

Question on Notice

No. 998

Asked on Thursday 5 June 2008

MR NICHOLLS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT, TRADE, EMPLOYMENT AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS (MR MICKEL)—

QUESTION:

With reference to Ten Trip Tickets—

- (1) Will he provide a month by month breakdown of all journeys made using Ten Trip Tickets on TransLink buses for the last 12 months (each month reported separately)?
- (2) Will he provide a month by month breakdown of all journeys made using Ten Trip Tickets on TransLink ferries for the last 12 months (each month reported separately)?

ANSWER:

- (1) For the 2006-07 financial year journeys undertaken with a Ten Trip Ticket on Brisbane Transport services totalled approximately 17.7 million.

Month	Journeys	% of Total Passenger Journeys
July	1 476 226	11%
August	1 739 728	12%
September	1 515 570	11%
October	1 562 138	11%
November	1 547 003	11%
December	978 239	9%
January	1 074 003	9%
February	1 509 047	11%
March	1 819 793	11%
April	1 331 638	10%
May	1 749 768	11%
June	1 358 862	11%
Total	17 662 015	11%

(2) For the 2006-07 financial year journeys undertaken with a Ten Trip Ticket on Brisbane City Council ferry services totalled approximately 1.03 million.

Month	2006-07	% of Total Passenger Journeys
July	82 813	1%
August	98 436	1%
September	88 418	1%
October	98 712	1%
November	90 417	1%
December	64 336	1%
January	68 038	1%
February	80 938	1%
March	100 908	1%
April	79 906	1%
May	97 858	1%
June	80 828	1%
Total	1 031 608	1%

Queensland Transport advises that the retention of the Ten Trip Saver would require significant investment and will result in revenue loss. It is anticipated that in the first year the cost to TransLink would be \$19.22m with an ongoing yearly cost of \$9.22m if the Ten Trip Saver were to be retained.

I am advised that, out of the 17 Translink providers, Ten Trip Savers are only offered on the Brisbane City Council services.

Ten Trip Savers are operator specific and zone specific. I am advised that the on-board machinery used to validate the Ten Trip Savers is prone to frequent malfunctions due to the obsolete nature of the technology.

Assumption Limitations

I am advised that during the 2007-08 financial year, the rollout of Automated Fare Collection System equipment (including *go* card) resulted in the modification of the Ten Trip Saver validators to enable use of the Ten Trip Saver ticket during migration.

Subsequently, passenger counts are now incorporated in the count key button used by drivers on Brisbane Transport services and Brisbane City Council ferry services, which also include the number of journeys for those holding other paper tickets.

As such, statistics are not available for the 2007-08 year exclusively for Ten Trip Savers.