

Household vehicle ownership keeps increasing as household size declines. By 1983, the majority of households had at least one vehicle per adult. For example, in 1969,

30.3% of the two-adult households had two or more vehicles, but by 1983 this percentage increased to 65%, and by 1990 it reached 76%.

Table 3.16

Distribution of Households by Number of Adults and Number of Household-based Vehicles¹ 1969, 1977, 1983, and 1990 NPTS² (percentage)

	1969 ³	1977	1983	1990
One-Adult Households				
No vehicle	56.2	39.2	34.0	21.4
One vehicle	42.3	53.2	57.1	63.7
Two vehicles	1.5	5.7	7.1	11.4
Three or more vehicles	.0	1.9	1.8	3.5
TOTAL	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No. of Households (000)	NA	19,381	23,360	28,045
Two-Adult Households				
No vehicle	12.4	7.5	5.8	3.6
One vehicle	57.3	33.1	29.2	20.4
Two vehicles	29.1	48.2	49.7	54.8
Three or more vehicles	1.2	11.2	15.3	21.2
TOTAL	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No. of Households (000)	NA	40,270	45,065	53,407
Three- or More Adult Households				
No vehicle	8.2	5.9	5.6	4.7
One vehicle	32.2	15.9	13.4	14.3
Two vehicles	42.6	34.4	27.1	28.5
Three or more vehicles	17.0	43.8	53.9	52.5
TOTAL	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No. of Households (000)	NA	15,761	16,914	11,119
ALL HOUSEHOLDS (000)	62,504	75,412	85,371⁴	93,347⁴

¹ See Footnote 1 of Table 3.15.

² For information on comparing 1983 and 1990 NPTS survey data, see Section 4 of Chapter 1.

³ The 1969 survey does not include pickups or other light trucks as household vehicles.

⁴ Includes households where no household adults were reported.