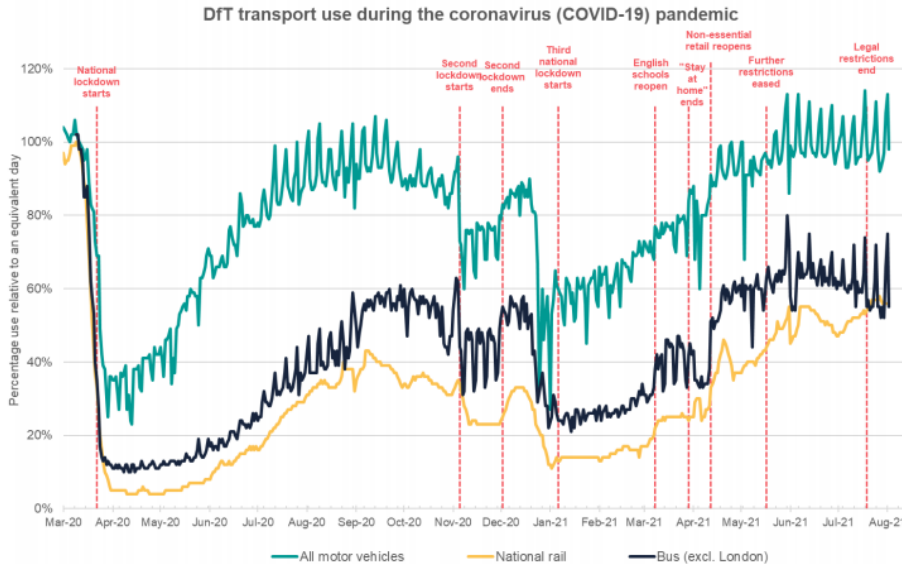
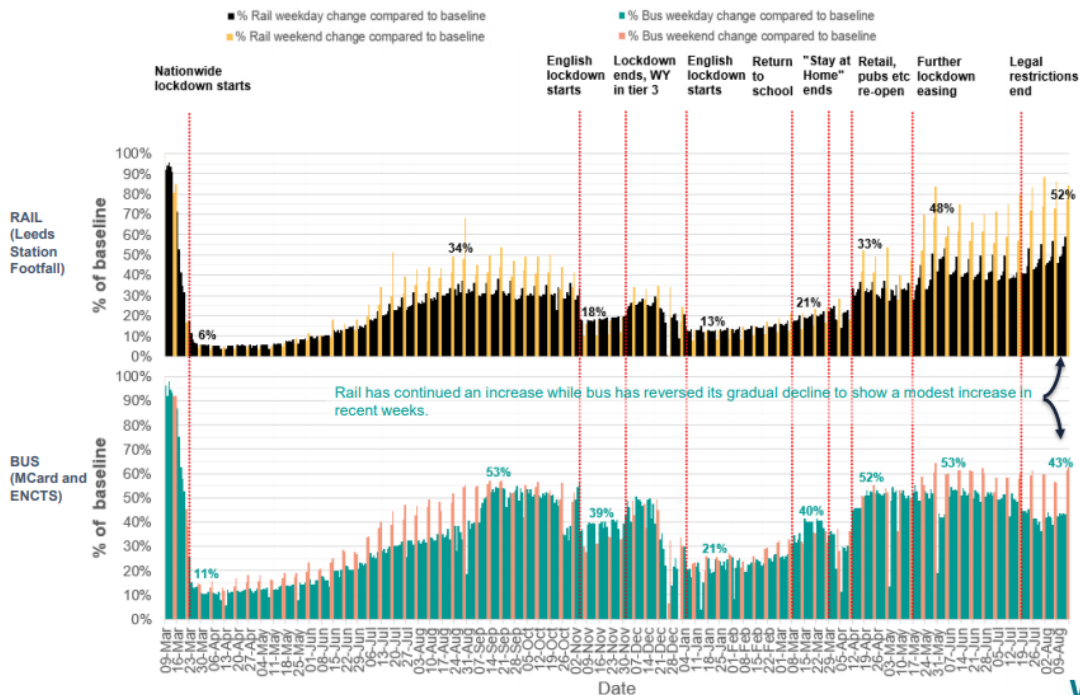


## Car usage peaks seen nationally, rail levels up with weekday bus usage

Motor vehicle use saw its absolute maximum on the weekend of the 14 August, although weekday values remain stable at levels just below the baseline. Bus weekday usage shows certain decline relative to the previous month, but weekend usage remains relatively stable with values of around 70% of baseline. Unlike road and bus travel, rail usage is not subject to weekend fluctuations. Rail usage has experienced a continuous increase in the last month, and usage now is similar to that of bus, at levels of just under 60%.

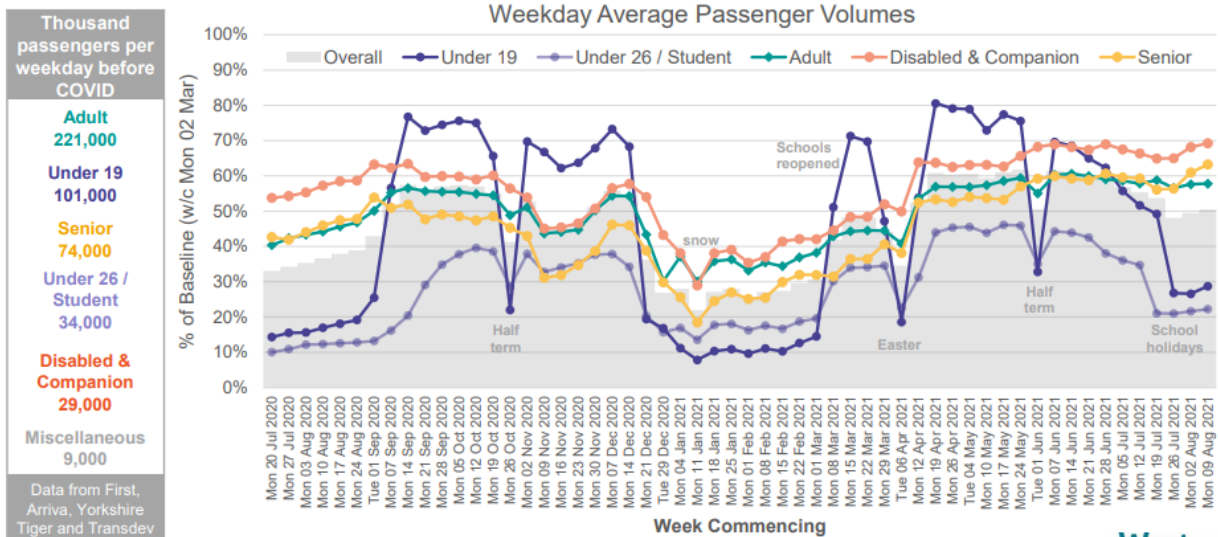


## Rail and bus patronage proxies increase over recent weeks



# Bus use by cohorts shows clear impact of academic holidays

Overall weekday use declined to the start of the academic summer holidays. Data up to 10<sup>th</sup> August shows increased use except for adults. All cohorts showed more usage at the start of August 2021 than at the start of August 2020. This is the first year-on-year comparison of the pandemic period with broadly similar lifting of restrictions.

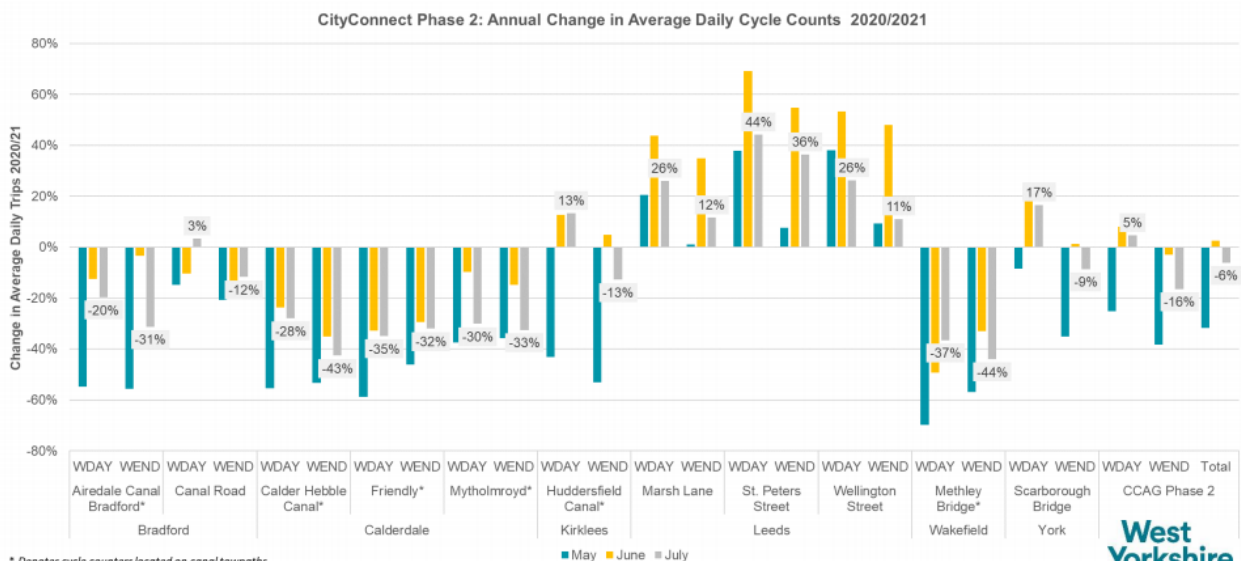


Baseline period is w/c Mon 02 Mar. Source: Bus operators electronic ticket machine data, passenger boarding locations in West Yorkshire. First, Arriva, Yorkshire Tiger and Transdev account for over 90% of bus services in West Yorkshire. Graph shows First, Transdev and Yorkshire Tiger data. Data is for weekdays excluding bank holidays, with ticket types assigned to broad cohorts.



## Average daily cycle trips are increasing in city centers as commuters return to work, while leisure trips decrease.

In July 2021 the average number of daily cycle trips recorded on [CityConnect](#) cycle counters decreased 6% compared to July 2020, with the biggest decreases observed at weekends, where the average number of daily trips has decreased 16%. Weekday counts have increased at city centre locations such as Leeds compared to 2020 but it should be noted that in the comparator months offices and non-essential business remained closed.



\* Denotes cycle counters located on canal towpaths

Source: WYCA

