



Gen3 Model Update

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Overview

- Model Validation Updates
- Sensitivity Test Updates





Validation Updates – as of 9/21/23

VMT by Facility Type

FTYPE	Gen3	Gen2.4 (2018)	Standard (Acceptable)	Standard (Preferable)
Freeway	1.00	1.05	0.07	0.06
Major Arterial	1.05	1.07	0.15	0.10
Minor Arterial	1.11	1.09	0.15	0.10
Collector	0.78	0.74	0.25	0.20
Expressway	0.93	0.89	0.15	0.10
Total	1.02	1.03	0.05	0.02

*VMT is based on links with counts
VMT is for TPB Modeled Area*

Gen2 Model data from p. A-4 of Seifu, Meseret, and Sanghyeon Ko. Memorandum to Feng Xie. “Year-2018 Validation of TPB Version 2.4 Travel Model.” August 17, 2021



VMT by Area Type

ATYPE	Gen3	Gen2.4 (2014)	Standard (Acceptable)	Standard (Preferable)
AT 1 (CBD)	0.98	1.03	0.25	0.15
AT 2	0.91	0.95	0.25	0.15
AT 3	0.93	0.96	0.25	0.15
AT 4	0.97	1.02	0.25	0.15
AT 5	1.03	1.11	0.25	0.15
AT 6 (Exurban)	1.20	1.22	0.25	0.15
Total	1.02	1.06	0.25	0.15

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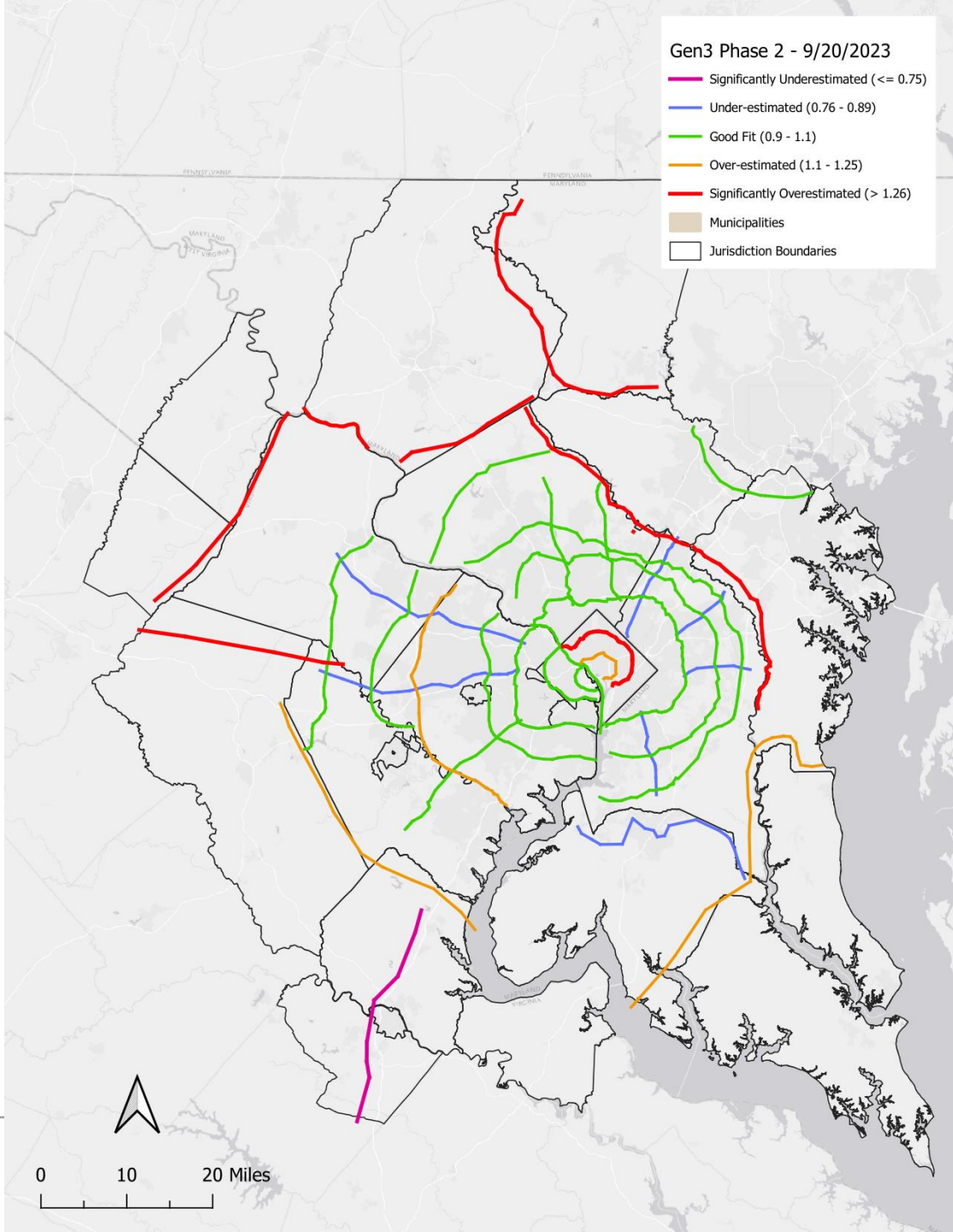
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Gen2 Model data from p. A-3 of Xie, Feng. Memorandum to Mark Moran and Dusan Vuksan. "Year-2014 Validation of TPB's Version 2.3 Travel Demand Model." March 12, 2019



Gen3 Phase 2 - 9/20/2023

- Significantly Underestimated (≤ 0.75)
- Under-estimated (0.76 - 0.89)
- Good Fit (0.9 - 1.1)
- Over-estimated (1.1 - 1.25)
- Significantly Overestimated (> 1.26)
- Municipalities
- Jurisdiction Boundaries



SL	Current	Target
2	1.24	+/- 0.2
4	1.27	+/- 0.3
20	1.03	+/- 0.05



VMT by Jurisdiction Summary

	Model	Observed	Est / Obs	Gen2.4 (2018)	Standard
TPB Planning Area Total	115,825,335	118,288,351	0.98	0.98	
Non-TPB Member Area	50,353,073	51,480,231	0.98	0.98	
Total	166,178,408	169,768,582	0.98	0.98	+/- 0.02

VMT source: 2018 Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS)



VMT by Jurisdiction (TPB Planning Area)

	Model	Observed	Est / Obs	Gen2.4 (2018)
District of Columbia	7,977,857	8,410,547	0.95	0.97
Montgomery County	20,791,724	20,844,658	1.00	1.00
Prince George's County	23,361,156	25,320,822	0.92	0.89
Arlington County	3,901,293	4,115,600	0.95	1.00
City of Alexandria	2,192,427	1,851,663	1.18	1.16
Fairfax County	27,033,521	28,284,350	0.96	0.99
Loudoun County	8,112,770	7,342,782	1.10	1.01
Prince William County	10,152,007	10,300,396	0.99	0.99
Frederick County	9,034,276	8,391,370	1.08	1.08
Charles County	3,268,303	3,426,164	0.95	0.94
TPB Planning Area Total	115,825,335	118,288,352	0.98	0.98

VMT source: 2018 Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS)



VMT by Jurisdiction (Non-TPB Member Area)

	Model	HPMS_VMT	Est / Obs	Gen2.4 (2018)
Howard County	11,942,839	11,526,986	1.04	0.99
Anne Arundel County	15,948,694	16,518,082	0.97	0.97
Carrol County	4,501,932	3,408,904	1.32	1.29
Calvert County	1,490,743	2,019,452	0.74	0.82
St. Mary's County	1,902,937	2,367,534	0.80	0.90
King George County	830,371	932,207	0.89	0.90
City of Fredericksburg	876,736	990,749	0.88	0.90
Stafford County	4,232,797	4,358,421	0.97	1.08
Spotsylvania County (1)	2,380,892	3,774,287	0.63	0.63
Fauquier County (2)	3,613,815	3,686,566	0.98	1.03
Clarke County	1,124,806	827,733	1.36	1.31
Jefferson County	1,506,512	1,069,310	1.41	1.41
Non-TPB Member Area	50,353,073	51,480,231	0.98	0.98

VMT source: 2018 Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS)

(1): Observed VMT includes entire county, estimated VMT is only the northern portion

(2): Fauquier County urbanized area is part of TPB planning area, but remaining county is not, HPMS VMT is only available for the entire county.



Transit Validation Summary

	Model	Observed	Est / Obs	Gen2.4 2014 Est / Obs
Metrorail	649,612	641,227	1.01	1.01
Commuter Rail	53,696	56,580	0.95	0.60
All Bus	588,284	575,642	1.02	1.10
Transit Total	1,291,592	1,273,449	1.01	1.04

2018 Simulation Year

Gen2 Model data from p. B-1 of of Seifu, Meseret, and Sanghyeon Ko. Memorandum to Feng Xie. "Year-2018 Validation of TPB Version 2.4 Travel Model." August 17, 2021



Bus Validation Summary

	Model	Observed	Est / Obs	Gen2.4 Est / Obs
Metrobus	361,686	360,000	1.00	
Other Bus in WMATA Area	160,060	141,390	1.13	
Other Bus Not in WMATA Area	66,538	74,252	0.90	
Bus Total	588,284	575,642	1.01	1.20

2018 Simulation Year

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Next Steps

- Small Adjustments to mode choice and/or trip destination based on new run
- Some network adjustments
 - Free-flow speed adjustments?
 - Time penalties
- Finish Model Calibration and Validation Report





Sensitivity Test Updates

The Sensitivity Tests

- Auto Operating Cost Increase
- Increased Telecommuting to DC
- Arlington Memorial Bridge Closure to Vehicular Traffic
- Double Frequency of High-Capacity Transit
- Autonomous Vehicle Test

Auto Operating Cost Scenario

- Why: Test a 10-cent increase in the auto operating cost to simulate the use of a VMT tax
- How: Increase the auto operating costs in tour mode choice and trip mode choice by 10 cents
- Status: In Progress
 - Missed the detailed auto operating costs due to vehicle allocation model
- Other Impacts:
 - Found minor misconfiguration in trip mode choice – was using general auto operating cost instead of household vehicle auto operating cost (Not fixed in test models, but fixed in Gen3 Model)

Increased Telecommuting to DC

- Why: Test the impact of a large-scale change in telecommuting patterns
- How: Increase the telecommuting share of workers that work in DC
- Status: In Progress
 - Found a missing coefficient in coordinated daily activity pattern model



Arlington Memorial Bridge Closure

- Why: Test the sensitivity of the travel model to roadway capacity restrictions
- How: Set the bridge to be unavailable to autos and trucks in the model (bridge will still be open to transit and non-motorized modes)
- Status: Completed



ActivitySim Changes

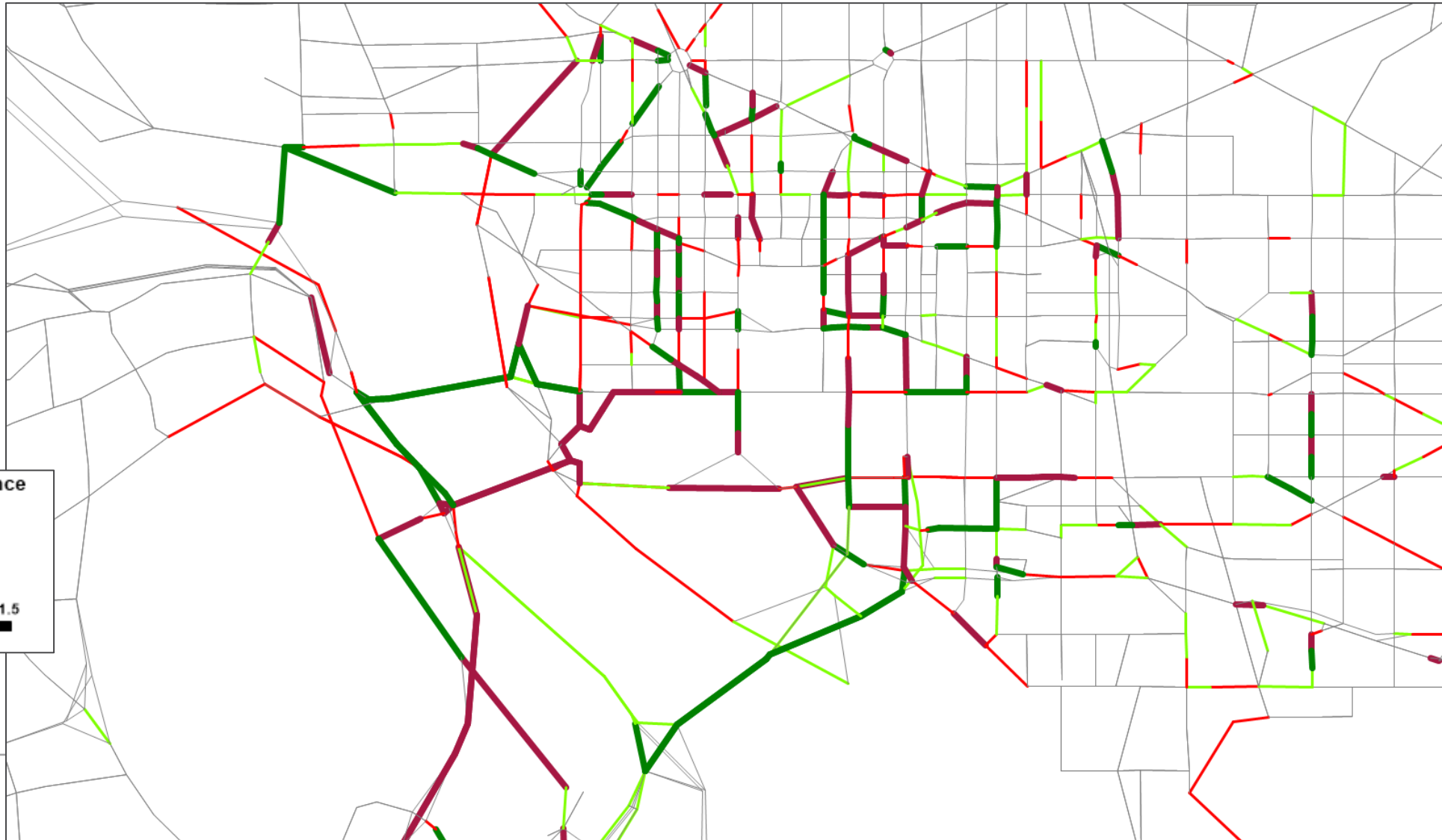
	Baseline	Bridge Closure	Difference	% Difference
Total population	7,250,066	7,250,066	0	0.000%
Total households	2,790,357	2,790,357	0	0.000%
Total tours	9,245,201	9,245,053	-148	-0.002%
Total trips	23,917,718	23,917,747	29	0.000%
Total stops	5,427,316	5,427,641	325	0.006%
Total VMT	114,940,412	114,838,576	-101,836	-0.089%



ActivitySim Changes

Trip Mode	Baseline	Bridge Closure	Difference	% Difference
Auto SOV	11,312,502	11,309,891	-2,611	-0.02%
Auto 2 Person	5,234,366	5,233,396	-970	-0.02%
Auto 3+ Person	3,491,106	3,490,029	-1,077	-0.03%
Walk	1,762,665	1,763,107	442	0.03%
Bike	219,064	220,150	1,086	0.50%
Walk-Transit	778,747	779,642	895	0.11%
PNR-Transit	186,540	188,174	1,634	0.88%
KNR-Transit	60,870	61,106	236	0.39%
School bus	471,878	471,978	100	0.02%
Ride-hail	399,980	400,274	294	0.07%
Total	23,917,718	23,917,747	29	0.00%

Assignment Changes



Double Frequency of High-Capacity Transit

- Why: Test the sensitivity of the travel model to increased transit capacity
- How: double the frequency of Metrorail, Commuter Rail, BRT, and Streetcar
- Status: Completed



ActivitySim Changes

	Baseline	Double HCT Frequency	Difference	% Difference
Total population	7,250,066	7,250,066	0	0.000%
Total households	2,790,357	2,790,357	0	0.000%
Total tours	9,245,201	9,243,413	-1,788	-0.019%
Total trips	23,917,718	23,897,688	-20,030	-0.084%
Total stops	5,427,316	5,410,862	-16,454	-0.303%
Total VMT	114,940,412	114,466,113	-474,300	-0.413%

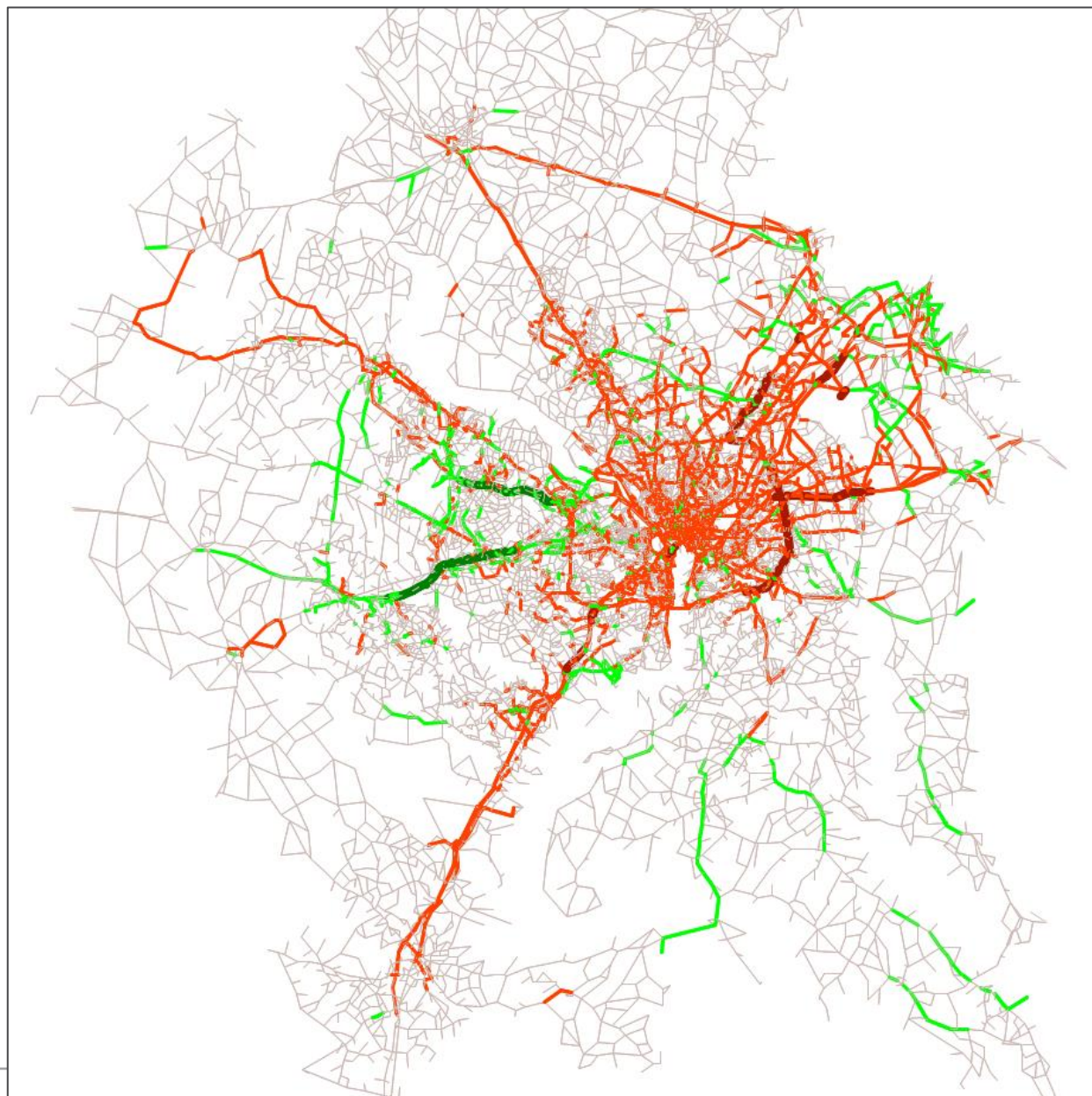
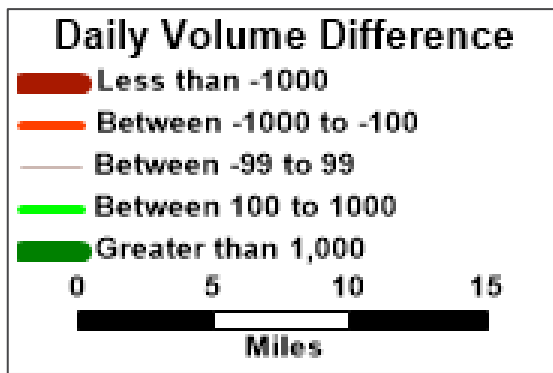


ActivitySim Changes

Trip Mode	Baseline	Double HCT Freq.	Difference	% Difference
Drive-Alone	11,312,502	11,252,151	-60,351	-0.53%
Shared 2	5,234,366	5,224,463	-9,903	-0.19%
Shared 3+	3,491,106	3,483,392	-7,714	-0.22%
Walk	1,762,665	1,755,859	-6,806	-0.39%
Bike	219,064	217,292	-1,772	-0.81%
Walk-Transit	778,747	809,574	30,827	3.96%
PNR-Transit	186,540	219,362	32,822	17.60%
KNR-Transit	60,870	64,698	3,828	6.29%
School Bus	471,878	471,514	-364	-0.08%
Ride Hail	399,980	399,383	-597	-0.15%
Total	23,917,718	23,897,688	-20,030	-0.08%



Highway Changes



Transit Changes Summary

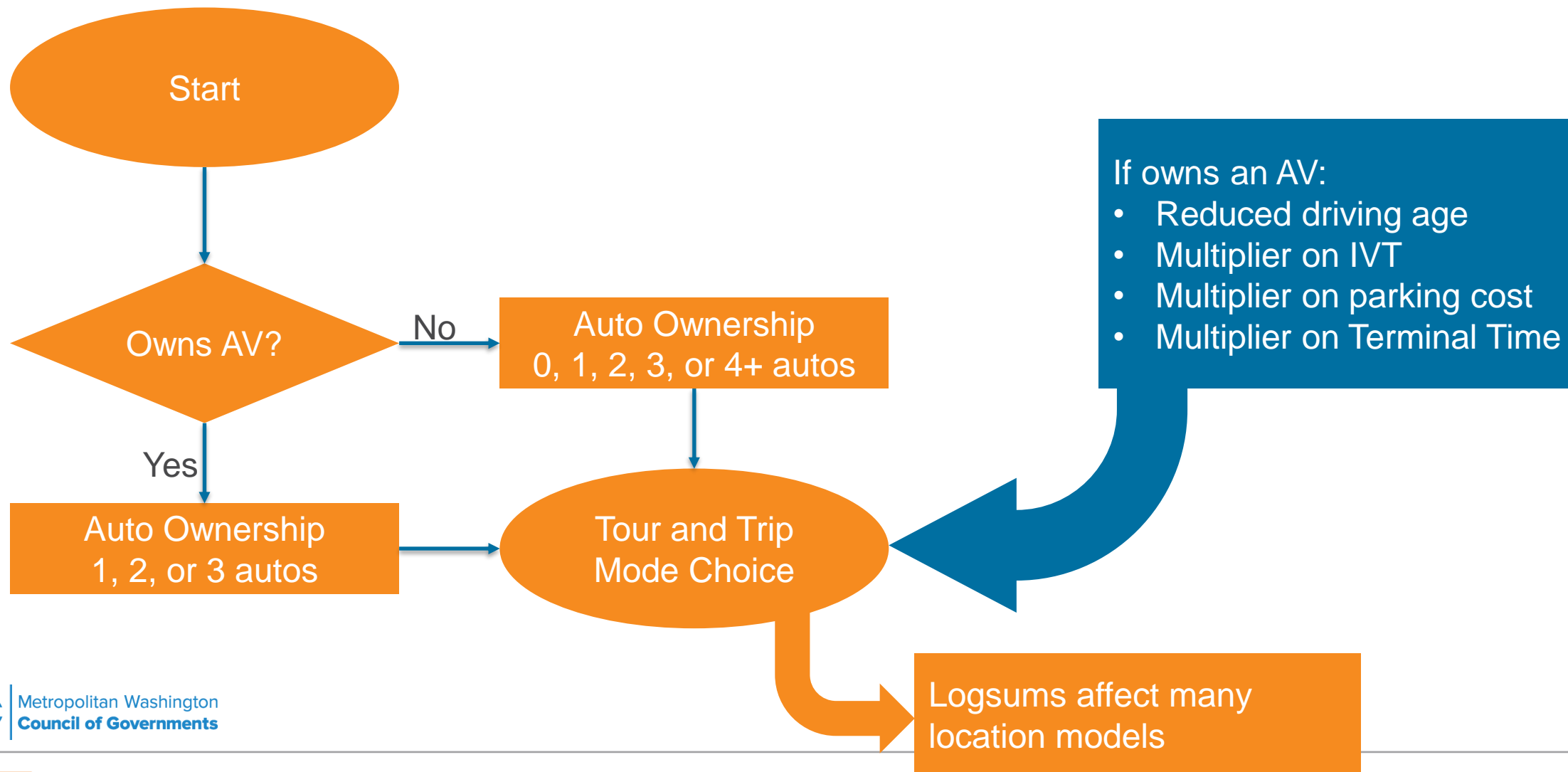
Transit Mode	Baseline	Double HCT Freq.	Difference	% Difference
Local Metrobus	336,825	336,646	-179	-0.1%
Express Metrobus	39,306	39,133	-173	-0.4%
Metrorail	948,667	1,051,786	103,119	10.9%
Commuter Rail	59,906	98,764	38,858	64.9%
▪ MARC	44,932	70,677	25,744	57.3%
▪ VRE	14,974	28,087	13,114	87.6%
Other Local Bus in the WMATA Area	161,473	164,038	2,565	1.6%
Other Express Bus in the WMATA Area	5,629	5,861	232	4.1%
Other Local Bus beyond the WMATA Area	25,341	27,328	1,987	7.8%
Other Express Bus beyond the WMATA Area	61,643	60,241	-1,402	-2.3%
Bus Rapid Transit and Street Car	4,603	10,321	5,719	124.2%
All Bus	630,217	633,248	3,030	0.5%
Total	1,643,393	1,794,119	150,726	9.2%



Autonomous Vehicle Test

- Why: Test the sensitivity of the model to a potential future of autonomous vehicles
- How: Implement autonomous vehicles
 - Set minimum driving age to 13 instead of 16
 - Setup constants in AV Ownership model to target AV ownership by income group

ActivitySim AV Modeling Behind The Scenes



Autonomous Vehicle Model Limitations

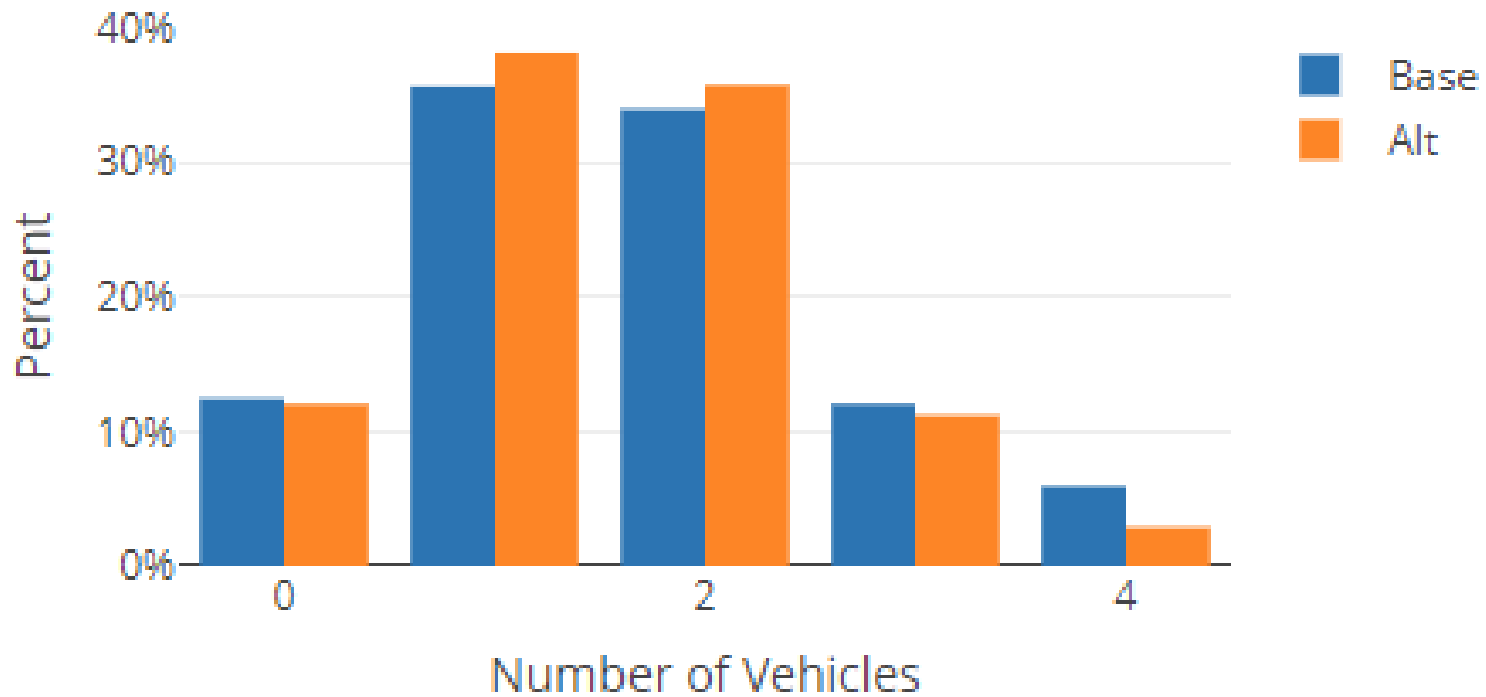
- ActivitySim only simulates person travel
 - No vehicle tracking / repositioning of autonomous vehicles
- Network models are not setup for autonomous vehicles
 - No congestion effects of unoccupied autonomous vehicles
 - Capacity and speed effects
 - Platooning
 - Signal optimization / V2I connectivity
 - Exclusive lanes

AV Ownership by Income Segment

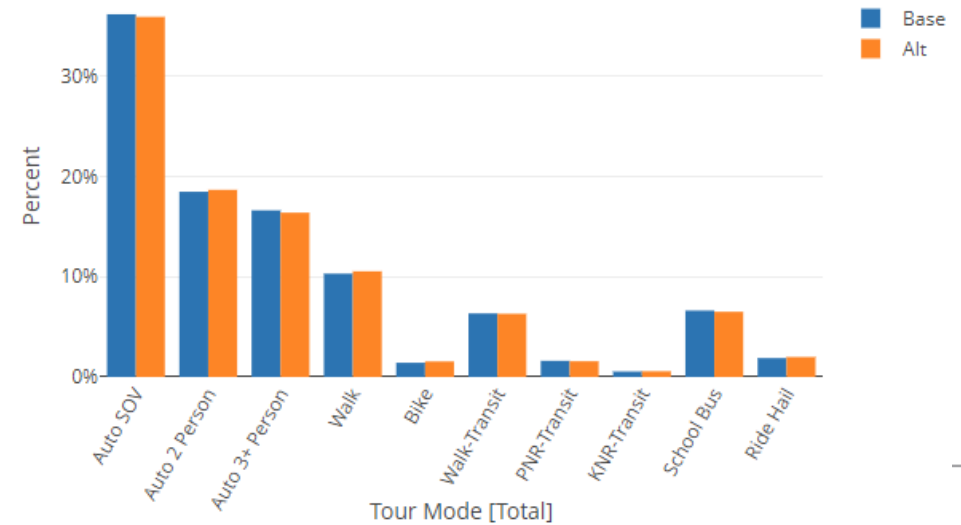
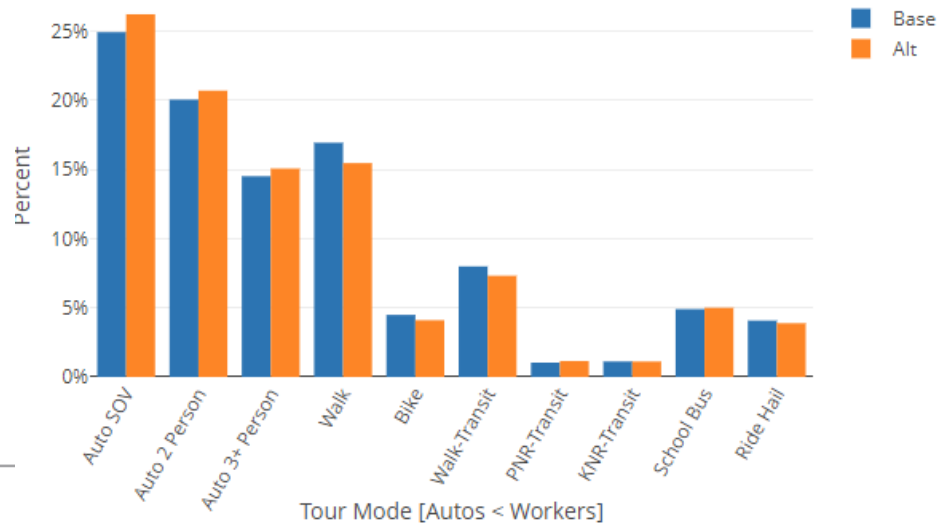
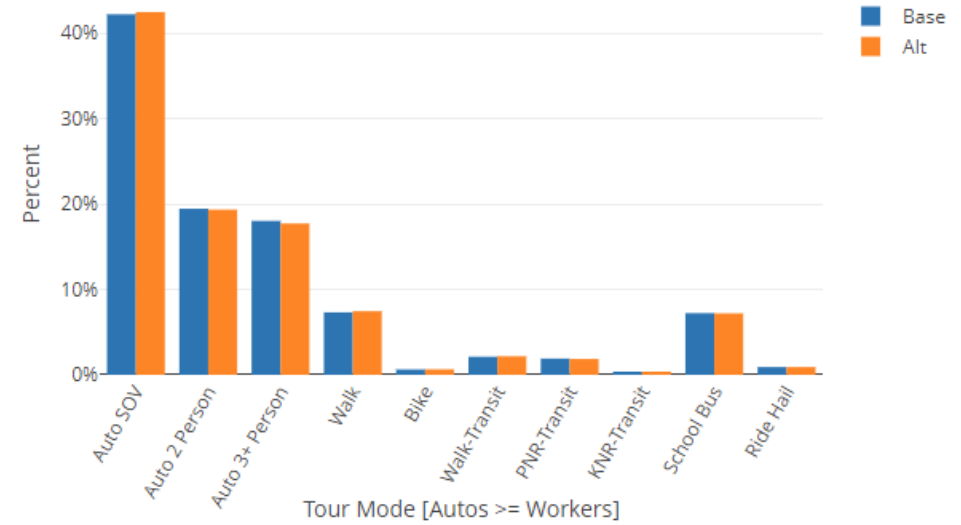
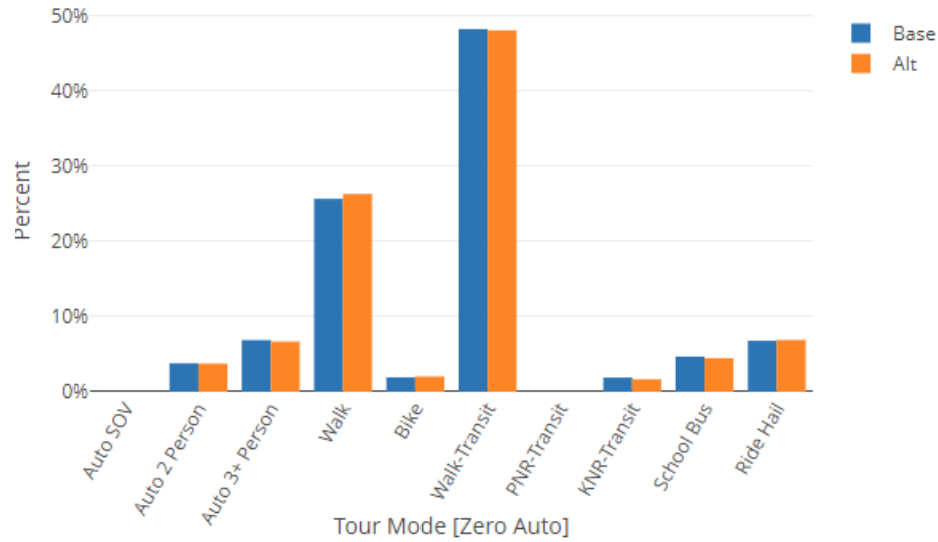
Income Segment	Household Income	Target Share
1	0-50k	5%
2	50k-100k	16%
3	100k-150k	25%
4	150k+	33%
Total		20%

Differences in Auto Ownership

Auto Ownership



Tour Mode Choice



Sensitivity Test Summary

Test	Results
Auto Operating Cost Increase	In progress
Increased Telecommuting to DC	In progress
Arlington Memorial Bridge Closure	Consistent with past tests and expectations
Double Frequency of High-Capacity Transit	Generally consistent with expectations, increased transit use compared to phase 1 test
Autonomous Vehicle Test	Reviewing results





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