

Table 6.16

Statistics on Journey to Work Person Trips¹ by Actual Mode of Transportation 1990 NPTS

Note: See Limitations of Data on Transit² in Chapter 1, Section 5

	No. of Person Trips (000)	No. of Person Miles (000)	Average Trip Length ³ (miles)
Private Vehicles			
Auto, Van - Driver	33,963,202 (67.5%)	354,514,077 (67.4%)	10.6
Auto, Van - Passenger	3,558,012 (7.1%)	36,478,537 (6.9%)	10.6
Pickup	7,761,545 (15.4%)	96,445,643 (18.3%)	12.6
Other Private Vehicles	573,710 (1.1%)	11,354,666 (2.2%)	20.7
Subtotal	45,856,469 (91.1%)	498,792,923 (94.8%)	11.0
Public Transportation			
Bus, Streetcar	1,165,799 (2.3%)	10,377,333 (2.0%)	9.8
Rail/Subway ⁴	826,253 (1.6%)	11,715,329 (2.2%)	17.3
Subtotal	1,992,051 (4.0%)	22,092,661 (4.2%)	12.8
Other Means			
Amtrak	19,836 (0.0%)	1,165,687 (0.2%)	58.8
Taxi	93,182 (0.2%)	313,606 (0.1%)	3.5
Bike	169,380 (0.3%)	353,176 (0.1%)	2.1
Walk	1,999,298 (4.0%)	1,651,237 (0.3%)	0.8
School Bus	55,957 (0.1%)	453,668 (0.1%)	8.5
Other	89,149 (0.2%)	1,227,531 (0.2%)	13.8
Subtotal	2,426,802 (4.8%)	5,164,905 (1.0%)	2.2
TOTAL⁵	50,314,271 (100.0%)	526,155,669 (100.0%)	10.7

¹ Based on journey to work data collected on the sampled day (travel day).

² Estimates of "actual" transit use are based on 1240 person trips to work on travel day by bus, subway, elevated rail or commuter train. Note that the NPTS estimate of transit trips for all purposes is 20% lower than the Federal Transit Administration's Section 15 reporting system.

³ Average trip length is calculated using only those records with trip mile information present.

⁴ Rail/Subway includes trips by subway, elevated rail and commuter train.

⁵ Includes trips where mode of transportation was unreported.