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# Preface

This is the sixth in a series of research memos describing activities and findings conducted under the research project entitled, "Transportation to Fulfill Human Needs in the Rural/Urban Environment". The project is divided into five topics, and this is the third research memo under the topic "Human Response in the Evaluation of Modal Choice Decisions".

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TECHNICAL PROGRESS REPORT ON RESEARCH PROJECT ON "SEGMENTING A TRANSPORTATION MARKET BY DETERMINANT ATTRIBUTES OF MODAL CHOICE"

This report will summarize progress on the transportation study, with principal investigators, Drs. Shane Davies and Mark Alpert, of Topic V, "Human Response in the Evaluation of Modal Choice Decisions." The work period covered in this report is mainly June 6, 1973 through September 6, 1973. The report will detail actions undertaken in the following areas: problem definition and research goal delineation; conferences with interested agencies and personnel, literature survey; questionnaire design and pre-testing; sample design; analytical procedures, and on-going work and follow-up for future reports. The focus will be on the methodology and research design developed for the Austin area transportation survey.

## PROBLEM DEFINITION AND RESEARCH GOALS

While transportation research is receiving a good deal of emphasis, particularly regarding systems hardware design and selling mass transit in urban areas, little has been done which explores designing systems to meet transportation needs in less urbanized areas.<sup>1</sup> Moreover, we feel that considerable gain is possible through identifying transportation need

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Additional background rationale is contained in Research Memo 1, "Human Response in the Evaluation of Modal Choice Decisions," and the same-named section of the University of Texas Research Proposal and contract.

for a growing area, such as Austin, Texas, at a time when transportation planning may still influence orderly growth, rather than trying later to make "the best of a bad situation." Further, there are many key groups whose attitudes and needs are critical to the implementation of a balanced transportation system for moving people. These include users and potential users of high-density modes of transportation (anything that moves more people per day than the average attained by private autos is tentatively defined as "high-density" and would include anything from subways, buses, and even "dial-a-cabs"). However, designing a system to appeal to these persons is not sufficient. It is also important to identify their transportation needs and the features that they seek in a transportation mode, relate them to demographic characteristics, and determine how best to communicate information about transportation to them through media exposure data. Further, many non-riders who cannot be readily converted to riders can determine the success of high-density operations by being motivated to form car pools, and/or support tax subsidies for improved mass transit service. This implies a need for ascertaining community attitudes towards transportation, mass transit, and tax strategies for their support, as well as media exposure for identifying suitable advertising outsets for promoting bonds, mass transit, and the like. A "leaders" subset of the community should be similarly polled, so that ultimately support for transportation changes may be elicited from them, knowing their priorities for growth, transportation, and acceptable means of financing programs. By identifying relevant transportation attitudes and usage rates of various modes for different purposes, we intend to provide a systematic treatment of

the required linkages between modal attributes, rider characteristics, promotion of mass transit and public support, and communication with key community leaders, so that all interested parties may be involved in the planning and implementation of balanced transportation systems for Austin and similar communities.

Accordingly, a study has been undertaken with the following objectives:

- develop a method for identifying the transportation mode features or attributes (e.g. ride comfort, flexibility, economy...) that determine modal choices for specified trip purposes, such as "to work" or "to shopping or personal business."
- 2. estimate the percentage of people now using private cars who would be quite likely to switch to a public transportation system if it were improved to suit their needs.
- 3. evaluate existing low-density (cars) and high-density transportation modes (buses) to spot critical gaps between perceived features of buses vs. cars, along determinant attributes of modal choice. Recommend ways in which high-density mode features should be changed and/or communicated to potential riders identified in Step 2.
- 4. determine local media (newspaper sections, radio and T.V. spots, community organizations) most utilized by potential high-density rider "converts" and recommend advertising appeals and appropriate media for maximally effective promotion of the re-designed high-density transportation modes to suit their travel needs.
- 5. survey the general community and a "leaders" subset for attitudes towards high-density transportation and appropriate means of financing improvements. Provide local officials with a ranking of acceptable financing alternatives for each group, and indicate advertising strategies for appealing to public attitudes.

# CONFERENCES WITH TRANSPORTATION AND RELATED AGENCIES

While the above goals represent general research objectives, it was recognized that additional insight, as well as greater probability of successful implementation of the research findings, would result if we instituted close coordination of our efforts with those of local agencies concerned with planning and transportation. Accordingly, a series of interviews and conferences were held with officials from various agencies.

A number of useful suggestions for our research, recommended literature, and experiences of other cities were obtained from these conferences. In addition, the two-day workshop, sponsored by the Council for Advanced Transportation Studies at the University of Texas at Austin, held June 28-29, 1973, produced additional useful contacts and problem areas for transportation study. Those we talked with at this stage of the project were asked to indicate specific information needs in connection with transportation and planning. We received oral and written suggestions for our survey questions from everyone we contacted. Many were subsequently integrated into our questionnaire instrument. (Our working draft questionnaire is appended to this report and will be discussed below.) Bus company officials, for example, are interested in determining public awareness of recent improvements in the service, as well as areas in which further improvements are desired. City planners indicated concern for public attitudes towards growth, transportation habits and needs, attitudes towards positive and negative incentives for increasing mass transit utilization, and indicated strong interest in our plans to survey community business leaders' views on transportation,

tax supports, etc. More detailed analysis of our experiences in interviewing local agency personnel (including evidence of modal rivalries and defensive behavior) will be covered in the more complete discussion of our findings and recommendations, which will appear later in the project year, following further data collection and analysis.

## LITERATURE SURVEY

While gathering information from persons knowledgeable and interested in transportation and planning, an extensive literature search was conducted concerning three main topics: identification of determinant attributes and attitudes of choice decisions, modal choice research in transportation, and promotion campaigns to increase public support of high-density transportation in other geographical areas.

The first area of literature concerns research into methods of identifying determinant attributes that underlie or determine buying or riding decisions. There are a host of studies and proposed methods for ascertaining the attitudes that motivate particular buying or riding decisions. Many have been suggested in contexts other than transportation decisions, but are relevant for these decisions as well. Some highlights of the literature will be briefly summarized here and greater details are found in Myers and Alpert (1968), Alpert (1971), and Golob and Dobson (1973).

Of the many attitudes which people may have towards a transportation mode, not all will be involved equally im making modal choice decisions. Determinant attitudes are those attitudes towards features of the mode

which determine whether or not the mode is chosen for a particular trip. Other attitudes towards features that are irrelevant to the decision process, no matter how strongly held, are non-determinant. For example, consider freedom from accidents as a feature in transportation modal selection. While most people would probably claim this an important feature in transportation choice, it is not likely to determine which mode is chosen, since most modes are probably perceived as equally safe or unsafe. Thus it is likely to prove more fruitful to concentrate less on advertising buses' freedom from accidents and more on those attributes which differentiate among modes and may thus be used as a basis for selection.

Determinant attributes are thus those product (or transportation mode) features or attributes that are both perceived as "important" and also as possessed in differing degrees by alternatives which compete for buyer choices. Among the many types of approaches that have been proposed for identifying these determinant attributes are observation, experimentation, direct questioning of respondents, dual questioning of respondents and indirect questioning (including "motivation research", covariate analysis, and multidimensional scaling). The varying costs and probabilities of successful identification of key attributes are discussed elsewhere (e.g., Alpert, 1971). This research project will use a combination of direct dual questioning and covariate analysis of respondent data.

Our basic procedure will involve requesting respondents to indicate how important each of a list of transportation features are in choosing a mode for a given trip and also the extent to which various modes have different amounts of the particular feature. Determinance is operationa-

lized as important time differences. The covariate analysis involves obtaining a set of ratings towards a particular transportation mode (e.g., private car, bus) for a specific trip purpose, and then separating users vs. non-users of the mode with a discriminant analysis of their profiles of the attributes of the mode. Those attributes that discriminate users from non-users are said to be determinant attributes of selection. For example, if non-users of buses indicate that buses afford less safety from dangerous people than do frequent users, then it appears that this attribute should be improved and communicated to potential riders in order to improve ridership.

The second literature area includes modal choice studies. While some were encountered in reviewing literature on determinant attributes, modal choice studies are primarily concerned with applying a particular methodology to identifying determinent attributes of transportation choice decisions (rather than the generalized choice decisions in the previous literatures. A selected bibliography is appended for key studies in this area, much of which has been discussed in our previous Research Memo 1. "Human Response in the Evaluation of Modal Choice Decisions".\* Typically these studies relate user characteristics to mode selected (e.g., higher income correlated with passenger car (selection), city characteristics (size, income, density), to transportation facilities, and methods of identifying specific modal attributes that determine ridership (through some sort of determinant attribute identification procedure). Nearly all of these studies have been done in large urban areas. Further, the determinant attribute methods typi-

<sup>\*</sup>Davies, Shane and Mark I. Alpert and Ronald Hudson, "Human Response in the Evaluation of Modal Choice Decisions," Council for Advanced Transportation Studies, University of Texas at Austin, April, 1973.

cally measure trade-offs between particular attributes (travel time vs. cost...) or between <u>particular modes</u> (buses vs. cars).\* Moreover, by considering <u>modal choices</u> as their focus, linkages are not made to attitudes toward growth and transportation subsidies, leader surveys, and media habits for communication of transportation strategies. While the literature therefore does not apply directly to our attempt to apply a "systems" approach to transportation needs in a non-urban area, a number of important variables have been suggested as determinants of modal choice decisions. These might be quite appropriate for inclusion in our study project. In addition, while perceived differentiation is not explicitly considered in that modal choice literature which asks people to indicate the importance (only) of various transportation features, these "importance-only" studies provide a suitable background for the <u>dual-questioning in our approach</u>.

A third literature area concerns projects which have been attempted in promoting various types of high-density transportation utilization, again largely in heavily urban areas. This report's selected bibliography indicates some of these projects. The general impression one gets is that scientific controls have not frequently been employed (cost constraints are a factor) and that findings have been mixed. Since we feel that investigation of the attitudes and needs of potential riders and supporters of high-density transportation are prerequisite to instituting any successful promotion campaign in a particular situation, this literature provides background for suggestions in our study area, rather than specific attributes, media, and appeals to be used. These need to be

<sup>\*</sup> Shinn, Allen M., Jr. and Shane Davies, "Measuring the Utility of Housing and Transportation," a Research Report supported by the National Science Foundation, (Summer 1971).

generated by appropriate measures and sampling of key groups in each region. Implementation experiments which are scheduled to follow in Year 2 of the project will build on this literature, as well as our specific findings in Year 1.

## QUESTIONNAIRE DESIGN AND PRE-TESTING

Having reviewed relevant literature and approached important local agencies, we obtained tentative lists of key attitudes to probe, as well as possible determinant attributes of modal choices. Some preliminary interviewing of area transportation consumers was now appropriate. Accordingly, an exploratory questionnaire was designed and administered to a quota sample of Austin residents, including bus riders, students, and a mix of ethnic and income groups. Responses to these questions indicated several transportation features were considered important that prior thinking and literature has also stressed. Moreover, the patterns of indicated attributes lent support to assertions by Hille, et. al. (1968) that two major trip purpose categories produce different choice criteriain this case, transportation to work or school, and for shopping or personal business. Within city, social and pleasure trips may not have sufficient difference from these two to warrant the questionnaire lengthening needed to research three trip categories. Open-ended questions were used to facilitate generating a range of response for content analysis and structuring in later questionnaires. Preliminary response on Amtrak questions indicated low "brand awareness" and people seemed to underestimate the amount of passenger service that is available. (Amtrak surveys will resemble those of intracity transportation patterns and

choices reported here. Details will be developed in reports to be issued later in Year 1.

A second questionnaire was then prepared and pre-tested on a second quota sample of Austin residents, as well as submitted for the review of the local agencies previously contacted. Based on feedback from interviewers and local agency officials, several changes were made and reflected in the working questionnaire (appended as Transportation Survey) that has been submitted for approval to DOT and OMB, prior to gathering data from the general Austin samples. While specific parts of this questionnaire will be discussed in the data analysis section below, it differs from the second questionnaire in a few respects. The format has been changed to enable photo-reduction of the questionnaire by 41%, thus reducing its length from 24 to 4 pages. Although personal interviewing will be employed to increase response rate and answer respondent's question, it is desirable to make the instrument look less formidable than the second version implied. Pre-tests indicated that completion time should range between 30 and 50 minutes. The "cover letter" has been revised to encourage respondents to ask questions if the instructions or questions are unclear to them. This letter will be paraphrased orally by interviewers, but can be read by respondents who may also note its "official stationary", and can increase interviewer credibility. Changes on the questionnaire itself involve a shift from asking for relative desirability of attributes (nearly all had positive desirability) to importance of attributes in modal choices. The instructions have been streamlined and clarified, a few question deleted for brevity, others modified slighty, and a few added (e.g., "ease of traveling with children").

### Sample Design

We intend to survey a random sample of over 250 adults (18 or over) in the Austin metropolitan area, with personal interviewers contacting each respondent, giving the cover statement, and assisting in questions concerning the survey forms. Respondents will fill them out themselves where possible, to insure a feeling of privacy as well as saving time.

In addition to the general Austin survey, we shall gather the same data from random samples (at least 50 each) of persons identified as "city leaders" (financial people, real estate planners, and Chamber of Commerce members), frequent bus riders, and students. Bus riders will be obtained in a two-stage process, interviewing them after first approaching a random sample of bus riders (on buses) to enlist their cooperation for a survey to be taken later at home. Relevant cross-comparisons can be undertaken for example, having analyzed the determinant attributes for increasing public support of mass transit, and the key customer groups for such improved service, we intend to report to the City Council a relative ranking of methods for financing any needed subsidies of the system, as measured by public attitudes, and especially those of the "leadership" group.

# Analytical Procedures for Questionnaire Data

Part One of the appended Transportation Survey questionnaire measures the relative determinance (importance x perceived differentiation = determinance) of each transportation feature considered in the respondents' choices for transportation modes for trips to work (or school, for students). Also, respondents will be classed as users or non-users of private cars or buses for these trips, and for these two dominant modes, we can compare the perceived features of the preferred mode vs. the nonpreferred mode. Where the attribute is rated as highly determinant, as indexed by a high degree of importance and differences, we can examine differences between the perceived images of chosen modes vs. non-chosen modes. For example, differences between non-bus users ratings of buses vs. cars, along attributes seen by them as determinant (non-determinant attribute differences should not be concentrated upon, as gaps here are not determining patronage decisions) will point to needed changes in the features of buses (or other modes that can embody the features sought by car-users), as well as attributes that needs stress in promotion to potential switchers.

Part Two allows the same kinds of determinant attribute analyses and exploration of perceived car vs. bus features, this time for trips made for shopping or personal business. Previous studies have indicated some differences in key attributes for these trips vs. work-trips. If found here, it is expected that Austin (and similar cities) might choose to attract shopping and personal business ridership on non-car modes by stressing these determinant attributes in any mass transit modifications that are undertaken and promoted to the public.

Part Three covers a series of transit-related attitudes and also city goals and issues identified as desirable areas for our study by the Austin city planners. Data should be useful for evaluating the relative acceptability (both for the general Austin sample, as well as for the "city leaders" sample) of various proposed methods of financing public mass transit, and also various possible planning goals for the city.

Specific questions in this part also measure public awareness of the cost of mass transit and specific complaints about bus service. Question #224 is designed to separate persons who have fairly high probability of becoming riders of "improved" mass transit from lowpotential riders. Likely riders can then be separated and analyzed in terms of their determinant attributes of modal choice, transit attitudes, demographics, and media exposure. Integrated marketing strategies would then be designed to appeal to these people, stressing desired modal features, through appropriate media, etc.

Part Four covers information on media habits, including amount of exposure to general program types and specific time periods and specific media. This data will aid in communicating with target customers for "improved" mass transit, as indicated above, and also in communicating with the general public, and/or community leaders concerning tax-related subsidies for mass transit programs.

# On-Going Work and Follow-Up

During the next quarter, the questionnaires will be administered to the groups described in the sample design and data will be coded and analyzed as described above. Written reports of the findings and recommendations for changes in promotional appeals will be communicated to DOT and local agencies. It is anticipated that some findings will point to immediate corrective action and shifts in promotional emphases. For example, if survey results show that potential riders are unaware of some features that are perceived by current riders of high-density modes (indexed for example, by giving buses a lower rating on dependability, than frequent riders), then this feature can be stressed in advertisements

placed in media heavily used by potential riders.

Other changes in modal attributes may require more time and money to achieve. Accordingly, having identified a set of attributes believed to determine ridership, the second year of this study calls for experimenting with making these changes (or simulating them in advertisements and product concepts) and measuring their effect on ridership (or intention to ride, in a simulation, if actual change is infeasible in the transportation system at that time).

During the third quarter we shall also refine the Amtrak rider/ non-rider survey, by modifying the questionnaire instrument thus far developed for intra-city transportation, explore determinant attributes for modal choices for inter-city trips of about 200 miles, and examine rider perceptions of Amtrak in this context.

In addition, we shall produce an annotated bibliography covering modal choice decisions, determinant attribute identification, and highdensity transportation mode promotion campaigns. A partial bibliography selected for this report follows on the next page.

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Appendix 1: Transportation Survey\*

\*This preliminary draft of the questionnaire entitled "Transportation Survey" is presently under scrutiny by DOT and OMB. Following their approval, it will be operationalized.



# THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN COUNCIL FOR ADVANCED TRANSPORTATION STUDIES AUSTIN, TEXAS 78712

Division of Research WAG 410 Phone (512) 471-5161

Dear Sir, or Madame:

I am a research associate for a University of Texas research project. We are interested in learning about public attitudes towards various forms of transportation, including buses, cars, and the like. We hope that by determining your views on this subject, better facilities can be provided for highways, buses and so forth.

There are a number of important questions on this survey - none of them call for long answers. Your views or your impressions are all that are needed. Just check a blank that best answers each question on these sheets. Your answers will be kept confidential - only the overall attitudes of the entire sample will be pursued. Therefore, please feel free to express whatever opnion you have. If you have any questions about the meaning of questions or instructions, please feel free to ask me about them.

We have a small budget and can only contact a limited number of people. You have been selected through a sample procedure and thus your answers are very important in order for us to obtain an accurate picture of people's attitudes towards transportation. May I take a few minutes of your time to get your opinions?

Sincerely yours,

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### TRANSPORTATION SURVEY

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2. For these trips to work or school, how do you usually get there? (Please check one only.)

As car driver\_\_\_\_ Car pool\_\_\_\_ City bus\_\_\_\_ UT shuttle bus\_\_\_\_ Do you usually travel alone? Yes\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_ Motorcycle\_\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_ Walking\_\_\_ Bicycle\_\_\_\_

3. Do you usually travel alone?

4. In general, are you satisfied with the transportation you use for getting to work or school?

Definitely yes\_\_\_\_\_ Moderately yes\_\_\_\_\_ Neutral\_\_\_\_ Moderately no\_\_\_\_\_ Definitely no\_\_\_\_

# IMPORTANCE RATING FORM Transportation to $\underline{Work}$ , (or School, if you are a Student)

# DIFFERENCE RATING FORM Transportation to Work (or School, if you are a Student)

1 to 4\_\_\_\_ 5 or more\_\_\_ (If none, go to Part 2).

The following is a list of attributes or features that might affect a decision of what transportation mode you might choose for getting to work (or your school). Assume you are to choose a mode of transportation from among several alternative types (private car, bus, car-pool, taxi, etc.). After each attributes is in your own choice of a transportation mode for getting to work (or your school). Please check only one column for each attribute. No Slight Moderate Large Extreme

		No	Slightly	Moderately	Very	Extremely
5.	Economy		important	Impor cane	imporcant	important
6.	Convenience					
7.	Brief Travel Time					
8.	Smooth Ride					
9.	Freedom from Weather (door to door)					
10.	Opportunity to Socialize					
11.	Avoid Traffic Congestion					
12.	Socially Accepted Transportation Mode					
13.	Lack of Parking Problems					
14.	Flexibility					
15.	Uncrowded					
16.	Freedom from Accidents					
17.	Freedom from Repairs					
18.	Safe from Dangerous People					
19.	Low Pollution per Passenger					
20.	Lack of Tension					
21.	Ease of Travel with Packages					
22.	Ability to Look at Scenery					
23.	Low Energy Use per Passenger					
24.	Can Listen to Radio or Tape					
25.	Dependability					
26.	Pleasant Riding Surroundings					
27.	Privacy					
28.	Ease at Traveling with Children					

		No Differ- ences	Slight Differ- ences	Moderate Differ- ences	Large Differ- ences	Extreme Differ- ences
29.	Economy		_			
30.	Convenience					
31.	Brief Travel Time					
32.	Smooth Ride					
33.	Freedom from Weather (door to door)					
34.	Opportunity to Socialize					
35.	Avoid Traffic Congestion					
36.	Socially Accepted Transportation Mode					
37.	Lack of Parking Problems					
38.	Flexibility					
39.	Uncrowded					
40.	Freedom from Accidents					
41.	Freedom from Repairs					
42.	Safe from Dangerous People					
43.	Low Pollution per Passenger					
<u>4</u> 4.	Lack of Tension					
45.	Ease of Travel with Packages					
46.	Ability to Look at Scenery					
47.	Low Energy Use per Passenger					
48.	Can Listen to Radio or Tape					
49.	Dependability					
50.	Pleasant Eiding Surroundings					
51.	Privacy					
52.	Ease at Traveling with Children					
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Now, please use the scales on this page to indicate your feelings about the degree to which <u>owning your car</u> would be suitable for <u>trips made to work</u> (or <u>your school</u>). Place a check on the position between each pair of terms that best describes your feelings about the suitability of your own car (whether or not you own one) for trips made to work or school. For example, if you feel that your car would be likely to be <u>moderately interesting</u> as a transportation mode for <u>getting to work or school</u>, you would place a check on the "Interesting-Boring" scale as shown below. Please do this for EACH pair of items, without skipping any.

Now, please use these scales to indicate your feelings about the degree to which a <u>bus</u> would be suitable for <u>trips</u> made to <u>work</u> or <u>school</u>. Please do as you did before, without skipping any of the scales. to

	EXAMPLE: Extremely Moderately	Neutral Moderately Extremely	
	Interesting: X	:: Boring	
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In a typical week, about how many trips do you take from home to work or school, In a typical week, about how many trips do you take from home to work or driving your car? None\_\_\_\_\_ to 4\_\_\_\_\_ 5 or more \_\_\_\_\_ school, using a bus? None\_\_\_\_\_ to 4\_\_\_\_\_ 5 or more \_\_\_\_\_ TURN PAGE OVER AND CONTINUE WITH QUESTION 101 CONTINUE ON OPPOSITE SIDE WITH QUESTION 77

PART 2

- 101. Now we would like to know something about the transportation you use for trips for shopping or personal business. In a typical week, how many trips do you take to some place to shop or do personal business? None\_\_\_\_\_\_ 1 to 4\_\_\_\_\_\_ 5 or more\_\_\_\_\_\_ (If none, go on to Part 3 on next page.)
  102. For these trips to work or school, how do you usually get there? (Please check one only).
  As car driver\_\_\_\_\_ Car pool\_\_\_\_\_ City bus\_\_\_\_\_ UT shuttle bus\_\_\_\_\_ Walking\_\_\_\_\_ Bicycle\_\_\_\_\_ Motorcycle\_\_\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_\_
  103. Do you usually travel alone? Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No\_\_\_\_\_

104. In general, are you satisfied with the transportation you use for shopping or personal business?

Definitely yes \_\_\_\_\_ Moderately yes \_\_\_\_\_ Neutral\_\_\_\_\_ Moderately no\_\_\_\_\_ Definitely no\_\_\_\_

# IMPORTANCE RATING FORM Transportation for <u>Shopping</u> or <u>Personal</u> <u>Business</u>

Transportation for Shopping or Personal Business Please place a check in the appropriate column, to indicate how desirable you feel each of these traits would be in choosing a transportation mode for shop-ping trips or personal business (medicine, groceries, clubs, etc.) Now, please place a check in the appropriate column for each attribute, indi-cating how much you feel various possible transportation modes (private car bus, car-pool, taxi, etc.) might differ in their suitability for transpor-tation for shopping or personal business.

DIFFERENCE RATING FORM

105	Factor	No Importance	Slightly Important	Moderately Important	Very Important	Extremely Important	120	Feenamy	No Differ- ences	Slight Differ- ences	Moderate Differ- ences	Large Differ- ences	Extreme Differ- ences
105.	Leonomy						129.	Beonomy					
106.	Convenience						130.	Convenience					
107.	Brief Travel Time						131.	Brief Travel Time					
108.	Smooth Ride						132.	Smooth Ride					
109.	Freedom from Weather (door to door)						133.	Freedom from Weather (door to door)					
110.	Opportunity to Socialize						134.	Opportunity to Socialize					
111.	Avoid Traffic Congestion						135.	Avoid Traffic Congestion					
112.	Socially Accepted Transportation Mo	de					136.	Socially Accepted Transportation Mode					
113.	Lack of Parking Problems						137.	Lack of Parking Problems					
114.	Flexibility						138.	Flexibility					
115.	Uncrowded						139.	Uncrowded					
116.	Freedom from Accidents						140.	Freedom from Accidents					
117.	Freedom from Repairs						141.	Freedom from Repairs					
118.	Safe from Dangerous People						142.	Safe from Dangerous People					
119.	Low Pollution per Passenger						143.	High Pollution per Passenger					
120.	Lack of Tension						144.	Lack of Tension					
121.	Ease of Travel with Packages						145.	Ease of Travel with Packages					
122.	Ability to Look at Scenery						146.	Ability to Look at Scenery					
123.	Low Energy Use per Passenger						147.	Low Energy Use per Passenger					
124.	Can Listen to Radio or Tape						148.	Can Listen to Radio or Tape					
125.	Dependability						149.	Dependability					
126.	Pleasant Riding Surroundings						150.	Pleasant Riding Surroundings					
127.	Frivacy						151.	Privacy					
128.	Ease at Traveling with Children	5					152.	Ease at Traveling with Children					

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Now, please use these scales to indicate your feelings about the degree to which a <u>car driven by you</u> would be suitable for <u>trips</u> made for <u>shopping or</u> <u>personal business</u>.

PRIVATE CAR FOR SHOPPING OR PERSONAL BUSINESS

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Now, please use these scales to indicate your feelings about the degree to which a bus would be suitable for <u>trips</u> made for <u>shopping</u> or <u>personal</u> business business.

# BUS FOR SHOPPING OR PERSONAL BUSINESS

153.	Economical	:_	:	:	:		Expensive	177.	Economical	:	_:	_:	_:	Expensive
154.	Convenient	:	:	:	:		Inconvenient	178.	Convenient		_:	_:	_:	Inconvenient
155.	Brief Travel Time	:;	:	:	:		Long Travel Time	179.	Brief Travel Time	:	_:	_:	_:	Long Travel Time
156.	Smooth Ride	:	:		:		Rough Ride	180.	Smooth Ride		_:	_:	_:	Rough Ride
157.	Free from Weather						Exposed to Weather	181.	Free from Weather		:	:	:	Exposed to Weather
	(door-to-door)	:	:	:	:		(door-to-door)		(door-to-door)	:	:	:	:	(door-to-door)
158.	Easy to Socialize	;		:			Hard to Socialize	182.	Easy to Socialize	;	: .	:	:	Hard to Socialize
159.	Avoids Traffic						Gets into Traffic	183.	Avoids Traffic					Gets into Traffic
	Congestion	:	:	:	:		Congestion		Congestion	:	_:	:	:	Congestion
160.	High Status	:					Low Status	184.	High Status	:	:	:	:	Low Status
161.	Few Parking Problems				:		Many Parking Problems	185.	Few Parking Problems	:	;	:	:	Many Parking Problems
162.	Flexible			;			Inflexible	186.	Flexible	:	:	:	:	Inflexible
163.	Uncrowded				:		Crowded	187.	Uncrowded	:	:	:	:	Crowded
164.	Safe from Accidents	:	:				Likely to have Accidents	188.	Safe from Accidents	:	:	:	:	Likely to have Accidents
165.	Free from Repairs	:			:		Not Free from Repairs	189.	Free from Repairs	:	:	:	:	Not Free from Repairs
166.	Safe from Dangerous						Not Safe from Dangerous	190.	Safe from Dangerous					Not Safe from Dangerous
	People	:	:		:		People		People	:	_:	_:	_:	People
167.	High Pollution per						Low Pollution per	191.	High Pollution per					Low Pollution per
	Rider	:	:	:	:		Rider		Rider	;	_:	_:	_:	Rider
168.	Relaxing	:	:		:		Full of Tension	192.	Relaxing	:	_:	_:	_:	Full of Tension
169.	Easy with Fackages		:		:		Difficult with Packages	193.	Easy with Packages	:	_:	_:	_:	Difficult with Packages
170.	Can Look at Scenery	:	:	;	:		Can't Look at Scenery	194.	Can Look at Scenery	;	_:	_:	_:	Can't Look at Scenery
171.	Low Energy Use						High Energy Use	195.	Low Energy Use					High Energy Use
	per Passenger	:_		:			per Passenger		per Passenger		_:	_:	_:	per Passenger
172.	Radio or Tape Deck						No Radio or Tape Deck	196.	Radio or Tape Deck					No Radio or Tape Deck
	Available	:_		:	·:		Available		Available	:_	_:	_:	_:	Available
173.	Dependable	:_		;			Undependable	197.	Dependable	:	_:	_:		Undependable
174.	Pleasant Riding						Unpleasant Riding	198.	Pleasant Riding					Unpleasant Riding
	Surroundings	:_		:	:		Surroundings		Surroundings	:_	_:	_:	_:	Surroundings
175.	High Privacy	:_	:		:		Low Privacy	199.	High Privacy	;	_:	_:	_:	Low Privacy
176.	Difficult with						Easy with	200.	Difficult with					Easy with
	Children	:_	:				Children		Children	;	_:	-:	_:	Children
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1 to 4 \_\_\_\_\_ 5 or more \_\_\_\_ None

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CONTINUE WITH QUESTION 201 ON NEXT PAGE

PART 3 TRANSIT ATTITUDES

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201.	. A public mass transit system could be financed in a number of ways. Please rate the following in terms of your preference for financing a public mass transit system:
	a) Riders should pay the full cost of service. Definitely yes Moderately yes Neutral Moderately no Definitely no
	b) "No fare" for riders; mass transit financed by gasoline tax revenues.
	c) "No fare" for riders; mass transit financed by tax added to electric bills.
	d) "No fare" for riders; mass transit financed by tax added to property taxes.
	Definitely yes Moderately yes Neutral Moderately no Definitely no e) Riders pay most costs, with balance from gasoline tax revenues.
	Definitely yes Moderately yes Neutral Moderately no Definitely no f) Riders may most costs, with balance from tay on electric bills
	Definitely yes Moderately yes Neutral Moderately no Definitely no
	p/ Nucl's pay most costs, with balance from tax added to property taxes. Definitely yes Moderately yes Neutral Moderately no Definitely no
202.	Indicate which four of the following areas should receive high importance for city tax dollar priorities. (Please check the four most important).         a)       local street paving       e)       automobile pollution control       h)       exclusive bus lanes         b)       street crossing safety       f)       rail mass transit       i)       residential sidewalks         c)       traffic safety       g)       bus mass transit       j)       hike and bike trails
203.	How much is the fare for a typical (about 5 miles) bus trip in the City of Austin? (If you don't know, leave blank). a) 20¢ b) 25¢ c) 30¢ d) 35¢ e) 40¢
204.	. If you were to change residence would you consider the distance of the new residence from your place of employment as a major selection criteria? Definitely yes Moderately yes Neutral Moderately no Definitely no
205.	. If shuttle service were provided at the auditorium or other locations outside the downtown area, would you be willing to park there and take the shuttl to downtown? Definitely yes Moderately yes Neutral Moderately no Definitely no
206.	Which form of mass transit would you prefer?
207.	. Should government encourage the use of non-auto transportation as a solution to traffic congestion and air pollution? Definitely yes Moderately ves Neutral Moderately no Definitely no
208.	. Do you believe that Austin will soon have a severe air pollution problem because of excessive automobile traffic? Definitely yes Moderately yes Neutral Moderately no Definitely no
209.	. Does the lack of sidewalks deter you from walking short distances in your neighborhood? Definitely yes Moderately yes Neutral Moderately no Definitely no
210.	Are the streets in your neighborhood well maintained? Definitely yes Moderately yes Neutral Moderately no Definitely no
211.	Should employers be responsible for supplying parking for their employees to reduce on-street parking? Definitely yes Moderately yes Neutral Moderately no Definitely no
212.	Do you often use streets that have bicycle lanes? Yes No If so, do these lanes interfere with traffic? Definitely yes Moderately yes Neutral Moderately no Definitely no
213.	Would you be in favor of bus passes as a fringe benefit of your employment? Definitely yes Moderately yes Neutral Moderately no Definitely no
214.	Would a bus pass as a fringe benefit cause you to ride the buses more frequently, especially to and from work? Definitely yes Moderately yes Neutral Moderately no Definitely no
215.	Would you be in favor of car-pools to travel to and from work if your car were in the pool? Definitely yes Moderately yes Neutral Moderately no Definitely no
216.	If vehicles (cars, vans, trucks, etc.) were supplied by employers, would you favor car pools? Definitely yes Moderately yes Neutral Moderately no Definitely no
217.	Would you pay 1 or 2 cents more per gallon of gasoline with that money being used to help pay for the transit system? Definitely yes Moderately yes Neutral Moderately no Definitely no
218.	Would you be in favor of paying higher annual vehicle license plate fees on your personal vehicles with the money collected earmarked for transit improvement? Definitely yes Moderately yes Neutral Moderately no Definitely no
219.	Do you think that it is less expensive to ride the bus to and from work (assuming 60¢ or less per round trip) than it is to drive your own car (taking into account gas, oil, parking, depreciation, insurance, etc.)? Definitely yes Moderately yes Neutral Moderately no Definitely no
220.	Do you need your car for business trips during the day? Definitely yes Moderately yes Neutral Moderately no Definitely no
221.	Are the bus schedules and maps easy for you to understand? (If you have not seen any, leave this question blank).
222.	Definitely yes Moderately yes Neutral Moderately no Definitely no If you had to pay to park your car, what price for parking your vehicle each day would cause you to switch to using transit?
	50 cents         \$1         \$1.51 to \$2.00           51 cents to \$1         \$1.01 to \$1.50         \$More than \$2.00
223.	If you do not ride the bus, why not? Or if you ride the bus, which of the following items bother you? (Nank the <u>worst three</u> with No. I being the worst.)
	Long walks to bus stop (How far is too longon level ground?       No bus shelters         blocks; uphil?       blocks)         Risk of being stranded, especially at night       Slower than car         Long waits for buses       Routes do not go where you want to go         Dirty       Too many bus riders are dangerous or undesirable people         Dirty       Loss of personal freedom         Rude bus drivers       No bus service available
224.	If city mass transit were improved, low-cost and provided convenient service, would you use it? Definitely yes Moderately yes Neutral Moderately no Definitely no
225.	How long does it take you to get to work (or your school, if student) usually? 0 to 5 minutes6 to 15 minutes20 to 30 minutesMore than 30 minutes
226.	If you drive to work, where do you usually park? Parking garage Street without meter
007	Parking lot Other Other
227.	How far from your work place do you usually park?
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228.	Se answer the followin How much time on the	ng questio	do vou s	rning yo	ur prefere	nces in radio, i	t.v., newsp	etc?	le like.			
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	Don't read	the newsp	aper		Don	t read magazines	5	Don	t listen at al.	L		Don't watch at all
	1-30 minute 31-60 minute	es tes			1-30 31-6	minutes O minutes	-	1-60 1-3	minutes hours			1-50 minutes 1-3 hours
	Over 1 hour	r			Over	1 hour	-	Over	3 hours			Over 3 hours
229.	Which newspaper(s) do	o you norm	ally rea	d at lea	st 3 times	per week?						,
	None AUSTIN AMER	RICAN STAT	ESMAN		Span THE	ish Language New DAILY TEXAN	spaper _	Othe	r (Which one?_			)
230	What sections of the	nourcener	do vou	1010111	mond (Plan	se shock your l	favoritor	2				
2 30,	General new	ws (first	section)	usually	Woma	n's Section	Tavorices,	Ann	Landers or Dea:	- Аъъу	0	ther (which?
	Comics Sports				Busi Want	ness Section Ads	-	Ente Adve	rtainment rtisements			
231.	What radio stations d	lo vou usu	uallv lis	ten to?	Please ch	eck the one(s) w	- rou listen	to at least 3	times per week	. and ALSO	check the	time(s) you normal:
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			KOKE	1370							-	
			KNOW	1490 VM							-	
		·	KMFA	89.5							_	
			KUT KLBJ	90.7 93.7							-	
			KOKE	95.5							-	
			KHFI KASE	98.3 101							-	
			KRMH	103.7							-	
232.	What programs do you	usually 1	isten to	(please	rank your	first 4 choices	5)?					
	None News				Sports Talk-s	hows	-	Cour. Clas	try-Western Mus sical Music	sic		Other Programs
	Variety				Top-4	0" Music	-	"Eas	y-Listening"			
233.	What T.V. stations do	you usua	lly wate	h? Plea	se check t	<u>he</u> <u>one</u> (s) you wa	atch <u>at</u> les	<u>st 3 times</u> pe	r week, and ALS	30 check th	e <u>time</u> (s) <u>y</u>	ou normally watch
	each.	<b>2</b>										
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		36	KTVV Ca	ble 4							-	
		7	(Austin KTBC Ca	) ble 5							-	
		'	(Austin	)					·		-	
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		11	KTVT Ca	ble 9							-	
		41	KWEX Ca	ble 13							-	
			(San An Other	tonio)							-	
234.	What programs do you	usually w	match (pl	ease ran	k your fir	st 4 choices)?					-	
	None				News		_	Game	Shows			Plays
	Variety Sports				Talk S Movies	hows	-	West Come	erns dies			Other (which?
	Children's				Soap 0	peras	-	Poli	ce/Detective			/
235.	What clubs or organiz	ations do	you bel	ong to a	nd attend	about once per m	month or mo	re?				
	None				Politi	cal Groups	_	Athl	etic Team			Neighborhood
	Church Orga Other(s) (	unizations (which?			PTA	)	-	Card	Group			Organizations
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Fina	lly, we would like to	have some	informa	tion abo	ut you, fo	r analysis and t	abulation	purposes. Pl	ease answer the	e following	CONFIDENTI	AL questions.
236.	Sex:Male	Female										
237.	Marital Status:	Single	time stu	arried	Other	ime student	Not a	student				
239	What is the approximation	ate addres	ss of you	r place	of employm	ent? (If not e	mployed, le	ave blank) /	ddress or near	est interse	ction	
240. 241.	Your Age:Less t How many people are :	than 21 ye in your ho	ears ousehold?	21-25	years ne	30-44 years Two Three	e	-59 years our Fiv	60 years or ne or more	older		
242.	Please indicate the a	age of you	ur oldest	child 1	iving at h	ome. If you ha	ve no child	tren living at	home, leave q	uestion <u>bla</u>	nk.	
243.	What is the highest ]	level of e	ducation	attaine	d by you?	513=19	years		oldel			
շհհ	Junior High or le	ess describes	Some Hi	gh Schoo al famil	lH	igh School Grad	uate u are a sti	Some Colleg	e/Professional	Training	Colle	ge Grad or Higher
	incomes. Your answer	r to this	question	and ALI	other que	stions, is COMP	LETELY CONH	IDENTIAL.	**************************************	orneu oobur	or jour un	a jour spouse e
245.	What is your ethnic }	u background	_ə>,000-⊅ 1?	Mexic	an-America	nBlack	W	ite	\$20,000 8	r more		
246. 247	Do you ? Own ho How many automobiles	are in w	Live i	n Mobile	Home	Rent home	Ren	nt Apartment	Other or More			
248.	How long have you liv	ved in Aus	stin?	Less	than 6 mo	nths6	months to 1	year	_1 to 3 years	3 t	o 5 years	5 years or
2 <b>49</b> . 250.	Do you work in the do Approximately how off	owntown ar ten do you	rea of Au 1 shop in	stin? stores	Yes in the dow	No ntown area of A	ustin?					more
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271.	Twice a week or	more ofte	a snop in en	_2 or 3	times a m	onthOne	ce a month	Every	2 or 3 months	A	lmost never	
252.	Approximately how off Twice a week or	ten do you more ofte	ı shop in en	2 or 3	in <u>Hancock</u> times a m	Center? onth One	ce a month	Even	2 or 3 months	Δ	lmost never	
253.	Approximately how oft	ten do you	shop in	stores	in Southwo	od Center?			0 0 0 0	^	most north	
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