



Agenda Item No. (5)

To: Transportation Committee/Committee of the Whole  
Meeting of March 26, 2026

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Subject: **MONTHLY REPORT ON BRIDGE TRAFFIC, TRANSIT RIDERSHIP  
TRENDS, AND TRANSIT SERVICE PERFORMANCE**

This report includes information showing monthly data for travel in the Golden Gate Corridor updated through January 2026 with the data for each month compared to the same month pre-pandemic. Information is collected as follows:

- Golden Gate Bridge – monthly southbound vehicular traffic as recorded in the toll lanes, southbound monthly averages of 5:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. weekday commute period traffic, and southbound monthly averages of 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. weekday commute period traffic;
- Golden Gate Ferry – monthly totals of boarding passengers as recorded in the daily vessel logs; and,
- Golden Gate Transit Bus – monthly totals of boarding passengers as recorded in on-board fare collection equipment.

Golden Gate Bridge:

To present a snapshot of the most recent data trends, the table below summarizes March 2020 through January 2026 single-month Bridge traffic changes in southbound a.m. peak period traffic, p.m. peak period traffic, and total traffic, compared with the respective pre-COVID month.

**Monthly Southbound Bridge Traffic Volumes Compared to the Same Month Pre-Pandemic (Not Annualized)**

	Bridge Total	Bridge A.m. Peak	Bridge P.m. Peak			Bridge Total	Bridge A.m. Peak	Bridge P.m. Peak
Mar-20	-42.3%	-40.9%	-38.6%		May-24	-13.7%*	-26.7%**	-9.5%**
Apr-20	-69.4%	-72.0%	-67.6%		June-24	-15.2%*	-27.9%**	-11.0%**
May-20	-43.2%	-61.1%	-56.2%		July-24	-15.1%*	-27.7%**	-9.9%**
June-20	-42.4%	-48.4%	-43.8%		Aug-24	-15.2%*	-28.0%**	-8.3%**
July-20	-36.3%	-46.3%	-32.6%		Sept-24	-14.6%*	-26.5%**	-9.4%**
Aug-20	-35.5%	-44.7%	-34.0%		Oct-24	-13.6%*	-20.8%**	-4.6%**
Sept-20	-36.6%	-46.2%	-36.5%		Nov-24	-14.8%*	-27.2%**	-8.5%**
Oct-20	-32.5%	-40.7%	-28.0%		Dec-24	-12.3%*	-26.5%**	-4.0%**
Nov-20	-31.6%	-42.0%	-27.3%		Jan-25	-13.0%*	-26.6%**	-4.4%**
Dec-20	-36.1%	-43.0%	-29.8%		Feb-25	-20.7%*	-27.1%**	-12.8%**
Jan-21	-36.7%	-46.3%	-35.3%		Mar-25	-15.4%*	-25.2%**	-6.0%**
Feb-21	-33.7%	-44.4%	-32.5%		Apr-25	-14.9%*	-24.7%**	-9.8%**
Mar-21	-29.0%*	-42.0%*	-26.3%*		May-25	-12.4%*	-24.6%**	-7.0%**
Apr-21	-26.6%*	-40.7%*	-24.1%*		June-25	-14.7%*	-26.4%**	-9.3%**
May-21	-22.49%*	-38.0%*	-24.3%*		July-25	-14.0%*	-23.4%**	-6.6%**
June-21	-19.3%*	-34.4%*	-19.0%*		Aug-25	-12.8%*	-25.1%**	-6.8%**
July-21	-17.6%*	-35.6%*	-11.3%*		Sept-25	-13.4%*	-23.7%**	-8.4%**
Aug-21	-20.1%*	-34.2%*	-15.1%*		Oct-25	-14.2%*	-20.1%**	-4.3%**
Sept-20	-19.8%*	-33.7%*	-16.0%*		Nov-25	-11.8%*	-24.5%**	-4.9%**
Oct-21	-20.6%*	-30.1%*	-9.6%*		Dec-25	-11.1%*	-23.7%**	-5.7%**
Nov-21	-13.8%*	-30.2%*	-10.0%*		Jan-26	-13.7%*	-23.8%**	-3.1%**
Dec-21	-16.1%*	-35.2%*	-9.0%*					
Jan-22	-24.7%*	-38.9%*	-20.0%*					
Feb-22	-21.1%*	-35.9%*	-13.0%*					
Mar-22	-17.4%*	-31.3%*	-8.4%*					
Apr-22	-18.5%*	-31.4%*	-14.2%*					
May-22	-17.9%*	-30.4%**	-15.1%**					
June-22	-19.3%*	-32.8%**	-15.5%**					
July-22	-19.7%*	-33.6%**	-12.5%**					
Aug-22	-19.2%*	-30.5%**	-13.3%**					
Sept-22	-18.7%*	-29.7%**	-11.4%**					
Oct-22	-18.3%*	-24.2%**	-8.3%**					
Nov-22	-18.3%*	-27.9%**	-9.8%**					
Dec-22	-18.2%*	-30.2%**	-5.2%**					
Jan-23	-17.9%*	-33.0%**	-19.4%**					
Feb-23	-18.2%*	-29.9%**	-13.4%**					
Mar-23	-18.8%*	-28.7%**	-8.8%**					
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Oct-23	-16.2%*	-22.0%**	-6.9%**					
Nov-23	-13.2%*	-25.7%**	-5.7%**					
Dec-23	-13.7%*	-26.4%**	-5.1%**					
Jan-24	-17.0%*	-23.2%**	-4.7%**					
Feb-24	-18.2%*	-27.3%**	-11.3%**					
Mar-24	-16.2%*	-28.0%**	-6.7%**					
Apr-24	-18.4%*	-28.3%**	-13.2%**					

\*January 2026 data are single month values. Year over year monthly values are compared to March 2019 – February 2020 (pre-pandemic) to give a better view of the declines in Bridge traffic during the pandemic.

\*\*May 2022 – January 2026 a.m. peak and p.m. peak hourly totals utilize new toll transaction database. Numbers are subject to change as database validation testing continues.

Golden Gate Ferry (GGF):

To present a snapshot of the most recent data trends, the below table summarizes March 2020 through January 2026 single-month ferry patronage changes compared with the respective pre-COVID month.

**Ferry Total Ridership Compared to the Same Month Pre-Pandemic (Not Annualized)**

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
January	--	-98.2%	-82.9%*	-68.8%	-54.0%*	-40.9%*	-38.1%*
February	--	-97.1%	-73.9%*	-60.8%	-53.3%*	-50.8%*	
March	-67.6%	-96.6%*	-65.2%*	-59.8%	-46.9%*	-39.7%*	
April	-99.2%	-95.9%*	-60.0%*	-48.4%	-44.4%*	-32.9%*	
May	-98.9%	-95.2%*	-54.7%*	-42.7%	-30.0%*	-26.0%*	
June	-97.8%	-90.4%*	-51.2%*	-40.5%	-30.6%*	-24.7%*	
July	-97.7%	-75.5%*	-51.4%*	-35.1%	-30.1%*	-28.4%*	
August	-97.9%	-83.1%*	-51.5%*	-38.6%	-35.1%*	-27.8%*	
September	-97.3%	-80.3%*	-50.4%*	-44.1%	-35.5%*	-33.5%*	
October	-96.7%	-81.6%*	-55.7%*	-47.2%	-37.9%*	-38.7%*	
November	-96.4%	-80.1%*	-56.2%*	-46.3%*	-46.0%*	-43.9%*	
December	-97.3%	-79.3%*	-62.5%*	-50.3%*	-42.9%*	-35.8%*	

\*January 2026 data are single month values. Year over year monthly values are compared to March 2019 – Feb. 2020

Golden Gate Transit Bus:

To present a snapshot of the most recent data trends, the below table summarizes March 2020 through January 2026 single-month bus patronage changes compared with the respective pre-COVID month.

**Bus Total Ridership Compared to the Same Month Pre-Pandemic (Not Annualized)**

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
January	--	-83.7%	-72.7%*	-61.0%*	-54.8%*	-52.0%*	-51.4%*
February	--	-81.6%	-68.4%*	-58.4%*	-53.8%*	-51.1%*	
March	-53.3%	-79.7%*	-63.6%*	-57.6%*	-54.6%*	-51.0%*	
April	-88.3%	-79.4%*	-63.9%*	-58.8%*	-53.3%*	-51.2%*	
May	-85.0%	-77.1%*	-61.0%*	-56.3%*	-54.7%*	-50.7%*	
June	-79.3%	-71.3%*	-56.6%*	-53.3%*	-55.5%*	-49.8%*	
July	-78.9%	-69.2%*	-59.2%*	-54.9%*	-53.0%*	-47.9%*	
August	-80.2%	-71.3%*	-57.0%*	-51.9%*	-53.2%*	-47.7%*	
September	-79.2%	-69.2%*	-56.7%*	-53.0%*	-50.3%*	-46.6%*	
October	-79.0%	-69.2%*	-57.7%*	-53.0%*	-52.5%*	-45.9%*	
November	-76.8%	-65.3%*	-56.6%*	-55.0%*	-53.7%*	-47.9%*	
December	-79.8%	-65.6%*	-58.7%*	-54.1%*	-51.6%*	-44.6%*	

\*January 2026 data are single month values. Year over year monthly values compared to Mar. 2019 – Feb. 2020.

Transit Service Performance Statistics Report: The Transit Service Performance Statistics Reports for the months of August 2019 through January 2026 show Golden Gate Bus and Golden Gate Ferry operations relative to performance targets set forth in the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District’s Short-Range Transit Plan. Below are selected metrics broken out by single (non-annualized) month. Note that the steep declines in performance for June 2020 through January 2026 reflect the ridership declines due to the shelter-in-place orders related to the pandemic.

**Bus Passengers Per Trip**

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Jan.		21	8	14	17	20	20	20
Feb.		22	9	16	20	21	21	
Mar.		11	9	19	20	22	21	
Apr.		3	10	20	21	22	22	
May		4	11	21	22	23	22	
June		5	14	21	22	23	22	
July		7	16	20	22	23	23	
Aug.	23	8	16	22	24	23	25	
Sept.	23	9	16	21	24	23	24	
Oct.	22	9	16	21	23	23	24	
Nov.	21	9	16	19	20	20	22	
Dec.	19	8	15	16	19	19	21	

**Bus Farebox Recovery**

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Jan.		20.5%	3.7%	10.4%	6.4%	9.8%	11.3%	12.5%
Feb.		20.3%	5.3%	9.6%	19.3%	12.6%	10.8%	
Mar.		9.0%	5.3%	11.1%	14.4%	10.8%	13.0%	
Apr.		2.4%	6.3%	11.1%	11.5%	13.3%	13.7%	
May		3.4%	6.0%	13.9%	15.2%	16.2%	13.6%	
June		1.5%	6.5%	11.8%	8.2%	11.9%	7.5%	
July		4.5%	10.6%	18.6%	20.9%	15.5%	12.0%	
Aug.	26.1%	4.7%	8.0%	13.4%	14.7%	15.2%	15.0%	
Sept.	22.6%	3.2%	8.0%	15.4%	14.2%	13.7%	16.6%	
Oct.	26.6%	5.4%	6.2%	11.1%	14.4%	14.0%	15.7%	
Nov.	20.2%	5.0%	9.4%	13.2%	11.0%	10.7%	14.9%	
Dec.	22.5%	5.3%	9.4%	9.8%	13.4%	9.6%	11.7%	

**Ferry Passengers Per Trip**

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Jan.		103	8	29	37	45	59	68
Feb.		109	11	38	47	47	55	
Mar.		50	15	48	47	54	66	
Apr.		4	22	64	64	61	76	
May		6	28	69	64	68	81	
June		11	46	78	72	75	87	
July		13	80	85	88	84	92	
Aug.	133	12	54	83	82	79	95	
Sept.	125	13	50	66	70	71	78	
Oct.	121	15	46	59	64	68	74	
Nov.	109	14	50	50	56	54	66	
Dec.	101	9	35	38	48	48	59	

**Ferry Farebox Recovery**

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Jan.		36.2%	0.8%	11.4%	10.0%	14.1%	15.1%	14.5%
Feb.		37.0%	1.4%	12.5%	11.7%	16.7%	15.3%	
Mar.		15.6%	2.9%	16.2%	13.6%	16.9%	19.3%	
Apr.		0.3%	2.1%	18.4%	22.0%	29.3%	11.7%	
May		0.5%	4.7%	16.1%	29.2%	20.7%	25.7%	
June		1.3%	2.4%	18.3%	29.6%	27.0%	21.7%	
July		1.3%	9.1%	28.6%	35.5%	31.4%	36.6%	
Aug.	57.9%	1.4%	7.1%	22.9%	36.7%	29.3%	20.4%	
Sept.	57.0%	1.4%	7.3%	26.5%	19.9%	45.8%	27.5%	
Oct.	48.8%	2.0%	8.3%	18.7%	22.8%	23.7%	24.4%	
Nov.	35.1%	2.5%	10.4%	14.7%	16.8%	16.1%	20.9%	
Dec.	33.8%	0.9%	9.5%	11.0%	14.7%	9.6%	14.0%	

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