

# TRAVEL PATTERNS in the New York Metropolitan Area

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## MAJOR RIVER CROSSINGS



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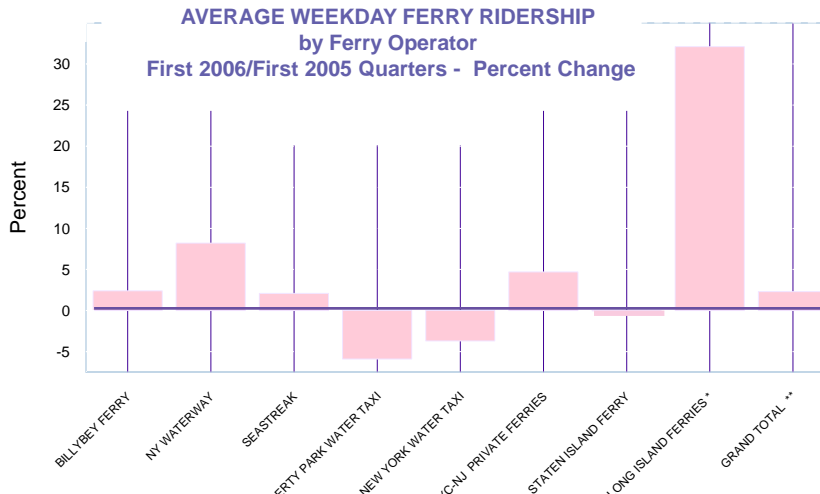
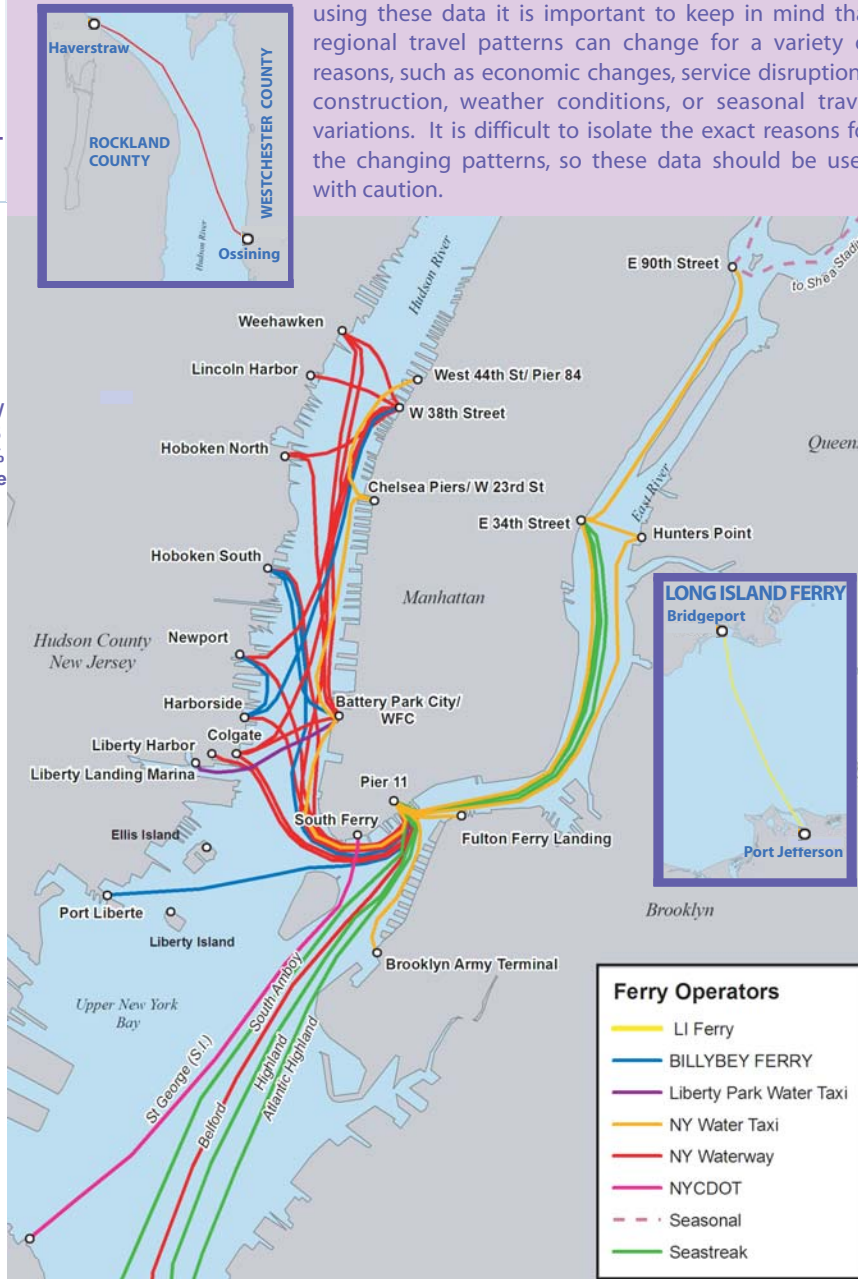
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The New York Metropolitan Transportation Council (NYMTC), an association of governments and transportation providers, is pleased to release the first Quarter 2006 brochure: **Travel Patterns in the New York Metropolitan Area**. This statistical information will be updated and made public on a regular basis, and is designed to provide a glance at changing regional travel patterns.

The data were collected from the agencies responsible for operating each facility. In

using these data it is important to keep in mind that regional travel patterns can change for a variety of reasons, such as economic changes, service disruptions, construction, weather conditions, or seasonal travel variations. It is difficult to isolate the exact reasons for the changing patterns, so these data should be used with caution.



\* - Bridgeport-Port Jefferson Steamboat Co. \*\* - Total of all ferry operators  
Sources: Port Authority of New York & New Jersey, NYC DOT, Private Operators

## MONTHLY COMPARISON OF AVERAGE WEEKDAY RIDERSHIP

Ferry	2006			1st-06/ 1st-05 Qtrs % change
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	
<b>Ferry</b>				
<b>BILLYBEY FERRY</b>				
Hoboken- Pier 11	4,769	4,541	4,511	1.6
Port Liberte-Pier 11	480	464	488	10.3
Liberty Harbor-Pier 11	934	871	893	-11.8
Hoboken-BPC	3,671	3,520	3,643	3.6
Hoboken South - Pier 79	155	165	0	n/a
Total Billybey	10,009	9,561	9,535	2.9
<b>NY WATERWAY</b>				
Weehawken - Pier 11	1,450	1,363	1,362	12.1
Belford - Pier 11	2,104	2,018	2,034	25.0
Total Pier 11	3,555	3,382	3,395	19.5
Colgate -BPC	2,219	2,249	2,266	15.9
Hoboken North - Weehawken - BPC *	806	797	780	25.3
Total BPC	3,026	3,046	3,045	18.2
Hoboken North - Pier 79	1,435	1,677	1,796	1.8
Lincoln Harbor-Pier 79	2,534	2,487	2,465	2.3
Weehawken - Pier 79	6,056	5,570	5,949	-6.3
Colgate - Pier 79	524	428	487	62.0
Total Pier 79 ***	10,549	10,161	10,696	-1.2
Haverstraw - Ossining	454	444	462	100.6
Newburgh - Beacon	196	204	221	n/a
Total NYWaterway	17,780	17,238	17,819	8.2
<b>SEASTREAK</b>				
Highlands-Pier 11, E34th St.	1,723	1,706	1,719	22.1
Atlantic Highlands-Pier 11, E34th St.	1,011	933	1,001	-20.7
Total Seastreak	2,734	2,639	2,721	2.1
<b>LIBERTY PARK WATER TAXI</b>				
LibertyLanding - BPC	474	316	382	-5.9
<b>NEW YORK WATER TAXI</b>				
Brooklyn Army Terminal - Pier 11	263	213	265	-12.1
Colgate - Pier 11 **	1,941	2,038	2,104	12.7
South Amboy-Pier 11	610	615	612	-33.3
Total NYWater Taxi	2,814	2,867	2,981	-3.7
<b>TOTAL private ferry Average Weekday</b>	<b>33,810</b>	<b>32,620</b>	<b>33,438</b>	<b>4.8</b>
Staten Island Ferry	53,838	55,121	59,237	-0.04
<b>LONG ISLAND FERRIES</b>				
Bridgeport-Port Jefferson Steamboat Co.	2,395	2,534	2,523	32.1
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>90,043</b>	<b>90,275</b>	<b>95,198</b>	<b>2.4</b>

\* Hoboken North and Weehawken to BPC services are combined from 02/2004

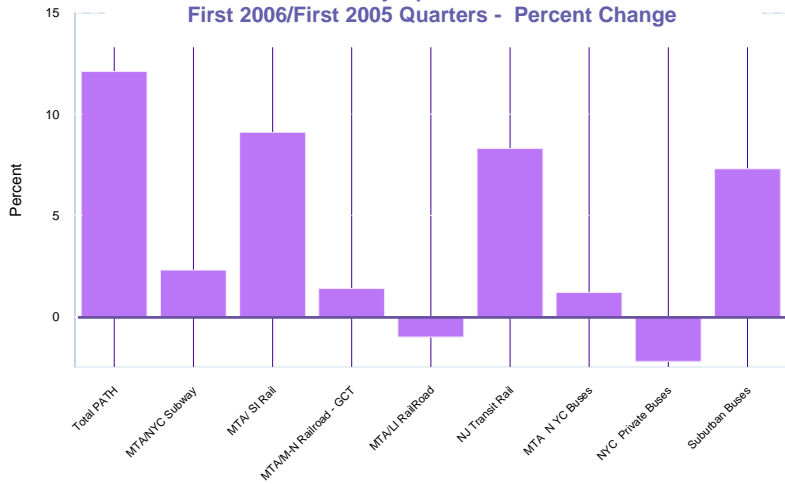
\*\* Colgate to Pier 11 service was taken over by NY Taxi from 04/01/2004

\*\*\* Pier 79 was formerly listed as West 34th Street.

Note: Data for Long Island Cross Sound Ferry (New London to Orient Pt.) is not available.

**AVERAGE WEEKDAY BUS AND RAIL RIDERSHIP**

**by Operator**  
**First 2006/First 2005 Quarters - Percent Change**

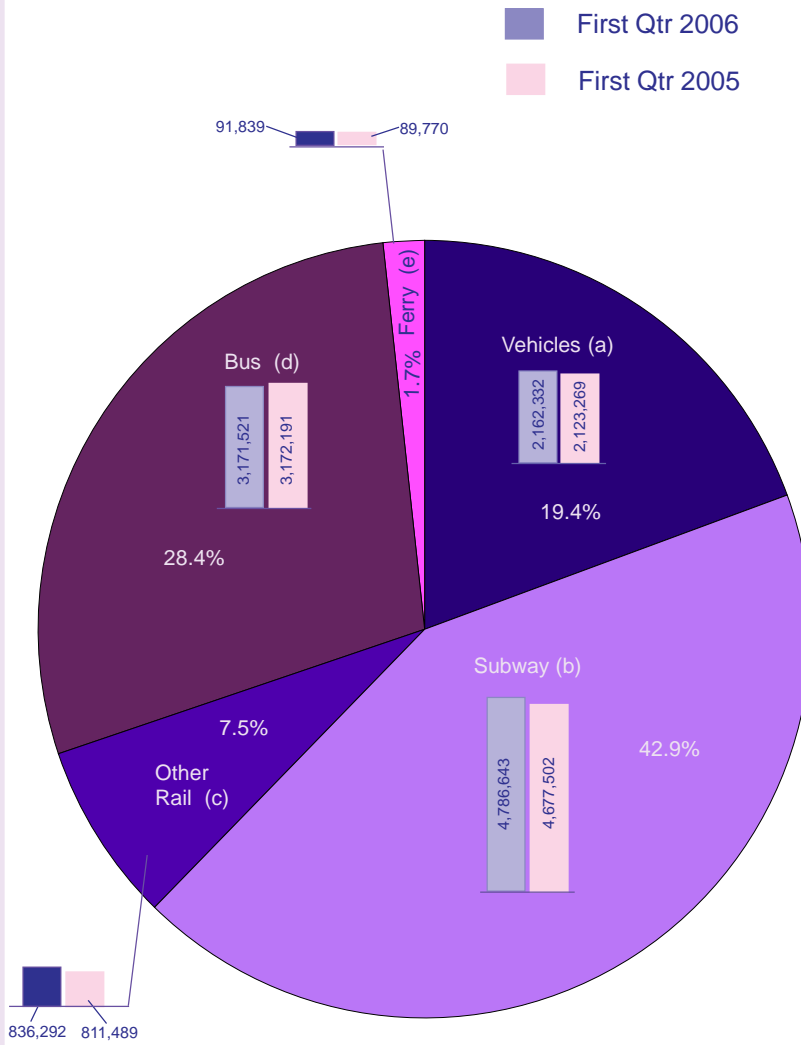


**MONTHLY COMPARISON OF AVERAGE WEEKDAY RIDERSHIP**

Bus and Rail	2006				1st-06/ 1st-05 Qtrs % change
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Avg. 1st Qtr	
<b>PORT AUTHORITY TRANS-HUDSON RAIL</b>					
PATH-New York Stations	92,916	95,377	95,892	94,728	10.1
PATH-New Jersey Stations	119,830	124,052	126,189	123,357	13.7
PATH Total	212,746	219,429	222,081	218,085	12.1
<b>NEW YORK TRANSIT RAIL SYSTEM</b>					
MTA/NYC Subway (a)	4,609,283	4,822,369	4,928,278	4,786,643	2.3
MTA/Staten Island Railway	13,876	13,632	14,048	13,852	9.1
MTA/Metro-North Railroad-Total GCT	250,586	252,230	256,492	253,103	1.4
MTA/LI Rail Road	267,525	269,208	274,730	270,488	-1.0
MTA (a) RAIL Total	5,141,270	5,357,439	5,473,548	5,324,086	2.1
<b>NEW JERSEY TRANSIT RAIL SYSTEM</b>					
New Jersey Transit Rail	^	^	^	248,300	7.4
Newark Subway	^	^	^	18,300	4.9
New Jersey Transit HBLR	***	^	^	25,200	18.0
River Line	^	^	^	7,050	19.5
NJ Total				298,850	8.3
<b>NEW YORK CITY BUSES</b>					
MTA/NYC Transit Bus	2,310,486	2,362,534	2,491,822	2,388,281	1.2
Triboro - TCC	3,517	****	****	3,517	-96.0
Atlantic Express	2,983	2,892	3,040	2,972	2.9
Total NYC (Private Bus Operators)	2,316,986	2,365,426	2,494,862	2,394,769	-2.2
<b>SUBURBAN BUSES</b>					
New Jersey Transit Bus	^	^	^	527,000	5.7
MTA/Long Island Bus	101,234	103,480	107,654	104,123	8.2
Westchester County Bee-Line	92,309	94,190	98,521	95,007	9.0
Orange County Buses	^^	^	^	3,198	-8.2
Putnam County Buses	^	575	628	612	4.0
Rockland County Buses	^^	^	^	20,651	35.0
HART (b)	923	934	934	930	8.9
Dutchess County Buses	2,427	2,599	2,789	2,605	11.6
City of Long Beach	1,157	1,207	1,247	1,204	-3.2
Suffolk County Buses	^^	20,369	20,831	21,423	19.0
Total Suburb Buses				776,752	7.3
Grand Total				9,012,542	1.8

Sources: Port Authority of New York & New Jersey, Metropolitan Transportation Authority, New Jersey Transit Corp., NYS Department of Transportation, New York City Department of Transportation, Westchester County Department of Transportation.  
 (a) MTA - Metropolitan Transportation Authority (b) HART - Huntington Area Rapid Transit  
 \* - Grand Central Terminal \*\* - Subway data was formerly added to HBLR  
 \*\*\* - Hudson Bergen Light Rail System.  
 \*\*\*\* - Private buses were taken over by the MTA NYC Transit Bus. (January data for Jamaica & Green Bus lines unavailable)  
 ^ - Only quarterly data available ^^ - Local and Express buses  
 ^^ - Suffolk County includes data of local and pass-through buses  
 Note: MTA and NJ Transit data are revenue based. PATH and NYC Private Bus data indicate total counts.

**FIRST QUARTER 2006 AVERAGE WEEKDAY PASSENGERS BY MODE**

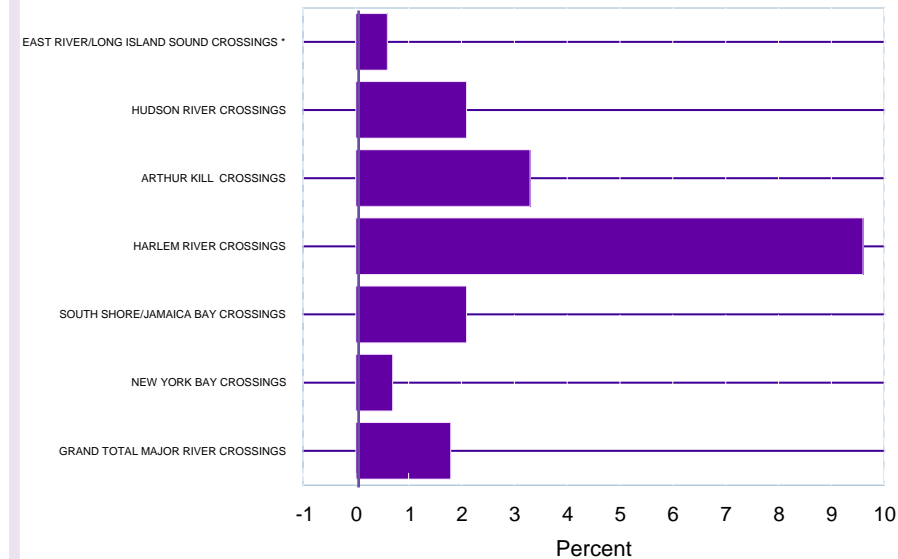


Total Number of Passengers by:

- a Vehicles via major river crossings (estimated)
- b MTA/NYC Subway
- c MTA/Metro-North Railroad, MTA/LI RailRoad, NJ Transit Rail, Newark Subway, NJ Transit HBLR, NJ River Line
- d Public and private buses
- e Ferries

**VEHICULAR TRAFFIC for MAJOR RIVER CROSSING**

**by River**  
**First 2006/First 2005 Quarters - Percent Change**



\* Total excludes NYC DOT East River bridges, data not available

**MAJOR VEHICULAR RIVER CROSSINGS**

**Monthly Comparison of Average Weekday Traffic \***

Crossing	2006	2006			Avg. 1st Qtr	1st-06/ 1st-05 Qtrs % change
		Jan.	Feb.	Mar.		
<b>EAST RIVER/LONG ISLAND SOUND CROSSINGS **</b>						
Queens-Midtown Tunnel	MTA B&T ^	78,177	81,099	83,799	81,025	-0.1
Brooklyn-Battery Tunnel	MTA B&T	50,512	51,821	53,683	52,005	0.8
Triborough Bridge-Bronx Plaza	MTA B&T	77,363	79,212	82,735	79,770	1.8
Triborough Bridge-Manhattan Plaza	MTA B&T	86,613	89,085	92,779	89,492	-0.1
Bronx-Whitestone Bridge	MTA B&T	102,733	104,923	104,559	104,072	-8.6
Throgs Neck Bridge	MTA B&T	108,324	111,634	115,799	111,919	-0.9
Total (without NYCDOT East River Bridges)		503,722	517,774	533,354	518,283	0.6
<b>HUDSON RIVER CROSSINGS</b>						
George Washington Bridge	PANY&NJ	280,166	288,629	293,247	287,347	2.3
Lincoln Tunnel	PANY&NJ	116,322	117,388	122,465	118,725	1.4
Holland Tunnel	PANY&NJ	90,020	92,584	95,421	92,675	4.7
Tappan-Zee Bridge	NYS TA ^^	131,000	133,482	136,177	133,553	0.5
Bear Mountain Bridge	NYSBA ^	15,498	15,386	17,103	15,996	1.6
Total		633,006	647,469	664,413	648,296	2.1
<b>ARTHUR KILL CROSSINGS</b>						
Bayonne Bridge	PANY&NJ	22,883	22,335	25,490	23,569	6.8
Goethal Bridge	PANY&NJ	71,695	73,627	68,535	71,286	-0.8
Outerbridge Crossing	PANY&NJ	79,911	80,064	85,004	81,660	6.1
Total		174,489	176,026	179,029	176,515	3.3
<b>HARLEM RIVER CROSSINGS</b>						
Henry Hudson Bridge	MTA B&T	64,351	65,914	67,013	65,759	9.6
<b>SOUTH SHORE/JAMAICA BAY CROSSINGS</b>						
Marine Parkway Bridge	MTA B&T	19,708	19,344	20,745	19,932	2.1
Cross Bay Bridge	MTA B&T	19,399	19,156	20,157	19,571	5.0
Atlantic Beach Bridge	NCBA ^^	n/a	n/a	n/a	28,142	0.3
Total		39,107	38,500	40,902	67,645	2.1
<b>NEW YORK BAY CROSSINGS</b>						
Verrazano-Narrows Bridge	MTA B&T	183,799	184,955	191,747	186,834	0.7
GRAND TOTAL MAJOR RIVER CROSSINGS ***		1,598,474	1,630,638	1,676,458	1,663,332	1.8

\* Data indicate two-way traffic  
 \*\* Excludes NYC DOT East River bridges (The data are available only annually and listed in the 4th Quarter of this brochure)  
 \*\*\* Total excludes NYC DOT East River bridges  
 ^ MTA B&T - Metropolitan Transportation Authority Bridges & Tunnels  
 ^^ NCBA - Nassau County Bridge Authority