



# 2019 Citywide Mobility Survey Results

### Prepared for NYC DOT by RSG



# **SURVEY OBJECTIVES**



Track year-over-year changes in travel behavior



Understand current views on the state of transportation within the city



Measure attitudes toward current transportation issues and topics



Perform in-depth sub-group analysis for planning zones and key targeted areas



# **2019 SURVEY OVERVIEW**



### SUMMARY

- Survey fielded from May 22, 2019 through June 30, 2019.
- Smartphone participants participated in a 7-day travel diary.
- Online and call center participants participated in 1-day travel diary.
- Same questionnaire was used for smartphone, online, and call center participants.
- Survey was available in English, Chinese, and Spanish.





# **SURVEY REGION AND ZONES**

Target Completes = 3,000 Actual Completes = 3,346 Zone Target = 300

- The overall survey target was exceeded by 346 completes.
- The zone target was met in all zones except for Inner Queens.
- Response rates varied by zone and compensatory oversampling was used to meet targets.







# Methodology



# **SURVEY DESIGN**

2019 CMS departed from previous iterations of the survey in two primary ways:

- 1. Sampling methodology changed from random digit dialing to **address-based sampling**.
- 2. Survey participation through a **smartphone-app** was made available.





# SURVEY RECRUITMENT AND ENGAGEMENT

### RECRUITMENT



Mailed Invitation Materials

- Address-based sampling was used by drawing a random sample of addresses from all residential addresses in the survey region.
- An invitation letter was sent to sample addresses followed by a reminder postcard.

### ENGAGEMENT

Informational Website

- Participate in the survey
- Answers frequently asked questions

### **Call Center**

- Participate in the survey
- Answer questions
- Reminder calls

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### **Survey Email Address**

- Answer participant questions
- Send reminder emails



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# **SMARTPHONE APP PARTICIPATION**



- 1. After downloading the rMove app, participants completed a brief recruit survey.
- 2. Their travel period began the next day and continued for 7 days.
- 3. rMove passively collected trip data and in-app surveys appeared after each trip.





# **ONLINE AND CALL CENTER PARTICIPATION**

Participants who visited the survey website were presented with all three survey participation modes and could enter the online survey using the password received in their invitation mailings.

90% of call center participants and 40% of online participants do not own smartphones.





# SURVEY PARTICIPATION MODE PROFILE

89% of smartphone participants are under age 65, while 83% of call center participants are age 65 and over.

Call center participants were more likely to decline reporting household income in comparison to smartphone and online participants.





# SURVEY LANGUAGE

SURVEY MODE	SURVEY LANGUAGE	PARTICIPANTS	PERCENT OF PARTICIPANTS
	English	2,421	72%
Smartphone	Simplified Chinese 32		1%
	Spanish 43		1%
Online	English 679		20%
	Simplified Chinese 2		0%
	Spanish	8	0%
Call Center	English	157	5%
	Spanish 4		0%
Total		3,346	100%







# **SURVEY RESPONSE**

CMS ZONE	INVITED	RECRUITED	RECRUIT RATE <sup>1</sup>	COMPLETED	COMPLETE RATE <sup>2</sup>
Manhattan Core	8,848	401	4.5%	341	3.9%
Upper Manhattan	10,821	427	3.9%	309	2.9%
Inner Brooklyn	12,121	399	3.3%	321	2.6%
Outer Brooklyn	11,051	444	4.0%	311	2.8%
Inner Queens	8,581	415	4.8%	291	3.4%
Middle Queens	8,075	414	5.1%	310	3.8%
Outer Queens	10,688	484	4.5%	346	3.2%
Southern Bronx	18,826	512	2.7%	343	1.8%
Northern Bronx	18,826	586	3.1%	408	2.2%
Staten Island	10,688	508	4.8%	366	3.4%
Total	118,525	4,590	3.9%	3,346	2.8%

<sup>1</sup>Recruit Rate = Recruited / Invited <sup>2</sup>Complete Rate = Completed / Invited



# SURVEY SUMMARY KEY AND OVERVIEW

### WEIGHTING KEY:

All figures are weighted to represent the population of New York unless noted otherwise.

Data at the trip and day levels are weighted to represent an average day.

# Sample ProfilePedestrian BehaviorTrip DiaryBicycle BehaviorWork & School Travel BehaviorNew Mobility Services UsageTransit Services UsageFreight Services UsageVehicle Behavior & OwnershipEquity Analysis

### **2019 SURVEY SUMMARY OVERVIEW**





# Sample Profile

Household and Person Demographics



# SAMPLE PROFILE OVERVIEW

Demographic Breakd	own	Unweighted Sample	Weighted Sample	ACS 5-Year Average (2013-2017)
Age	18 – 24	8%	11%	12%
	25 – 44	42%	40%	40%
	45 – 64	35%	31%	31%
	65 and older	15%	18%	17%
Gender	Female	56%	53%	53%
	Male	44%	47%	47%
	American Indian or Alaska Native	1%	1%	0%
	Asian	15%	17%	14%
	Black or African American	19%	20%	24%
Race	Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	1%	0%	0%
	White	52%	44%	43%
	Two Races or More	4%	8%	3%
	Other	9%	9%	15%
Ethnicity	Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish Origin	22%	28%	29%
	Not of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish Origin	78%	72%	71%
	Under \$25,000	18%	24%	25%
	\$25,000-\$49,999	18%	18%	19%
Income	\$50,000-\$100,000	31%	25%	26%
	\$100,000-\$199,999	24%	23%	20%
	\$200,000 or more	9%	10%	9%
	Manhattan	19%	21%	21%
	Brooklyn	19%	30%	30%
Borough	Queens	28%	28%	28%
	Bronx	23%	16%	16%
	Staten Island	11%	6%	5%
Employment Status	Employed	68%	66%	64%
	Not employed	32%	34%	36%
Disability	Any disability	12%	14%	13%
	Ambulatory – Difficulty walking or climbing stairs	7%	7%	8%
	Vision disability – Blind or have difficulty seeing	1%	2%	3%
	Hearing disability – Deaf or have difficulty hearing	3%	5%	3%

Note: For variables where "Prefer not the answer" was an option, respondents who selected that answer have been excluded from these calculations.

# **HOUSEHOLD SIZE**

Manhattan Core has the highest share of:

- 1-person households 13 percentage points higher than citywide
- 2-person households 13 percentage points higher than citywide

Manhattan Core also has a significantly smaller share of households with 5 or more members – 14% lower than citywide.





# **HOUSEHOLD INCOME**

**52% of households in the Manhattan Core make \$100,000 or more** in annual income – the highest proportion of all zones and 20 percentage points higher than citywide.

43% of households in the Southern Bronx make under \$25,000 in annual income – the highest proportion of all zones and 20 percentage points higher than citywide.





# **PARTICIPANT AGE**

### 24% of Manhattan Core participants are age 25-34, 12 percentage points greater than the citywide share.

**12% of Northern Bronx participants are age 18-34**, 11 percentage points less than the citywide share.





# PARTICIPANT RACE AND ETHNICITY

21% of participants are of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin and 23% declined to report their ethnicity.

Race was asked as a select all that apply – responses have been aggregated in the figure below for ease of comparison to the census. 29% of participants declined to report their race.



Note: The "Prefer not the answer" option has been included in these figures but was excluded from the earlier sample profile table resulting in different shares.



# **EMPLOYMENT STATUS**

Smartphone participants have the highest employment rate, while call center participants have the lowest employment rate – which is reasonable given that 83% of call center participants are age 65+.

Manhattan Core and Inner Queens have the highest employment rate of the survey zones.





75%

73%

69%

69%

67%

65%

64%

63%

61%

61%

66%

# **PARTICIPANT STUDENT STATUS**

### 9% of participants are students.

The majority of participants who are students are enrolled in 4-year college/university programs.







# **Trip Diary**



# **CITYWIDE TRIP SHARE BY DESTINATION SURVEY ZONE**





# **CITYWIDE TRAVEL PROFILE – MODE SHARE**

68% of trips citywide were made using sustainable modes.

41% of New Yorker's trips were walking trips, the highest of any mode.





# **CITYWIDE TRAVEL PROFILE - SUSTAINABLE MODE SHARE**

86% of Manhattan Core residents' trips were made using sustainable modes – the highest of all survey zones. SHARE OF TRIPS MADE BY PARTICIPANT USING SUSTAINABLE MODES BY HOME SURVEY ZONE UNWEIGHTED N = 68,823, WEIGHTED N = 27,422,903





# **CITYWIDE TRAVEL PROFILE – TRIP DESTINATION PURPOSE**

# Most frequent trip purposes:

- 20% of trips were trips home.
- 19% of trips were for the purpose of shopping.
- 15% of trips were to work or were work-related.

Note: Purpose refers to the "purpose for traveling to the trip destination."



# DAILY TRIP RATE

### CITYWIDE AVERAGE DAILY TRIP RATE

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The **Citywide average trip rate has increased** in comparison to previous iterations of the survey.

More incidental trips have been captured by transitioning to smartphone data collection.

### AVERAGE DAILY TRIP RATE BY DAY OF WEEK





# DAILY TRIP RATE BY DAY OF WEEK

For weekdays, Inner Queens has the highest overall trip rate with residents taking an average 5.1 trips

For weekends, Inner Brooklyn has the highest overall trip rate with residents taking an average of 4.9 trips.





# **NO TRAVEL DAYS**

On an average day, 21% of New Yorkers do not make any trips.





# **TRIP PURPOSE**

24% of trips ending in the Manhattan Core were work or work-related trips – 9 percentage points higher than citywide.

11% of trips ending in the Manhattan Core were made for the purpose of going home – 9 percentage points lower than citywide.

Note: Trips with destinations outside of New York City are not included in this figure.

Purpose refers to the "purpose for traveling to the trip destination."





# **TRIP MODE**

Staten Island has the highest share of vehicle trips and the lowest share of walk trips out of all zones.

- 84% of trips ending in Staten Island are vehicle trips – 56 percentage points higher than citywide
- 5% of trips ending in Staten Island are walk trips – 36 percentage points lower than citywide

Outer Queens, Northern Bronx, and Outer Brooklyn zones also have vehicle trip shares at least 10 percentage points higher than citywide.

Note: Trips with destinations outside of New York City are not included in this figure.



# **TRIP MODE BY TRIP PURPOSE**

30% of trips to work are made using the subway.

Trips made for **work-related** reasons, trips **home**, and trips made for the purpose of **escorting someone** else to a destination are significantly **more likely to be made using a vehicle**.

Trips made for shopping, eating, and social/recreation purposes are significantly more likely to be walking trips.

Note: Purpose refers to the "purpose for traveling to the trip destination."





# **TRIP DURATION**

Trips to Outer Queens and Outer Brooklyn have the longest average duration.

Trips to the Northern Bronx, Inner Queens, and Staten Island have the shortest average duration.







# **Work and School Travel Behavior**



# **WORK LOCATION**

58% of employed New Yorkers who regularly commute to a workplace work in the same borough as their residence.

EMPLOYED PARTICIPANTS' USUAL WORK LOCATION UNWEIGHTED N = 2,346, WEIGHTED N = 4,328,711	
Only one work location	63%
Work location regularly varies (different offices/jobsites)	23%
Work remotely or from home ONLY (telework, self-employed)	7%
Drive/bike/travel for work	6%
Total	100%



# WORK TRAVEL BEHAVIOR

51% of New Yorkers report typically commuting to work by subway service.

71% of New Yorkers report typically commuting to work using sustainable modes.




#### WORK COMMUTE DISTANCE AND DURATION

#### BY SURVEY ZONE (MILES) UNWEIGHTED N = 6,471, WEIGHTED N = 2,416,204 4.2 Manhattan Core Upper Manhattan 6.1 Southern Bronx Northern Bronx 2.9 6.5 Inner Queens Middle Queens 3.9 Outer Queens Inner Brooklyn 2.2 Outer Brooklyn 5.7 Staten Island 6.3 JFK 12 10.7 LGA Outside of New York City 14.6

AVERAGE WORK COMMUTE DISTANCE

#### AVERAGE WORK COMMUTE DURATION BY SURVEY ZONE (MINUTES) UNWEIGHTED N = 6,477, WEIGHTED N = 2,417,788





#### **REMOTE WORKING**

27% of employed New Yorkers reported that they typically telework at least 1 day a week.



Note: Average hours spent working from a remote location was calculated only for persons who reported working remotely on their travel day.



# **CHILDREN'S SCHOOL COMMUTE**

Most children under age 15 are escorted to school by a parent or guardian.

Children predominately walk or take a bus/shuttle to school.





#### **Transit Services Usage**



#### **TRANSIT TRIP PROFILE**

The majority of bus, subway, commuter rail, and ferry trips are made for the purpose of changing modes, going home, and going to work.







# **TRANSIT TRIP DISTANCE AND DURATION**

71% of transit trips are 5 miles or less with 38% of trips under 2 miles.

85% of transit trips are 60 minutes or less with 51% of trips under 20 minutes.





#### **TRANSIT TRIP ACCESS AND EGRESS**

The majority of New Yorkers walk to and from transit.

MODE	CONNECTING TO TRANSIT	<b>CONNECTING FROM TRANSIT</b>
Walk	93%	94%
Vehicle	1%	1%
For-hire vehicle	1%	1%
Bicycle	2%	2%
Other	3%	2%

UNWEIGHTED N = 16,649, WEIGHTED N = 6,644,976



#### **INCOME BY TRANSIT USE**







#### **Vehicle Behavior and Ownership**



#### **VEHICLE TRIP PROFILE**

The largest share of vehicle trips are made for the purpose of shopping or going home.







#### **VEHICLE OWNERSHIP**

#### 51% of New Yorkers have at least one vehicle in their household.

In 2018, Just over half (53%) of New Yorkers personally own or have access to a car





#### **CHANGES IN VEHICLE OWNERSHIP**



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#### **MODE SHARE BY VEHICLE OWNERSHIP**

Participants in zero-vehicle households make substantially more walk, subway, and bus trips – but fewer vehicle trips – than participants in households with one or more vehicles.





# **PARKING LOCATION AT HOME**







Unweighted N by survey zone – Manhattan Core, N = 72; Upper Manhattan, N = 63; Southern Bronx, N = 70; Northern Bronx, N = 214; Inner Queens, N = 106; Middle Queens, N = 194; Outer Queens, N = 306; Inner Brooklyn, N = 96; Outer Brooklyn, N = 142; Staten Island, N = 343

# **VEHICLE TRIP DISTANCE AND DURATION**

68% of vehicle trips are 5 miles or less with 27% of trips under 1 mile.

91% of vehicle trips are 60 minutes or less with 60% of trips under 20 minutes.





# **VEHICLE TRIPS UNDER TWO MILES**

# 45% of citywide vehicle trips are 2 miles or less.

Outer Queens, Inner Brooklyn, and Outer Brooklyn have the largest share of vehicle trips under two miles of all survey zones.

#### UNWEIGHTED N = 7,998, WEIGHTED N = 3,135,313 6% Manhattan Core 3% Upper Manhattan Southern Bronx 4% Northern Bronx 11% Inner Queens 6% Middle Queens 5% Outer Queens 21% Inner Brooklyn 15%

11%

Outer Brooklyn

Staten Island

SHARE OF VEHICLE TRIPS UNDER TWO MILES BY TRIP DESTINATION SURVEY ZONE



19%

# **CONGESTION PRICING ATTITUDES**

#### Participants were shown the following statement and then asked the questions shown below.

New York State recently approved congestion pricing for New York City. Starting in 2021, drivers will pay a toll to enter Manhattan south of 60th Street. The purpose of the system is to raise revenue for mass transit and to reduce traffic congestion.





# **CONGESTION PRICING ATTITUDES**

#### **VEHICLE OWNERS**

- Vehicle owners who <u>"never" drive</u> into or within Manhattan below 60<sup>th</sup> are 4.3 times more likely to support congestion pricing than vehicle owners who <u>drive "weekly"</u> into or within the district.
- Vehicle owners who <u>drive "less than weekly"</u> into or within Manhattan below 60<sup>th</sup> are 2.2 times more likely to support congestion pricing than vehicle owners who <u>drive "weekly"</u> into or within the district.

#### CITYWIDE

- People with <u>household incomes greater than \$200,000</u> are **2.8 times more likely to support** congestion pricing than people with <u>household incomes under \$25,000</u>.
- People with <u>no vehicles in their household</u> are **1.8 times more likely to support** congestion pricing than people with <u>2 or more vehicles in their household</u>.

Note: These statements are based on an ordinal logistic regression model.



# **VEHICLE TRIPS ENDING IN CBD TOLLING ZONE**

52% of vehicle trips into or within the CBD tolling zone are made for work or work-related reasons.

Average trip distance: 4.4 miles Average trip duration: 26 minutes



DESTINATION TRIP PURPOSE FOR VEHICLE TRIPS



### **VEHICLE TRIPS ENDING IN CBD TOLLING ZONE**

#### DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE OF NEW YORKERS WHO MADE VEHICLE TRIPS ENDING IN THE CBD TOLLING ZONE

UNWEIGHTED N = 258, WEIGHTED N = 525,563







#### **Pedestrian Behavior**



#### WALK TRIP PURPOSE

The majority of walking trips are made for the purpose of shopping or going home.







#### WALK TRIP DISTANCE AND DURATION

87% of walk trips are 1 mile or less.

86% of walk trips are 20 minutes or less with 63% of trips under 10 minutes.







#### **Bicycle Behavior**



### **BICYCLE OWNERSHIP AND USE**

**48% of households in New York own a bicycle –** an increase from previous years, 41% in 2017 and 38% in 2018.

The majority of bike trips are social/recreation trips or trips home.





#### **BIKE TRIP DISTANCE AND DURATION**

84% of bicycle trips are 5 miles or less with 51% of trips under 2 miles.

88% of bicycle trips are 60 minutes or less with 64% of trips under 20 minutes.





#### **BICYCLE FREQUENCY**

33% of New Yorkers ride a bike at least once a year.

14% of New Yorkers rode a bike within the past seven days with 8% riding a bike at least two days within the past seven days.





# **ATTITUDES TOWARDS RIDING A BICYCLE**

84% of New Yorkers typically make bicycle trips for recreation and exercise.

39% of New Yorkers who never ride a bicycle because they prefer other modes and 32% do not ride a bicycle because they don't feel safe due to lack of bike lanes.





#### **BIKESHARE SERVICES USAGE**

#### 15% of New Yorkers use bikeshare services

14% of New Yorkers use Citi Bike, 1% use Lime, and 0.2% use Jump







#### **New Mobility Services Usage**



#### **APP-BASED FOR-HIRE VEHICLES**

#### 61% of New Yorkers use app-based for-hire vehicles, a higher share than previous years.

50% reported using app-based for-hire vehicles services in 2018 and 35% in 2017. Among the 39% of New Yorkers that do not use app-based for-hire vehicles, 26% do not own smartphones.





#### **APP-BASED FOR-HIRE VEHICLE BEHAVIOR**

New Yorkers use app-based for-hire vehicles primarily for making trips home followed by going shopping and running errands.

Users previously made these trips using subway, for-hire vehicles, or a household vehicle.





### **APP-BASED FOR-HIRE VEHICLE DISTANCE AND DURATION**

78% of app-based for-hire vehicle trips are 5 miles or less with 39% of trips under 2 miles.

95% of app-based for-hire vehicle trips are 60 minutes or less with 66% of trips under 20 minutes.







#### **CARSHARE SERVICES USAGE**

13% of New Yorkers use carshare services and 31% of carshare trips are for social and recreation purposes.

The average carshare trip distance is 26 miles.







#### **Freight Services Usage**



#### **DAILY GOODS AND SERVICES DELIVERIES**



32% of New Yorkers receive deliveries or have household services performed on an average day.

Direct comparisons cannot be made to previous years due to different scales. However, there appears to be a slight increase in deliveries year-over-year.

In 2018, 28% of New Yorkers received some kind of delivery at least several times a week.



#### **ONLINE SHOPPING BY DAY OF WEEK**

On an average Sunday, 24% of New Yorkers shop online.







#### **Equity Analysis**



#### **EQUITY ANALYSIS OF DAILY TRIP RATES**

Daily trip rates differ from the citywide average across key demographic measures.





# UNDERSTANDING FREQUENCY OF STREET HARASSMENT

In the past week, have you seen and/or experienced visual, verbal, or physical harassment/violence when traveling?

Significantly **less** than Citywide at 95% confidence level

Significantly **greater** than Citywide at 95% confidence level

UNWEIGHTED N = 3,111, WEIGHTED N = 6,174,439







Zone

Survey

#### **EFFECTS OF STREET HARASSMENT**

How have these experiences influenced your behavior when traveling this past week?

Significantly **less** than Citywide at 95% confidence level

Significantly **greater** than Citywide at 95% confidence level







#### **EFFECTS OF DISABILITY STATUS ON TRAVEL BEHAVIOR**

Participants who reported a disability make significantly:

- more trips by bus
- fewer trips by vehicle

In comparison to all participants.





#### **EFFECTS OF INCOME ON TRAVEL BEHAVIOR**







# TRIP DISTANCE AND DURATION BY INCOME







#### **NEW MOBILITY SERVICES USERS BY INCOME**





