The Finnish National Travel Survey

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- The survey provides an overall picture of Finnish passenger mobility and its background
- Demographic, geographic and temporal variations in mobility

- Project lead by Finnish Transport and Communications Agency Traficom
  - Steering group
The Finnish National Travel Survey

- First nationwide survey was collected in 1974
- And since regularly every six/five years 1980, 1986, …, 2010, 2016, 2021
- The latest survey is for 2021 and covered every single day of the year 2021
  - Every mode of travel (by foot and bicycle, cars, public transport,..)
  - The purpose of travel

- The data 2021 is collected and analysis is underway
- Results will be ready in early 2023
- There will be a smaller intermediate year survey for year 2022
The purpose of the survey

For transport planning

- Improving mobility possibilities
- Improving traffic safety
- To reduce the environmental impacts of transport
- Share of sustainable travel
- For traffic statistics

Data available for diverse transport related research projects
Research method 2021

• Web-questoinnaire, covering letter
• Also by phone

Sample frame

- All Finns over 5 years
- Population register
- Background information
Questions 2021

1. Background information
   - Housing and working, education, use of vehicles and public transport, driving licence

2. All journeys during one research day
   - Address of departure and destination, mode of travel, other options available, free time/working (why, when, how, where),…
Purpose of the trips 2016

2.7 trips/person/day

- Work: 15%
- Work related: 4%
- School, study: 6%
- Visit: 10%
- Sport, outdoor activities: 11%
- Leisure time: 14%
- Accompanying: 10%
- Shopping: 19%
- Errands: 9%
- Other: 2%
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Trends in previous surveys

- In built-up urban environments, walking, cycling and public transport are attractive options.
- Remote work from home is increasing.
  - Covid-19 effect
- Services via the net.
Further information available:

The Finnish National Travel Survey, Traficom:

https://www.traficom.fi/en/hlt?active=0&limit=20&offset=0

Statistics database, Traficom:

https://trafi2.stat.fi/PXWeb/pxweb/en/TraFi/TraFi__Henkiloliikennetutkimus/?tablelist=true
Thank you!
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