



## 2005 Origin-Destination Survey

# SURVEY A SUCCESS

## Results to be released September 2006

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When released this fall, the quantity and quality of travel information recorded during the 2005 Origin-Destination Survey will provide a rich database for transportation planning. The telephone survey asked residents across the National Capital Region to provide information on their daily trips patterns and travel choices. In all, 27,449 households were interviewed, with highly satisfactory representation from every sub-area.

The \$1-million survey, described as the census of transportation, was conducted from September to November 2005. This major data collection effort aimed at interviewing about 25,000 households (or 5 percent of the population of the National Capital Region). Participants were asked by telephone to provide information on where they travelled to in the course of one day, why and when they went, and how they got there.

The Origin-Destination Survey is a joint project of the TRANS Committee, made up of the National Capital Commission, the City of Ottawa, the City of Gatineau, the Ontario and Quebec Ministries of Transportation, and the transit agencies of both Ottawa and Gatineau, STO and OC Transpo.

The survey was very well received by the public, with about 15 complaints or formal information requests, for nearly 100,000 brochures mailed out to randomly selected households notifying them of the forthcoming telephone call.

		Number of households interviewed	Retained interviews as % of sampling target
<b>Survey Area</b>	Total	27,449	103%
<b>Ottawa</b>	Sub-total	19,807	105%
	Urban	17,911	105%
	Rural	1,896	102%
<b>Outaouais</b>	Sub-total	7,642	99%
	Urban	6,147	102%
	Rural	1,495	89%

Eighty-seven percent of the interviews were retained for statistical expansion, after being reviewed and their information validated. This translates into information on some 144,000 trips made by some 61,000 area residents, a rich database to expand upon and then extract knowledge from. Once results are released in September 2006, highlights from the survey will be available right here, on this Web site.

Many thanks are due to the residents of the National Capital Region for their invaluable participation, to numerous officials and staff members of the various TRANS agencies for their support and technical expertise, as well as to other organisations, including police corps, for their participation.