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COVID-19’S IMPACTS ON COMMUTING SURVEY

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A coalition of Vermont transportation partners collaborated with the Association for Commuter Transportation to publicize ACT’s “COVID-19’s Impacts on Commuting” Survey in June 2020. Though this survey was conducted nationally, Vermonter’s responses were able to be analyzed separately. Over 1,200 Vermonters from every county responded to this survey.

The purpose of this survey is to determine how COVID-19 has impacted commuters in the present and to assess how our transportation system may be changed as we slowly return to the workplace.

"AFTER SEEING THE HUGE EMISSIONS REDUCTION FROM COVID-19...I AM CONSIDERING RIDING THE BUS OR MY BIKE WHEN I RETURN TO THE OFFICE"

WHAT CAN
EMPLOYERS
DO TO
SUPPORT
THEIR
EMPLOYEES?

1. FLEXIBLE SCHEDULE WITH LESS DAYS IN OFFICE
2. CONTINUED TELEWORKING
3. VIRTUAL MEETINGS & CONFERENCES
What would make you more willing to use shared modes?

1. Reduced crowding
2. Routine cleaning
3. Mask requirements

As expected, COVID-19 has impacted our daily commutes dramatically. Before COVID-19, most Vermonters drove alone to work and most expect to return to their personal vehicles when they go back into the workplace. Though, 3% of drive alone users expect to use a different mode moving forward. One of the biggest changes to commuting patterns is the expected reduction in shared modes like carpooling and the bus. The other notable change is the increase of both biking and telecommuting.

Patterns in expected mode change are consistent across many different job sectors, ages, and income levels.
If you would like to learn more about the Association for Commuter Transportation, please visit [www.actweb.org](http://www.actweb.org).

If you have any questions about this survey or believe this data may be useful for your organization to plan for the return to the workplace, please contact the Chittenden Area Transportation Management Association (CATMA) at info@catmavt.org.