

# HANDOUTS

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**November 17, 2009**

**ITEM #2****Commuter Connections TERM Analysis  
July 2008-June 2011  
Evaluation Framework Update Summary****Review of 2005-2008 Framework and  
Proposed New Elements for 2008-2011****November 17, 2009****Overview of Framework**

- TERM Evaluation Framework is updated for each triennial evaluation cycle – last update was in 2007 for 2005-2008 evaluation
- The Framework documents the TERM analysis methodology
- Framework components:
  - Goals, data collection tools, and analysis approach for assessing TERM impacts
  - Key enhancements and changes to TERM evaluation process from last framework
  - ERM evaluation issues and opportunities

**Proposed Framework Document Outline**

1. Overview
2. Evaluation objectives and issues
3. Performance Indicators
4. Evaluation components for each TERM
5. Data collection sources and tools
6. Basic program impact calculation methodology
7. Recommended evaluation schedule
8. Reporting and communication of evaluation data - **NEW**

## **Overall Objectives of the Evaluation**

- Measure impacts of the TERMS implemented by Commuter Connections using meaningful performance measure.
- Provide useful information about TERM impacts to program managers and policy-makers.

## **Evaluation Principles**

- Provide sound, definitive, and useful information about the results of the program
- Assure objective evaluation by using a third-party (other than a funding or implementing agent)
- Avoid double counting by separating out the impacts of individual program elements or TERMS
- Report only impacts that are directly associated with TERMS and that can reasonably be measured
- Follow accepted and recognized evaluation techniques
- Be rigorous, ongoing, and compatible with regional, state, and national practices
- Be resource efficient and unobtrusive for COG partners

## **TERMs to be Evaluated – 2008-2011**

1. Maryland and Virginia Telework (MD - 2008-2011, VA – 2008-2009)
2. Guaranteed Ride Home
3. Employer Outreach (including EO-Bicycling)
4. Mass Marketing

Also, Commuter Operations Center

## **Proposed Data Collection and Analysis Tools**

Data collection tools and tracking systems to collect data for 2008-2011 evaluation:

- **Surveys** (*TERMs evaluated*)
  - Employee surveys administered by employers (*Employer Outreach*)
  - State of the Commute survey (*Telework, Mass Marketing*)
  - Guaranteed Ride Home survey (*GRH*)
  - MD and VA Telework employer follow-up survey (*Telework, Employer Outreach*)
  - Commuter Connections applicant Placement Rate survey (*Mass Marketing, Commuter Operations Center*)
  - Bike-to-Work Day survey (*Mass Marketing*)
  
- **Databases/other tracking data** (*TERMs evaluated*)
  - ACT! Employer Contact database (*Employer Outreach*)
  - Commuter Connections applicant database (*Commuter Operations Center, GRH*)
  - Archived GRH applicant database (Pre-on-line TDM System *GRH Applicants*)
  - Commuter Operations Center website and call volume tracking (*Mass Marketing*)
  - Documentation of media / marketing activities (*Mass Marketing*)
  - MD and VA Telework database (*MD and VA Telework*)
  
- **Analysis tools**
  - EPA COMMUTER model (*Employer Outreach*)

## **Basic Impact Calculation Methodology Steps**

Consistent for all TERMS (except Employer Outreach). The methodology starts with a “population of interest,” population of commuters who potentially were influenced by the TERM, and applies calculation factors derived from surveys of a sample of the population to estimate travel shifts among the full population and the impacts of the change.

The five calculation factors are:

- 1) **Placement rate** (percent of commuters in the population of interest who shifted to commute alternatives as a result of the TERM)
- 2) **Vehicle trip reduction** (VTR) factor (average number of vehicle trips reduced per day by each “placement” - commuter who shifts to a commute alternative)
- 3) **Commute distance** – Average one-way commute trip distance of placements
- 4) **Drive alone access** – Percentage of ridesharers and transit users that drive alone to the location where they meet their carpool, vanpool, bus, or train
- 5) **Drive alone access distance** – Distance commuters travel to rideshare/transit meeting points

Impacts are calculated by applying the factors within the following methodology steps.

- Step 1) **Define population** – Estimate commuter population of interest “base” for the TERM (e.g., all commuters, GRH applicants, ridematch applicants, etc.)
- Step 2) **Estimate new commute alternative placements** – Multiply number of commuters in the population of interest by the placement rate for that population
- Step 3) **Estimate vehicle trips reduced** – Multiply number of placements by the Vehicle Trip Reduction (VTR) factor for that TERM
- Step 4) **Estimate VMT reduced** – Multiply number of vehicle trips reduced by average commute distance
- Step 5) **Adjust vehicle trips and VMT for access mode** – Discount vehicle trips reduced and VMT reduced to account for commuters who drive alone to meet rideshare modes and transit
- Step 6) **Estimate emissions reduced** – Multiply adjusted vehicle trips and VMT reduced by emissions factors consistent with the regional planning process to estimate NO<sub>x</sub>, VOC, PM<sub>2.5</sub>, and GHG emissions reduced.

### **Proposed Framework Enhancements – 2008-2011**

Continue the basic methodology outlined above, but integrate enhancements to the method and to specific TERMS:

1. Update framework to reflect changes in TERMS and methods applied in 2008 TERM analysis
2. Update COMMUTER Model coefficients and other parameters for analysis of Employer Outreach
3. Refine the methodologies for the GRH and placement surveys to include the combination telephone / internet administration
4. Explore options to include cell-phone only households in State of Commute survey sample.
5. Explore options to assess duration of benefits for TERM impacts – e.g., do benefits extend beyond the three-year triennial cycle?
6. Examine regional transportation objectives and policies that might influence the ways in which TERM impacts are measured.
7. Develop enhanced tools to report and communicate TERM results and other Commuter Connections' program benefits to regional and local decision-makers.

## 1. Update framework to reflect changes in Commuter Connections programs / TERMS and methods as applied in 2005-2008 TERM analysis for each TERM:

**Background** – Since the 2005-2008 framework was prepared, Commuter Connections has made numerous changes to the TERMS covered by the evaluation. Additionally, the methodology described in the framework was refined for several TERMS during the 2008 evaluation.

**Recommendation** – Update framework as described below:

- InfoExpress Kiosks – delete from framework (program ended in Dec 2006)
- Maryland and Virginia Telework – Update to show that the Virginia component ended on June 30, 2009. Impacts will be discounted to reflect availability of the service in Virginia for only part of the evaluation period.
- Employer Outreach – Update methodology to differentiate between “new” impacts and “continuing” impacts. New impacts include impacts from employers that joined the EO program on or after July 1, 2008 and employers that were involved in EO before July 1, 2008 but that enhanced their commute assistance services after that date. Continuing impacts include those from employers that joined EO before July 1, 2008 and made no changes since that date. These impacts are considered part of the new EO baseline. Impacts from program reductions will be “back-filled” from new or expanded programs instituted on or after July 1, 2008.
- Employer Outreach (cont) – Update methodology to describe the batch method developed for the COMMUTER Model during the 2008 TERM analysis.
- Emissions – Add greenhouse gases (GHG) and PM2.5 to emissions estimated.

## 2. Update coefficients and other parameters and factors (as necessary) for the EPA COMMUTER Model v.2.0 to be used for analysis of Employer Outreach.

**Background** – During the 2005-2008 evaluation, COG and the evaluation team compared the estimation capabilities of the COMMUTER Model to that of the CTR Worksite Trip Reduction Model. COG staff decided to continue using the COMMUTER Model for the analysis, largely because it was compatible with the regional travel models used in the COG region and could utilize regional cost and time coefficients tailored to the Washington region. The cost coefficients were adjusted, however, to correct for the COMMUTER Model's tendency to overestimate the likely impacts of financial incentives on shifts to non-SOV modes.

In 2008, COG completed a new Household Travel Survey, collecting data that will be used to revise the regional travel models. This is expected to result in new regional cost and time coefficients for transit and other non-SOV modes.

**Recommendation** – Work with COG modelers to determine if additional modifications are needed to COMMUTER Model coefficients to conform with COG model updates. The consulting team will also assess any other modifications to other parameters and default factors, such as average trip length, vehicle occupancy, employment characteristics, etc. Use the revised coefficients for COMMUTER Model runs in 2009.

## 3. Refine the methodology for the GRH and placement surveys to include the combination telephone / internet administration.

**Background** – In past TERM evaluations, interviews for the SOC and GRH surveys have been conducted via telephone. But in 2008, Commuter Connections transitioned to an online ridematching and GRH system. This will facilitate the use of the internet for some data collection. A pilot internet GRH survey was conducted as a companion to the 2007 GRH survey to test the potential of this method. The pilot documented that the results for the telephone and Internet samples were not statistically different in any variable that was important to the TERM analysis and that either an internet alone or an internet / telephone combination would be a valid option.

**Recommendation** – Conduct both the rideshare applicant and GRH surveys using a combination of internet and telephone methods for interviewing. COG's online database vendor has programmed both the rideshare applicant placement survey and the GRH survey questionnaires for online application. These tools will be used to survey applicants who have provided an email address. The telephone will be used to interview respondents who did not provide an email address. The data from the two methods will be combined for analysis of these two programs.



#### 4. Explore options to include cell-phone only households in State of Commute survey sample.

**Background** – One issue that is becoming important in telephone surveys is how to reach residents whose only telephone is a cell phone. The 2007-08 COG Household Travel Survey analysis found that about 10% of households in the Washington region were “cell phone only” (CPO) households. Previous SOC surveys have not sampled cell phone only households because random digit dial (RDD) sample lists exclude them. Cell phone sample lists are now available for purchase, albeit with limitations in the accuracy of the lists. With the growing share of regional residents in this group and the possibility that CPO residents could have different travel patterns, it could be useful to include CPO residents.

**Recommendation** – Explore the feasibility of including CPO residents in the 2010 SOC sample. There are numerous considerations that should be examined, such as low response rates, portability of cell phone numbers, cell phone users under 18, need to reimburse respondents for cell phone charges, among others. This will require careful analysis of the cost implications of this sampling change before finalizing the SOC sampling plan.

#### 5. Explore options to assess duration of benefits for TERM impacts – e.g., do benefits extend beyond the three-year triennial cycle?

**Background** – In previous TERM evaluations, mode shifts motivated by TERMS were assumed to extend through the three-year cycle, that is, a commuter who made a mode shift in the first month of the cycle was assumed to be still using the mode in the last month. But impacts were not assumed to be longer than three-years, so were not carried over to the next evaluation cycle. If mode shifts do extend beyond three years, additional impacts could be retained from the 2005-2008 cycle for 2008-2011.

**Recommendation** – Two approaches could be used for this issue.

- 1) Examine national research on average duration of “assisted” rideshare arrangements from similar services and apply duration factors as appropriate.
- 2) Establish a panel of TERM users who made a shift to a non-SOV mode and are willing to be recontacted periodically about their travel over time to assess the drop-out or change rate of their alternative mode experience. This could be accomplished through a brief email survey about mode use to users.

**6. Examine regional transportation objectives and policies that might influence the ways in which TERM impacts are measured.**

**Background** – Since 1997, TERMS' impacts have focused on travel and emission reduction. Now, sustainability, climate change, and mobility are joining congestion and air quality as forces shaping the region's transportation policies. HOT lanes, Bus Rapid Transit, and other new transportation facilities could further alter regional travel dynamics. And economic pressures also is influencing travel choices.

These factors suggest COG might want to document TERM contributions to solving other local or regional problems, using new performance indicators. For example, the National Transportation Operations Coalition recommends measures such as temporal and spatial extent of congestion, travel time reliability, extent of delay, for tracking changes in congestion.

**Recommendation** – Initiate discussions with COG staff and local partner staff on new TERM performance measures that relate to regional objectives and will support local decision-making. Outline possible approaches in the framework and work with COG staff, the Evaluation Group, and the Commuter Connections Subcommittee to define feasible and useful indicators. If new performance indicators are adopted, identify standard method and tools that could be used for analysis of the indicators.

## 7. Develop enhanced tools to report and communicate TERM results and other Commuter Connections' program benefits to regional and local decision-makers.

**Background** – COG needs to communicate with different audiences who have varied interest in the findings. COG might want to consider a range of different communication tools for different audiences and need to present the findings at different levels of detail.

- State and local governments – Apply results to policy development and funding decisions and to long-term TDM strategic planning
- TDM agency program staff – How do TERM results relate to their operations
- Employers in Employer Outreach - Might be interested in data to assess carbon footprint reductions from implementing TDM strategies
- General public - Interested in commuting challenges and options to improve commute ease

**Recommendation** – Solicit local jurisdictions' input on what and how evaluation data are or could be used by local decision-makers. Develop new methods to communicate TDM/TERM impacts in terms that resonate with decision-makers, funders, program staff, and the traveling public, within a communications plan using existing COG outlets.

One example is COG podcasts, audio that can communicate findings to stakeholders who download the podcast to computers, smart phones or mp3 players. Potential benefits include: (1) can reach audiences that are less inclined to read technical reports, (2) allow listeners to access the information at any convenient time or location, expanding the potential access opportunities, and (3) are opt-in, meaning that people who are interested in what COG has to say will listen.

Also consider preparing a 1-2 page “prospectus” summary for each TERM, showing key results, trends, and accomplishments. This document would be aimed at the technical audience looking for a snapshot view of the overall program effort.

## ITEM #3

### Commuter Connections State of the Commute Survey – FY10

V1 – 11-17-09

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#### INTRODUCTION

Hello. My name is \_\_\_\_\_. I'm calling (from CIC Research) on behalf of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments. We're talking to residents of Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia about their travel to work. **(IF NECESSARY: This is a genuine survey. No attempt will be made to sell you anything. Your answers will be kept completely confidential and will be used only together with those of other respondents.)** Is now a good time? **(ARRANGE CALL BACK)**

#### SCREENING QUESTIONS

S1 Is anyone in your household employed? By employed, I mean a wage or salaried employee, military or self-employed...

**INTERVIEWERS: SCREEN OUT KEEPING OWN HOUSE (HOUSEWIFE), DISABLED, RETIRED, STUDENT, VOLUNTEER OR UNEMPLOYED-LOOKING FOR WORK**

- 1 yes (**SKIP TO QS4**)
- 2 no (**THANK AND TERMINATE**)

S4 Are you an employed person who is at least 16?

- 1 yes (**SKIP TO Q1**)
- 2 no (**ASK QS5**)

S5 Is anyone else in your household employed either full-time or part-time?

- 1 yes (**ASK FOR THAT PERSON AND REPEAT INTRO, THEN GO BACK TO QS4 OR ARRANGE CB**)
- 2 no (**THANK AND TERMINATE**)

#### EMPLOYMENT STATUS AND HOME/WORK LOCATION

1 What is your employment status right now -- are you employed 35 hours or more per week, or less than 35 hours?

- 1 Employed full-time (35 hours or more) (**CONTINUE**)
- 2 Employed part-time (less than 35 hours) (**CONTINUE**)
- 3 Not employed, keeping house, retired, disabled, full-time student, looking for work (**GO BACK TO QS5**)
- 8 Don't know (**THANK & TERMINATE**)
- 9 Refuse (**THANK & TERMINATE**)

1a What is your home zip code?

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#### AUTOCODE COUNTY FOR CHANTILLY

IF Q1a = 20151, AUTOCODE Q2 = 6 (Fairfax), THEN SKIP TO Q3

IF Q1a = 20152, AUTOCODE Q2 = 8 (Loudoun), THEN SKIP TO Q3

#### AUTOCODE ALEXANDRIA (EXCEPT 22311)

IF Q1a = 22301, 22302, 22304, 22305, OR 22314, AUTOCODE Q2 = 1 (Alexandria), THEN SKIP TO Q3

IF Q1a = 22303, 22306, 22307, 22308, 22309, 22310, OR 22315, AUTOCODE Q2 = 6 (Fairfax), THEN SKIP TO Q3

#### AUTOCODE TAKOMA PARK, MD, TAKOMA DC

IF Q1a = 20903, 20910, 20912, 20913, AUTOCODE Q2 = 9 (Montgomery), THEN SKIP TO Q3

IF Q1a = 20011 OR 20012, AUTOCODE Q2 = 5 (DC), THEN SKIP TO Q3

#### AUTOCODE LAUREL

IF Q1a = 20707 OR 20708, AUTOCODE Q2 = 10 (Prince Georges), THEN SKIP TO Q3

IF Q1a = 20723 OR 20724, AUTOCODE Q2 = 12 (Other –out of area), THEN THANK AND TERMINATE

AUTOCODE SILVER SPRING (EXCEPT 20903)

IF Q1a = 20901, 20902, 20904, 20905, 20906, OR 20910, AUTOCODE Q2 = 9, THEN SKIP TO Q3

AUTOCODE STERLING

IF Q1a = 20164, 20165, OR 20166, AUTOCODE Q2 = 8 (Loudoun), THEN SKIP TO Q3

AUTOCODE FAIRFAX AND FALLS CHURCH CITIES

IF Q1a = 22030, 22041, 22042, 22043, 22044, OR 22046, AUTOCODE Q2 = 6 (Fairfax), THEN SKIP TO Q3

AUTOCODE WALDORF (EXCEPT Q20601)

IF Q1a = 20602 OR 20603, AUTOCODE Q2 = 12 (Other - out of area), THEN THANK AND TERMINATE

AUTOCODE MANASSAS, MANASSAS PARK

IF Q1a = 20110 OR 20113, AUTOCODE Q2 = 11, THEN SKIP TO Q3

IF Q1a = ANY OTHER ZIP CODE, ASK Q2

**QUOTA SCREENER – NEED 600 IN EACH OF 11 AREAS 1 - 11**

2 In what county (or Independent City) do you live now? **(DO NOT READ)**

- 1 Alexandria City, VA
- 2 Arlington Co., VA
- 3 Calvert Co., MD
- 4 Charles Co., MD
- 5 Washington, DC (District of Columbia)
- 6 Fairfax Co., VA (City of Falls Church, City of Fairfax)
- 7 Frederick Co., MD (City of Frederick)
- 8 Loudoun Co., VA (South Riding)
- 9 Montgomery Co., MD (City of Rockville, City of Gaithersburg, City of Takoma Park, Silver Spring)
- 10 Prince George's Co., MD(City of Greenbelt, City of College Park, City of Bowie)
- 11 Prince William Co., VA (City of Manassas, City of Manassas Park)
- 12 Other (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_ **(THANK AND TERMINATE)**
- 88 Don't know (THANK AND TERMINATE)
- 99 Refused (THANK AND TERMINATE)

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3 In what county (or independent city) do you work? **(IF "ALL OVER", ASK: Where do you work the most?)**

- 1 Alexandria City (VA)
- 2 Anne Arundel Co. (MD)
- 3 Arlington Co. (VA)
- 4 Calvert Co. (MD)
- 5 Charles Co. (MD)
- 6 Washington, DC (District of Columbia)
- 7 Fairfax Co. (VA)
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- 9 Falls Church City (VA)
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- 16 Prince George's Co. (MD)
- 17 Prince William Co. (VA)
- 18 Stafford Co. (VA)
- 19 Baltimore County (MD)
- 20 Carroll County (MD)
- 21 Other \_\_\_\_\_
- 88 Don't know
- 99 Refuse

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**COMMUTE PATTERNS**

Now, I'd like to ask you some questions about your commute to and from work. If you have more than one job, just tell me about your primary job.

- 4 First, in a TYPICAL week, how many days are you assigned to work?  
\_\_\_\_\_ days  
\_\_\_\_ "0", not currently working (GO BACK TO QS5)
- 5 How many of those days are weekdays (Monday-Friday)?  
\_\_\_\_\_ days  
\_\_\_\_ "0", (CODE AS WKALL, THEN SKIP TO QS7)
- 6 And how many weekdays do you commute to a work location outside your home? (IF RESPONDENT SAYS, "VARIES BY WEEK" OR "DON'T KNOW", PROMPT "What would you say would be most typical?" IF RESPONDENT STILL SAYS "DON'T KNOW," CODE AS 8)
  - 10 None (SKIP TO Q8)
  - 1 One
  - 2 Two
  - 3 Three
  - 4 Four
  - 5 Five
  - 8 Don't know (SKIP TO Q61)
  - 9 Refuse (SKIP TO Q61)

7 At what time do you usually arrive at work? (DO NOT READ)

- 1 5 am to 5:29 am
- 2 5:30 am to 5:59 am
- 3 6 am to 6:29 am
- 4 6:30 am to 6:59 am
- 5 7 am to 7:29 am
- 6 7:30 am to 7:59 am
- 7 8 am to 8:29 am
- 8 8:30 am to 8:59 am
- 9 9 am to 9:29 am
- 10 9:30 am-9:59 am
- 11 10 am to 5:59 pm
- 12 6 pm to 12 midnight
- 13 12:01 am to 4:59 am
- 88 Don't know
- 99 Refuse

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**SKIP TO Q11**

- 8 So to be sure I understand, you work at home every weekday you work. Is that right?
  - 1 Yes (CONTINUE)
  - 2 No (INTERVIEWER PROMPT, "SO YOU COMMUTE TO A WORK LOCATION OUTSIDE YOUR HOME ONE OR MORE WEEKDAYS, IS THAT CORRECT?") GO BACK TO Q5)
- 9 Are you self-employed with your primary work location at home?
  - 1 Yes (PROGRAMMER, CODE AS HOMEALL) (SKIP TO INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE Q15)
  - 2 No (CONTINUE)
- 10 Do you telecommute every weekday you work?
  - 1 Yes (PROGRAMMER, CODE AS TELEALL, SKIP TO INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE Q13)
  - 2 No (SPECIFY SITUATION, THEN THANK AND TERMINATE)

11 Do you work a compressed or flexible work schedule, for example, a full-time work week in fewer than five days or a schedule with flexible start and end times?

- 1 yes (CONTINUE)
- 2 no (SKIP TO Q13)

12 What type of schedule do you use? (DO NOT READ, UNLESS NEEDED TO CLARIFY)

- 1 4/40 (4 10-hour days per week, 40 hours)
- 2 9/80 (9 days every 2 weeks, 80 hours)
- 3 3/36 (3 12-hour days per week, 36 hours - police, fire, hospitals)
- 4 flex-time or flexible work hours (core hours with flexible start & stop)
- 5 Work 5 or more days per week, 35 or more hours per week (RECODE Q11 = 2)
- 6 other (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_

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**INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE Q13**  
**IF TELEALL (FROM Q10), AUTOCODE Q13 = 1, THEN SKIP TO Q13a**

13 Now I want to ask you about telecommuting, also called teleworking. For purposes of this survey, "telecommuters" are defined as "wage and salary employees who at least occasionally work at home or at a telework or satellite center during an entire work day, instead of traveling to their regular work place." Based on this definition, are you a telecommuter?

- 1 yes
- 2 no (SKIP TO Q14a)
- 9 DK/Ref (SKIP TO Q14a)

13a Does your employer have a formal telecommuting program at your workplace or do you telecommute under an informal arrangement between you and your supervisor?

- 1 formal program
- 2 informal arrangement
- 3 N/A
- 9 DK/Ref

**IF TELEALL AND Q5 = 1, AUTOCODE Q14 = 4, THEN SKIP TO INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE Q15**  
**IF TELEALL AND Q5 = 2, AUTOCODE Q14 = 5, THEN SKIP TO INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE Q15**  
**IF TELEALL AND Q5 = 3, 4, 5, 6, OR 7, AUTOCODE Q14 = 6, THEN SKIP TO INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE Q15**

14 How often do you usually telecommute? (DO NOT READ)

- 1 occasionally for special project
- 2 Less than one time per month/only in emergencies (e.g., sick child, snowstorm)
- 3 1-3 times a month
- 4 one day a week
- 5 two days a week
- 6 3 or more times a week
- 7 other (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 DK/Ref.

**SKIP TO Q15**

~~14a Do you at least occasionally work at home or at a location other than your central work place during your normal work hours? (IF ASKED: Normal work hours means the hours that you work, which may or may not be the normal business hours of your employer.)~~

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- ~~1 yes~~
- ~~2 no (SKIP TO Q14d)~~
- ~~9 DK/Ref (SKIP TO Q14d)~~

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14b On these days, where do you typically work? (DO NOT READ RESPONSES)

- 1 home
- 2 client/customer's office
- 3 satellite office, other office of my employer
- 4 community/business location (e.g., library, Kinkos, business center)
- 5 telework center
- 6 other
- 9 DK/Ref

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14c How often do you usually work at this or these locations? (DO NOT READ)

- 131 occasionally for special project
- 142 Less than one time per month/only in emergencies (e.g., sick child, snowstorm)
- 153 1-3 times a month
- 164 one day a week
- 175 two days a week
- 186 3 or more times a week
- 197 other (SPECIFY)
- 9 DK/Ref

14d Does your employer have a formal telecommuting program at your workplace or permit employees to telecommute under an informal arrangement with the supervisor?

- 1 yes, formal program
- 2 yes, informal arrangement
- 3 no
- 9 DK/Ref

IF Q14a = 1, AUTOCODE Q14e = 1, THEN SKIP TO Q14f

14e Would your job responsibilities allow you to work at a location other than your main work place at least occasionally?

- 1 yes
- 2 no (SKIP TO Q15)
- 9 DK/Ref (SKIP TO Q15)

IF Q14c = 1, 2, 3, OR 7, AUTOCODE Q14f = 1, THEN SKIP TO Q15  
IF Q14c = 4, 5, OR 6, AUTOCODE Q14f = 2, THEN SKIP TO Q15

14f Would you be interested in telecommuting on an occasional or regular basis?

- 1 yes, occasional basis
- 2 yes, regular basis
- 3 no
- 9 DK/Ref

CURRENT COMMUTE PATTERNS

INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE Q15

IF HOMEALL FROM Q9, DON'T ASK Q15. AUTO FILL Q15, RESPONSE 18 = Q5, THEN SKIP TO Q61

IF TELEALL FROM Q10, DON'T ASK Q15. AUTO FILL Q15, RESPONSE 2 = Q5, THEN SKIP TO INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE Q34



15 Now thinking about LAST week, how did you get to work each day. Let's start with Monday? ... How about Tuesday? ... Wednesday? .... Thursday? .... Friday?

**IF RESPONDENT MENTIONS MORE THAN ONE MODE ON ANY DAY, PROMPT FOR THE MODE USED FOR THE LONGEST DISTANCE PORTION OF THE TRIP.**

**IF Q12 = 1, 2, OR 3 AND RESPONDENT DOES NOT MENTION "CWS day off" (RESPONSE 1), ASK:**  
 "You said you typically work a compressed work schedule. Did you have a compressed work schedule day off last week?"

**IF Q14 = 4, 5, OR 6 AND RESPONDENT DOES NOT MENTION "Telecommute" (RESPONSE 2), ASK:**  
 "You said you typically telecommute one or more days per week. Did you telecommute last week?"

**IF RESPONDENT SAYS TRAVEL TO WORK IN A CAR, TRUCK, OR VAN, SAY,** Were you alone in the vehicle? **IF YES, REPORT RESPONSE 3. IF NO, SAY,** "Including yourself, how many people were in the vehicle?" **IF 2-4, RECORD RESPONSE 5, IF 5, PROBE TO ASK ABOUT VANPOOL, THEN CODE RESPONSE 5 OR 7 AS APPROPRIATE, IF 6 OR MORE, RECORD AS RESPONSE 7**

**IF ALL WEEKDAYS IN Q5 ARE ACCOUNTED FOR BY MODES 1-15 IN Q15 BEFORE ALL WEEKDAYS ARE COUNTED, ASK:** You said you typically work only (number of weekdays reported in Q5) per week. Were the weekdays I haven't asked you about regular days off for you last week? **IF RESPONSE IS YES, CATI WILL AUTOFILL REMAINING DAYS WITH CODE 16; OTHERWISE CONTINUE AND RECORD MODES USED FOR THOSE DAYS**

**IF RESPONDENT MENTIONS "SICK, VACATION, HOLIDAY" (RESPONSE 17) FOR ANY DAY, CODE RESPONSE 17, THEN ASK** "If you had worked that day, how would you likely have traveled to work?" **AND CODE ADDITIONAL MODE RESPONSE FOR THAT DAY.**

Mode/Day of Week	Go to Work				
	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri
1. compressed work schedule day off	1	1	1	1	1
2. telecommute/telework	2	2	2	2	2
3. drive alone in your car, truck, or van	3	3	3	3	3
4. motorcycle	4	4	4	4	4
5. carpool, including carpool w/family member, dropped off	5	5	5	5	5
6. casual carpool (slugging)	6	6	6	6	6
7. vanpool	7	7	7	7	7
8. buspool	8	8	8	8	8
9. rode a bus (public Bus, shuttle)	9	9	9	9	9
10. Metrorail	10	10	10	10	10
11. MARC (MD Commuter Rail)	11	11	11	11	11
12. VRE	12	12	12	12	12
13. AMTRAK/other train	13	13	13	13	13
14. bicycle	14	14	14	14	14
15. walk	15	15	15	15	15
16. regular day off (non-CWS)	16	16	16	16	16
17. sick, vacation, holiday, work out of area, etc. (prompt for travel on non sick, vacation day)	17	17	17	17	17
18. work at home – self-employed	18	18	18	18	18
19. taxi	19	19	19	19	19
20. N/A					
21. N/A					
88. N/A					

16 How long is your typical daily commute one way? Please tell me both how many minutes and how many miles. First, how many minutes?

Number of minutes \_\_\_\_\_  
 Time varies \_\_\_\_\_  
 888 Don't know  
 999 Refuse

17 And how many miles? (IF LESS THAN 1 MILE, RECORD AS 0.5)

Number of miles \_\_\_\_\_  
888 Don't know  
999 Refuse

**USE OF ALTERNATIVE MODES**

**IN Q18, <MODE Q15> = ALL MODES 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 19 NAMED IN Q15**

18 How long have you been using <MODE Q15> to get to work? (DO NOT READ)

**IF MORE THAN ONE <MODE Q15>, REPEAT FOR OTHER <MODE Q15>  
ADD TO BRIEFING DOCUMENT INSTRUCTIONS IF RESPONDENT SAYS, "DO YOU MEAN HOW LONG  
HAVE I BEEN USING <MODE Q15, THIS TYPE OF TRANSPORTATION> OR HOW LONG I'VE BEEN IN  
THIS PARTICULAR <MODE Q15, bus route, carpool, vanpool, etc.>," INTERVIEWER SHOULD SAY,  
"USING <MODE Q15, this type of transportation>.**

**CODE MONTHS FOR EACH MODE CURRENTLY USED  
IF LESS THAN ONE MONTH, CODE 1 MONTH  
IF RESPONDENT SAYS "always used" OR "only used" FOR ANY <MODE Q15>, CODE MONTHS AS  
666.  
IF RESPONDENT SAYS, "don't know" FOR ANY <MODE Q15>, CODE MONTHS AS 999**

	Number of months
1 N/A	_____
2 N/A	_____
3 drive alone	_____
4 motorcycle	_____
5 carpool	_____
6 casual carpool (slugging)	_____
7 vanpool	_____
8 buspool	_____
9 bus	_____
10 Metrorail	_____
11 MARC	_____
12 VRE	_____
13 AMTRAK, other train	_____
14 Bicycle	_____
15 Walk	_____
16 N/A	_____
17 N/A	_____
18 N/A	_____
19 Taxi	_____

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**DEFINE RECENT MODE = Q18 MODE WITH FEWEST MONTHS  
IF TIE FOR RECENT MODE, DESIGNATE BOTH MODES AS RECENT MODE  
IF Q18 = 666 FOR RECENT MODE, AUTOCODE Q19a = 20, THEN SKIP TO Q20**

19a Before starting to <RECENT MODE Q15> to work, what type or types of transportation did you use to get to work? (ALLOW MULTIPLE MODES 1 – 15. DO NOT ACCEPT MULTIPLES FOR 16-21 OR 99)

**IF Q12 = 1, 2, OR 3 AND RESPONDENT DOES NOT MENTION "CWS day off" (RESPONSE 1), ASK:**  
"You said you typically work a compressed work schedule now. Did you work a compressed schedule at that time?"

**IF Q14 = 4, 5, OR 6 AND RESPONDENT DOES NOT MENTION "Telecommute" (RESPONSE 2), ASK:**  
"You said you typically telecommute one or more days per week now. Did you telecommute at that time?"

**(DO NOT READ OTHER RESPONSES)**

- 1 compressed work schedule
- 2 telecommute
- 3 drive alone in your car, truck, van
- 4 motorcycle
- 5 carpool, including carpool with family member, dropped off
- 6 casual carpool (slugging)
- 7 vanpool
- 8 buspool
- 9 bus
- 10 Metrorail
- 11 MARC
- 12 VRE
- 13 AMTRAK, other train
- 14 Bicycle
- 15 walk
- 16 N/A
- 17 N/A
- 18 N/A
- 19 Taxi
- 20 always used, only used <RECENT MODE Q15>
- 21 not working then, not in DC area then
- 99 Don't know, refused

99 don't know, refused

20 What were the reasons you began using <RECENT MODE Q15>? (DO NOT READ; CHECK ALL THAT APPLY) (Probe for the 3 most important and only record 3)

Personal circumstances/preferences

- 221 changed jobs/work hours
- 232 moved to a different residence
- 243 employer or worksite moved
- 254 spouse started new job
- 265 save money
- 276 save time
- 287 gas prices too high
- 298 tired of driving
- 309 prefer to drive, wanted to drive
- 3410 safety
- 3211 no vehicle available
- 3312 car became available, additional car in household
- 3413 to stay with family/children
- 3514 HOV lanes too congested
- 3615 Congestion (other)
- 3716 always used
- 3817 close to work or transportation pick up/drop off location
- 3918 afraid of or didn't like previous form of transportation
- 4019 stress
- 4420 weather
- 4221 bought hybrid vehicle
- 4322 convenient (NOT AN ANSWER, PROBE FOR WHY IT'S CONVENIENT)
- 4423 to get exercise
- 24 concerned about the environment, global warming

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Commute Services/Programs

- 2425 new option that became available
- 2526 special program at work
- 2627 pressure or encouragement from employer
- 2728 GRH
- 2829 Ozone action/Code Red days
- 2930 no parking
- 3031 parking expense, parking cost too high
- 3132 found carpool partner
- 3233 NuRide (VA carpool incentive)
- 3334 Metrochek, SmartTrip, transit subsidy, vanpool subsidy
- 3435 Commuter Choice Maryland

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Information/Promotion

- 3536 advertising
- 3637 initiated request/looked for information on my own
- 3738 info. from Commuter Connections/Council of Governments/COG/800 number
- 3839 Commuter Connections Website
- 3940 other Website
- 4041 word of mouth/recommendation
- 4142 information from transit agency
- 4243 saw highway sign
- 4344 yellow pages
- 4445 Other

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- 88 Don't know
- 99 Refuse

**IF Q20 = 5 OR 7 ONLY, AND NO OTHER RESPONSES, AUTOCODE Q20a = 4, THEN SKIP TO INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE Q20b**

20a How important were economic reasons (such as saving money or reducing your gas expense) in motivating you to make that switch, as compared to the other reasons you just mentioned? Were economic reasons ...

**(ONLY READ RESPONSES 1 – 3)**

- 1 More important than other reasons
- 2 Less important than other reasons
- 3 About the same importance as other reasons
- 4 Environmental reasons only (DO NOT READ, AUTOCODE ONLY)
- 9 Don't know/refuse

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**INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE Q20b:**

**IF Q20 = 24 ONLY AND NO OTHER RESPONSES, AUTOCODE Q20b = 4, THEN SKIP TO Q22**

20b How important were environmental reasons (such as reducing your carbon footprint or greenhouse gas emissions) in motivating you to make that switch, as compared to the reasons you just mentioned? Were environmental reasons...

**(ONLY READ RESPONSES 1 – 3)**

- 1 More important than other reasons
- 2 Less important than other reasons
- 3 About the same importance as other reasons
- 4 Environmental reasons only (DO NOT READ, AUTOCODE ONLY)
- 9 Don't know/refuse

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22 In the past two years, have you used or tried any other type of transportation between home and work that you've not already mentioned?

- 1 yes
- 2 no (SKIP TO Q28)

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23 What was that type of transportation? (DO NOT READ; CHECK ALL THAT APPLY. IF Q23 = Q15 ANY DAY OR Q19a, INTERVIEWER PROMPT, "YOU ALREADY MENTIONED <MODE Q15, Q19a>, DID YOU TRY ANY OTHER TYPE OF TRANSPORTATION?")

- 1 compressed work schedule day off
- 2 telecommute
- 3 drive alone
- 4 motorcycle
- 5 carpool, including carpool with family member, dropped off
- 6 casual carpool (slugging)
- 7 vanpool
- 8 buspool
- 9 bus
- 10 Metrorail
- 11 MARC
- 12 VRE
- 13 AMTRAK, other train
- 14 bicycle
- 15 walk
- 16 N/A
- 17 N/A
- 18 N/A
- 19 taxi
- 20 N/A
- 21 N/A
- 99 don't know, refused

24 How long did you use <Q23 mode(s)>? (DO NOT READ)

- \_\_\_\_\_ months (CONVERT YEARS TO MONTHS)
- 0 less than one month
  - 888 occasionally (tried one, emergency use)
  - 999 still using (ASK Q25)
  - 997 Don't know

SET Q23LONG = Q24, LONGEST DURATION  
IF Q24 = STILL USING FOR ANY MODE, THAT MODE = Q23 LONG  
IF Q24 = 888 (occasionally) FOR ANY MODE, THAT MODE = Q23LONG, UNLESS RESPONDENT MENTIONED BOTH OCCASIONAL MODE AND OTHER MODE, THEN USE OTHER MODE

SKIP TO Q26

25 How many days would you say you now < Q23LONG> in a typical month?

- \_\_\_\_\_ DAYS PER MONTH
- 99 don't know, refused

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26 What prompted you to use or try this type of transportation? (DO NOT READ; CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)  
(Probe for the 3 most important and only record 3)

Personal circumstances/preferences

- 1 changed jobs/work hours
- 2 moved to a different residence
- 3 employer or worksite moved
- 4 spouse started new job
- 5 save money
- 6 save time
- 7 gas prices too high
- 8 tired of driving
- 9 prefer to drive, wanted to drive
- 10 safety
- 11 no vehicle available
- 12 car became available, additional car in household
- 13 to stay with family/children
- 14 HOV lanes too congested
- 15 congestion (other)
- 16 always used
- 17 close to work or transportation pick up/ drop off location
- 18 afraid of or didn't like previous form of transportation
- 19 stress
- 20 weather
- 21 bought hybrid vehicle
- 22 convenient (NOT AN ANSWER, PROBE FOR WHY IT'S CONVENIENT)
- 23 to get exercise

Commute Services/Programs

- 24 new option that became available
- 25 special program at work
- 26 pressure or encouragement from employer
- 27 GRH
- 28 Ozone action/Code Red days
- 29 no parking
- 30 parking expense, parking cost too high
- 31 found carpool partner
- 32 NuRide (VA carpool incentive)
- 33 Metrochek, SmartTrip, transit subsidy, vanpool subsidy
- 34 Commuter Choice Maryland

Information/Promotion

- 35 advertising
- 36 initiated request/looked for information on my own
- 37 info. from Commuter Connections/Council of Governments/COG/800 number
- 38 Commuter Connections Website
- 39 other Website
- 40 word of mouth/recommendation
- 41 information from transit agency
- 42 saw highway sign
- 43 yellow pages
- 44 Other \_\_\_\_\_

- 88 Don't know
- 99 Refuse

IF Q23 = Q15, ANY DAY, ANY MODE, OR Q24 = STILL USING, SKIP TO Q28

27 Why didn't you continue < Q23LONG>? (DO NOT READ; CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

- 1 too inconvenient
- 2 cost too much
- 3 gas prices fell
- 34 took too much time
- 45 safety concerns
- 56 job changes - job, work site, schedule
- 67 need vehicle during or after work
- 78 vehicle became unavailable/unreliable
- 89 moved home location
- 910 didn't like pool partners
- 4011 new/changes in employer program
- 4412 bus or rail schedule or route change
- 4213 child-related activities (e.g., school)
- 4314 circumstantial (e.g., car became available)
- 4415 used only temporarily (e.g., car in shop)
- 4516 weather related
- 4617 parking issue
- 4718 lost carpool partner
- 4819 bought a hybrid or compressed natural gas (CNG) vehicle
- 4920 Other (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_

**ALTERNATIVE MODE PATTERNS**

**IF Q15 = 5, 6, 7, CONTINUE, OTHERWISE, SKIP TO Q29**

28 Now I'd like to ask you about your current car/van pool (FROM Q15). Including yourself, how many people usually ride in your carpool or vanpool? (If more than 1 answer in Q15, select 1 using this priority: vanpool, carpool, casual carpooling/slug.)

\_\_\_\_\_ total people in pool (must be more than 1)

**IF Q15 = 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, OR 13, CONTINUE USING THE MOST COMMON ALTERNATIVE MODE, OTHERWISE, SKIP TO INTRO BEFORE Q34**

29 How do you get from home to where you meet your <Q15 ALT MODE: carpool, vanpool, buspool, bus, or train>?

- 1 picked up at home by car/van pool (SKIP TO INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE Q34)
- 2 drive alone to driver's home or drive alone to passenger's home
- 3 drive to a central location, like park & ride, or train or subway station
- 4 dropped off or another car/van pool
- 5 bicycle
- 6 motorcycle
- 7 walk
- 8 I am the driver of car pool/van pool (SKIP TO INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE Q34)
- 9 bus/transit
- 10 other (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_

30 How many miles is it one way from your home to where you meet your <Q15 ALT MODE: carpool, vanpool, buspool, bus, or train>? (IF LESS THAN 1 MILE, ENTER 0.5)

\_\_\_\_\_ miles

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**TELECOMMUTE**

**INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE Q34**

**IF Q13 = 1 OR Q15 = 2 ANY DAY, CONTINUE, OTHERWISE, SKIP TO INTRO BEFORE Q44  
IF TELEALL, DO NOT READ INTRO TO Q34, SKIP DIRECTLY TO Q34**

**INTRO TO Q34:** Now I have a few more questions about telecommuting.

34 How long have you been telecommuting?

\_\_\_\_\_ months (CONVERT YEARS TO MONTHS)  
999 Don't know/refused

**IF TELEALL, AUTOCODE Q36 = 1, THEN SKIP TO Q40**

36 Where do you work when you telecommute? Do you work at home, in a telework center, a satellite office provided by your employer, or someplace else? (IF NECESSARY: Telework Centers are federally funded facilities located around the Washington area that allow government and non-government employees to work closer to home some or all of the time.)

- 1 Home (SKIP TO Q40)
- 2 Telework Center
- 3 Both home and Telework Center
- 4 Satellite office provided by employer
- 5 Both home and satellite office
- 6 Business service center (Kinkos) or other "retail" location
- 7 Both home and business service center (Kinkos) or other "retail" location
- 8 Library or community center
- 9 Both home and library or community center
- 10 Executive office suites
- 11 Both home and executive office suites
- 12 other location (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_

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**IF Q36 = 3, 5, 7, 9, OR 11, CONTINUE, OTHERWISE, SKIP TO Q38**

37 How many days per week, on average, do you telecommute from the location outside your home?

\_\_\_\_\_ days per week

38 How many miles is it one way from your home to this location? (IF LESS THAN ONE MILE, RECORD "1")

\_\_\_\_\_ miles (no decimals)



39 And how do you get from home to this location?

- 1 N/A
- 2 N/A
- 3 drive alone
- 4 motorcycle
- 5 carpool, including carpool with family member, dropped off
- 6 casual carpool (slugging)
- 7 vanpool
- 8 buspool
- 9 bus
- 10 Metrorail
- 11 MARC
- 12 VRE
- 13 AMTRAK, other train
- 14 bicycle
- 15 walk
- 16 N/A
- 17 N/A
- 18 N/A
- 19 taxi
- 99 DK/Ref

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40 Why did you start to telecommute? (DO NOT READ) (ALLOW MULTIPLE ANSWERS)

- 1 changed jobs/work hours
- 2 save money
- 3 save time
- 4 new option that became available
- 5 advertising
- 6 special program at work
- 7 moved to a different residence
- 8 pressure or encouragement from employer
- 9 safety
- 10 no vehicle available
- 11 tired of driving
- 12 initiated request on my own
- 13 info. From Commuter Connections / COG (Council of Governments) / Web (SKIP TO INTRO TO Q44)
- 14 employer or worksite moved
- 15 get more work done
- 16 quiet, uninterrupted
- 17 stay with family or children
- 18 avoid congestion
- 19 convenient
- 20 personal circumstances (weather, repair man, sick)
- 21 other (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_
- 99 DK/Ref

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**IF Q40 = 5, AUTOCODE Q42 = 1, THEN INSERT "advertising" AS <Q40 REASON> IN Q42**  
**IF Q40 = 6, AUTOCODE Q42 = 2, THEN INSERT "a special program at work" as <Q40 REASON> IN Q42**  
**IF Q40 = 13, AUTOCODE Q42 = 4, THEN INSERT "information from Commuter Connections or the Council of Governments" AS <Q40 REASON> IN Q42**

42 **IF ANY RESPONSES AUTOCODED IN Q42, ASK,** "You mentioned <Q40 REASON> as a reason you started to telecommute. Did you learn about telecommuting from any other source?"

**IF NO RESPONSES AUTOCODED IN Q42, ASK,** "How did you find out about telecommuting?" (DO NOT READ)

- 1 advertising (radio, newspaper or TV)
- 2 special program at work/employer provided information
- 3 initiated request on my own
- 4 information from Commuter Connections / COG (Council of Governments)
- 5 word of mouth
- 6 newspaper or magazine article
- 7 Commuter Connections Website
- 8 Other Website
- 9 County or jurisdiction program
- 10 other (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_
- 99 DK/Ref

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**IF Q42 = 4 OR 7, AUTOCODE Q43 = 1, THEN SKIP TO INTRO BEFORE Q44**

43 Did you receive any information about telecommuting from Commuter Connections or from the Telework Resource Center at the Council of Governments?

- 1 yes (SKIP TO INTRO BEFORE Q44)
- 2 no
- 9 DK/Ref

#### AVAILABILITY OF TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS

**IF TELEALL, SKIP TO Q61**

**INTRO BEFORE Q44:** Next, I want to ask you about transportation services that might be available in your area.

44 Regardless of whether or not you use them, what train or bus companies provide service in the area where you live? (**DO NOT READ; PROBE WELL FOR BOTH BUS AND TRAIN; ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES FOR 2-12 AND FOR 14-19**)

##### Buses

- 1 No buses provide service (DO NOT ALLOW MULTIPLES WITH 2-12)
- 2 Alexandria DASH
- 3 Fairfax Connector
- 4 Fairfax Cue
- 5 Loudoun Commuter Bus
- 6 Metrobus
- 7 MTA bus
- 8 Omni Ride
- 9 Ride On
- 10 "The Bus"
- 11 TransIT Bus
- 12 Bus (PROBE FOR NAME) \_\_\_\_\_

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##### Train

- 13 No trains provide service (DO NOT ALLOW MULTIPLES WITH 14-18)
- 14 AMTRAK/ACELA
- 15 MARC (Maryland commuter rail)
- 16 MetroRail/subway
- 17 Virginia Railway Express (VRE)
- 18 Train (PROBE FOR NAME) \_\_\_\_\_

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- 19 Other (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_
- 99 Don't know/Refused

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44a About how far from your home is the nearest bus stop? (NOTE IF MILES OR BLOCKS)

Number of miles \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of blocks \_\_\_\_\_  
999 Don't know

44b How far from your home is the nearest train station? (NOTE IF MILES OR BLOCKS)

Number of miles \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of blocks \_\_\_\_\_  
999 Don't know

44c What train or bus companies provide service in the area where you **work**? (DO NOT READ; PROBE FOR BOTH BUS AND TRAIN, ALLOW MULTIPLE RESPONSES FOR 2-12 AND FOR 14-19)

Buses

- 1 No buses provide service (DO NOT ALLOW MULTIPLES WITH 2-12)
- 2 Alexandria DASH
- 3 Fairfax Connector
- 4 Fairfax Cue
- 5 Loudoun Commuter Bus
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- 10 "The Bus"
- 11 TransIT Bus
- 12 Other Bus (PROBE FOR NAME) \_\_\_\_\_

Trains

- 13 No trains provide service (DO NOT ALLOW MULTIPLES WITH 14-18)
- 14 AMTRAK/ACELA
- 15 MARC (Maryland commuter rail)
- 16 MetroRail/subway
- 17 Virginia Railway Express (VRE)
- 18 Other Train (PROBE FOR NAME) \_\_\_\_\_

- 19 Other (SPECIFY)
- 99 Don't know/Refused

Q46. Is there a special HOV (High Occupancy Vehicle) lane that can be used only by carpools, vanpools and buses along your route to work?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No (SKIP TO Q52)
- 9 Refuse/Don't know (SKIP TO Q52)

**IF Q15 = 14, 15, ALL DAYS, AUTOCODE Q47 = 2, THEN SKIP TO Q54**

47 Do you use the HOV lane to get to or from work?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No (SKIP TO Q52)
- 9 Refused/Don't know (SKIP TO Q52)

50 How much time does the HOV lane save you in your one-way trip to or from work?

\_\_\_\_\_ minutes  
999 DK/Ref.

51 Did the HOV lane influence your decision to use your current way of commuting?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 9 Refused/Don't know

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55b How satisfied you are with the transportation system in the Washington region. "Transportation system" means "all the services and options that make it possible to travel around the region and the quality of those services." This would include roads, bus and train service, support services for bicycling, walking, carpooling, and so forth. Overall, how satisfied are you with the region's transportation system?

Please use a scale of "1" to "5" for your answer where "1" means "not satisfied at all" and "5" means very satisfied.

Not at all					Very		(Don't	
satisfied					satisfied		Know)	
Scale:	1	2	3	4	5	9		

56c Overall, how satisfied are you with your trip to work? Use a scale of "1" to "5" for your answer where "1" means "not satisfied at all" and "5" means very satisfied.

Not at all					Very		(Don't	
satisfied					satisfied		Know)	
Scale:	1	2	3	4	5	9		

56d How important to you are the following factors in choosing the type of transportation you use to get to work? For your answer, please use a scale of "1" to "5" where "1" means it is "not at all important" and "5" means it is "very important". How important to you is each of the following in choosing the type of transportation you use to get to work?

Not at all					Very		(Don't	
important					important		Know)	
Scale:	1	2	3	4	5	9		

**(READ & ROTATE)**

- 1 How much time it takes to get to work or to get home
- 2 Cost of travel to and from work
- 3 Safety
- 4 Amount of stress you would experience on your trip to work
- 5 Flexibility to arrive and leave work when you need to
- 6 Concern about being stranded at work
- 7 Productive or personal use of your travel time
- 8 Impact on the environment
- 9 Having time alone to yourself
- 10 Ability to make stops or run errands
- 11 Dependability of your trip between home and work

56e Next, we have a few questions about what you believe to be the outcomes or benefits of traveling by carpool, vanpool, bus, or train. What personal benefits do you think people receive from using these types of transportation? **(DO NOT READ)**

- 1 Save money
- 2 Avoid stress
- 3 Not need to have a car
- 4 Use travel time productively (e.g., read, work, sleep)
- 5 Have companionship when they travel
- 6 Arrive at work on time, less likely to be late
- 7 Get exercise, health benefits
- 8 Help the environment
- 9 Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_
- 88 No benefits
- 99 Don't know

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56f Now, what impact or benefit does a community or region receive when people use these types of transportation? (DO NOT READ)

- 1 Reduce air pollution, cleaner environment
- 2 Save energy
- 3 Reduce greenhouse gases
- 4 Less traffic, less congestion
- 5 Less wear and tear on roads
- 6 Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_
- 88 No benefits
- 99 Don't know

**IF Q15 NE 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, START Q56g WITH "Even though you might not carpool, vanpool, ride a bus, or ride a train," SKIP TO Q57**

56g [Even though you might not carpool, vanpool, ride a bus, or ride a train,] how important to you is it that the Washington region invests in programs to support and make these transportation options more available to commuters? Please use a scale of 1 to 5, where "1" is "not at all important" and "5" is "very important."

	<u>Not at all</u>				<u>Very</u>	<u>(Don't</u>
	<u>Important</u>				<u>Important</u>	<u>Know)</u>
Scale:	1	2	3	4	5	9

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#### CURRENT COMMUTE COMPARED TO LAST YEAR

57 Would you say your commute is easier, more difficult, or about the same now as it was one year ago?

- 1 easier (**ASK Q58**)
- 2 more difficult (**ASK Q59**)
- 3 about the same (**SKIP TO Q60**)
- 4 not applicable (**SKIP TO Q60**)
- 9 DK/Ref (**SKIP TO Q60**)

58 In what way is it easier?

- 1 shorter distance
- 2 trip is faster, takes less time
- 3 route is less congested
- 4 started carpooling/vanpooling to work
- 5 started using bus, train to work
- 6 started driving alone to work
- 7 less stressful
- 8 bought a hybrid or compressed natural gas (CNG) vehicle
- 9 started using HOV lanes
- 10 gas prices are lower, gas costs less
- 1011 other \_\_\_\_\_
- 19 Refused/Don't know

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59 In what way is it more difficult?

- 1 longer distance
- 2 trip is slower, takes more time
- 3 more congested
- 4 started carpooling/vanpooling to work
- 5 started using bus, train to work
- 6 started driving alone to work
- 7 more stressful
- 8 construction on route to work
- 9 trains, buses, metro more crowded
- 10 gas prices are higher, costs more
- 11 other \_\_\_\_\_
- 19 DK/Ref.

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60 Have you changed your work or home location in the last year? IF YES, AND RESPONDENT DOES NOT VOLUNTEER INFORMATION, ASK, "Did you change your home or work location?"

- 1 Yes, changed home location
- 2 Yes, changed work location
- 3 Yes, changed both home and work locations
- 4 No (SKIP TO Q61)
- 9 DK/Ref. (SKIP TO Q61)

60a Was your previous location also in the Washington metropolitan region?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 9 DK/Refused

60b What factors did you consider in your decision to make this change? (DO NOT READ, ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES)

Commute Factors

- 1 Length, ease of commute
- 2 Cost of commuting
- 3 Commuting options that would be available (e.g., transit)

Residential Factors

- 4 Quality of schools, stay in same school system
- 5 Cost of house
- 6 Cost of living
- 7 Size of house
- 8 Quality of neighborhood
- 9 Closeness to family or friends
- 10 Entertainment, shopping, services nearby

Job Factors

- 11 income, salary
- 12 Job satisfaction
- 13 Career advancement
- 14 Job opportunities for spouse
- 15 Other (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_
- 19 DK/Refused

60c How important to your decision was the ease of your trip to work compared to the other factors you just mentioned? Was it less important than other factors, more important, or about the same importance?

- 1 Less important
- 2 More important
- 3 About the same importance
- 9 DK/Refused

IF Q60 = 1 OR 3, ASK Q60d and Q60e, OTHERWISE, SKIP TO Q61

60d Did your employer offer you any information about financial incentives that might be available to you if you moved your home to a location close to work?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 9 DK/Refused

60e Did your employer offer you any information about financial incentives that might be available if you moved your home to a location close to a bus stop or train station?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 9 DK/Refused

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**AWARENESS OF ADVERTISING**

61 Have you heard, seen, or read any advertising about commuting in the past year?

- 1 yes
- 2 no (**SKIP TO Q81**)
- 9 DK/Ref (**SKIP TO Q81**)

62 What messages do you recall from this advertising? (DON'T READ, ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES)

- 1 none (**SKIP TO Q81**)
- 2 that you should rideshare, carpool, vanpool) (**NOT ACCEPTABLE ANSWER; PROBE FOR WHY AND RECORD ELSEWHERE**)
- 3 that new trains and/or buses are coming
- 4 that you can call for carpool or vanpool info
- 5 call 1-800-745-RIDE / call Commuter Connections
- 6 Commuter Choice Maryland
- 7 contact the Commuter Connections website (www.commuterconnections.org, www.commuterconnections.com)
- 8 it saves money
- 9 it saves time
- 10 it is less stressful
- 11 guaranteed ride home (GRH)
- 12 employer would give me MetroChek benefits, SmartTrip benefits
- 13 it would help the environment
- 14 it reduces traffic
- 15 it saves wear and tear on the car
- 16 Ozone Action Days / Code Red Days
- 17 Telework Center / telecommuting
- 18 HOV lanes
- 19 regional services/programs are available to help with commute
- 20 Springfield interchange reconstruction
- 21 Wilson bridge reconstruction, Bridge Bucks
- 22 use the bus or train, use Metrobus
- 23 Way to Go, Way to Go Arlington
- 24 other (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_
- 99 DK/Ref. (**SKIP TO Q81**)

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63 What organization or group sponsored the ad you recall? (DO NOT READ, ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES)

- 1 Commuter Connections
- 2 Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments, MWCOG, COG
- 3 Metro, WMATA
- 4 MARC, Maryland Commuter Rail
- 5 VRE, Virginia Railway Express
- 6 VDOT (Virginia Department of Transportation)
- 7 DDOT (District of Columbia Department of Transportation)
- 8 MDOT (Maryland Department of Transportation)
- 9 VDRPT, Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation
- 10 Maryland State Highway Administration
- 11 MTA, Maryland Mass Transit Administration
- 12 Maryland Department of the Environment
- 13 WABA, Washington Area Bicycling Association
- 14 Arlington County Commuter Services
- 15 other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_
- 99 DK/Ref.

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64 And where did you see, hear, or read this advertisement? (DO NOT READ, ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES)

- 1 Commuter Connections website
- 2 other website, internet (specify \_\_\_\_\_)
- 3 radio
- 4 TV
- 5 postcard in mail
- 6 newspaper
- 7 in train station
- 8 on train or bus
- 9 at work
- 10 other (\_\_\_\_\_)
- 19 DK/Ref.

**IF HOMEALL, SKIP TO Q81**  
**IF TELEALL, SKIP TO Q81**  
**IF WKALL, SKIP TO Q81**

Attitude changes/actions taken after hearing ads

65 After seeing or hearing this advertising, were you more likely to consider ridesharing or public transportation?

- 1 yes
- 2 no (**SKIP TO Q81**)
- 9 DK/Ref (**SKIP TO Q81**)

66 After seeing or hearing this advertising, did you take any actions to try to change how you commute? **IF YES...** "What actions did you take? (**DO NOT READ**)

No action

- 1 didn't take any action (**SKIP TO Q81**)

Sought information

- 2 looked for commute information on the internet
- 3 asked friend, family member, or co-worker for commute information (referral)
- 4 contacted a local or regional organization for commute information
- 5 looked for a carpool or vanpool partner
- 6 called a transit operator to ask about schedules or routes
- 7 asked employer about telecommuting opportunities
- 8 asked employer about Metrochek or SmartTrip
- 9 looked for information about guaranteed ride home (GRH) program
- 10 looked for information about HOV lanes

Started participating in commute service/program

- 11 registered for guaranteed ride home (GRH) program
- 12 purchased alternative fuel vehicle (e.g., electric car, hybrid car, CNG-fueled vehicle)
- 13 started using HOV lane to get to work

Changed personal situation, work schedule, or commute route

- 14 moved my home or job location, changed jobs
- 15 started going to work earlier or later
- 16 changed or reduced number of days I work
- 17 changed route to work

Tried another way of getting to work, started using another form of transportation

- 18 tried or started driving alone to work
- 19 tried or started carpooling to work
- 20 tried or started vanpooling to work
- 21 tried or started using bus to get to work
- 22 tried or started using train to get to work
- 23 tried or started bicycling or walking to work
- 24 tried or started telecommuting/teleworking

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Other

25 other action (specify \_\_\_\_\_) (SKIP TO Q81)

99 DK/Ref (SKIP TO Q81)

*Autocode reasons for change for respondent currently using alt mode (Q15) named in Q66*

**IF Q66 = 19 AND Q15 = 5 OR 6, CODE Q67 = Q20, DO NOT ASK Q67**

**IF Q66 = 20 AND Q15 = 7, CODE Q67 = Q20, DO NOT ASK Q67**

**IF Q66 = 21 AND Q15 = 8 OR 9, CODE Q67 = Q20, DO NOT ASK Q67**

**IF Q66 = 22 AND Q15 = 10, 11, 12, OR 13, CODE Q67 = Q20, DO NOT ASK Q67**

**IF Q66 = 23 AND Q15 = 14 OR 15, CODE Q67 = Q20, DO NOT ASK Q67**

**IF Q66 = 24 AND Q15 = 2, CODE Q67 = Q20, DO NOT ASK Q67**

*Autocode reasons for change for respondent who tried alt mode named in Q66 within past two years (Q23)*

**IF Q66 = 19 AND Q23 = 5 OR 6, CODE Q67 = Q26, DO NOT ASK Q67**

**IF Q66 = 20 AND Q23 = 7, CODE Q67 = Q26, DO NOT ASK Q67**

**IF Q66 = 21 AND Q23 = 8 OR 9, CODE Q67 = Q26, DO NOT ASK Q67**

**IF Q66 = 22 AND Q23 = 10, 11, 12, OR 13, CODE Q67 = Q26, DO NOT ASK Q67**

**IF Q66 = 23 AND Q23 = 14 OR 15, CODE Q67 = Q26, DO NOT ASK Q67**

**IF Q66 = 24 AND Q23 = 2, CODE Q67 = Q26, DO NOT ASK Q67**

67 What were the reasons you decided to take this action? [DO NOT READ, ALLOW MULTIPLE RESPONSES]

Personal circumstances/preferences

- 1 changed jobs/work hours
- 2 moved to a different residence
- 3 employer or worksite moved
- 4 spouse started new job
- 5 save money
- 6 save time
- 7 gas prices too high
- 8 tired of driving
- 9 prefer to drive, wanted to drive
- 10 safety
- 11 no vehicle available
- 12 car became available, additional car in household
- 13 to stay with family/children
- 14 HOV lane too congested
- 15 congestion
- 16 always used
- 17 close to work or transportation pick up/drop off location
- 18 afraid of or didn't like previous form of transportation
- 19 stress
- 20 weather
- 21 bought hybrid vehicle
- 22 convenient (NOT AN ANSWER, PROBE FOR WHY IT'S CONVENIENT)
- 23 to get exercise

Commute Services/Programs

- 24 new option that became available
- 25 special program at work
- 26 pressure or encouragement from employer
- 27 GRH
- 28 Ozone action/Code Red days
- 29 no parking
- 30 parking expense, parking cost too high
- 31 found carpool partner
- 32 NuRide (VA carpool incentive)
- 33 Metrochek, SmartTrip, transit subsidy, vanpool subsidy
- 34 Commuter Choice Maryland

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Information/Promotion

- 35 advertising
- 36 initiated request/looked for information on my own
- 37 info. From Commuter Connections/Council of Governments/COG/800 number
- 38 Commuter Connections Website
- 39 other Website
- 40 word of mouth/recommendation
- 41 information from transit agency
- 42 saw highway sign
- 43 yellow pages, phone book
- 44 Other \_\_\_\_\_
- 88 Don't know
- 99 Refused

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**IF Q67 = 35 (advertising), CODE Q68 = 1, DO NOT ASK Q68**

68 Did the advertising you saw or heard encourage you to take this action?

- 1 yes
- 2 no (SKIP TO Q70)
- 9 DK/Ref (SKIP TO Q70)

**IF Q68 = 1 AND RESPONDENT MENTIONED MORE THAN ONE MESSAGE IN Q62, ASK Q69, OTHERWISE, SKIP TO Q70**

69 You mentioned that you recall several advertising messages. Which message was most important in encouraging you to start or try this type of transportation? Was it ... (READ RESPONSES FROM Q62)

\_\_\_\_\_ message from Q62

**IF Q66 = 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, OR 10, AND Q66 NE 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, OR 24 ASK Q70, OTHERWISE, SKIP TO Q71**

70 How likely is it that you will try another type of transportation for your commute to work, other than driving alone, taxi, or motorcycle, within the next year? Would you say it is ... (READ RESPONSES 1-3. DO NOT READ RESPONSE 9)

- 1 very likely
- 2 somewhat likely
- 3 not likely
- 9 DK/Ref

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*Collect info on mode/modes used before trying/starting new alt mode – skip out respondents who did not try alt mode and respondents who answered this question in Q19*

**IF Q66 NE 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, OR 24, SKIP TO Q81**

*Autofill mode duration for respondents currently using alternative mode (Q15) named in Q66*

**IF Q66 EQ 19 AND Q15 = 5 OR 6, AUTOFILL Q71 = "still using," THEN SKIP TO Q72a**  
**IF Q66 EQ 20 AND Q15 = 7, AUTOFILL Q71 = "still using," THEN SKIP TO Q72a**  
**IF Q66 EQ 21 AND Q15 = 8 OR 9, AUTOFILL Q71 = "still using," THEN SKIP TO Q72a**  
**IF Q66 EQ 22 AND Q15 = 10, 11, 12, 13, AUTOFILL Q71 = "still using," THEN SKIP TO Q72a**  
**IF Q66 EQ 23 AND Q15 = 14,15, AUTOFILL Q71 = "still using," THEN SKIP TO Q72a**  
**IF Q66 EQ 24 AND Q15 = 2, AUTOFILL Q71 = "still using," THEN SKIP TO Q72a**

*Autofill duration for respondents who tried alt mode named in Q66 in past two years (Q23)*

**IF Q66 = 19 AND Q23 = 5 OR 6, ANY DAY, AUTOFILL Q71 = Q24, THEN ASK Q72a**  
**IF Q66 = 20 AND Q23 = 7, ANY DAY, AUTOFILL Q71 = Q24, THEN ASK Q72a**  
**IF Q66 = 21 AND Q23 = 8 OR 9, ANY DAY, AUTOFILL Q71 = Q24, THEN ASK Q72a**  
**IF Q66 = 22 AND Q23 = 10, 11, 12, OR 13, ANY DAY, AUTOFILL Q71 = Q24, THEN ASK Q72a**  
**IF Q66 = 23 AND Q23 = 14 OR 15, ANY DAY, AUTOFILL Q71 = Q24, THEN ASK Q72a**  
**IF Q66 = 24 AND Q23 = 2, ANY DAY, AUTOFILL Q71 = Q24, THEN ASK Q72a**

71 How long did you <ALT MODE FROM Q66> to work? (IF MORE THAN ONE ALT MODE NOTED IN Q66, ASK DURATION FOR ALL)

- \_\_\_\_\_ months (CONVERT YEARS TO MONTHS)
- \_\_\_\_\_ less than one month
- \_\_\_\_\_ occasionally (tried one, emergency use) (SKIP TO Q81)
- \_\_\_\_\_ still using

999 DK/Ref.

IF Q66 = 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 (MORE THAN ONE OF THESE), THEN CHOOSE ALT MODE USED LONGEST TIME FOR Q72a. IF MORE THAN ONE ALT MODE USED SAME AMOUNT OF TIME, CHOOSE BOTH MODES.

72a Before trying <ALT MODE FROM Q66> to work, what type or types of transportation did you use to get to work? (ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES, PROGRAMMER, LIST MODES FOR USE IN Q72b)

FOR EACH MODE MENTIONED IN Q72a, ASK...

72b About how many days per week did you use <MODE FROM Q72a>?

IF SUM OF DAYS FROM Q72b NE Q5, ASK "And how did you commute on other days you were assigned to work?" ACCEPT OPTION OF "didn't work, regular day off."

IF Q7 = 1, 2, OR 3 AND RESPONDENT DOES NOT MENTION "CWS day off" (RESPONSE 1), ASK: "You said you typically work a compressed work schedule now. Did you work a compressed schedule at that time?"

IF Q14 = 4, 5, OR 6 AND RESPONDENT DOES NOT MENTION "Telecommute" (RESPONSE 2), ASK: "You said you typically telecommute one or more days per week now. Did you telecommute at that time?"

Mode/Day typically used per week	Number of days using mode				
1 compressed work schedule day off	1	2	3	4	5
2 telecommute	1	2	3	4	5
3 drive alone in your car, taxi	1	2	3	4	5
4 motorcycle	1	2	3	4	5
5 carpool, including carpool with family member, dropped off	1	2	3	4	5
6 casual carpool (slugging)	1	2	3	4	5
7 vanpool	1	2	3	4	5
8 buspool	1	2	3	4	5
9 bus	1	2	3	4	5
10 Metrorail	1	2	3	4	5
11 MARC	1	2	3	4	5
12 VRE	1	2	3	4	5
13 AMTRAK, other train	1	2	3	4	5
14 bicycle	1	2	3	4	5
15 walk	1	2	3	4	5
16 didn't work, regular days off	1	2	3	4	5
17 N/A					
18 N/A					
19 Taxi	1	2	3	4	5
20 N/A					
21 not working then, not in DC area then					5
99 don't know, refused					5

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**AWARENESS OF COMMUTE PROGRAMS/SERVICES**

Now I have a few questions about services that might be available to commuters in your home or work areas.

81 Is there a phone number or website you can use to obtain information on ridesharing, public transportation, HOV lanes, and telecommuting in the Washington region?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No (ASK Q86)
- 9 DK/Ref (ASK Q86)

83 What is it? (DON'T READ, ACCEPT MULTIPLES)

- 41. 800-745-RIDE (7433) Commuter Connections (COG)
- 22. 888-730-6664 Potomac Rappahannock Transportation
- 33. 703-324-1111 Fairfax County RideSources
- 44. 301-770-POOL Montgomery County Commuter Services
- 55. 240-777-RIDE Montgomery County Commuter Services
- 66. 202-637-7000 METRO (Washington Metro. Area Transit Authority)
- 77. www.mwcoq.org Commuter Connections (COG)
- 88. www.commuterconnections.org Commuter Connections (COG)
- 99. www.commuterconnections.com Commuter Connections (COG)
- 1010. www.vre.org Virginia Railway Express (VRE)
- 1111. www.commuterdirect.com Arlington County
- 1212. www.commuterpage.com Arlington County
- 1313. 703-228-RIDE Arlington County Commuter Services
- 1414. www.springfieldinterchange.com Springfield Interchange (VDOT)
- 1515. www.maryland.com Maryland Mass Transit Admin. (MTA)
- 1616. www.wmata.com WMATA, Metro
- 1717. www.HOVcalculator.com VDOT
- 1818. www.commuterchoicemaryland.com Commuter Choice Maryland
- 1919. 866-RIDE-MTA (1-800-743-3682)
- 2020. Other (SPECIFY)

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84 Have you used this number or website in the past year? (CHECK FOR ALL RESPONSES IN Q83)

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refuse

**IF Q83 = ONLY 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, SKIP TO Q86**

85 How did you find out about this number or website? (DO NOT READ; RECORD FIRST MENTION ONLY)

- 1 TV
- 2 magazine
- 3 newspaper ad
- 4 newspaper article
- 5 sign/billboard
- 6 mail/postcard
- 7 brochure
- 8 transportation fair/special event
- 9 radio
- 10 employer
- 11 library
- 12 phonebook, yellow pages

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- 13 word of Mouth (family, friend, co-worker)
- 14 internet/Web
- 15 InfoExpress kiosks
- 16 Ozone Action/Code Red days
- 17 other \_\_\_\_\_
- 88 Don't know
- 99 Refuse

86 **IF Q83 = 1 OR 6, CODE Q86 = 1, THEN SKIP TO Q87**  
 Have you heard of an organization in the Washington region called Commuter Connections?

- 1 yes
- 2 no (**SKIP TO Q88c**)
- 8 Don't know (**SKIP TO Q88c**)
- 9 Refuse (**SKIP TO Q88c**)

87 How did you learn about Commuter Connections? (**DO NOT READ; ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES**)

- 261 TV
- 272 magazine
- 283 newspaper ad
- 294 newspaper article
- 305 sign/billboard
- 316 mail/postcard
- 327 brochure
- 338 transportation fair/special event
- 349 radio
- 3510 employer
- 3611 Library
- 3712 phonebook, yellow pages
- 3813 word of mouth (family, friend, co-worker)
- 3914 internet/Web
- 4015 InfoExpress kiosks
- 4116 Ozone Action/Code Red days
- 4217 Other \_\_\_\_\_
- 88 Don't know
- 99 Refuse

88 What services does Commuter Connections provide? (**DO NOT READ, ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES**)

- 1 guaranteed ride home
- 2 rideshare (carpool/vanpool) information
- 3 help finding carpool/vanpool partners, matchlists
- 4 transit schedule/route information
- 5 HOV lane information
- 6 park & ride lot information, parking information
- 7 telecommute information
- 8 bicycle/walking information
- 9 road construction information
- 10 kiosks, InfoExpress
- 11 Metrochek, SmartTrip
- 12 other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_
- 88 don't know
- 99 Refuse

**IF Q83 = 1 OR 6, AND Q84 = 1 FOR ONE OR BOTH OF THOSE PROGRAMS, AUTOCODE Q88a = 1, THEN SKIP TO Q88c (Define Local Program)**

88a Have you contacted Commuter Connections in the past year or visited a website sponsored by this organization?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No (**SKIP TO Q88c**)

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- 8 Don't know (**SKIP TO Q88c**)
- 9 Refuse (**SKIP TO Q88c**)



88b What information or services were you seeking? (DO NOT READ, ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES)

- 1 transit schedule/route information
- 2 carpool, vanpool (rideshare) information
- 3 help finding carpool/vanpool partners, matchlists
- 4 guaranteed ride home
- 5 Ozone alerts
- 6 park & ride lot information, parking information
- 7 telecommute, telework information
- 8 bicycle, walking information
- 9 road construction information
- 10 MetroChek / SmartTrip
- 11 travel directions, driving directions
- 12 other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_
- 88 don't know
- 99 Refuse

**Define Local Program for Q88c - Q88f**

88c SET ORGANIZATIONS TO ASK ABOUT IN Q88c-Q88f (DO NOT READ)

IF Q2 = 1 OR Q3 = 1 (Alexandria), INSERT Alexandria Rideshare as <PROGRAM> in Q88c - Q88f  
IF Q2 = 2 OR Q3 = 3 (Arlington), INSERT Arlington County Commuter Services or The Commuter Store as <PROGRAM> in Q88c - Q88f  
IF Q2 = 3 OR Q3 = 4 (Calvert), INSERT Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland as <PROGRAM> in Q88c - Q88f  
IF Q2 = 4 OR Q3 = 5 (Charles), INSERT Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland as <PROGRAM> in Q88c - Q88f  
IF Q2 = 6 OR Q3 = 7, 8, OR 9 (Fairfax Co, Ffx City, Falls Church), INSERT Fairfax County RideSources as <PROGRAM> in Q88c - Q88f  
IF Q2 = 7 OR Q3 = 10 (Frederick), INSERT TransIT Services of Frederick County as <PROGRAM> in Q88c - Q88f  
IF Q2 = 8 OR Q3 = 12 (Loudoun), INSERT Loudoun County Office of Transportation Services as <PROGRAM> in Q88c - Q88f  
IF Q2 = 9 OR Q3 = 15 (Montgomery), INSERT Montgomery County Commuter Services, Bethesda Transportation Solutions, or North Bethesda Transportation Center as <PROGRAM> in Q88c - Q88f  
IF Q2 = 10 OR Q3 = 16 (Prince Georges), INSERT RideSmart as <PROGRAM> in Q88c - Q88f  
IF Q2 = 11 OR Q3 = 13, 14, OR 17 (Prince William, Manassas, Manassas Park), INSERT PRTC OmniMatch as <PROGRAM> in Q88c-Q88f

- 1 Alexandria Rideshare
- 2 Arlington County Commuter Services, The Commuter Store
- 3 Tri-County Council of Southern Maryland (Calvert, Charles)
- 4 Fairfax County RideSources
- 5 TransIT Services of Frederick County
- 6 Loudoun County Office of Transportation Services
- 7 Montgomery County Commuter Services, Bethesda Transportation Solutions, North Bethesda Transportation Center
- 8 RideSmart (Prince Georges)
- 9 PRTC OmniMatch (Prince William)

88d Have you heard of an organization or service called <PROGRAM>?  
**IF YES AND Q88c = 2 OR 7, CLARIFY WHICH PROGRAM OR PROGRAMS ARE KNOWN. THEN CODE THAT/THOSE PROGRAMS IN 88d**

- 1 Alexandria Rideshare
  - 2 Arlington County Commuter Services, The Commuter Store
  - 3 Tri-County Council of Southern Maryland (Calvert, Charles)
  - 4 Fairfax County RideSources
  - 5 TransIT Services of Frederick County
  - 6 Loudoun County Office of Transportation Services
  - 7 Montgomery County Commuter Services, Bethesda Transportation Solutions, North Bethesda Transportation Center
  - 8 RideSmart (Prince Georges)
  - 9 PRTC OmniMatch (Prince William)
- 88 Don't know (SKIP TO Q88g)  
99 Refuse (SKIP TO Q88g)

**ASK Q88e FOR ANY RESPONSE CODED YES IN Q88d**

88e Have you contacted <Q88d PROGRAM OR SERVICE> in the past year or visited a website sponsored by this organization?

- 221 Alexandria Rideshare
  - 232 Arlington County Commuter Services, The Commuter Store
  - 243 Tri-County Council of Southern Maryland (Calvert, Charles)
  - 254 Fairfax County RideSources
  - 265 TransIT Services of Frederick County
  - 276 Loudoun County Office of Transportation Services
  - 287 Montgomery County Commuter Services, Bethesda Transportation Solutions, North Bethesda Transportation Center
  - 298 RideSmart (Prince Georges)
  - 309 PRTC OmniMatch (Prince William)
- 88 Don't know (SKIP TO Q88g)  
99 Refuse (SKIP TO Q88g)

**IF ONE OR MORE <Q88e PROGRAM OR SERVICE> CODED YES IN Q88e, ASK Q88f, DO NOT ASK ABOUT EACH PROGRAM INDIVIDUALLY**

88f What information or services were you seeking? (DO NOT READ, ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES)

- 1 transit schedule/route information
- 2 carpool, vanpool (rideshare) information
- 3 help finding carpool/vanpool partners, matchlists
- 4 guaranteed ride home
- 5 Ozone alerts
- 6 park & ride lot information, parking information
- 7 telecommute, telework information
- 8 bicycle, walking information
- 9 road construction information
- 10 MetroChek / SmarTrip
- 11 travel directions, driving directions
- 12 other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_
- 88 don't know
- 99 Refuse

88g **IF Q83 = 11, AUTOCODE Q88g = 2, THEN SKIP TO Q88h**  
**IF Q83 = 12, AUTOCODE Q88g = 1, THEN SKIP TO Q88h**  
Have you heard of a service called CommuterPage.com or CommuterDirect.com?

- 1 yes, know CommuterPage.com
- 2 Yes, know CommuterDirect.com
- 3 no (**SKIP TO Q88c**)
- 8 Don't know (**SKIP TO Q88c**)
- 9 Refuse (**SKIP TO Q88c**)

88h **IF Q84 = 1 for CommuterDirect.com or CommuterPage.com, AUTOCODE Q88h = 1, THEN SKIP TO Q89**  
Have you used one of these services in the past year?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refuse

**EMPLOYER SERVICES**

**IF HOMEALL SKIP TO Q105**  
**IF TELEALL SKIP TO Q105**

89 Next, please tell me if your employer makes any of the following commute services or benefits available to you. How about information on commuter transportation options?

- 1 yes
- 2 no (**SKIP TO Q90**)
- 9 Don't know/Ref (**SKIP TO Q90**)

89a Have you received or used this information from your employer?

- 1 yes
- 2 no
- 9 DK/Ref

90 What about free on-site parking? Does your employer make that available to all employees at your worksite?

- 1 yes
- 2 no (**SKIP TO Q91**)
- 9 Don't know/Ref (**SKIP TO Q93**)

90a Have you used this free parking?

- 1 yes
- 2 no
- 9 DK/Ref

**SKIP TO Q93**

91 Does your employer pay part of your parking cost or do you have to pay the entire cost if you drive to work?

- 1 employer pays part/employee pays part
- 2 employee pays all
- 3 free offsite parking
- 9 DK/Ref

92 Does your employer offer parking discounts for carpools or vanpools?

- 1 yes
- 2 No (**SKIP TO Q93**)
- 9 Don't know/Ref (**SKIP TO Q93**)

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- 92a Have you used this parking discount?
- 1 yes
  - 2 no
  - 9 DK/Ref
- 93 Does your employer set aside special parking spaces for carpools or vanpools?
- 1 yes
  - 2 no (**SKIP TO Q94**)
  - 9 Don't know/Ref (**SKIP TO Q94**)
- 93a Have you used one of these special spaces?
- 1 yes
  - 2 no
  - 9 DK/Ref
- 94 Does your employer offer MetroChek, SmarTrip, or other subsidies for public transportation or vanpooling?
- 1 yes
  - 2 no (**SKIP TO Q95**)
  - 9 Don't know/Ref (**SKIP TO Q95**)
- 94a Have you used the transit or vanpool subsidy?
- 1 yes
  - 2 no
  - 9 DK/Ref
- 95 Does your employer offer cash payments or other subsidies for carpooling?
- 1 yes
  - 2 no (**SKIP TO Q96**)
  - 9 Don't know/Ref (**SKIP TO Q96**)
- 95a Have you used the carpool subsidy?
- 1 yes
  - 2 no
  - 9 DK/Ref
- 96 Does your employer offer any facilities or programs to employees who bike or walk to work?
- 1 yes
  - 2 no (**SKIP TO Q97**)
  - 9 Don't know/Ref (**SKIP TO Q97**)
- 96a Have you used any of these facilities or programs?
- 1 yes
  - 2 no (**SKIP TO Q97**)
  - 9 DK/Ref (**SKIP TO Q97**)
- 96b What have you used? (**DO NOT READ**)
- 1 Bike lockers or racks
  - 2 Personal shower or lockers
  - 3 Cash or subsidies for bike or walk
  - 4 Bike club
  - 5 Bike equipment or clothing
  - 6 Participation in Bike to Work Day
  - 7 Other \_\_\_\_\_
  - 9 DK/Ref

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97 And last, does your employer provide guaranteed rides (GRH) home in case of emergencies or unscheduled overtime? (NOTE: DOESN'T HAVE TO BE A PART OF A FORMAL GRH PROGRAM)

- 1 yes
- 2 no (SKIP TO Q102)
- 9 Don't know/Ref (SKIP TO Q102)

97a Have you used this service or have you participated in this program? (DO NOT READ)

- 1 yes, used GRH trip / participate in the program (e.g., registered/signed up for, eligible for)
- 2 no
- 9 DK/Ref

**GUARANTEED RIDE HOME**

102 Do you know if there is a regional GRH or Guaranteed Ride Home program available in the event of unexpected emergencies and unscheduled overtime for commuters who rideshare or use public transportation?

- 1 yes, there is
- 2 no, there isn't (SKIP TO Q104a)
- 9 DK/Ref (SKIP TO Q105)

**IF Q97a = 1, CODE Q103 = 1, CODE Q104 = 2, THEN SKIP TO Q104a**

103 In the past two years, have you registered for or used any guaranteed Ride Home service?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No (SKIP TO Q104a)
- 9 DK/Ref (SKIP TO Q104a)

104 Who sponsored or offered the service? (DO NOT READ)

- 1 Commuter Connections/Council of Governments/COG
- 2 Employer
- 3 VRE
- 4 TMA (TyTran)
- 5 Other \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 Don't know/Refuse

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**NEW PROGRAM OPTIONS**

~~104a In some U.S. cities, commuters can find carpool partners through an internet website. Commuters who want to carpool enter information about when and where they work and a phone number or email address where they can be contacted. They also can search for other commuters who have similar travel and want to carpool.~~

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~~If a service like this was available in the Washington metro area and your personal information was kept confidential, how likely would you be to use it? Would you ... definitely use it, probably use it, maybe or maybe not use it, probably not use it, or definitely not use it?~~

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- ~~1 definitely use (SKIP TO Q104c)~~
- ~~2 probably use (SKIP TO Q104c)~~
- ~~3 maybe or maybe not use (SKIP TO Q104c)~~
- ~~4 probably not use~~
- ~~5 definitely not use~~
- ~~9 DK/Ref (DO NOT READ, SKIP TO Q104d)~~

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~~104b For what reasons would you not be interested in using this service? (DO NOT READ RESPONSES; CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)~~

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106 — In the past two years, have you used one of these kiosks to obtain commute or other transportation information, other than to purchase transit or train tickets?

1 — Yes

2 — No (**SKIP TO Q113**)

9 — DK/Ref. (**SKIP TO Q113**)

107—Where was the kiosk that you used located? **(READ ONLY IF NECESSARY; CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)**

- 1Ballston Common Mall
- 2Fair Oaks Mall
- 3La Promenda at L'Enfant Plaza
- 4Pentagon
- 5Reston Town Center
- 6Springfield Mall
- 7Tysons Corner Center
- 8Union Station
- 9Montgomery County (White Flint Mall, County Executive Building)
- 10Fairfax County (libraries, government center, etc.)
- 11United States Department of Agriculture—Alexandria
- 12United States Department of Agriculture—Washington, DC
- 13Dulles Town Center
- 14Manassas Mall
- 15Pentagon City Mall
- 16Hoffman Center, Alexandria
- 17Mitre Corp, McLean, VA
- 18Other \_\_\_\_\_
- 99—DK/Ref.

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108—What information did you obtain from the kiosk? **(DO NOT READ, CHECK ALL THAT APPLY; GET TOP 3 ANSWERS ONLY)**

- 1general rideshare information
- 2carpool/vanpool matchlist
- 3transit route/schedule info
- 4P&R info
- 5GRH information or registration
- 6telecommuting information
- 7HOV lane information
- 8Mall/retail center information
- 9Weather information
- 10Traffic information (SmartTraveler)
- 11Fairfax County Information
- 12Maps and guides
- 13Springfield Interchange construction information
- 14Ozone Action/Code Red days
- 15Other \_\_\_\_\_

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**IF TELEALL OR HOMEALL, SKIP TO Q113**

109—Did any of the information you received encourage you to use or try another type of transportation, other than driving alone, even if only temporarily, for your commute to work?

- 1—Yes
- 2—No **(SKIP TO Q113)**
- 9—DK/Ref. **(SKIP TO Q113)**

110—What was that type of transportation? **(DO NOT READ; CHECK ALL THAT APPLY) (NOTE: DRIVE ALONE IS NOT A VALID ANSWER; PROBE FOR OTHER ANSWER. IF DRIVE ALONE IS ONLY ANSWER, SNAP BACK AND CHANGE Q109 TO "NO.")**

- 1N/A
- 2N/A
- 3drive alone in your car (N/A)
- 4motorcycle (N/A)
- 5carpool
- 6casual carpool (slugging)
- 7vanpool
- 8buspool
- 9bus
- 10Metrorail
- 11MARC

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- 12VRE
- 13AMTRAK, other train
- 14bicycle
- 15walk
- 16N/A
- 17N/A
- 18N/A
- 19N/A
- 20N/A
- 21N/A
- 22other \_\_\_\_\_

411 How long did you use or have you used that type of transportation?

\_\_\_\_\_ months (CONVERT YEARS TO MONTHS)

412 How did you usually travel to work before you obtained information from the kiosk?

- 1N/A
- 2N/A
- 3drive alone in your car
- 4motorcycle
- 5carpool
- 6casual carpool (slugging)
- 7vanpool
- 8buspool
- 9bus
- 10Metrorail
- 11MARC
- 12VRE
- 13AMTRAK, other train
- 14bicycle
- 15walk
- 16N/A
- 17N/A
- 18N/A
- 19N/A
- 20N/A
- 21N/A
- 22other \_\_\_\_\_

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**DEMOGRAPHICS**

113 In total, how many motor vehicles, in working condition, including automobiles, trucks, vans, and highway motorcycles are owned or leased by members of your household? \_\_\_\_\_

114 How many persons live in your home? Please count yourself, family and friends, and anyone who may be unrelated to you such as live-in housekeepers or boarders.

\_\_\_\_\_ persons

- 88 Don't know (SKIP TO Q118)
- 99 Refuse (SKIP TO Q118)

**IF Q114 = 1, AUTOCODE 1114a = 0, AUTOCODE Q115 = 1, THEN SKIP TO Q116**

114a And how many of these household members are under the age of 16?

\_\_\_\_\_ household members

- 888 Don't know
- 999 Refuse

115 Do you have access to the Internet at home? Do you have access at work? IF ANSWER IS YES TO BOTH QUESTIONS, CODE RESPONSE 3

- 1. Yes, at home only
- 2. Yes, at work only
- 3. Yes, at home and work
- 4. No, don't have access to the internet at home or work (SKIP TO INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE Q118)
- 9. Don't know/refused

116 Do you currently use any of the following social networking sites or have you used any of them in the past? Have you used . . .

**(ROTATE 1 - 4, ACCEPT MULTIPLES FOR 1 - 5)**

- 1. Facebook
- 2. MySpace
- 3. Twitter
- 4. LinkedIn
- 5. Other Social Networking Site (SPECIFY)
- 6. None of these
- 9. Don't know/refused

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**Instructions before Q118**

**IF TELEALL OR HOMEALL SKIP TO Q119**

118 Now I have a few last questions for classification purposes. First, about how many employees work at your worksite? Is it . . . (READ CHOICES)

- 1 1 – 25
- 2 26-50
- 3 51-100.
- 4 101-250
- 5 251-999.
- 6 1,000 or more
- 9 DK/Ref.

119 What is your occupation? \_\_\_\_\_

**IF HOMEALL SKIP TO Q121, AUTO CODE "5" IN Q120**

120 What type of employer do you work for? Is your employer a federal agency, a state or local government agency, a non-profit organization or association, a private employer, or are you self-employed?

- 81 federal agency
- 92 state, or local government agency
- 403 non-profit organization/association
- 114 private sector employer
- 125 self-employed
- 136 other (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 DK/Ref.

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120a What is your zip code at work? \_\_\_\_\_

121 Which of the following groups includes your age? (READ CHOICES)

- 1 under 18
- 2 18 - 24
- 3 25 - 34
- 4 35 - 44
- 5 45 - 54
- 6 55 - 64
- 7 65 or older
- 9 Refused (DON'T READ)

122 Do you consider yourself to be Latino, Hispanic, or Spanish?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 9 DK/Ref.

123 Now I want to ask you about your race. Which one of the following best describes your racial background. Is it . . . (READ CHOICES 1-5; SELECT ONE RESPONSE ONLY)

- 1 White
- 2 Black or African-American
- 3 American Indian or Alaska Native
- 4 Asian
- 5 Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- 6 Other (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_
- 9 Refused

124 Finally, please stop me when I reach the category that best represents your household's total annual income. Is it . . . (READ CHOICES)

- 1 less than \$20,000
  - 2 \$20,000 - \$29,999
  - 3 \$30,000 - \$39,999
  - 4 \$40,000 - \$59,999
  - 5 \$60,000 - \$79,999
  - 6 \$80,000 - \$99,999
  - 7 \$100,000 - \$119,999
  - 8 \$120,000 - \$139,999
  - 9 \$140,000 - \$159,999
  - 10 \$160,000 or more
- ~~11~~ 99 Refused (DON'T READ)

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Thank you very much for your time and cooperation!

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(RECORD SEX:) 1 male 2 female

(RECORD LANGUAGE OF INTERVIEW:) 1 English 2 Spanish