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### Metro-North Schedule Change On Hudson, Harlem and New Haven Lines to Increase Service

***Beginning Monday, June 15 the New Schedule Reflects a 115% Increase in Peak Service and 61% Increase in Reverse-Peak Train Service***

MTA Metro-North Railroad today announced schedule changes on the Hudson, Harlem and New Haven Lines beginning June 15 as trains increase in frequency to accommodate the region's Phase 1 reopening. The schedule change will further increase overall service to 61% of the Metro-North normal weekday schedule.

The new schedule reflects a 115% increase in peak-service. The current schedule of 54 trains is being replaced by the new June 15 schedule consisting of 116 trains, and includes a 61% increase in reverse-peak train service with 11 additional trains operating. This reflects 49 trains arriving at Grand Central Terminal during the AM peak and 67 trains departing during the PM peak.

With ridership down more than 90% and more customers expected to slowly make their return to the system, the new schedule provides approximately 41% of the normal Metro-North peak capacity.

Metro-North Railroad will continue to provide hourly service during off-peak, mid-day, late-evening, weekends and holiday periods.

"Increasing the frequency of trains on all three lines is part of our commitment to ensure our customers have a safe way to get to work and back home," said **Catherine Rinaldi, Metro-North Railroad President**. "We will pay close attention to ridership numbers and quickly make any adjustments necessary. Cleaning and disinfecting stations and train cars remain our priority as we slowly welcome more riders back."

The schedule will allow beginning June 15 for up to 12 trains to be added to the schedule on a short notice.

Off-peak fares will continue to be in effect during this period at all times.

#### **Hudson Line**

Morning peak service increases from 8 trains to 14 trains. Afternoon peak service increases from 10 trains to 19 trains, with two additional reverse-peak trains.

#### **Harlem Line**

Morning peak service increases from 8 trains to 18 trains. Afternoon peak service increases from 10 trains to 24 trains, with four additional reverse-peak trains serving Westchester employment centers.

#### **New Haven**

Morning peak service increases from 8 trains to 17 trains. Afternoon peak service increases from 10 trains to 24 trains, with five additional reverse-peak trains serving employment centers in Connecticut and Westchester.

#### **More Information**

Metro-North Railroad continues with its most aggressive cleaning and disinfecting regimen in its history. Train cars are disinfected daily and stations twice daily.

Customers and employees traveling on Metro-North Railroad must always wear a mask or face covering. Additionally, touchless hand sanitizer dispensers are being installed at all Metro-North stations.

Customers are encouraged to keep a social distance of 6 feet or more when possible. Floor decals to encourage proper social distancing have been placed near some ticket windows and information booths. Decals can also be found on platforms at Fordham, Pelham, Scarsdale and Tarrytown stations as a guide for riders waiting for their trains.

For more information on the new schedule customers can visit [new.mta.info](https://new.mta.info). For train times and real arrival and departure times on your phone, download TrainTime.

Customers can also find up-to-the-minute updates on Twitter @MetroNorth, or on Metro-North's Facebook page, and at [www.mta.info/mnr](https://www.mta.info/mnr).

Information can also be accessed by phone from the Metro-North's Customer Service Center by calling 511, the New York State Travel Information Line, and saying "Metro-North Railroad." Customers calling from Connecticut can call [877-690-5114](tel:877-690-5114). Those who are deaf or hard of hearing can use their preferred provider for free 711 relay to reach Metro-North at 511.