

# Data Sheet 86 (DS 086)

## Annual Levels of Train Use

### What are we monitoring?

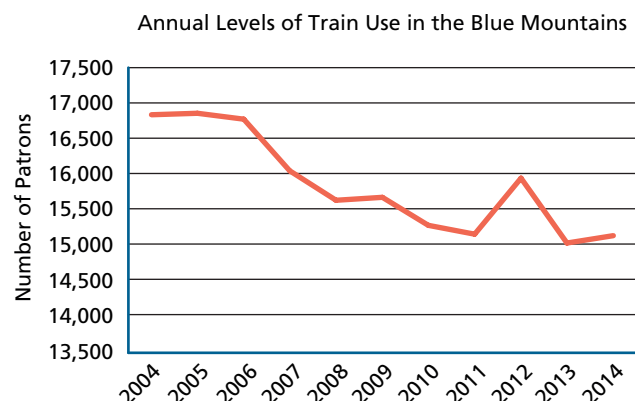
Annual levels of train use by Blue Mountains residents, measured by railway station daily barrier counts.

### What is the trend?

Less people are using trains with barrier counts showing a steady fall in numbers overall from 16,820 in 2004 to 15,140 in 2014. However, barrier counts at some stations are increasing, including at Katoomba and Leura.

### Why is monitoring this trend important?

Understanding the level of rail patronage helps Council to determine the level of services to offer around train stations such as commuter car parks and accessible footpaths. It is also an important indicator of sustainability as public transport is a more efficient and less polluting form of transport.



Annual Levels of Train Use in the Blue Mountains – Measured by Barrier Counts at Railway Stations

Year	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Bell	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Blackheath	420	520	540	520	600	600	600	620	600	520	580
Blaxland	1,900	1,860	1,820	1,720	1,660	1,660	1,620	1,640	1,460	1,420	1,440
Bullaburra	520	520	320	320	200	200	200	220	220	260	260
Faulconbridge	620	600	600	460	540	540	480	480	460	420	420
Glenbrook	1,480	1,480	1,480	1,340	1,340	1,340	1,260	1,140	1,160	1,140	1,120
Hazelbrook	840	840	900	840	880	880	880	880	860	800	840
Katoomba	2,760	2,700	2,660	2,600	2,440	2,440	2,380	2,420	3,200	3,120	3,320
Lapstone	280	280	280	300	300	300	300	320	340	320	320
Lawson	540	540	540	520	520	520	520	520	540	520	500
Leura	640	660	700	700	680	680	700	700	880	780	920
Linden	20	40	40	40	60	60	60	60	60	60	20
Medlow Bath	20	60	60	60	120	120	140	80	80	80	60
Mount Victoria	420	420	460	440	140	180	180	180	180	180	180
Springwood	3,920	3,920	3,920	3,480	3,560	3,560	3,420	3,340	3,320	3,100	3,040
Valley Heights	280	280	260	280	280	280	260	260	260	200	200
Warrimoo	240	220	200	500	460	460	460	460	480	380	380
Wentworth Falls	1,440	1,460	1,520	1,460	1,440	1,440	1,420	1,440	1,440	1,380	1,140
Woodford	480	460	460	460	400	400	400	400	400	360	400
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,820</b>	<b>16,860</b>	<b>16,760</b>	<b>16,040</b>	<b>15,620</b>	<b>15,660</b>	<b>15,280</b>	<b>15,160</b>	<b>15,940</b>	<b>15,040</b>	<b>15,140</b>

Source: NSW Government Bureau of Transport Statistics, Station Barrier Counts 2004–2014  
<http://bts.nsw.gov.au/Statistics/Train/default.aspx>