Tram Passenger Survey (TPS) Sheffield Autumn 2015 results



Robert Pain

Tel: 0300 123 0835 Email: robert.pain@transportfocus.org.uk

Insight Team, Transport Focus, Fleetbank House, 2-6 Salisbury Square, London, EC4Y 8JX

April 2016



Contents

Overview	
Context to the survey	3
Summary of 2015 findings	6
The findings	
 Experience and opinions of the journey 	11
Waiting at the stop	18
The tram	25
 Negative experiences during the journey 	30
 Passengers' suggested improvements 	34
Opinion of trams in the local area	38
Further information	
 Appendix 1: Passenger and journey context 	41
 Appendix 2: Further detail on survey background and method 	58
Appendix 3: Questionnaire	62

TPS 2015 Sheffield

Context to the survey



Context to the 2015 survey

The Tram Passenger Survey (TPS)

The TPS provides a consistent, robust measurement of passenger satisfaction with tram services in Britain

It also informs our understanding of barriers to (greater) tram use, how to encourage greater use, and how to improve the passenger experience

Comparisons can also be made with passenger experiences on buses and trains, as measured by the Bus Passenger Survey (BPS) and National Rail Passenger Survey (NRPS)

The 2015 TPS covered tram services in Manchester, Birmingham, Blackpool, Edinburgh, Nottingham and Sheffield



The survey methodology

Passengers are approached while making a journey; they answer the survey about that journey specifically

The questionnaire is self-completion, with passengers offered a choice of online or paper

Interviewers approached passengers on all days of the week between 6am and 10pm, between 17th September and 26th November 2015

603 surveys were completed for Sheffield in autumn 2015

For further details of the survey method, see Appendix

The Supertram network in context

	The Network	Passenger Journeys*	Ticket Purchasing	Information at stops	Frequency	Engineering disruptions / other notes
Sheffield • Stagecoath • SUPERTRAM	3 lines 48 stops 18 miles	11.5 million	▼ TVMs at stops✓ Conductors on board	✓ Info boards at stops (TTs, fares) X Passenger Info Displays	Mon-Sat: every 5-20 mins Sun: 10-20 mins	Tram collision on 22/10/15 affected one shift; questionnaires distributed between Meadowhall Int. and Shalesmoor rather than to the end of the line at Middlewood
Blackpool Transport*	1 line 37 stops 11 miles	4.1 million	x TVMs at stops ✓ Conductors on board	✓ Info boards at stops (TTs, fares) X Passenger Info Displays	Mon-Sat: every 15-30 mins Sun: 20-30 mins	 Blackpool illuminations 4th Sept – 8th Nov 2015 Heritage trams operate bank holidays, weekends and summer; not covered in this research No significant issues affected fieldwork
Trams	1 line 15 stops 8.7 miles	4.9 million	✓ TVMs at stops Conductors on board	✗ Info boards at stops (TTs, fares)✓ Passenger Info Displays	Mon-Sat: every 8-10 mins Sun: 12-15 mins	 Network opened 31st May 2014 No significant issues affected fieldwork
Manchester Metrolink	7 lines 91 stops 57 miles	31.2 million	✓ TVMs at stops✗ Conductors on board	 ✓ Info boards all stops (TTs, fares) ✓ Passenger Info Displays (Not all stops on Bury and Altrincham lines) 	Mon-Sat: every 6-12 mins Sun: 12-15 mins	 Second city works to provide direct link between St Peter's Square and Victoria Fire around Victoria 12th Oct; some fieldwork rearranged for short period Airport line opened late 2014, covered for first time in 2015 No fieldwork on 10th Oct; 3 sporting events in one day including Rugby World Cup Fanzone Increasing use of double carriage trams
Midland Metro	1 line 23 stops 12.5 miles	4.4 million	▼ TVMs at stops✓ Conductors on board	✓ Info boards at some stops (TTs, fares)✓ Passenger Info Displays	Mon-Sat: every 6-15 mins Sun: 15 mins	 Network improvement works took place from 26th October onwards; no fieldwork took place for a two week period from 26th Oct. Following this, shifts were conducted between Wolverhampton and St Paul's
Nottingham N = T	2 lines 50 stops 20 miles	8.1 million	✓ TVMs at stops X Conductors on board	✓ Info boards all stops (TTs, fares)✓ Passenger Info Displays	Mon-Sat: every 3-15 mins Sun: 5-15 mins	The phase two extension of the network opened July/August 2015 and was included in the TPS in 2015 No significant issues affecting fieldwork

^{*}Source: Department for Transport, Passenger journeys on light rail and trams by system in England, 2014/15

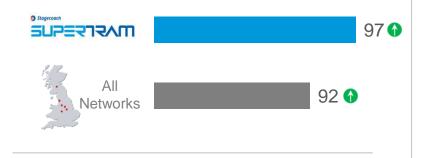
TPS 2015 Sheffield

Summary of 2015 results

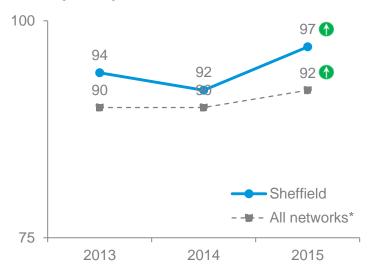


Passenger experience in Sheffield 2015: a snapshot

Overall journey satisfaction: 2015



Overall journey satisfaction: trend



The top factors linked to overall journey satisfaction in Sheffield* and how they performed in 2015

For a satisfactory journey (very/fairly satisfied):

90% Punctuality

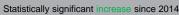
Cleanliness inside the tram

Length of time journey took

...and additional factors linked to a **very** satisfactory journey:

B6% 😑 🔀 Length of time waiting at stop

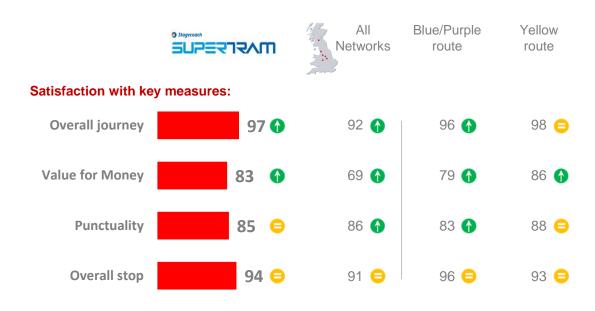
7% 😑 🌄 Safety of the driving



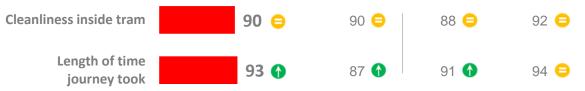
^{*}The 2013 survey did not include Edinburgh Trams

^{*}Combines data from 2014 and 2015 surveys to increase robustness

Passenger experience in Sheffield 2015: across the network

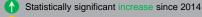


Satisfaction with other measures driving overall journey satisfaction in Sheffield:



Satisfaction with other measures driving passengers to be $\underline{\text{very}}$ satisfied in Sheffield:

Length of time waiting at stop	86 😑	84 😑	84 🏠	87 😑
Safety of the driving	97 😑	90 🚯	95 😑	99 🚹





Statistically significant decrease since 2014

Sheffield 2015: summary of key findings (1)

- Overall satisfaction for journeys on Sheffield Supertram is high, with 97 per cent of passengers satisfied. This has increase significantly since 2014 (92 per cent) and remains higher than the same measure on the Bus Passenger Survey (85 per cent). The significant increase in overall journey satisfaction has been driven by commuters, fare-payers, those aged 16-34 and passengers travelling on the Blue/Purple routes
- Two thirds (67 per cent) of all passengers are 'very satisfied' with their journey overall (2014: 60 per cent)
- The key factors which make journeys satisfactory on the Supertram are punctuality, the cleanliness inside the tram and the length of time the journey took. Passenger satisfaction with these factors is high: 85 per cent, 90 per cent and 93 per cent, respectively
- The key factors which make passengers 'very' rather than 'fairly' satisfied with journeys on the Supertram are the length of time waiting at the stop and the safety of the driving. Passenger satisfaction with these factors is 86 per cent and 97 per cent, respectively
- Amongst fare paying passengers, 83 per cent are satisfied with the value for money of a journey on the Sheffield Supertram. This has increased significantly since 2014 (69 per cent) and also remains higher than the same measure on the Bus Passenger Survey (65 per cent)
- When evaluating value for money, the cost of the tram versus other modes of transport and the cost for the distance travelled were the most important factors

Sheffield 2015: summary of key findings (2)

- Just over a quarter of passengers (26 per cent) spontaneously mentioned an improvement that could be made to their journey. Passenger comments mostly related to the punctuality/reliability of the tram, with 13 per cent mentioning more punctual trams or fewer delays and 10 per cent mentioning more frequent trams
- Other improvements mentioned by passengers related to the tram interior and tram stops: 7 per cent mentioning a cleaner interior, 7 per cent better information on board and 9 per cent talking about better information at tram stops
- The age profile of passengers is relatively young (31 per cent aged 16-25), although less so than in 2014 (37 per cent)
- Despite the younger age profile of passengers, around a quarter (24 per cent) travel with a concessionary ticket
- Just over half (53 per cent) use the Supertram for leisure purposes, and just under half (47 per cent) for commuting 37 per cent commuting to work and 10 per cent to education
- Compared to bus passengers, those using the tram tend to have better access to private transport: 35 per cent of tram passengers have 'easy' access to private transport, compared to only 18 per cent of bus passengers

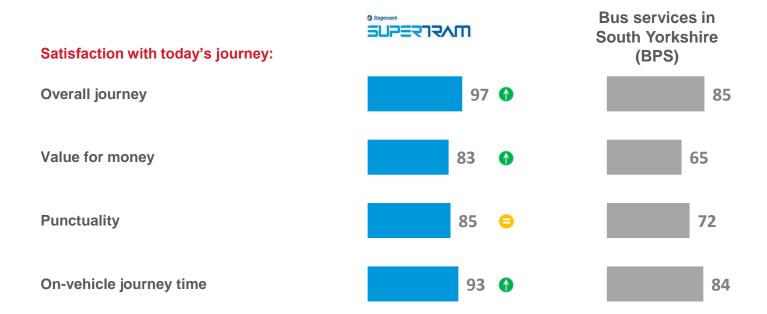
TPS 2015 Sheffield

Experience and opinions of the journey

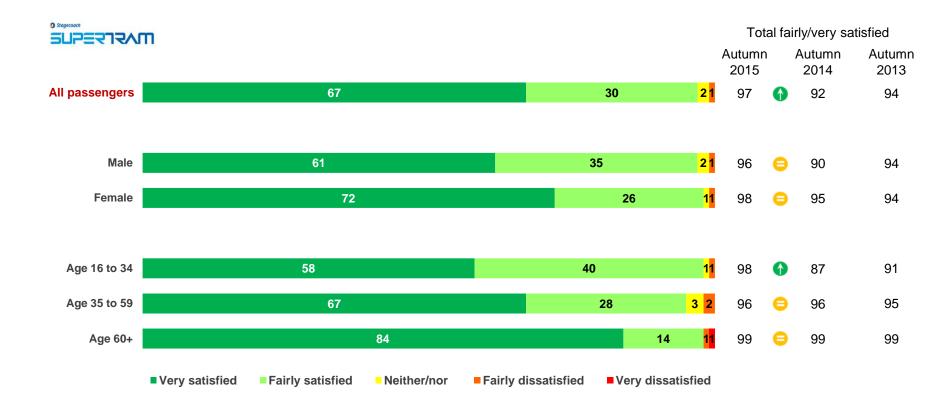
This section includes comparisons between tram (TPS) and bus (BPS) where applicable.



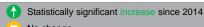
Experience and opinions of the journey: summary



Overall satisfaction: by gender and age

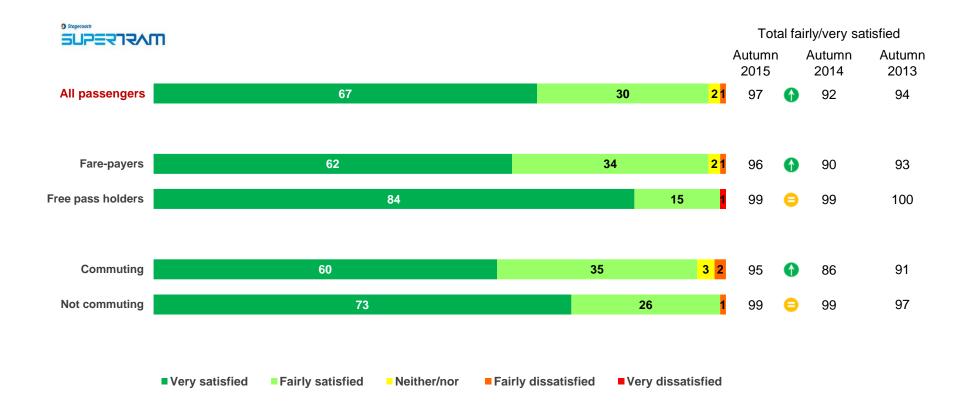


Q. Overall, taking everything into account from the start to the end of this tram journey, how satisfied were you with your tram journey today? Base: All passengers - 593





Overall satisfaction: by passenger type



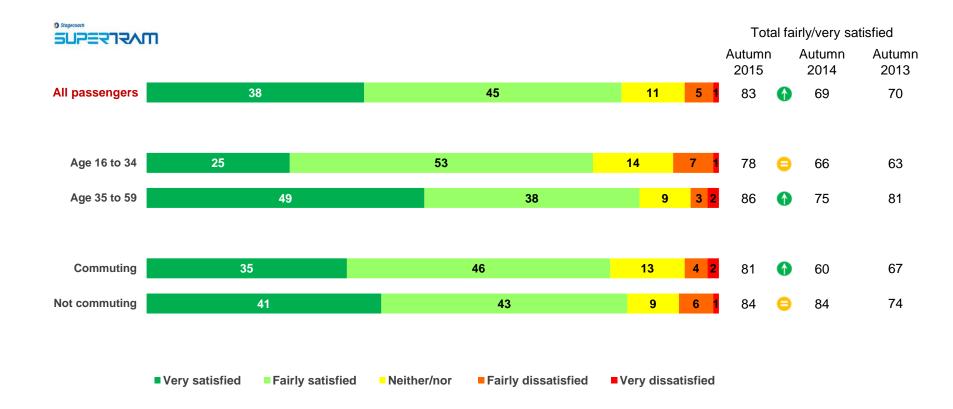
Q. Overall, taking everything into account from the start to the end of this tram journey, how satisfied were you with your tram journey today? Base: All passengers - 593







Experience and opinions of the journey: the detail Value for money (fare-payers only)



Q. How satisfied were you with the value for money of your journey? Base: All fare paying passengers - 384



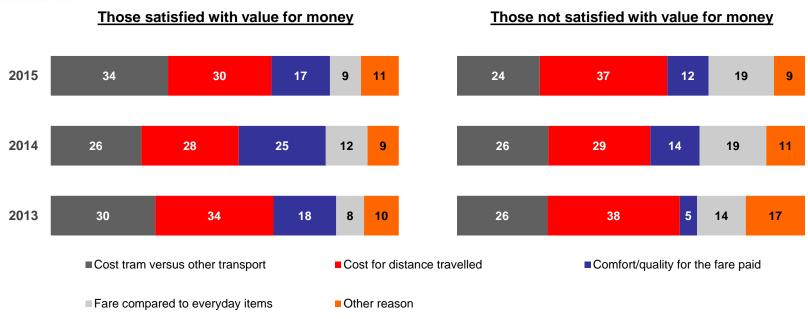
No change

Statistically significant decrease since 2014

Experience and opinions of the journey: the detail

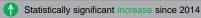
What influenced value for money rating





NOTE: Those not satisfied with value for money includes respondents answering 'Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied' Q. What had the biggest influence on the 'value for money' rating you gave in the previous question?

Base: All fare paying passengers — 316/60

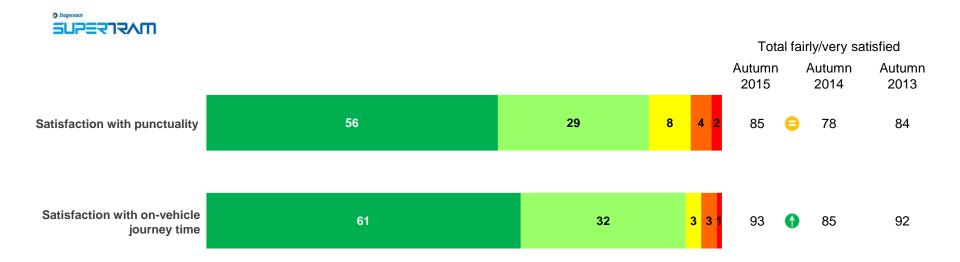




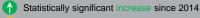
16

Experience and opinions of the journey: the detail

Punctuality and on-vehicle journey time



Q. How satisfied were you with the amount of time your journey on the tram took? Base: All passengers - 592





Statistically significant decrease since 2014

17

Q. How satisfied were you with each of the following...Punctuality? Base: All passengers - 565

TPS 2015 Sheffield

Waiting at the stop

This section includes comparisons between tram (TPS) and bus (BPS) where applicable.



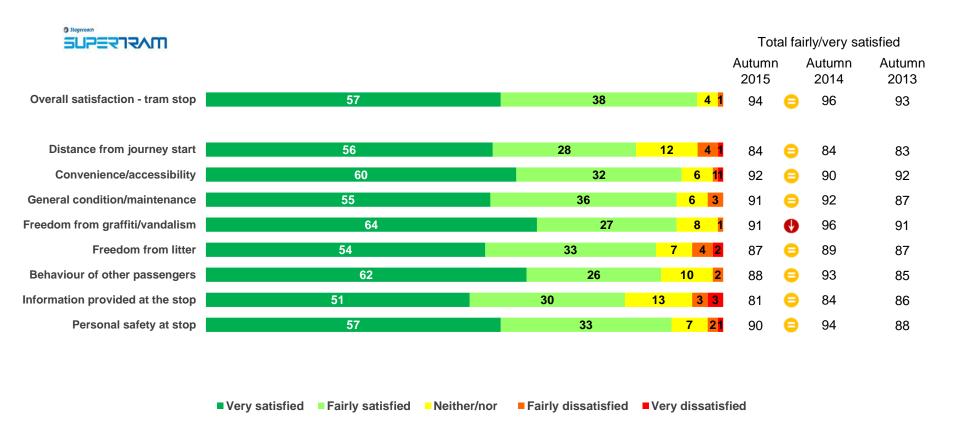
Waiting at the stop: summary

	Stagecoach	Buses in South Yorkshire		Stogecoach	Buses in South Yorkshire
Satisfaction with the stop:					
Overall satisfaction with stop	94 🖨	79	Satisfaction: waiting time	86 🖨	73
Distance from journey start	84 😑	83	Expected wait time	7.3 mins 😑	8.1 mins
Convenience / accessibility	92 😑	87	Actual reported wait	5.9 mins (9.2 mins
General condition and maintenance	e 91 😑	73	time		
Freedom from graffiti / vandalism	91 🔮	77			
Freedom from litter	87 😑	69	Passengers who checked tram time	75% (72 %
Behaviour of other passengers	88 😑	N/A*	Info sources used		Online timetables
Information provided	81 🖨	71	before arriving at stop	Online tram times	most common, then paper
Personal safety	90 😑	78			
			Info sources used at stop	57% electronic display	45% timetable at stop
*Not asked in BPS			Among those that didn't check	77% knew service frequent	47% knew service frequent

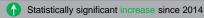
Statistically significant increase since 2014

No change

Satisfaction with the tram stop



Q. Overall, how satisfied were you with the tram stop? & Q. Thinking about the tram stop itself, how satisfied were you with the following: Base: All passengers - 585





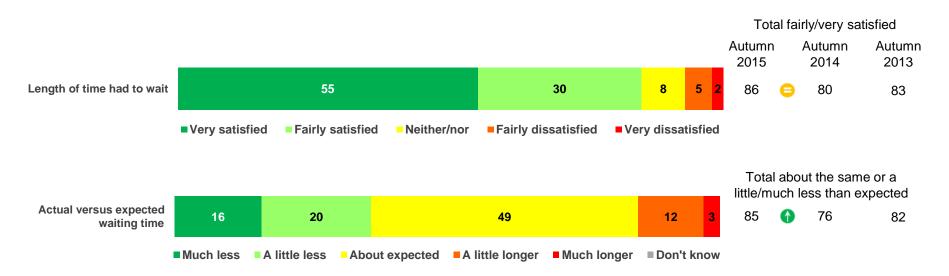
Statistically significant decrease since 2014

20

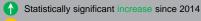
Waiting at the stop: the detail

Waiting time





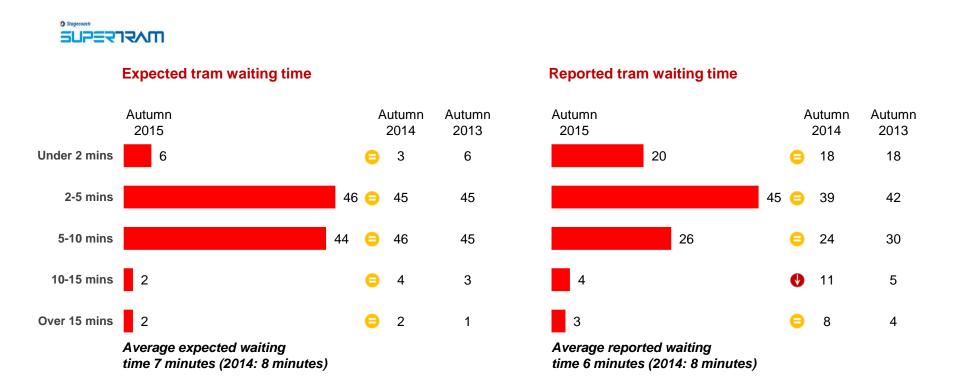
Q. How satisfied were you with each of the following? & Q. Thinking about the time you waited for the tram today, was it [...] than expected? Base: All passengers - 587



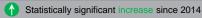
No change



Expected and reported waiting times



Q. Approximately how long did you expect to wait for the tram? & Q. Approximately, how long did you wait for your tram Base: All passengers – 577





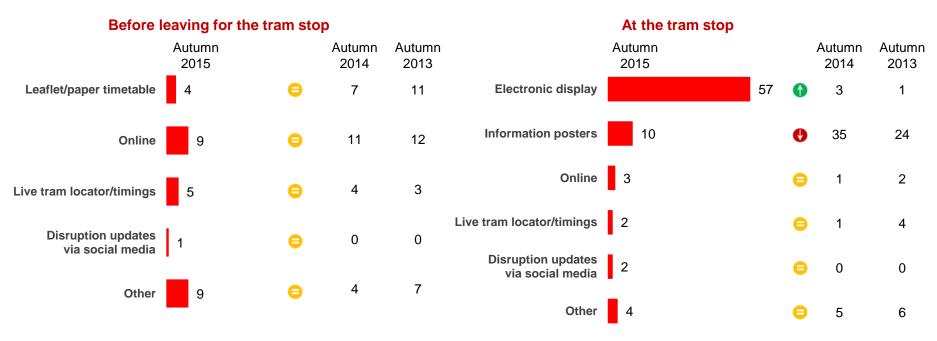
Statistically significant decrease since 2014

22

How passengers checked tram times



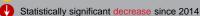
25 per cent (1) of Sheffield passengers did not check to find out when the tram was meant to arrive (2014: 47 per cent)



Q. Did you check any of the following to find out when the tram was meant to arrive? Base: All passengers - 603

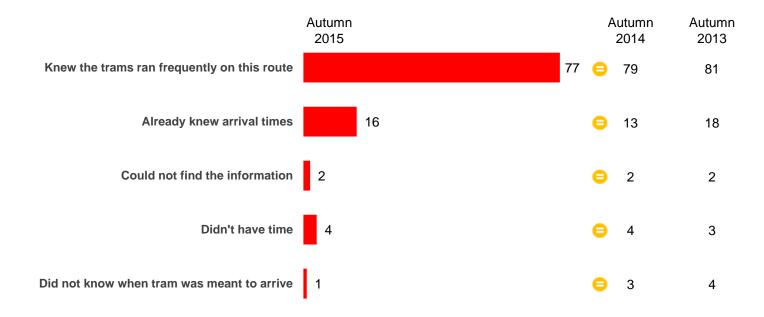




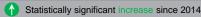


Why passengers did not check tram times





Q. If you did not check to find out when the tram was meant to arrive, why was this? Base: All not checking tram arrival information - 174







24

TPS 2015 Sheffield

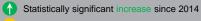
The tram

This section includes comparisons between tram (TPS) and bus (BPS) where applicable.



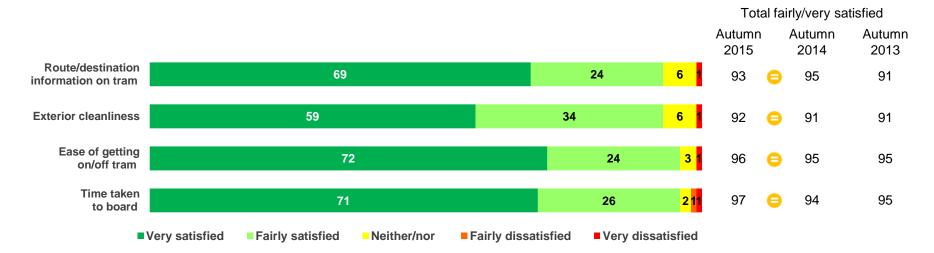
The tram: summary

O Stagecou		Buses in South Yorkshire	o Stogreooth	≣₹기₹∧ጠ	Buses in South Yorkshire	O Stapecood	°≣₹٦₹∧ጠ	Buses in South Yorkshire
Start of journey			On board			The driver		
Route info on tram	93 😑	83	Interior cleanliness	90 😑	75	Appearance	94 😑	88
Exterior cleanliness	92 😑	76	Info on board	83 😑	62	Greeting	82 😑	71
Ease getting on	96 😑	90	Seat/standing space	85 😑	85	Helpfulness/attitude	89 😑	71
Time taken to board	97 🖨	90	Seat comfort	86 😑	70	Safety of driving	97 😑	87
			Personal space	83 😑	74	Smoothness journey	86 😑	73
			Provision grabrails	91 😑	82			
			Temperature	88 😑	76			
			Personal security	95 😑	83			

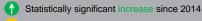


Satisfaction with start of journey





Q. Thinking about when the tram arrived, please indicate how satisfied you were with the following: Base: All passengers - 584

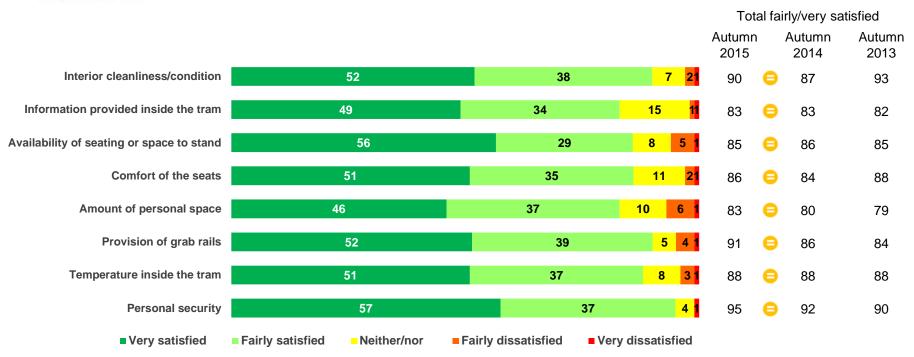


No change

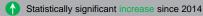


Satisfaction on the tram





Q. Thinking about whilst you were on the tram, please indicate how satisfied you were with the following: Base: All passengers - 592

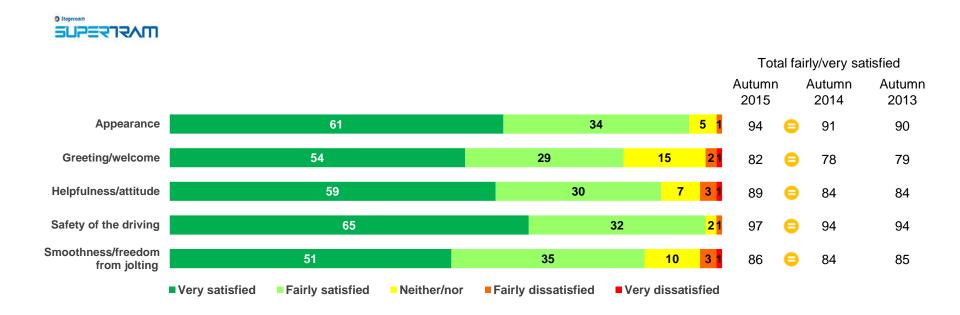




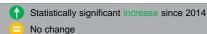
Statistically significant decrease since 2014

28

Satisfaction with tram staff



TPS: Q. Thinking about any tram staff you encountered on your journey, please indicate how satisfied you were with each of the following: Base: All passengers - 592



transportfocus

TPS 2015 Sheffield

Negative experiences during the journey

This section includes comparisons between tram (TPS) and bus (BPS) where applicable.



Negative experiences during the journey: summary



Passengers experiencing a delay to their journey



SUPERTAN



Average length of delay (perceived)





Most common cause of

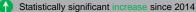


*Caution: small base (35)



Passengers with worry or concern about others' behaviour on board

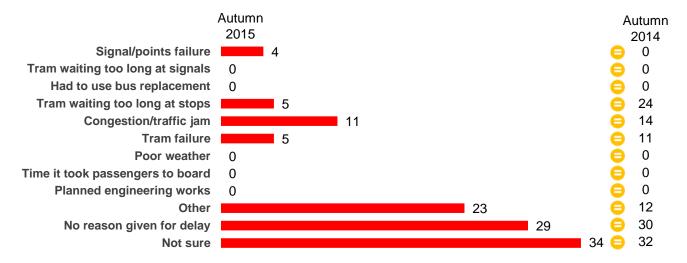




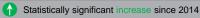
Experience of delays



7 per cent (=) of Sheffield passengers experienced a delay (2014: 7 per cent). Average length of delay was 6 minutes (=)



TPS: Q. Why was your journey delayed? Base: All experiencing a delay – 35 (Caution: low base)



Statistically significant decrease since 2014



Negative experiences during the journey: the detail

Worry or concern at other passengers' behaviour



% worried/concerned of other passengers' behaviour



2015

Sample

size of

concerned

passengers

too small to

report upon

Types	of	worrying/concerning behaviour (%	o)
		Autumn	

Feet on seats

Rowdy behaviour Passengers not moving out of priority seats Loud use of mobiles

> Passengers playing loud music Passengers under influence of alcohol

Passengers under influence of drugs

Abusive or threatening behaviour

Smoking

Passengers not paying fares

Graffiti/vandalism

Autumn	Autumn
2014	2013
1	5
0	5
2	6
1	7
2	4
0	4

Statistically significant increase since 2014



Statistically significant decrease since 2014

^{*}Not asked in 2013

Q. Did other passengers' behaviour give you cause to worry or make you feel uncomfortable during your journey? Base: All passengers - 594

Q. Which of the following were the reasons for [other passengers behaviour causing you concern]? Base: All experiencing worrying/concerning behaviour - 14 (Caution: low base)

TPS 2015 Sheffield

Passengers' suggested improvements



Passengers' suggested improvements: summary

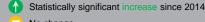


74% of Supertram passengers in 2015 had no suggestions for improvements

...of the 26% that did, the most common service areas for improvement were:



Q. If something could have been improved on your tram journey today, what would it have been? Base: All suggesting an improvement - 140



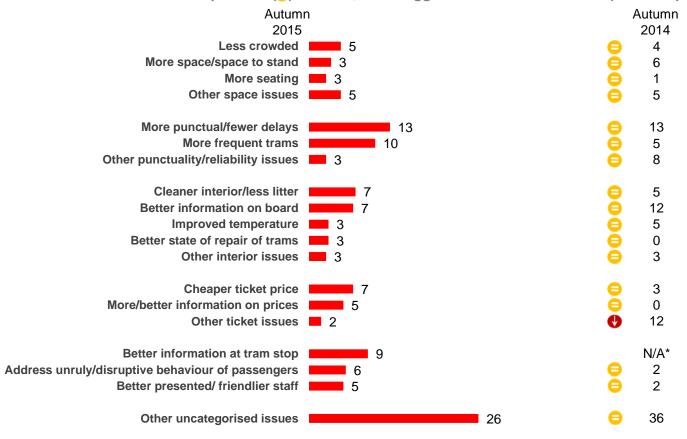


Passengers' suggested improvements: the detail

Suggested improvements spontaneously mentioned by tram passengers



74 per cent (a) of passengers could think of no improvement suggestions to make (2014: 71 per cent)
Of the 26 per cent (b) who did, their suggestions are shown below (2014: 29 per cent)



*New code in 2015

Q. If something could have been improved on your tram journey today, what would it have been? Base: All suggesting an improvement - 140

Statistically significant increase since 2014

Statistically significant decrease since 2014

No change

Passengers' suggested improvements: the detail Selected verbatim comments

I was fortunate in arriving at Cathedral just as a tram arrived. However one minute later and I would have had a 20 minute wait as it was evening. Trams should be every 10 minutes throughout the day. Also there is insufficient parking at Park & Ride Meadowhall

A less crowded tram

More trams need to be put on. I had no personal space, it was too busy

The tram to be warmer in colder seasons.

Produce tram fares information on board the tram. Have a tram timetable on board

The live tram time was incorrect or the tram was late/early

I don't understand why changeover is done one stop before Halfway! They don't even tell you!

At some stops if you are in a mobility scooter the platform is lower than the tram door, making it difficult to drive straight onto the tram

Seats at the tram stop

That the tram was on time. It is probably due to traffic congestion but this is a regular occurrence for the tram due to leave Leppings Lane at 16:47

Too much hot air – trams frequently too hot even when mild temperature outside I heard a conductor telling another passenger that fare prices are increasing very soon – we could all have done with this information

More seats available at busy times

The tram coming within 10 minutes. Also if the time on the electronic board was accurate and didn't keep changing Cheaper fare than £1.50 for very short journeys i.e. 4 stops max

The timetable (electronic) adding late info (delayed by...). [This would be] more real time

Map of local area when I got off the tram, as it's the first time I've been to the place

Some rubbish on the tram. But I understand that this is down to people throwing/leaving [rubbish] on tram. Early morning trams are always clean

Trams are starting to age fast, looking very tatty and need a refresh

TPS 2015 Sheffield

Opinion of trams in the local area



Opinion of trams in the local area: summary



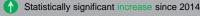
^{*}Not asked in BPS. Punctuality refers to 'reliability' in BPS

Opinion of trams in the local area: the detail

Satisfaction with trams generally



Q. And how satisfied are you overall with tram services for the following: & Q: How would you rate your local tram services for the following: Base: All passengers - 460



No change

Statistically significant decrease since 2014

^{*}Not asked in 2013

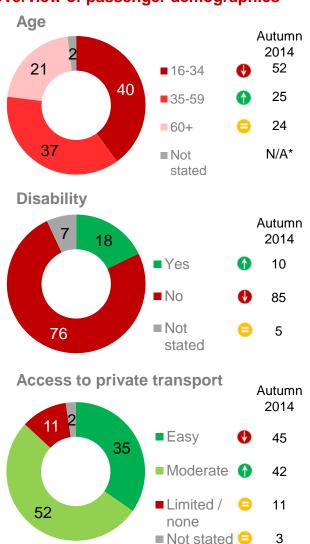
TPS 2015 Sheffield

Appendix 1: the passenger and journey context

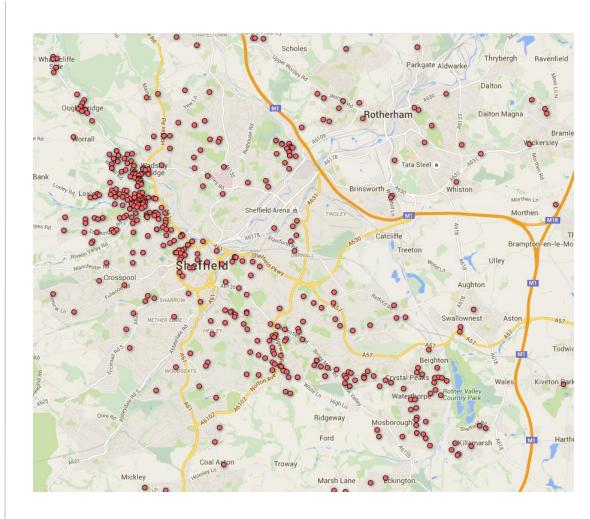


Sheffield passengers: summary

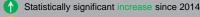
Overview of passenger demographics



Passengers' postcodes relative to tram network



*The weighting process for 2015 was adapted to include passengers choosing not to provide their age and gender, in line with BPS. This allows their answers to not be wasted



No change

Statistically significant decrease since 2014



Passenger profile

			Tram			Bus		
	Autumn 2015		Autumn 2014	Autumn 2013	Autumn 2015	Autumn 2014	Autumn 2013	
Age								
16-34	40	•	52	50	34	41	42	
35-59	37	•	25	29	32	29	28	
Over 60	21		24	21	31	30	30	
Not stated*	2		N/A	N/A	3	0	0	
Access to private transport								
Easy	35	•	45	38	18	21	22	
Moderate	52	•	42	47	44	39	40	
Limited/none	11		11	13	34	37	33	
Not stated	2		3	2	4	3	5	
Has a disability Yes	18	•	10	12	18	35	27	
Ticket type								*The weighting process for
Free pass holders	24		24	20	37	36	36	2015 was adapted to include passengers choosing not to provide their age and gender,
Fare-payers Base: All passengers - 603 (T	76 ram), 963(Bus	= s)	76	80	61	64	64	in line with BPS. This allows their answers to not be wasted

Statistically significant increase since 2014

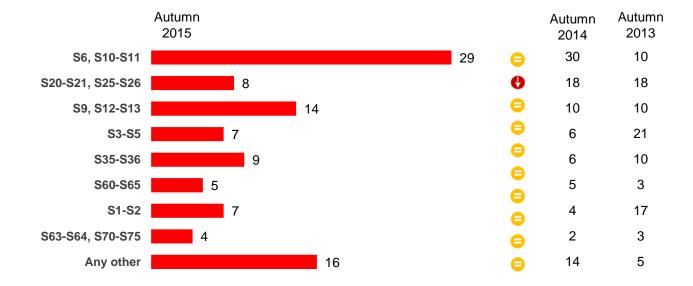
No change

Statistically significant decrease since 2014

Passenger and journey context: the detail

Where Sheffield passengers live



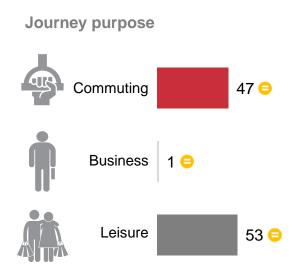


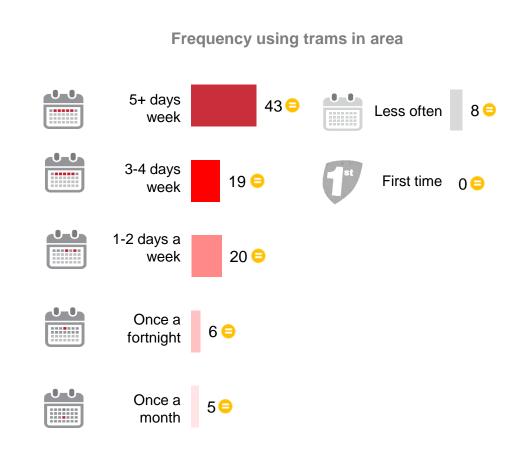
Q: What is your postcode? Base: All giving a postcode - 556



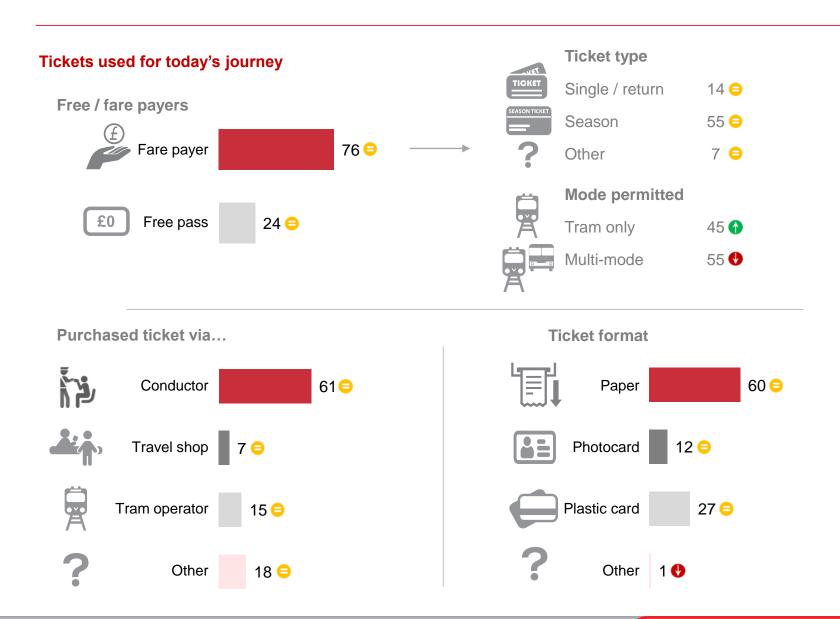
Sheffield journeys: summary (1)

Passenger journey details





Sheffield journeys: summary (2)



Sheffield: summary (3)

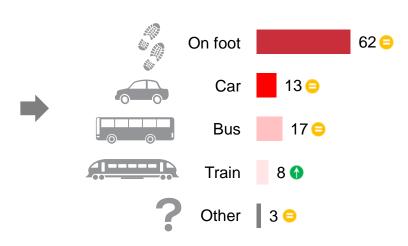
Most used tram stops: journey start

Meadowhall Interchange	11 😑
Middlewood	8 😑
Cathedral	7 😑
University of Sheffd	7 😑
Hillsborough Interchange	7 😑
Sheffield Station/ Sheffield Hallam University	6 😑
Castle Square	5 😑
Fitzalan Square/Ponds Forge	4 😑

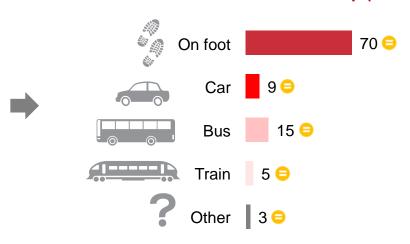
Most used tram stops: journey destination

Cathedral	11	•
University of Sheffd	9	
Meadowhall Interchange	8	
Hillsborough Interchange	8	1
Castle Square	7	
Fitzalan Square/Ponds Forge	6	
City Hall	5	
Middlewood	4	

Mode used to arrive at starting stop (all stops)

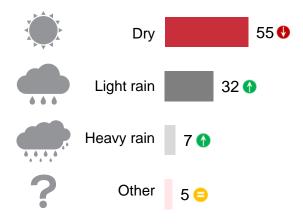


Mode used to travel on from destination stop (all stops)

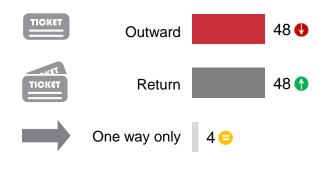


Sheffield journeys: summary (4)

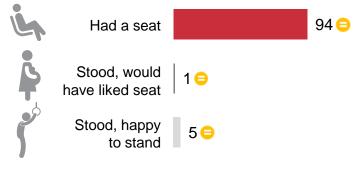
Weather on day of journey



Journey direction



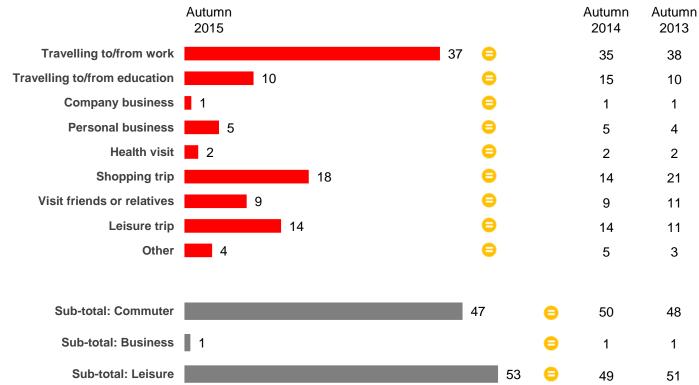
Sitting / standing



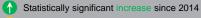
Passenger and journey context: the detail

Journey purpose





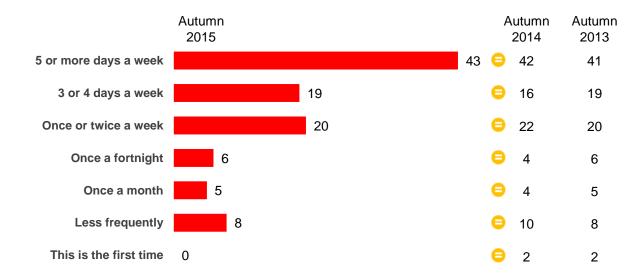
Q. What is the main purpose of your tram journey today? Base: All passengers - 589



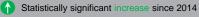
No change

Frequency of using Sheffield tramway





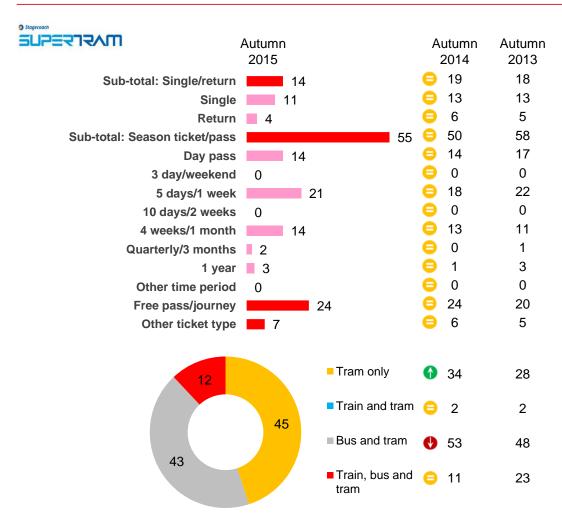
Q. How often do you typically travel by tram? Base: All passengers - 595



No change

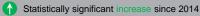


Ticket type and modes of transport permitted

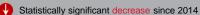


Q. What type of ticket/pass did you use for this tram journey today? Base: All passengers - 594

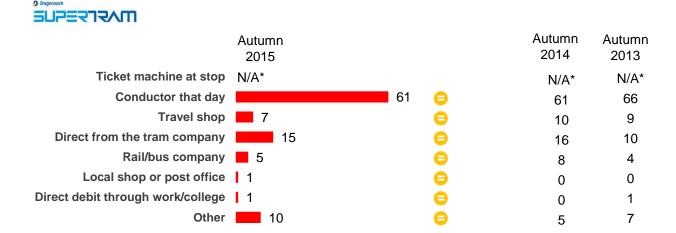
Q. What modes of transport does your ticket allow you to travel on? Base: All passengers - 587

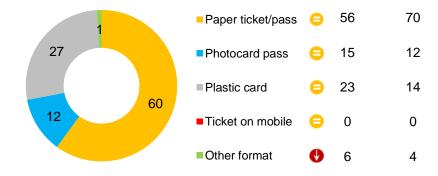






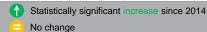
Method of buying ticket and ticket format





*Not asked for Sheffield Supertram Q. How did you buy that ticket or pass? Base: All fare paying passengers – 383

Q. In what format was your ticket? Base: All passengers - 571



Sheffield stops used by passengers surveyed

48 per cent of passengers were on an outward journey, 48 per cent on a return and 4 per cent on a one-way trip (2014: 64 per cent, 29 per cent and 7 per cent respectively)

92 per cent had a seat for their whole journey, while 1 per cent said they had to stand but would have liked to have a seat (2014: 93 per cent and 1 per cent)

Boarding	Autumn 2015	Autumn 2014	Autumn 2013
Meadowhall Interchange	11 🧯	12	13
Middlewood	8 (7	14
Cathedral	7 🧧	9	9
University of Sheffield	7 🧧	6	6
Hillsborough Interchange	7 🧧	5	5
Sheff. Station/Sheff. Hallam Uni	6	3	3
Castle Square	5 🧧	3	4
Fitzalan Square/Ponds Forge	4 🧯	3	3
Halfway	3	9	3
Malin Bridge	3	8	5

Alighting	Autumn 2015	Autumn 2014	Autumn 2013
Cathedral	11) 20	13
University of Sheffield	9 (10	9
Meadowhall Interchange	8 (9 6	9
Hillsborough Interchange	8	3	5
Castle Square	7	5	5
Fitzalan Square/Ponds Forge	6 (3	5
City Hall	5 (9 6	3
Middlewood	4	3	4
Sheff. Station/Sheff. Hallam Uni.	3	10	7
Halfway	3 (9 2	0

Any changes in tram stops used reflects the sample of passengers in this survey rather than actual usage of stops

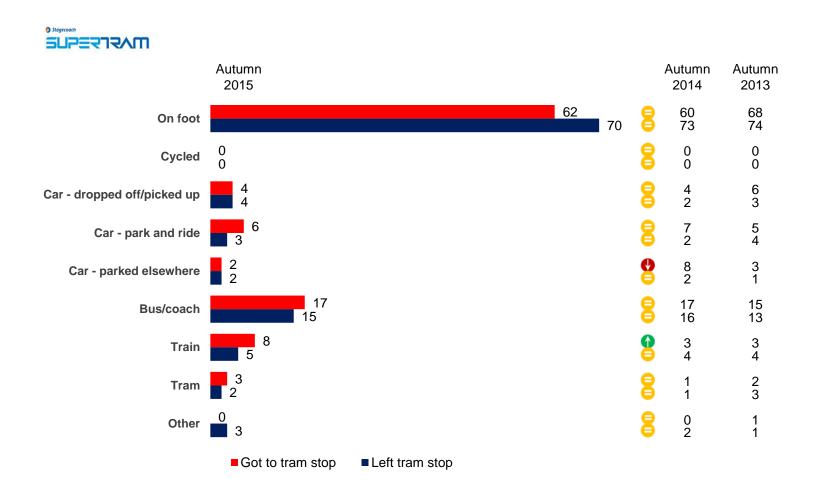
Q: Were you on your outward or return journey? Q. Did you get a seat on the tram? Q: At which stop did you board/leave this tram? Base: All passengers - 603

Statistically significant increase since 2014

No chang

Statistically significant decrease since 2014

How got to and from the tram stop



Q: How did you get to/from the tram stop where you boarded/left the tram today? Base: All passengers - 589



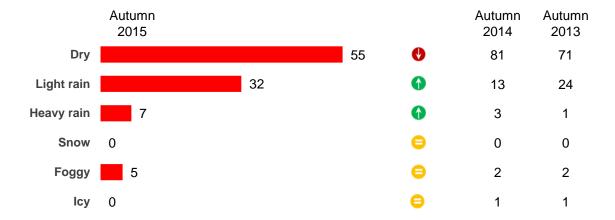




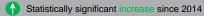
Passenger and journey context: the detail

Weather conditions when journey made





Q. What was the weather like when you made your journey? Base: All passengers - 589



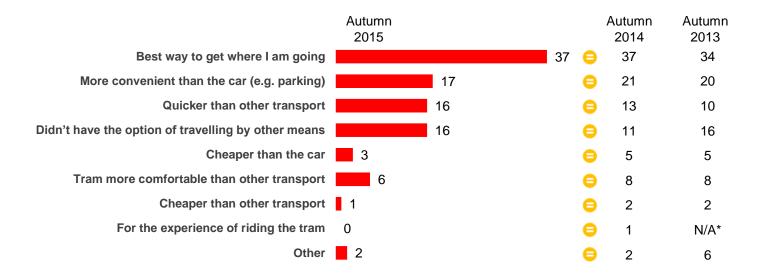




Passenger and journey context: the detail

Reasons for choosing the tram





*Not asked in 2013

Q. What was the main reason you chose to take the tram for this journey? Base: All passengers - 590



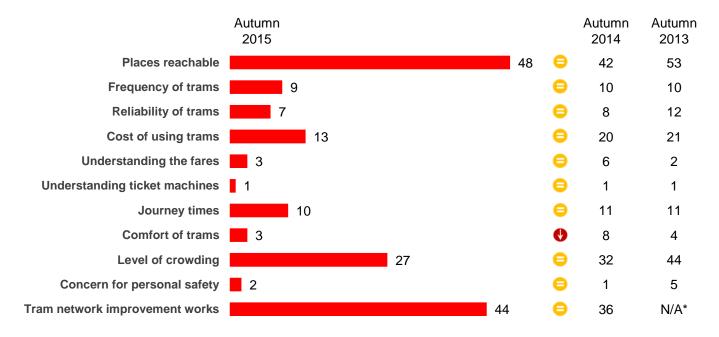
10 Statistically significant increase since 2014



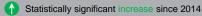
No change

Factors preventing more journeys being made





Q. Have any of the following frequently stopped you making journeys by tram? (More than one answer permissible) Base: All previously using the tram - 462





Statistically significant decrease since 2014

^{*}Not asked in 2013. The addition of 'Tram network improvement works' in TPS 2014 could have caused the significant drops in other factors

TPS 2015 Sheffield

Appendix 2: Further detail on survey background and method



Methodology – fieldwork

Sheffield Supertram (TPS)

Fieldwork: 17 September to 26 November 2015 (with a gap for half term from 24 October to 1 November)

Interviewer shifts: covered all days of the week and ran from 6am to 10pm. Each interviewer worked a three-hour shift; four hour shifts were conducted in a few cases.

Method: Choice of paper or online self-completion questionnaire

Sample size: 603 interviews (463 paper and 140 online)

In 2014 fieldwork took place between 10 September and 27 November

Bus (BPS) data for South Yorkshire PTE area

Fieldwork: 7 September to 29 November 2015

Interviewer shifts: covered all days of the week and ran from 6am to 10pm. Each interviewer worked a three-hour shift

Method: Choice of paper or online self-completion questionnaire

Sample size: 1655 interviews (1503 paper and 152 online)

Methodology – data analysis

Base definitions: All charts are based on those who gave an answer to an individual question. Those who either left the question blank or said 'don't know' have been excluded from the base. For this reason the base sizes for those charts based on 'all passengers' vary slightly between the different charts in this report.

Weighting: this was based on passenger count information collected by the interviewer during each interviewer shift. The weighting matrix used the following weighting cells:

- Tram network (for Sheffield Supertram this was by line)
- Age: 16-25, 26-59, 60+
- Gender: male, female
- Time/day travelled: weekday peak, weekday off peak and weekend

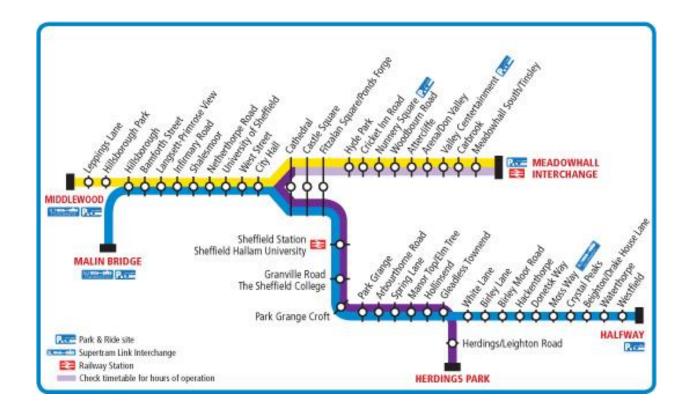
The full details of the weighting matrix can be found in the TPS Autumn 2015 technical report.

Waiver

Transport Focus has taken care to ensure that the information contained in TPS is correct. However, no warranty, express or implied, is given as to its accuracy and Transport Focus does not accept any liability for error or omission.

Transport Focus is not responsible for how the information is used, how it is interpreted or what reliance is placed on it. Transport Focus does not guarantee that the information contained in TPS is fit for any particular purpose.

The Sheffield tramway route map



TPS 2015 Sheffield

Appendix 3: Questionnaire





Tram P	asser	nger	Surv
(Sheft	field)	

	_	D	D	М	М	Υ	Υ
						1	5
Shift				Dat	_		

Thank you for agreeing to take part in our survey.

Transport Focus is the official, independent consumer watchdog that represents rail, bus, and tram passengers.

To help us represent the views of passengers in your area we would appreciate a little of your time to complete this survey. It asks about the tram journey you made when given this questionnaire.

Tram companies, local authorities and governments pay close attention to the survey's results. These results provide Transport Focus with the evidence to seek improvements on behalf of passengers.

Please fill in the questionnaire after you have completed your journey with Supertram.

Please tick only one box per question, unless that question requests otherwise.

After completing the questionnaire, please return it using the postage paid envelope provided.

1.	About your journey on Supertram	
Q1a.	At which stop did you board this tram?	
	r journey involved changing trams please refer only lestionnaire)	to the part of your tram journey on which you were given
Q1b.	At which stop did you leave this tram?	
Q2.	Please fill in the time that you boarded the tram	today:
	Hour Mins (Please	use 24 hour clock e.g. 5.25pm should be written as 17:25)
Q3a.	What type of ticket or pass did you use for this j	ourney on Supertram? (Please tick one box only)
	Season Ticket/Megarider/Dayrider/Unirider	
	1 day	A free pass or free journey
	3.day/weekend	Elderly person's pass
	5 days/1 week	Disabled person's pass
	10 days/2 weeks	Complimentary/free ticket
	Quarterly/3 months	
	1 year	Other ticket
	Other time period (please write in)	Park and Ride
	other time period (prease write my	Family/Group ticket
	Cinate Instrumentations	Other
	Single/return ticket Single ticket	
	Return ticket.	
Q3b.	What modes of transport does your ticket allow	you to travel on?
	Supertram only	Bus and Supertram
	Train and Supertram	Train, Bus and Supertram

1001001

In what format was your ticket? An m-ticket (sent to your mobile phone)... A standard paper ticket/pass... A photo card ticket/pass Other format A plastic card you touched on to the fare machine How did you buy that ticket or pass? From Conductor From a local shop or post office.. Direct from Stagecoach Supertram You had a free pass... (website/phone).... Direct debit through work/college. Travel shop .. Rail/bus company... What is the main purpose of your journey on Supertram today? Travelling to/from work... Health visit (Doctor/hospital/dentist). Travelling to/from education Shopping trip... (e.g. college, school). Visiting friends or relatives. On company business Leisure trip (e.g. day out)... (or own if self-employed)... Other... On personal business (job interview, bank, post office). Were you on your outward or return journey when you were given a questionnaire? One way trip only... Return.... Were you travelling with ...? (Please tick all that apply) Children in a buggy or pushchair... Children (under 12) who were walking... Lots of bags or luggage... A wheelchair/mobility scooter.... None of these... How did you get to the Supertram stop where you boarded this tram today? On foot/walked... Cycled ... Car - dropped off.. Car - and used Park and Ride. Car - parked elsewhere... Q10. Which means of transport did you use when you got off this tram today? On foot/walked. Cycled .. Car - picked up... Car - and used Park and Ride.. Car - parked elsewhere. Q11. What was the main reason you chose to take Supertram for this journey? (Please tick one box only) Cheaper than the car.. Quicker than other transport. Cheaper than other transport... Bestway to get where I am going.. More convenient than the car Tram more comfortable than (e.g. parking).... other transport.... Didn't have the option of travelling For the experience of riding the tram.. by another means..... Other (please write in) Q12. What was the weather like when you made your journey, was it?

Dry	Foggy	
Light rain	Snow	
Heavy rain	lcv	

2.	About the tram stop where you boarded th	is <u>Şu</u> j	pertran),				
Q13. Thinking about the tram stop itself, how satisfied were you with the following?								
		Very	Fairly		Eastly.	Very	Don't know/no	
	Its distance from your journey start e.g. home, shops. The convenience/accessibility of its location			dissati sfied				
Q14.	Overall, how satisfied were you with the tram stop?	•						
	Very satisfied	Fairly dissatisfied				[🔲	
3.	Waiting for the tram							
Q15.	Approximately, how long did you wait for your trail (Please write in the time in minutes)	m?						
Q16a.	Did you check any of the following to find out when the tram was meant to arrive? (Please tick all that apply)							
	Before leaving for the tram stop Leaflet/paper timetable	At the tram stop Electronic display at the stop						
Q16b.	If you did not check to find out when the tram was (Please tick all that apply)						_	
	Knew the trams ran frequently on this route	Did n	ot know gsmeant	when the to arrive	tram		_ _	
Q17.	Approximately how long did you expect to wait for	r the tr	am?					
	(Please write in the time in minutes)							
Q18a.	Thinking about the time you waited for the tram too Much longer than expected	A litt	e less tin		u expected			
Q18b.	Were you able to board the first tram you wanted to	o trave	l on?					
	Yes	No				[

Q19.	How satisfied were you with each of the following	?					
	The length of time you had to wait for the tram		Fairly setistical	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Eairly, dissatisfied.	Very dissettisfiest	Don't know/no opinion
4.	Qn the tram						
Q20.	Thinking about when the tram arrived, please indic	ate ho	w satisf	ied you we	ere with t	he followi	ng:
	Route/destination information on the outside of the tram	Very satisfied.	Fairly satisfied	Neith er satisfied nor dissatisfied	Eairly, dissatistiest	Very dissetistied.	Don't know/no opinion
	The cleanliness and condition of the outside of the tram						
	The ease of getting on to and off of the tram	. 🗆					
	The length of time it took to board the tram	. 🗆					
Q21.	Thinking about whilst you were on the tram, please			Neither			Don't
	The cleanliness and condition of the inside of the tram The information provided inside the tram Sufficient room for all the passengers to sit/stand The comfort of the seats The amount of personal space you had around you Provision of grab rails to hold on to when standing, moving about the tram The temperature inside the tram Your personal security whilst on the tram The amount of time the journey took Smoothness/freedom from jolting during the journey		Fairty satisfied	satisfied nor dissatisfied	Eainty, discatisfied.	very dissett intent	know/no opinion
Q22.	Did you get a seat on the tram? Yes – for all of the journey		•	were happ would have	•		
Q23a.	Did other passengers' behaviour give you cause t journey?	o worn	y or ma	ke you fee	el uncomf	ortable d	uring your
	Yes	No				[

Q23b.	If yes: Which of the following were the reason(s) for this?	(Please	tick all the	at apply)		
	Passengers drinking/under	Pass	engers n	ot paying t	heir fares		
	the influence of alcohol	Feet	on seats				
	Passengers taking/under				dly		
	the influence of drugs						
	Abusive or threatening behaviour						
	Rowdy behaviour				nes		
	Passengers not moving out of priority seats	Othe	er (piease	e write in)			
	Qqq or priority seats						
Q23c.	If yes: What local area was the tram travelling the concerned?	rough or	at which	stop was i	t when you	were v	worried or
Q24a.	Was your journey with <u>Supertram</u> today delayed						_
	Yes	No					
Q24b.	If yes: Why was this? (Please tick all that apply)						
	Due to a signal/points failure			_	s to board/		
	Road congestion/traffic jam	***					
	Due to a tram failure			is replacer write in)	nent servic	e	
	Poor weather conditions	Othe	i (picas	write iii)			
	The tram waiting too long at stops	No r	eason giv	/en			
	The tram waiting too long at signals	Don'	t know				
Q25.	If yes: By approximately how long was your jou	irney toda	ay delaye	ed?			
	(Please write in the time in minutes)						
Q26.	Were any of these items of information present	on the tra	m?	Yes	Ne		Don't know
	A map of the tram route/journey times						
	Audio announcements e.g. saying the next tram s	top		🗆]	
	An electronic display e.g. showing the next tram s	top		🗆]	
	Information about tickets/fares			🗆]	
	A timetable					1	
	Details of how to make a complaint, if you had on			_]	
Q27.	Thinking about any Supertram staff you encou	ntered on	vour io	ırnev nle:	se indicati	how s	atisfied you
Q.Z.	were with each of the following:	intered of	your jou		ise maleut		
		Very satisfied	Fairly satisfied	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Eairty. dissatistied.	Very dissatistie	Don't know/no d. opinion
	The appearance of any staff						
	Any greeting/welcome you got from the staff	_	П			$\overline{\Box}$	
	The helpfulness and attitude of the staff						
	•	Ш					
	The safety of the driving (i,g. appropriateness of speed,						
	driver concentrating)	🗆					

5.	Your overall opinion of the Supertram jou	ırney y	ou mad	le when g	given thi	s questi	ionnaire		
Q28.	Overall, taking everything into account from start to journey on Supertram today?	o end o	f this jou	rney, how	satisfied	were you	with your		
	Very satisfied	Fairl	, dissatisf	ied					
	Fairly satisfied			ed					
	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Don'	t know/N	lo opinion.					
Q29.	If something could have been improved on your jo	ourney (on <u>Super</u> t	tram toda	y, what w	rould it ha	ive been?		
Q30.	How satisfied were you with the value for money			**********			_		
	Very satisfied		ied						
	Fairly satisfied			edlo opinion.			_		
Q31.	What had the biggest influence on the 'value for r	noney'	rating yo	ou gave in	the previ	ous quest	tion?		
	The cost for the distance travelled	Com	fort/jour	ney quality	for				
	The cost of the tram versus other								
	modes of transport		son not						
	The fare in comparison to the cost	(g	lease wri		⊔				
	of everyday items								
6.	Your opinion of trams generally								
Q32a.	How would you rate Supertram services for the fo	ollowing	Si.						
		Very		Neither good nor		Very	Don't know/no		
	Ease of getting to local amenities	good	Good.	poor	Page.	90.05	opinion		
	(e,g, shops, hospitals, leisure facilities)								
	Connection with other forms of		П	П	П				
	public transport (e.g. trains/buses)		_		_	Ш	Ш		
Q32b.	And how satisfied are you overall with Supertram	service	es for the	following Neither	:		Don't		
		Very satisfied	Fairty satisfied	satisfied nor dissatisfied	Eairly. dissatistics.	Very dissatistied	know/no opinion		
	Ease of buying your ticket								
	Punctuality (running on time)								
	Frequency (how often the trams run)	_							
	Range of tickets available	. ⊔				Ш	Ш		
Q33.	If you needed information about your local tram s information? (Please tick all that apply)	ervices	, e.g. tim	ies, fares,	where w	ould you	obtain that		
	Phone: Stagecoach Supertram	Ask f	riend/rel	lative					
	Phone: Travel South Yorkshire	·							
	Internet: Stagecoach Supertram website			=					
	Internet: Travel South Yorkshire website	Ask t	_						
	Internet: Other travel website						H		
	Πανει Sπομ	NOU:	sure						

Q34.	How often do you typically travel by Supe	rtram? (F	lease tick the closest to your frequency of	tram use)						
	5 or more days a week		Once a month							
	3 or 4 days a week	_	Less frequently							
	Once or twice a week		This is the first time I							
	Once a fortnight	_	have used Supertram	🗆						
Q35.	If you have used the Supertram before, ho	_	*****	_						
				_						
	Much better than usual	=	A little worse than usual							
	A little better than usual	_	Much worse than usual	⊔						
	About the same as usual	П								
Q36.	Have any of the following frequently stop	ped you m	aking journeys by tram? (Please tick all t	hat apply)						
	The places you can reach by Supertram		How long journeys take	_						
	The frequency of trams in the area		when going by Supertram							
	The reliability of the trams		The comfort of the trams							
	The cost of using Supertram		The level of crowding on the trams	🗆						
	Understanding the fares		A concern for your personal	_						
	Understanding the ticket machines		safety on Supertram							
			Tram network improvement works	⊔						
7.	About you									
QA.	Are you?									
	Male	П	Female	🗆						
		_								
QB,	In which age group are you?									
	16-18		55-59	🗆						
	19-25		60-64							
	26-34		65-69	🗆						
	35-44		70-79	_						
	45-54		80+	🗆						
QC.	Are you?									
	Working full time (30+ hours)		Retired	🗆						
	Working part time (under 30 hours)		Full time student	🗆						
	Not working – seeking work		Other	🗆						
QDa.	Are you affected by any physical or men months or more? (Please tick all that ap	ply)		_						
	No - None Yes – Vision (e.g. blindness or partial sight)									
	Yes – Hearing (e.g. deafness or partial hear									
	Yes – Mobility (e.g. only able to walk short									
	Yes - Dexterity (e.g. difficulty lifting and ca									
	Yes - Learning or understanding or concen									
	Yes – Memory									
	Yes - Mental health									
	Yes – Stamina or breathing fatigue									
	attention deficit disorder or Asperger's syndrome)									
	A condition not mentioned above									

QDb.	Does your cor	nditio	n or	illnes	s hav	ve aı	n adv	erse/	е е	effec	t on	yc	our a	bili	ty	to	mal	(e	jou	ney	/s l	by t	ran	n?		
	Yes, a lot Not at all																									
QE,	Which of the following best describes your ethnic background?																									
	White									Chin																
	Mixed										Asia															
	Black or Black	Britis	h					Ш			Oth	er	ethr	ic g	ro	up.								Ш		
QE.	In terms of ha	_			rive,	whi	ch of	the	fo		_	•														
	You have a ca							\Box			You															
	and don't n You don't hav	e a c	arav	g ailabl	e					grefer not to drive								⊔								
QG.	How often are you able to ask someone else to drive you for local journeys?																									
	All or most of	the ti	ime								You	do	n't	hav	e a	inyl	ood	νv	ou	can	as	k				
	Some of the time									You don't have anybody you can ask Not applicable																
	To help us get a better picture of tram services at a local level, it would be helpful if you could provide us with your home postcode. (If you provide it, this will be used to help understand tram usage and make improvements locally. Your postcode will not be used to identify you personally and will only be used for research purposes)																									
	Please write in your home postcode here:																									
											Live	OL	ıtsic	le th	he	UK										
This survey is being undertaken for Transport Focus by BDRC Continental, an independent market research agency which adheres to the Market Research Society's code of conduct. You were handed this questionnaire by an interviewer working for Perspective Research Services, a part of BDRC Continental. The information that you have provided on this questionnaire is subject to the Data Protection Act 1998 and will not be used to dentify you personally. The data will only be used for research purposes. Any organisations receiving the data will also be																										
	t to the same rest																		8		-			50.0	-	
f you h 7490 9	ave any queries 166.	about	thiss	urvey	orho	ow yo	ur d	ata w	ill	be u	sed p	lea	ise o	onta	ctl	Nid	Gri	SS	at B	DRC	Co	ontin	ent	al or	n 020)
	vould like to che																				003	969	99 (or		
www.mrs.org.uk.who will verify BDRC Continental's status as a legitimate market research organisation. To find out more about the Tram Passenger Survey or Transport Focus' work visit our website or follow us on Twitter. Web: www.transportfocus.org.uk Twitter: @transportfocus																										
f you v	would be happy	to pa	artici	pate i	in fut	ure r	esea	rch	pr	oject	ts ab	ou	t the	e tra	m	inc	lust	ryp	olea	se	cor	nple	ete	the	cont	tact
details	below (this wil	l only	be a	vailal	ble to	Trai	nspo	rt Fo	CL	IZ)																
Name:																										
Email	address:							Ш										Ι								
Thank you for completing this questionnaire.																										
Please return it in the envelope provided or use the following Freepost address:																										
Tram Passenger Survey																										
Perspective Research Services Ltd FREEPOST (RTLU-YLTS-TGYY)																										
bdro	Irc continental 12-20 Baron Street									J. I	,															
2011	201101101		12-20 Baron Street Angel, London N1 9LL										transportfocus // \\													

transportfocus

Tram Passenger Survey (TPS) Sheffield Autumn 2015 results



Robert Pain

Tel: 0300 123 0835 Email: robert.pain@transportfocus.org.uk

Insight Team, Transport Focus, Fleetbank House, 2-6 Salisbury Square, London, EC4Y 8JX

April 2016

