

Performance measures for minivans in paratransit fleet

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The Question: If you are using minivans in your paratransit fleet, what criteria are you using to evaluate their performance and what are your results.

Columbia County Public Transportation says... We have no mini vans in our fleet at this time.

Everett Transit says... We do not have any minivans in our paratransit fleet at this time; however we are considering purchasing some in the future. Our intention is to use them for our ambulatory riders.

Grays Harbor Transit says... Grays Harbor Transit does not use mini vans for paratransit we only use cut-aways

Intercity Transit says... We don't currently use mini-vans.

Island Transit says... We do not have minivans in our paratransit fleet.

Jefferson Transit says.... Our maintenance software program tracks the mileage and repair costs. The mini-vans are more cost efficient to operate. Secondly, in a rural system we have client homes that are only accessible by mini-vans.

Kitsap Transit says... We only operate a couple of mini vans for driver relief vehicles and really do not have criteria to evaluate their performance in that limited role.

Link Transit says... The reason for using minivans in the first place was based solely on the lower cost of operating these vehicles compared to diesel powered cutaways. However, productivity diminished as well as versatility. We are converting our minivan fleet with Sprinters when the opportunity arises.

Mason Transit says... Mason Transit has no mini-vans currently in our fleet.

Skagit Transit says... We don't use minivans in our paratransit fleet.

Spokane Transit says... At Spokane Transit for paratransit service we use cut a way vans only. They are not classified as mini vans. They are actually 22 feet in length.

Twin Transit says... we do not use mini vans in our paratransit fleet.

Valley Transit says... We don't use minivans at Valley Transit.

Whatcom Transit says...We don't use that type of vehicle in our paratransit service.

Yakima Transit says... We are using them to add another level of flexibility to our vehicle mix.
We have sedans, mini's and cut-away vans to serve our customers.