

Manchester Piccadilly station gets an early Christmas present – great visitor numbers

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Manchester Piccadilly has seen visitor numbers shoot up to pre-COVID levels.

On Saturday 20 November, it counted 128,591 people passing through the North West's biggest railway station.

This is the first time since March 2020 numbers have broken through the 128,000 barrier.

Total passenger numbers for November 2021 were at 75% compared to the same month in 2019.

Head of stations for Network Rail's North West route, Scott Green, said: "It's great to see passenger numbers bouncing back and to see Manchester Piccadilly thriving once again. We've loved welcoming passengers back to the station over the last few months and the fact the Christmas market is back is a huge boost for the city.

"While this is great news we're urging passengers to follow our three golden rules to make travelling in and out of Manchester Piccadilly as easy as possible. There will be extra staff in place across the station to



provide advice and information and help keep passengers safe throughout the festive season."

The three rules are:

- Plan your journey and check before you travel at www.nationalrail.co.uk
- Take an earlier train home because later services will be extremely busy
- Remember Network Rail's motto of 'Be safe, be patient, be kind' when travelling