The Seattle Squeeze, Seattle’s new era of tough traffic, began with the Alaskan Way Viaduct closure on January 11, kicking off a three-week closure of SR 99. To keep people and goods moving safely during this period area residents worked to change the way they got around, with many trying alternate modes of transportation, including bike share. Bike share vendors contributed to these efforts, offering reduced-price rides to assist with the shift, which along with mild weather contributed to a steady weekly increase in total trips taken.

**Total vendors in operation**
2 (Jump and Lime)
- Jump launched under Permit 2.0 on November 19, 2018.
- Lime launched under Permit 2.0 on January 2, 2019.
- Lyft received its permit on December 14, 2018, and anticipates launching in spring 2019.

**Types of devices available**
- Pedal bikes (Lime only) and e-bikes (Jump and Lime)

**Total number of devices deployed in any given week**
**Around 6,000 – 7,000**
(Up from around 5,000 – 6,000 in December 2018)

**Total Devices Deployed in Seattle - January 2019**

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**Total trips**
**About 90,000**
(Down from about 106,000 in December 2018 and about 92,000 in January 2018)*

**Total Trips - January 2019**

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*SDOT has updated the data definition for trips, resulting in a lower total number of trips in January 2019. This updated total filters out LimePod (car share) trips, trips where distance = 0 meters, and trips under 30 seconds in duration.*
Total individual users: Around 42,000\(^1\)

Average number of trips per day per 1000 residents: 4

Average number of trips per user: 2.2

Reports to vendors of improperly parked devices: 128

Reports to vendors of obstruction hazards: 52

New bike parking spaces installed: 24\(^2\)

**Compliance Audits**

In January, SDOT began conducting field audits of each vendor’s fleet to ensure progress is being made in improving user parking behavior. These audits will continue throughout 2019, and vendors are working toward the following targets:

- No more than 3% of devices in the audit sample create an obstruction hazard
- No more than 30% of devices in the audit sample are otherwise improperly parked

**Coming up next**

Beginning in March, Lime will offer only e-bikes in their fleet.

Lyft, the third and final vendor permitted under Permit 2.0, anticipates launching in the spring.

**Curious to learn more?**

Take a look at our webpage: [www.seattle.gov/transportation/projects-and-programs/programs/bike-program/bike-share](http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/projects-and-programs/programs/bike-program/bike-share)


Still have questions? Email bikeshare@seattle.gov to get them answered.

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\(^1\)This value is the sum of each vendor’s unique user totals and does not account for users that are registered with both companies. This is because each vendor reports its total unique users separately to decouple rider information from trip information.

\(^2\)To accommodate up to 20,000 more bikes in the public right-of-way, SDOT is committing to a 15-20% increase in citywide bike parking spaces in 2019. As of February 21, there are 84 more spaces in the installation queue with more on the way every day.