Tram Passenger Survey (TPS) Edinburgh Trams

Autumn 2016 results



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Context to the survey



Context to the 2016 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 2016 TPS covered tram services in Manchester, Birmingham,Blackpool, Edinburgh, Nottingham and Sheffield



The survey method

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 26 September and 4 December 2016

533 surveys were completed for Edinburgh in Autumn 2016

For further details of the survey method, see Appendix

The Edinburgh Trams network in context

	The Network	Passenger Journeys	Ticket Purchasing	Information at stops	Frequency	Engineering disruptions/other notes
Trams	1 line 16 stops 8.7 miles	5.5** 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 31 May 2014No significant issues affected fieldwork
Blackpool Transport	1 line 38 stops 11 miles	4.9* 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 1 Sep to 5 Nov 2016 Heritage trams operate bank holidays, weekends and summer; not covered in this research No significant issues affected fieldwork
Manchester Metrolink	7 lines 93 stops 57 miles	36** 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	 Airport line opened late 2014, covered for first time in 2015 Exchange Square and link with Victoria opened in December 2015 Increasing use of double carriage trams
Midland Metro	1 line 26 stops 13 miles	6.1** 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 extension to Grand Central (New Street Station) opened on 30 May 2016 and was included in the TPS 2016 No significant issues affecting fieldwork
Nottingham N=T	2 lines 50 stops 20 miles	12.2* million	✓ TVMs at stops ✓ Conductors on board	✓ Info boards all stops (TTs, fares)✓ Passenger Info Displays	Mon-Sat: every 3-15 mins Sun: 5-15 mins	No significant issues affecting fieldwork
Sheffield Steperoon SUPERTRAM	3 lines 48 stops 18 miles	11.6* million	▼ TVMs at stops ✓ Conductors on board	✓ Info boards at stops (TTs, fares) ★ Passenger Info Displays	Mon-Sat: every 5-20 mins Sun: 10-20 mins	No significant issues affecting fieldwork



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Summary of 2016 results



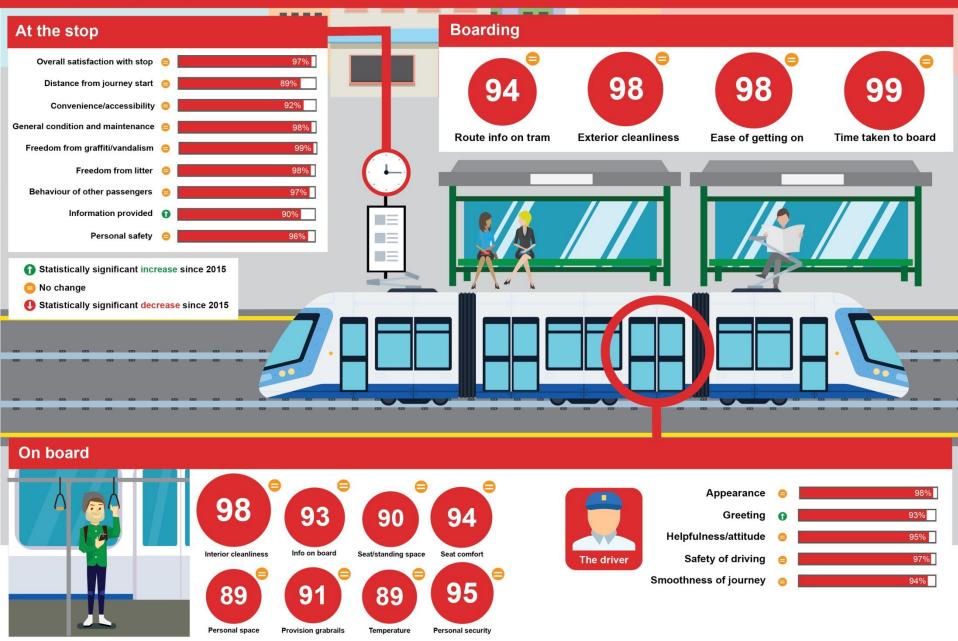
Key performance measures for Edinburgh Trams 2016 **Punctuality** 94% Value for money 83% Journey time 92% Overall journey

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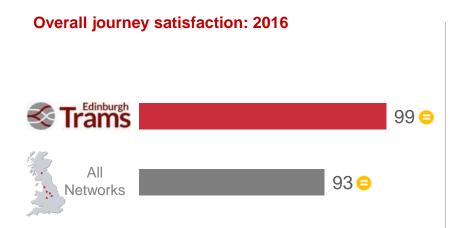
Statistically significant decrease since 2015

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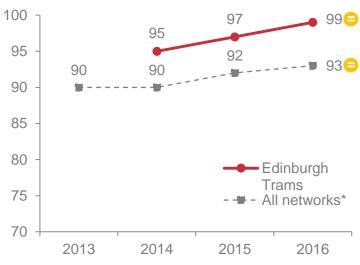
Overall passenger experience in Edinburgh 2016: a snapshot



Overall passenger experience in Edinburgh 2016: comparison to all networks



Overall journey satisfaction: trend



*The 2013 survey did not include Edinburgh Trams

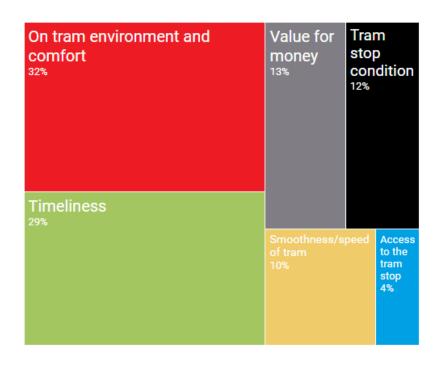
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What makes a satisfactory or great journey on Edinburgh Trams?

The top factors linked to overall journey satisfaction in Edinburgh*

What makes a satisfactory journey?

What makes a great journey?





The analysis combines data from 2015 and 2016 surveys to increase robustness. It also excludes satisfaction measures relating to tram staff; due to differences in staff availability across the networks not all TPS questionnaires feature questions about tram staff. In order to run the analysis in a consistent and practical manner all staff measures have been excluded. See appendix 2 for a full explanation of the analysis to identify factors linked to overall journey satisfaction.



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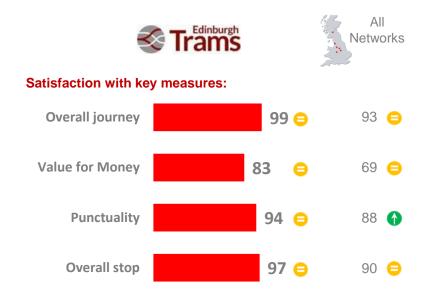
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^{*}Key Driver Analysis looks at fare paying passengers' overall journey satisfaction response and their response to the 25 individual satisfaction measures in the survey (including value for money), which have been grouped into 10 themes based upon a statistical analysis of the responses.

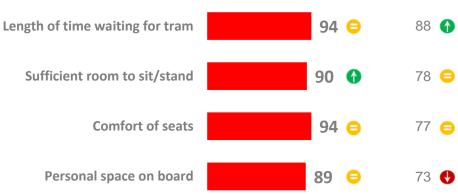
The left hand chart shows which themes most differentiate between those not satisfied and satisfied overall – making a journey 'satisfactory'.

The right hand chart shows which themes most differentiate between those fairly and very satisfied overall – making a 'great' journey.

Passenger experience in Edinburgh 2016: across the network



Satisfaction with other measures driving overall journey satisfaction in Edinburgh:



Edinburgh Trams 2016: summary of key findings (1)

- On the whole the Edinburgh Trams service has maintained the very high levels of passenger satisfaction that were seen in 2015
- Overall satisfaction for journeys on Edinburgh Trams is very high and has increased since last year (99 per cent compared to 97 per cent in 2015). This is very consistent across key passenger groups. More than three quarters (79 per cent) of passengers were 'very satisfied' with their journey overall, up from 74 per cent in 2015
- The key factors which make journeys satisfactory on Edinburgh Trams are the environment and comfort on board, as well as the timeliness of trams. Similar factors are linked to a very satisfactory journey, with value for money also being important
- Satisfaction with the on board environment and comfort is high, with passengers particularly satisfied
 with the cleanliness/condition of the tram and the comfort of the seats (98 per cent satisfied and 94
 per cent satisfied). Attributes which score less well are the temperature on board, the amount of
 personal space and the availability of space to sit stand (89 per cent, 89 per cent and 90 per cent
 respectively)
- Passenger satisfaction with both the length waiting time and the punctuality of the tram are high, with 94 per cent of passengers satisfied with both factors (an increase from 91 per cent and 93 per cent in 2015)
- 83 per cent of pare paying passengers were satisfied with the value for money of their journey (82 per cent on 2015). When evaluating whether a journey is good value, the most important considerations are the cost for the distance travelled and also in comparison to other transport

Edinburgh Trams 2016: summary of key findings (2)

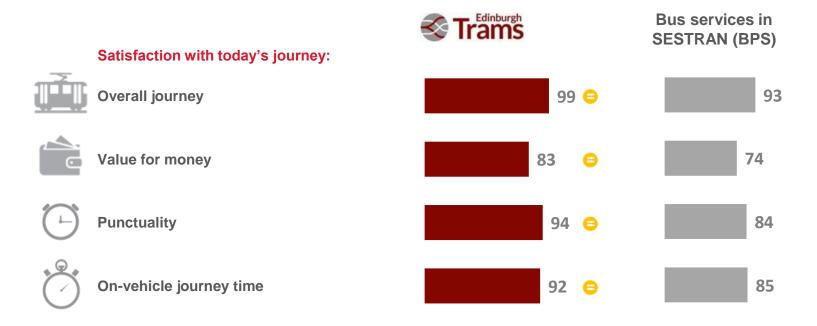
- Only four per cent of passengers experienced a delay (4 per cent in 2015)
- Just under one in five passengers (19 per cent) spontaneously mentioned an improvement to their journey on Edinburgh Trams. The most mentioned improvements related to fares and tickets, with 32 per cent of those mentioning an improvement suggesting an improvement in this area
- Other improvements mentioned related to the design/comfort/condition of the trams, the frequency of trams, the route and journey times
- The profile of Edinburgh Trams passengers is relatively young with a third of passengers (32 per cent) in the 16-34 age group and 40 per cent aged 35-59. However the youngest 16-34 age group has decreased in two consecutive years of the TPS, from 47 per cent in 2014 to 40 per cent in 2015 and now 32 per cent in 2016 (a significant decrease)
- More than half of passengers were travelling for a leisure journey (57 per cent), with just under a third using Edinburgh Trams to commute (31 per cent)
- The number of first time users has increased since last year, with 18 per cent of passengers being first time users in 2016 compared to 13 per cent in 2015

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Experience and opinions of the journey

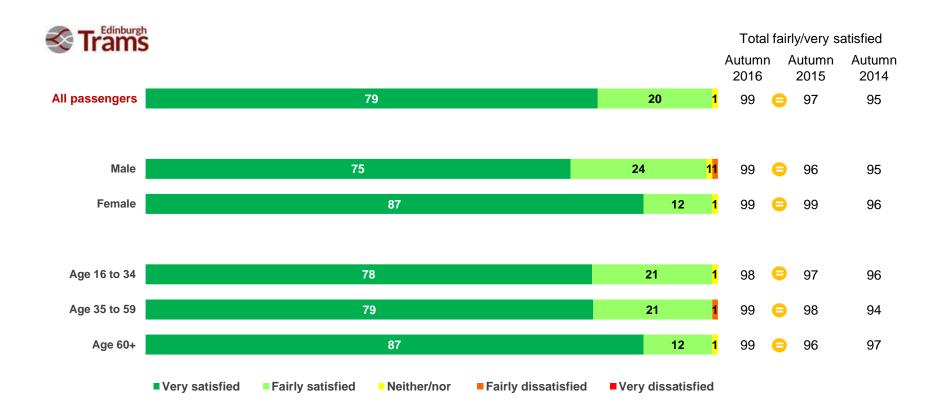


Experience and opinions of the journey: summary

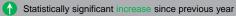


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Overall satisfaction: by gender and age



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 - 515 (Note: low base of 75 for the 60+ age group)

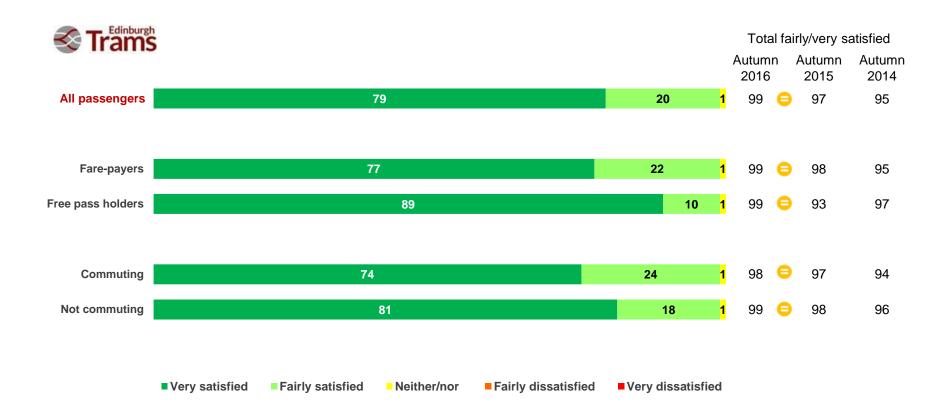




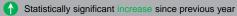
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Overall satisfaction: by passenger type

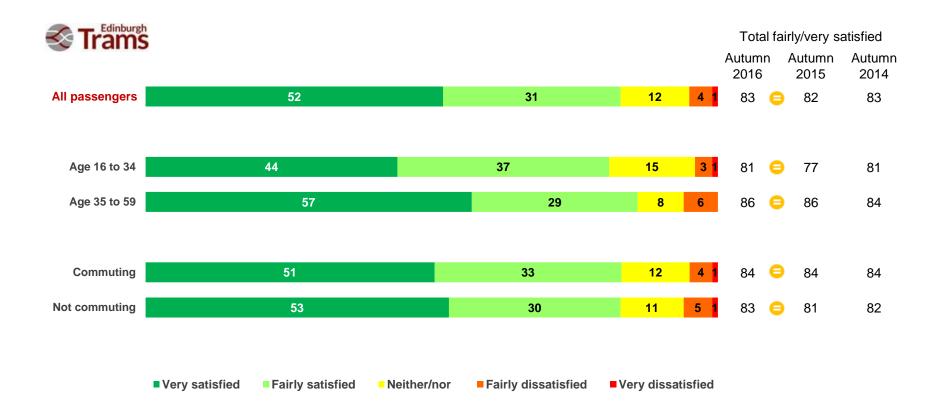


Q. Overall, taking everything into account from the start to the end of this tram journey, how satisfied were you with your tram journey today? Base: All passengers - 515 (Note: low base of 57 for free pass holders)

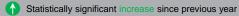


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Experience and opinions of the journey: the detail Value for money (fare-payers only)



Q. How satisfied were you with the value for money of your journey? Base: All fare paying passengers - 431

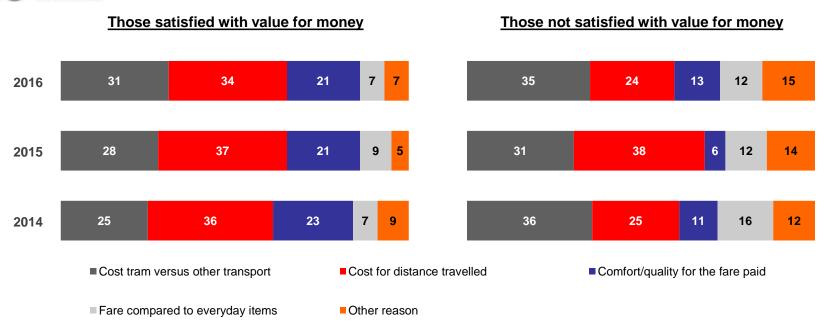


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Experience and opinions of the journey: the detail

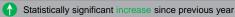
What influenced value for money rating





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 – satisfied with VFM (342), not satisfied with VFM (66)

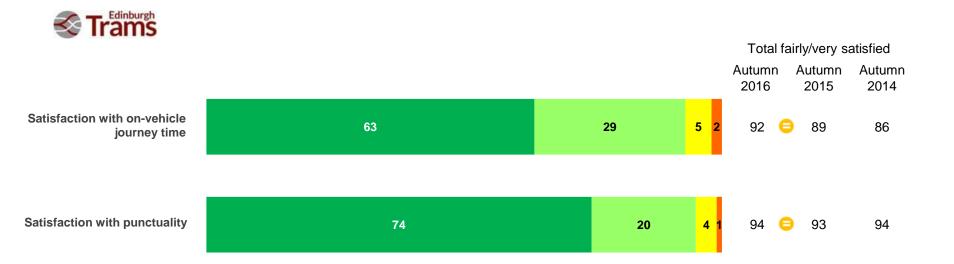




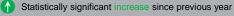


Experience and opinions of the journey: the detail

Punctuality and on-vehicle journey time



Q. How satisfied were you with each of the following...Punctuality? Base: All passengers - 485





Q. How satisfied were you with the amount of time your journey on the tram took? Base: All passengers - 511

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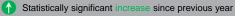
Waiting at the stop



Waiting at the stop: summary

\leq	Trams	Buses in SESTRAN		Trams	Buses in SESTRAN
Satisfaction with the stop:					
Overall satisfaction with stop	97 😑	83	Satisfaction: waiting time	94 😑	82
Distance from journey start	89 😑	89	Expected wait time	7 mins 🚯	5 mins
Convenience/accessibility	92 😑	91	Actual reported wait	5 mins 😑	5 mins
General condition and maintenance	98 😑	78	time		
Freedom from graffiti/vandalism	99 😑	79			
Freedom from litter	98 😑	79	Passengers who checked tram time	78%	79%
Behaviour of other passengers	97 😑	N/A*	Info sources used	Live tram	Live position
Information provided	90 🚹	79	before arriving at stop	locator/timings, Online tram times	updates, online timetables
Personal safety	96 😑	83			
			Info sources used at stop	65% electronic display	41% digital display, 35% timetable
			Among those that didn't check	71% knew service frequent	53% knew service frequent

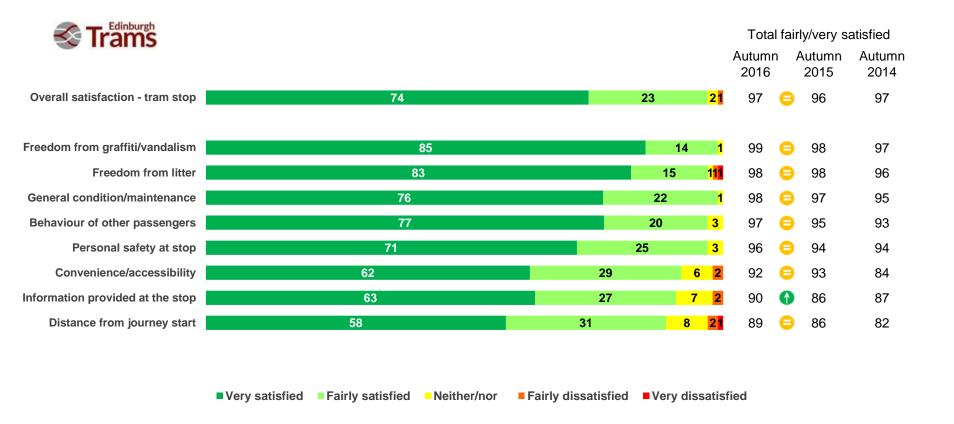




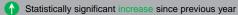




Satisfaction with the tram stop



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 - 521

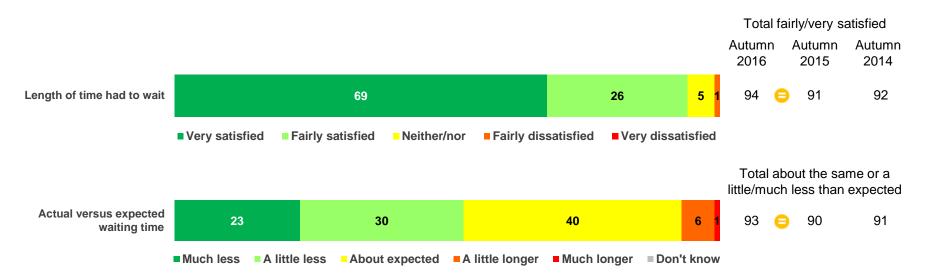




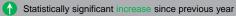
Waiting at the stop: the detail

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 - 513



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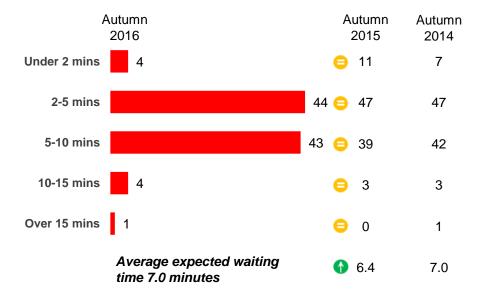
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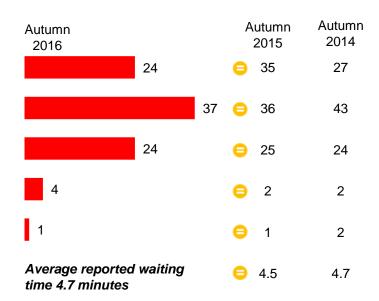
Expected and reported waiting times



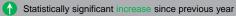
Expected tram waiting time



Reported tram waiting time



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 - 520





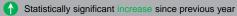
How passengers checked tram times



22 per cent (a) of Edinburgh passengers did not check to find out when the tram was meant to arrive (2015: 26 per cent)

Before leaving for the tram stop					At the tram stop					
	Autu 201		Autumn 2015	Autumn 2014		Autumn 2016			Autumn 2015	Autumn 2014
Leaflet/paper timetable	1	•	2	2	Electronic display		65	0	61	66
Online	8	•	10	11	Information posters	2		e	1	2
Live tram locator/timings	9)	7	12	Online	1		•	1	1
Disruption updates via social media	0	•	1	1	Live tram locator/timings	2			1	2
Other	6	•	6	4	Disruption updates via social media	0		=	0	0
					Other	2		•	2	2

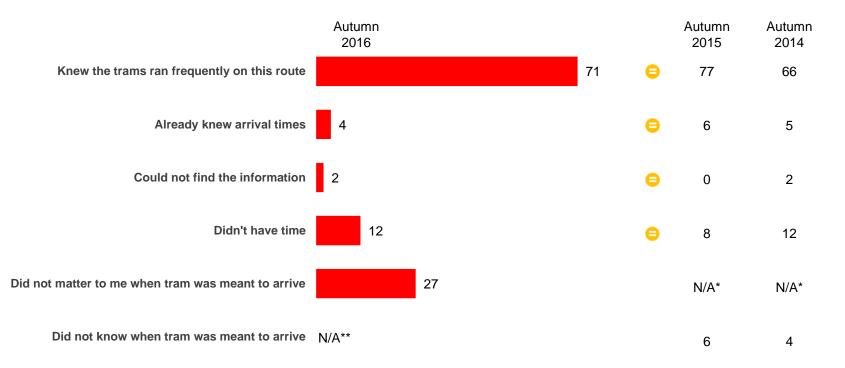
Q. Did you check any of the following to find out when the tram was meant to arrive? Base: All passengers - 533



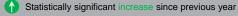
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Why passengers did not check tram times





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 - 124





^{*} Not asked before 2016

^{**} Not asked in 2016

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The tram



The tram: summary

- Edinburgh	Buses in Edinburgh
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Start of journey		ı	On board			The driver		
Route info on tram	94 😑	90	Interior cleanliness	98 😑	87	Appearance	98 😑	93
Exterior cleanliness	98 😑	88	Info on board	93 😑	75	Greeting	93 🚹	81
Ease getting on	98 😑	94	Seat/standing space	90 😑	92	Helpfulness/attitude	95 😑	81
Time taken to board	99 😑	93	Seat comfort	94 😑	85	Safety of driving	97 😑	92
			Personal space	89 😑	84	Smoothness journey	94 😑	83
			Provision grabrails	91 😑	90			
			Temperature	89 😑	82			

95 😑

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Personal security



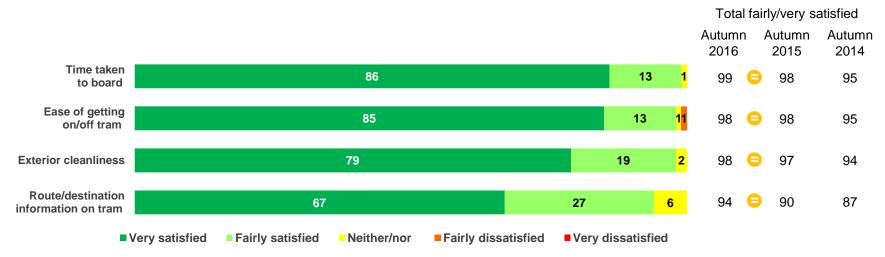




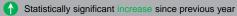
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Satisfaction with start of journey





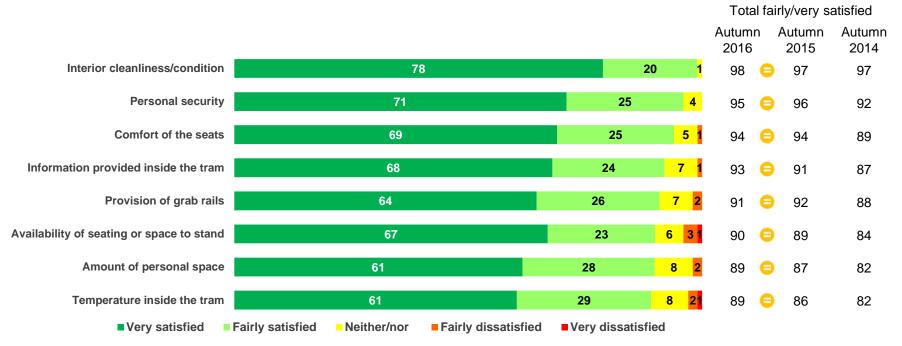
Q. Thinking about when the tram arrived, please indicate how satisfied you were with the following: Base: All passengers - 513



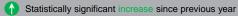
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Satisfaction on the tram





Q. Thinking about whilst you were on the tram, please indicate how satisfied you were with the following: Base: All passengers - 520



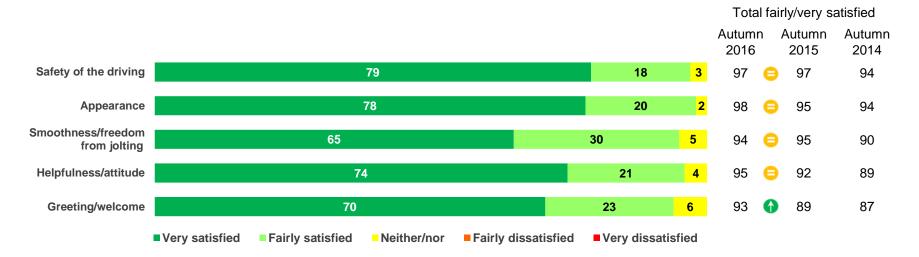


Statistically significant decrease since previous year

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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 - 517

Statistically significant increase since previous year

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Negative experiences during the journey



Negative experiences during the journey: summary





Passengers experiencing a delay to their journey





Average length of delay (perceived)





Most common cause of

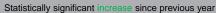


*Caution: small base (18)



Passengers with worry or concern about others' behaviour on board

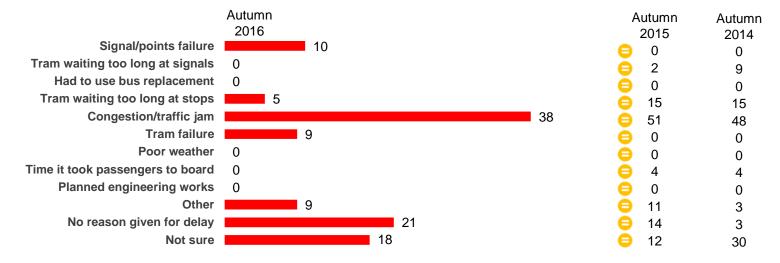




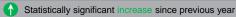
Experience of delays



4 per cent (e) of Edinburgh passengers experienced a delay (2015:4 per cent). Average length of delay was 5 minutes (e)



TPS: Q. Why was your journey delayed? Base: All experiencing a delay – 18 (Caution small base)







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Negative experiences during the journey: the detail

Worry or concern at other passengers' behaviour

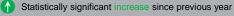


% worried/concerned	of	other	passengers'	behaviour
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	Autumn 2016	Autum 2015	n Autumn 2014
All passengers	1	(=) 1	2
Male Female	■ 1 ■ 1	10	2 1
Age 16 to 34 Age 35 to 59 Age 60+	2 0 0	200	2 1 2
Types of worrying/concernin	g behaviour (%) Autumn 2016	Autumi 2015	n Autumn 2014
Rowdy behaviour Loud use of mobile phones Passengers under influence of alcohol Passengers playing loud music Passengers not paying their fares Feet on seats Abusive or threatening behaviour Passengers not moving out of priority seats Passengers under influence of drugs Graffiti/vandalism	Sample size of concerned passengers too small to report upon	Base too small to report	Base too small to report
Smoking			

Q. Did other passengers' behaviour give you cause to worry or make you feel uncomfortable during your journey? Base: All passengers - 518

Q. Which of the following were the reasons for [other passengers behaviour causing you concern]? Base: All experiencing worrying/concerning behaviour – 4 (Caution small base)







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Passengers' suggested improvements

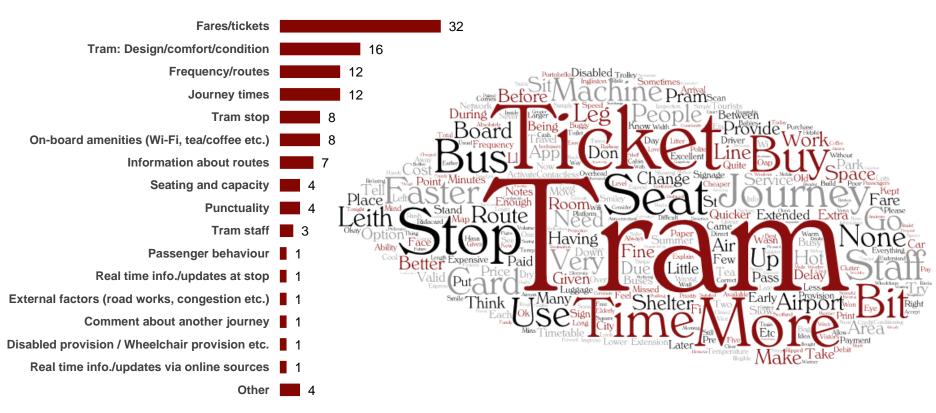


Passengers' suggested improvements: summary



81% of Edinburgh Trams passengers in 2016 had no suggestions for improvements

...of the 19% that did, the most common service areas for improvement were:



*Coding has been changed since 2015. Significant changes are therefore not shown

Q. If something could have been improved on your tram journey today, what would it have been? Base: All suggesting an improvement - 109

Statistically significant increase since previous year

No change

Statistically significant decrease since previous year

Passengers' suggested improvements: the detail

Selected verbatim comments

Less delays, more information. Trams should get priority over buses

Better ventilation in summer. An app that gives time like the bus tracker. Early trams to airport for early flights.
 More provision for pushchairs.

- 1. I think you need more ticket machines at Haymarket.
- 2 I think you should be able to buy and activate tickets on the tram. I don't know why I can't activate an electronic ticket already bought on the train

Ticket machine does not take notes. 80% of queue had to try and get correct change because card option was not working making it difficult for tourists

Faster, disappointing that X12 bus is quieter than tram

Speed of tram and frequency could be better

Tram too hot. Can't use notes in ticket machines

Speed of tram - could go faster. So expensive

Temperature fine tonight but often too warm in morning during the day

On other tram journeys luggage in the gangway, not all staff insist on it being put on racks provided

Journey from City - Gogarburn (and vice versa) can be faster? Apparently taking the bus is still faster.

On way back we stopped due to extra trams for Rugby-did not tell us right away we would be delayed

Seat width. Cost of ticket from airport to Ingliston stop.

Can a timetable be provided. An estimated 8-12 minutes seems 50% flexible with times. Can a timetable be provided in the airport?

The length of journeysometimes having express tram

On this journey all is okay for me. Very poor provision of card swipe machines at stops and the signage at stops telling people to buy ticket before boarding is inadequate - too many tourists and visitors ripped off with the on-board fare.

- Change given when purchasing a paper ticket.

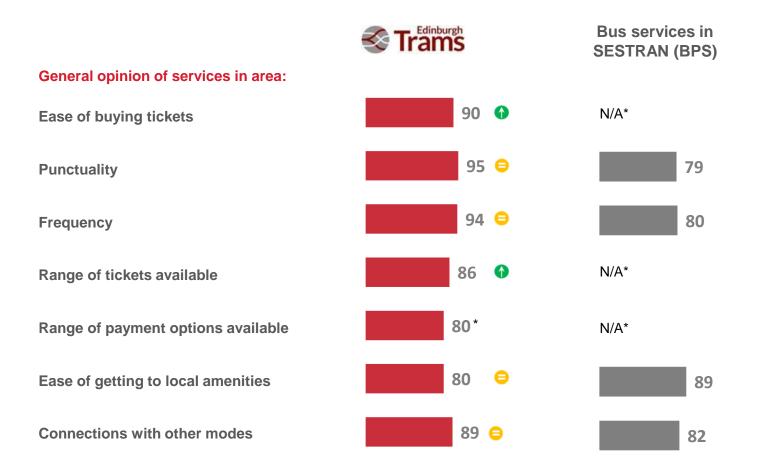
 Weekday commute More
- 2. Weekday commute . More trams are too busy.

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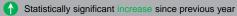
Opinion of trams in the local area



Opinion of trams in the local area: summary



*Not asked in 2015/BPS. Punctuality refers to 'reliability' in BPS

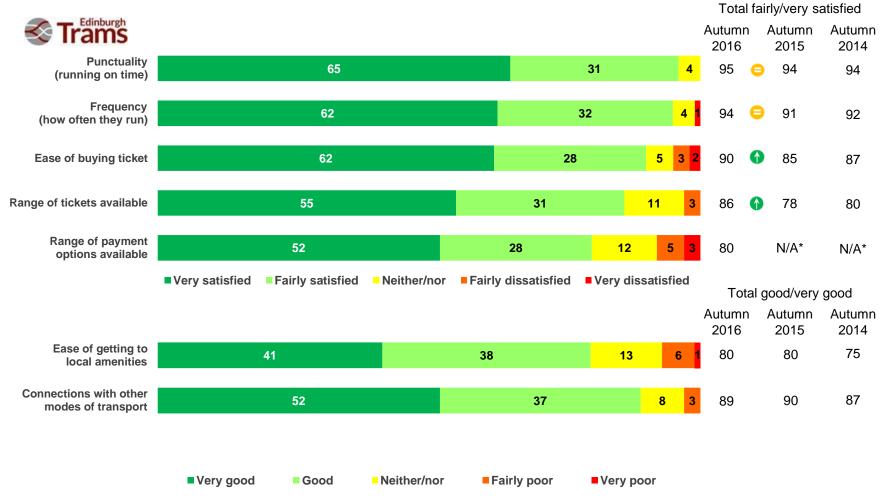


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Opinion of trams in the local area: the detail

Satisfaction with trams generally



^{*}Not asked in 2015/2014

Statistically significant increase since previous year.



Statistically significant decrease since previous year



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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 - 466

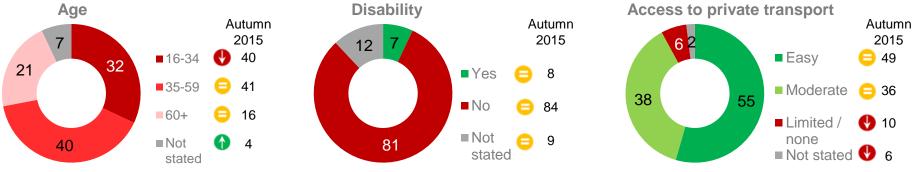
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Appendix 1: the passenger and journey context



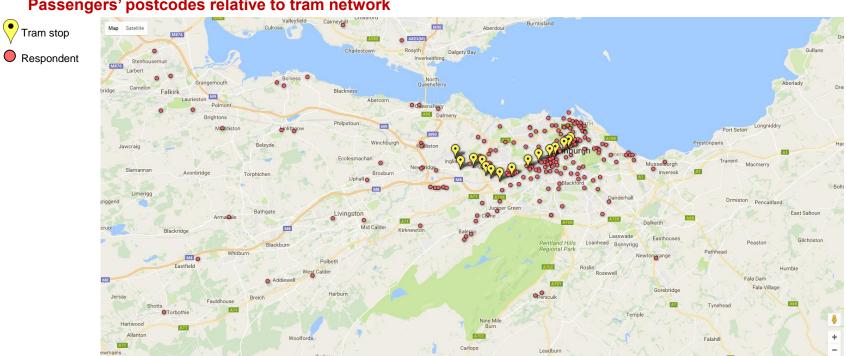
Edinburgh passengers: summary

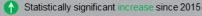
Overview of passenger demographics



*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

Passengers' postcodes relative to tram network



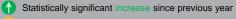


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Statistically significant decrease since 2015

Passenger profile

		Tram						
	Autumn 2016	A	Autumn 2015	Autumn 2014	Autumn 2016			
Age								
16-34	32	•	40	47	40			
35-59	40		41	35	34			
Over 60	21		16	18	20			
Not stated*	7	•	4	N/A	6			
Access to private transport								
Easy	55		49	44	28			
Moderate	38		36	44	35			
Limited/none	6	•	10	9	30			
Not stated	2	•	6	2	7			
Has a disability Yes	7	=	8	7	21			
Ticket type								
Free pass holders	17		12	11	27			
Fare-payers Base: All passengers - 512 (T	83 (ram)	0	88	89	70			



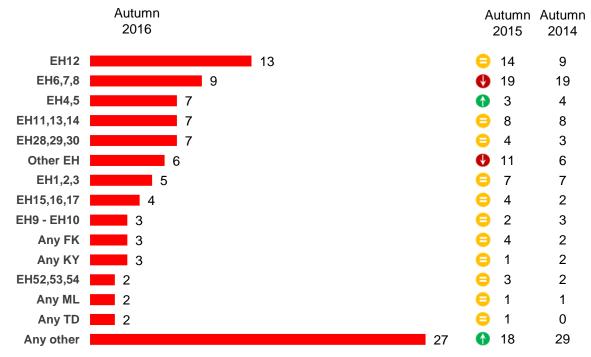
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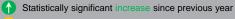
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Where Edinburgh Trams passengers live





Q: What is your postcode? Base: All giving a postcode – 421

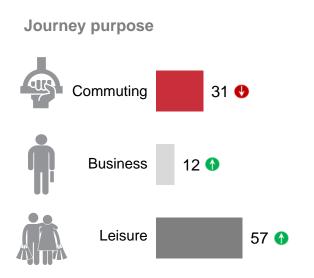


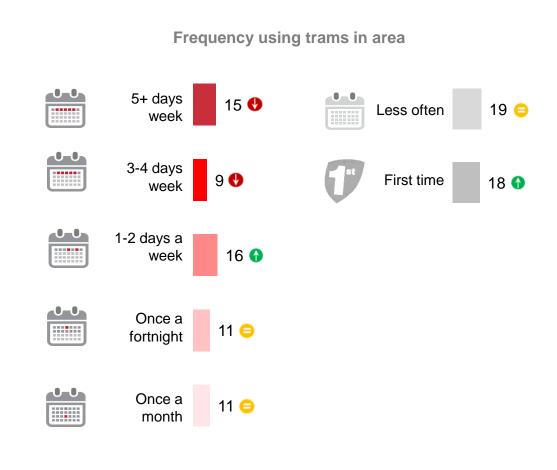




Edinburgh Trams journeys: summary (1)

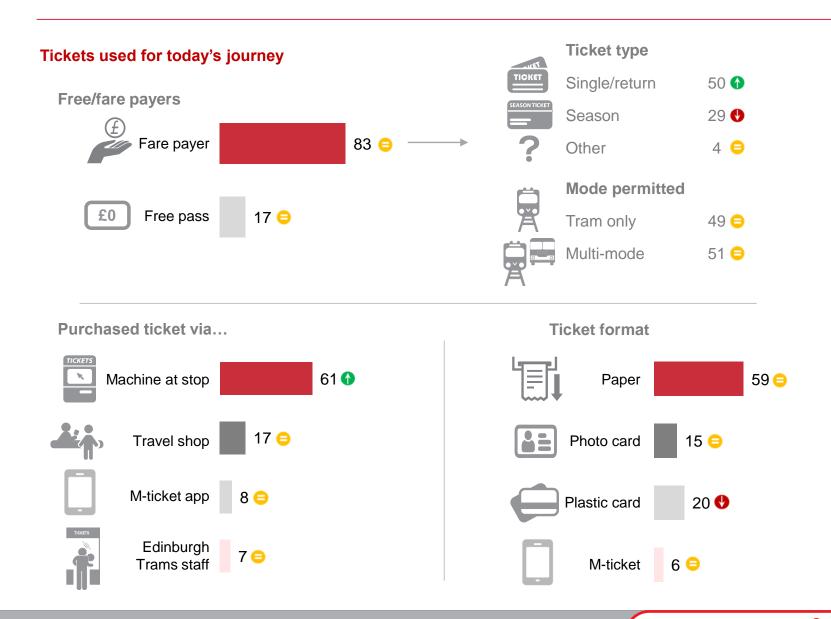
Passenger journey details





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Edinburgh Trams journeys: summary (2)



Edinburgh Trams journeys: summary (3)

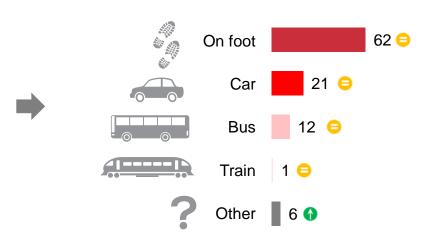
Most used tram stops: journey start

Edinburgh Airport	26 😑
York Place	16 😍
Princes Street	12 😑
Ingliston Park & Ride	10 😑
St Andrew Square	9 😑
Gyle Centre	8 😑
Haymarket	3 😑
Gogarburn	3 😑

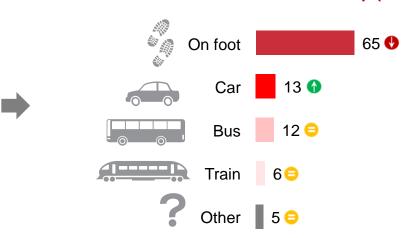
Most used tram stops: journey destination

Princes Street	19 🚹
York Place	12 😑
Edinburgh Airport	11 😑
Haymarket	10 😑
St Andrew Square	8 😑
Gyle Centre	6 😑
West End – Princes Street	6 😑
Ingliston Park & Ride	5 😑

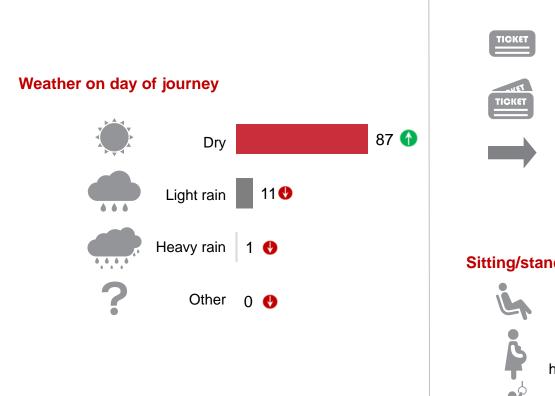
Mode used to arrive at starting stop (all stops)

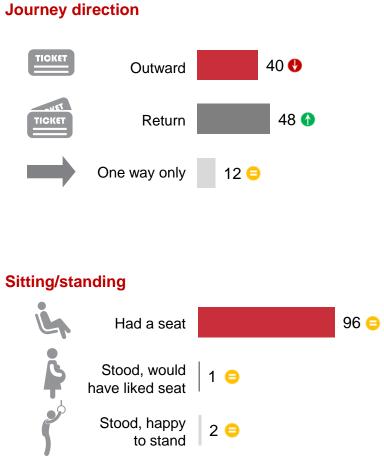


Mode used to travel on from destination stop (all stops)



Edinburgh Trams journeys: summary (4)

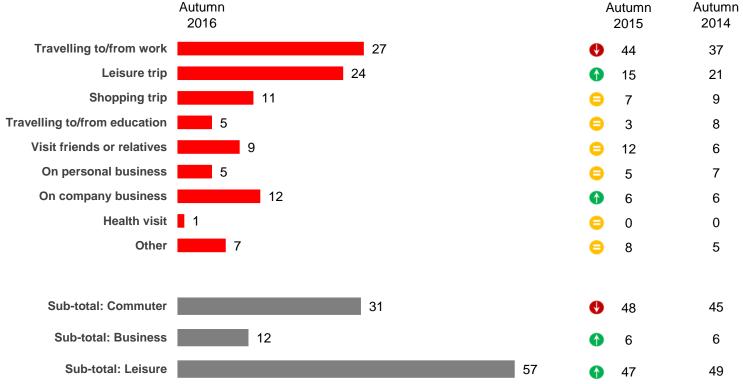




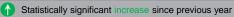
Passenger and journey context: the detail

Journey purpose





Q. What is the main purpose of your tram journey today? Base: All passengers - 521

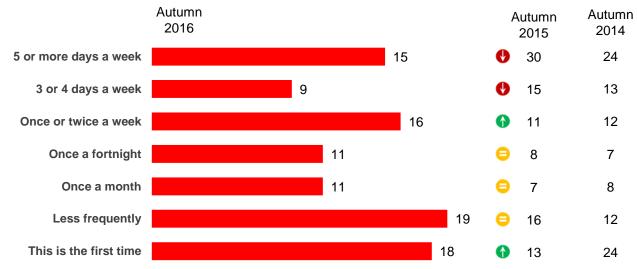




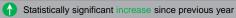
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Frequency of using Edinburgh Trams





Q. How often do you typically travel by tram? Base: All passengers - 493

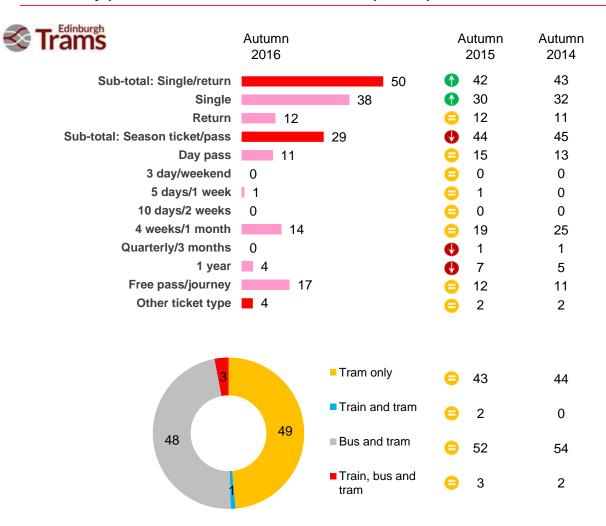


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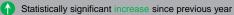
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Ticket type and modes of transport permitted



Q. What type of ticket/pass did you use for this tram journey today? Base: All passengers - 512

Q. What modes of transport does your ticket allow you to travel on? Base: All passengers - 528

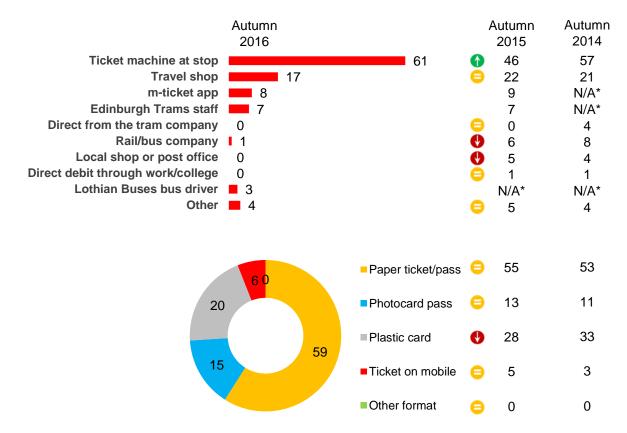




Statistically significant decrease since previous year

Method of buying ticket and ticket format





Q. How did you buy that ticket or pass? Base: All fare paying passengers – 443 Q. In what format was your ticket? Base: All passengers - 519







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^{*}Not asked before 2016

Edinburgh Trams stops used by passengers surveyed

40 per cent of passengers were on an outward journey, 48 per cent on a return and 12 per cent on a one-way trip (2015: 53 per cent, 35 per cent and 12 per cent respectively)

98 per cent had a seat for their whole journey, while 2 per cent said they had to stand but would have liked to have a seat (2015: 95 per cent and 2 per cent)

Boarding	Autumn Autumr 2016 2015	Autumn 2014
Edinburgh Airport	26 😑 22	21
York Place	16 🔱 22	22
Princes Street	12 😑 9	8
Ingliston Park & Ride	10 😑 11	8
St Andrew Square	9 😑 8	11
Gyle Centre	8 😑 5	6
Haymarket	3 😑 5	3
Gogarburn	3 😑 4	3

Alighting	Autumn 2016			Autumn 2014
Princes Street	19	0	14	14
York Place	12	0	12	9
Edinburgh Airport	11		9	9
Haymarket	10	0	12	10
St Andrew Square	8	0	8	10
Gyle Centre	6		7	12
West End – Princes Street	6		7	7
Ingliston Park & Ride	5	0	5	5

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

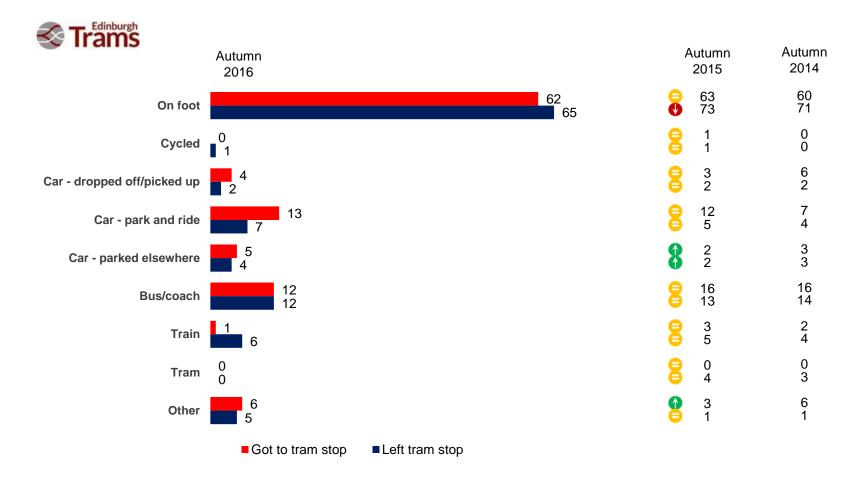
Q: Were you on your outward or return journey? Q. Did you get a seat on the tram? Q: At which stop did you board/leave this tram? Base: All passengers - 533

Statistically significant increase since previous year

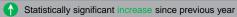
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Statistically significant decrease since previous year

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 - 519

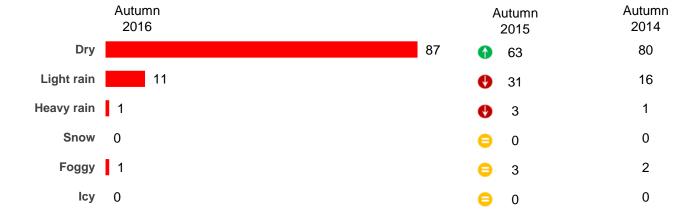


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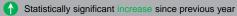
Statistically significant decrease since previous year

Weather conditions when journey made





Q. What was the weather like when you made your journey? Base: All passengers - 521



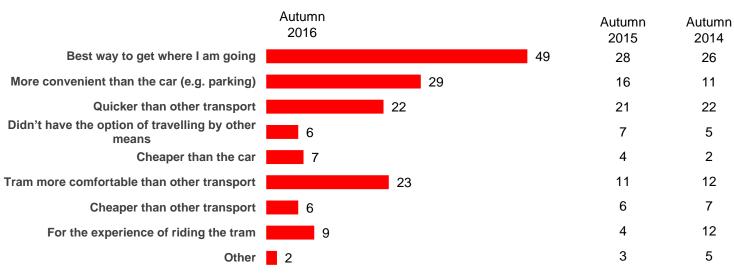


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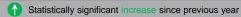
Passenger and journey context: the detail

Reasons for choosing the tram





Q. What was the main reason you chose to take the tram for this journey? Base: All passengers - 510



No change

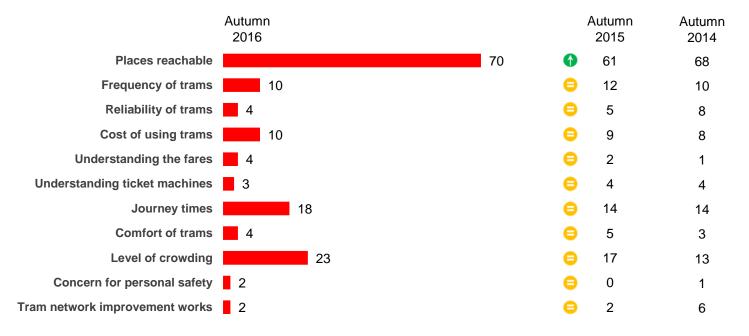
Statistically significant decrease since previous year

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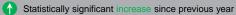
^{*}Question changed to multi-code in 2016. Significant changes are therefore not shown

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 - 271

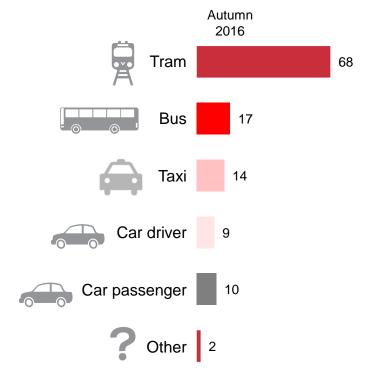






Transport mode preferences if travelling to Edinburgh Airport

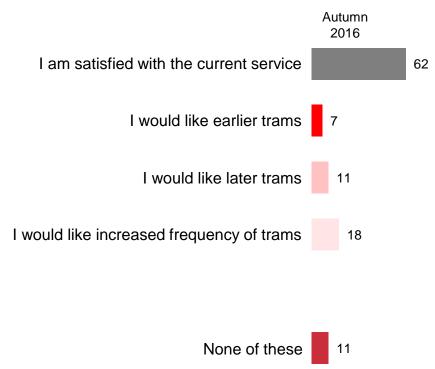




Q. If travelling to/from Edinburgh Airport, how would you choose to travel? - 494

Preferences for increased service frequency/hours





Q. Which of the following best describes you? - 532

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Appendix 2: Further detail on survey background and method



Methodology – fieldwork

Edinburgh Trams (TPS)

Fieldwork: 26 September and 4 December 2016 (with a gap for half term from 17 to 24 October)

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: 533 interviews (525 paper and 8 online)

In 2015 fieldwork took place between 17 September to 26 November 2015

Bus (BPS) data for South East Scotland Transport Region

Fieldwork: 5 September to 18 December 2016

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: 1,970 interviews

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
- 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 2016 technical report.

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Methodology – themes that are affecting overall passenger satisfaction charts (1)

This year, we introduced a new approach for identifying the key drivers of overall journey satisfaction amongst bus passengers, comprising two stages. At the first stage, we took all 25 individual satisfaction measures from the survey (apart from the overall journey satisfaction) and formed them into themes using a statistical technique known as factor analysis, which groups together those satisfaction measures that are responded to similarly within the data. For instance, where high or low scores are given for measure 'x', there tends to be a similar rating for measures 'y' and 'z', so the 'factor' or theme becomes 'A'. Through this process we identified ten themes, which are shown below, alongside measures that formed each theme:

Theme (factor) Questions 1 On tram environment and comfort 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 2 Tram stop condition Its general condition/standard of maintenance Its freedom from graffiti/vandalism Its freedom from litter 3 Boarding the tram The ease of getting on to and off of the tram The length of time it took to board the tram 4 Timeliness The length of time you had to wait for the tram The punctuality of the tram 5 Access to the tram stop Its distance from your journey start e.g. home, shops The convenience/accessibility of its location 6 Personal safety throughout journey Behaviour of fellow passengers waiting at the stop Your personal safety whilst at the tram stop Your personal security whilst on the tram 7 Cleanliness and condition of the tram The cleanliness and condition of the outside of the tram The cleanliness and condition of the inside of the tram The amount of time the journey took Smoothness/freedom from jolting during the journey 9 Information throughout journey The information provided at the tram stop Route/destination information on the outside of the tram The information provided inside the tram 10 Value for money How satisfied were you with the value for money of your tram journey?

Methodology – themes that are affecting overall passenger satisfaction charts (2)

For the second stage, these themes were then used to identify how much effect each one has on passengers' rating for overall journey satisfaction, by means of a key driver analysis.

The square diagrams show the proportional influence that each theme has on satisfaction for that area/operator. They should be read like a pie chart where the slices or portions are relative to each other and together add up to 100%. So in the example below, the theme of 'on tram environment and comfort' which is shaded red, has the greatest influence on satisfaction, followed by 'smoothness/speed of tram', while themes such as 'boarding the tram' and 'information throughout journey' have relatively influence here.

On tram environment and comfort	Value for money	Cleanliness and condition of the tram		
Smoothness/speed of tram	Personal safety throughout journey	Access to the tram stop		
Timeliness	Tram stop condition	Information throughout journey		

This analysis was conducted on fare-paying passengers only, so that the influence of value for money could be included. It also combines data from 2015 and 2016 surveys to increase robustness. The analysis excludes satisfaction measures relating to tram staff; due to differences in staff availability across the networks not all TPS questionnaires feature questions about tram staff. In order to run the analysis in a consistent and practical manner all staff measures have been excluded.

There are noticeable and interesting differences in the impact of different themes between the various tram networks.

The Edinburgh Trams route map



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Appendix 3: Questionnaire



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Tram Passenger Survey

Thank you for agreeing to take part in our survey. Your views as a tram passenger are important.

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.

Towards the end, there are also questions to record your general experiences too.

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.

Completing the questionnaire

Please fill in the questionnaire after completing your journey on Edinburgh Trams.

Please tick only one box per question, unless directed otherwise.

After completing the questionnaire, please return it to us in the reply paid envelope provided.

WHEN ANSWERING:

For office use only:

CONSIDER ONLY THE JOURNEY YOU MADE WHEN GIVEN THIS QUESTIONNAIRE

1	About your journey on Edinburgh Tran	NS .
Q1a	At which stop did you board this tram?	
Q1b	At which stop did you leave this tram?	
Q2	Please fill in the time that you boarded the tran Use the 24 hr. clock e.g. 5.25pm is 17:25 Enter your time of boarding into the boxes as sho	
Q3a	What type of ticket or pass did you use for this	journey on Edinburgh Trams?
	Season Ticket/Ridacard/Citysmart 1 day (incl. Family, Day&Night and Night) 1 week	Single/return ticket Single ticket
Q3b	What modes of transport does your ticket allow	w you to travel on?
	Tram only	Bus and Tram
		Your opinion

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m-ticket app Edinburgh Trams staff		Train operating company Other
Lothian Buses bus driver		
Q5b How did you pay for your ticket?		
Cash	□	Contactless payment
Debit or credit card		Don't know/not applicable
Q6 What is the main purpose of your journ	ey on E	Edinburgh Trams 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)		
Q7 Were you on your outward or return join		
Outward		One way trip only
Return	□	
Q8 Were you travelling with? (Please tid		
Heavy/bulky luggage/other large items		A dog
A pushchair		A helper
Children (under 12)		A mobility scooter
A folding bicycle A non-folding bicycle		A wheelchair None of the above
On foot/walked Cycled Car - dropped off Car - and used Park and Ride Car - parked elsewhere		Bus Train TramOther
Q10 Which means of transport did you use	when v	ou got off this tram today?
On foot/walked		Bus
Cycled		Train
Car - dropped off		Tram
Car - and used Park and Ride		Other
Car - parked elsewhere	П	
Q11 What was the main reason you chose t (Please tick all that apply)	o take l	Edinburgh Trams for this journey?
Cheaper than the car		Best way to get where I am going
Cheaper than other transport	ш	Tram more comfortable than
More convenient than the car		other transport
(e.g. parking)		For the experience of riding the tram.
Didn't have the option of travelling		Other (please write in)
by another means		
Quicker than other transport		

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A plastic card you touched

Other format.....

on to the fare machine (e.g. Citysmart).....

Travelshop or Park & Ride/Airlink kiosk

Q4 In what format was your ticket?

A standard paper ticket/pass.

An m-ticket (sent to your mobile phone)...

Q5a How did you buy that ticket or pass?

A photo card ticket/pass...

Ticket vending machine...

Q12	What was the weather like when you made your	journey,	was it:	?					
	Dry	Foggy							
	Light rain	Snow							
	Heavy rain	lcy							
2	About the tram stop where you boarded	this Ed	dinburç	gh Tran	n				
Q13	3 Thinking about the tram stop itself, how satisfied were you with the following?								
				Neither			Don't		
		Very		satisfied nor		Very	know/no		
		satisfied		dissatisfied (opinion		
	Its distance from your journey start e.g. home/shops								
	The convenience/accessibility of its location Its general condition/standard of maintenance								
	Its freedom from graffiti/vandalism								
	Its freedom from litter		H	H	ă	H			
	Behaviour of fellow passengers waiting at the stop								
	The information provided at the tram stop								
	Your personal safety whilst at the tram stop								
Q14	Overall, how satisfied were you with the tram st	op?							
	Very satisfied		ssatisfie	d			П		
	Fairly satisfied			1					
	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	Don't kn	ow/No o	pinion					
3	Waiting for the tram								
Q15	Approximately, how long did you wait for your to (Please write the time in minutes)	ram?							
Q16	Did you check any of the following to find out w (Please tick all that apply)	hen the t	tram wa	s meant	to arrive	?			
	Before leaving for the tram stop	At the ti	ram sto	р					
	Leaflet/paper timetable			ay at the s					
	Online tram times			ters at the					
	Live tram locator/timings			es					
	(e.g. via mobile app/web)			r/timings oile app/w					
	Disruption updates (e.g. on Twitter/Facebook)	Disruption			ев)				
	Telephoned for information			ter/Faceb	ook)		П		
	Other			informatio					
		Other							
	If you did not check to find out when the tram w (Please tick all that apply)								
	Knew the trams ran								
	frequently on this route			me whe					
	Already knew arrival times			arrive					
	Approximately how long did you expect to wait (Please write the time in minutes)								
)18a	Thinking about the time you waited for the tram	-							
	Much longer than expected			than you					
	A little longer than you expected			than you	expected				
(18b	Were you able to board the first tram you wante	d to trave	el on?						
	Yes	No					П		

Q19 How satisfied were you with each of the following?							
	Very	Fairly	Neither satisfied nor	Fairly	Very	Don't know/no	
	satisfied	satisfied	dissatisfied			opinion	
The length of time you had to wait for the tram							
The punctuality of the tram	Ц						
4 On the tram							
Q20 Thinking about when the tram arrived, please indicate how satisfied you were with the following: Neither Do							
	Very	Fairly	satisfied nor	Fairly	Very	know/no	
Destribution information on the extende of the trans-	satisfied	_	dissatisfied	_		opinion	
Route/destination information on the outside of the tram.							
The cleanliness & condition of the outside of the tram The ease of getting onto and off of the tram				H	H	H	
The length of time it took to board the tram		H	H	H	H	H	
Q21 Thinking about whilst you were on the tram, ple the following:			Neither		were with	Don't	
	Very satisfied	Fairly satisfied	satisfied nor dissatisfied	Fairly discatisfied	Very dissatisfied	know/no opinion	
The cleanliness and condition of the inside of the tram		Sausileu	dissausileu	uissausileu	dissausiled	Opinion	
The information provided inside the tram		H	H	H	H	H	
Sufficient room for all the passengers to sit/stand	_						
The comfort of the seats			П	ī	Ħ	Ħ	
The amount of personal space you had around you		Ħ	ī	Ħ	Ħ	ī	
Provision of grab rails to hold on to when standing/							
moving about the tram	П						
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							
Q22 Did you get a seat on the tram?							
Yes – for all of the journey□	No – bu	t you we	ere happy	to stan	d	□	
Yes – for part of the journey	No – bu	t you w	ould have	liked a	seat		
23a Did other passengers' behaviour give you cause uncomfortable during your journey?	e to worr	y or ma	ike you f	eel			
Yes	No					口	
23b It yes: Which of the following were the reason(s) for thi	s? (Ple	ease tick a	all that a	pply)		
Passengers drinking/under the	Passeng	gers not	t paying th	neir fare	s	□	
influence of alcohol							
Passengers taking/under the	Music b	eing pla	yed loud	y			
influence of drugs							
Abusive or threatening behaviour			alism				
Rowdy behaviour	Loud us	e of mo	bile phon	es			
Passengers not moving	Other (p	lease v	rite in)				
out of priority seats							
23c If yes: What local area was the tram travelling t	brough a	r at wh	ich eten	wae it u	whon		
you were worried or concerned?	ougii 0	a at Wil	ion stop	mas it i	VII CII		

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Q24a Was your journey on Edinburgh Trams today delaye	ed at all?		Q31 What had the biggest influence on the 'value for money' rating you gave in the pre	vious
Yes No	0		question?	
Q24b If yes: Why was this? (Please tick all that apply)			The cost for the distance travelled	
	me it took passangers to board/		The cost of the tram versus other Comfort/journey quality for modes of transport	
Due to a signal/points failure□ Tir Road congestion/traffic jam	me it took passengers to board/ pay for tickets		The fare in comparison to the cost A reason not mentioned above	
	ad to use bus replacement service		of everyday items	
	ther (please write in)			
Poor weather conditions				
The tram waiting too long at stops	o reason given			
The tram waiting too long at signals	on't know		Q32 All things considered, how much do you trust the tram company that operated the you used for this journey? (Please tick one box only)	tram
Q25 If yes: By approximately how long was your journe	ey today delayed?		you used for this journey? (Please tick one box only)	
(Please write the time in minutes)				
Q26 Were any of these items of information present on t	the tram?		1 2 3 4 5 6 7	1
•	Yes No	Don't know		1
A map of the tram route/journey times			Do NOT trust . TRU	JST them a
Audio announcements e.g. saying the next tram stop				EAT deal
An electronic display e.g. showing the next tram stop Information about tickets/fares		H		
A timetable		H	6 Your opinion of Edinburgh Trams generally	
Details of how to contact the tram company, for example		_	WHEN ANSWERING THIS SECTION PLEASE CONSIDER EDINBURGH TRAMS SERVICES	
to make a complaint or find out information			GENERALLY (NOT JUST THE JOURNEY YOU MADE WHEN GIVEN THIS QUESTIONNAIR	₹E)
Q27 Thinking about any Edinburgh Trams staff you enco	countered on your journey, please		Q33a How would you rate Edinburgh Trams services for the following:	
indicate how satisfied you were with each of the fol			Neither Very Fairly good nor F	airly
	Neither	Don't		poor
\	Very Fairly satisfied nor Fairly Very atisfied satisfied dissatisfied dissatisfied	know/no d opinion	Ease of getting to local amenities	
The appearance of any staff			(-3	
Any greeting/welcome you got from the staff			Connection with other forms of	_
The helpfulness and attitude of the staff				
The safety of the driving (i.e. appropriateness		_		
of speed, driver concentrating)			Q33b And how satisfied are you overall with Edinburgh Trams services for the following	j:
5 Your overall opinion of the journey you made	do whon given this guestienne	viro	Neither Very Fairly satisfied nor Fairly V	Verv k
5 Tour overall opinion of the journey you mad	de when given this questionna	iii e	satisfied satisfied dissatisfied dissatisfie	satisfied
Q28 Overall, taking everything into account from start to	o and of this journay, how estisfied			
were you with your journey on the Edinburgh Trams	is today?			
	airly dissatisfied			
	ery dissatisfied			
	on't know/No opinion			
Q29 If something could have been improved on your jou what would it have been?	·		Q34a If you needed information about your local tram services, e.g. times, fares, where very our obtain that information? (Please tick all that apply) Facebook	
			Facebook	
			Internet: Edinburgh Trams website	
			Phone: Edinburgh Trams Other Other	
			Edinburgh Trams staff	
Q30 How satisfied were you with the value for money of	f your journey on the Edinburgh Tra	oms?	Q34b If travelling to/from Edinburgh Airport, how would you choose to travel?	
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Q34c	Which of the following statements best of (Please tick all that apply)	escribe	es you?		
	I would like earlier trams				
Q35	Q35 How often do you typically travel on Edinburgh Trams? (Please tick the closest to your frequency of tram use)				
	5 or more days a week. 3 or 4 days a week. Once or twice a week.		Once a month		
	Once a fortnight		used the Edinburgh Trams		
Q36	Q36 If you have used Edinburgh Trams before, how typical would you say today's experience was?				
	Much better than usual	Π.	A little worse than usual		
Q37	Have any of the following frequently stop (Please tick all that apply)	ped yo	u making journeys by tram?		
	The places you can reach by tram		How long journeys take when going by tram The comfort of the trams The level of crowding on the trams A concern for your personal safety on tram. Tram network improvement works		
7	About you				
	About you Are you? Male Prefer another term.		Female		
QA	Are you? Male Prefer another term In which age group are you?				
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QF Are you affected by any physical or mental health conditions or illnesses lasting or expected to last 12 months or more? (Please tick all that apply)
No - None
Yes – Vision (e.g. blindness or partial sight)
Yes – Hearing (e.g. deafness or partial hearing).
Yes – Mobility (e.g. only able to walk short distances or difficulty climbing stairs)
Yes – Dexterity (e.g. difficulty lifting and carrying objects or using a keyboard)
Yes – Learning or understanding or concentrating.
Yes – Memory
Yes – Mental health.
Yes – Stamina or breathing fatigue.
Yes – Socially or behaviourally (for example associated with autism,
attention deficit disorder or Asperger's syndrome)
A condition not mentioned above.
Does your condition or illness have an adverse effect on your ability to make journeys by tram?
Yes, a lot
Not at all
Please write in your home postcode here: Live outside the UK
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