



Transit Statistical Report

Public, Specialized, Urban, and Tribal Transportation

**FISCAL YEAR
2025**

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The Transit Statistical Report is prepared by the South Dakota Department of Transportation (SDDOT) to provide citizens, transportation providers, public officials, and other stakeholders with an overview of transit in South Dakota. This report provides a summary of transportation programs along with detailed operational and financial data.

This report is published annually and condenses the fiscal year administration and operational data for rural, specialized, intercity, urban, and tribal transit providers in South Dakota. The report is published largely to provide information about the performance of the transit programs for the fiscal year. The report is distributed and available to state and local officials, support agencies, boards of directors, and the public.

Transportation service providers are a key element in the successful implementation of numerous state goals and objectives identified in the Transit State Management Plan. By improving the mobility of individuals in urban and rural areas for purposes of nutrition, health care, shopping, education, recreation, and public services. Transit providers range in size from those that provide daily fixed route and demand-response services with schedules and destinations determined on a day-to-day basis.

The SDDOT Office of Air, Rail, and Transit administers federal and state funds to support public and specialized transportation service providers in South Dakota. These programs include:

Section 5303 provides urban transit planning assistance program funds and transit planning activities in the metropolitan areas of South Dakota, including Sioux Falls and Rapid City.

Section 5304 provides statewide rural planning and research. At the state's discretion, the funds may be used for statewide planning, technical assistance, planning support, research, and development for non-urbanized areas.

Section 5310 provides capital grants and operating funds to eligible subrecipients to support transportation for seniors and individuals with disabilities for rural and urban areas.

Section 5311 provides capital, administration, and operating grants for public transportation service projects in non-urbanized areas (less than 50,000 population). One of the main goals of Section 5311 funding is to enhance access for people in non-urbanized areas to health care, shopping, education, employment, public services, and recreation.

Section 5311(b)(3) Rural Technical Assistance Program (RTAP) provides funds to support the training and technical assistance needs of rural transit operators and drivers.

Section 5339 provides capital funding through formula and discretionary funds to replace,

rehabilitate, and purchase buses and related equipment and to construct bus related facilities to provide public transportation for rural and urban areas.

State Funds dollars funded through the state legislature to help meet the local matching fund requirements of subrecipients receiving Section 5307 and 5311 funds.

Title III-B SDDOT and the South Dakota Department of Human Services, Division of Long-Term Services and Supports (LTSS) work in close coordination on matters pertaining to transportation services for people who are elderly or have disabilities. Each year, LTSS provides funds which are dispersed through the SDDOT to offset transportation costs for some agencies. Transportation is considered a supportive function eligible through Title III-B.

Note: Urban and tribal providers receive funds directly from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for both operations and capital expenditures.





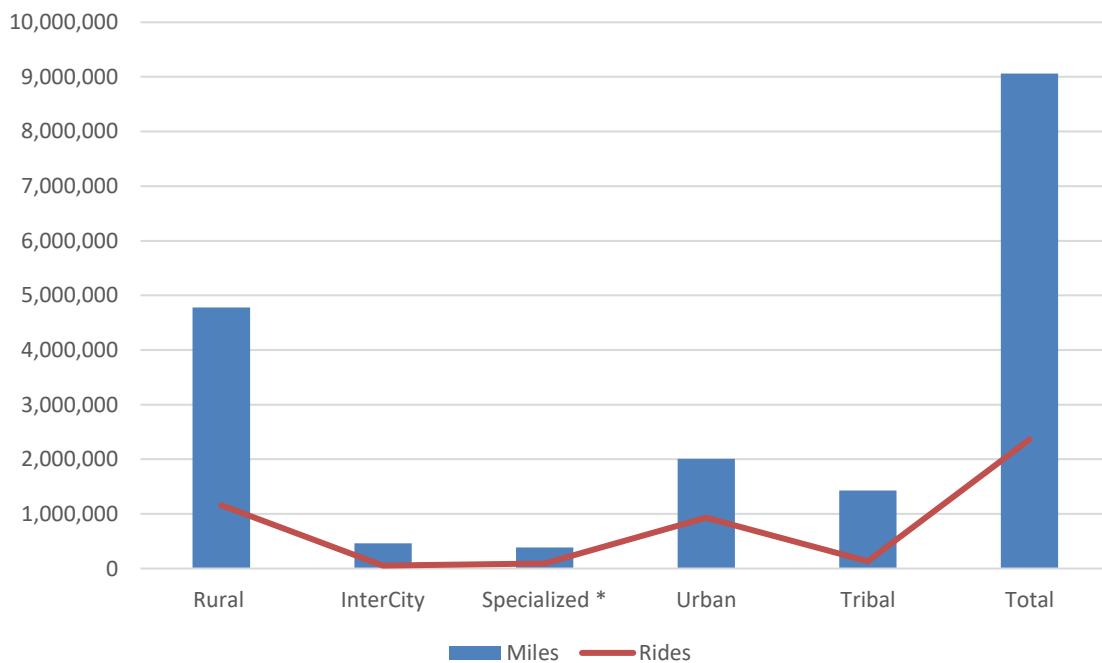
Transit in South Dakota



Operational Statistics

	Revenue Vehicle Miles	Rides
Rural	4,778,193	1,158,015
InterCity	458,482	53,550
Specialized	386,201	92,097
Urban*	2,009,686	927,120
Tribal**	1,426,998	131,326
Total	9,059,560	2,362,108
*Includes Rapid City and Sioux Falls public transit, Community Coordinated Transportation Systems and Prairie Hills Transit Urban. **Numbers are for 2024 activity.		

Revenue Miles and Rides

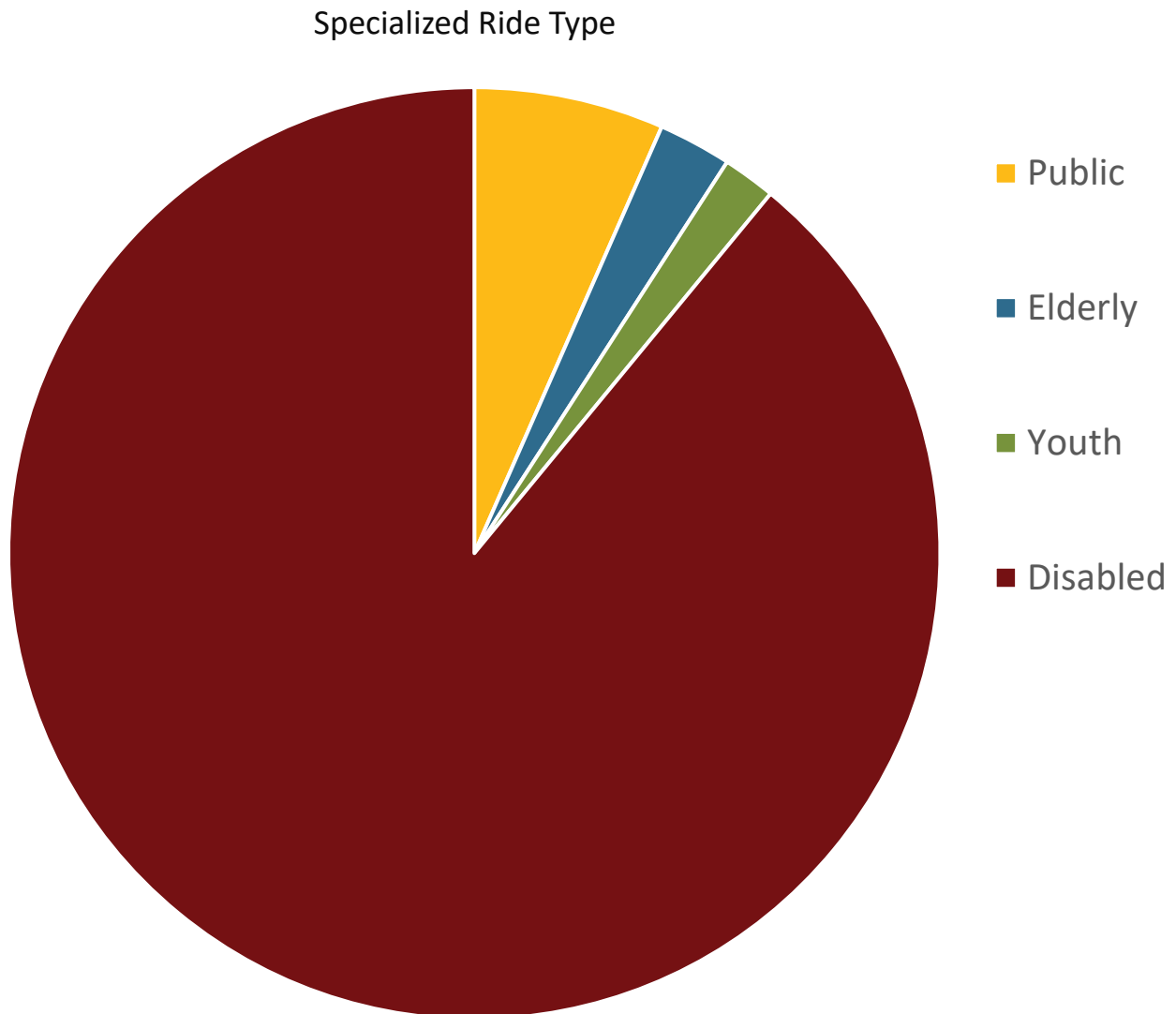


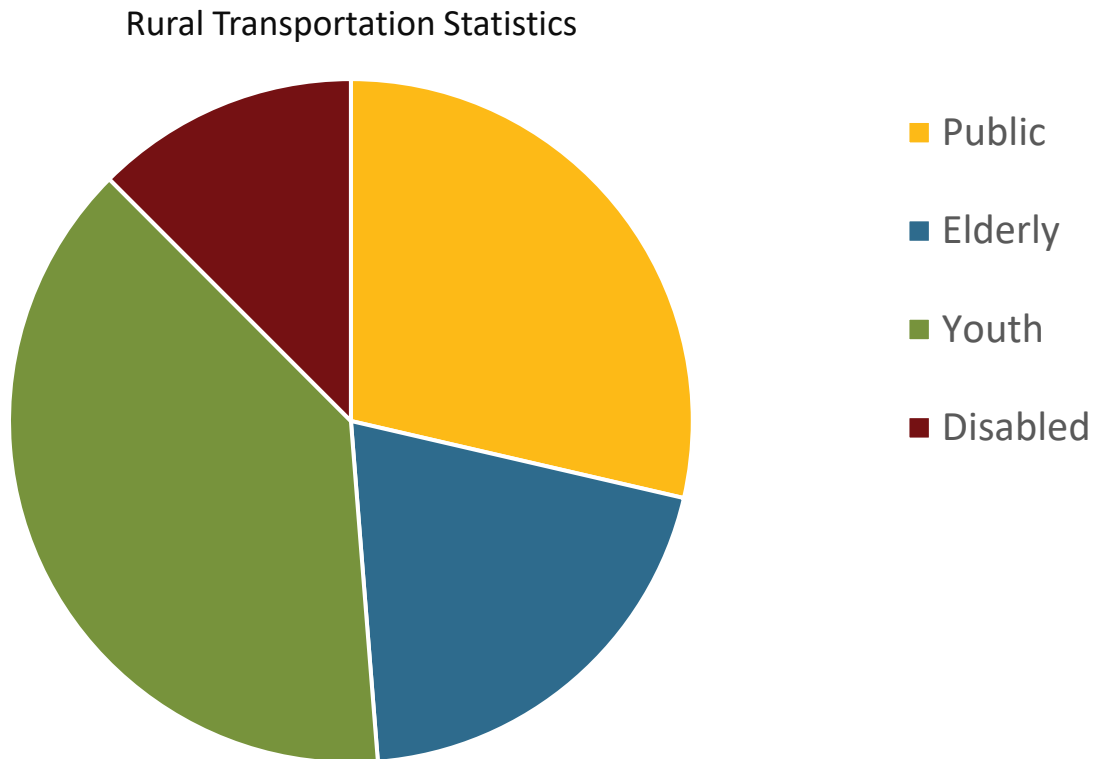


Specialized Transportation Statistics

In FY 2025, 7 specialized agencies with 54 active vehicles were funded under FTA Section 5309, 5339, or 5310 programs that provided specialized transportation in South Dakota.

The chart below indicates ride types for those served. Public and individuals with disabilities were the major users of specialized transportation services in South Dakota during Fiscal Year 2025





During Fiscal Year 2025, 13 organizations provided rural public demand-response transportation services in South Dakota. These organizations operated 450 vehicles. These agencies are funded through Section 5311, 5310, and 5339 for operations and capital.

The above chart indicates the population served. Youth, and general public were the major users of rural transportation services in South Dakota during this reporting Fiscal Year

The trip characteristics for these rides are medical, employment, nutrition, social, education, and shopping in the rural areas of South Dakota.

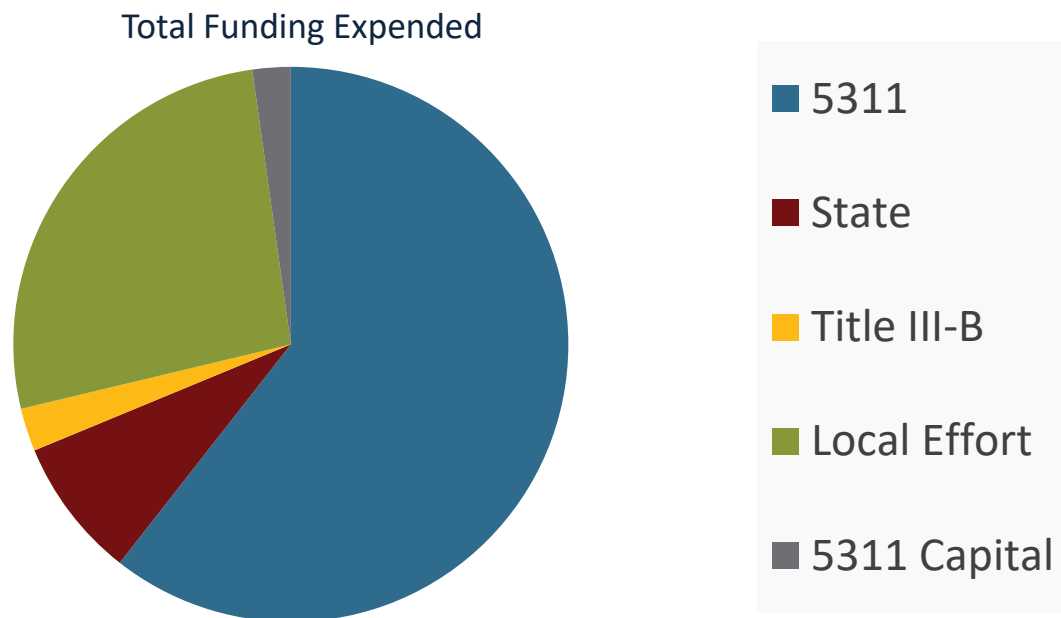
The Section 5311 program consists of project administration expenses, capital, and operating expenses. Administration expenses are considered “non-operating” and are funded at 82.82% federal share. Operating expenses are funded at 51.76% federal share of the net operating expenses. Operating expenses are considered those costs directly related to system operation. Net operating expenses remain after operating revenues are subtracted from eligible operating expenses. Capital expenses are funded at 80% or 85% federal.



Funding Sources of Rural Public Transit Systems

5311-	5311 Capital -	State (Rural)	Title III-B	Local Effort* (other than state and Title IIIB)	Total Expended
\$8,705,984	\$319,905	\$1,175,957	\$360,921	\$3,809,618	\$14,372,385

These funds are used by public transit providers to assist with the operational and administrative costs of doing business. These costs include, but are not limited to, employee wages, fuel, and supplies.



* "Local effort" for this report may include contracts with other agencies, revenue generated from advertising, fares, Medicaid, and other sources of local funds from the communities served. The total local effort does not take into consideration state funds or Title III-B Funds. These two funds are an allowable source of local match.

If transit agencies expend all federal funds before the end of the fiscal year, local funds cover the remaining operational expenses for the year.



Aberdeen Ride Line- Aberdeen, South Dakota



Address: 205 North 4th St., Aberdeen, SD 57401
Phone: (605) 626-3333
Contact: Rich Krokell
Email: rich.krokell@aberndeen.sd.us
Website: www.aberndeen.sd.us

System Characteristics

Service Type: Demand Response
Service Hours: (M-F) 7:15 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Fare Structure: \$2-3 one-way
Service Area: City of Aberdeen +2.5 miles of city limits

Ridership Characteristics

Elderly	12,568
Disabled	5,998
Youth	33,112
<u>Public</u>	<u>17,279</u>
Total	68,957

Ride Type

Medical	10,069
Employment	13,905
Nutrition	0
Social	8,817
Education	29,498
Shopping	6,208
<u>Other</u>	<u>460</u>
Total	68,957

Funding and Expenditures

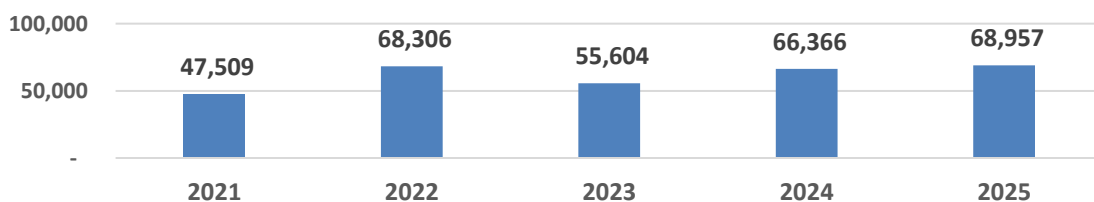
Section 5311	\$ 368,037
Section 5311 Capital	\$ 7,316
Revenue	\$ 519,680
Local Match	\$ 169,268
<u>Title III-B Funds**</u>	<u>\$ 15,196</u>
Total	\$ 1,079,497

State Funds**	\$ 74,141
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Total Revenue Hours	20,030
Total Revenue Miles	202,825

Total Cost Per Ride	\$ 15.65
Total Cost Per Mile	\$ 5.32
State & Federal Cost Per Ride	\$ 6.74
State & Federal Cost per Mile	\$ 2.29

Ridership FY21-25



** State and Federal Cost per ride/mile is Section 5311, Title III-B Funds, and State Funds added together divided by rides/miles

Brandon Transit- Brandon, South Dakota

Brandon City Transit

Address: 304 Main St. Brandon, SD 57005
Phone: (605) 582-3553
Contact: Andrea Irwin
Email: airwin@rocsinc.org
Website: www.cityofbrandon.org

System Characteristics

Service Type: Demand Response
Service Hours: (M-F) 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Fare Structure: \$2.00 one-way
Service Area: City of Brandon

Ridership Characteristics

Elderly 2,618
Disabled 1,750
Youth 5,546
Public 104
Total 10,018

Ride Type

Medical 934
Employment 1,741
Nutrition 13
Social 335
Education 5,548
Shopping 1,447
Other 0
Total 10,018

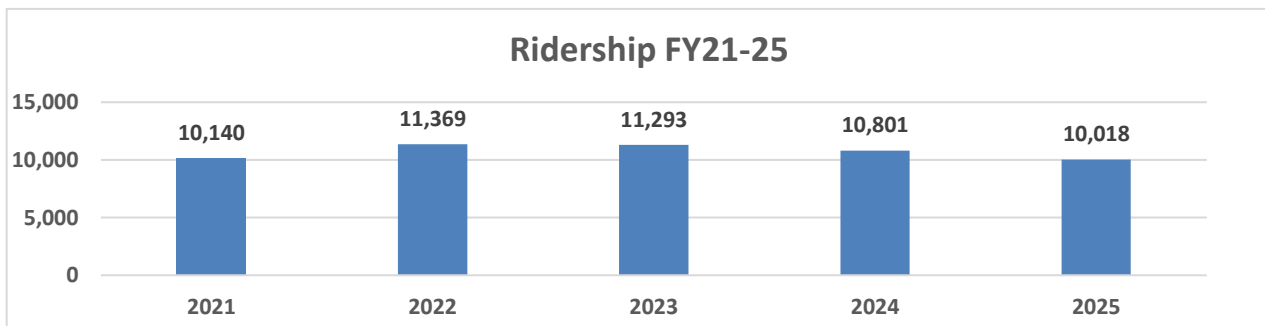
Funding and Expenditures

Section 5311 \$ 68,949
Section 5311 Capital \$ 2,438
Revenue \$ 59,884
Local Match \$ 15,754
Title III-B Funds** \$ 1,131
Total \$148,156

State Funds** \$ 33,497

Total Revenue Hours 4,186
Total Revenue Miles 24,350

Total Cost Per Ride \$ 14.79
Total Cost Per Mile \$ 6.08
State & Federal Cost Per Ride \$ 10.58
State & Federal Cost per Mile \$ 4.35



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Brookings Area Transit Authority - Brookings, South Dakota



Address: 1313 Western Ave. Brookings, SD 57006
Phone: (605) 692-5416
Contact: Travis Bortnem
Email: tbortnem@batabus.com
Website: www.batabus.com

System Characteristics

Service Type: Demand Response
Service Hours: (M-F) 5:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.
Fare Structure: \$3 one-way trip
Service Area: Brookings, Aurora, Volga, Sinai, Bruce, Bushnell, White, Flandreau, Estelline, Elkton, Freeman, Arlington, Menno, Bridgewater, Marion, Salem, Parkston, Olivette & Canistota

Ridership Characteristics

Elderly	25,359
Disabled	21,287
Youth	45,596
<u>Public</u>	<u>60,810</u>
Total	153,052

Ride Type

Medical	16,945
Employment	28,500
Nutrition	5,043
Social	50,706
Education	41,909
Shopping	9,949
<u>Other</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	153,052

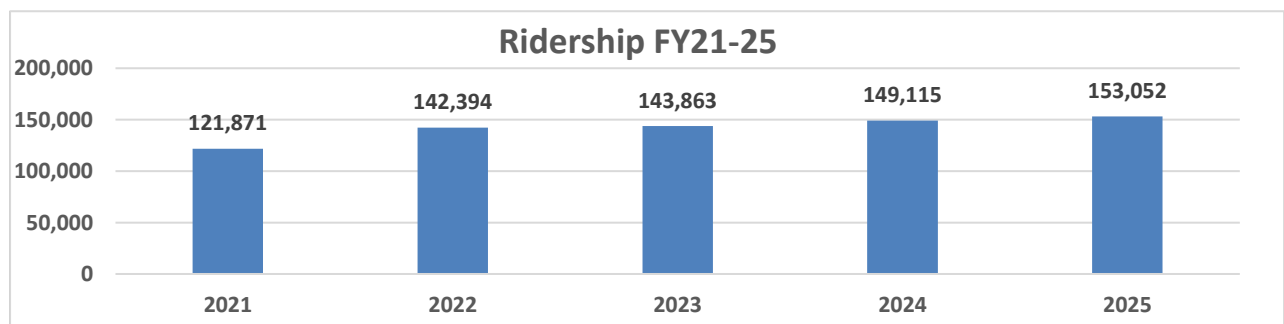
Funding and Expenditures

Section 5311	\$ 829,267
Section 5311 Capital	\$ 34,170
Revenue	\$ 615,890
Local Match	\$ 381,765
<u>Title III-B Funds**</u>	<u>\$ 19,883</u>
Total	\$ 1,880,975

State Funds**	\$ 112,736
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Total Revenue Hours	34,085
Total Revenue Miles	460,235

Total Cost Per Ride	\$ 12.29
Total Cost Per Mile	\$ 4.09
State & Federal Cost Per Ride	\$ 6.51
State & Federal Cost per Mile	\$ 2.16



** State and Federal Cost per ride/mile is Section 5311, Title III-B Funds, and State Funds added together divided by rides/miles

Community Transit of Watertown/Sisseton, Inc. Watertown, South Dakota



Address: 205 1st Ave. NE Watertown, SD 57201 and
811 4th Ave. East Sisseton, SD 57262
Phone: (605) 882-5287
Contact: Terry Hoffman Kathy Holman
Email: Terry@communitytransitws.com
Kathy@communitytransitws.com
Website: www.communitytransitws.com

System Characteristics

Service Type: Demand Response
Service Hours: Varies by community.
Fare Structure: One-way trip fee varies by community. Out of town varies based on mileage and passengers.
Service Area: Groton, Lennox, Campbell, McPherson, Edmunds, Marshall, Day, Roberts, Grant, Codington, Faulk

Ridership Characteristics

Elderly	52,535
Disabled	18,106
Youth	73,069
Public	<u>44,276</u>
Total	187,986

Ride Type

Medical	34,262
Employment	39,414
Nutrition	15,872
Social	7,368
Education	68,906
Shopping	22,164
Other	<u>0</u>
Total	187,986

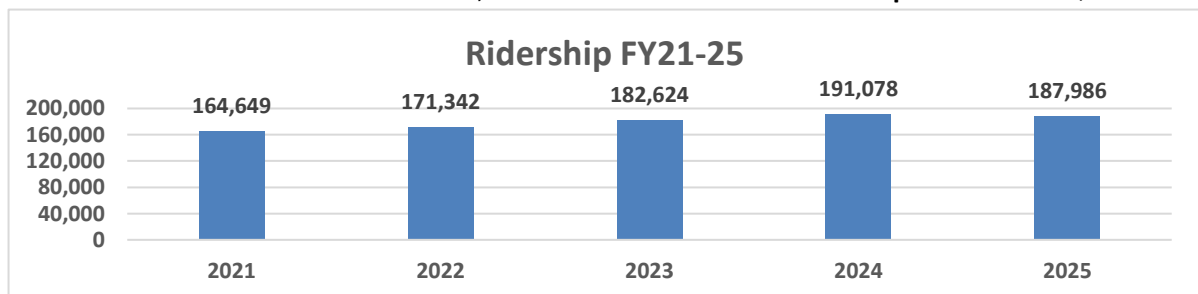
Funding and Expenditures

Section 5311	\$1,278,518
Section 5311 Capital	\$ 53,030
Revenue	\$ 841,156
Local Match	\$ 466,455
Title III-B Funds**	<u>\$ 47,195</u>
Total	\$ 2,686,354

State Funds** \$ 157,650

Total Cost Per Ride	\$ 14.29
Total Cost Per Mile	\$ 3.02
State & Federal Cost Per Ride	\$ 8.17
State & Federal Cost per Mile	\$ 1.73

Total Revenue Hours 71,247
Total Revenue Miles 888,893



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DellsXpress – Dell Rapids, South Dakota



Address: 317 E 4th St. Dell Rapids, SD 57006
Phone: (605) 962-2222
Contact: Travis Bortnem
Email: tbortnem@atabus.com
Website: www.Cityofdellrapids.org

System Characteristics

Service Type: Demand Response
Service Hours: (M-F) 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Fare Structure: \$2 one-way trip
Service Area: City of Dell

Ridership Characteristics

Elderly	1,058
Disabled	8
Youth	4,825
<u>Public</u>	<u>192</u>
Total	6,083

Ride Type

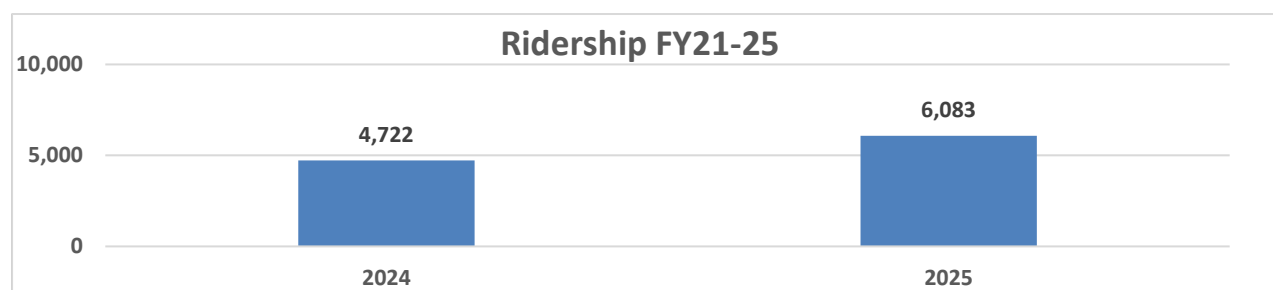
Medical	775
Employment	396
Nutrition	8
Social	236
Education	4,507
Shopping	161
<u>Other</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	6,083

Funding and Expenditures

Section 5311	\$ 49,436
Section 5311 Capital	\$ 270
Revenue	\$ 10,521
Local Match	\$ 1,956
<u>Title III-B Funds**</u>	<u>\$ 2,262</u>
Total	\$ 64,445

State Funds** \$ 24,105

Total Cost Per Ride	\$ 10.59
Total Cost Per Mile	\$ 3.02
State & Federal Cost Per Ride	\$ 12.51
State & Federal Cost per Mile	\$ 3.57



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East Dakota Transit- Madison, South Dakota



Address: 820 SW 7th St., Madison, SD 57042
Phone: (605) 256-5810
Contact: Andrea Irwin
Email: airwin@rocsinc.org
Website: www.eastdakotatransit.org

System Characteristics

Service Type: Demand Response
Service Hours: (M-F) 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Fare Structure: \$2 per one-way trip
Service Area: City of Madison

Ridership Characteristics

Elderly	2,613
Disabled	5,886
Youth	8,115
Public	<u>1,260</u>
Total	17,874

Ride Type

Medical	1,703
Employment	5,945
Nutrition	17
Social	302
Education	8,985
Shopping	428
Other	<u>494</u>
Total	17,874

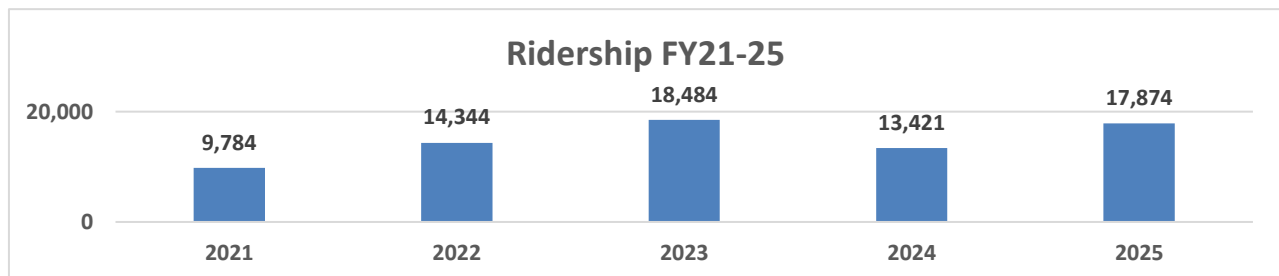
Funding and Expenditures

Section 5311	\$ 109,737
Section 5311 Capital	\$ 4,348
Revenue	\$ 109,380
Local Match	\$ 22,242
Title III-B Funds**	<u>\$ 4,809</u>
Total	\$ 250,516

State Funds**	\$ 48,731
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Total Revenue Hours	3,744
Total Revenue Miles	33,481

Total Cost Per Ride	\$ 14.02
Total Cost Per Mile	\$ 7.48
State & Federal Cost Per Ride	\$ 9.38
State & Federal Cost per Mile	\$ 5.01



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Palace Transit-Mitchell, South Dakota



Address: 300 West 1st Ave. Mitchell, SD 57301
Phone: (605) 995-8440
Contact: Jessica Pickett
Email: jessica.pickett@cityofmitchellsd.gov
Website: www.cityofmitchellsd.gov

System Characteristics

Service Type: Demand Response
Service Hours: (M-F) 5:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
 (Sat.) 7:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.
 (Sun.) 7:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Fare Structure: \$2-\$3 per one-way trip
Service Area: City of Mitchell

Ridership Characteristics

Elderly	18,412
Disabled	18,890
Youth	27,704
Public	<u>7,780</u>
Total	72,786

Ride Type

Medical	12,821
Employment	13,461
Nutrition	1,156
Social	16,257
Education	26,186
Shopping	2,904
<u>Other</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	72,786

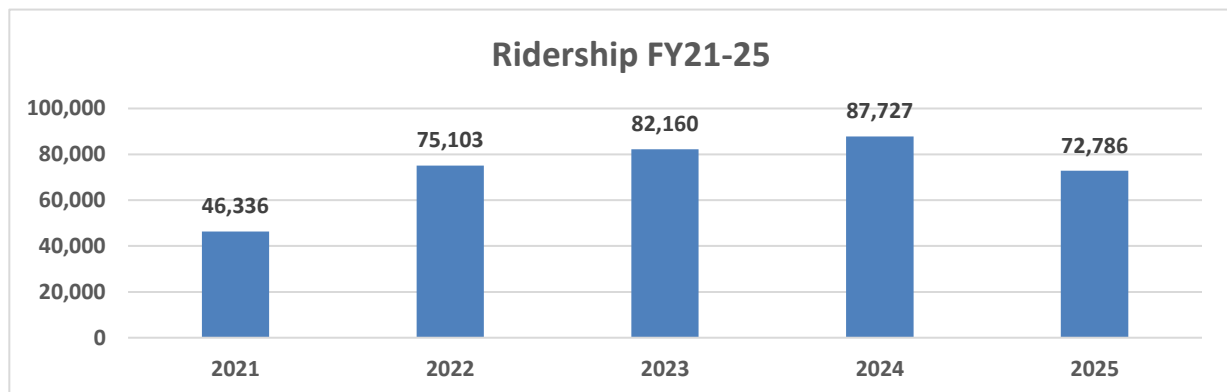
Funding and Expenditures

Section 5311	\$ 616,748
Section 5311 Capital	\$ 12,919
Revenue	\$ 161,066
Local Match	\$ 328,136
<u>Title III-B Funds**</u>	<u>\$ 19,697</u>
Total	\$1,138,566

State Funds**	\$ 77,573
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Total Revenue Hours	15,710
Total Revenue Miles	175,418

Total Cost Per Ride	\$ 15.64
Total Cost Per Mile	\$ 6.49
State & Federal Cost Per Ride	\$ 9.99
State & Federal Cost per Mile	\$ 4.14



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People's Transit-Huron, South Dakota



Address: 120 Wyoming SW Huron, SD 57350
Phone: (605) 353-0100
Contact: Gayle Kludt
Email: gayle.peoplestransit@midconetwork.com
Website: www.peoplestransithuron.com

System Characteristics

Service Type: Demand Response
Service Hours: (M-F) 6:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Fare Structure: Youth \$2.50
 Adult \$3.50
Service Area: Beadle & Sanborn Counties

Ridership Characteristics

Elderly 15,256
Disabled 9,021
Youth 29,433
Public 25,293
Total 79,003

Ride Type

Medical	19,065
Employment	14,305
Nutrition	1,443
Social	8,212
Education	30,147
Shopping	5,795
<u>Other</u>	<u>36</u>
Total	79,003

Funding and Expenditures

Section 5311	\$ 380,820
Section 5311 Capital	\$ 19,960
Revenue	\$ 347,677
Local Match	\$ 141,413
<u>Title III-B Funds**</u>	<u>\$ 19,096</u>
Total	\$ 908,966

State Funds** \$ 69,239

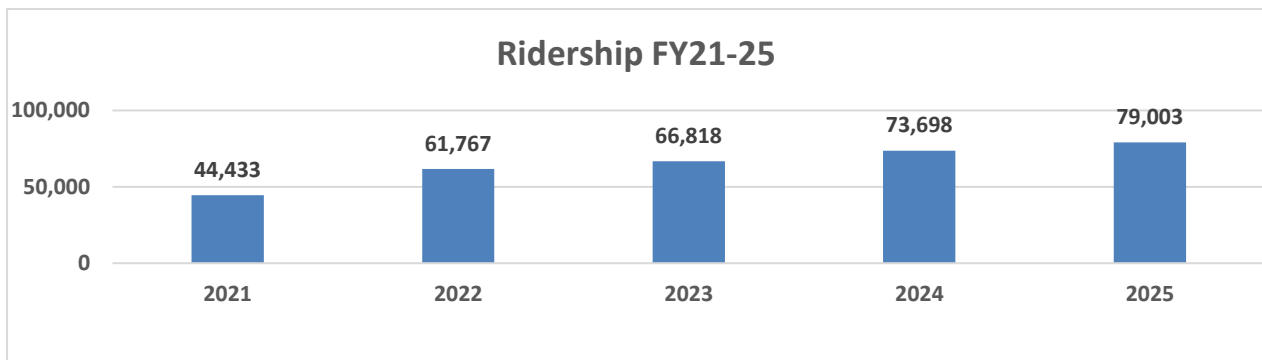
Total Cost Per Ride \$ 11.51

Total Cost Per Mile \$ 2.39

State & Federal Cost Per Ride \$ 6.19

State & Federal Cost per Mile \$ 1.28

Total Revenue Hours 16,384
Total Revenue Miles 381,093



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Prairie Hills Transit- Spearfish, South Dakota



Address: 2015 Tumble Weed Trail Spearfish, SD 57783
Phone: (605) 642-6668
Contact: Barb Cline
Email: bkcline@prairiehillstransit.com
Website: www.prairiehillstransit.com

System Characteristics

Service Type: Demand Response
Service Hours: Varies by community.
Fare Structure: \$2-\$2.50 local trip
Service Area: Lawrence, Meade, Custer, Fall River, Butte, Perkins, Harding, and Pennington County

Ridership Characteristics

Elderly	28,962
Disabled	11,127
Youth	47,713
Public	<u>44,681</u>
Total	132,483

Ride Type

Medical	25,855
Employment	31,733
Nutrition	1,518
Social	15,293
Education	42,718
Shopping	15,182
Other	<u>184</u>
Total	132,483

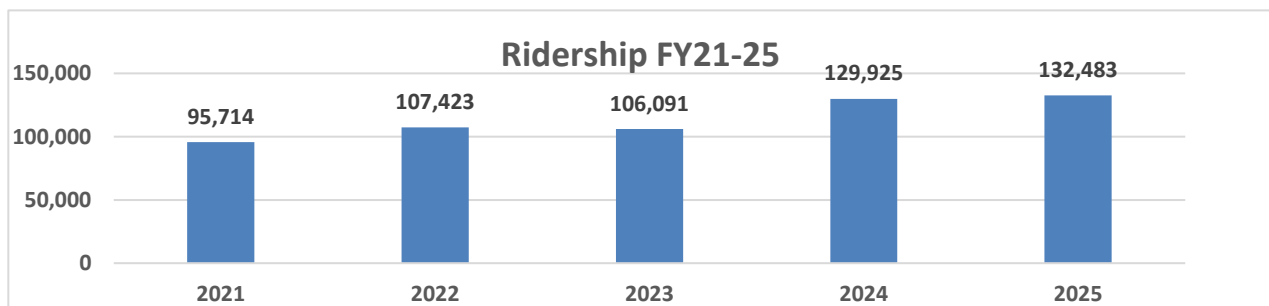
Funding and Expenditures

Section 5311	\$ 1,047,050
Section 5311 Capital	\$ 29,105
Revenue	\$ 912,778
Local Match	\$ 428,332
Title III-B Funds**	<u>\$ 103,803</u>
Total	\$ 2,521,068

State Funds**	\$ 118,970
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Total Revenue Hours	64,640
Total Revenue Miles	731,995

Total Cost Per Ride	\$ 19.03
Total Cost Per Mile	\$ 3.44
State & Federal Cost Per Ride	\$ 9.80
State & Federal Cost per Mile	\$ 1.77



** State and Federal Cost per ride/mile is Section 5311, Title III-B Funds, and State Funds added together divided by rides/miles

River Cities Public Transit- Pierre, South Dakota



Address: 1600 East Dakota Ave. Pierre, SD 57501
Phone: (605) 945-2360
Contact: Adam Sharkey Mallory Meier
Email: asharkey@rcptransit.com
mmeier@rcptransit.com
Website: www.rcptransit.com

System Characteristics

Service Type: Demand Response
Service Hours: 24-7
Fare Structure: \$2 + \$0.25 per mile for
prescheduled rides
Service Area: Hughes, Stanley, Hand, Hyde,
Dewey Ziebach, Haakon, East
Pennington, Jones, Lyman, N.
Jackson, Bennett, Potter, and
Sully County

Ridership Characteristics

Elderly	29,203
Disabled	9,510
Youth	120,111
Public	<u>88,633</u>
Total	247,457

Ride Type

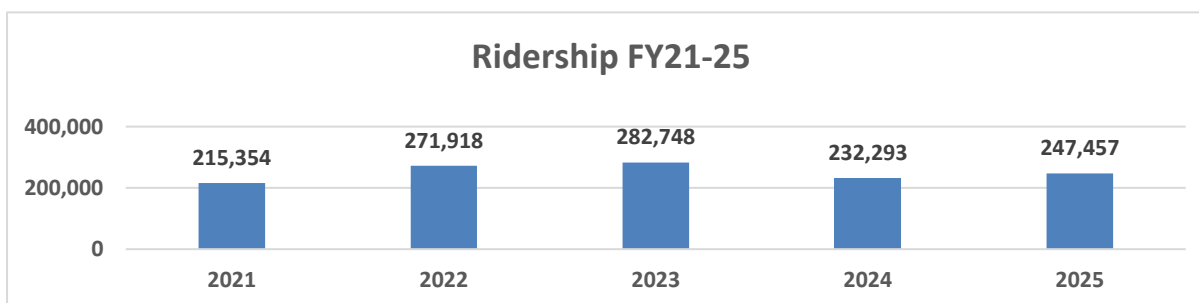
Medical	17,695
Employment	51,307
Nutrition	5,963
Social	57,087
Education	104,038
Shopping	10,374
Other	<u>993</u>
Total	247,457

Funding and Expenditures

Section 5311	\$ 2,462,169
Section 5311 Capital	\$ 85,117
Revenue	\$ 703,254
Local Match	\$ 1,192,189
Title III-B Funds**	<u>\$ 51,869</u>
Total	\$ 4,494,598

State Funds**	\$ 198,246
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Total Cost Per Ride	\$ 18.16
Total Cost Per Mile	\$ 5.44
State & Federal Cost Per Ride	\$ 11.30
State & Federal Cost per Mile	\$ 3.38



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Rural Office of Community Services- Wagner, South Dakota



Address: 107 S. Main Avenue Wagner, SD 57380
Phone: (605) 384-3883
Contact: Andrea Irwin
Email: airwin@rocsinc.org
Website: www.rocsinc.org/transit

System Characteristics

Service Type: Demand Response
Service Hours: (M-F) 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Fare Structure: Varies by community.
Service Area: Aurora, Bon Homme, Brule, Charles Mix, Douglas, Gregory, Jerauld, Kingsbury, Lincoln, Lyman, McCook, Miner, Moody, Minnehaha, Tripp, Turner, Hutchinson, Davison, &

Ridership Characteristics

Union Counties

Elderly	24,859
Disabled	9,386
Youth	36,801
Public	<u>5,526</u>
Total	76,572

Ride Type

Medical	15,943
Employment	5,108
Nutrition	5,804
Social	5,145
Education	36,233
Shopping	8,323
Other	<u>16</u>
Total	76,572

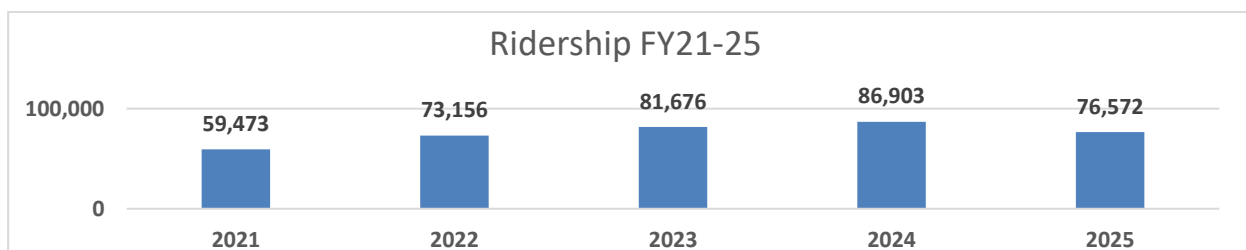
Funding and Expenditures

Section 5311	\$ 707,655
Section 5311 Capital	\$ 37,988
Revenue	\$1,001,301
Local Match	\$ 356,570
Title III-B Funds**	<u>\$ 42,822</u>
Total	\$2,146,336

State Funds**	\$ 115,815
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Total Revenue Hours	39,480
Total Revenue Miles	753,422

Total Cost Per Ride	\$ 28.03
Total Cost Per Mile	\$ 2.85
State & Federal Cost Per Ride	\$ 11.81
State & Federal Cost per Mile	\$ 1.20



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Standing Rock Public Transit- Fort Yates, North Dakota



Address: 9299 HWY 24 Fort Yates, ND 58538
Phone: (701) 854-8090
Contact: Pam Ternes
Email: pam.ternes@sittingbull.edu
Website: www.sittingbull.edu

System Characteristics

Service Type: Demand Response
Service Hours: (M-F) 6:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Fare Structure: \$5 one-way
Service Area: Corson and Walworth
 Counties in South Dakota

Ridership Characteristics

Elderly	2,006
Disabled	95
Youth	0
Public	<u>3,576</u>
Total	5,677

Ride Type

Medical	434
Employment	3,576
Nutrition	0
Social	0
Education	858
Shopping	257
Other	<u>276</u>
Total	5,677

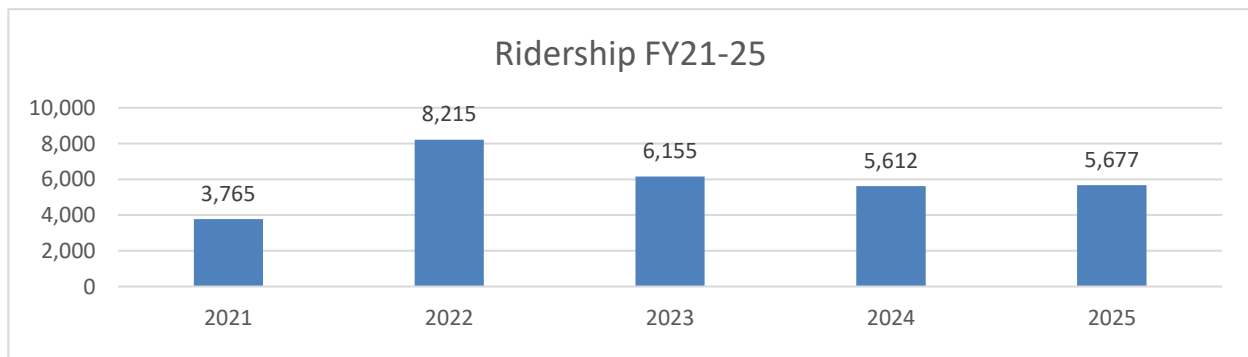
Funding and Expenditures

Section 5311	\$ 114,158
Section 5311 Capital	\$ 2,202
Revenue	\$ 19,285
Local Match	\$ 21,992
Title III-B Funds**	<u>\$ 2,000</u>
Total	\$ 159,637

State Funds**	\$ 34,511
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Total Cost Per Ride	\$ 28.12
Total Cost Per Mile	\$ 2.62
State & Federal Cost Per Ride	\$ 26.93
State & Federal Cost per Mile	\$ 2.50

Total Revenue Hours	1,718
Total Revenue Miles	61,045



** State and Federal Cost per ride/mile is Section 5311, Title III-B Funds, and State Funds added together divided by rides/miles

Southeast Public Transit- Yankton, South Dakota



Address: 901 East 7th St. Yankton, SD 57078
Phone: (605) 665-4610
Contact: Adam Sharkey Mallory Meier
Email: asharkey@rcptransit.com mmeier@rcptransit.com
Website: www.septransit.com

System Characteristics

Service Type: Demand Response
Service Hours: **Yankton**
 (M-F) 5:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Vermillion-
 (M-F) 7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Fare Structure: \$2.50 one-way trip
Service Area: Clay and Yankton Counties

Ridership Characteristics

Elderly	17,548
Disabled	33,588
Youth	16,911
Public	<u>32,020</u>
Total	100,067

Ride Type

Medical	19,666
Employment	35,984
Nutrition	801
Social	9,388
Education	14,730
Shopping	19,498
Other	<u>0</u>
Total	100,067

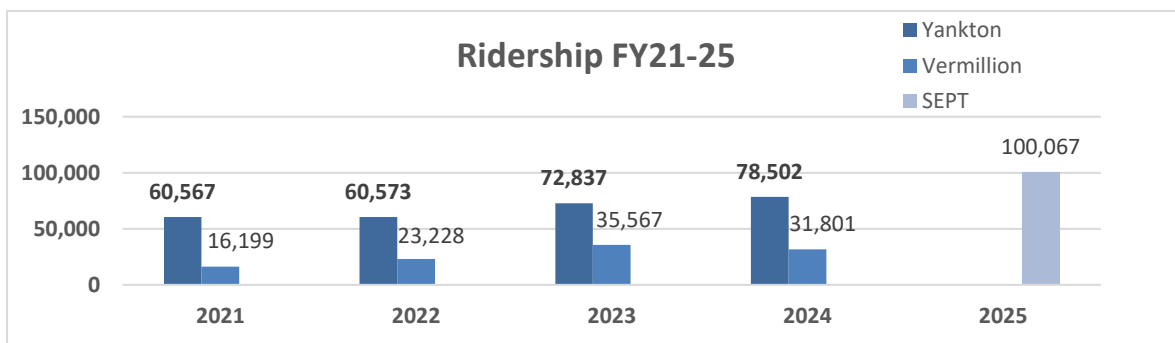
Funding and Expenditures

Section 5311	\$ 673,440
Section 5311 Capital	\$ 31,042
Revenue	\$ 163,849
Local Match	\$ 283,546
Title III-B Funds**	<u>\$ 31,158</u>
Total	\$1,183,035

State Funds**	\$ 110,743
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Total Revenue Hours	18,333
Total Revenue Miles	217,457

Total Cost Per Ride	\$ 11.82
Total Cost Per Mile	\$ 5.44
State & Federal Cost Per Ride	\$ 8.46
State & Federal Cost per Mile	\$ 3.89



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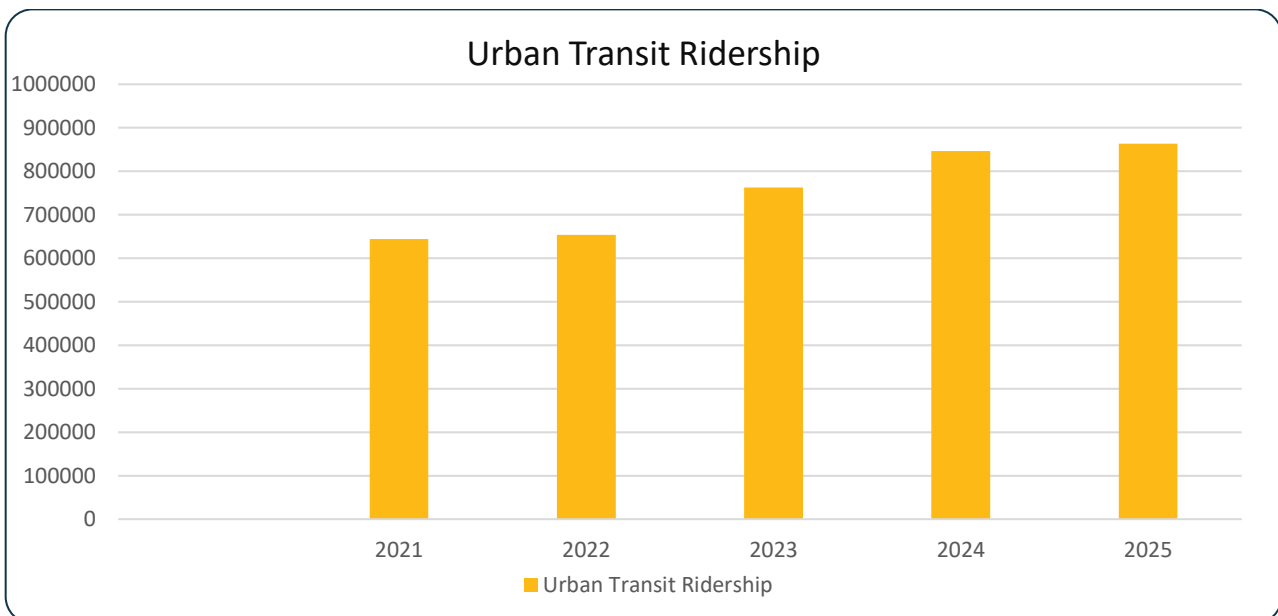


Tribal and Urban Public Transit Systems

Tribal and Urban Public Transit providers in South Dakota receive their funding and oversight directly from the FTA. Those who choose to participate in the SDDOT's Transit Asset Management (TAM) Plan have biannual asset reviews. SDDOT provides additional program administrative assistance when requested.



The data used for the following tribal pages was obtained through yearly NTD Database Reports.



The urban chart includes Rapid Transit System and Sioux Area Metro ridership.

Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Transit



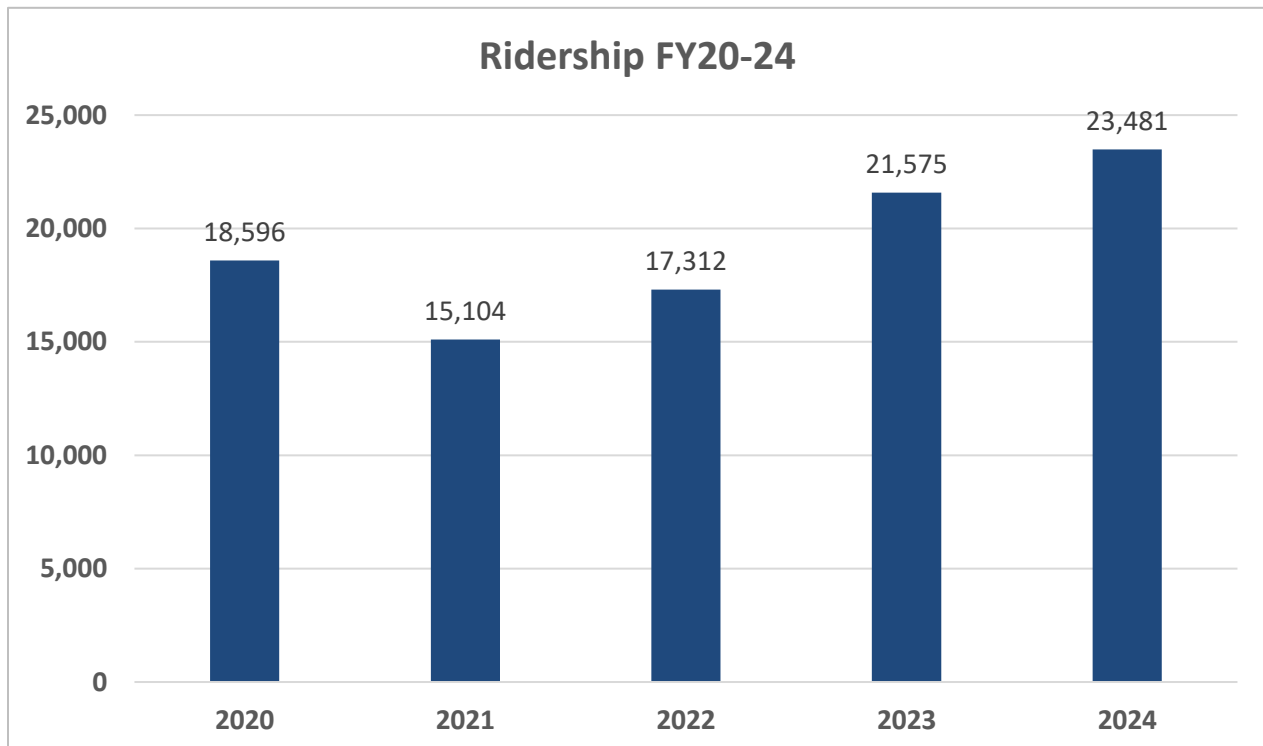
Address: PO Box 590 Eagle Butte, SD 57625
 Phone: (605) 964-7433
 Contact: Dakota Longbrake
 Email: dlongbrake@lakotanetwork.com
 Website: www.cheyenneriversioux.com

System Characteristics

Service Type: Demand Response
Service Hours: 5am-6pm M-F
 6am-3pm Saturday
Fare Structure: \$2 one-way
Service Area: Cheyenne River

Ridership Characteristics

Total Revenue Miles 278,993
Total Revenue Hours 13,864
Total Passenger Trips 23,481



Lower Brule Sioux Tribe – Red Tail Express



Address: 187 Oyate Circle Lower Brule, 57548
Phone: (605)473-5561
Contact: Tim Azure
Email: timazure@lowerbrule.net
Website: www.lowerbrulesiouxtribe.com

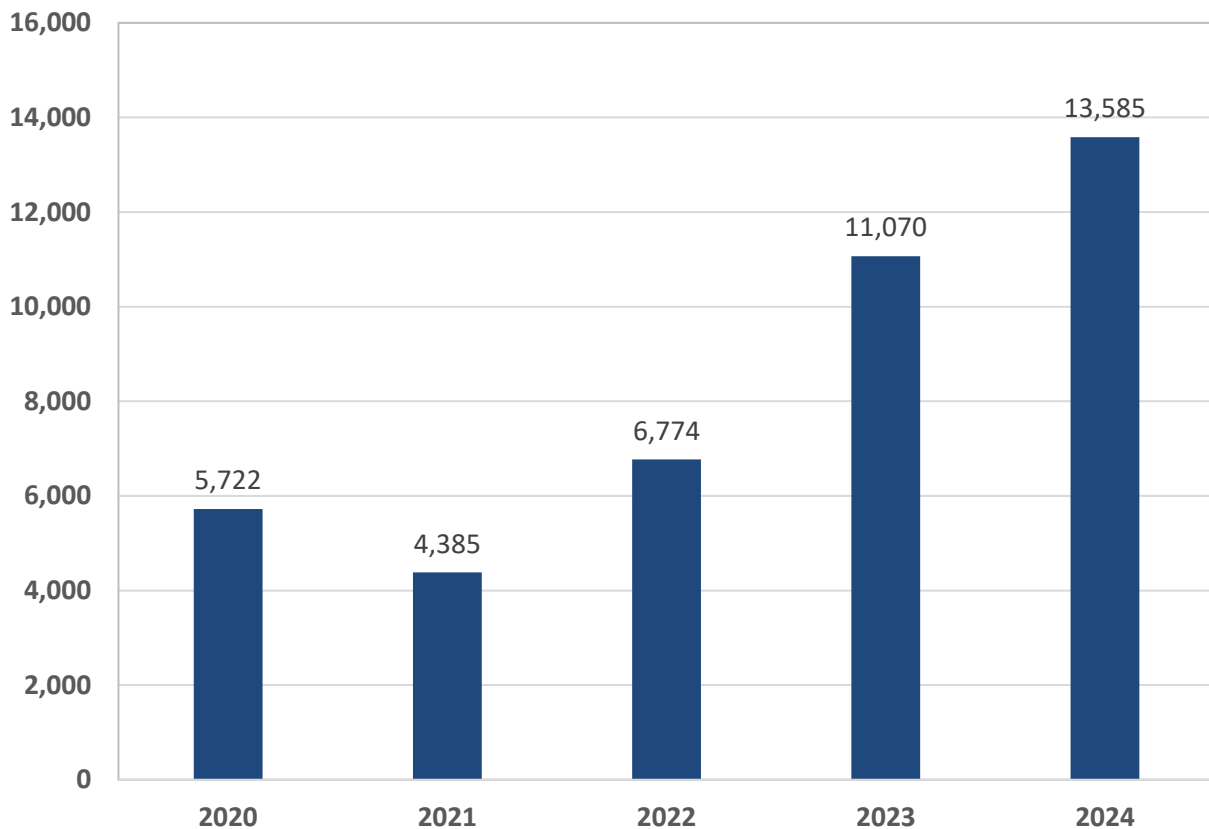
System Characteristics

Service Type: Demand Response
Service Hours: 7am-7:30 pm
Fare Structure: \$1 one-way
Service Area: Lower and West Brule

Ridership Characteristics

Total Revenue Miles	327,207
Total Revenue Hours	10,193
Total Passenger Trips	13,585

Ridership FY20-24



Rosebud Sioux Tribe Transit



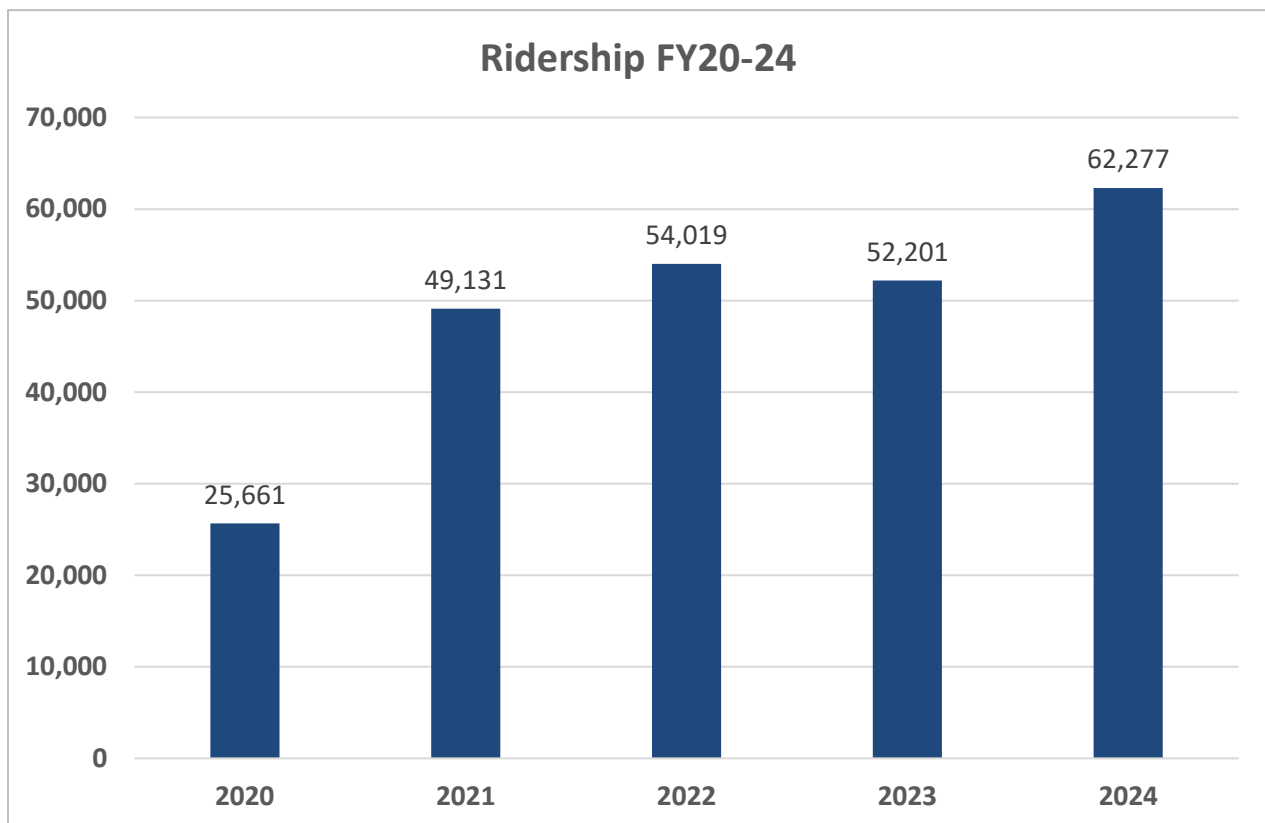
Address: PO Box 430 Rosebud, SD 57570
Phone: (605) 747-2718
Contact: John Charles Arcoren
Email: johncharles.arcoren@rst-nsn.gov
Website: www.rosebudsiouxtribe-nsn.gov

System Characteristics

Service Type: Demand Response
Service Hours: 7am-12am
Fare Structure: \$1 one-way
Service Area: Rosebud Indian Reservation

Ridership Characteristics

Total Revenue Miles	277,909
Total Revenue Hours	20,179
Total Passenger Trips	62,277



Yankton Sioux Tribe Transit



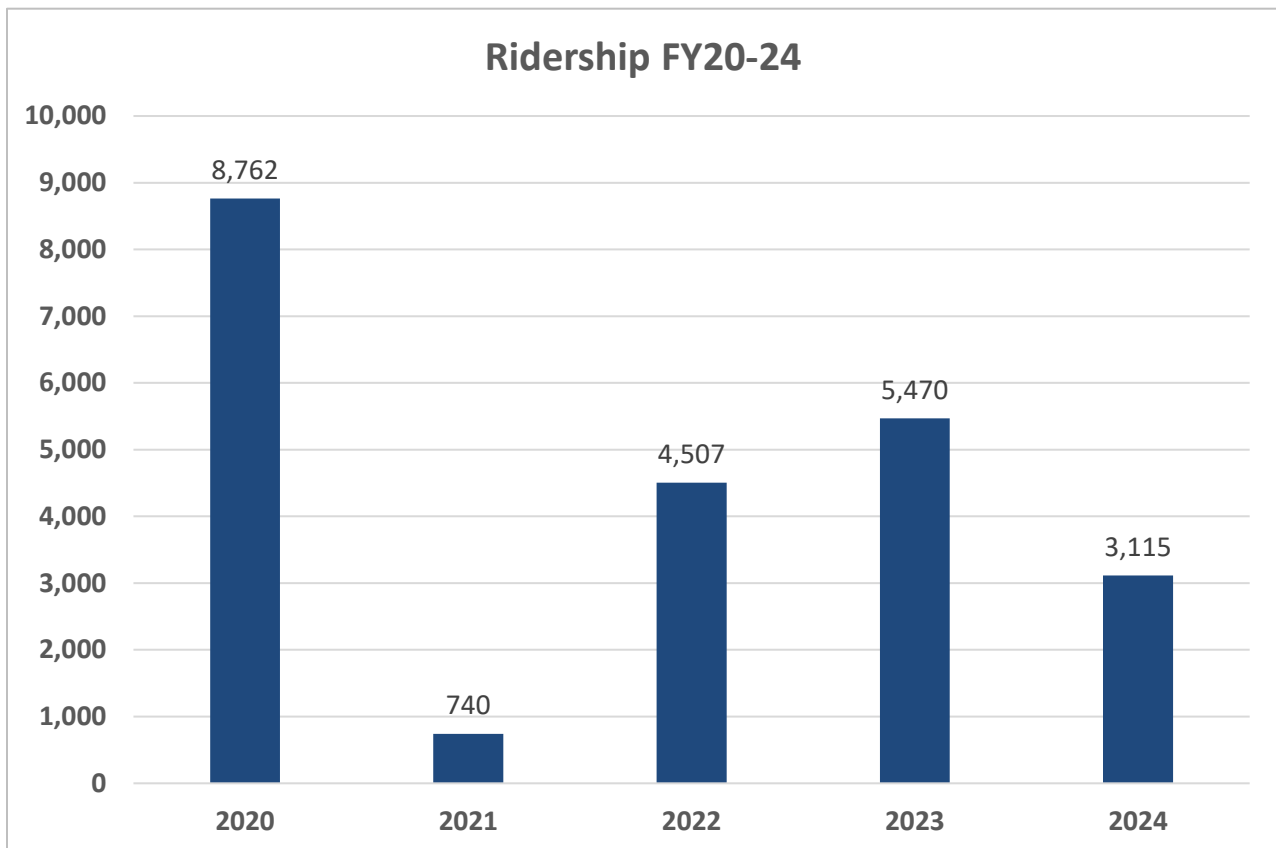
Address: 800 Main Ave South Wagner, SD 57380
Phone: (605)384-5004
Contact: Bernie Rencountre
Email: bernierz@yanktonsiouxtribe.net
Website: www.yanktonsiouxtribe.net

System Characteristics

Service Type: Fixed Route
Service Hours: 7am-12am
Fare Structure: \$1 one-way
Service Area: Yankton Indian Reservation

Ridership Characteristics

Total Revenue Miles	90,812
Total Revenue Hours	3,651
Total Passenger Trips	3,115



Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate Transit



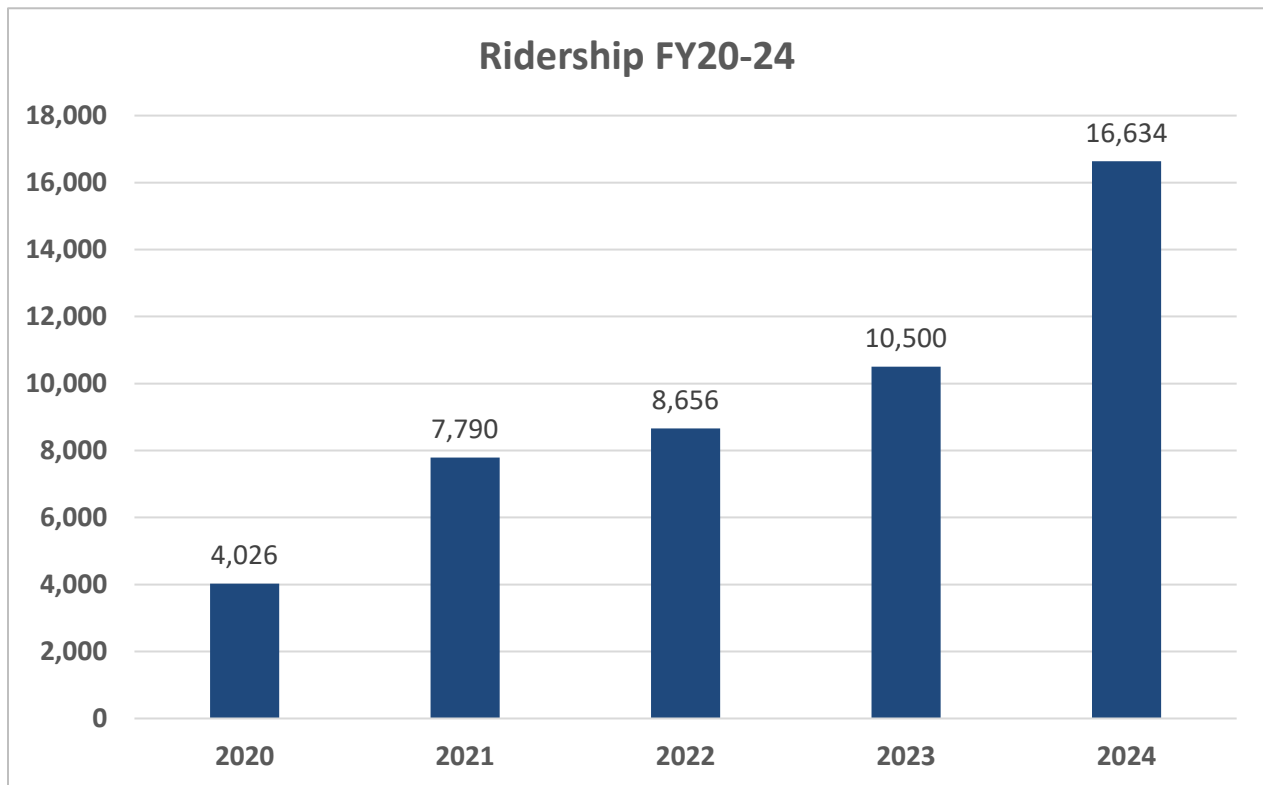
Address: 12554 Bia Highway 711 Agency Village, SD 57262
Phone: (605) 698-8355
Contact: Clifford Eberhardt
Email: clifforde@swo-nsn.gov
Website: www.swo-nsn.gov

System Characteristics

Service Type: Demand Response
Service Hours: 6am-6pm
Fare Structure: \$1 one-way
Service Area: Lake Traverse Reservation

Ridership Characteristics

Total Revenue Miles	154,681
Total Revenue Hours	5,853
Total Passenger Trips	16,634



Oglala Sioux Tribe Transit



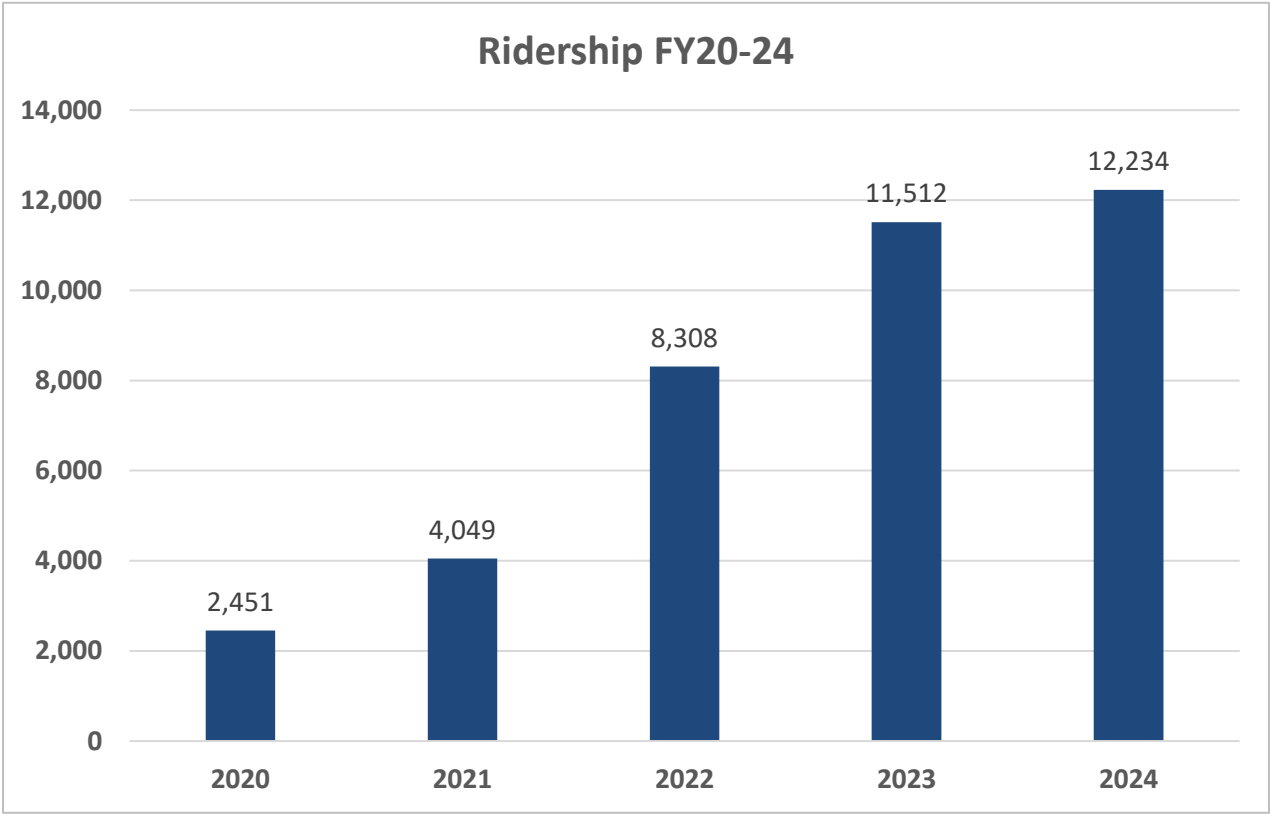
Address: 107 W Main St, Pine Ridge SD 57770
Phone: (605) 867-2332
Contact: Emma Featherman-Sam
Email: oglawin@hotmail.com
Website: N/A

System Characteristics

Service Type: Fixed Route
Service Hours: 7am-12am
Fare Structure: Yellow Ticket - \$60
Blue Ticket - \$30
Red Ticket - \$20
Service Area: Pine Ridge Reservation

Ridership Characteristics

Total Revenue Miles	297,396
Total Revenue Hours	8,532
Total Passenger Trips	12,234



Rapid Transit System



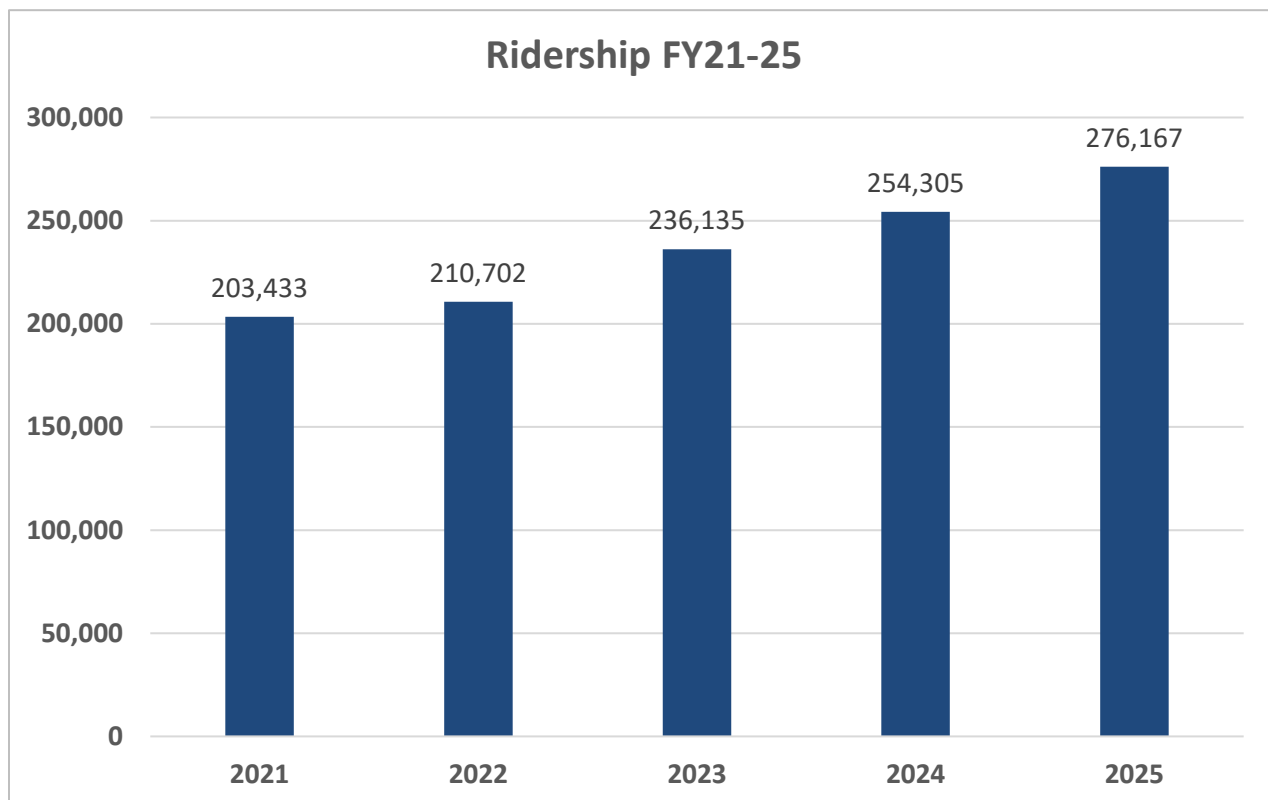
Address: 333 6th Street Rapid City, SD 57701
Phone: (605) 394-6631
Contact: Megan Gould-Stabile
Email: megan.gould-stabile@rcgov.org
Website: www.rapidride.org

System Characteristics

Service Type: Fixed Route / Paratransit
Service Hours: 6am-6pm
Fare Structure: \$3 one-way
Service Area: Rapid City

Ridership Characteristics

Total Revenue Miles	465,659
Total Passenger Trips	276,167



Urban Ridership Fiscal Year is July-June.

Sioux Area Metro



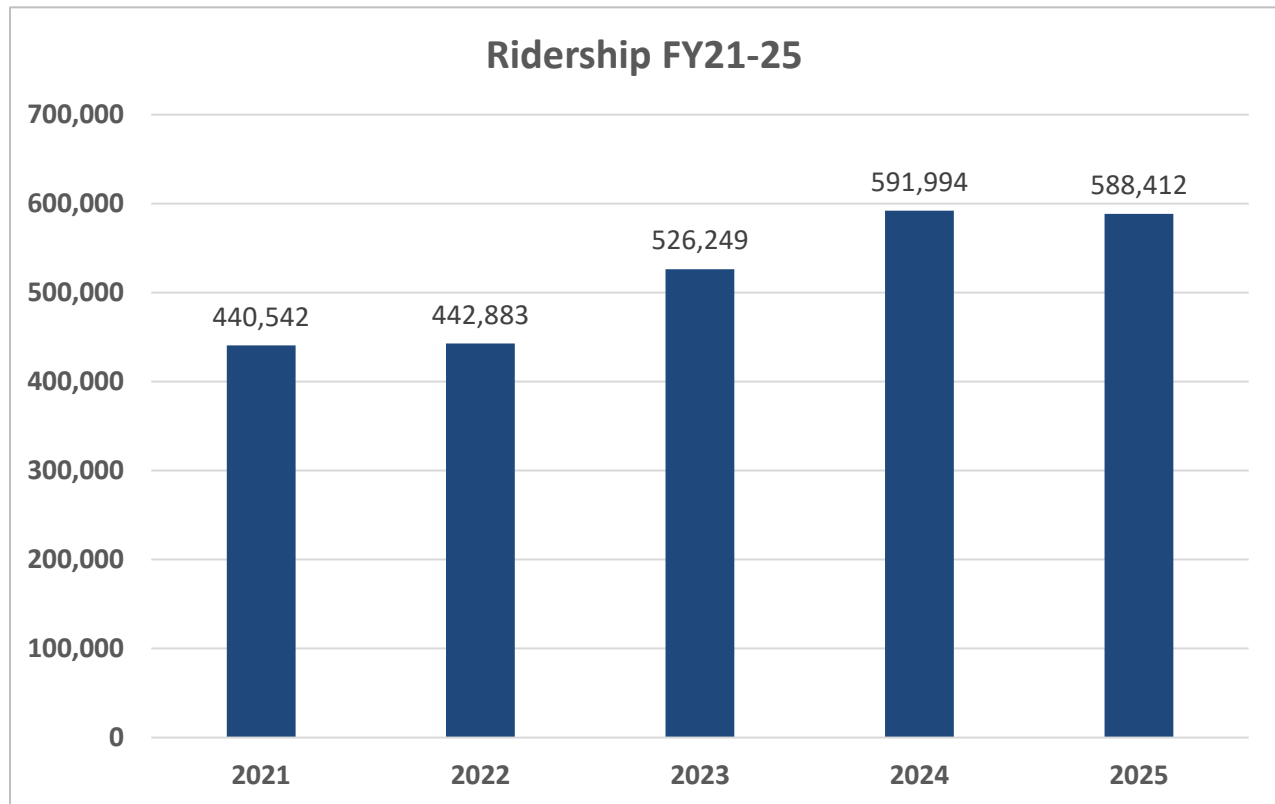
Address: 500 E 6th Street Sioux Falls, SD 57104
Phone: (605) 367-7151
Contact: Emily Shapiro
Email: Emily.shapiro@ridewithvia.com
Website: www.siouxfalls.gov

System Characteristics

Service Type: Fixed Route/Paratransit
Service Hours: 5:45am-9:15pm
Fare Structure: \$1.50 one-way
Service Area: Sioux Falls

Ridership Characteristics

Total Revenue Miles	1,274,597
Total Passenger Trips	588,412



Urban Ridership Fiscal Year is July-June.



The Dakota Transit Association (DTA) was formed in 1985 to address the need for greater communication between transportation providers and to serve as a unified voice for public transportation agencies within the state of North and South Dakota at the national level. Each year, transit agencies and State DOTs from both North and South Dakota meet for an annual conference. The conference awards ceremony is an opportunity to recognize those who have contributed their skills and talents to help make public transportation in the Dakotas as successful as it is today.



(Pictured from left to right: Agency of the Year, Prairie Hills Transit; Driver of the Year, Keith Aman, Aberdeen Ride Line; Outstanding Support Staff Sue Trively, CTWSI; Above and Beyond, Randy Wallace, Prairie Hills Transit; Friend of Transit, Brian Heinecke, Valley Queen Cheese, Milbank, SD



DTA Driver Training and Rodeo

Jamestown, North Dakota - September 12th- 17th, 2025



The DTA hosts the annual Driver Rodeo as the kickoff to the DTA conference. The DTA Rodeo is an opportunity for drivers to gain recognition for their driving skills. While there are awards for the top finishers, winning is not the primary reason for this competition. The Rodeo is an opportunity to test their skills and meet others in the profession.

Top 5 South Dakota Participants



(Pictured from left to right: 5th Place- Timothy Torres, Community Transit of Watertown/Sisseton, Inc.; 4th Place- Doug Herr, Community Transit of Watertown/Sisseton, Inc.; 3rd Place- Doug Syman, Prairie Hills Transit; 2nd Place- Chad Simon, Rural Office of Community Services Transit; 1st Place- Bryce Lambert, River Cities Public Transit)

Top 5 North Dakota Participants



(Pictured from left to right: 5th Place- Gerald Thu, James River Public Transit- 4th Place; Luciana Ford, James River Public Transit; 3rd Place- William Ridley, Standing Rock Public Transit; 2nd Place- Terry Holland, West River Transit; 1st Place- Sheri Harsche, Standing Rock Public Transit)

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