

# 2025 STATE OF THE COMMUTE

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## Final Report & Dashboard Demo

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# Report

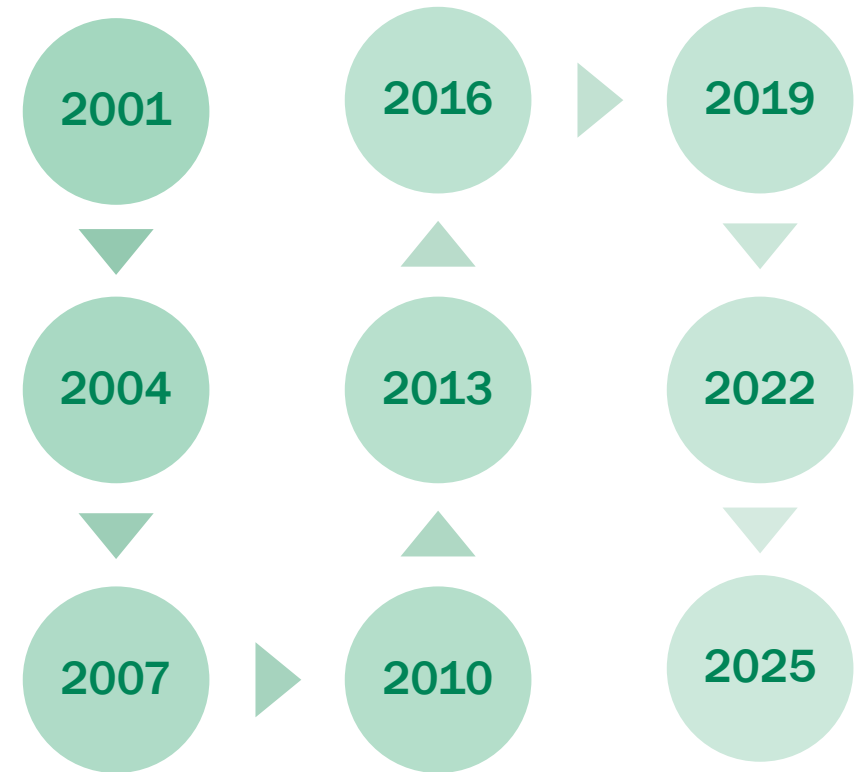
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# Introduction to the State of the Commute Survey

**Survey objective** is to collect data for multiple purposes:

- Detail commute patterns for use by COG and local partners
- Evaluate TDM program elements for regional commuters (e.g., mass marketing)
- Evaluate awareness and use of Commuter Connections and other regional/local TDM services

**This is the ninth triennial survey!**



# Methods

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- Random sample of potential respondents in the COG region
- Jurisdiction-level samples were intentionally not collected proportionately, with less populous regions being oversampled to ensure enough responses for analysis
  - Survey results were expanded at the jurisdiction level to match counts of employed residents in each sample jurisdiction
  - Survey results also adjusted to align survey results to known race/ethnicity and age distributions

# Updates Since September 2025 Draft

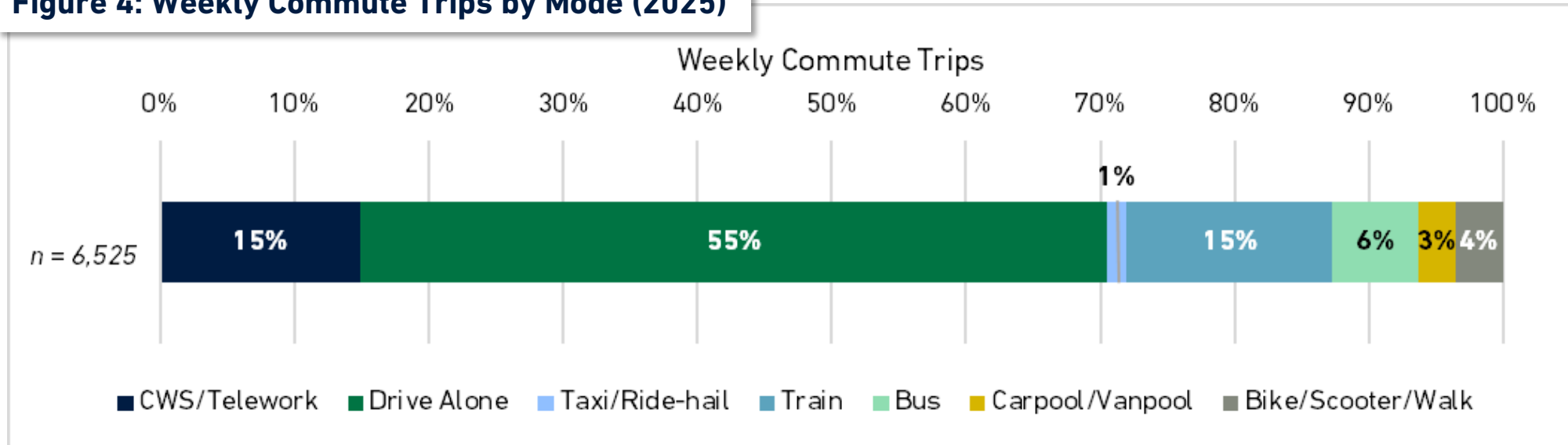
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- Separated out taxi/ridehail
- Changed primary mode by state/district over time from tables to charts
- Clarified which questions/results allowed for respondents to make multiple selections

# Drive Alone vs. Taxi/Ridehail

- First draft of report included some instances of drive alone being combined with taxi/ridehail for analysis purposes. Example below shows the categories split up.
- Updated report adds a new analysis where drive alone is separated from taxi/ridehail (next slide).

**Figure 4: Weekly Commute Trips by Mode (2025)**



# Additional Detail for Drive Alone vs. Taxi/Ridehail

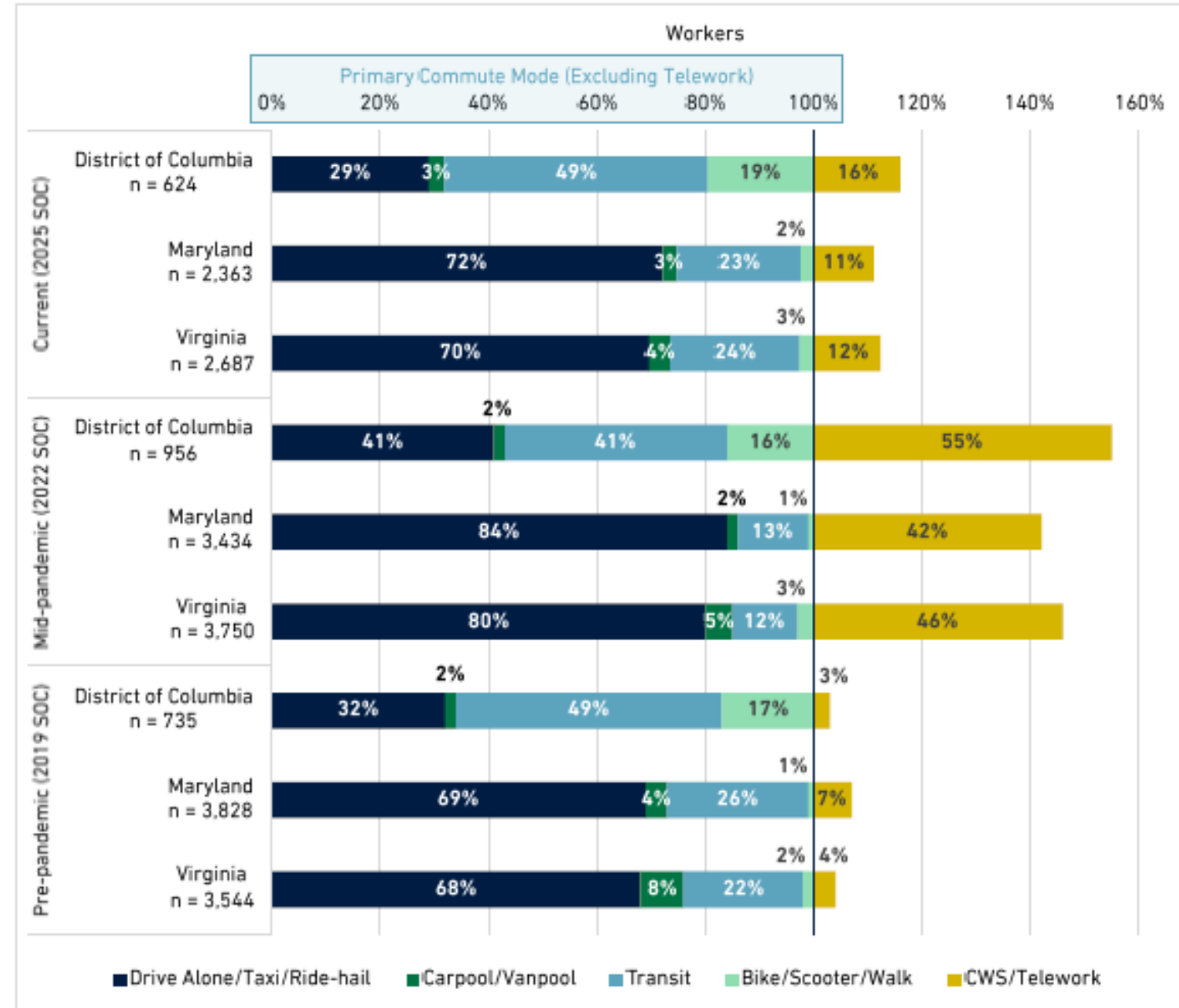
**Figure 4: Weekly Commute Trips by Mode (2025)**

PRIMARY MODE	AVERAGE ONE-WAY DISTANCE (MILES)		AVERAGE ONE-WAY TRAVEL TIME (MINUTES)	
	n	AVERAGE	n	AVERAGE
Drive Alone	3,628	18	3,499	38
Transit	1,443	17	1,435	52
Telework	816	18	807	44
Bike/Scooter/Walk	292	4	285	22
Carpool/Vanpool	173	20	170	42
Taxi/Ride-hail	55	16	53	28

# New Charts

- Primary mode by residence/employment state or district
- This chart goes beyond 100%
- The chart shows the breakdown of primary commute mode excluding telework until 100% of all non-teleworking workers for each state/district in each year.
- Beyond 100%, it shows the percentage of workers whose primary commute mode is telework.

Figure 17: Primary Mode by Residence State or District\* (2019-2025)



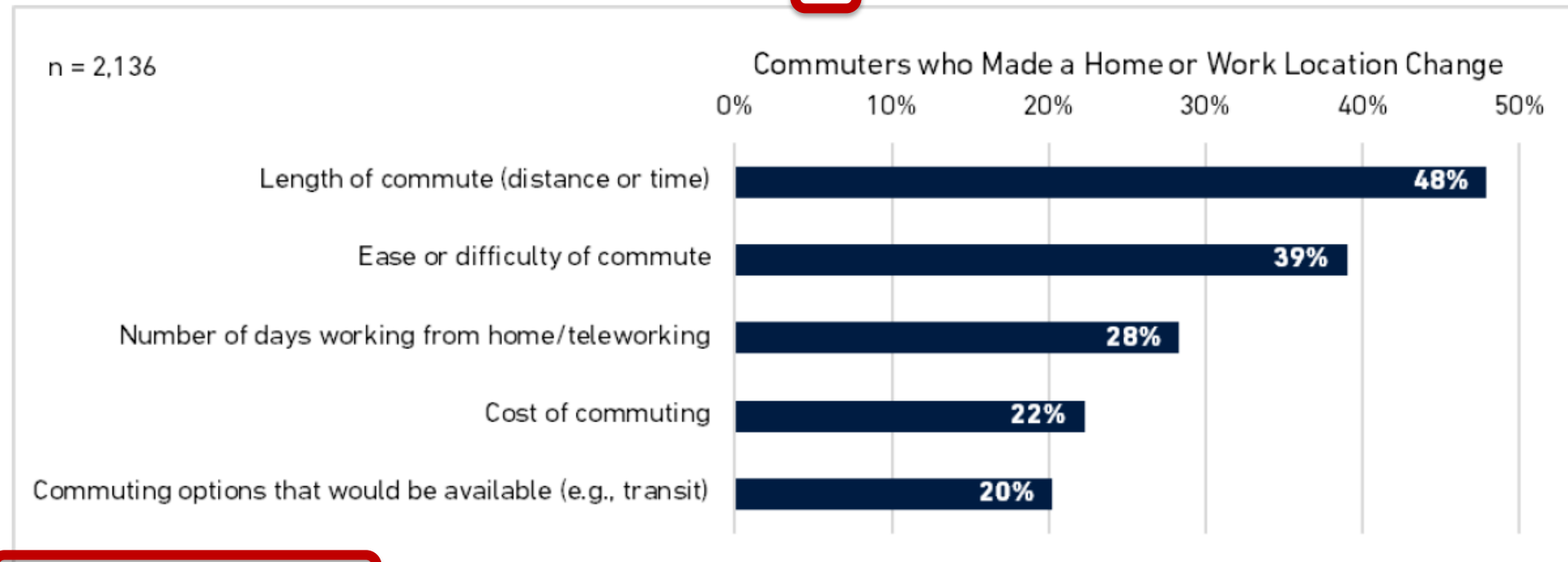
\*This chart goes beyond 100%. The chart shows the breakdown of primary commute mode excluding telework until 100% of all non-teleworking workers for each state/district in each year. Beyond 100%, it shows the percentage of workers whose primary commute mode is telework.



# New Notation

Appears on a number of figures and tables throughout the report

**Figure 26: Factors Considered in Home or Work Location Changes\* (2025)**



\*Multiple responses accepted

# Dashboard

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# Overview & Purpose

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- Website with dashboard pages corresponding to each report section:
  - Commute Patterns
  - Transportation Attitudes and Awareness
  - Telework
  - Awareness and Use of Commuter Assistance Programs
  - Employer-Provided Resources
- Allows users to explore and manipulate data in an easily navigable and attractive format.
  - Supplements report, expanding the SOC results' reach and relevance.
- Shares findings with a diverse audience, including:
  - Commuter Connections network members and funders
  - Planners and other professionals
  - Interested members of the public

# Sample View of Commute Patterns Dashboard Page

## Commute Patterns



This section examines commute characteristics including work schedules, commute mode and length, and use of HOV/toll/express lanes and park & rides. The SOC survey was administered in Spring 2025—a period when regional commute patterns were in flux, including the proliferation of return-to-office policies for many federal and other workers.

While many workers have resumed pre-pandemic commutes, the widespread adoption of hybrid arrangements has redefined what a “typical” commute looks like. The permanence of teleworking as a possibility has introduced greater flexibility for workers, reshaping peak travel times, and influencing mode choice across all forms of transportation.

[Learn More About the Dashboard](#)



### Primary and Secondary Modes ⓘ

● Primary ● Secondary

Home

Work

Drive Alone

# Interactively Filter Results



# Dynamically Explore Crosstabs



# Demo



# Next Steps

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- Today
  - Endorse 2025 State of the Commute report
  - Preview 2025 State of the Commute interactive dashboard
- Late 2025/Early 2026
  - Release 2025 State of the Commute Executive Summary
  - Launch 2025 State of the Commute interactive dashboard
  - Present SOC results to TPB Technical Committee and TPB
  - Distribute data packages to jurisdictions



# Thank you!

Questions?

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