

The survey's driving force — the TRANS Committee

Who we are

The TRANS Committee was established in 1979 to coordinate efforts between the major transportation planning agencies of the National Capital Region. The Committee is a neutral forum for the exchange of information on technical guidelines and best practices. In addition, it manages transportation studies and collects data for transportation planning.

What we do

The TRANS Committee's mandate extends over the entire National Capital Region and includes three areas of focus:

1. On-going development and operation of a long-term transportation forecasting model

A transportation forecasting model is a mathematical tool used by planners to simulate future transportation supply and demand scenarios within a region.

2. Collection and management of data for transportation planning

This includes traffic counts on both urban and rural roads, as well as highways and bicycle paths.

3. Management of transportation studies

The *2005 Origin-Destination Survey* is just one of three that the TRANS Committee has conducted in this area.

Our funding

Funding responsibilities are shared by the six member agencies. The proportion of contributions may vary for some projects. In the case of the 2005 Origin-Destination Survey, all TRANS member agencies are sharing the \$1 million survey costs. Municipal funding accounts for 20% (City of Ottawa \$150,000, City of Gatineau \$25,000, and STO \$25,000); provincial funding accounts for 60% (Ontario \$450,000, Quebec \$150,000); and federal funding accounts for 20% (National Capital Commission \$200,000.)

Member agencies

The six members of TRANS span all three levels of government. They include the National Capital Commission, the ministère des Transports du Québec, the Ministry of Transportation of Ontario, Ville de Gatineau, the City of Ottawa, and the Société de transport de l'Outaouais.

