

NON-MOTORIZED PUBLIC SURVEY HIGHLIGHTS

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Introduction

The Non-Motorized Transportation Survey was created to provide an opportunity for the public to share experiences and ideas to help identify regional priorities and opportunities for improving walking, biking, and other forms of non-motorized transportation within the Kootenai region. The survey was also designed to capture transportation behavior and attitudes. Of those who participated in the survey, the vast majority are users of the regional transportation network. Representation was highest for bicycle advocacy clubs and advisory committees as well as environmental and health advocacy.

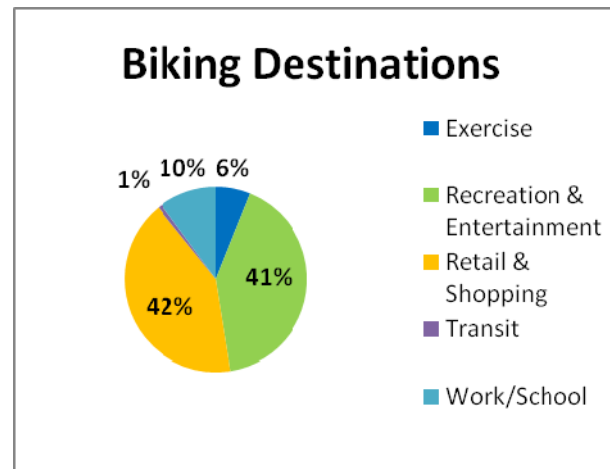
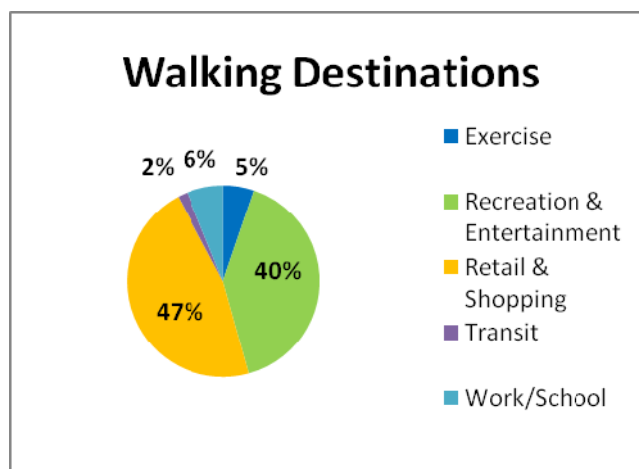
Below is an overview of key highlights for quick reference. A more complete summary can be found on our website at www.KMPO.net.

Travel Behavior

Travel behavior characteristics below include destination and trip length. These characteristics help identify where people choose to walk or bike and how long their average trip length is one-way.

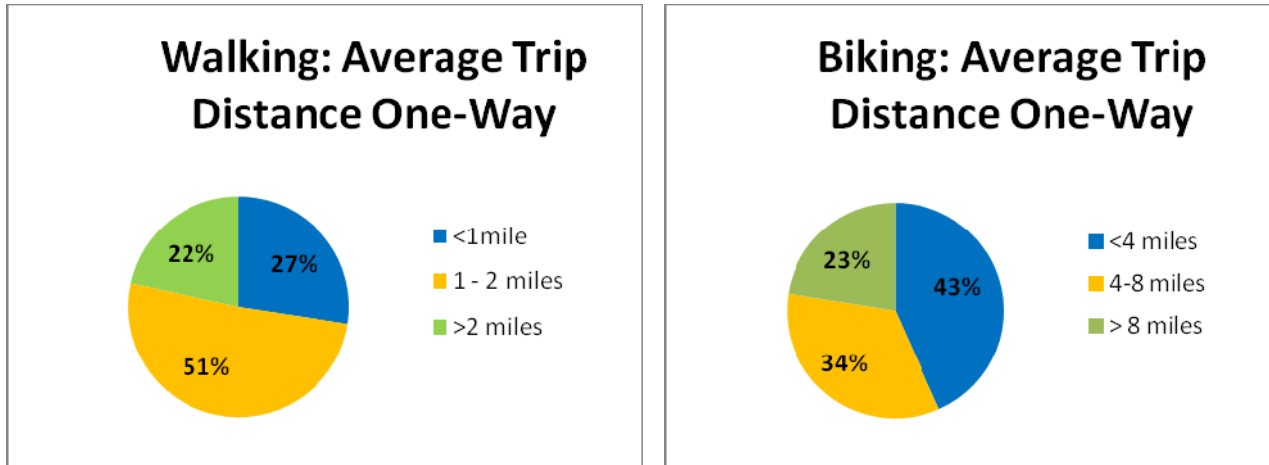
Destinations

The most popular destinations for walking and biking included retail and shopping followed by recreation and entertainment.



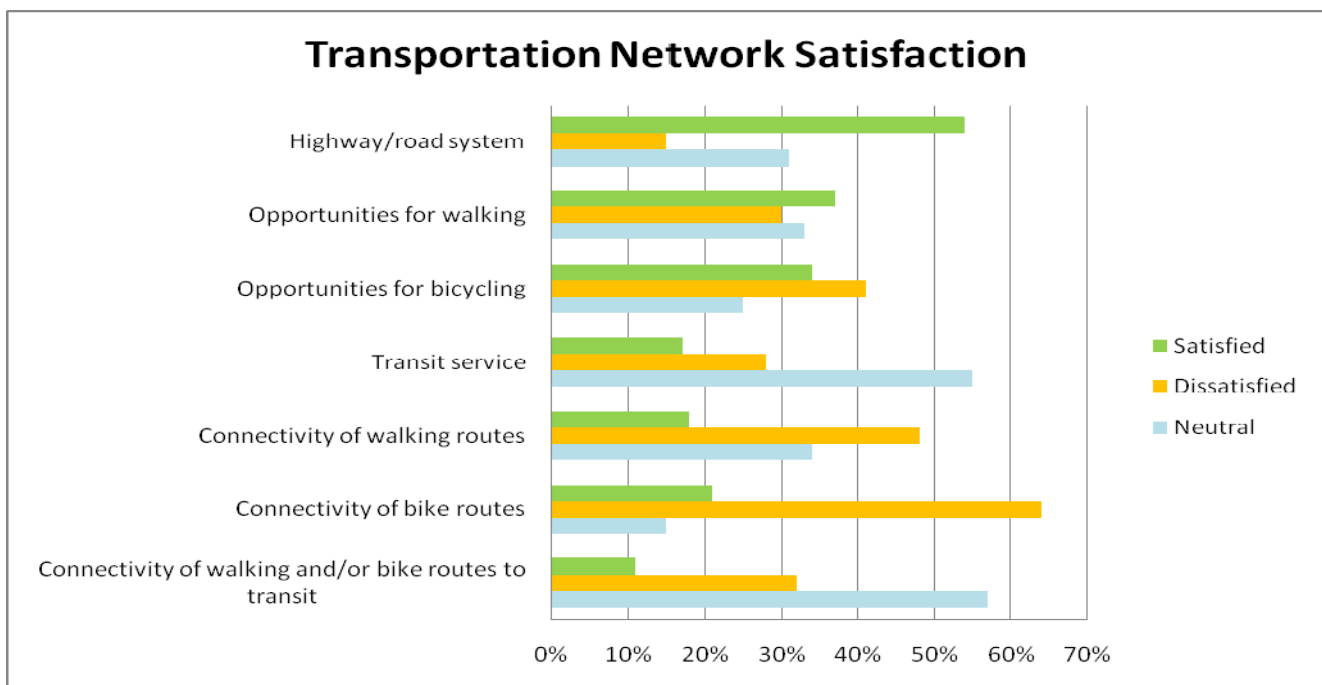
Trip Length

Almost 80% of respondents said they walked an average of two miles or less and biked eight miles or less or approximately 40 minutes or less. This is consistent with the national average.

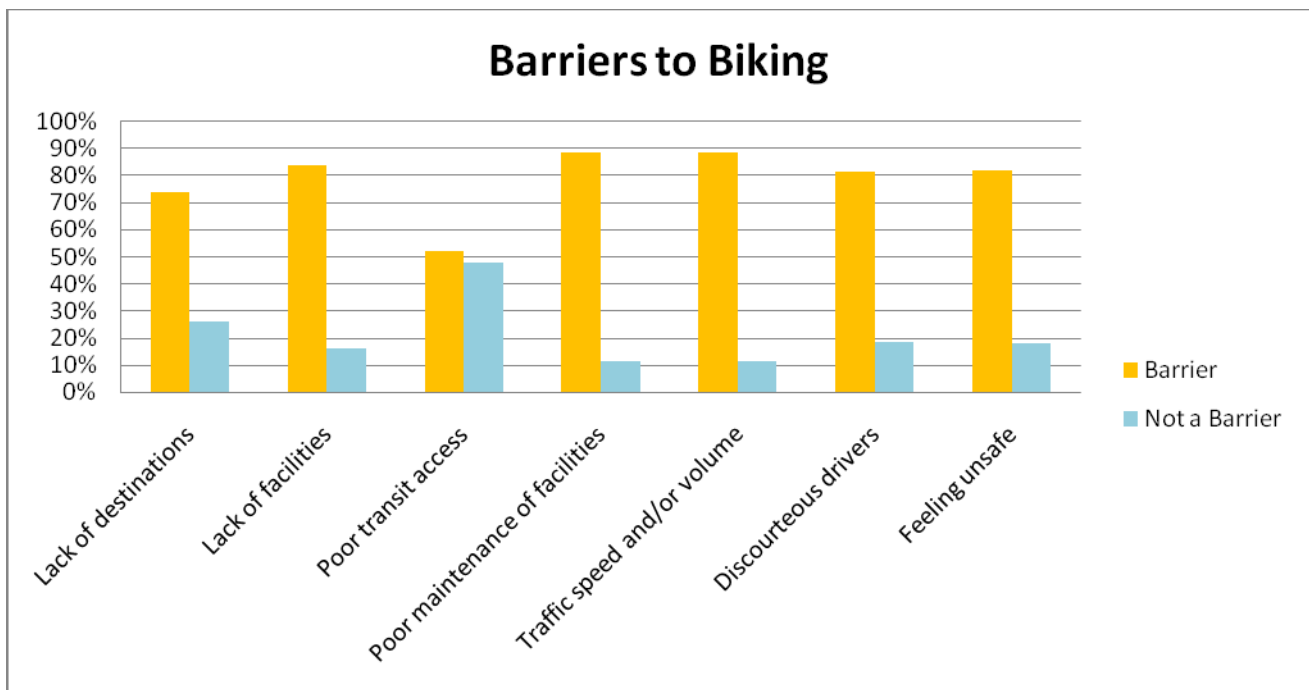
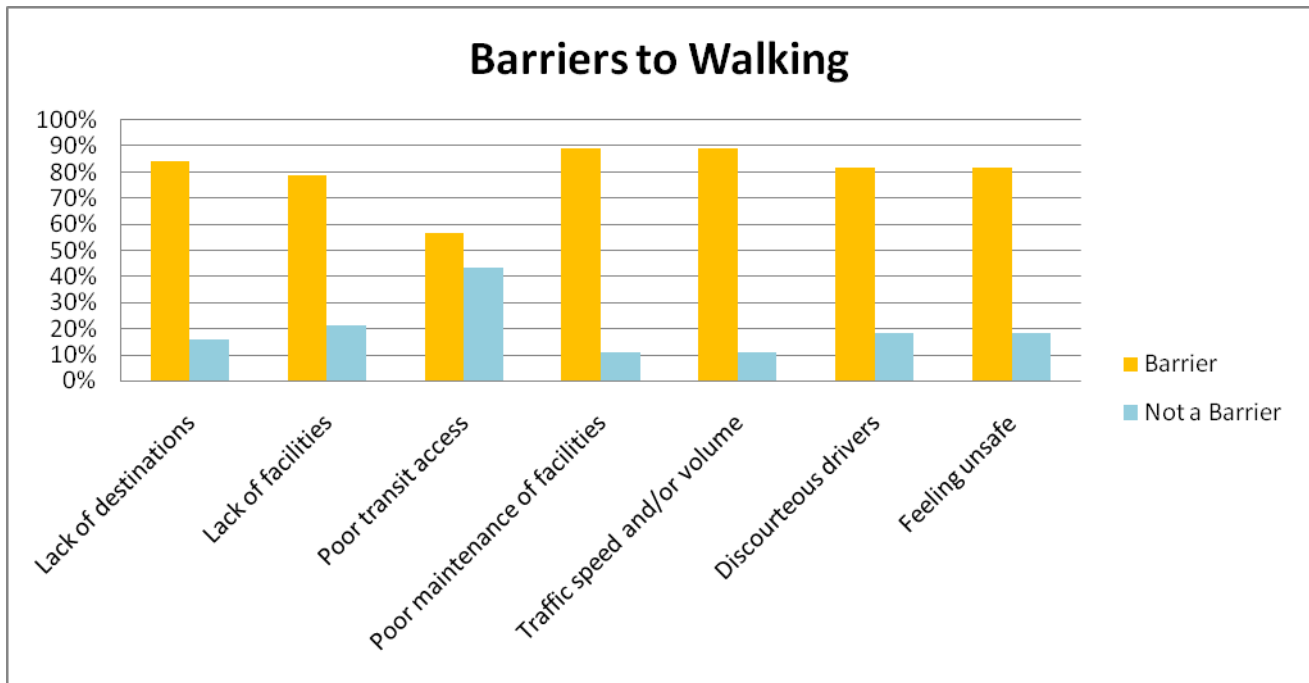


Barriers & Opportunities

Respondents were asked if they were satisfied with elements of the transportation network. While the majority of respondents were satisfied with the highway and road system, a majority of respondents were dissatisfied with opportunities for biking, transit service, transit access, as well as walking and biking connectivity.



Major barriers to walking and biking included poor connectivity, safety, transit access, design, and lack of facilities.



When respondents were asked if they would walk or bike more often if safe and convenient facilities were made available, over 80 percent of respondents said yes.

