

2022 Regional Transportation Survey

The Rockingham Planning Commission (RPC) is the regional land use and transportation planning agency serving Southeastern New Hampshire. We would like to know your views on transportation issues in your town and the broader Rockingham planning region. The RPC region includes 27 towns and cities in Rockingham County, stretching from the Seacoast west to Salem in the I-93 corridor.

Your input will help in updating **the RPC’s Regional Long Range Transportation Plan**. This regional plan establishes priorities for state and federal transportation project funding in our region for the next 20 years, including road building and maintenance, accommodation for people walking or bicycling, public transit and senior transportation options, and freight.

TRANSPORTATION

1. **In what town/city do you live? DROP DOWN MENU**
2. **If you work outside your house, in what town/city do you work? DROP DOWN MENU**
3. **Transportation system:** How would you describe your level of satisfaction with the following aspects of the region’s transportation system? Please rate on a scale of 1 to 5 with 1 being “Very Dissatisfied” and 5 being “Very Satisfied” and 3 being “Neutral/No Opinion” (*Please circle the appropriate response number*)

	Very Dissatisfied				Very Satisfied	Don't Know
A. Condition of major roads, highways and bridges	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
B. Bike paths and shoulder bicycle routes	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
C. Sidewalks and crosswalk areas	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
D. Public transportation availability	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
E. Transportation for seniors and people with disabilities	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
F. Traffic safety and controls on major roads	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
G. Congestion levels on major roads at rush hour	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
H. Speed limit observance and enforcement	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
I. Electric vehicle charging infrastructure	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
K. Overall Rating for Transportation System	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>

- 4A (ALTERNATE QUESTION STRUCTURE)** Please look at the various types of transportation system investments below and issues below and tell us which you think are most important to consider in the next 25 years. Please rate each issue on a scale of 1 to 5, with 1 being the least important, and 5 being the most important.

	Least Important				Most Important	Don't Know
A. Maintaining the highway and bridge network	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
B. Improving electric vehicle charging infrastructure	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
C. Improving road and intersection safety	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
E. Improving safety and connectivity for bicycling	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
F. Improving safety and connectivity for walking	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
F. Expanding transportation options for seniors and people with disabilities	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>

G. Expanding public transportation service	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
H. Reducing traffic congestion	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
I. Improving the resiliency of the transportation system to withstand storm events and flooding	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
J. Expanding rail service in the region	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
K. Improving freight flow (truck, rail and air)	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>

4B. (ALTERNATE QUESTION STRUCTURE) Please look at the various transportation system investment types below and rank them in order of importance in your view. Drag the box for each issue above the line and place in order of importance with the most important issue on top and least important at the bottom.

Highest Priority ↑

Lowest Priority ↓

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- Maintaining the highway and bridge network
 - Improving electric vehicle charging infrastructure
 - Improving road and intersection safety
 - Improving safety and connectivity for bicycling
 - Improving safety and connectivity for walking
 - Expanding transportation options for seniors and people with disabilities
 - Expanding public transportation service
 - Reducing traffic congestion
 - Improving the resiliency of the transportation system to withstand storm events and flooding
 - Expanding rail service in the region
 - Improving freight flow (truck, rail and air)

4C. (ALTERNATE QUESTION STRUCTURE) How would you allocate New Hampshire's transportation budget across the following types of transportation system investments? For each investment type assign a percentage of available funds.

- ___% Maintaining the highway and bridge network
- ___% Improving electric vehicle charging infrastructure
- ___% Improving road and intersection safety
- ___% Improving safety and connectivity for bicycling
- ___% Improving safety and connectivity for walking
- ___% Expanding transportation options for seniors and people with disabilities
- ___% Expanding public bus transportation service
- ___% Reducing traffic congestion
- ___% Improving the resiliency of the transportation system to withstand storm events and flooding
- ___% Expanding rail service in the region
- ___% Improving freight flow (truck, rail and air)

100% TOTAL

5. What is your primary commute mode?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Drive alone | <input type="checkbox"/> Walking | <input type="checkbox"/> Telecommute |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carpool or vanpool | <input type="checkbox"/> Bicycling | <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bus or train | <input type="checkbox"/> Uber/Lyft/Taxi | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please specify) |

6. How often do you use the following modes of transportation (commuting or otherwise)?

	Rarely/ Never	A few times a year	At least once/month	At least once/week	Always
Car (driving alone)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Carpool or vanpool	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bus or train	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Walking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bicycling	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Telecommuting/Meeting Virtually	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

7. If you work outside of your home, how long is your commute?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Less than 1 mile | <input type="checkbox"/> 10-19.9 miles | <input type="checkbox"/> 40-49.9 miles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1-4.9 miles | <input type="checkbox"/> 20-29.9 miles | <input type="checkbox"/> 50-59.9 miles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5-9.9 miles | <input type="checkbox"/> 30-39.9 miles | <input type="checkbox"/> 60 miles or greater |

8. If you became unable to drive due to age, temporary or permanent disability, or preferred not to drive, how would you get where you need to go? (check all that apply) If you don't drive currently, check the options you currently use.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Rides from family/friends | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior van service | <input type="checkbox"/> Bicycling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Taxi | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer driver program | <input type="checkbox"/> I don't drive now |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Uber/Lyft | <input type="checkbox"/> Rideshare programs | <input type="checkbox"/> I don't know |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public transit | <input type="checkbox"/> Walking | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please Specify) |

9. How likely is it that you will purchase an alternative fuel vehicle in the next 5-10 years?

	Very Likely	Somewhat Likely	Unlikely	Don't Know
Hybrid-electric vehicle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Biofuel or flex-fuel vehicle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Plug-in hybrid-electric vehicle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Full electric vehicle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other alternative fuel vehicle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

10. Which if any of the following do you see as significant obstacles to purchasing an electric vehicle?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Price | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please Specify): |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Availability of charging stations | <input type="checkbox"/> Seating/cargo capacity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Range | <input type="checkbox"/> Reliability |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Performance | <input type="checkbox"/> Safety |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> I don't see any obstacles |

11. Which of the following best describes the neighborhood or area where you live?

- Low density rural area
- Neighborhood of single-family houses distant from a town center
- Neighborhood of mostly single-family houses close to a town center
- Downtown mixed-use area with apartments and businesses
- Other (Please specify)

TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

12. The buying power of the state and federal Highway Funds has declined over the last three decades as construction and operating costs have outpaced revenues from the state and federal gas taxes. Federal transportation spending now draws heavily on General Fund dollars rather than just the gas tax. How should the state and your community respond to this decline in funding? Please indicate your level of support for the following responses using a scale of 1-5 where 1 equals “Strongly Oppose”, 5 equals “Strongly Support” and 3 equals “Neutral”.

	Strongly Oppose			Strongly Support		Don't Know
	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
A. Do not raise taxes or fees – reprioritize projects and delay projects with lower priority (even if that means higher construction costs in the long term)	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
B. Eliminate other state spending to use State General Funds without raising new revenues	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
C. Increase the state gas tax	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
D. Index the state gas tax to inflation	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
E. Increase vehicle registration fees	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
F. Establish an alternate fee based on miles driven	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
G. Increase tolls on existing turnpikes	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
H. Adopt a broad-based state tax on sales or income, part of which would be designated for transportation	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
I. Expand use of impact fees on new development to pay for needed traffic improvements	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
J. Increase local property taxes to fund local transportation improvements	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>
K. Other (Please Specify)	1	2	3	4	5	<input type="checkbox"/>

13. State law enables towns and cities to charge a supplemental vehicle registration fee of up to \$5.00 per vehicle to fund local transportation improvements, whether for road safety, public transportation, sidewalks, or other transportation purposes. Would you support adoption of this fee in your community for any of the following purposes?

	Yes	No	Not Sure
A. Road Maintenance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
B. Intersection Improvements	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C. Transportation for Seniors or People with Disabilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
D. Other Public Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
E. Sidewalks, Bicycle Routes or Trails	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

DEMOGRAPHIC QUESTIONS

14. What is your age?

- Under 18
- 18-24
- 25-34
- 35-44
- 45-54
- 55-64
- 65-74
- 75-84
- 85+

15. How long have you lived in southeastern New Hampshire?

- Less than 5 years
- 5-10 years
- 11-15 years
- 16+ years

16. With what race(s) do you identify? (Check all that apply)

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Other (please specify)
- White
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- Middle Eastern or North African

17. Do you consider yourself Hispanic, Latino/Latina, or of Spanish origin?

- Yes
- No

18. Which of the following describe your connection to regional planning? (check all that apply):

- Resident and user of the transportation network
- Business sector
- Municipal elected official
- Municipal staff
- State elected official
- State agency staff
- Other (Please specify)

19. Which of the following best describes your employment status?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Full time worker | <input type="checkbox"/> Stay at home parent | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Part time worker | <input type="checkbox"/> Unemployed | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Retired | <input type="checkbox"/> Student | |

20. What is your household's annual income before taxes?

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|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Less than \$20,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$50,000 to \$74,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$120,000 to \$134,999 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$20,000 to \$34,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$75,000 to \$99,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$135,000 to \$149,999 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$35,000 to \$49,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$100,000 to \$119,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$150,000 or more |

21. Do you have any additional comments about the transportation system and transportation needs in your community or broader region?

Please enter your email if you are interested in either or both of the following options:

- Enter to win a one of four \$50 gift cards to Hannaford
- Receive updates on this or other local or regional planning projects

E-mail Address: _____

THANK YOU!