

# Jackson Heights Neighborhood Transportation Study – Phase 1

**Community Advisory Committee #3**

February 9, 2010

Jewish Center of Jackson Heights



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# Agenda

- Introduction
- Project Update
- Review of CAC Meeting #2
- Fall 2009/Winter 2010 Data Collection & Analysis
- Community Outreach
- Schedule
- Discussion



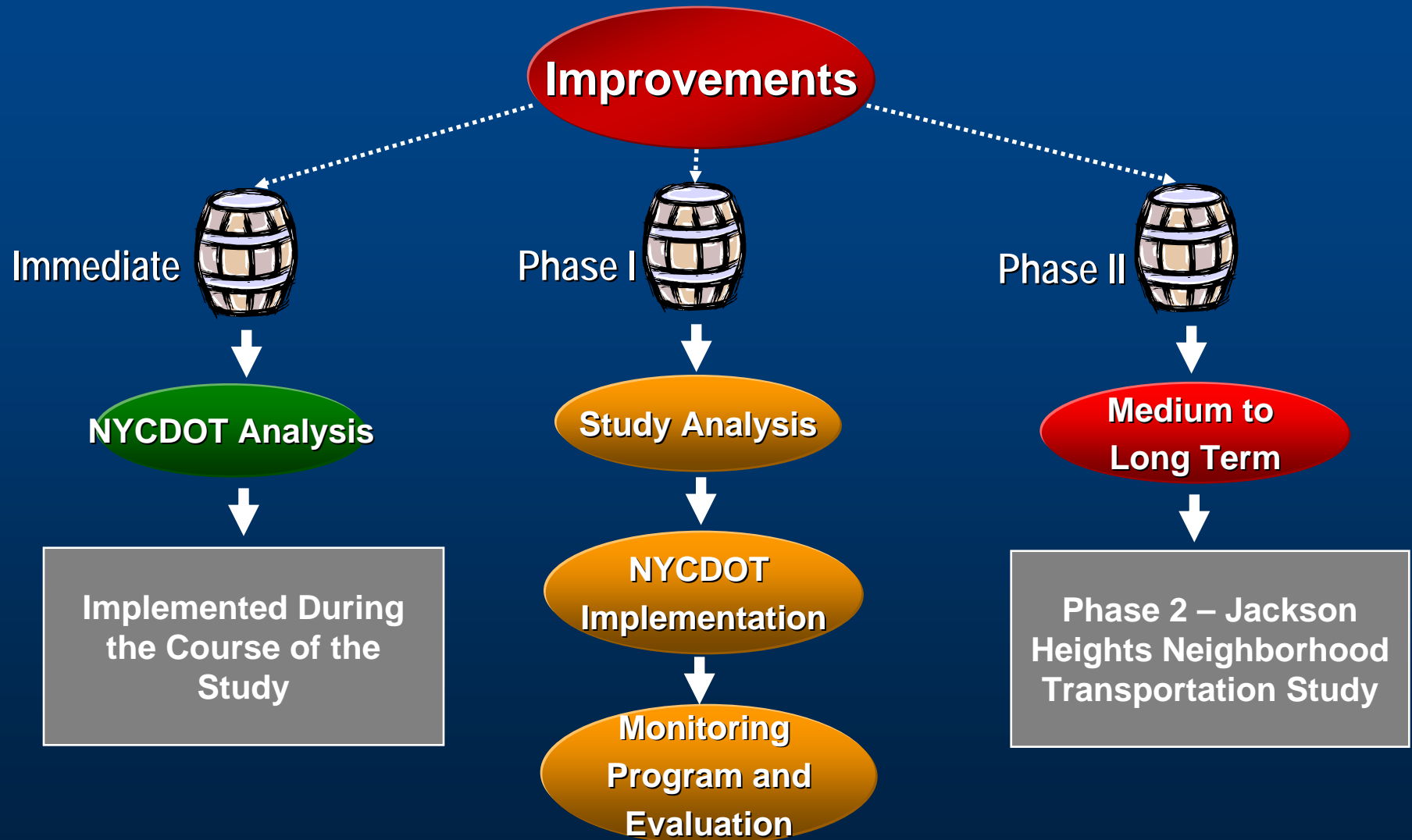
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# Project Update

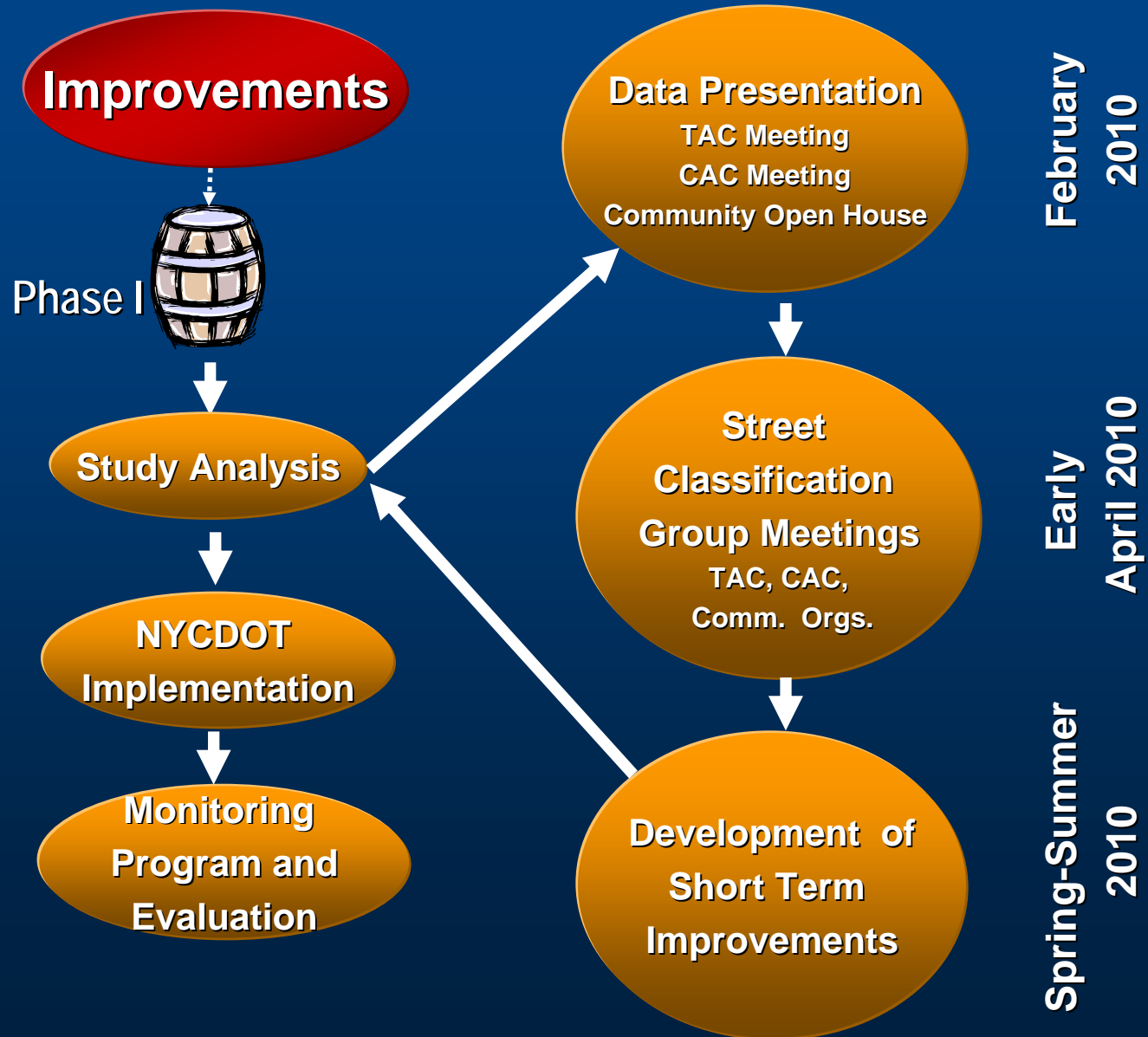
- Summer 2009 – Issue Identification
  - In collaboration with the TAC, CAC and Community
- Fall 2009 – Data Collection
  - Included Intercept & Red-Light Surveys and Traffic Data Collection
- Winter 2009/2010 – Data Analysis
- Public Outreach
  - Workshop #2 / Open House



# Analysis and Implementation of Improvements



# Next Steps of Study Phase



# CAC Meeting #2

- Major Discussion Points

- Issue Identification

- ◆ Pedestrian Triangle – Broadway & Roosevelt Avenue
    - ◆ Noise Pollution
    - ◆ Merchant/Vendor Issues

- Community Outreach

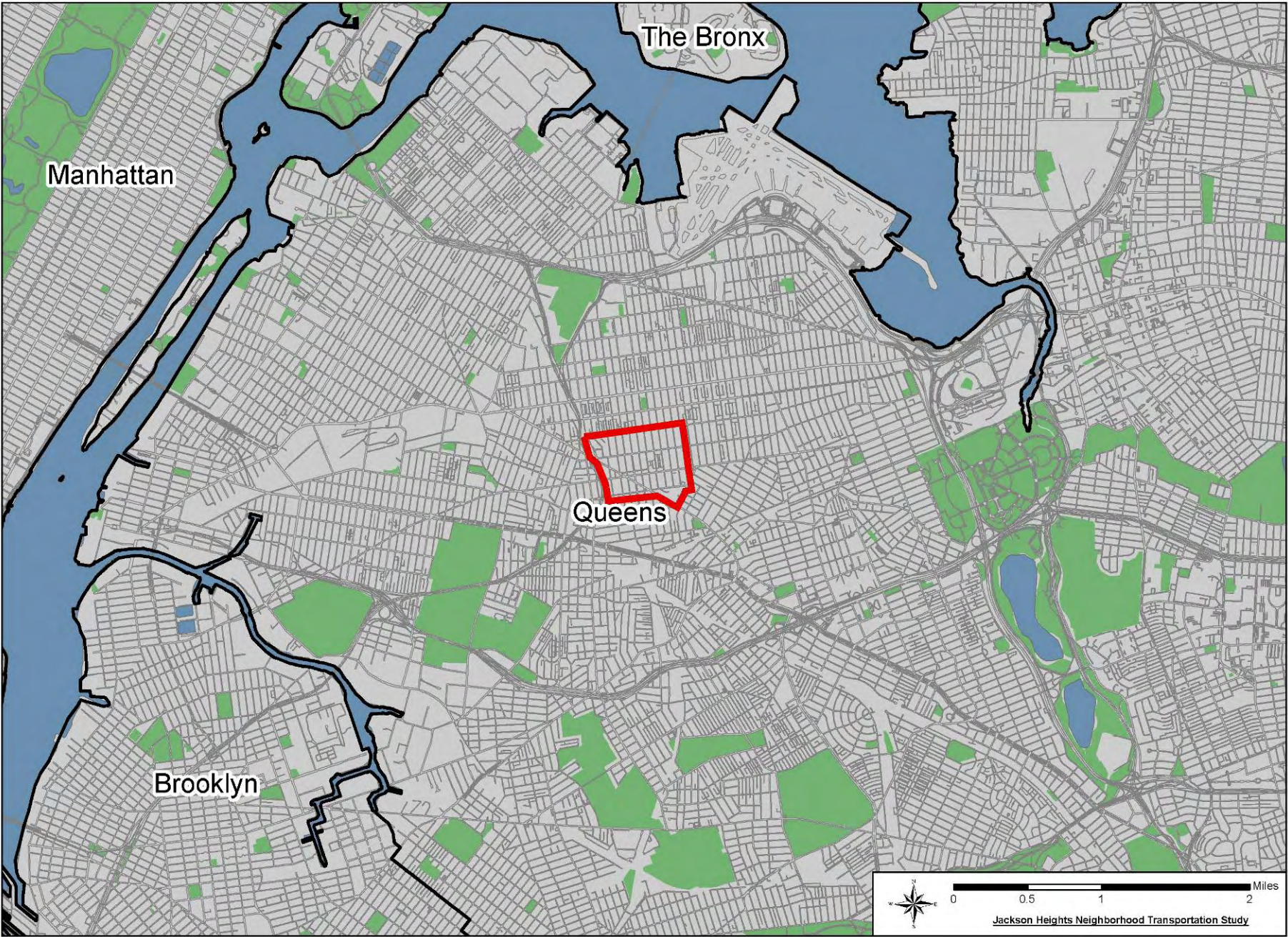
- Other NYCDOT Study Updates

- ◆ Safe Routes for Seniors Program





Emphasis Area



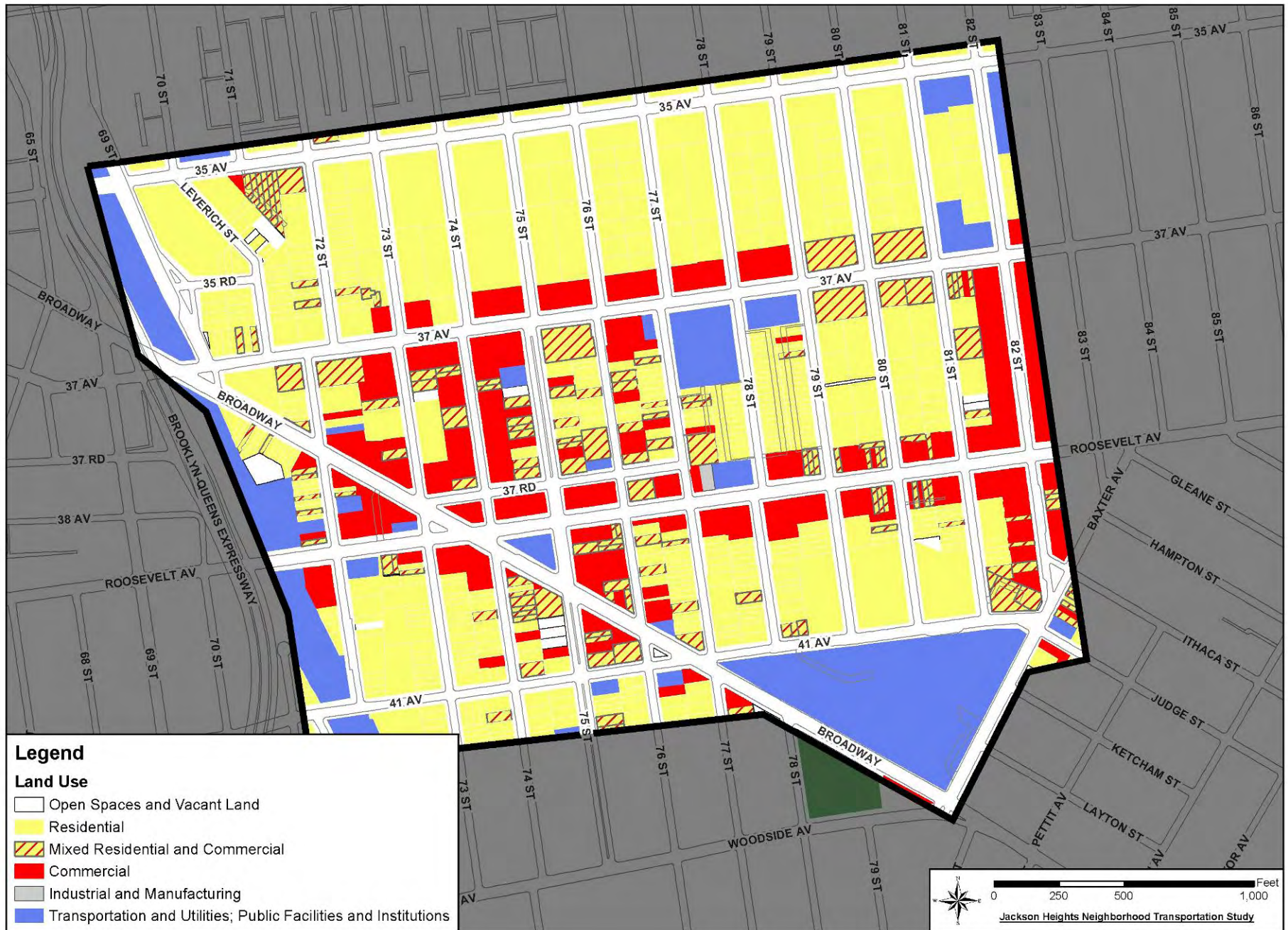


## Emphasis Area





## Land Use

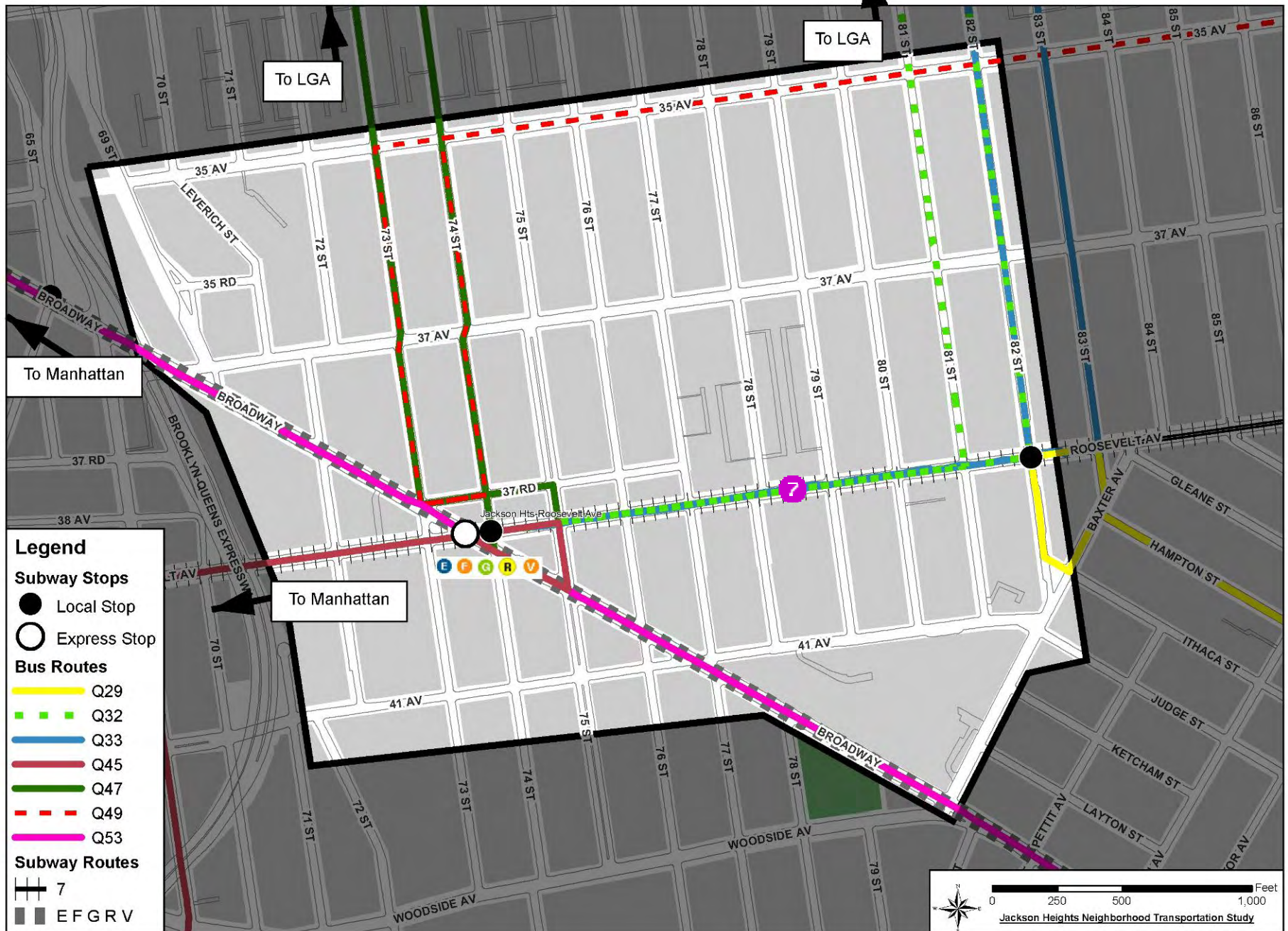




## Transportation Network Study Area







## Summary of Identified Issues: Parking

- Parking Violations



***Double Parked Delivery Trucks (73<sup>rd</sup> Street)***



***Double Parked Private Vehicles (37<sup>th</sup> Avenue)***



***Illegally Parked or Standing Vehicles (82<sup>nd</sup> Street bet. 35<sup>th</sup> & 37<sup>th</sup> Avenues )***



## Summary of Identified Issues: Vehicle Mobility

- Vehicle Congestion Impede Mobility



***Circling Livery Cabs Contribute to Congestion  
(Roosevelt Avenue)***



***Pedestrian/Vehicle Conflicts  
(37<sup>th</sup> Avenue)***



***Traffic Queues Block Intersections  
(73<sup>rd</sup> Street)***

## Summary of Identified Issues: Pedestrian Mobility

- Bottlenecks & Conflicts with Vehicles Impede Pedestrian Flow & Lead to Safety Issues



***Delivery Trucks Reduce Pedestrian Walkway & Obstruct Pedestrian Flow (37th Avenue)***



***Street Vendors Reduce Pedestrian Walkway & Obstruct Pedestrian Flow (Roosevelt Avenue)***

***Pedestrian/Vehicle Conflicts (Roosevelt Avenue)***



***Mid-Block Crossing (Roosevelt Avenue at Victor Moore Bus Terminal)***



## Summary of Identified Issues: Transit

- Congestion Slows Bus Service
- No Bus Lanes in Study Area
- Bus Layover Displaces Parking & Interferes with Loading
- Bus Turning Conflicts
  - Difficult for Buses to Make Right Turns at 82<sup>nd</sup> Street & Roosevelt Avenue Due to Heavy Pedestrian Traffic
  - Difficult for Buses to Turn From Bus Terminal onto Broadway



*Bus Layover (75<sup>th</sup> Street)*

## Summary of Identified Issues: Quality of Life

- Pollution
  - Noise: Horn Honking, Elevated Train
  - Air Pollution: Bus Fumes
  - Litter
- Broken Curbs
- Pigeon Waste
- Poor Lighting



*Sidewalk Litter & Pigeon Waste*



*Elevated Train (Roosevelt Avenue)*



# Data Collection and Observations

- Data Collection
  - Parking
  - Travel Time
  - Turning Movements
  - Traffic Volumes
  - Pedestrian Volumes
- Observation
  - Peak Hour Weekday: 5:00 pm-6:00 pm
  - Peak Hour Weekend: 5:15 pm-6:15 pm



## Average Travel Speed Data Collection





# Parking Occupancy Data Collection

Weekend Peak Hour





## Pedestrian Data Collection





**Compiled Data**  
Weekend Peak Period



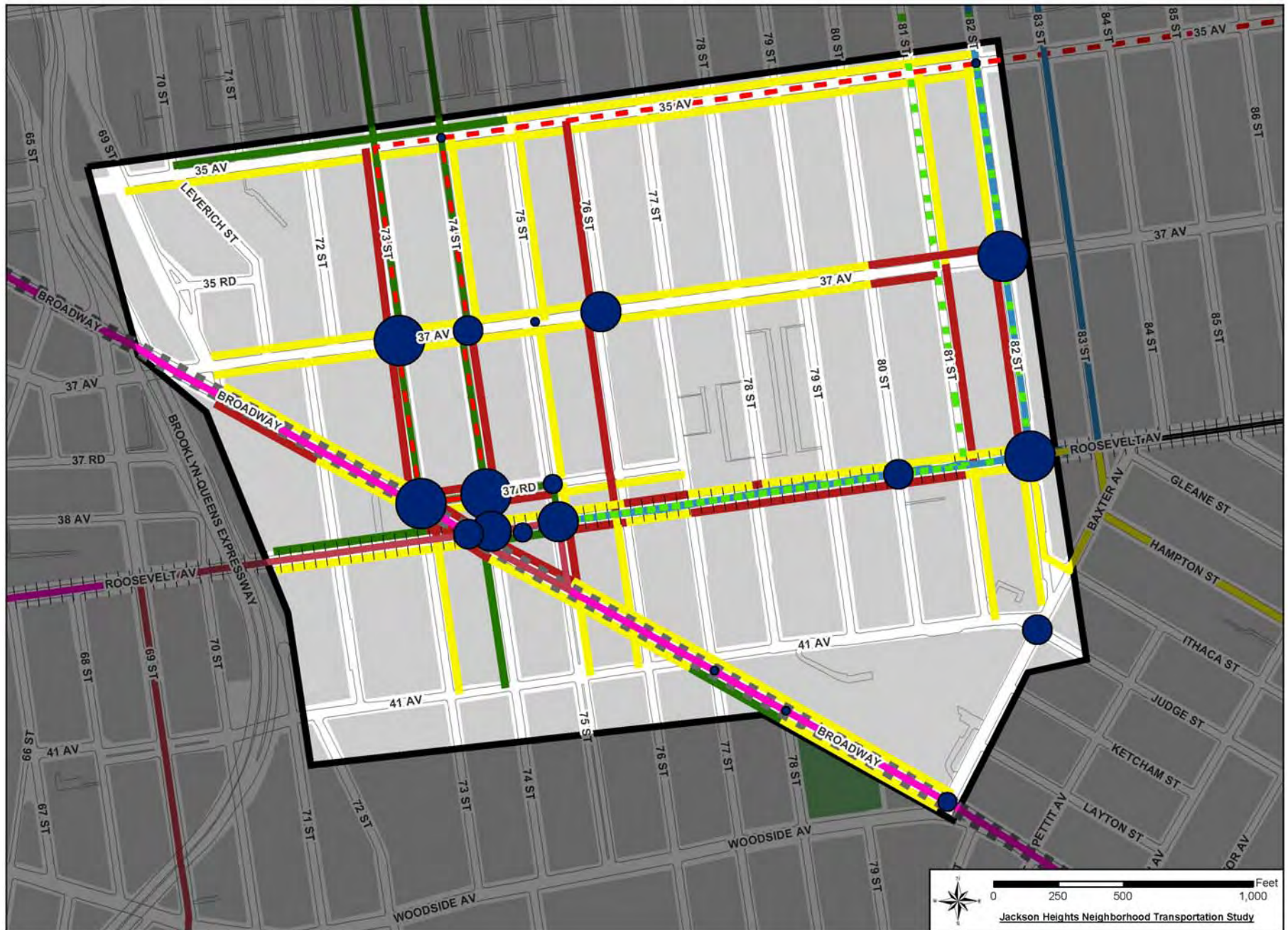


# Compiled Data Weekend Peak Period





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# Summary of Observations

- Multiple Needs

- Retail
- Commercial
- Residential
- Institutional

- Multiple Modes

- Pedestrian and Bikes
- Passenger and Commercial Vehicles
- Transit (Bus / Subway)



- Quality of Life

- Safety
- Noise
- Pollution

- Parking

- Congestion





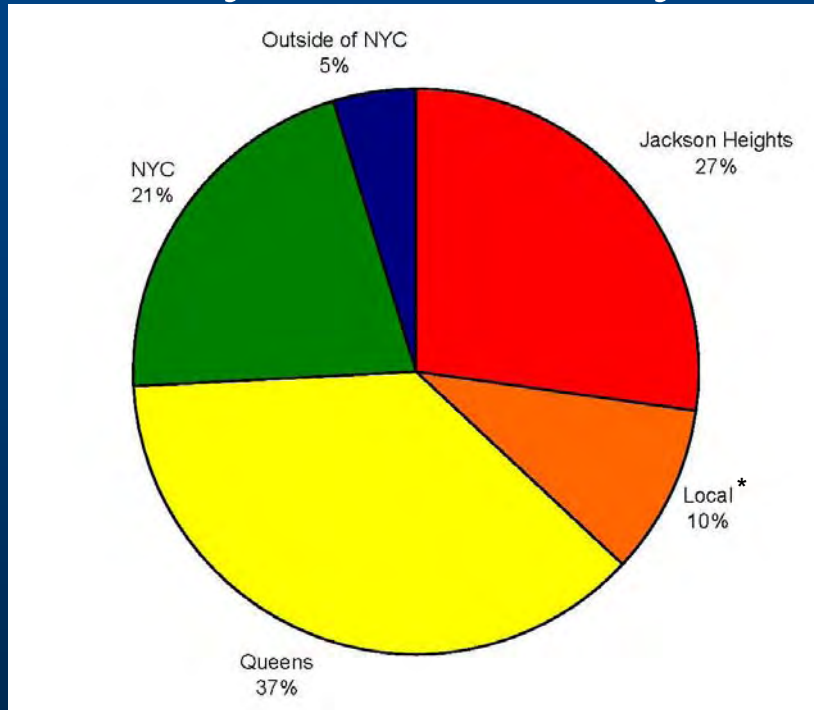
# Comments



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# Sidewalk Survey Results: Trip Origins

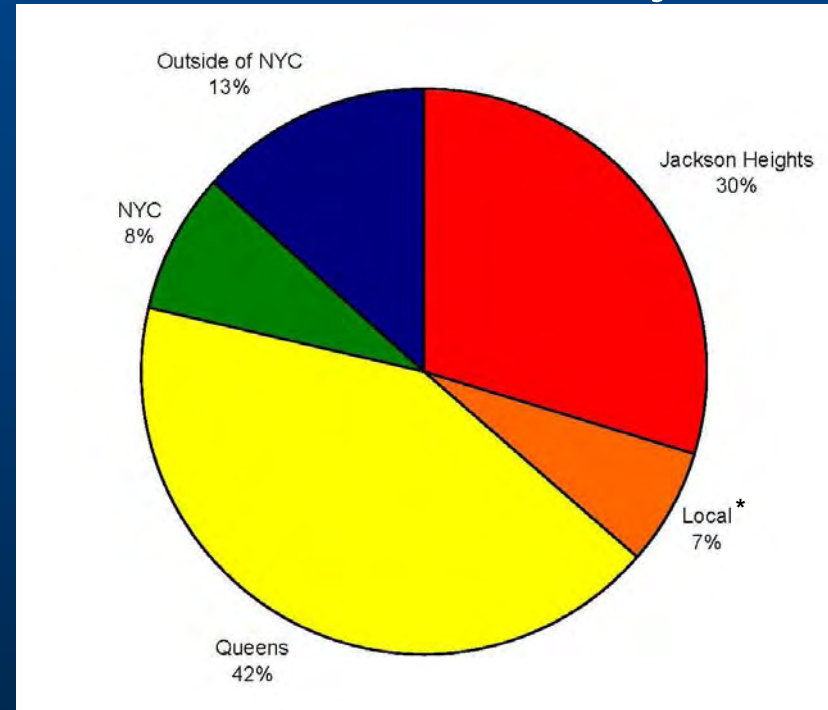
## Weekday (561 Total Surveys)



Jackson Heights, Local Area\*, and Queens

- 74% of Respondents

## Weekend (661 Total Surveys)



Jackson Heights, Local Area, and Queens

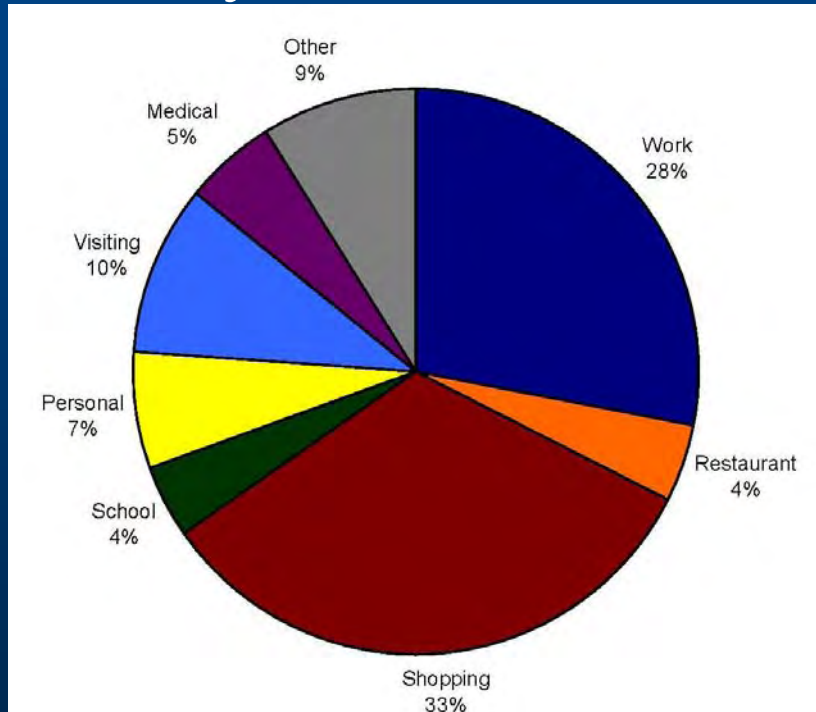
- 79% of Respondents

\*Local trips include those that started in Elmhurst, and Elmhurst-Maspeth



# Sidewalk Survey Results: Trip Purpose

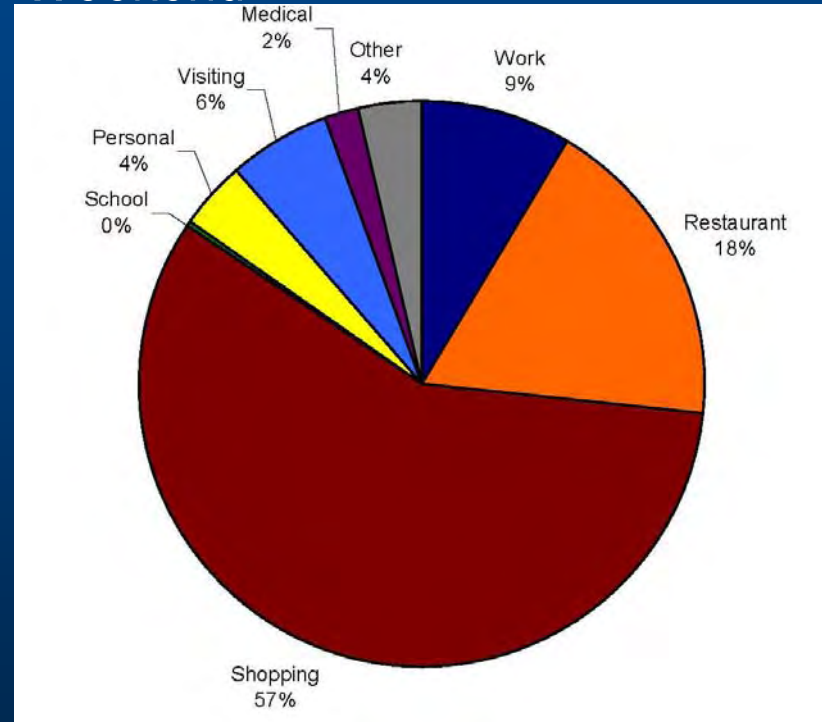
## Weekday



### Majority of Trip Purpose

- Shopping (33%)
- Work (28%)

## Weekend

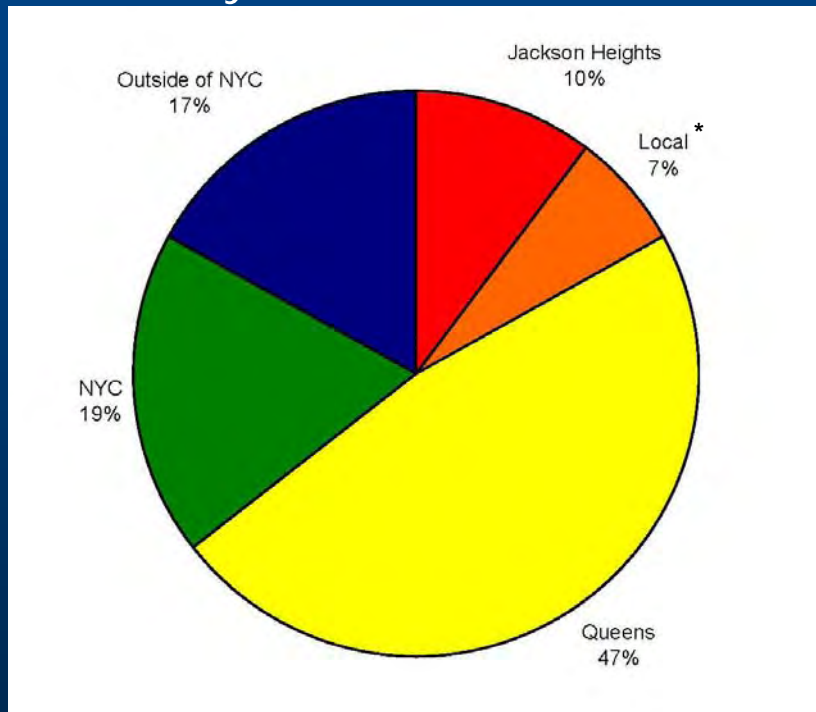


### Majority of Trip Purpose

- Shopping (57%)
- Restaurant (18%)

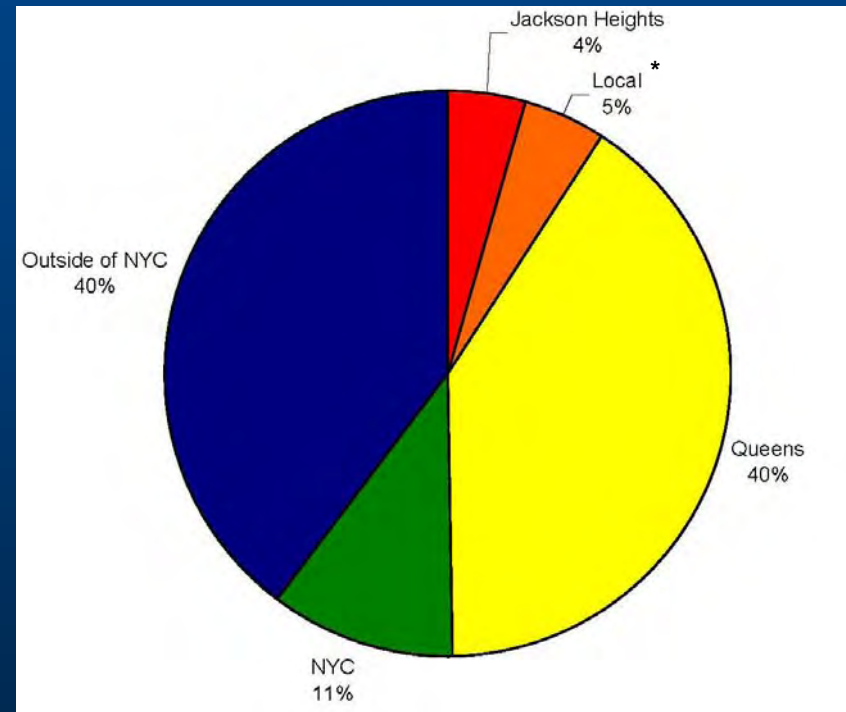
# Sidewalk Survey Results: Private Automobile, Trip Origin

## Weekday



- 64% of Car Trips are from Queens
- 17% are from Outside of NYC

## Weekend



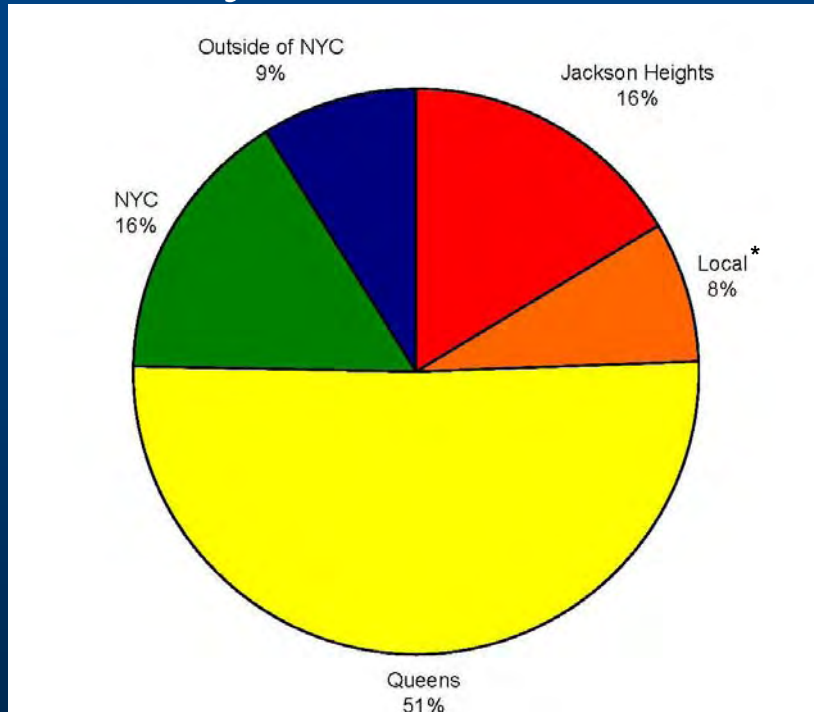
- 49% of Car Trips are from Queens
- 40% are from Outside of NYC

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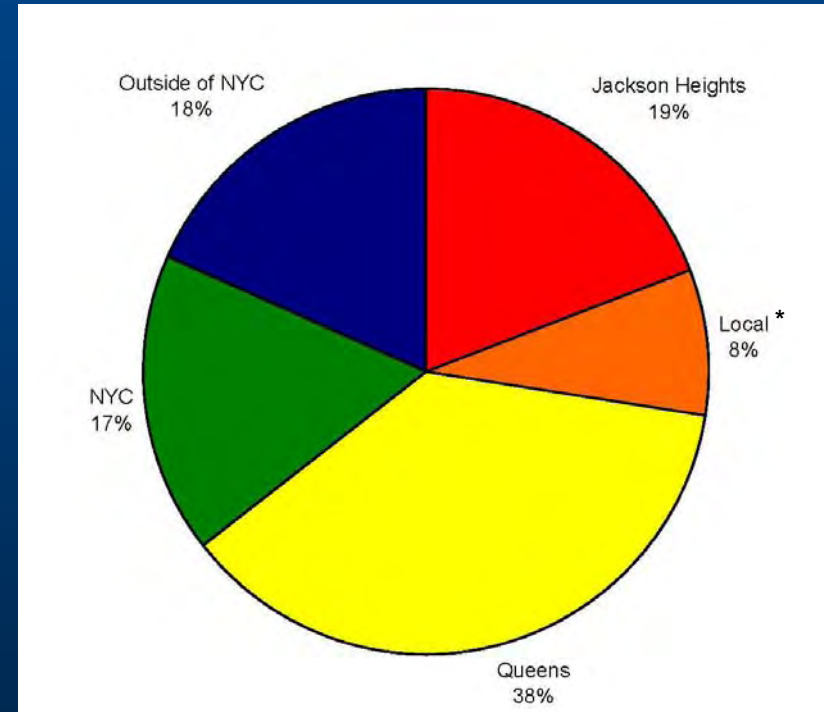
# Red Light Survey Results: Trip Origins

## Weekday



- 59% of Trips Destined for Jackson Heights
- 16% of those Began in Jackson Heights

## Weekend

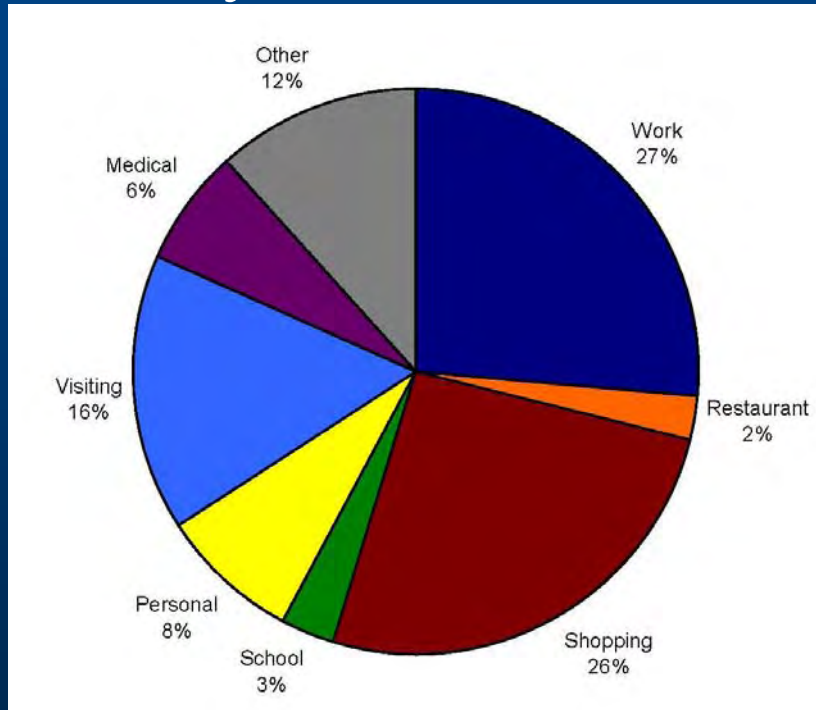


- 60% of Trips Destined for Jackson Heights
- 19% of those Began in Jackson Heights

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# Red Light Survey Results: Trip Purpose

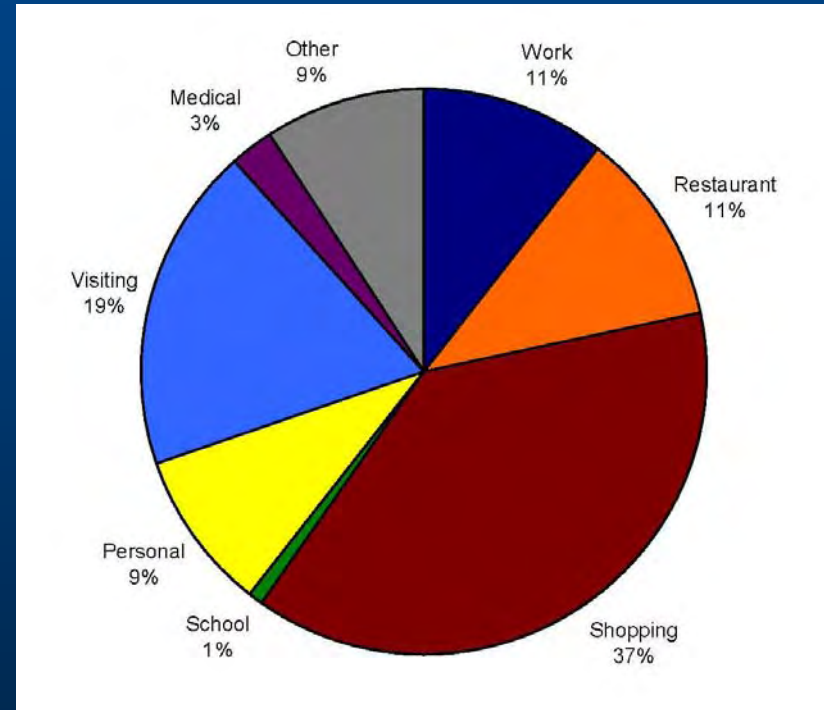
## Weekday



### Majority of Trip Purpose

- Work (27%)
- Shopping (26%)

## Weekend



### Majority of Trip Purpose

- Shopping (37%)
- Visiting (19%)



# Community Outreach

- Community Open House
  - Saturday, February 27
  - 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
- Scheduled to Maximize Community Attendance
- Innovative Format



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# Community Outreach – Open House Format

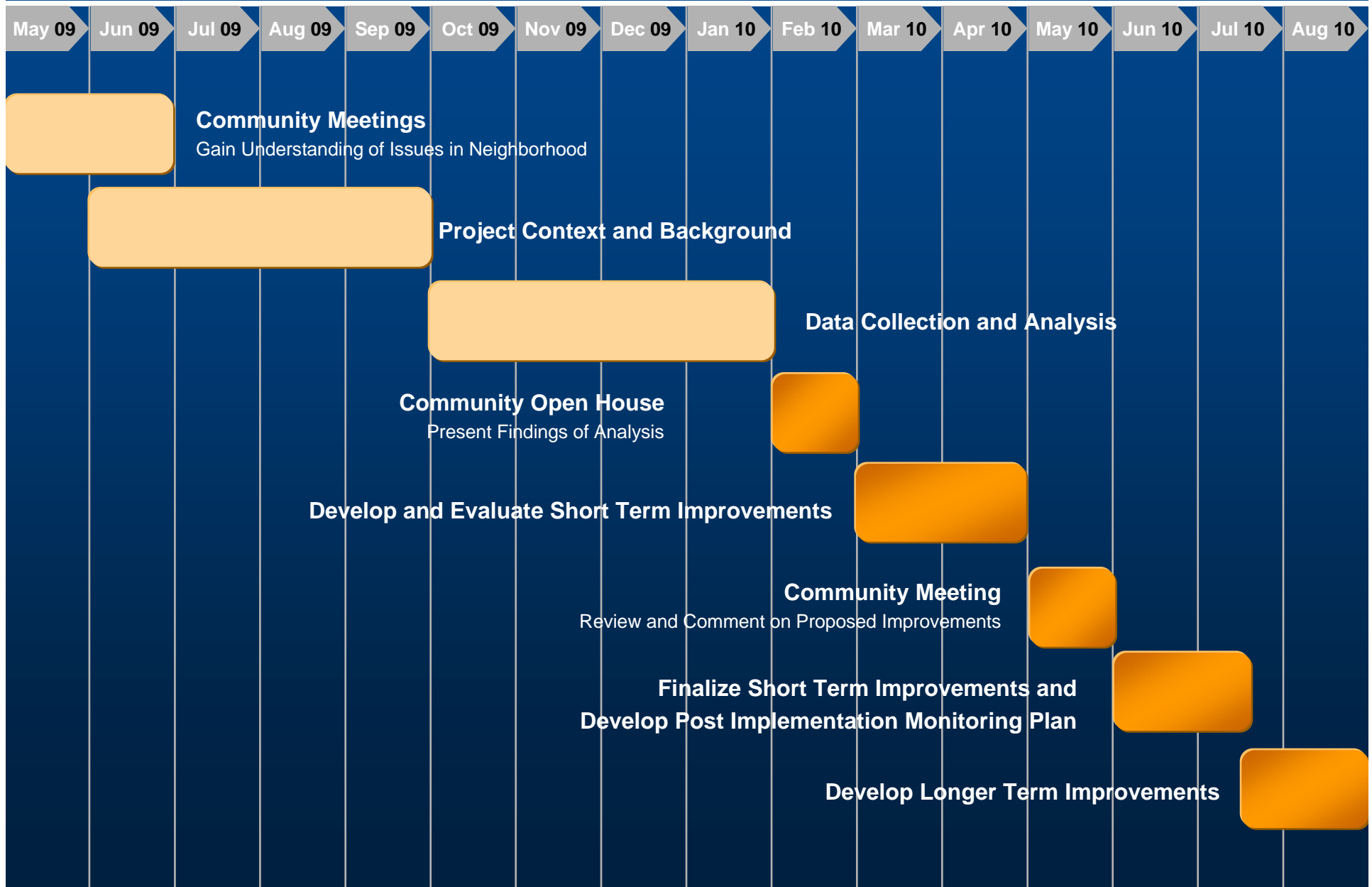
- Interactive Open House
  - Introduction / History of Jackson Heights
  - Identification of Issues / Review of Data Collected
  - Introduction to Street Classifications and Associated Improvements
  - Next Steps



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# Jackson Heights Neighborhood Transportation Study - Phase I Timeline



# Questions



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## Weekday Peak Hour

