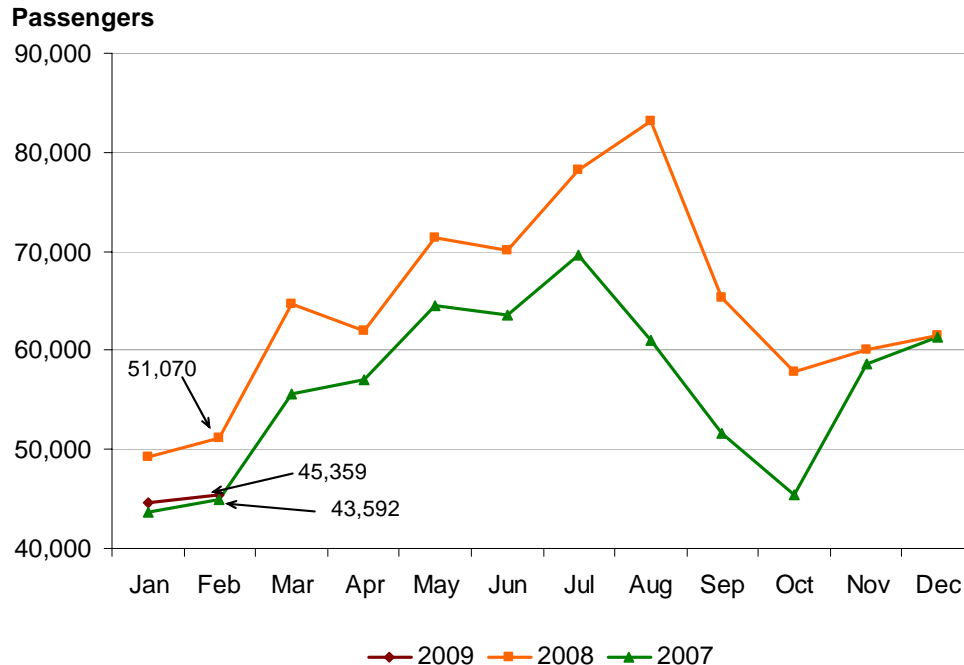




## Amtrak Cascades Ridership Report – February 2009

The following information is a snapshot of ridership performance, average trip length, and year-to-date summary.

### Ridership



In comparison with February 2008:

- February 2008 was a leap year, so that month had one more day of service than February 2009.
- In February 2008, the Coast Starlight did not operate and the Amtrak *Cascades* absorbed the majority of those passengers. This year the Coast Starlight was operating on a normal schedule.
- Overall ridership decreased 8.0 percent.
- Ridership for train **500** (PDX-SEA) decreased 10.6 percent and **500** (EUG-PDX) increased 1.5 percent. This train did not operate February 9-13 and was replaced with limited motorcoach service.
- Ridership for train **501** (SEA-PDX) decreased 22.6 percent. This train did not operate February 9-13 and was replaced with limited motorcoach service.
- Ridership for train **506** (PDX-SEA) decreased 7.3 percent and **504** (EUG-PDX) decreased 18.9 percent.
- Ridership for train **507** (SEA-PDX) increased 3.2 percent and **507** (PDX-EUG) decreased 29.5 percent.
- Ridership for train **508** (PDX-SEA) decreased 21.0 percent.
- Ridership for train **509** (SEA-PDX) decreased 8.2 percent and **509** (PDX-EUG) increased 13.7 percent.
- Ridership for trains **510** (SEA- VAC) decreased 4.6 percent and train **517** (VAC-SEA) decreased 3.1 percent

- Ridership for trains **513** and **516** decreased 7.8 percent and 7.5 percent, respectively.
- Amtrak Superliner equipment is being used for trains **510** and **517** and is operating with its original schedule.
- WSDOT and Amtrak began a new Amtrak *Cascades* connecting bus service on May 12, 2008. February ridership for this new bus service was 1,047. This was a 12 percent decrease from January 2009; however February had three less days in the month than January.

## Monthly Ridership per Funding Agency

Amtrak *Cascades* operations are funded by the states of Washington and Oregon and Amtrak. This table provides a breakdown per funding agency.

In comparison with February 2008:

- Ridership for Washington State funded trains decreased 11.5 percent.
- Ridership for Oregon funded trains decreased 11.6 percent.
- Ridership for Amtrak funded trains decreased 9.3 percent.

Agency	2009	2008
Washington Funded Trains	30,918	34,943
Oregon Funded Trains*	7,275	8,227
Amtrak Funded Trains**	7,166	7,900
<b>Route Totals</b>	45,359	51,070

\* Represents trains **500** and **504** (EUG-PDX), and **507** and **509** (PDX-EUG).

\*\* Represents trains **500** (PDX-SEA) and **509** (SEA-PDX).

## Year-to-Date (YTD) Summary

YTD Feb	Ridership	Passenger Miles (PM)	Ave. Trip Length (miles)
2009	89,968	13,968,357	155.3
2008	100,347	15,425,242	153.7

- Average trip length increased 1.0 percent when compared with 2008.