

Table 4.44

Number of Person Miles of Travel by Mode of Transportation and Trip Purpose  
1990 NPTS (millions)

Note: See Limitations of Data on Transit<sup>1</sup> in Chapter 1, Section 5

Mode	Earning a Living	Family & Personal Business	Civic, Educational & Religious	Social & Recreational	Other	TOTAL <sup>2</sup>
<b>PRIVATE VEHICLE</b>						
Auto, Van—Driver	390,512 (62.6%)	393,349 (54.3%)	57,160 (38.3%)	321,045 (40.1%)	9,828 (54.0%)	1,172,029 (50.6%)
Auto, Van—Passenger	44,160 (7.1%)	196,326 (27.1%)	42,209 (28.3%)	276,552 (34.6%)	5,722 (31.4%)	565,042 (24.4%)
Pickup	102,568 (16.4%)	83,720 (11.6%)	7,076 (4.7%)	72,753 (9.1%)	1,556 (8.6%)	267,944 (11.6%)
Other Private Vehicle	12,738 (2.1%)	9,099 (1.3%)	288 (0.2%)	12,725 (1.6%)	116 (0.6%)	34,967 (1.5%)
Subtotal—Private	549,978 (88.2%)	682,493 (94.3%)	106,734 (71.5%)	683,075 (85.4%)	17,221 (94.6%)	2,039,982 (88.1%)
<b>PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION</b>						
Bus, Streetcar	10,721 (1.7%)	7,087 (1.0%)	8,851 (5.9%)	7,933 (1.0%)	597 (3.3%)	35,189 (1.5%)
Rail/Subway <sup>3</sup>	12,172 (2.0%)	1,306 (0.2%)	1,086 (0.7%)	3,292 (0.4%)	2 (0.0%)	17,858 (0.8%)
Subtotal—Public	22,893 (3.7%)	8,393 (1.2%)	9,937 (6.7%)	11,225 (1.4%)	599 (3.3%)	53,047 (2.3%)
<b>OTHER MEANS</b>						
Amtrak	1,839 (0.3%)	724 (0.1%)	** (0.0%)	2,546 (0.3%)	** (0.0%)	5,108 (0.2%)
Walk	1,743 (0.3%)	3,164 (0.4%)	2,057 (1.4%)	4,205 (0.5%)	249 (1.4%)	11,418 (0.5%)
Bike	356 (0.0%)	527 (0.1%)	226 (0.2%)	2,324 (0.3%)	38 (0.2%)	3,471 (0.1%)
School Bus	563 (0.1%)	802 (0.1%)	29,766 (19.9%)	2,229 (0.3%)	83 (0.5%)	33,442 (1.4%)
Airplane	43,534 (7.0%)	25,116 (3.5%)	** (0.0%)	76,245 (9.5%)	** (0.0%)	144,895 (6.3%)
Taxi	375 (0.1%)	488 (0.1%)	196 (0.1%)	711 (0.1%)	** (0.0%)	1,770 (0.1%)
Other	1,890 (0.3%)	2,334 (0.3%)	181 (0.1%)	16,787 (2.1%)	7 (0.0%)	21,200 (0.9%)
Subtotal—Other	50,300 (8.1%)	33,154 (4.6%)	32,425 (21.7%)	105,047 (13.1%)	377 (2.1%)	221,304 (9.6%)
<b>TOTAL<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>623,536</b> (100.0%)	<b>724,112</b> (100.0%)	<b>149,272</b> (100.0%)	<b>799,675</b> (100.0%)	<b>18,197</b> (100.0%)	<b>2,315,273</b> (100.0%)
Avg. Trip Length (Miles) <sup>4</sup>	11.8	7.1	5.4	13.2	10.3	9.5

\*\* Indicates no data reported.

<sup>1</sup> Estimates of transit use are based on a total of 2870 travel day trips on transit in the NPTS sample. The NPTS estimate of transit trips is 20% lower than the Federal Transit Administration's Section 15 reporting system.

<sup>2</sup> Includes miles of travel where mode of transportation, trip purpose, or both were unreported.

<sup>3</sup> Rail/Subway includes trips by subway, elevated rail and commuter train.

<sup>4</sup> Average trip length is calculated using only those records with trip mile information present.