

Report of the Executive Director

**JPB Board Meeting
October 9, 2025**



Rail Safety/Suicide Prevention Month

- Messaging social media throughout month
- Safety Blitz, Operation Clear Track Rail (9/16)
 - Transit police/staff enforcement and education day Burlingame, Redwood City and Palo Alto
 - 55 citations at crossings
- Be Sensitive, Be Brave (9/24 & 9/25)
 - Suicide prevention training available for all employees during noon lunch and learn
- Palo Alto Crossings, VTA funding rapid safety enhancements
- Apple joins other technology providers, enhanced railroad crossing notifications



OTP and Ridership

97.2% On Time Performance in September (*preliminary data as of Mon 10/6)

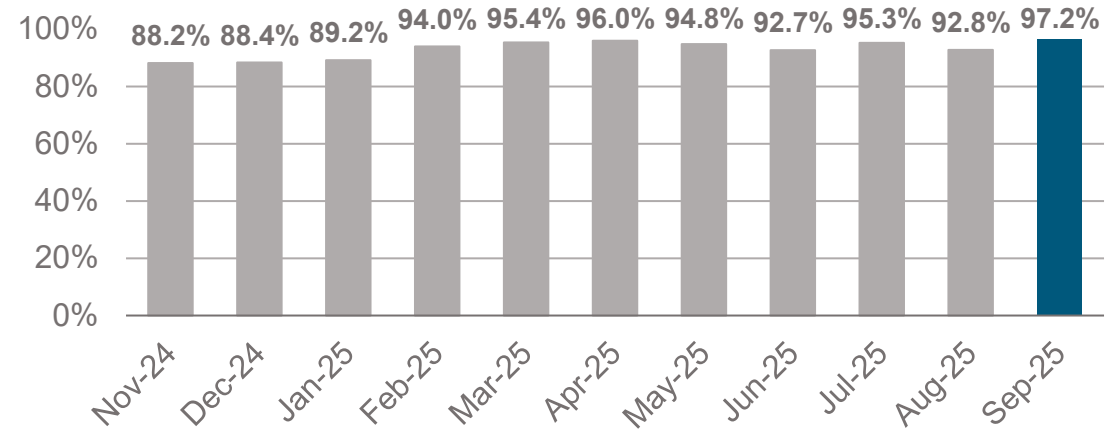
Month of August

- Over 1 million riders
- Monthly +66.8% vs August 2024
- Weekday +61.5% vs August 2024
- Weekend +115.8% vs August 2024

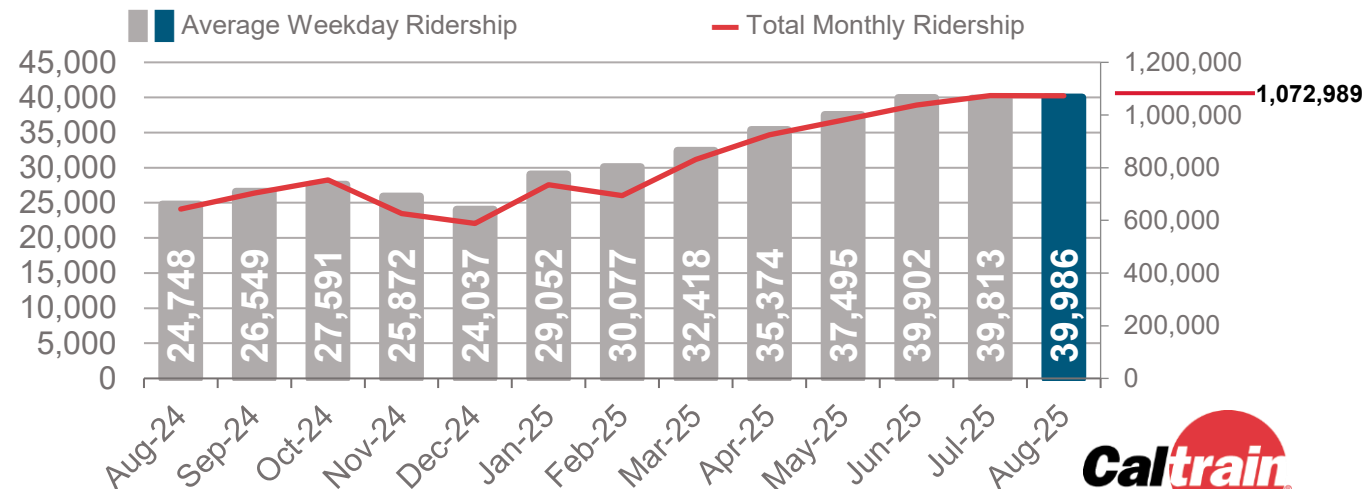
Compared to 2019

- 63.0% (55.9% weekday, 165.6% weekend)

Monthly On-Time Performance Since Electrification Launch



Ridership in the Past Year



Giants & Special Events

- **September**
 - Giants – Ridership +31% vs September 2024
 - Valkyries themed train, playoff game @ SAP Center (9/17), 2,340 riders
 - BayFC Train (9/27)
 - Stanford "Bill Walsh" game vs SJSU (9/27), 365 riders
 - Variety Transit Month Activities (CEO ride-along, CuriOdyssey etc)
- **October**
 - Stanford – Homecoming Game (10/18)
 - Start Sharks and Warriors seasons (10/9 & 10/23)



One Year of Caltrain Electrification

- Over 25 videos from local, State, and Federal leaders celebrating the one-year anniversary
- Activations at 8 stations thanking riders and asking about favorite part of electric service
- Main Positive Comments
 - Faster, more frequent service
 - Clean, reliable
 - Many first-time/new riders for events
 - [Highlight video of customers here](#)



Connections

- Hosted Japanese delegation
- Hosted Germany delegation
- Move Bay Area West Conference, Redwood City
- Rail Innovation Day, Sacramento
- APTA Transform, Boston
- State of Good Repair Conference, South San Francisco
- Transportation Research Board: The Future of Commuter Rail in North America
- Biannual Caltrain Updates to Member Agencies
 - SF Board of Supervisors (August)
 - SamTrans Board (August)
 - VTA Board (October)
 - MUNI Board (October)



Guadalupe Bridge

- Commenced First Dry Season Construction for MTI and MT2
- 30,000 job-hours without any OSHA reportable safety incidents
- Monthly and Quarterly Permit Agency Status and Coordination Meeting
- **Achieved first critical Milestone – Erect Steel Girder on MTI on Sept 25. Ahead of Schedule**



CCAs Approve Net Billing for Regenerative Braking

- Caltrain uses 100% renewable energy (currently solar and wind) provided by CCAs
- Our electric trains send ~23% of the energy they use back to the grid
 - 17,000 MWh annually, equivalent to powering over 1,545 homes a year
- Recent decisions by the boards Peninsula Clean Energy and San José Clean Energy will allow Caltrain to receive compensation (~\$1-2M per year)
- Many thanks to Assemblymember Papan for championing this effort and CCAs for their clean energy partnership

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