



Pupil Mode of Travel Survey Teachers' Notes

National School Census Deadline Friday 21 January 2011

It is a mandatory requirement by the DCSF that this mode of travel data is updated once a year for each and every pupil to identify how school children and staff usually travel to and from school. You should also report on how they would prefer to travel

- (1) Use the sheet with preprinted names and postcodes provided by your admin officer or School Travel Champion.
- (2) Ask the questions on **normal** travel days – NOT on a Walk on Wednesday or Walk to School Week day!
- (3) If you think your pupils are too young to answer the questions reliably, ask their parents instead at the start or end of the day when they travel with their children.
- (4) If any children are absent, ask and add their usual and preferred mode of travel when they next attend
- (5) Explain to your pupils that this is a survey about how they usually travel to school and how they'd like to travel to school.
- (6) In the USUAL column write in ONLY ONE MODE - choose a single mode in the following order
 - a) used most often
 - b) covers the most distance
 - c) is the *least* sustainable
(the list on the right shows all modes that can be recorded and in order of sustainability)

ENTER
ONLY ONE
MODE

Description	Least sustainable
Car	
Car Share	
Park & Stride	
Taxi	
School Bus	
Train	
Tube	
DLR	
Tram	
Bus	
Bicycle	
Buggy	
Walk (includes scooter etc)	
Boarder	
Other	Most sustainable

- (7) Car Share is where the driver stops to pick up additional pupils; Park and Stride is where the school designates a safe parking area away from the school to reduce congestion around the school entrance and in order for children to get some exercise
- (8) Write in the usual mode of travel - enter only ONE MODE
- (9) Then ask your pupils to think about how they would PREFER to travel to school, going through the same process as in (2) and (3) above. ALL RESPONDENTS MUST ANSWER BOTH QUESTIONS even if the answers to both are the same.
- (10) **Complete the form** – make sure that the number of responses equals the number of children in the class. You need to collect all the data by Friday 21 January 2011.
- (11) Hand the completed form back to Karen Little in Admin or to your School Travel Champion Neil Yarwood who will collate the Class Travel Surveys and input the data onto the school information system