

St. Petersburg Offers Free Wi-Fi on Trams

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Ten trams offering free wi-fi started operating in St. Petersburg on Wednesday as the city boosted an effort to provide wider public access to the Internet.

The No. 43, 45 and 100 trams in high-traveled routes in central St. Petersburg will provide Internet access at 7.2 megabytes per second and may be upgraded if higher capacity is required, Interfax reported, citing the city's transportation committee.

The free wi-fi will be offered on a trial basis until late September and, if it proves popular, will be extended to other trams, it said.

The No. 100 tram route alone is used by 50,000 passengers daily, it said.

The tram upgrade comes after City Hall introduced free wi-fi on a number of public buses. The transportation committee said 100,000 people have logged onto the free wi-fi over

the past three months.

Moscow does not offer free wi-fi on public transportation, although many restaurants and cafes and several stores have provided it at no cost to customers for years.

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