



Public Transit during the pandemic

Today's discussion topics

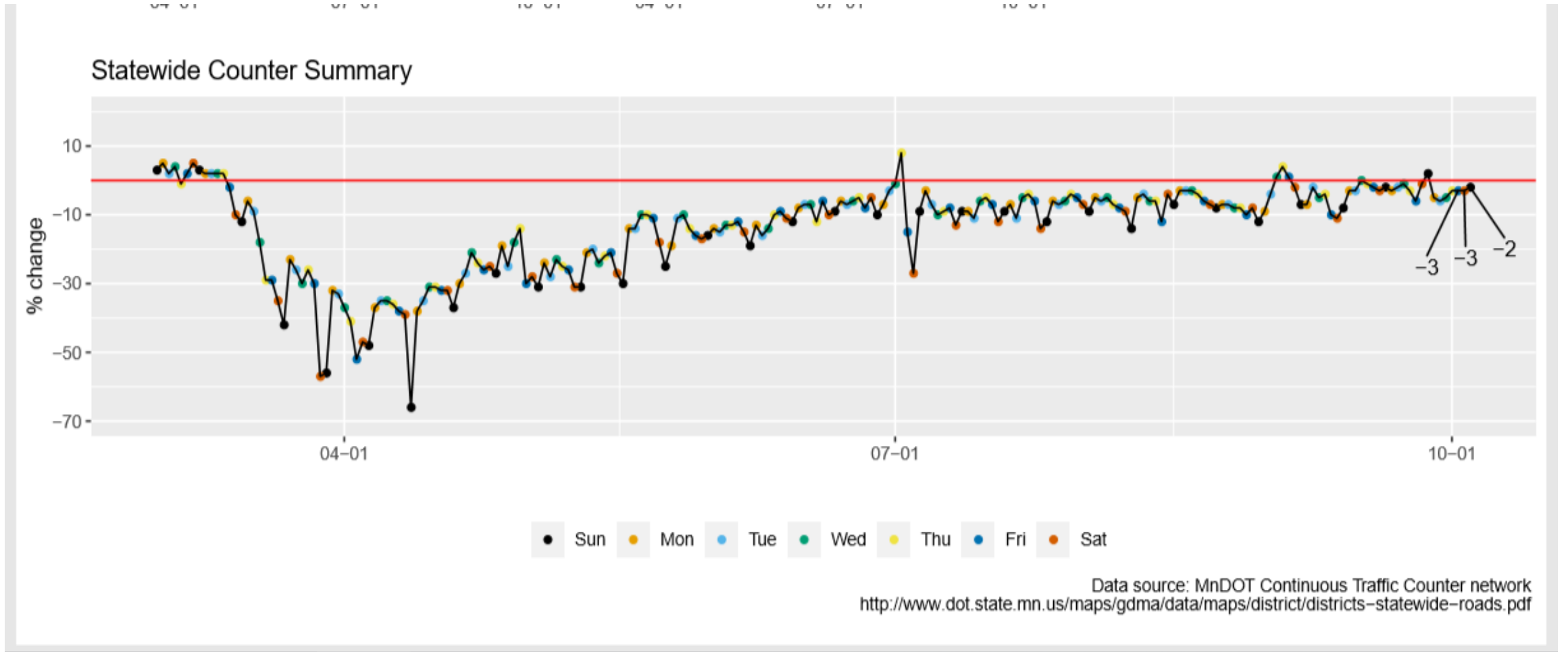
- How COVID impacted the way people travel
- How Greater Minnesota public transit systems were impacted and adjusted
- How transit will come back: the big unknown
- How transit will come back: what we are seeing and doing

Traffic



Statewide traffic summary

Percent change in Year 2020 Daily Traffic Volume compared to Historical Baseline (2016–2019)



Transit switches gears



Jeremy Monahan and staff work to help others in need of assistance

"One of the ways people are affected in this pandemic is food insecurity. People, especially ones who are older, may not feel comfortable going out into the community to obtain their groceries."

— Jeremy Monahan
Transit director
Fairmont-Martin County

Transit agencies help deliver food to riders at risk during pandemic

With several states instituting orders to limit non-essential travel, several transit providers have partnered with local organizations to make sure those at higher risk can still obtain food and other essentials.

Faribault and Martin Counties: Transit system to help food shelves

Prairie Lakes keeps rolling during COVID

By KEVIN MERTENS
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"We never did shut down," Faribault-Martin County Transit director Jeremy Monahan says, referring to the coronavirus pandemic. "We ramped up our cleaning efforts, used better disinfectants and we kept going."

And, while they did see a ridership, the loss of experienced riders other than the young ones...

ice did not sit back and wait to see what happened, according to Monahan.

"We had an opportunity to keep busy and help out people at the same time," he comments. "One of the ways people are affected in this pandemic is food insecurity. People, especially ones who are older, may not feel comfortable going out into the community to obtain their groceries."

And that is where the transit service stepped in.


"We work with the local food shelves and we also are helping with the Meals on Wheels pro-

In fact, was down about 70 percent at one...



Riders



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CARES Act signed into law; transit agencies to receive funds within seven days

The \$2.2 trillion stimulus package contains more than \$26 billion in financial relief

CARES Act Provides \$25 Billion for Public Transit

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