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## RIDERSHIP AT UNIVERSAL CITY STATION RISES TO 5<sup>th</sup> PLACE ON SUBWAY SYSTEM AFTER METRO RAIL NORTH HOLLYWOOD EXTENSION OPENING

With the Metro Red Line's arrival in the San Fernando Valley June 24, the Universal City station immediately took its place as the fifth most heavily used station on the 16-station subway system.

The station now averages 19,488 boardings and arrivals each day. Not far behind in seventh place is the North Hollywood station with 15,902 average daily boardings and arrivals.

The most heavily used subway stations are 7th/Metro, with 41,712 average daily boardings and arrivals; Union Station, 23,772; Wilshire/Vermont, 23,526; Pershing Square, 21,560; Universal City, 19,488; Wilshire/McArthur Park, 16,239; and North Hollywood, 15,902.

Two stations have gained more than 100 percent in patron usage since the extension opened. They are Hollywood/Western, by 147 percent, and Vermont/Beverly, by 122 percent. In addition, the Wilshire/Vermont station saw a 97 percent increase in useage.

Since the opening of the North Hollywood extension, total average daily boardings on the Metro Red Line have jumped from 64,190 to 121,477 -- an average increase of 89 percent. The opening also boosted ridership on the Metro Blue Line by five percent and on the Metro Green Line by 10 percent.

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