours	Trips	Ons	Offs	Total	Rev. Hr.
Montdomerv Park	23rd & Loveiov		3:33	55	335	12	347	97.7
Thuman & 27th	Gordon & Thurman		0:51	17	30	4	34	40.0
Gordon & Thurman	Thurman & 27th		1:08	17	26	0	26	22.9
Thurman & 27th	23rd & Loveiov		2:53	43	257	15	272	94.3
23rd & Loveiov	Burnside & 19th		9:10	98	1,086	354	1.440	157.1
Burnside & 19th	SW Salmon at 5th		11:29	98	475	991	1.466	127.7
SW Salmon at 5th	SW Washington at 5th		0:36	9	3	7	10	16.7
		Totals	29:40	98	2,212	1,383	3,595	121.2

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## **Passenger Boardings By Stop**

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## **Passenger Loads By Stop**



## **Service Reliability Improvements**

#### System-Level Improvements (since BDS implementation)

- Overall OTP improved 69 to78%
- Percent early declined 15 to 5%

### Line 15 Test Project (using BDS data to revise schedule)

- OTP improved 70 to 83%
- P.M. peak percent late declined 42 to 24%

#### Line 72 Evaluation (Fall 1998 vs. Fall 1999)

- OTP improved 62 to 77%
- Headway regularity improved 36%
- Overloaded trips declined from 24 to %2
- Number of reported passups reduced 60%

## **Operations Planning Research**

- Pre-Post Analysis of Transit Service Reliability
  - Study designed to assess impacts of BDS
  - Pre-operational period- manual data collection (Nov. 1986)
  - Post-operational period- automatic data collection (Mar. 1988)
  - Matched trips approach, 8 study routes
  - OTP improved from 61-67%
    - Largest improvement in % early departures
  - Reduction in headway variability of 15%
  - Average run time decreased by 1.45 minutes per trip
  - Extrapolation of results to system-level
    - \$1.9 million annual savings in operating costs
    - \$3.5 million annual savings in passenger wait time and travel time

### **Operations Planning Research, Continued**

- Time Point-Level Analysis of Service Reliability (Aug., 2000)
  - Study sought to explain departure delay variation or headway delay variation depending upon time period
  - Regression analysis, 7 study routes, 19 days of observations
  - Separate models run according to route typology and time period
  - Results- delay variability adversely affected by boardings, sched. stops, delay variability at previous TP, lifts, nonrecurring events, link speed.
    - Parameter estimate for delay variability at previous TP approx. 1 minute (consistent across all models)

## **Operations Planning Research, Continued**

- Time Point-Level Analysis of Passenger Demand (Aug., 2000)
  - Study sought to explain mean passenger boardings
  - Same data as previous study aggregated over all days, linked with additional data using GIS
  - Comparison of automated vs. manual data collection techniques
    - Previous research Abkowitz and Engelstein, 1983 and 1984
    - LA-1 day data collection, 1 route, 49 TP observations
      - Cincy-1 day data collection, 2 routes, 56 TP observations
      - Portland- 19 days data collection, 7 routes, 3000 TP observations
  - Results- mean boardings in TP positively affected by population, employment, transit center and negatively affected by income, sched. headway, existing levels of unreliability (off-peak only)

## **Operations Control**

- Concerned with maintaining service quality/minimizing the effects of service disruptions in real-time
- Q: How does archived BDS data help with real-time decision making?
- A: Identification of problems, initial tweaking of plan, analysis of results

### Headway Control Study (Nov. 1999)

- Operational issue (headway irregularity)- "trippers" leaving according to schedule, resulting in uneven passenger loads and poor use of resources
- Objective- hold candidate trippers until desirable spacing reached
- Pre-post study design, 6 routes, 11 trippers, 3 weeks
- Dedicated dispatcher and field supervisor
- Results of study- headway variance declined 15.8% at control point and 3.8% overall, leading to more balanced loads

## **Operations Control, Continued**

- Headway Management of Bus Lines (upcoming research)
  - 6 month demonstration project
  - Long range plan- several routes operating midday headways <= 10 min.</li>
  - 1-3 routes, either P.M. peak or all day
  - Shift from schedule-based to headway-based performance measures
  - Possible technology enhancement- automated bus spacing information

## **Benefits of Archived BDS Data**

- Complete operational data for the system
- All data is spatially referenced (GIS)
- Increased accuracy (reduce/eliminate manual counts)
- Multiple levels of data aggregation possible
- Improved statistical measures
- Improved interagency communication
- More efficient use of agency resources
- Better service to passengers