WTP 2035 - Phase 2 Update

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Overview

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- 2015 VOWS Survey
- Phase 2 Milestones and Status
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Phase 2 Purpose

- 20 year blueprint – fitting the transportation pieces together
- Develop framework for investment strategies and decisions
- Build on policies, findings, recommendations from Phase 1
- Integrate modal plans
- Reflect WSDOT's strategic direction
- Address Governor's direction on climate change
- Meet federal and state requirements for statewide, long-range multimodal plan

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2015 VOWS Survey

- WSDOT, Commission Staff, Research Assurance, and EMC developed survey to:
  - Gauge attitudes and priorities around transportation issues
  - Introduce WTP 2035 and ask what the plan should focus on
  - Include questions from past surveys to track trends
- Survey Overview:
  - Dates of Survey: June 11 - 22
  - Number of surveys sent: 30,631
  - Number of surveys completed: 7,254
  - Responses received from each RTPO area
- 2014 Survey:
  - Number of surveys completed: 5,531

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Reaction to WTP Vision Statement

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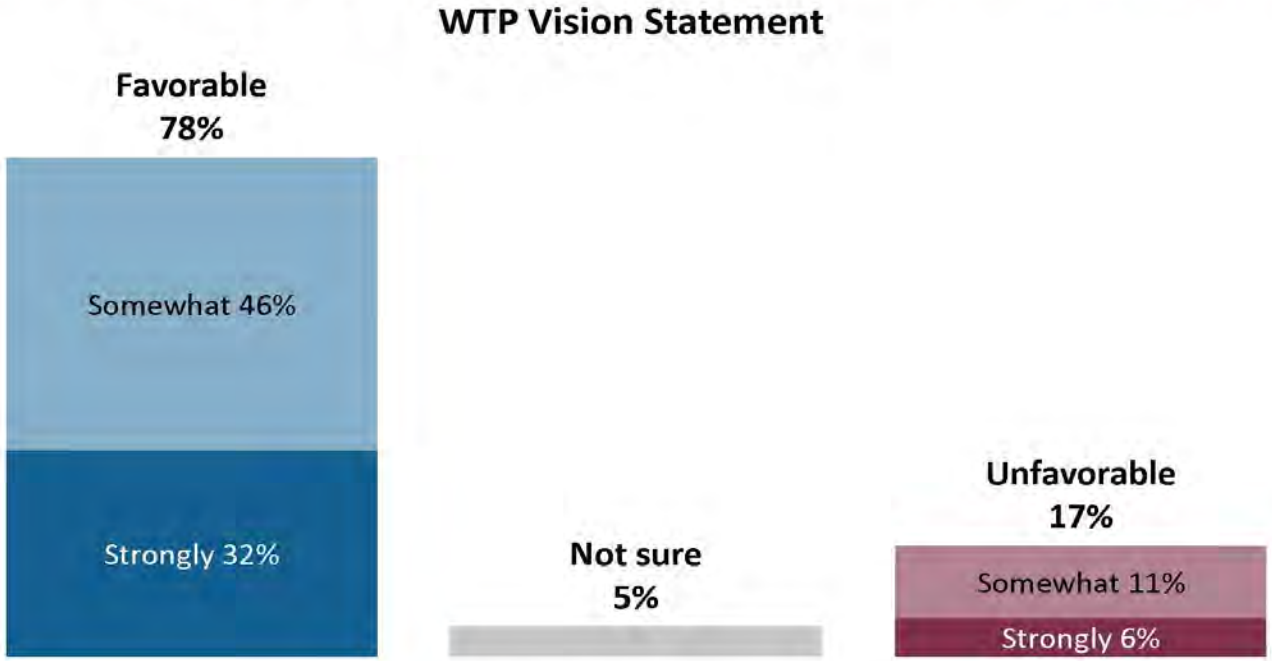
Almost 8 in 10 respondents have a favorable reaction to the vision statement for the Washington Transportation Plan.



Q6. The vision statement for the Washington Transportation Plan says: "By 2035, Washington's transportation system safely connects people and communities, fostering commerce, operating seamlessly across boundaries, and providing travel options to achieve an environmentally and financially sustainable system." In general, do you have a favorable or unfavorable reaction to this vision statement?

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Statewide Transportation System Grade

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Overall, respondents give Washington State's transportation system a C minus grade. Only 18% give the state transportation system an above average grade (A or B), while 34% give it a below average grade (D or F).

State Transportation System Grade

DEFINITION: "Washington State's transportation system" - the roads, highways, bridges, public transit, rail, ferries, airports, sidewalks, and bike lanes that connect the state to move people and goods.

Q1. Using an A, B, C, D or F grading scale, How would you rate Washington's transportation system overall?

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Local System Grade

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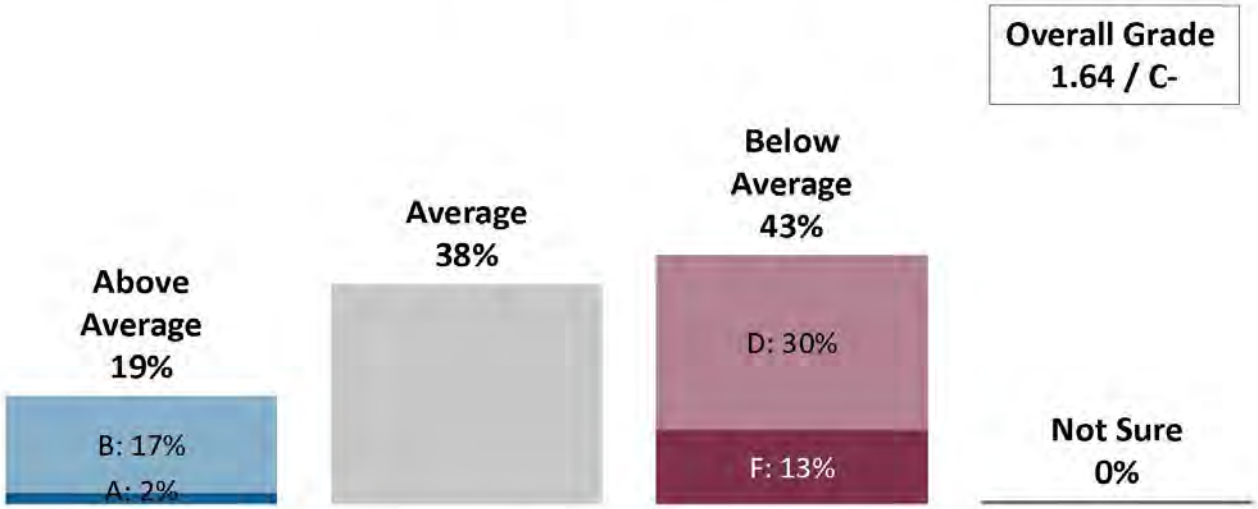
Overall, respondents give the transportation system in their local area a C minus grade. Only 19% give their local transportation system an above average grade, while 43% give it a below average grade.

Local Transportation System Grade



DEFINITION: "transportation system in your local area" - the roads, highways, bridges, public transit, rail, ferries, airports, sidewalks, and bike lanes that connect your city or town to the immediate surrounding areas to move people and goods

Q2. Using an A, B, C, D or F grading scale, How would you rate the transportation system in your local area?

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Importance of Transportation Policy Goals

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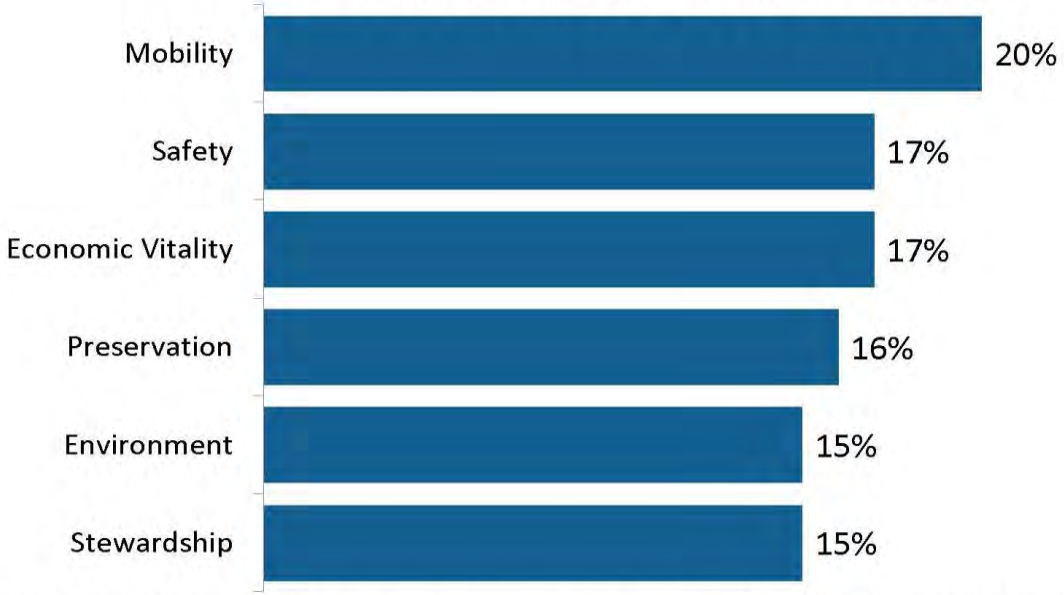
Respondents were asked which of the six policy goals areas the WTP should focus on. While all six goals are seen as important, Mobility is the top priority, followed by Safety, Economic Vitality, and Preservation.

Which Policy Goal Should WTP Focus On?



Q7. The legislature has said that public investments in transportation should support the achievement of all six of policy goals outlined below. Knowing this background, how much focus do you think should be put on meeting each goal? You can assign any percentage from 0% to 100%, or anything in between, but the total for all six goals must add up to 100%.

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Hypothetical Funding Allocation

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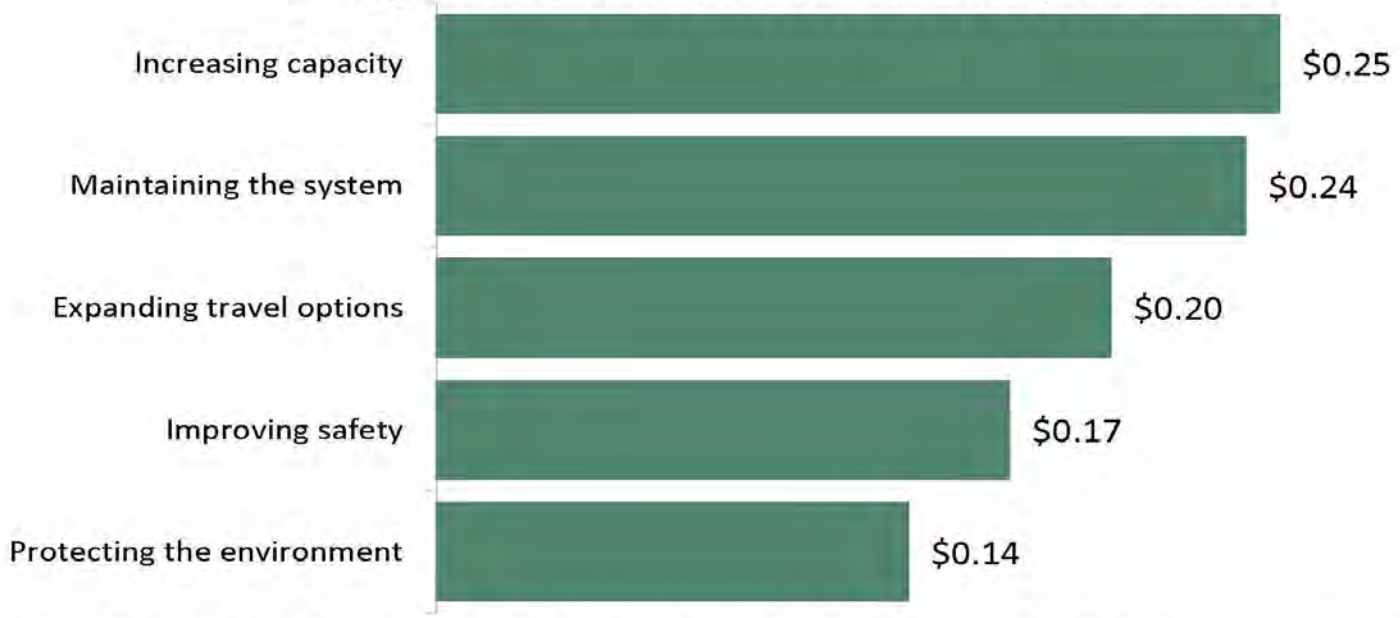
Consistent with earlier VOWS studies, respondents are most interested in investing in increasing capacity and maintaining the system, followed by expanding travel options.

Average Amount Allocated to Each Priority out of $1.00



Q10. If you had $1.00 to divide between the five objectives below, how much would you spend on each objective? For example, if you enter 25 for "improving safety" that means you think "improving safety" should get 25 cents out of the $1.00 you have to spend on transportation. The total for the 5 objectives must add up to $1.00

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Top Transportation Issues

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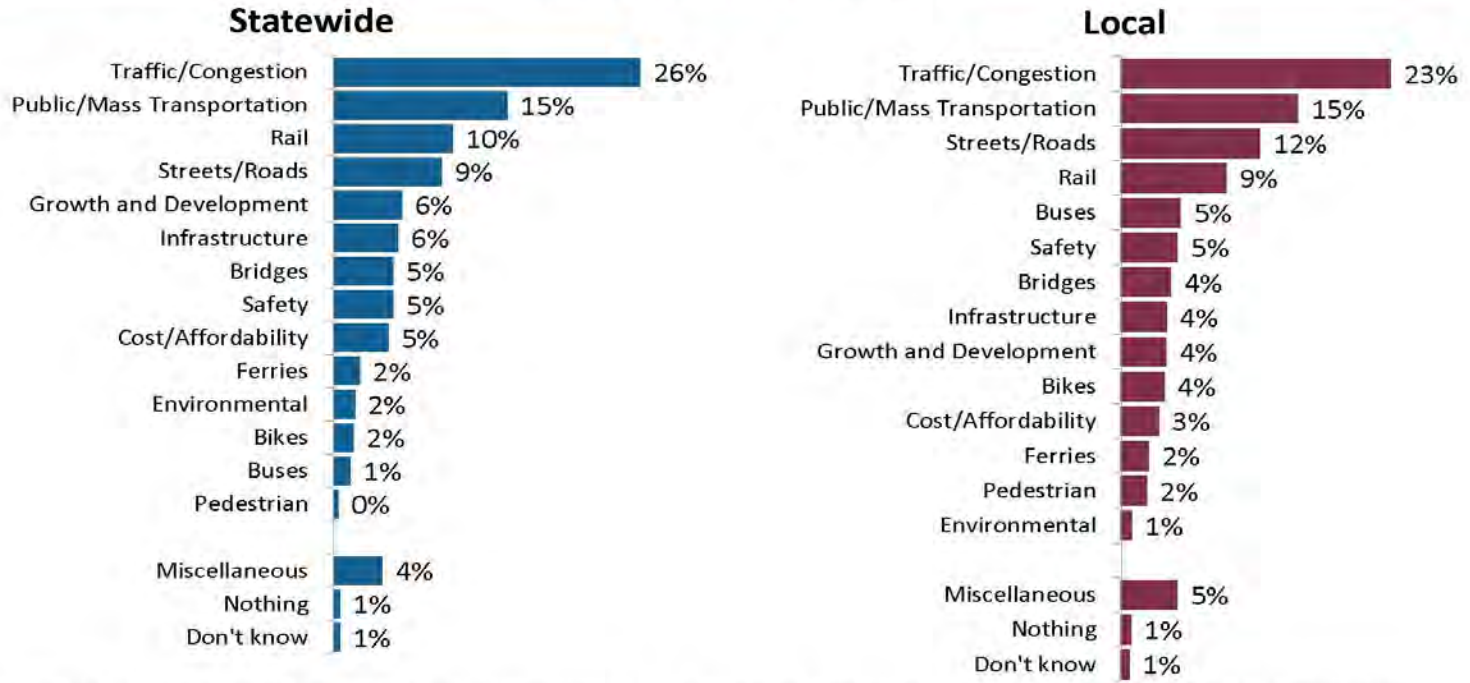
When respondents were asked to write in (no choices offered) what one transportation issue most needs to be addressed as the state thinks about long term transportation planning, the top mention for the state and local systems is the same: traffic/congestion.



Q8/9. What one statewide/local transportation issue do you feel most needs to be addressed as the state thinks about long term transportation planning?

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Phase 2 Milestones and Status

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Winter-Spring 2015	Summer-Fall 2015	Winter-Spring 2016	Summer-Fall 2016	Winter-Spring 2017	Summer-Fall 2017
Blueprint for Statewide Model	Results WSDOT Goal 5 Report Due	Final FHWA Planning Rule Expected		Results WSDOT Goal 2.3 Report Due	
• Phase 1 Adopted by Washington State Transportation Commission • Develop draft Scope of Work • Public Transportation Plan Update	• Develop Phase 1 Scorecard • Reconvene Phase 1 Steering Committee • Public Transportation Plan and Aviation System Plan Updates • Finalize Scope of Work • Re-establish Phase 1 Advisory Group	• Public Transportation Plan and Aviation System Plan Updates • Consultation and Data Collection • Define Existing Conditions • Conduct Scenario Planning • Develop System Needs Evaluation Strategies • Advisory Group meetings • Steering Committee meetings • Conduct and document outreach	• Aviation System Plan and Ferry System Plan Updates • Consultation and data collection • Forecast Future Conditions • Develop Evaluation Criteria • Advisory Group meetings • Steering Committee meetings • Conduct and document outreach	• Highway System Plan and Ferry System Plan Updates • Finalize Evaluation Criteria • Develop Recommendations • Advisory Group meetings • Steering Committee meetings • Conduct and document outreach	• Finalize Recommendations • Draft WTP 2035 Phase 2 Report • Advisory Group meetings • Steering Committee meetings • Stakeholder Briefings • Final WTP 2035 Phase 2 Report delivered to WSDOT Secretary • Conduct and document outreach

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Resources

- **Phase 1:** www.wtp2035.com
- **Phase 2:** www.wsdot.wa.gov/planning/wtp
- **Executive Order 14-04:** www.wsdot.wa.gov/SustainableTransportation/CleanTranspo.htm
- **Results WSDOT:** www.wsdot.wa.gov/Secretary/ResultsWSDOT.htm
- **Community Engagement Plan:** www.wsdot.wa.gov/planning/

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