## Canberra Light Rail Customer Satisfaction Survey

Canberra Metro Operations


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## Executive Summary

- Three quarters (75\%) use the Light Rail at least weekly.
» Almost half of participants are very frequent users of the Light Rail ( $43 \%$ using it 5-7 days per week).
- The most common purpose for using the Light Rail is for work (35\%).
- More than one in two walk to their Light Rail stop (57\%).
- Satisfaction is high across customer service, punctuality, safety and security, ease of use and cleanliness.
» Cleanliness ( $98 \%$ satisfied or very satisfied).
" Punctuality ( $95 \%$ satisfied or very satisfied).
» Ease of use ( $94 \%$ satisfied or very satisfied).
" Safety and security ( $93 \%$ satisfied or very satisfied).
» Customer service ( $89 \%$ satisfied or very satisfied).
- Likelihood to recommend the Light Rail to friends or family is also high, with three in four being very likely to recommend (76\%) and 19\% being likely to recommend (95\% overall).


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- Colmar Brunton partnered with Q\&A Research to deliver the CMET Customer Satisfaction Survey:
» Colmar Brunton are CMET's day-to-day contact, leading on all aspects of research design, analysis and reporting. Q\&A Research are responsible for co-ordinating all aspects of fieldwork
- Quantitative questionnaire completed using iPads on board the Light Rail via intercepts
- $\mathrm{n}=1,185$ total responses
- LOI was 3.5 minutes
- Fieldwork was conducted from $14^{\text {th }}$ February 2020 - 27 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ February 2020, between all hours of operation and across different stops



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## Light Rail usage

## Frequency of Light Rail use

Three in four (75\%) use the Light Rail at least weekly. Just under half (43\%) of participants are frequent users, using the Light Rail 5-7 days per week. Few participants (7\%) reported this was their first time using the Light Rail on the day of the interview.


■ 5-7 days per week

■ 3-4 days per week

1-2 days per week
-1-2 day per fortnight

- 1-2 days per month
$■$ This is my first time


## Main purpose of Light Rail journey

Participants frequently cited travelling on the Light Rail for work purposes, with more than one third reporting to do so (35\%). This was followed by one in five (20\%) using the service to meet friends or family.


## Transport method taken to get to Light Rail stop

Around three in five (57\%) walked to their Light Rail stop.


## Satisfaction with Light Rail and likelihood to recommend

## Satisfaction with the customer service of Light Rail staff

Satisfaction with the customer service of Light Rail staff was high, with three in five (60\%) participants very satisfied, and just under one third (29\%) satisfied with the customer service of Light Rail staff. Those aged 65+(73\%) and those travelling to the shops (74\%) were more likely to be very satisfied.


Satisfaction with the customer service of Light Rail staff (by demographics and purpose of journey)

|  | TOTAL | GENDER |  | AGE |  |  |  |  | Purpose of journey |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  | Male | Female | 16-24 | 25-34 | 35-49 | 50-64 | 65+ | Work | School | TAFE/ University | Shops | Meeting friends or family | Tourism | Other |
| Very satisfied (9-10) | 60\% | 55\% | 64\% | 57\% | 59\% | 58\% | 59\% | 73\% | 55\% | 52\% | 60\% | 74\% | 58\% | 64\% | 62\% |
| Satisfied (7-8) | 29\% | 33\% | 26\% | 29\% | 31\% | 31\% | 29\% | 19\% | 37\% | 32\% | 32\% | 19\% | 30\% | 15\% | 24\% |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied (5-6) | 10\% | 11\% | 9\% | 12\% | 9\% | 10\% | 8\% | 8\% | 6\% | 16\% | 8\% | 5\% | 10\% | 22\% | 13\% |
| Dissatisfied (3-4) | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 2\% | 0\% | 0\% |
| Very dissatisfied (1-2) | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% | 2\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 2\% |
| Mean score (1-10) | 8.58 | 8.44 | 8.72 | 8.48 | 8.55 | 8.53 | 8.54 | 9.07 | 8.57 | 8.39 | 8.65 | 9.02 | 8.54 | 8.41 | 8.52 |
| Base: $\mathrm{n}=$ | 1185 | 571 | 614 | 287 | 320 | 272 | 180 | 126 | 420 | 31 | 100 | 121 | 240 | 96 | 204 |

Q5. Using a scale from 1 to 10, where 1 is very dissatisfied and 10 is very satisfied, how dissatisfied or satisfied are you with the customer service of Light Rail staff?
Base: All participants ( $n=1,185$ )

Significantly higher than Total at 95\% confidence interval
Significantly Iower than Total at 95\%
confidence interval

## Satisfaction with the punctuality of Light Rail

Satisfaction with the punctuality of the Light Rail was high, with 95\% reporting some level of satisfaction. Four in five (75\%) reported being very satisfied with the Light Rail's punctuality. Respondents aged 65+ were more likely to be very satisfied (90\%).


Mean score
(1-10)
9.13

Satisfaction with the punctuality of Light Rail (by demographics and purpose of journey)

|  | TOTAL | GENDER |  | AGE |  |  |  |  | Purpose of journey |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  | Male | Female | 16-24 | 25-34 | 35-49 | 50-64 | 65+ | Work | School | TAFE/ University | Shops | Meeting friends or family | Tourism | Other |
| Very satisfied (9-10) | 75\% | 75\% | 76\% | 74\% | 71\% | 72\% | 81\% | 90\% | 75\% | 65\% | 64\% | 84\% | 74\% | 69\% | 83\% |
| Satisfied (7-8) | 20\% | 21\% | 20\% | 22\% | 23\% | 22\% | 16\% | 10\% | 22\% | 26\% | 30\% | 10\% | 21\% | 27\% | 14\% |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied (5-6) | 4\% | 4\% | 3\% | 4\% | 5\% | 5\% | 2\% | 0\% | 3\% | 10\% | 5\% | 5\% | 4\% | 4\% | 2\% |
| Dissatisfied (3-4) | 1\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% |
| Very dissatisfied (1-2) | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% |
| Mean score (1-10) | 9.13 | 9.10 | 9.17 | 9.12 | 9.01 | 9.01 | 9.23 | 9.60 | 9.09 | 8.87 | 8.78 | 9.31 | 9.12 | 9.09 | 9.35 |
| Base: $\mathrm{n}=$ | 1185 | 571 | 614 | 287 | 320 | 272 | 180 | 126 | 420 | 31 | 100 | 121 | 240 | 96 | 204 |

Q6. Using a scale from 1 to 10 , where 1 is very dissatisfied and 10 is very satisfied, how dissatisfied or satisfied are you with the 'reliability of Light Rail in terms of it departing and arriving on time?
Base: All participants ( $n=1,185$ )

Significantly higher than Total at 95\% confidence interval
Significantly lower than Significantly lower than Total at 95\% confidence interval

## Satisfaction with safety and security when travelling on Light Rail

Most participants reported satisfaction in regards to safety and security whilst travelling on the Light Rail (24\% satisfied, $69 \%$ very satisfied). Again, those aged $65+(83 \%)$ and those travelling to the shops $(79 \%)$ are more likely to be very satisfied.


Satisfaction with safety and security when travelling on Light Rail (by demographics and purpose of journey)

|  | TOTAL | GENDER |  | AGE |  |  |  |  | Purpose of journey |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  | Male | Female | 16-24 | 25-34 | 35-49 | 50-64 | 65+ | Work | School | TAFE/ <br> University | Shops | Meeting friends or family | Tourism | Other |
| Very satisfied (9-10) | 69\% | 68\% | 71\% | 70\% | 68\% | 66\% | 67\% | 83\% | 63\% | 68\% | 66\% | 79\% | 72\% | 79\% | 72\% |
| Satisfied (7-8) | 24\% | 26\% | 23\% | 25\% | 25\% | 26\% | 27\% | 13\% | 29\% | 23\% | 32\% | 17\% | 20\% | 19\% | 23\% |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied (5-6) | 5\% | 5\% | 5\% | 4\% | 5\% | 7\% | 3\% | 3\% | 6\% | 10\% | 2\% | 2\% | 5\% | 2\% | 4\% |
| Dissatisfied (3-4) | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 0\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 2\% | 3\% | 0\% | 1\% |
| Very dissatisfied (1-2) | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% |
| Mean score (1-10) | 8.94 | 8.92 | 8.96 | 9.05 | 8.82 | 8.86 | 8.86 | 9.35 | 8.77 | 8.81 | 8.98 | 9.14 | 8.95 | 9.35 | 8.99 |
| Base: $\mathrm{n}=$ | 1185 | 571 | 614 | 287 | 320 | 272 | 180 | 126 | 420 | 31 | 100 | 121 | 240 | 96 | 204 |

Q7. Using a scale from 1 to 10 , where 1 is very dissatisfied and 10 is very satisfied, how dissatisfied or satisfied are you with safety and security when travelling on Light Rail?
Baser: All participants ( $n=1,185$ )

## Satisfaction with the ease of using Light Rail

Satisfaction with the ease of using the Light Rail was high, with $94 \%$ overall satisfaction. Three in four (74\%) were very satisfied and one in five were satisfied (20\%). Those travelling to TAFE/ University (62\%) are less likely to be very satisfied.


Satisfaction with the ease of using Light Rail (by demographics and purpose of journey)

|  |  | GENDER |  | AGE |  |  |  |  | Purpose of journey |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | TOTA | Male | Female | 16-24 | 25-34 | 35-49 | 50-64 | 65+ | Work | School | TAFE/ <br> University | Shops | Meeting friends or family | Tourism | Other |
| Very satisfied (9-10) | 74\% | 72\% | 75\% | 75\% | 71\% | 67\% | 80\% | 83\% | 70\% | 81\% | 62\% | 82\% | 73\% | 81\% | 78\% |
| Satisfied (7-8) | 20\% | 22\% | 19\% | 21\% | 22\% | 26\% | 14\% | 11\% | 24\% | 16\% | 33\% | 15\% | 19\% | 15\% | 15\% |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied (5-6) | 4\% | 4\% | 5\% | 4\% | 4\% | 6\% | 3\% | 4\% | 4\% | 3\% | 5\% | 2\% | 5\% | 4\% | 4\% |
| Dissatisfied (3-4) | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 2\% | 0\% | 2\% |
| Very dissatisfied (1-2) | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% |
| Mean score (1-10) | 9.03 | 9.00 | 9.06 | 9.11 | 8.97 | 8.81 | 9.13 | 9.36 | 8.91 | 9.16 | 8.82 | 9.36 | 8.95 | 9.35 | 9.11 |
| Base: $\mathrm{n}=$ | 1185 | 571 | 614 | 287 | 320 | 272 | 180 | 126 | 420 | 31 | 100 | 121 | 240 | 96 | 204 |

Significantly higher than Total at 95\% confidence interval
Significantly lower than
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## Satisfaction with the cleanliness on board Light Rail and at the stops

Satisfaction with the cleanliness onboard the Light Rail and at stops was extremely high; almost all participants were satisfied (98\%). Almost three in four reported being very satisfied (77\%) and one in five reported satisfaction (21\%). Respondents aged 65+ (88\%) and those travelling to the shops (88\%) were more likely to report being very satisfied.


Satisfaction with the cleanliness on board Light Rail and at the stops (by demographics and purpose of journey)

|  | TOTAL | GENDER |  | AGE |  |  |  |  | Purpose of journey |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Male | Female | 16-24 | 25-34 | 35-49 | 50-64 | 65+ | Work | School | TAFE/ <br> University | Shops | Meeting friends or family | Tourism | Other |
| Very satisfied (9-10) | 77\% | 76\% | 79\% | 75\% | 75\% | 76\% | 77\% | 88\% | 74\% | 68\% | 70\% | 88\% | 79\% | 81\% | 77\% |
| Satisfied (7-8) | 21\% | 22\% | 19\% | 21\% | 21\% | 22\% | 23\% | 12\% | 24\% | 29\% | 25\% | 12\% | 17\% | 19\% | 21\% |
| Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied (5-6) | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% | 3\% | 3\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 3\% | 5\% | 1\% | 3\% | 0\% | 1\% |
| Dissatisfied (3-4) | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% |
| Very dissatisfied (1-2) | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% |
| Mean score (1-10) | 9.19 | 9.13 | 9.25 | 9.11 | 9.13 | 9.18 | 9.21 | 9.54 | 9.14 | 9.00 | 8.94 | 9.53 | 9.15 | 9.33 | 9.25 |
| Base: $\mathrm{n}=$ | 1185 | 571 | 614 | 287 | 320 | 272 | 180 | 126 | 420 | 31 | 100 | 121 | 240 | 96 | 204 |

Almost all participants would recommend the Light Rail to their friends and family ( $95 \%$ likely). Three in four are very likely ( $76 \%$ ) and one in five are likely (19\%). Respondents aged 65+(87\%) and those travelling to the shops (88\%) are more likely to be very satisfied.


Likelihood of recommending Light Rail to friends or family
(by demographics and purpose of journey)

|  | TOTAL | GENDER |  | AGE |  |  |  |  | Purpose of journey |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Male | Female | 16-24 | 25-34 | 35-49 | 50-64 | 65+ | Work | School | TAFE/ <br> University | Shops | Meeting friends or family | Tourism | Other |
| Very likely (9-10) | 76\% | 71\% | 79\% | 69\% | 75\% | 74\% | 82\% | 87\% | 72\% | 68\% | 63\% | 88\% | 74\% | 83\% | 81\% |
| Likely (7-8) | 19\% | 22\% | 16\% | 25\% | 19\% | 20\% | 14\% | 9\% | 23\% | 23\% | 32\% | 10\% | 18\% | 15\% | 14\% |
| Neither likely nor unlikely (5-6) | 4\% | 5\% | 3\% | 5\% | 4\% | 5\% | 2\% | 2\% | 4\% | 6\% | 3\% | 2\% | 5\% | 2\% | 4\% |
| Unlikely (3-4) | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% | 3\% | 0\% | 0\% | 2\% | 0\% | 0\% |
| Very unlikely (1-2) | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 2\% | 0\% | 2\% | 0\% | 1\% |
| Mean score (1-10) | 9.15 | 9.01 | 9.28 | 8.94 | 9.11 | 9.13 | 9.34 | 9.48 | 9.09 | 8.84 | 8.80 | 9.55 | 9.02 | 9.55 | 9.23 |
| Base: $\mathrm{n}=$ | 1185 | 571 | 614 | 287 | 320 | 272 | 180 | 126 | 420 | 31 | 100 | 121 | 240 | 96 | 204 |

Q10. Using a scale from 1 to 10 , where 1 is very unlikely and 10 is very likely, how unlikely or likely are you to recommend Light Rail to your friends or family?
Base: All participants ( $n=1,185$ )

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Appendix: Respondent profile and questionnaire


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## Questionnaire



