

Replacement of:

**TransAdelaide 2002-03 Annual Report:**

**Rail Systems:**

***Patronage***

(text commences at the bottom of page 8 of 51 up to, but not including '**Reliability**' sub-heading:

as follows:

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***Patronage***

TransAdelaide again recorded an increase in patronage for the year, recording a 4.8% for trains (total boardings), a 0.4% increase in tram patronage, and continued the pattern of steady improvement.

*Annual (Total) Boardings (expressed as 000's)*

<b>Mode</b>	<b>2001-02</b>	<b>2002-03</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Tram	2,073	2,080	+7	+ 0.4%
Train	10,171	10,660	+ 489	+ 4.8%

Patronage on TransAdelaide's night services has continued to increase with a +5.4% growth achieved for trains and +4.5% for trams.

Train patronage experienced a high growth when fuel prices started to increase throughout the year. New users to the system continued to utilise the services and hence patronage continued its positive growth trend throughout the year. Train patronage continued to be positively influenced by the safety and security initiatives introduced in 2000.

The relatively small increase in tram patronage reflects a change in demographics along the tram line with an aging population finding it more difficult to board a tram due to mobility restrictions. It is expected that, with the provision of new, modern, low-floor trams in 2005, a significant increase in patronage will result.

***Reliability..... etc'***

***(sent to Minister's office on 2/12/2003) for submission to Cabinet as an amendment)***