Toronto King Street Pilot — A Transit-Priority Street Where Streetcar Ridership Rose 17% in the First Year, on City-Reported Data

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Quality score: 57/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

From November 2017 Toronto restricted through car traffic on King Street to give streetcars priority. The City's annual dashboard reports +17% weekday ridership and shorter, more reliable trips; the data is largely self-reported and was disputed.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured results	2/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	2/3
Scalability	2/3
Sustainability / continuity	2/3
Innovation	2/3
Inclusiveness / equity	1/3
Multi-stakeholder collaboration	1/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

C-NAPSE web research — accessed 2026-11-01

City of Toronto / Toronto Transit Commission — accessed 2026-11-01

City of Toronto — King Street Pilot annual dashboard — accessed 2026-11-01

CBC — King Street pilot data — accessed 2026-11-01

NACTO — King Street Transit Priority Corridor — accessed 2026-11-01

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