



National Household Travel Survey

Highlights the 2009 National Household Travel Survey, released on January 8th, 2010

Mode Share

- Biking and walking make up 11.9 percent of all trips made in this country. This is up from 9.5 percent in 2001, a 25 percent increase.
 - o Biking is 1 percent, up 25 percent from 0.8 percent in 2001.
 - Walking is 10.9 percent, up 25 percent from 8.7 percent in 2001.

Short Trips

- 28 percent of all trips are 1 mile or less.
 - 40 percent of all trips are 2 miles or less.
 - o 50 percent of all trips are 3 miles or less.
- Of those trips 1 mile or less, 2.25 percent are biked.
 - 35 percent are walked.
 - 60 percent are driven.
- Of all trips 2 miles of less, 2 percent are biked.
 - o 26 percent are walked.
 - 68 percent are driven.
- Of all trips 3 miles or less, 1.8 percent are biked.
 - o 21 percent are walked.
 - o 72 percent are driven.

Mode of Short Trip

- Of all biking trips, 59 percent are 1 mile or less.
 - o 78 percent are 2 miles or less.
 - o 85 percent are 3 miles or less.
- Of all walking trips, 87 percent are 1 mile or less.
 - o 97 percent are 2 miles or less.
 - o 98 percent are 3 miles or less.
- Of all driving trips, 20 percent are 1 mile or less.
 - o 33 percent are 2 miles or less.
 - 43 percent are 3 miles or less.

Urban v. Rural Short Trips

- In non-urban areas, 20 percent of trips are 1 mile or less.
 - o 30 percent are 2 miles or less.
 - o 37 percent are 3 miles or less.
- In urban areas, 30 percent or all trips are 1 miles or less.
 - 44 percent are 2 miles or less.
 - o 53 percent are 3 miles or less.

Source: NHTS 2009, FHWA Office of Policy