

2019 Year End Ridership

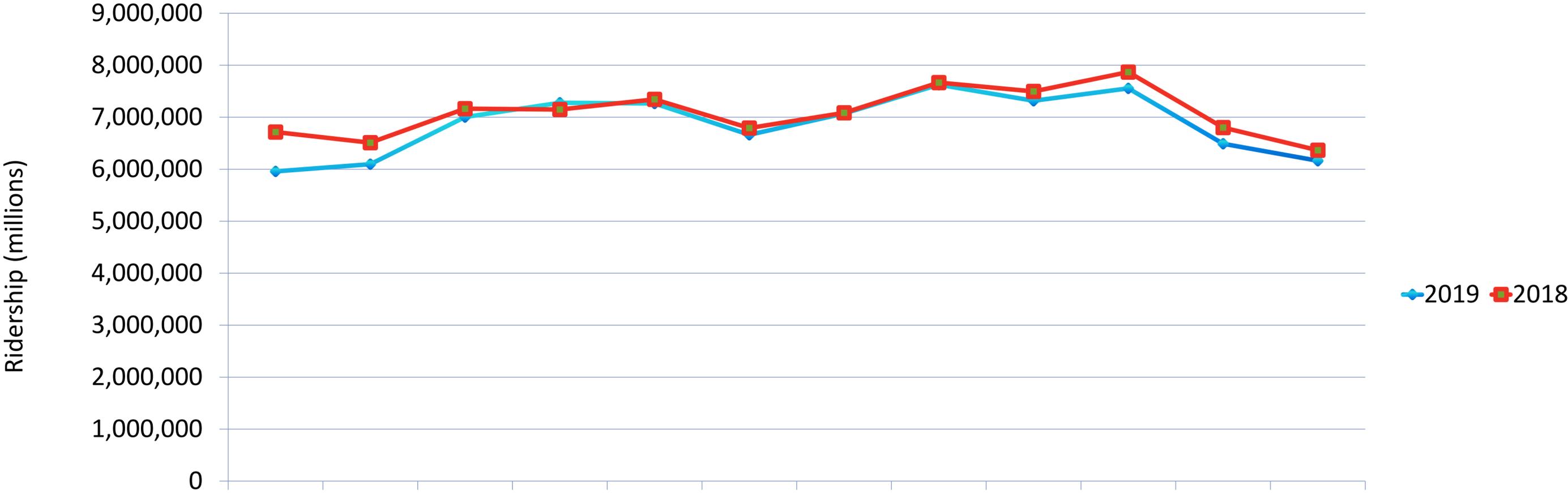
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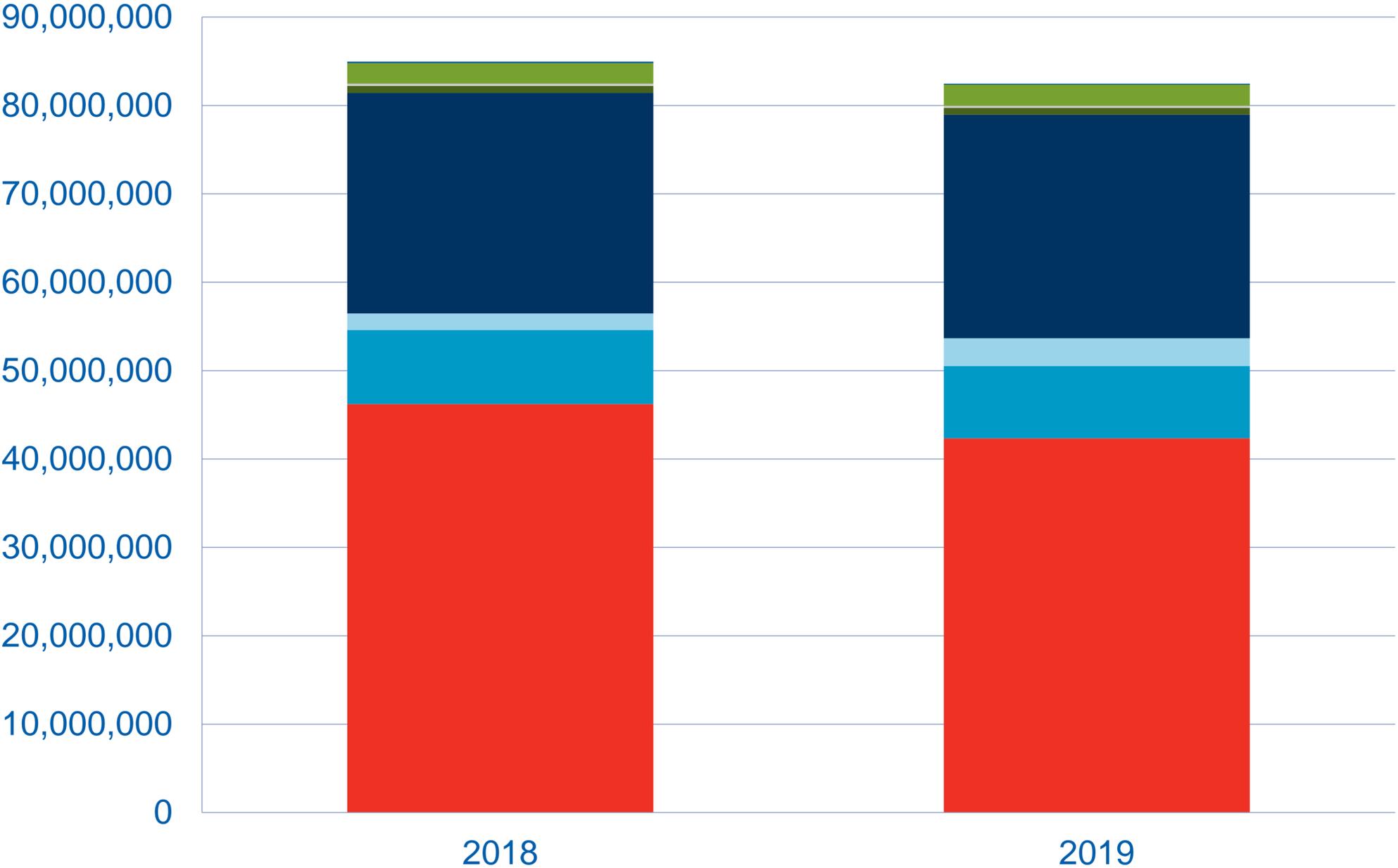
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Council Ridership by Mode – Year End 2019

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2019 Mode and Percent of Total Rides

- Van Pool < 1%
- Metro Mobility 3%
- Transit Link < 1%
- North Star < 1%
- Light Rail 31%
- BRT 4%
- Commuter & Express 10%
- Local 51%



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Mode	2018 Total	2019 Total	Nominal Change	% Change
Bus	56,490,352	53,656,103	-2,834,249	-5%
Light Rail	24,955,617	25,299,442	343,825	1%
Northstar	787,327	767,768	-19,559	-2%
Metro Mobility	2,381,781	2,420,304	38,523	2%
Transit Link	254,742	236,082	-18,660	-7%
Vanpool	114,833	106,608	-8,225	-7%
Council Total	84,984,652	82,486,307	-2,498,345	-2.94%



Bus Ridership – Year End 2019

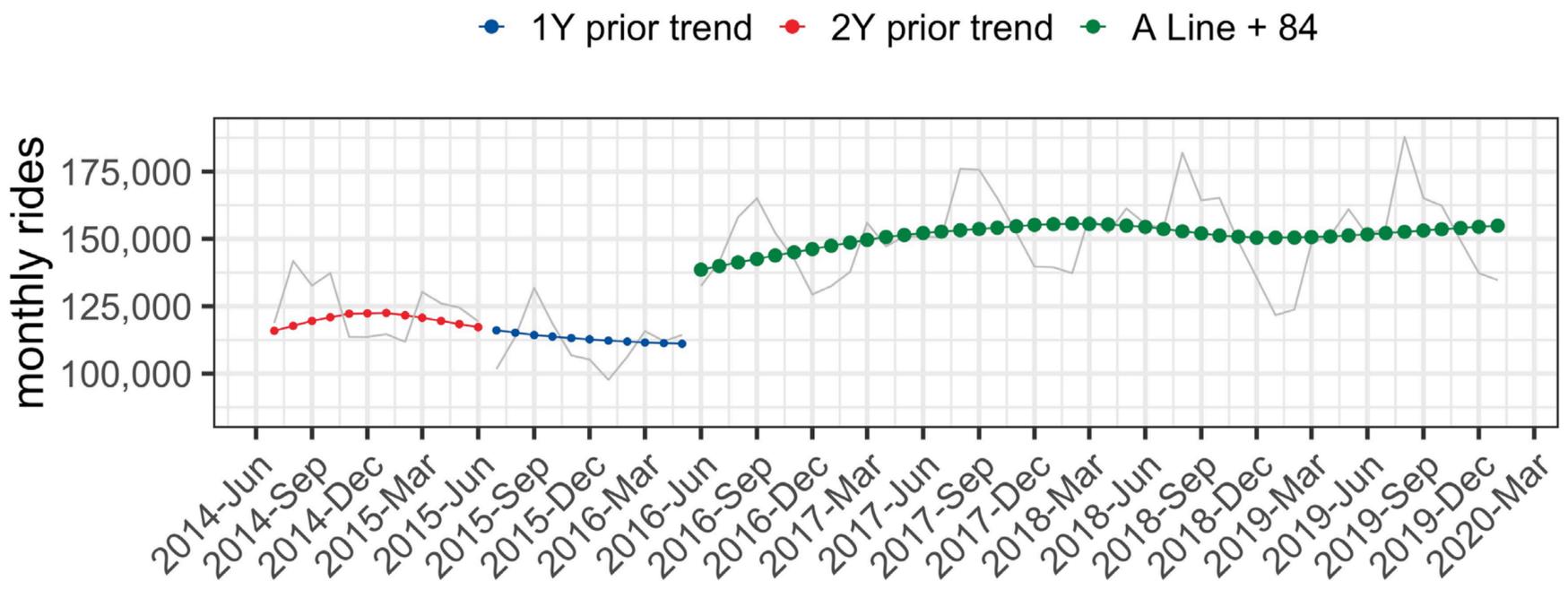
2018 Total: 56,490,352

2019 Total: 53,656,103 (-5%)

Bus Mode	2018 Total	2019 Total	Nominal Change
Local	46,214,128	42,342,738	-3,871,390
Bus Rapid Transit	1,872,327	3,135,436	1,263,109
Express	8,403,897	8,177,929	-225,968
Council Total	56,490,352	53,656,103	-2,834,249

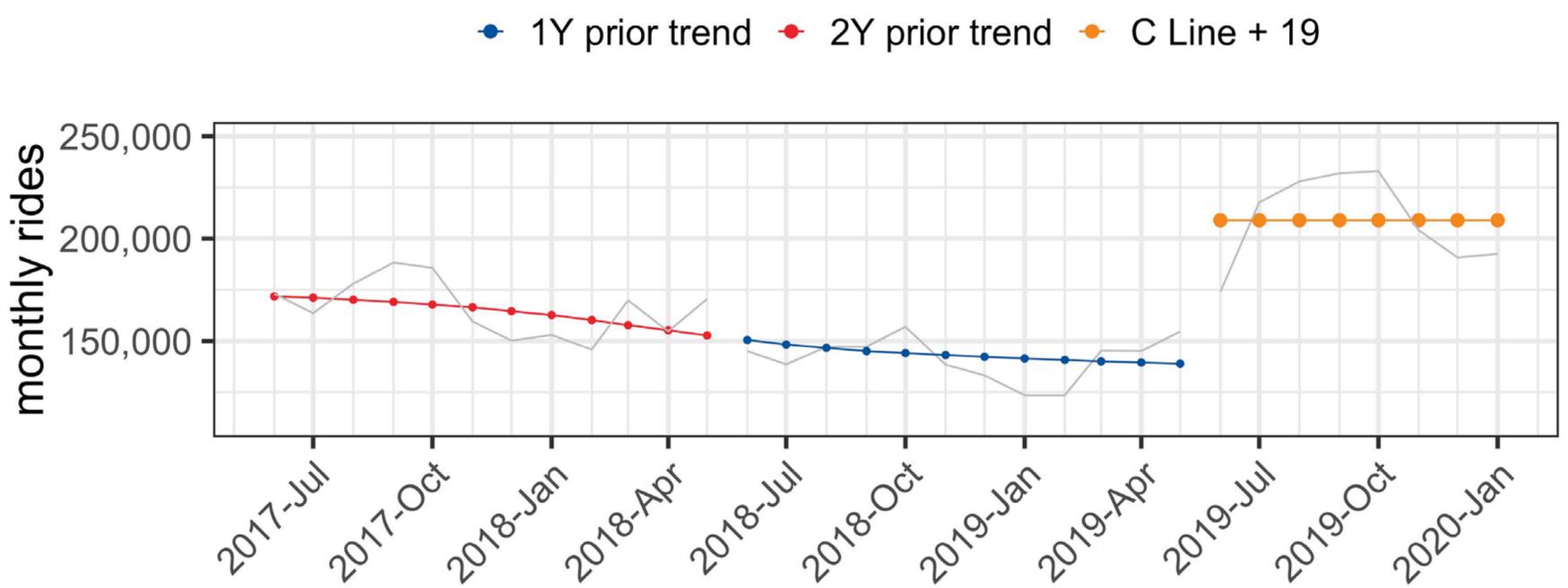


Investments in BRT boost ridership



- **A Line**

- +30% year 1
- continued growth trend



- **C Line**

- more than 30% higher
- top 5 bus route



System Ridership – Year End 2019

2018 Total: 94,169,221 2019 Total: 91,560,591 (-2.77%)

Provider	2018 Total	2019 Total	Nominal Change	% Change
Metropolitan Council	84,984,652	82,486,307	-2,498,345	-2.94%
Maple Grove	836,668	810,874	-25,794	-3.09%
MVTA	2,619,791	2,547,656	-72,135	-2.76%
Plymouth	519,337	522,724	3,387	.66%
Southwest Transit	1,127,355	1,106,199	-21,156	-1.88%
U of MN	4,081,418	4,086,831	5,413	.14%
Regional Total	94,169,221	91,560,591	-2,608,630	-2.77%



Successes

- Investments leading to ridership returns
 - BRT
 - local route improvements
 - Express routes on 35W south up 7% since construction began
- Ridership grows in corridors with reliable, frequent, fast service
- Light Rail
 - Blue Line Average Weekday ridership of 32,973 is 34% above the 2020 FFGA Levels
 - Green Line Average Weekday Ridership of 44,004 is 7% above the 2030 FFGA Levels

Challenges

- Events and short-term challenges
 - School closures due to weather Jan-Feb 2019
 - Operator shortages leading to cuts in service levels on local and express bus
- Long-term and Macroeconomic trends
 - increased auto availability, decreased auto costs
 - changing travel behavior, new modes
 - local trends reflect national dynamics

Questions

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