**Fiscal Facts: Bus ridership declines in Wisconsin, nationwide**

Between 2014 and 2017, Wisconsin’s five largest transit systems each increased service overall as measured by total vehicle miles traveled, yet ridership declined among four of the five. Ridership declined in Racine (-17.8%), Madison (-16.2%), Milwaukee (-15.6%) and Green Bay (13.0%); only Kenosha saw an increase (0.8%).

Wisconsin’s losses were part of a national decline in mass transit ridership during the same period, but in many communities they were greater than the national average.

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