

Introduction and Updates to **StreetLight Data**

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Agenda

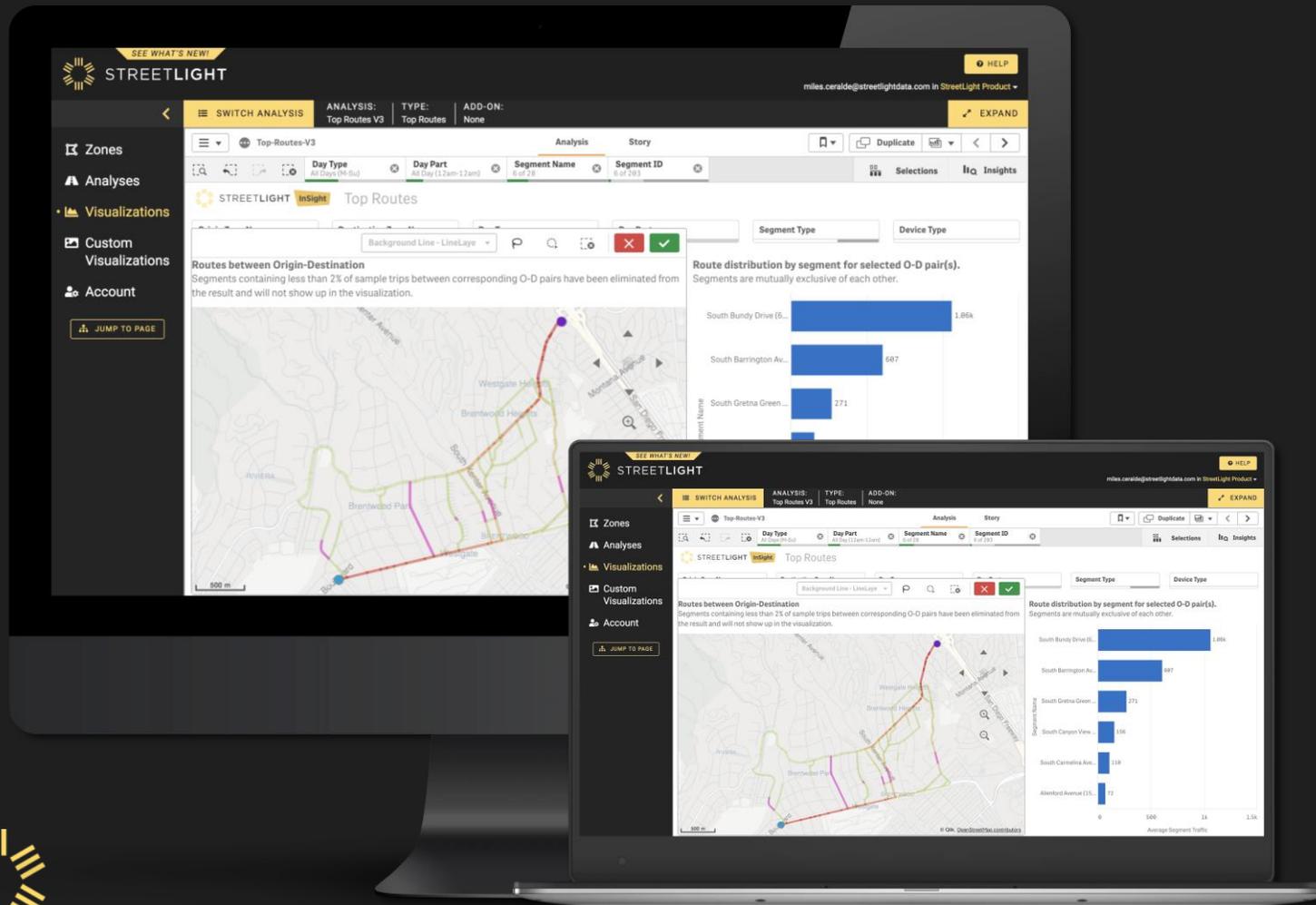
1. Who we are
2. Our data sources
3. How **StreetLight InSight®** changes transportation planning
4. StreetLight Data Modeling Applications
5. Q&A



A sea change is coming to transportation and cities.



StreetLight InSight® is the only **interactive** transportation data platform.



- It's NOT a model, a report or a static heatmap.
- It's your self-serve desktop software with **on-demand access to accurate mobility metrics.**



How we get there: Big Data and proprietary Route Science®



MOBILE DEVICE DATA
from ~28% of U.S. and Canadian adults

Example, San Bernardino, CA
Oct 8, 2017 24-hr snapshot

CONTEXT

Parcel Data
Digital Road Network Data
U.S. Census

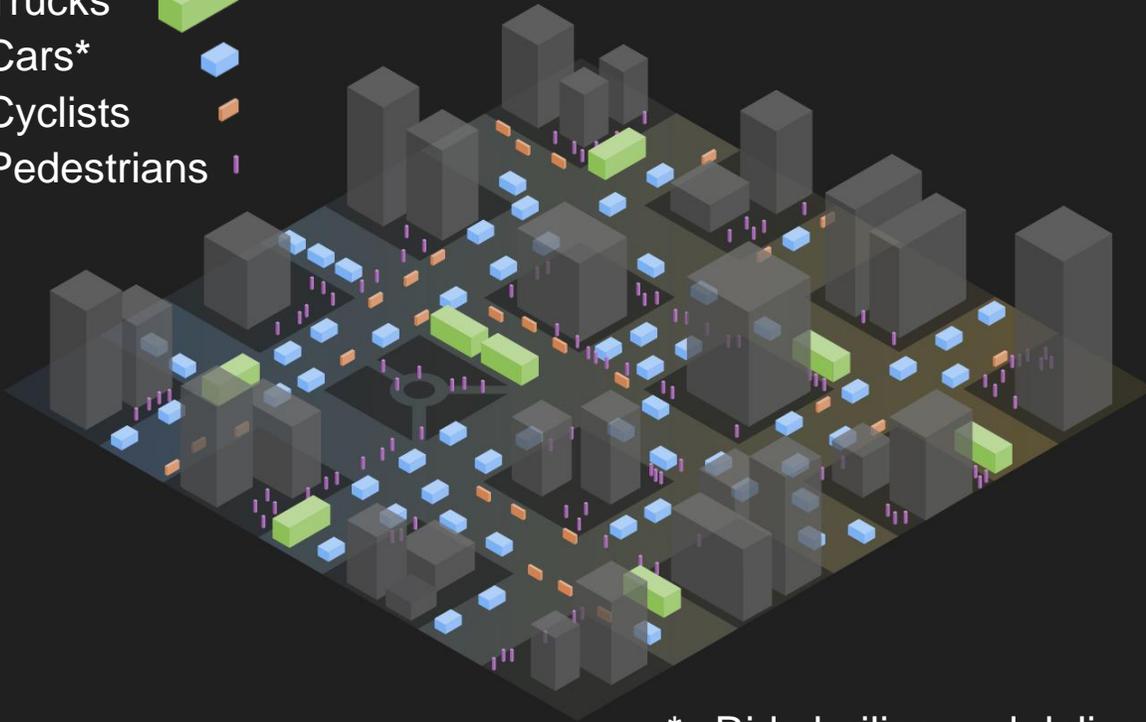
- Every month, we process over 100 billion anonymized location records from **smart phones** and **GPS navigation devices** in cars and trucks.
- **Route Science®** transforms them into **contextualized**, normalized and aggregated travel patterns.



At your fingertips: Analytics for every road, bike lane and Census Block

MODES:

Trucks 
Cars* 
Cyclists 
Pedestrians 



* Ride hailing and delivery mode also available

FUNDAMENTAL ANALYTICS:

Origin Destination

Routing

Select Link

AADT, MADT, hourly traffic

TRIP ATTRIBUTES:

Trip speed, duration, length

Travel time

Trip circuitry

TRAVELER ATTRIBUTES:

Inferred trip purpose

Demographics



Faster, better answers to your biggest problems

Industry Use Cases:



TRANSPORTATION PLANNING:

- Active Transportation
- Before & After Studies
- Congestion Studies
- Event & Tourism Studies
- Freight Studies
- First & Last Mile Studies
- Transit Studies
- Travel Demand Management



TRAFFIC ENGINEERING & OPERATIONS:

- Congestion Studies
- Corridor Studies
- Travel Time
- Turning Movements
- Safety
- Circuity



SMART CITIES & NEW MOBILITY:

- Before & After Studies
- EV Infrastructure Planning
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions & VMT
- Ride Hailing & Delivery Studies
- Social Equity
- Travel Demand Management



A journey of innovation marked by transportation industry-firsts



2015

World's first mobility SaaS platform

StreetLight InSight® software gives mobility professionals on-demand access to actionable analytics.

2016

Industry first with LBS data

Boost in accuracy and data coverage by tapping into location-based services (LBS) data sources.

2017

Industry first with on-demand AADT

Average daily traffic counts for 5 million miles of roadway, validated with more than 11,000 permanent counts.

2019

Industry-first Bike and Ped metrics

Volume, trip and traveler attributes and other core metrics for bicycle and pedestrian traffic.



1.4 billion usable trips analyzed in Jan 2019

Increase of 4x vs. Jan 2018, with better accuracy



4x

more trips in
January 2019 vs.
January 2018

- **More confidence in your sample**, your recommendations, and their future success
- Increased coverage of **smaller roads and rural areas**
- More sample for **granular zones**, e.g. city blocks, parcels, gas stations and other destinations
- More sample for less frequent behaviors like **biking**.
- More sample for **special events**, e.g. games and festivals

StreetLight's Mission

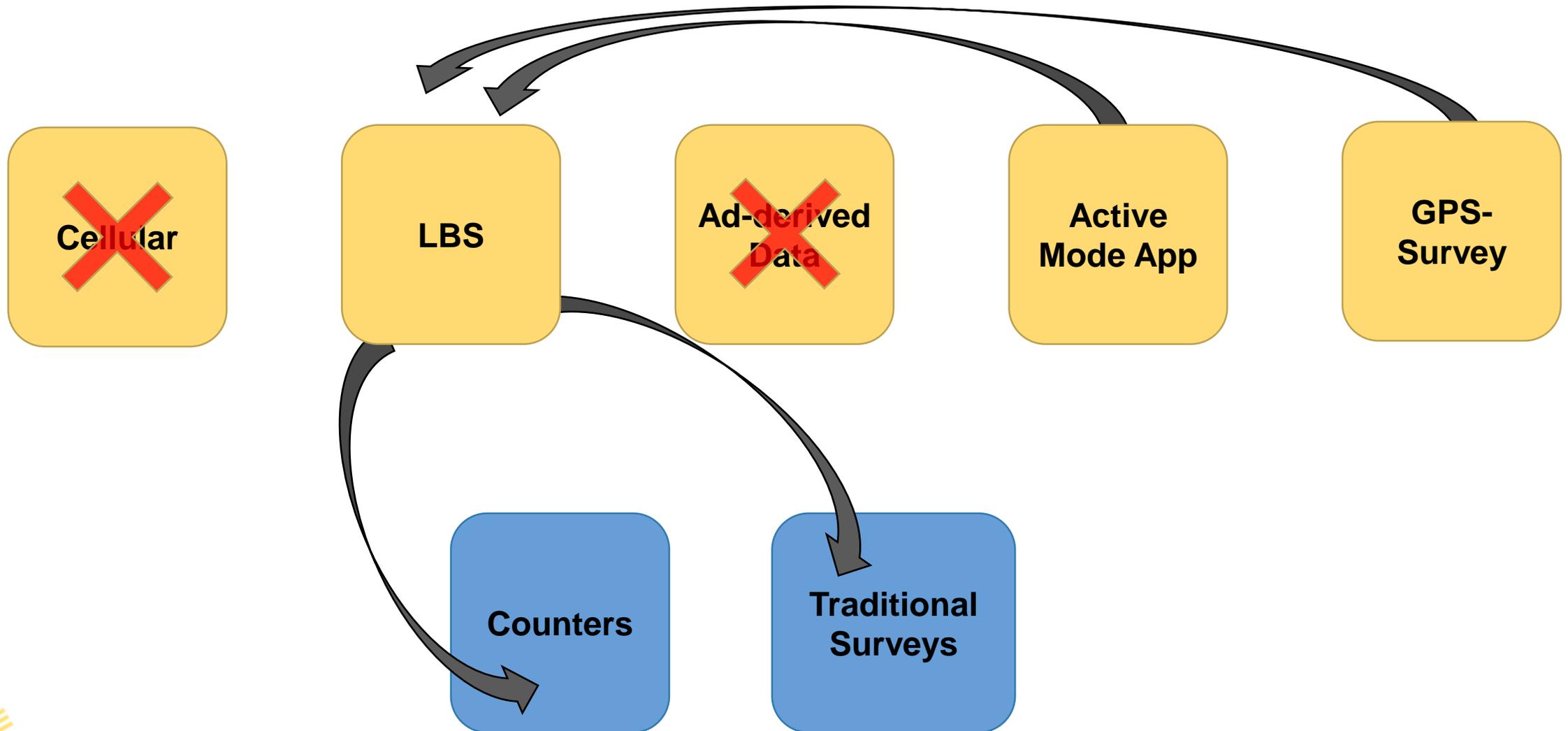
Measure all modes and
how they INTERACT.



24% OF PEDESTRIANS
HEADING TO SUBWAY

78% OF BIKES
HEADING DOWNTOWN

Step 1: Pick the Right Data



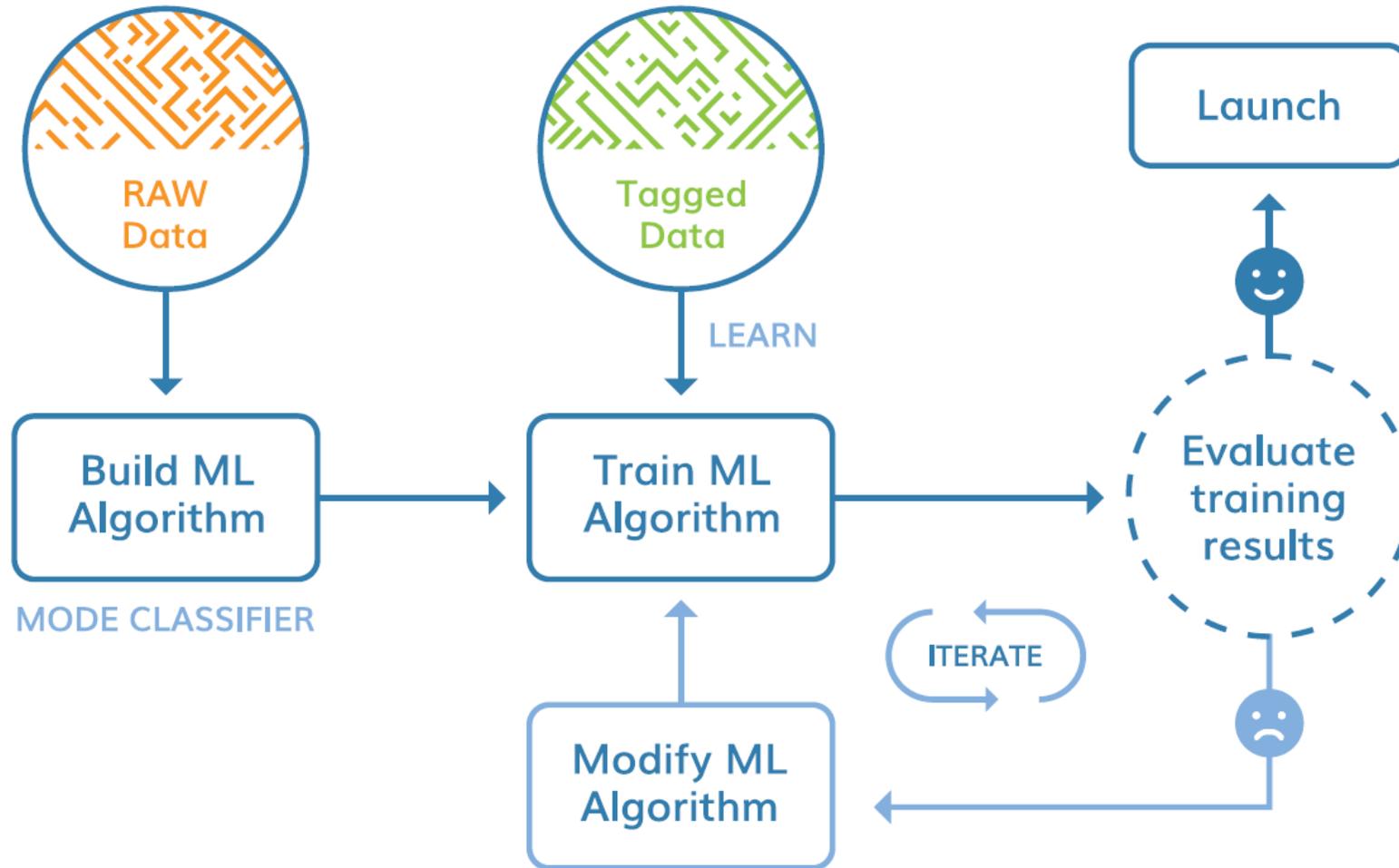
Step 2: Machine Learning to Recognize Modes at the Ping Level

Training a Random Forest Classifier – Data Sets by Source

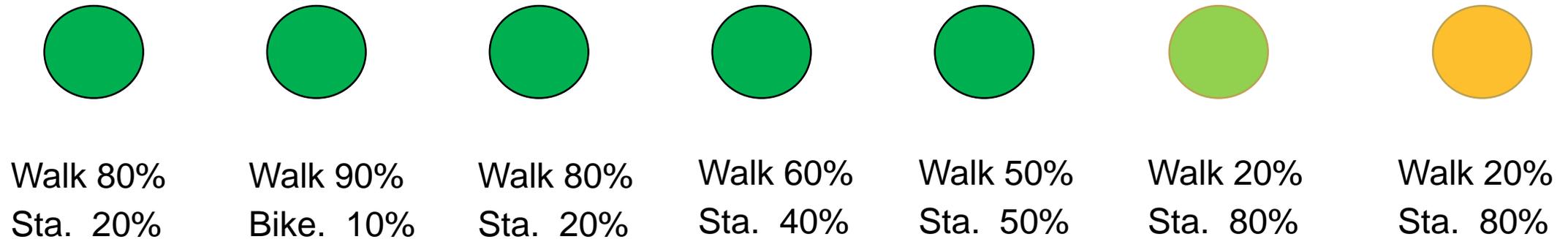
Source	Tagged Points	Harvested Points
Caltrans Travel Survey (NREL**)	26M	~500K
Atlanta Regional Travel Survey (NREL)	2.4M	~75K
Mid-Region Travel Survey – Albuquerque (NREL)	3M	~92K
Southern Nevada Household Travel Survey (NREL)	4.2M	~133K
Capital Bikeshare	334K	~48K
Beijing Pedestrian (Microsoft)	5.5M	~27K
Total Number of Points in Training Data Set		~900K



3 METHODOLOGY + VALIDATION



Step 3: Group “Pings” into Mode-Assigned Trips

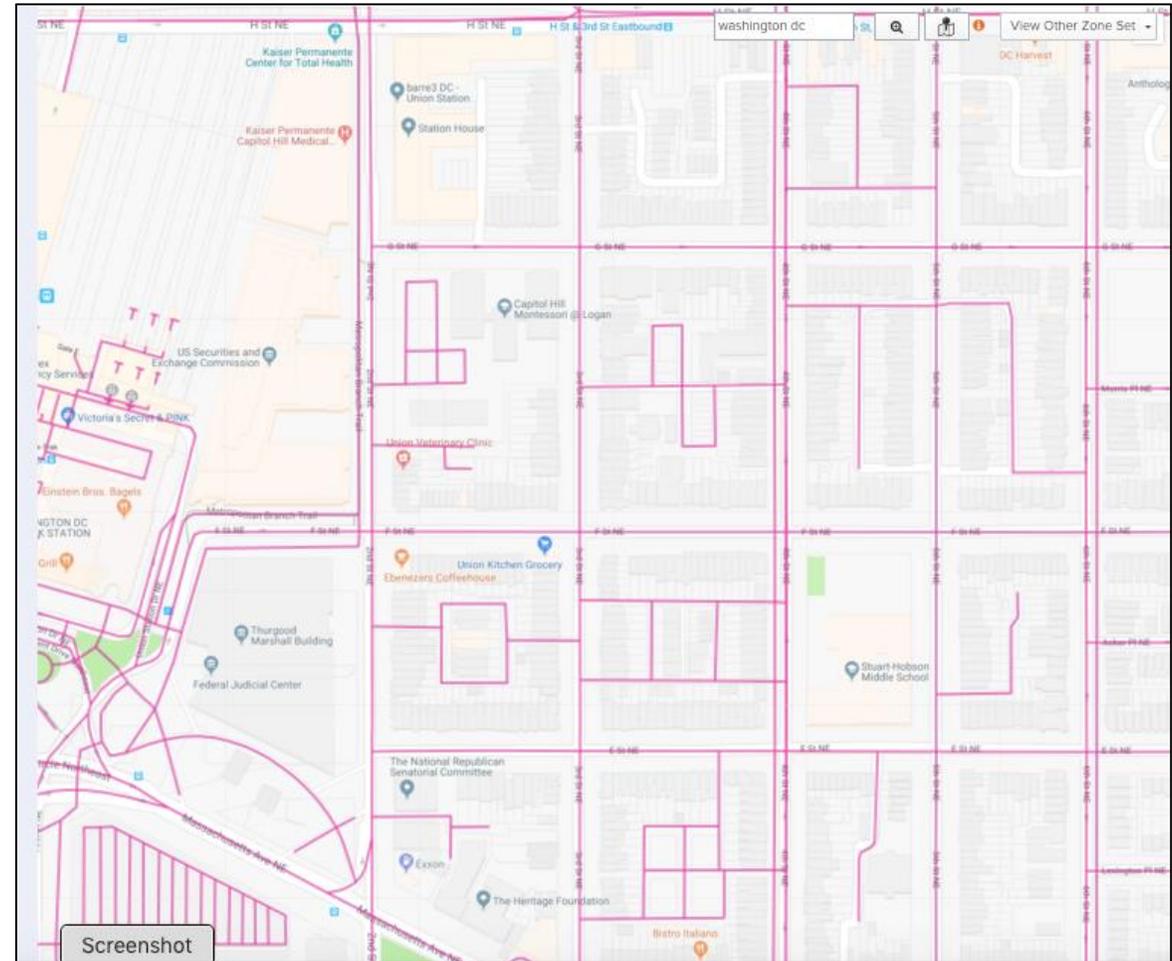


- Apply intelligence from machine learning process to infer probability of mode choice for each ping
- Stationary is a “mode”



Step 4: “Lock” to Allowable Networks

- No geometry subtracted from car Open Street Map (OSM), only added
- Implications for Pedestrians
 - Complexities with pedestrians: jaywalking can be missed
 - Very large and spread out buildings, like conferences centers, can be confusing

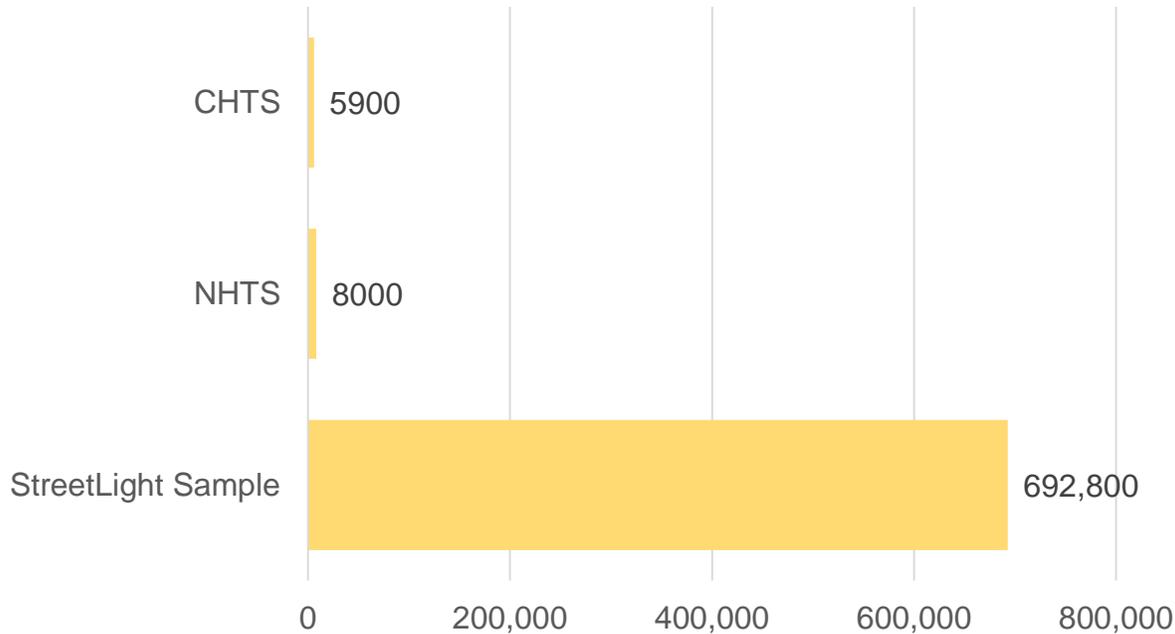


Validation – Compare to NHTS/CHTS Surveys (Bike Only)

StreetLight's nationwide sample (May 2017) is 86 times larger than NHTS!

StreetLight's average trip distance are shorter than surveys, especially NHTS

Bike Trips Sampled by Source



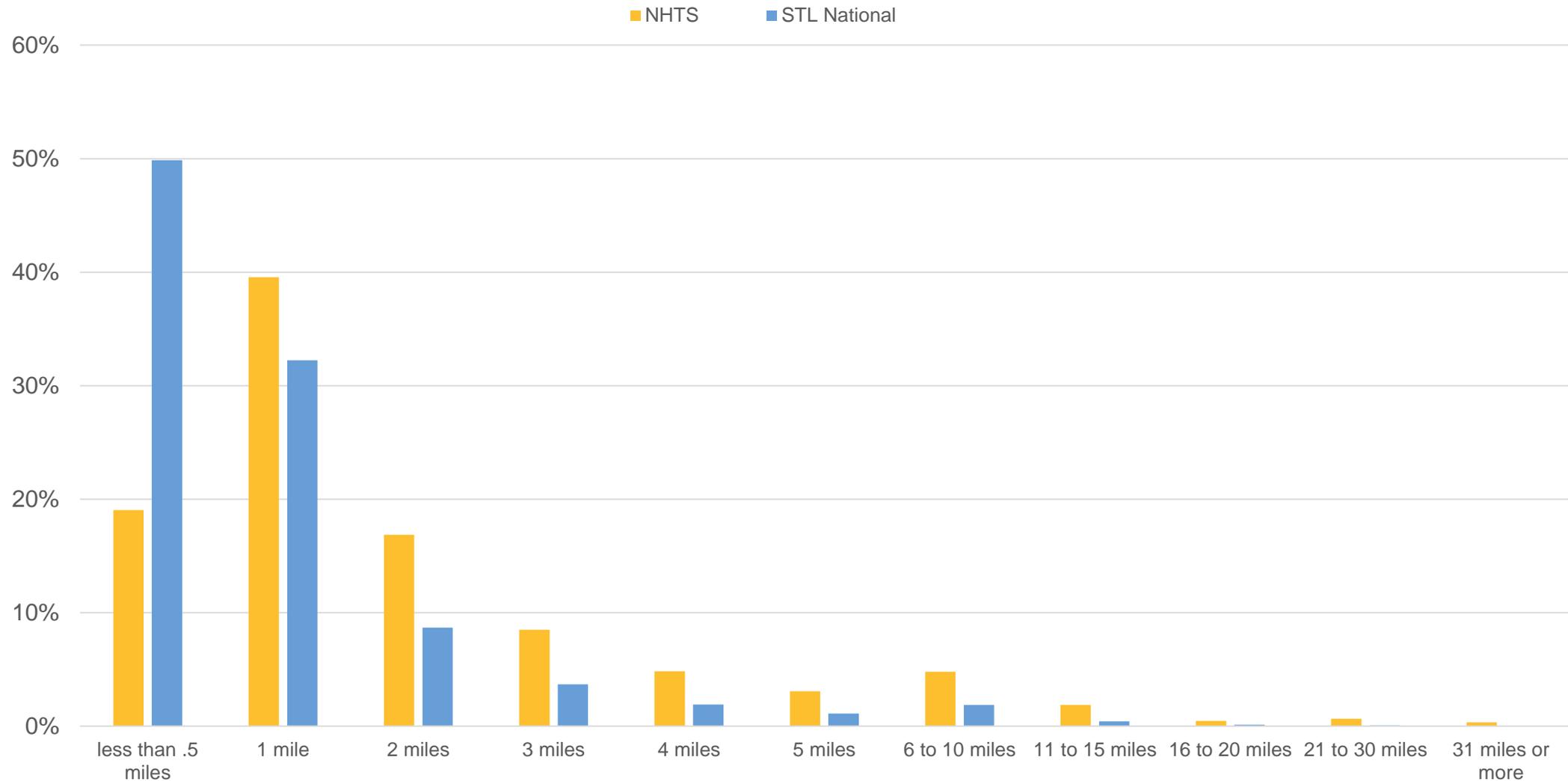
Average Trip Length from Different Sources

Mode	NHTS (miles)	SL – Nat'l (miles)	CHTS (miles)	SL – CA (miles)
Bicycle (all)	2.38	1.09	1.50	1.11
Bicycle (>300m)		1.30		1.30



LBS Mobile Applications reveal a much higher share of short trips

Histogram of Bike Trip Distance Comparison

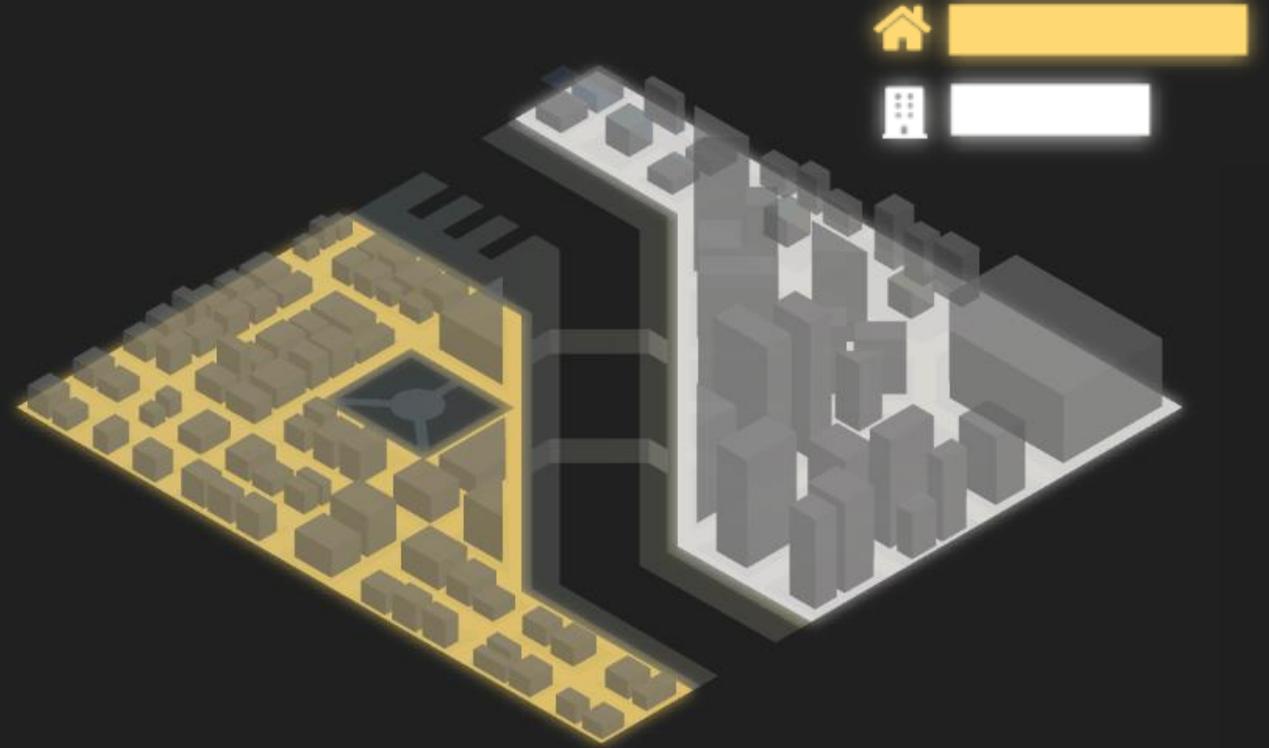


Mobility Analytics as Real-World Counts by Hour, Month, or Year.

3. The output is **unbiased, population-representative mobility analytics** — accessible through StreetLight InSight®.

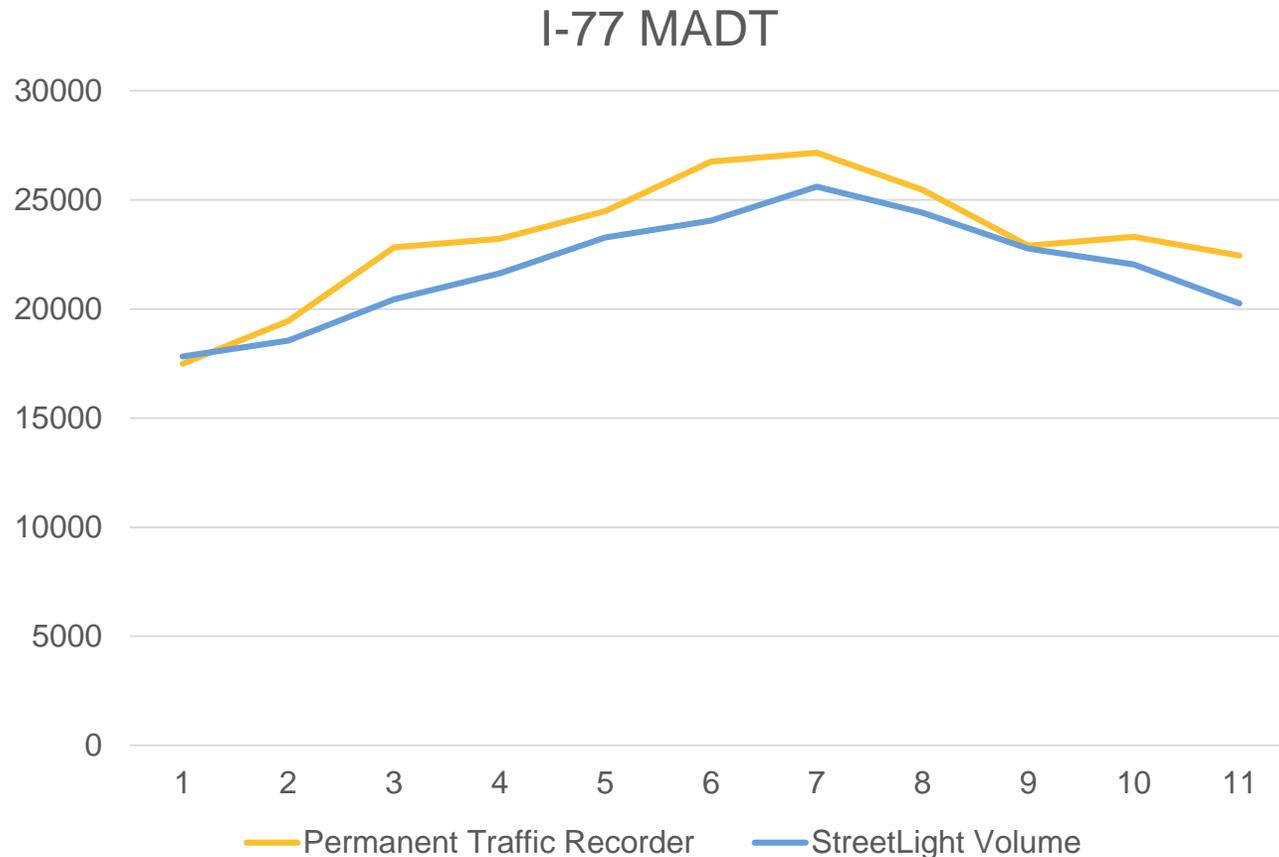


- **Traffic counts**
 - **Annual (AADT)**
 - **Monthly (MADT)**
 - **Hourly (AAHT)**
- **Origin, destination, and routes**
- **Trip speed, duration, length, and more**





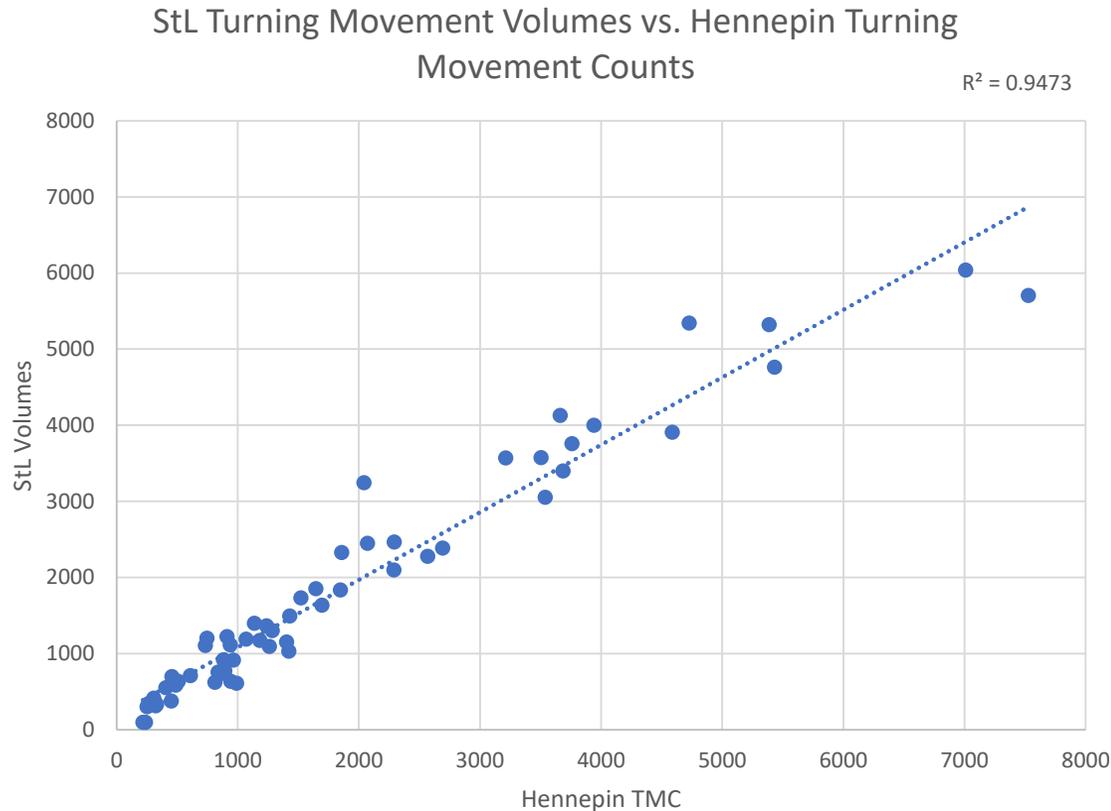
Result: A Validated Big Data MADT at Your Fingertips



- In our validation, StreetLight MADT was found to be **closely aligned** with a known permanent counter on I-77.
- Get MADT to calculate **vehicle miles traveled (VMT) for all roads** in the region, not just highways.
- Accurately **measure seasonal traffic conditions to support better forecasts**, future traffic capacity, and congestion.
- Understand the growth and impact of traffic seasonality to better **support policy planning**.



Result: On-Demand Turning Movement Counts, Validated and Proven as Accurate as Real-World Counts



- We **compared** our results to counts gathered using a traditional data collection method.
- We saw a high correlation, **R2 of 0.947**.
- StreetLight Volume reliably captures turning movement counts **without the hassle** of installing sensors, or any manual post-processing.
- Transportation experts can easily get tens, if not **hundreds**, of turning movement counts **within minutes**.

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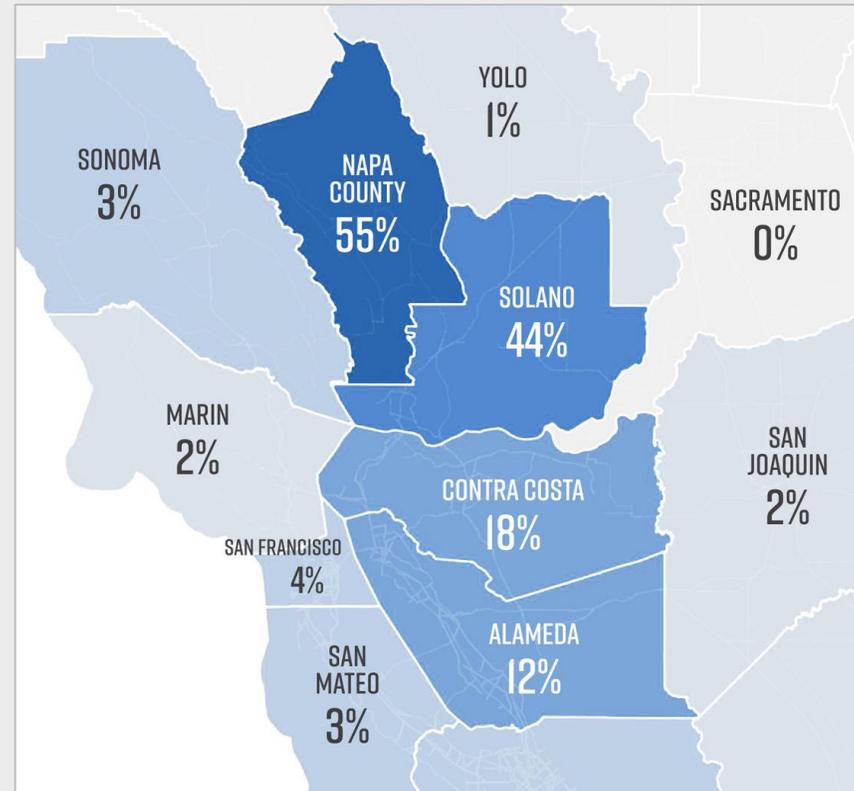
Pass-Through Congestion Study

Challenge

Napa residents felt that growing numbers of tourists and pass-through tech workers were causing growing congestion. Planners wanted to know for sure.

Big Data-Driven Solution

The analysis revealed that commuters working in Napa were the top cause of traffic. Tourists and pass-through trips from neighboring counties were less significant.



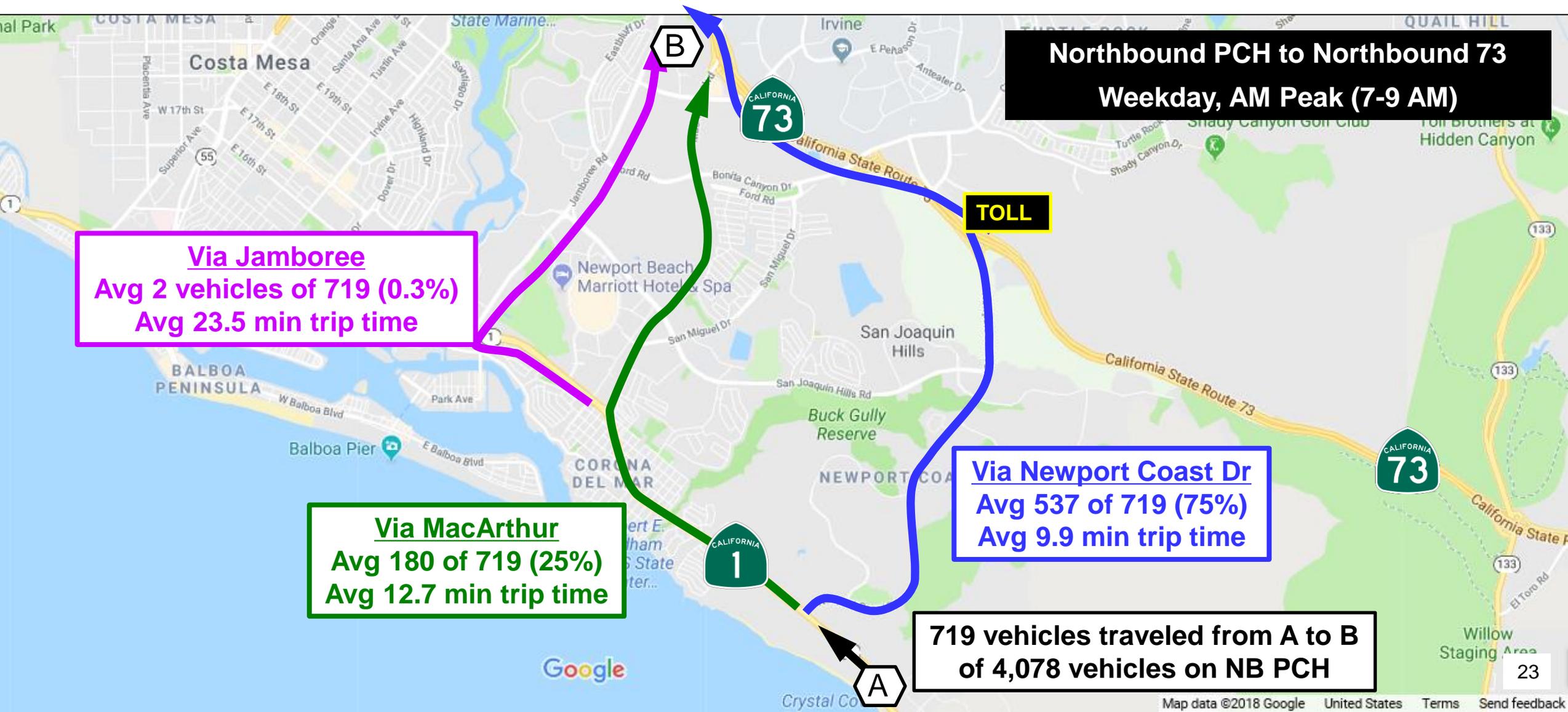
Data visualization showing that congestion trips originate within Napa county and neighboring counties

“StreetLight helped us answer questions that are too costly and time consuming to analyze with traditional methods.”

KEVIN JOHNSON
Fehr & Peers



Pricing + Stakeholder Outreach



Freight Studies for Long-Haul Traffic

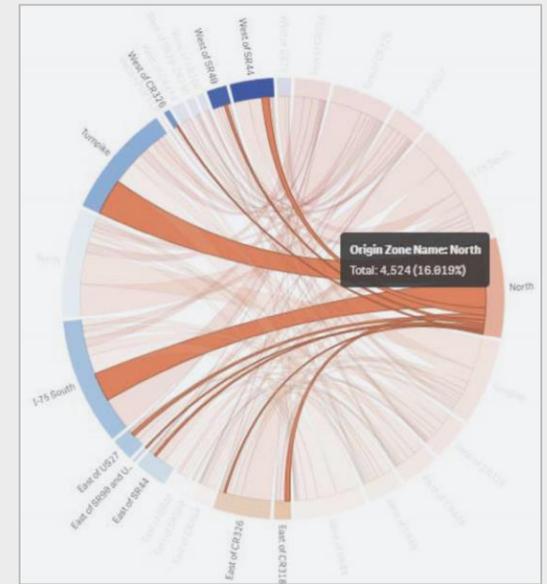
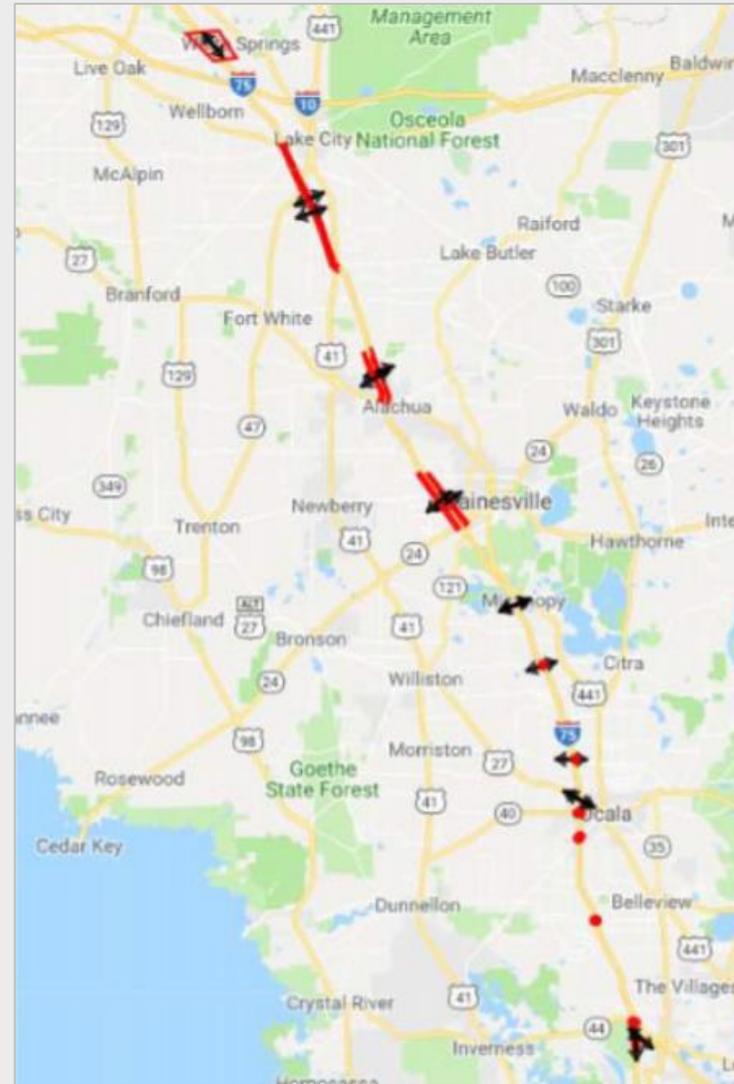
Challenge

To study potential congestion mitigation tactics, planners needed to know what percentage of Florida highway traffic was long-haul trucks.

Big Data-Driven Solution

Big Data told FDOT that 15-20% of vehicles in the corridor are freight trucks, and a significant portion are long-haul, and worth analyzing for possible shift options.

Freight study area of I-75 in central Florida



Chord diagram of freight traffic

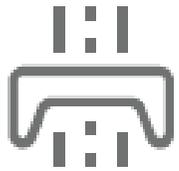
“StreetLight Data is the most efficient way for us to differentiate if the truck traffic was long-haul or short-haul ”

CHUN-YU LU
AECOM Florida



Understanding External Trips in Whatcom County, Washington

1 WHY IT MATTERS



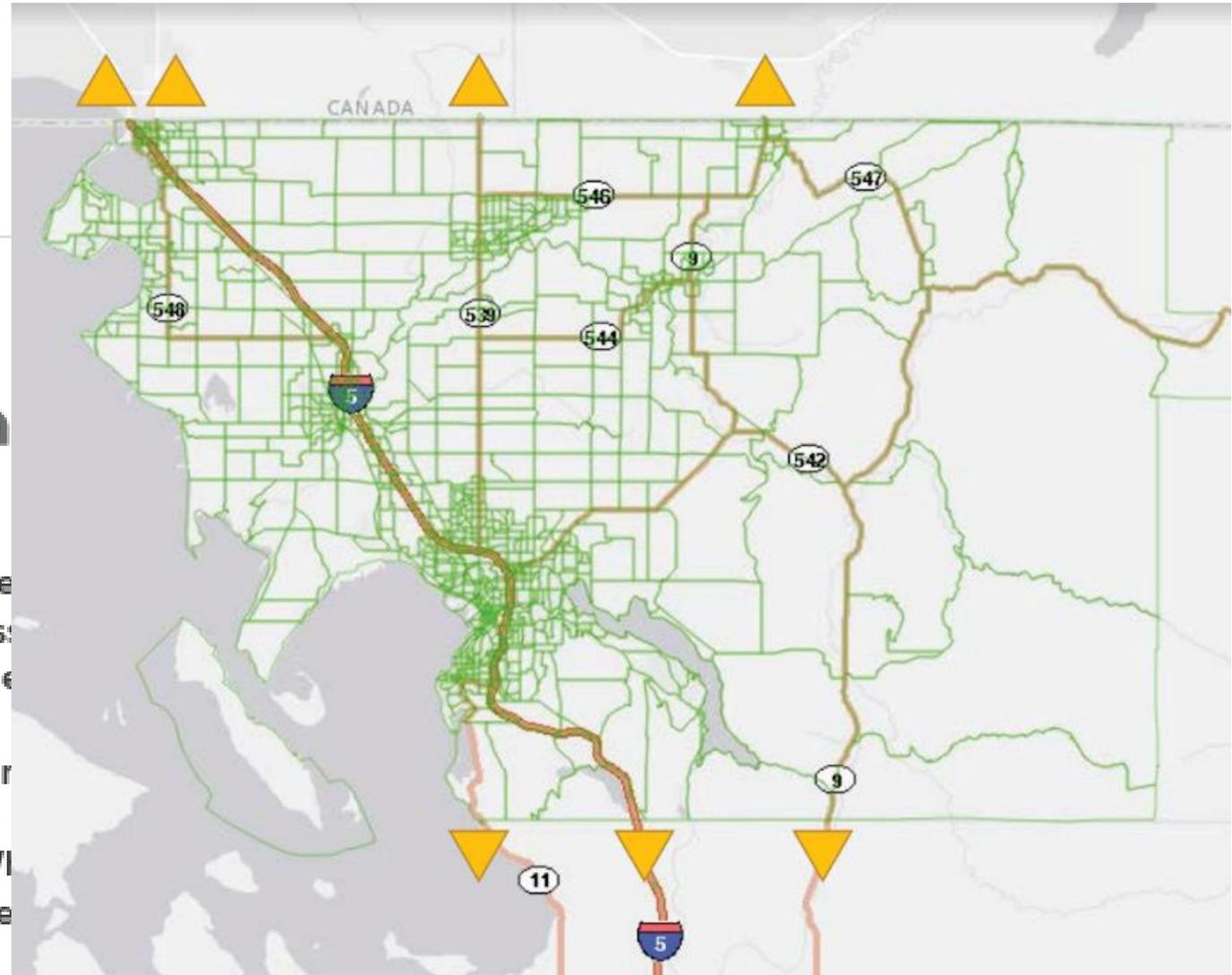
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US-CANADIAN
PORTS OF ENTRY



External trip activities are an important piece of the transportation puzzle for Whatcom County. Many of the cross-border trips pass through the county north (e.g. Vancouver, B.C.) or south (e.g. Seattle).

Increased congestion along Interstate 5 threatens the safety of pass-through trips. In addition to the many trips that originate within Whatcom but have destinations elsewhere, many trips originate outside of Whatcom but have destinations within Whatcom.



Understanding External Trips in Whatcom County, Washington

2 THE DATA COLLECTION CHALLENGE

The current methodology for pass-through trips is **time consuming, costly, and logistically difficult:**



SENSORS

Captures increased traffic flow, but not the origin and destination (O-D) of those vehicles.



LICENSE PLATE STUDIES

Can be costly for a smaller jurisdiction like Whatcom County.

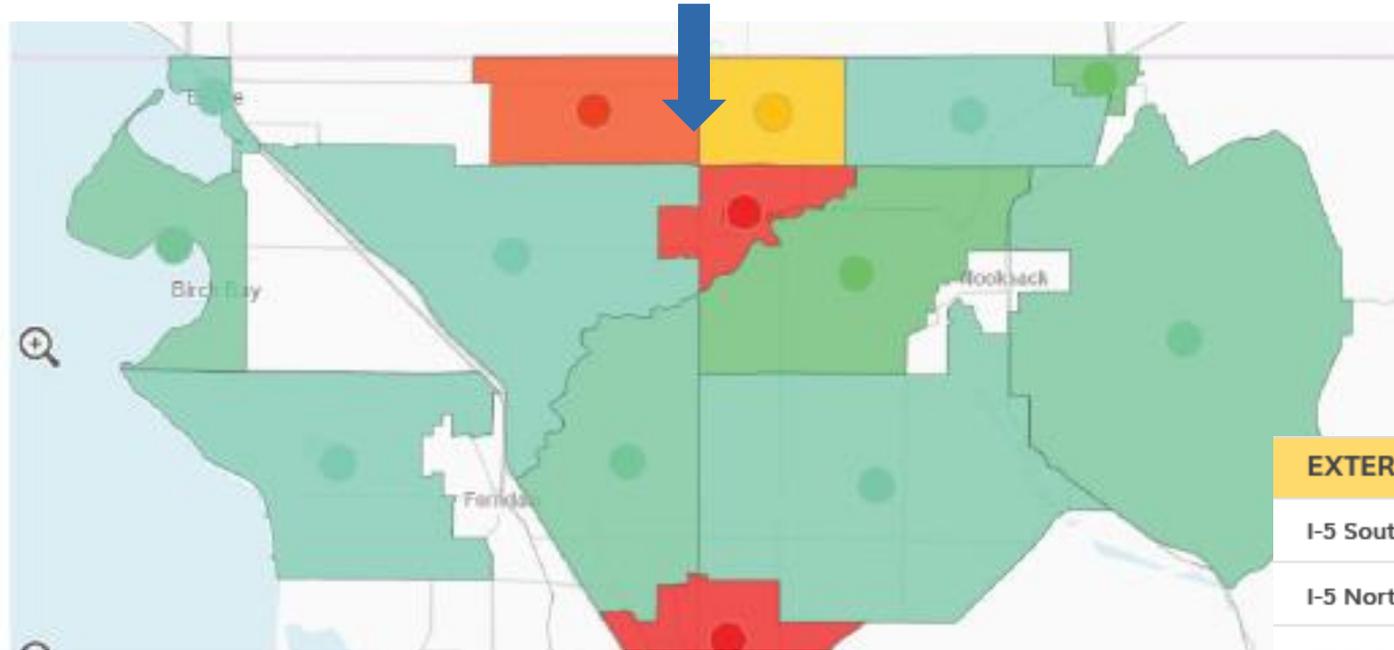


MODE SPLITTING

Difficult to distinguish or capture different modes.



Understanding External Trips in Whatcom County, Washington



3 NEXT STEPS



UPDATE THE TRAVEL DEMAND MODEL

With the updated travel behavior information, Whatcom Region (COG) can now use the updated travel demand model in preparation for the upcoming regional transportation plan process: Whatcom Mobility 2040.



IMPROVING MOBILITY

Whatcom 2040 will assess local and regional projects to improve mobility for the next 20 years.

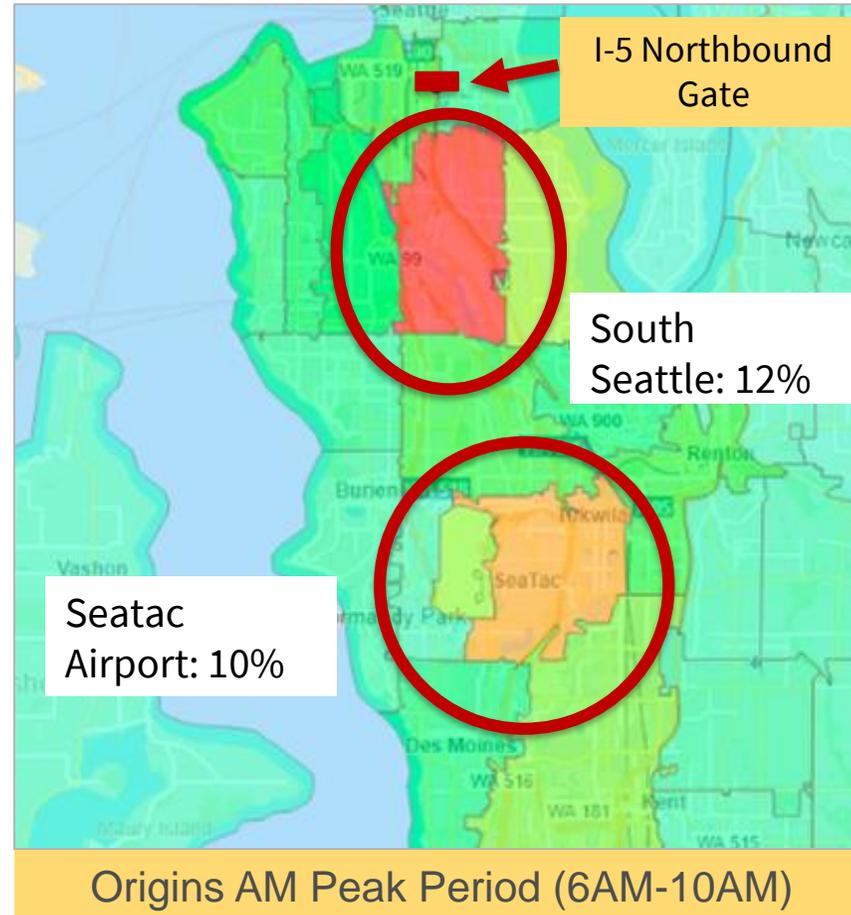
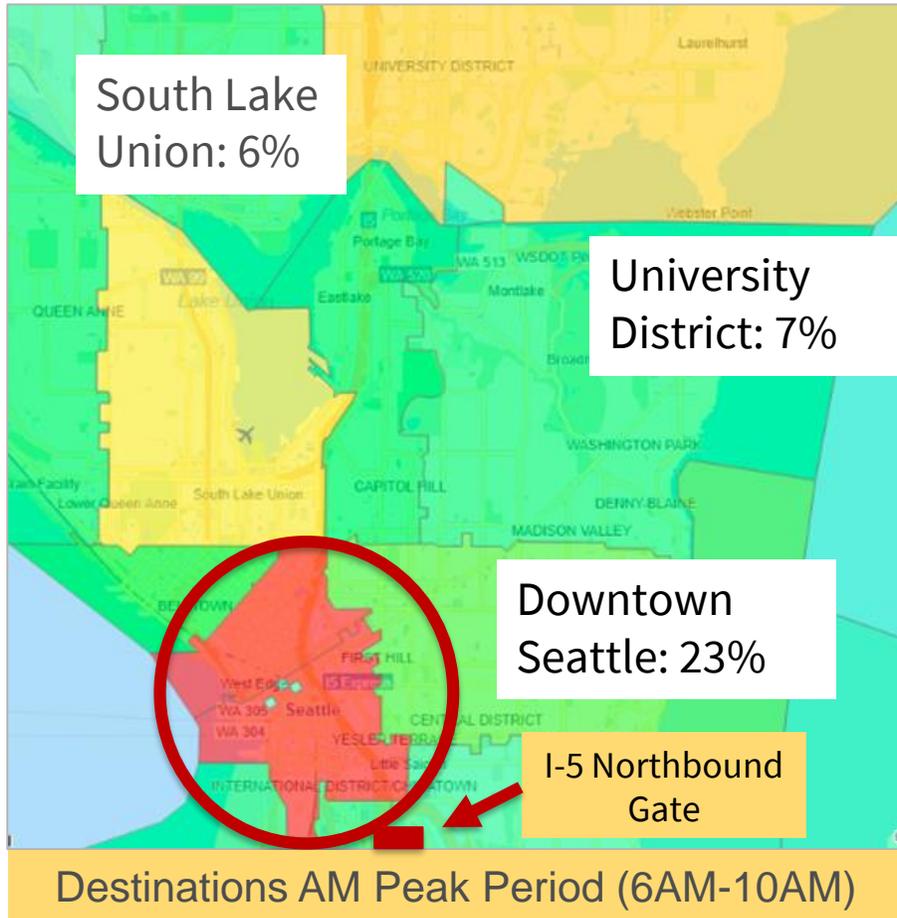
EXTERNAL STATION	2013	2018
I-5 Southern External	5%	3.8%
I-5 Northern External	19%	24.5%
SR-543 Northern External	21%	19%
SR-539 Northern External	7%	6.3%
SR-9 Northern External	7%	14.5%
SR-11 Southern External	0%	0.8%
SR-9 Southern External	0%	2.8%
SR-542 Eastern External	0%	0%



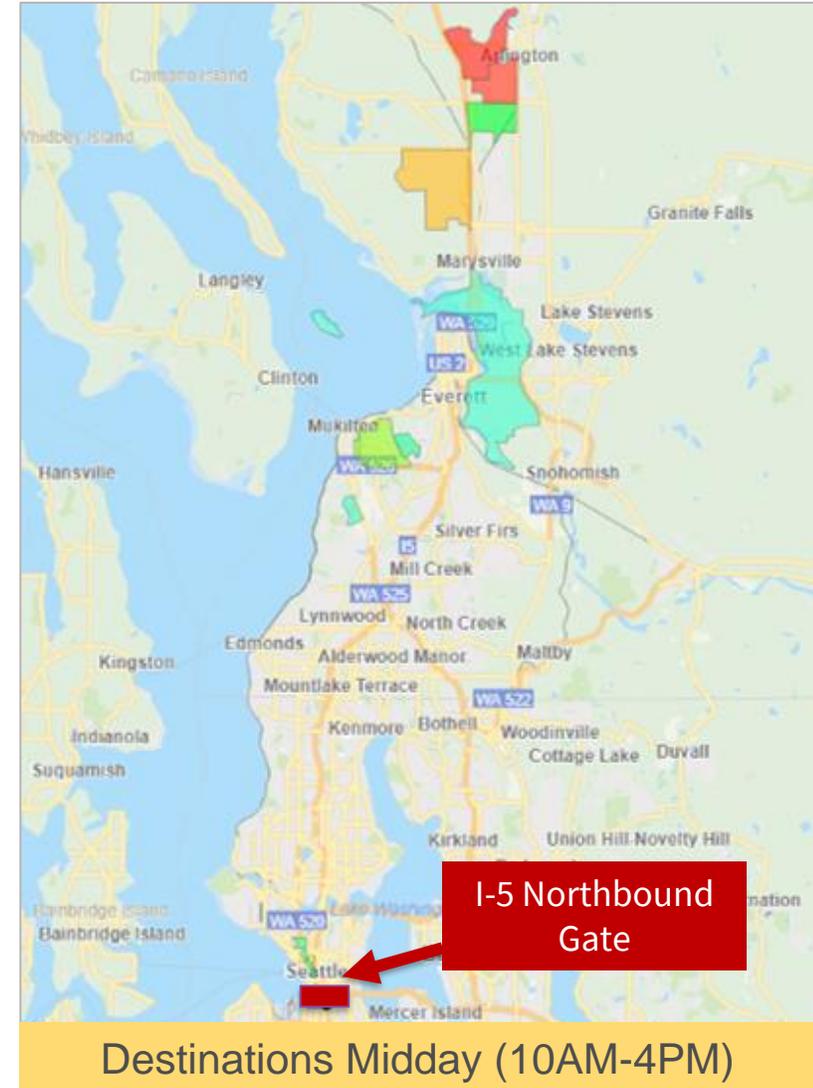
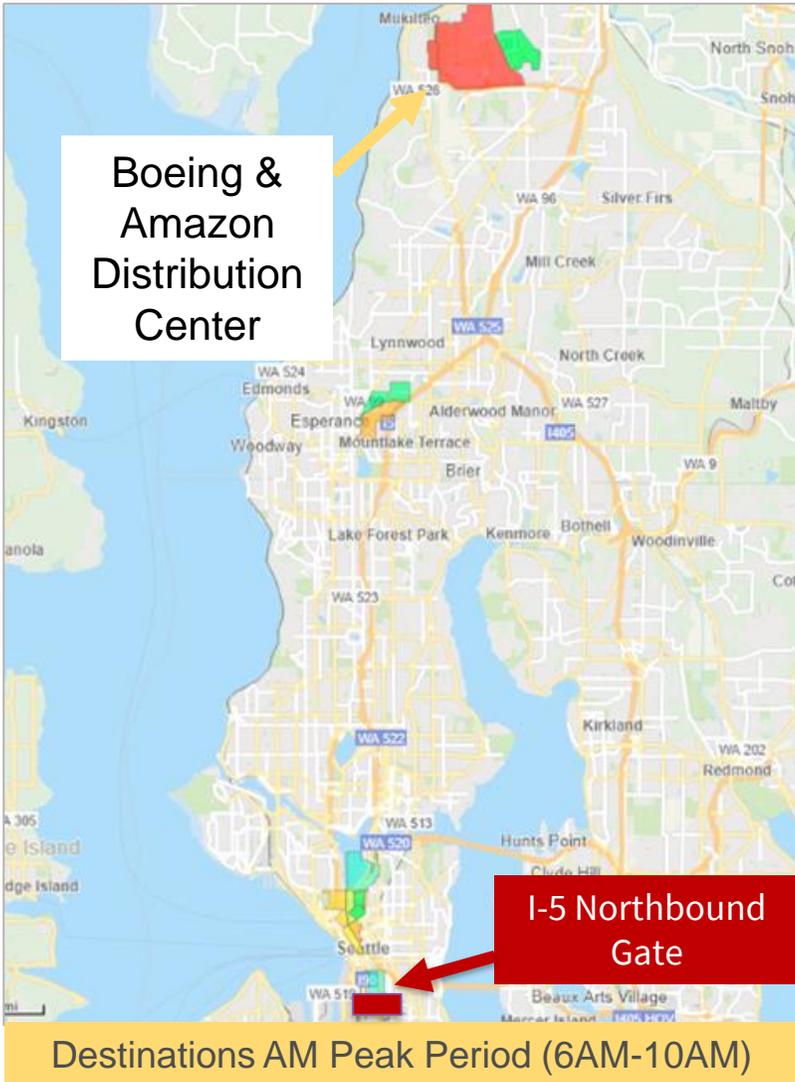
Understanding Incident Impacts on the I-5 Corridor and Roadway Conditions



Top Origins and Destinations of Trips on I-5 Northbound

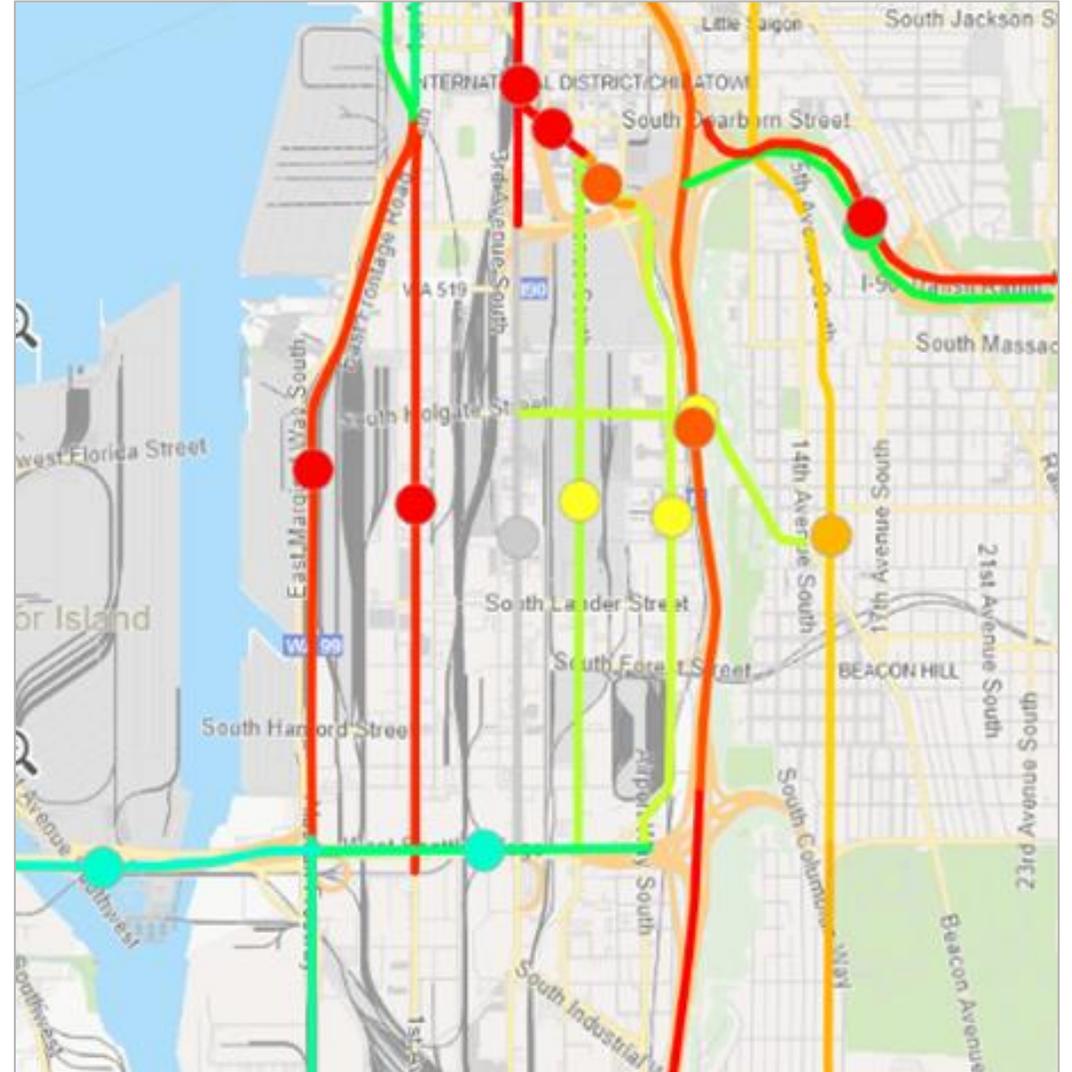


Top Truck Destinations AM Peak & Midday

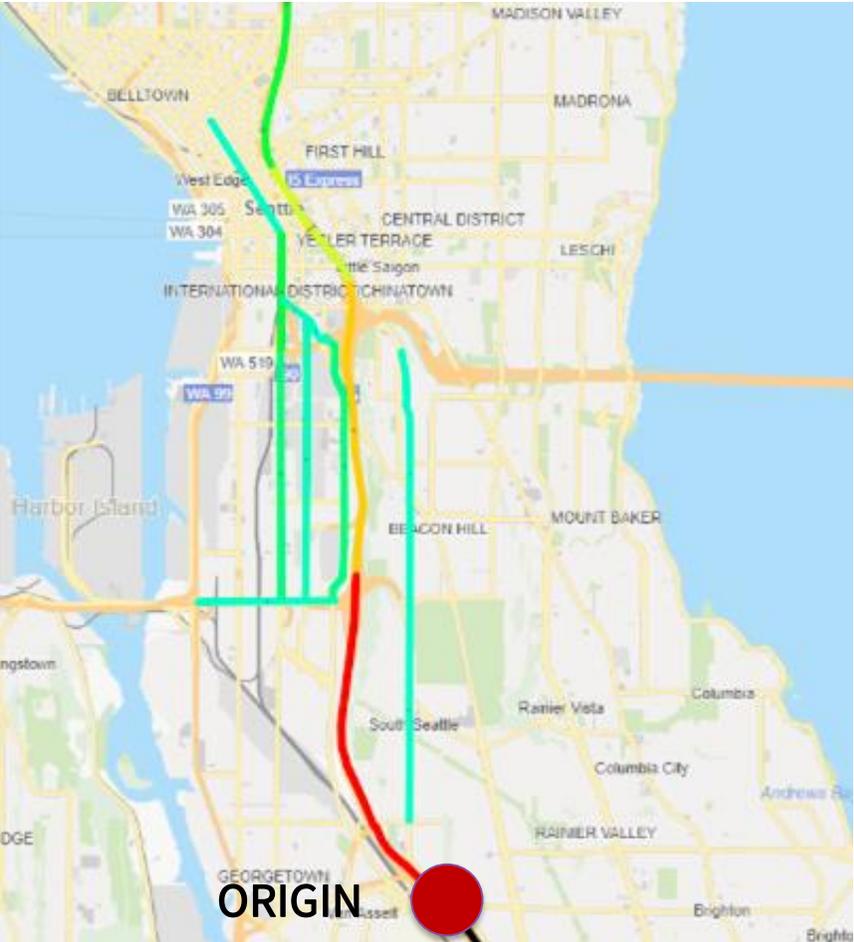


Northbound Streets are Congested at Peak AM Hour (8-9am)

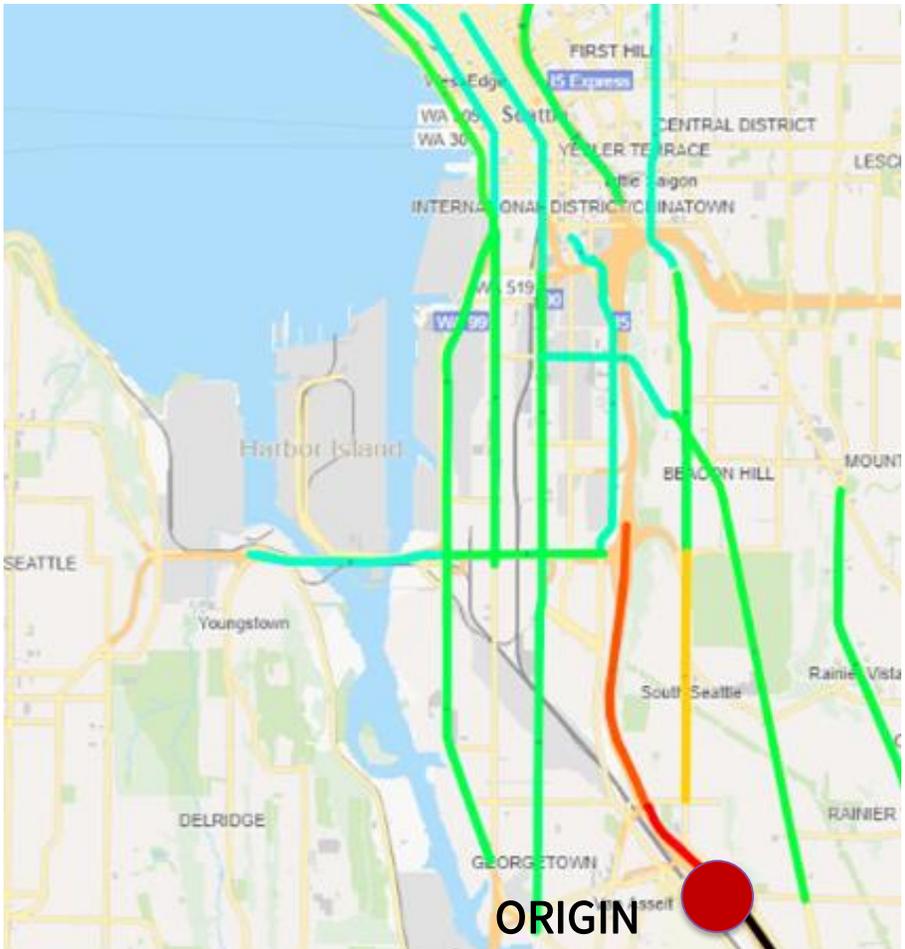
- Some alternative corridors are already congested in the AM Peak Period including the 99 corridor and 1st street
- But other corridors like 4th Street, 15th Street and Martin Luther King have capacity



Changes in Route Choices NB Travelers After Incident



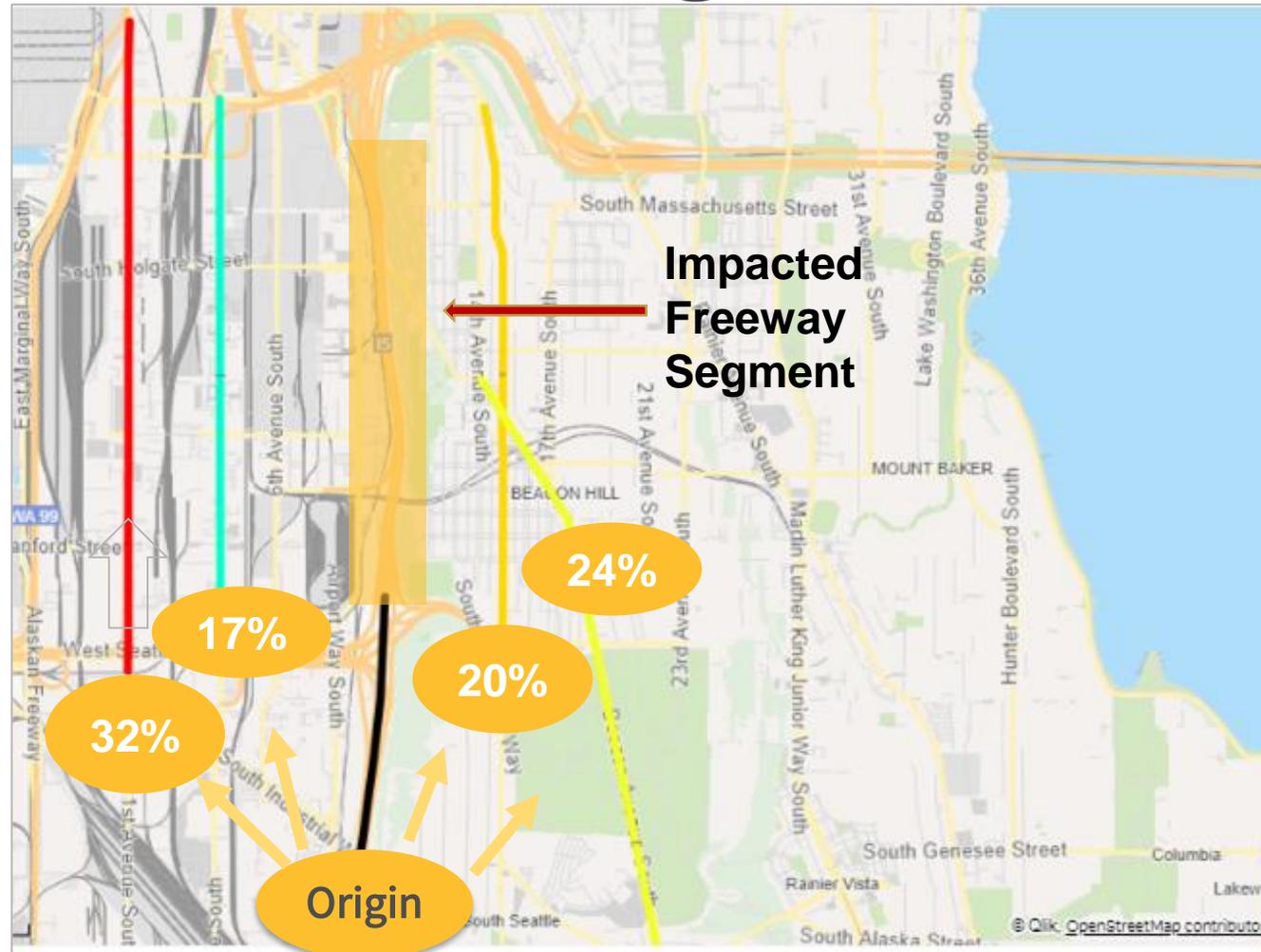
Before Incident



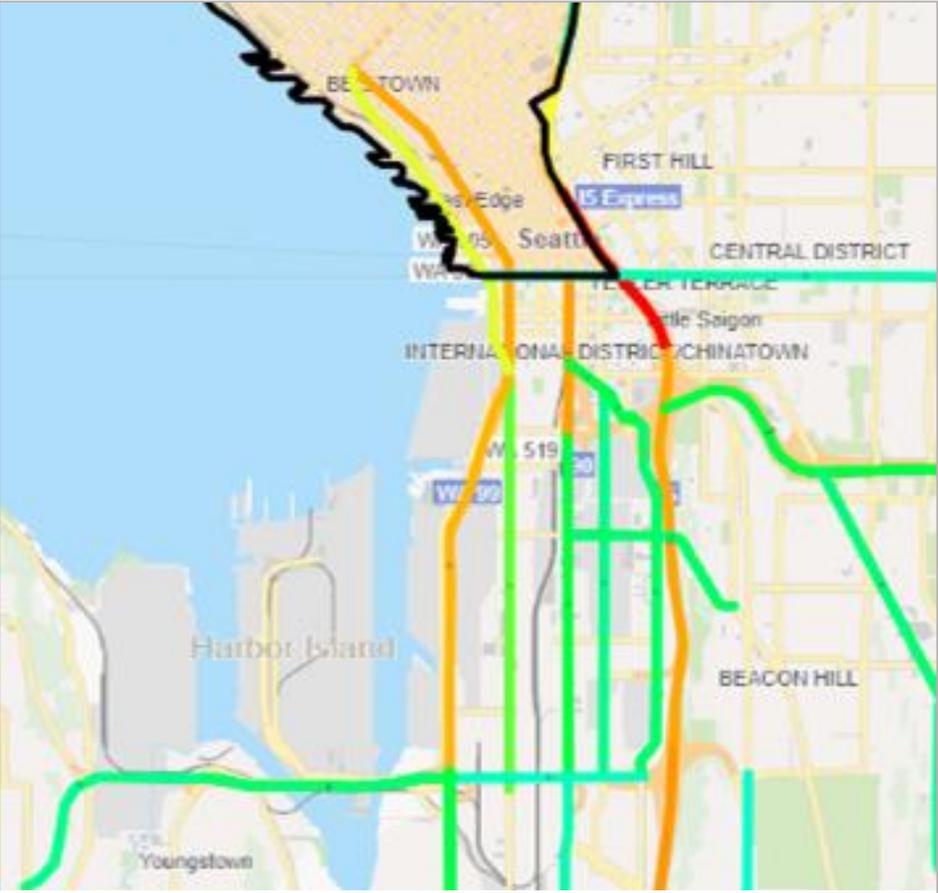
During Incident



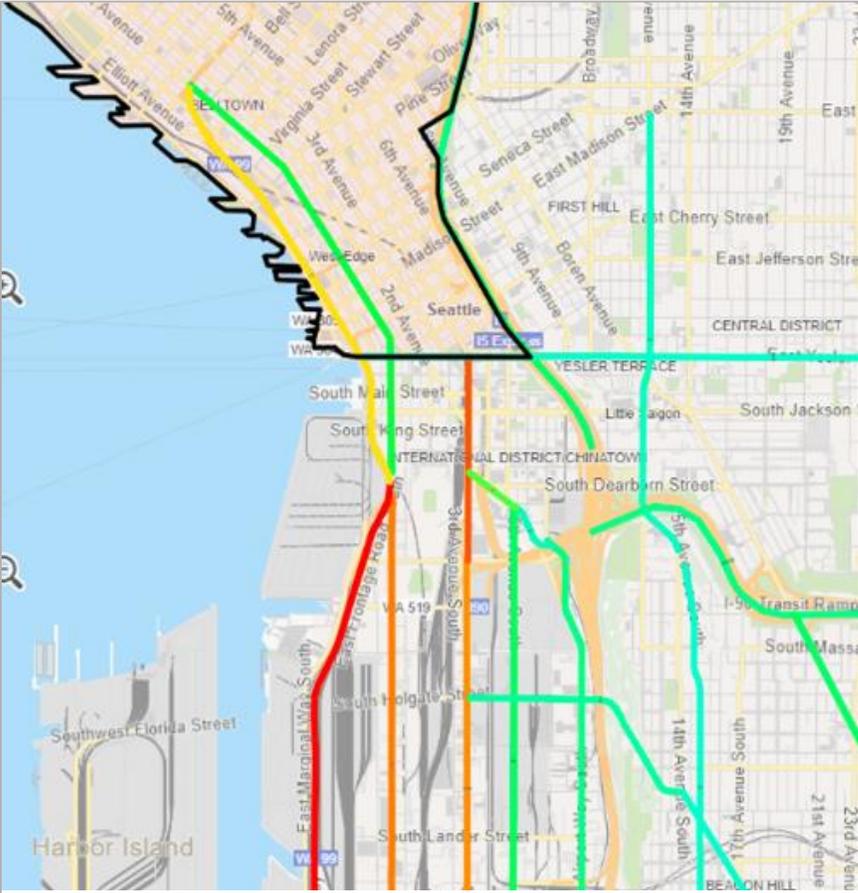
Focus on I-5 Route Choice at West Seattle Bridge



Route Choice Changes for Southbound Trips from Downtown Seattle



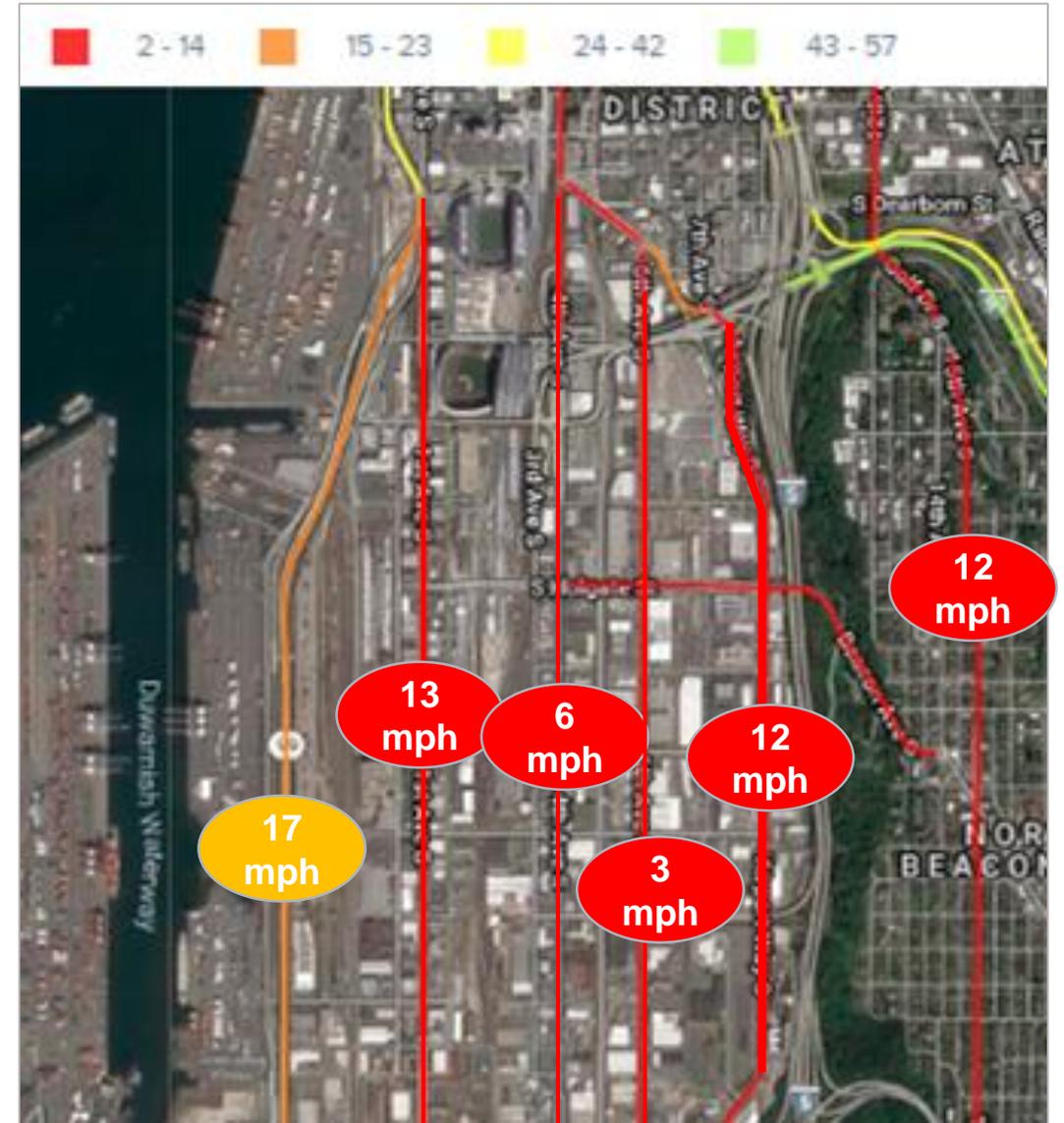
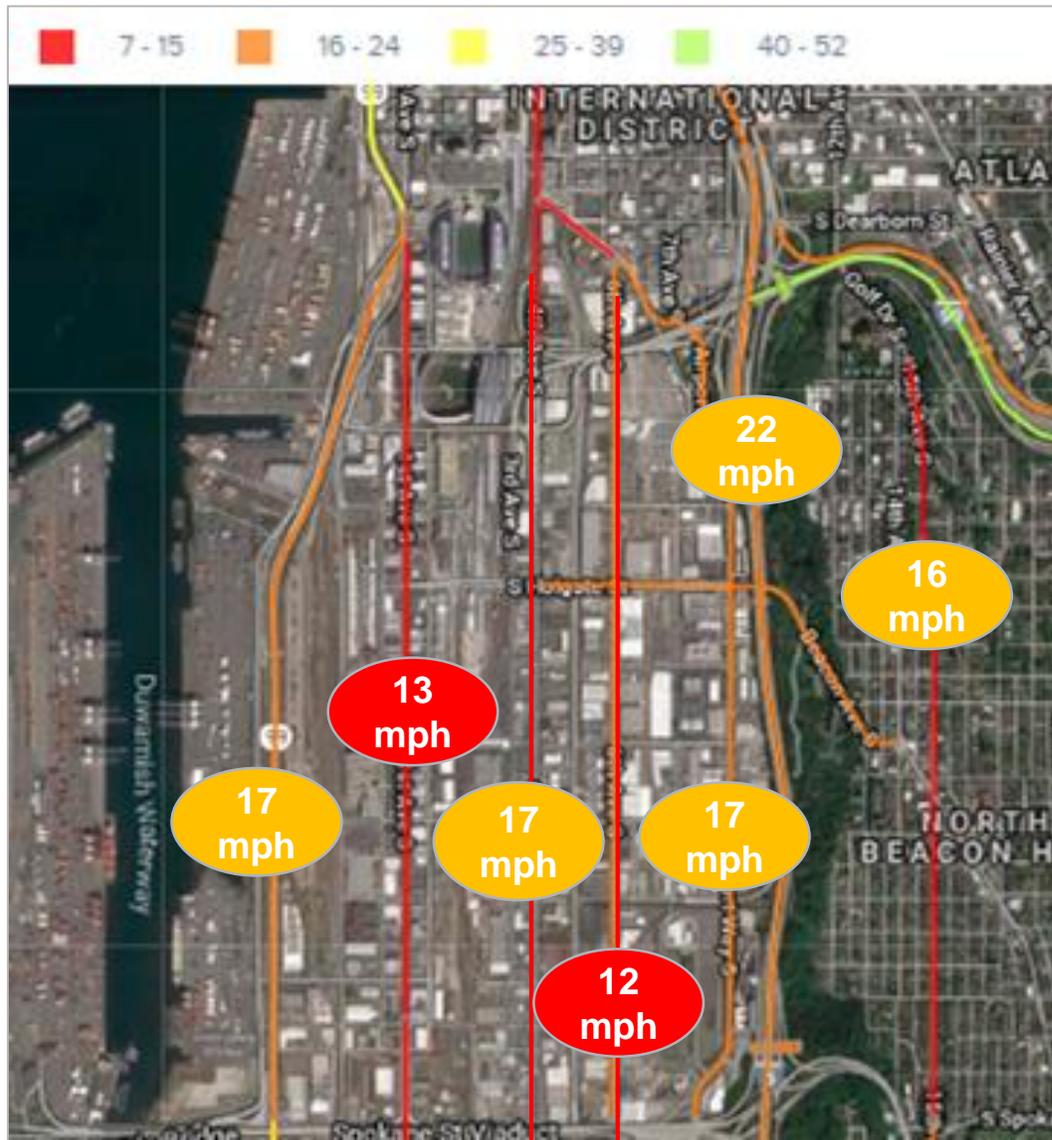
Before the Incident (6AM-10AM)



During the Incident (11AM-4PM)



Local Roadways Experience Severe Drop in Speeds, particularly airport Way and 4th Street Northbound



Modeling Applications in SCAG Region



Measuring External and Internal Trips

General Information

INFO VALIDATION DETAILS

Analysis Type: O-D Analysis
Mode of Travel: All Vehicles (LBS)
Output Type: StreetLight Volume
Additional Project Configuration: Trip Attributes, Traveler Attributes
Created By: matt.pettit+admin@streetlightdata.com
Description:
Analysis does not have a description.

Zones

ORIGIN ZONES DESTINATION ZONES

Search

Zone Name	Pass-through	Direction	Bi-directional
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Riverside County w Externals - Polygon Set with 42 Zones.

Options

STANDARD TRIP ATTRIBUTES TRAVELER ATTRIBUTES

Data Period(s)

Sep'18, Oct'18, Mar'19, Apr'19

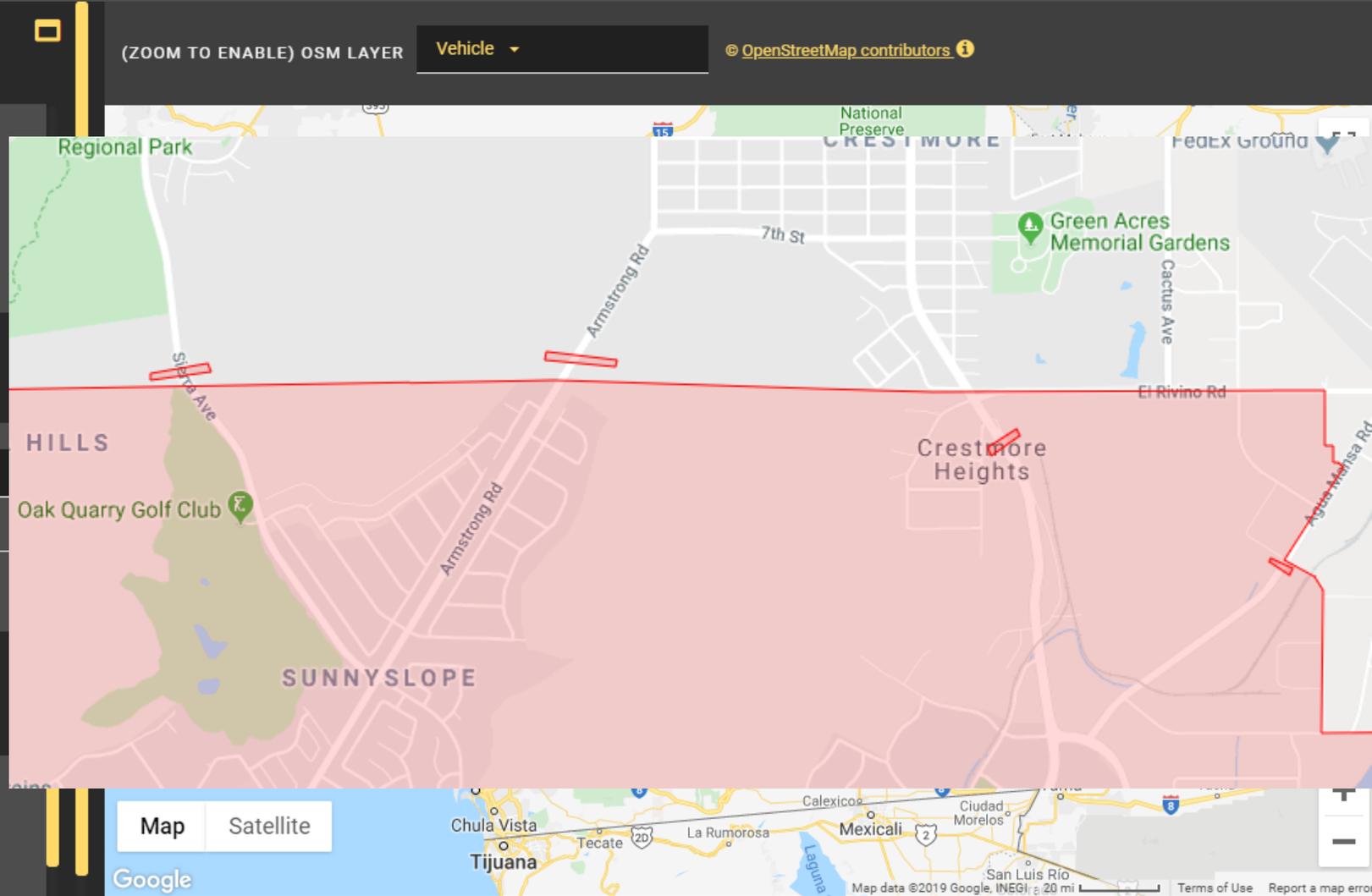
Specific Date(s)

All Days

Day Types

All Days : M-Su

Weekday : M-Th



Measuring External and Internal Trips – All Trips

Basic Project Metrics

Personal Travel

Weekday (M-Th)

Peak AM (6am-10am)

Zone Type: Origin

Origin Zone: I-15 North

Excluding Origin = Destination

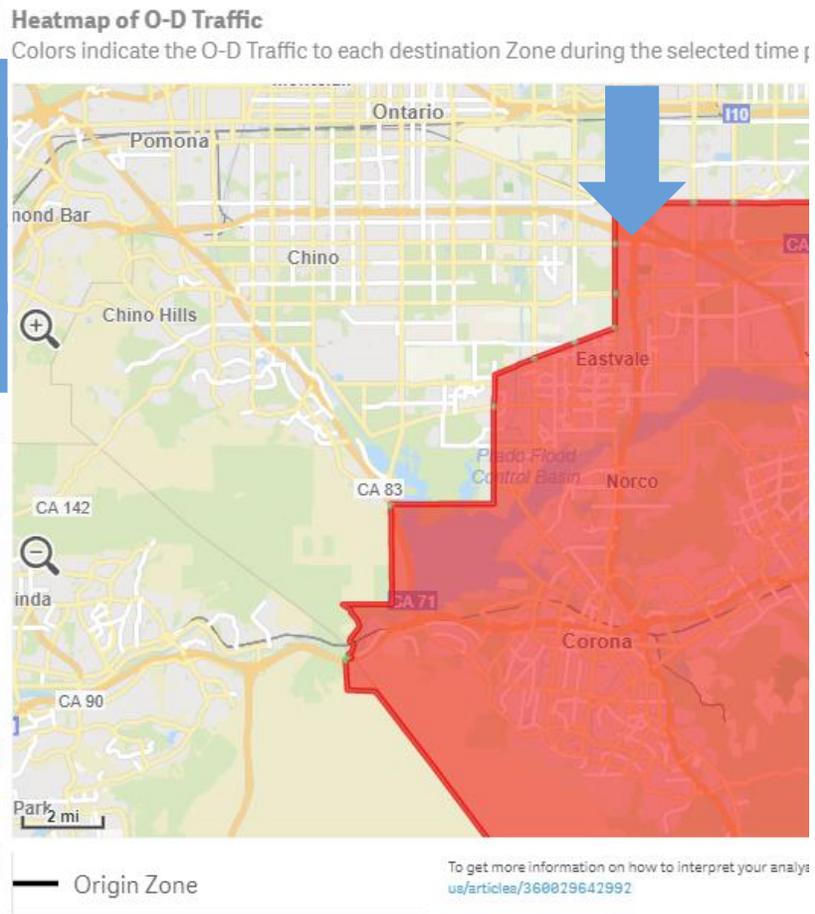
O-D Traffic

View as %

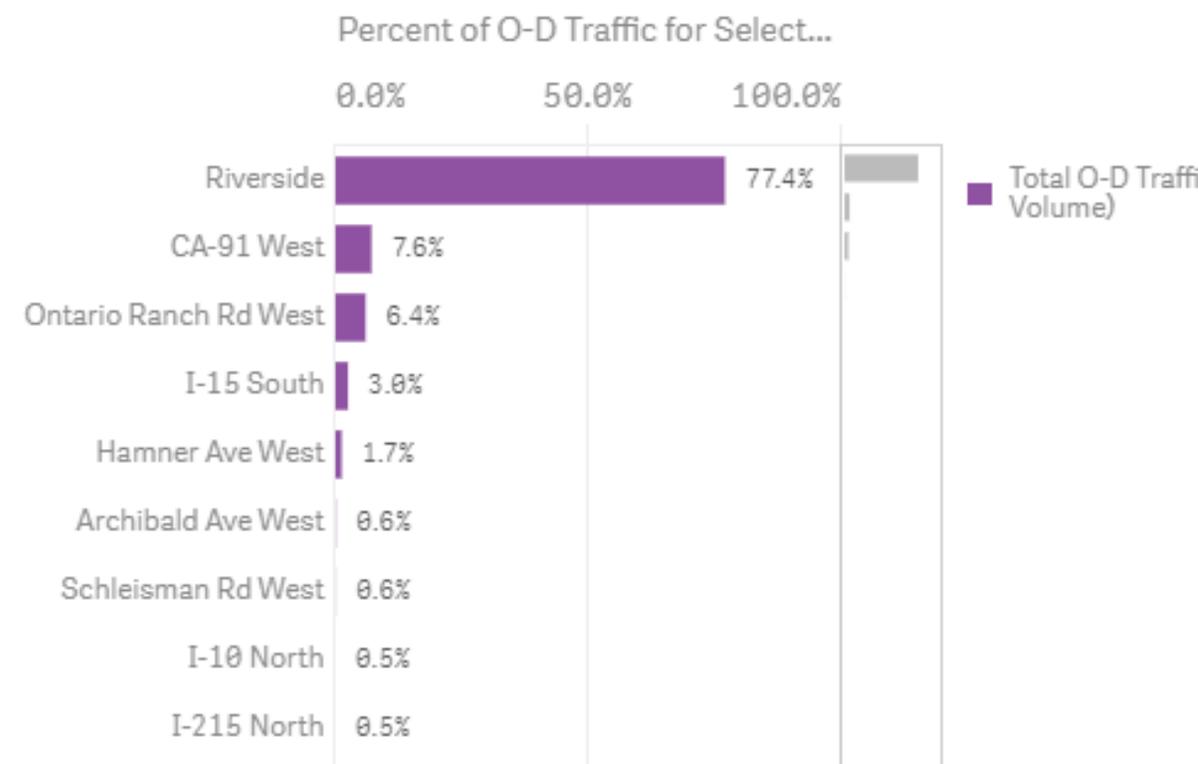
O-D Traffic

- 11.43k - <15.24k
- 7.62k - <11.43k
- 3.81k - <7.62k
- 0 - <3.81k

Origin Zone



O-D Traffic %



Measuring External and Internal Trips – Commercial Trips

Basic Project Metrics

Commercial Travel

Weekday (M-Th)

Peak AM (6am-10am)

Zone Type: Origin

Origin Zone: I-15 North

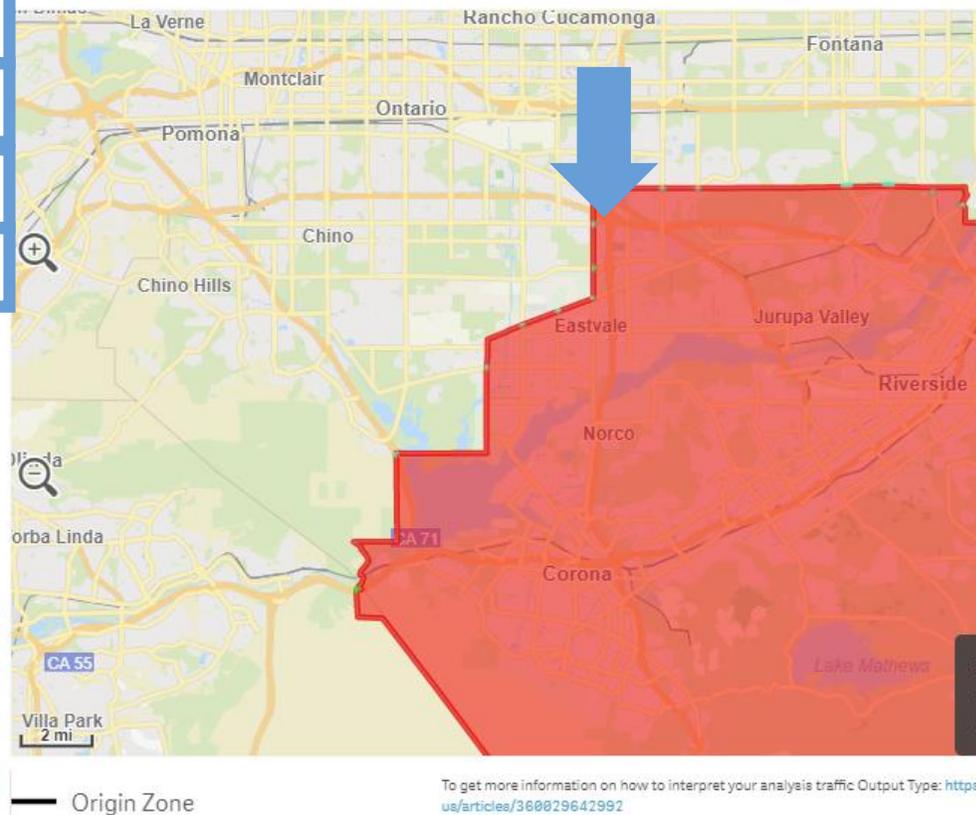
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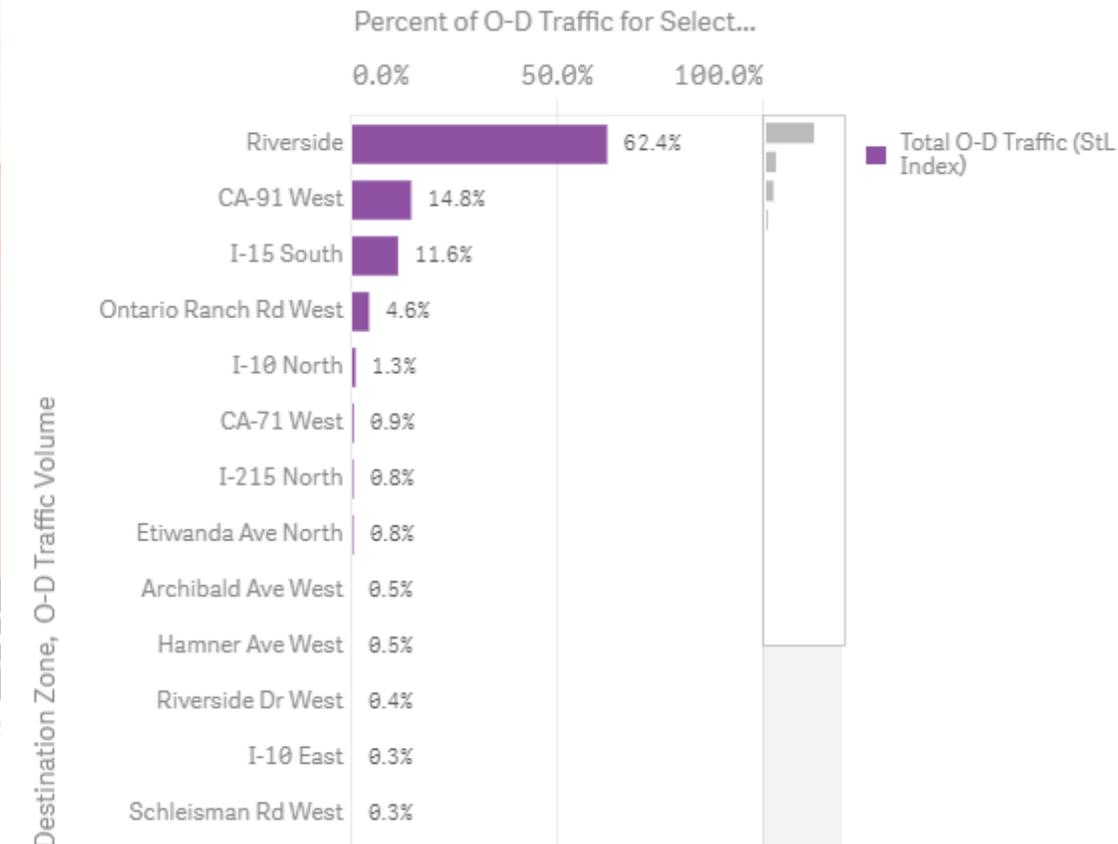
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Heatmap of O-D Traffic

Colors indicate the O-D Traffic to each destination Zone during the selected time period.



O-D Traffic %



More Detailed Sub Area Modeling and Corridor Simulations

Basic Project Metrics

Personal Travel

Weekday (M-Th)

3 Day Parts

Zone Type: Origin

Origin Zone: Colorado Blvd East

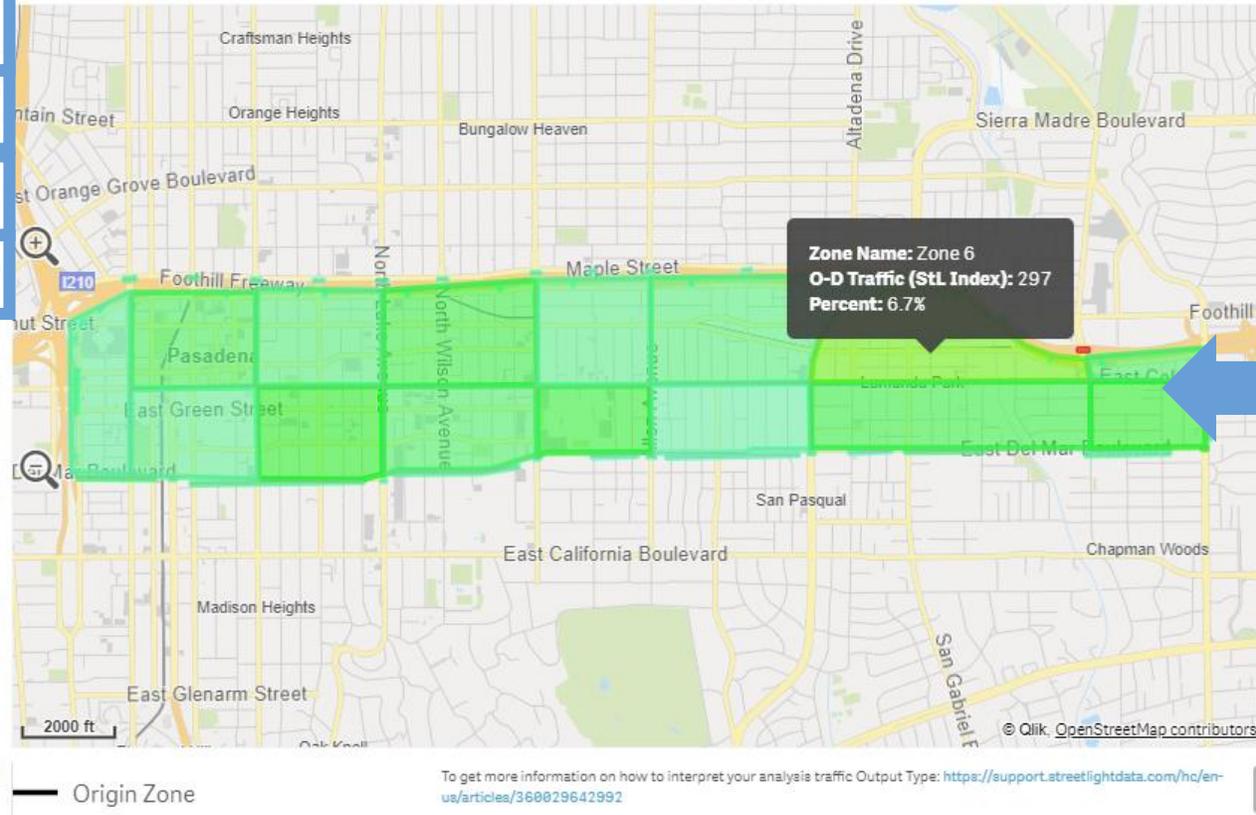
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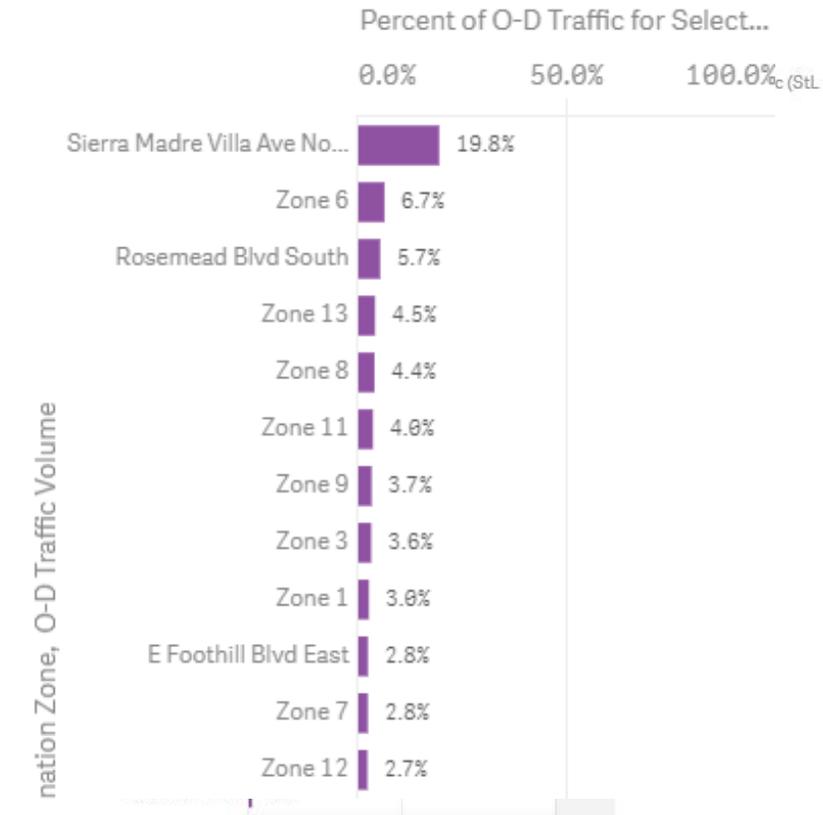
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Heatmap of O-D Traffic

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O-D Traffic %



Origin Destination Scanning

Basic Project Metrics

Personal

Weekday (M-Th)

Peak PM (3pm-7pm)

Origin

Origin Zone: Long Beach Fwy NB On-Ramp

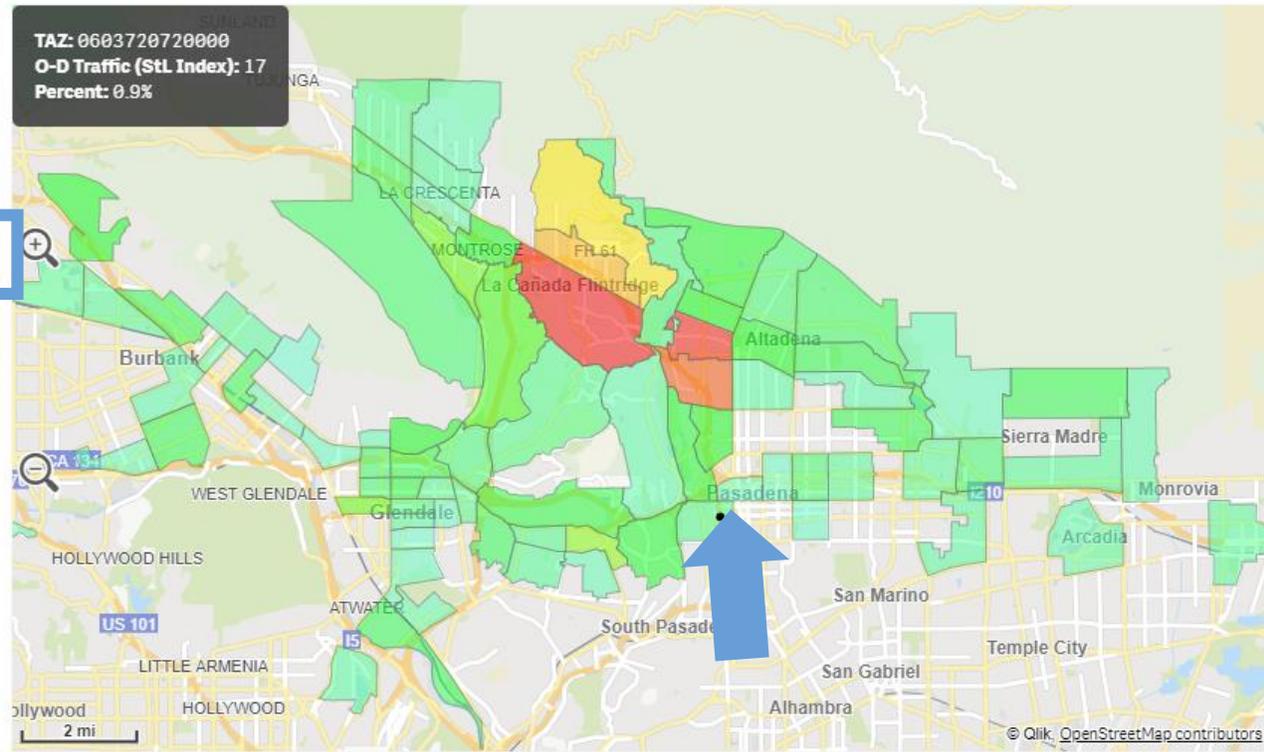
O-D Traffic

View as StreetLight Index

O-D Traffic

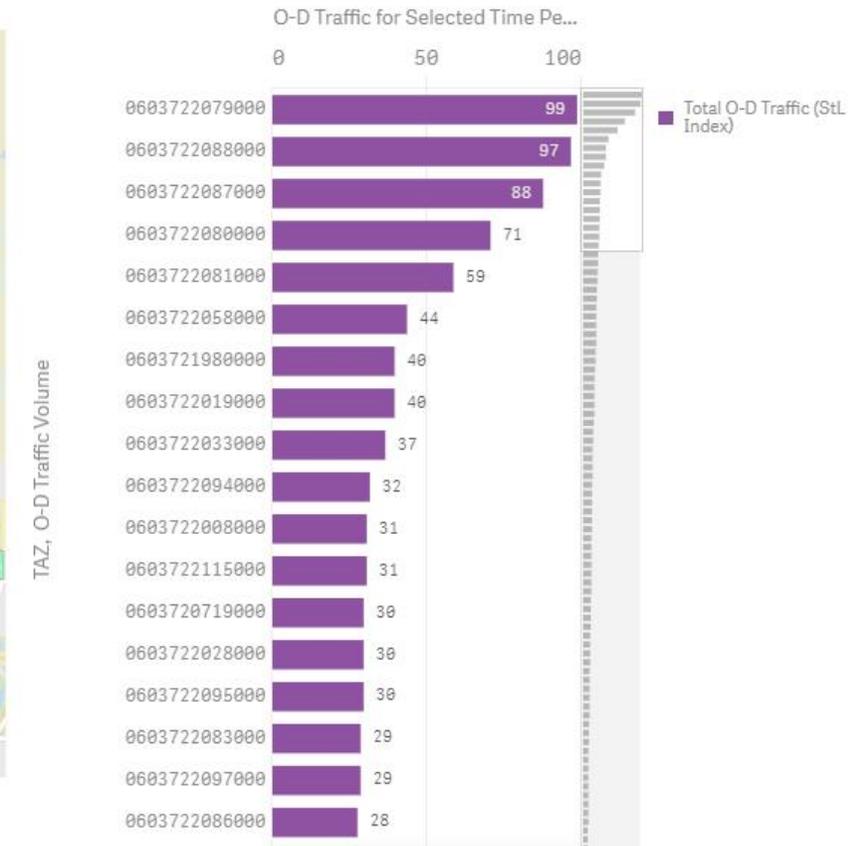
- 76.75 - <99
- 54.5 - <76.75
- 32.25 - <54.5
- 10 - <32.25

O-D Traffic Volume
Colors indicate the O-D Traffic to each TAZ during the selected time period.



To get more information on how to interpret your analysis traffic Output Type: <https://support.streetlightdata.com/hc/en-us/articles/360029642992>

O-D Traffic Volume



Pedestrian – Sample Trip Tables

Basic Project Metrics - ZA

Personal - Pedestrian Travel

Weekday (M-Th)

Peak AM (6am-10am)

Intersection: Trips that End Only

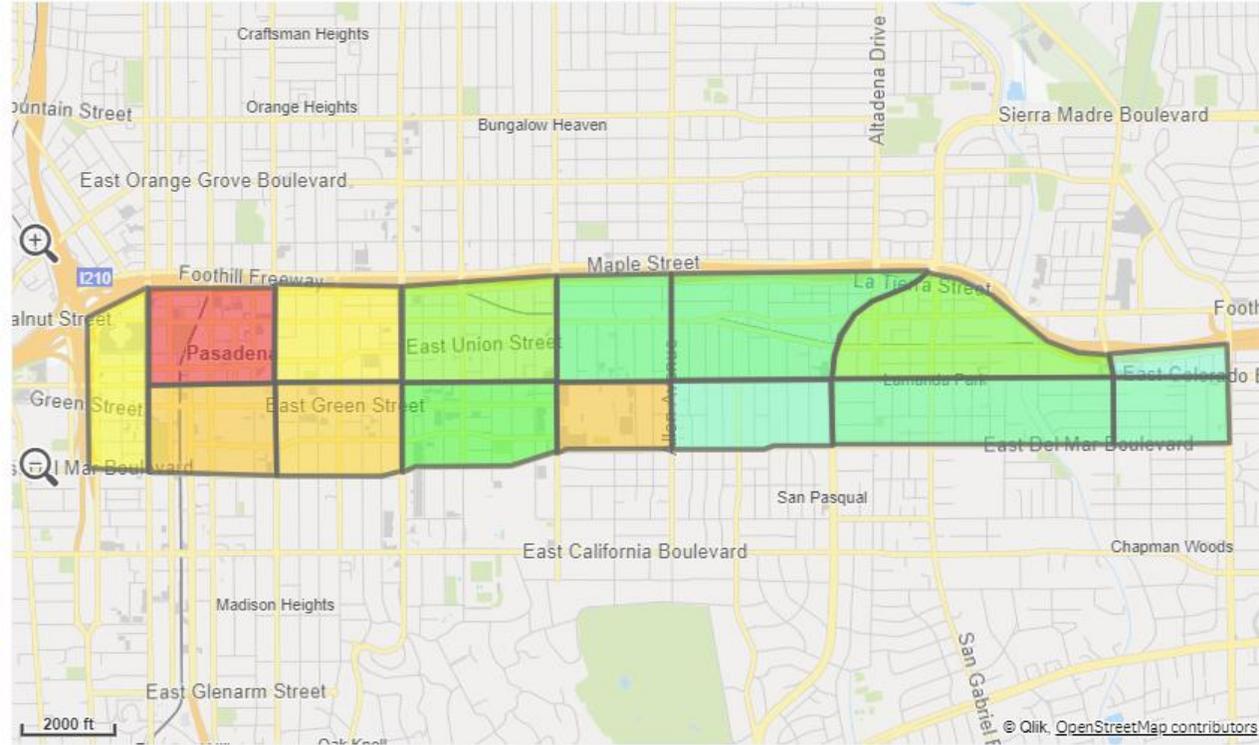
15 Zones

Zone Traffic

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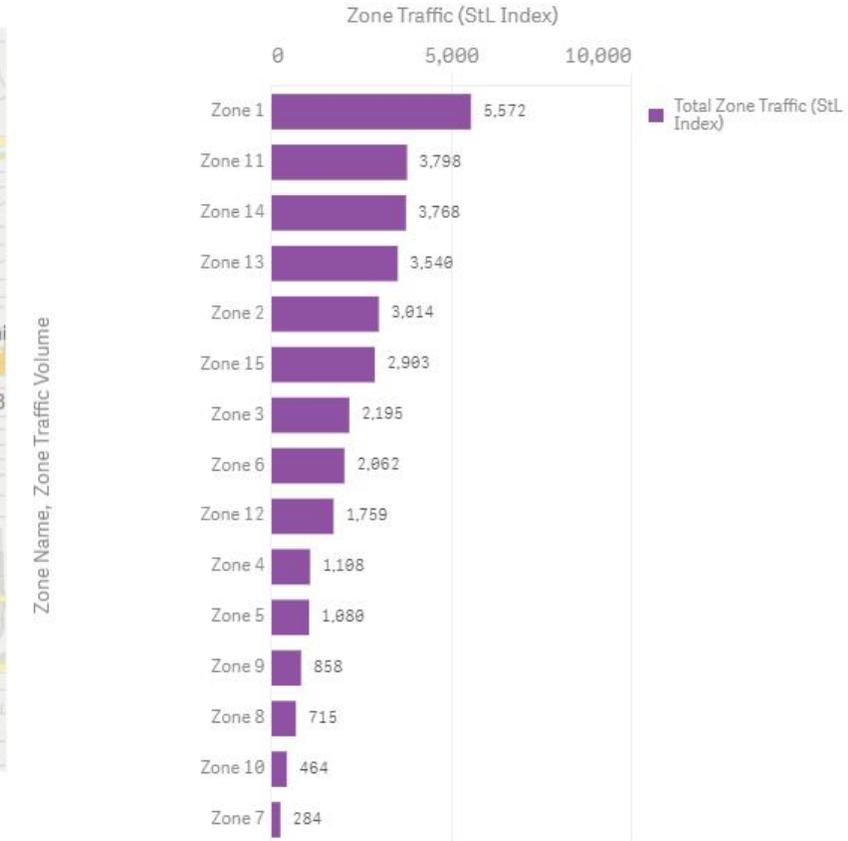
Heatmap of Zone Traffic

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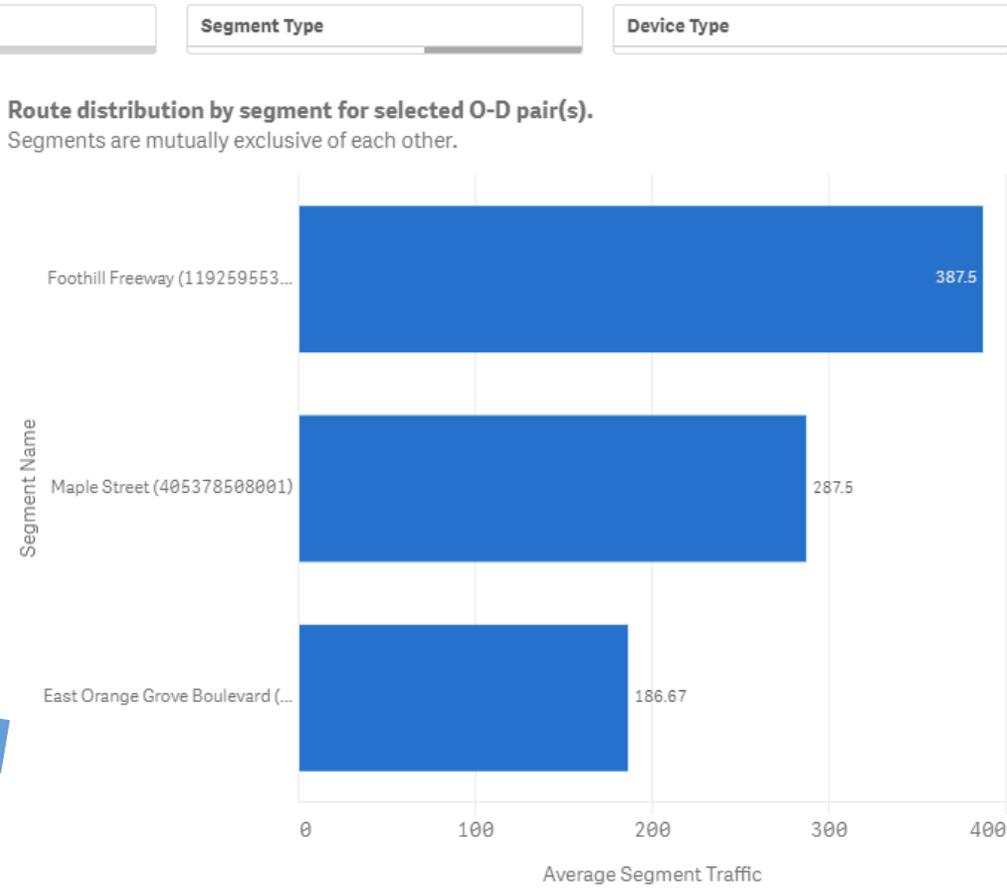
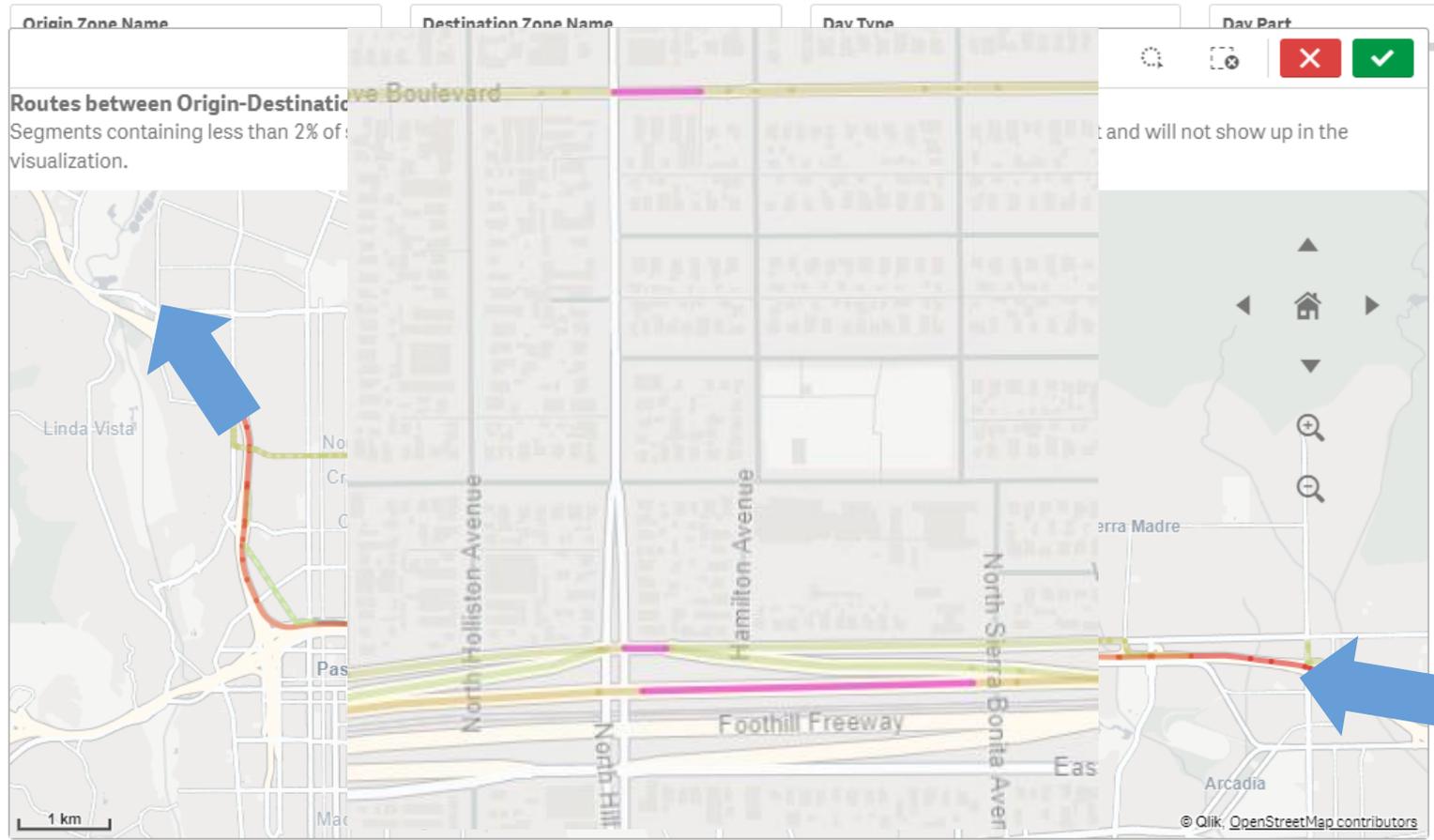


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Zone Traffic Volume



Route Choice and Select Link Analysis

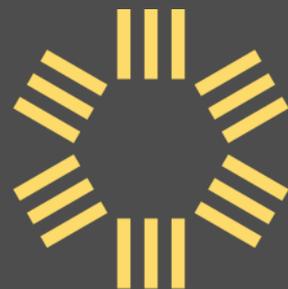


Transportation Behavior Today is Changing Rapidly

To keep up with fast-changing travel behavior, we need data that:

- 1 Describes current behavior
- 2 Measures change over time
- 3 Is diagnostic & predictive





STREETLIGHT DATA

Big Data for Mobility

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