# Analysis of Household Vehicle Usage by Vehicle Type, Age and Area Type 

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## 40\% of Household Vehicles Were Considered Not Used in the Day Trip Data

- What are the reasons for vehicles reported to be not used in one day trip?


National Household Vehicle Usage

## Study the Reasons that Why Household Vehicles Were Not Used

- Factors may have impacts on vehicle usage
- Vehicle Type: Car, SUV, Pickup, Van and others
- Vehicle Age: <=10 Years or > 10 Years
- Travel Day: Weekdays and Weekends
- Residential Location: MSA and Non-MSA


## Classify the Household Vehicle Usage into Five <br> Categories

- Five categories of household vehicle usage/non-usage


## Vehicles Used

- Vehicles used with reported travel distance and time
- Vehicle used, but travel distance and/or time not reported


## Vehicles Not Used

- Vehicles left at home because other household vehicles used for travel
- Vehicles left at home because used other travel modes
- Vehicles not used because household did not make any trips
- Total number of vehicle records (Before weighted): 309,163


## Create Three Subsets of Travel Day Trip Samples

- Create three subsets of the day trip samples
- Driver-Set 1: Driver trips with reported travel distance and time
- Driver-Set 2: Driver trips without reported travel distance and/or time
- Other: All non-driver trips
- Create unique files of Driver-Set 1, Driver-Set 2 and Other by HHID, VEHNO and TDAY (Note: VEHNO for other modes is unknown)
- Delete the duplicates in Driver-Set 2 (the same vehicles reported with distance and time and also without distance and time)


## Identify Unique Used/Non-Used Vehicle Records

$\square$ Match trip file Driver-Set 1 with the vehicle file : (vehicles used with distance and time data)
$>$ 309,163 $=$ (Matched) 176,501 + (Non-Matched) 132,662
$\square$ Match Non-Matched with trip file Driver-Set 2(no duplicates): (vehicles used, but distance and/or time not reported) $>132,662=($ Matched1) 955 + (Non-Matched1) 131,707
$\square$ Match Non-Matched1 with Combined Driver-Set 1\&2 (no HHID duplicates): Set 3 (vehicles left at home because driving other vehicles)
$>131,707=($ Matched2) 96,429 + (Non-Matched2) 35,278
$\square$ Match Non-Matched2 with Other: Set 4 (Used other modes, did not drive)
$>$ 35,278 $=$ (Matched3) 5,416 + (Non-Matched3) 29,862
$\square$ Non-Matched3: Set 5 (household did not make any trips)
$>$ 29,862

## Estimate Vehicles Within Each Usage/Non-Usage Set

Total weighted number of vehicles: 211,501,318
> Set 1: Vehicles used with reported travel distance and time
$\longrightarrow 126,321,101$ (59.7\%)
> Set 2: Vehicle used without reported travel distance and/or time
$\longrightarrow 868,583$ (0.4\%)
> Set 3: Vehicles left at home while other household vehicles used
$\longrightarrow 60,979,981$ (28.8\%)
> Set 4: Vehicles left at home while using other travel modes
$\longrightarrow 4,000,988$ (1.9\%)
> Set 5: Vehicles not used because household did not make any trip
$\longrightarrow$ 19,330,665 (9.2\%)

## 'Left@home' Is the Largest Not Used Vehicle Group



## Cars and Pickups Greater Than 10 Years Old Are More Likely to be 'Left@home'



## More Old Pickup in Rural Area, but They Are More Likely to be Among Vehicles Not Used



## Comparing by Vehicle Type, Newer SUVs Are More Likely to be Used



## Vehicle Used in Weekend and Weekday Do Not Show Statistical Difference



## Summary

- NHTS is useful in conducting analysis regarding household vehicle usage and non-usage
- Most vehicles not used are 'left@home' because household (HH) members used other HH vehicle(s) to travel
- Compared to other types, SUVs less than 10 years old tend to be used more
- Most of the pickups are 'left@home' because HH members used other vehicles to travel, especially in rural areas
- Car (in all age groups) is the most frequently used vehicle type, followed by SUV


## Thanks!

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## Most of Vehicles ‘Left@home’ Are Cars Older than 10 Years



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