

PUBLISHED MONTHLY BUS PASSENGER STATISTICS –MARCH 2021

The figures below cover the period from January 2013 onwards. The Difference and Percentage column figures compare the changes in passenger numbers for the corresponding months in **2019 (pre-Covid) and 2021**.

These figures include all Cash Fares and Smart Card / Visitor Pass users plus Concessionary (free travel) for Old Age Pensioners, Students (all scheduled routes) and Under 5s. Transfer Passengers and Dedicated Integrated / Private Hire School Bus Service passengers are not included in this analysis.

<u>Month</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>Difference*</u>	<u>Percentage*</u>
January	86,955	83,440	89,692	88,290	100,019	111,572	120,046	126,427	84,323	-35,723	-29.76
February	85,835	78,870	81,962	94,760	102,032	107,027	119,084	121,683	11,916	-107,168	-89.99
March	89,883	97,381	97,303	109,504	125,639	119,782	136,543	87,992	63,990	-72,553	-53.14
April	112,822	104,925	114,465	128,097	139,292	136,911	149,306	10,060	117,323	-31,983	-21.42
May	136,824	136,879	148,609	153,692	164,847	179,514	185,749	18,775			
June	120,960	150,660	157,860	165,453	184,971	188,129	188,581	68,545			
July	151,394	172,226	170,188	185,114	192,477	199,929	217,882	120,539			
August	159,493	176,443	163,826	193,896	203,997	209,130	217,795	132,091			
September	130,074	155,028	154,946	171,282	178,204	179,675	189,297	132,803			
October	105,352	115,663	122,697	134,097	145,859	150,695	157,057	124,902			
November	90,068	95,870	98,907	109,642	126,713	126,906	129,348	124,790			
December	85,333	99,718	106,346	119,901	123,519	128,290	132,570	124,603			
Jan - Apr	375,495	364,616	383,422	420,651	466,982	475,292	524,979	346,162	277,552	-247,427	-47.13
Total Year	1,354,993	1,467,103	1,506,801	1,653,728	1,787,569	1,837,560	1,943,258	1,193,210			

Approx. 5,000 fewer passengers carried between 27th February and 1st March 2018 due to snow

Significantly fewer passengers carried due to strike action by bus drivers

Passenger numbers significantly impacted by Covid-19 lockdown

Passenger numbers impacted by ongoing Covid-19 restrictions on travel

* 2021 data compared to 2019 data

