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Specialty Report

- Critical Issues in Transportation for 2024 and Beyond
- Critical Issues in Transportation 2019
- COVID-19 Addendum to Critical Issues in Transportation
- Racial Equity Addendum to Critical Issues in Transportation

Recent Reports & Publications

- Airport Cooperative Research Program (ACRP)
  - Report 241 - Toward a Touchless Airport Journey
  - Report 239 - Assessing Airport Programs for Travelers with Disabilities and Older Adults
  - Report 217 - Guidance for Diversity in Airport Business Contracting and Workforce Programs
  - Synthesis 130 - Airport Centric Advanced Air Mobility Market Study
  - WebResource 14 - Tools to Assess Airport Programs for Travelers with Disabilities and Older Adults

- Behavioral Traffic Safety Cooperative Research Program (BTSCR)
  - Report 8 - Highway Safety Behavioral Strategies for Rural Areas

- National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP)
  - Report 1113 - New Mobility Options in Travel Demand Forecasting and Modeling: A Guide
  - Report 988 - Rural Transportation Issues: Research Roadmap
  - Report 969 - Traffic Signal Control Strategies for Pedestrians and Bicyclists
  - NCHRP Synthesis 20-05/Topic 53-01 - Practices to Promote Equity in Transportation Funding
  - Synthesis 597 - Micromobility Policies, Permits, and Practices
  - Web-Only Doc 330 - Accessibility Measures in Practice

- Special Reports / Consensus Studies
  - Report 341 - Technical Feasibility of a Wheelchair Securement Concept for Airline Travel: A Preliminary Assessment

- Transit Cooperative Research Program (TCRP)
  - IDEA Report 100 - TrainMate Robotic System: Making Public Transportation, Public!
  - IDEA Report 91 - Comprehensive Wayfinding for All
  - Report 248 - Tactile Wayfinding in Transportation Settings for Travelers Who Are Blind or Visually Impaired
  - Report 244 - Transformational Technologies and Mobility Inclusion Playbook

Updated 5/28/2024
○ Report 243 - Transportation for People with Disabilities and Older Adults During COVID-19: Lessons for Emergency Response
○ Report 241 - Inclusive Virtual Public Involvement for Public Transit
○ Report 239 - Provision of Alternative Services by Transit Agencies: The Intersection of Regulation and Program
○ Research Results Digest 115 - Use of Agency Trip Agreements in ADA Paratransit Service Delivery
○ Synthesis 174 - Paratransit Fleet Configurations
○ Synthesis 169 - Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety in Bus Rapid Transit and High-Priority Bus Corridors
○ Synthesis 168 - Continuous Dynamic Optimization: Impacts on ADA Paratransit Service
○ Synthesis 167 - Partnerships for Equitable Pandemic Response and Recovery
○ Synthesis 165 - Customer Education and Awareness of On-Demand Mobility
○ Synthesis 160 - Fare Capping: Balancing Revenue and Equity Impacts
○ Synthesis 152 - Transit Agency Relationships and Initiatives to Improve Bus Stops and Pedestrian Access

*Transportation Research Circulars*
○ E-Circular 281 - Advancing Transportation Equity: Conference Summary and Action Brief
○ E-Circular 270 - Opportunities for Research on Transportation and Equity

**Pending Publication**
○ ACRP 02-97 - Update to the Guidelines, Tools, and Resources Related to ACRP Reports 11, 147, and 160
○ ACRP 02-99 - Incorporating Environmental Justice and Equity Principles and Data into Airport Decision-Making
○ NCHRP 20-65 /Task 78 - Impact of Decline in Volunteerism on Rural Transit Systems
○ NCHRP 20-123(12) - System Mobility and Emerging Technologies (SMET): Strategic Planning Session and Research Roadmap Development

**Current & Upcoming Projects**

*Current Projects*
○ ACRP 06-09 - Equitable Workforce Outcomes: A Study of Women and Minority Representation at Airports
○ ACRP Synthesis 11-03 /Topic S07-04 - Airport Property Used for Parks and Recreational Use
○ BTSCRPT BTS-21 - Assessing and Mitigating Racial Disparities in the Enforcement of Pedestrian, Bicycle, and Micromobility Traffic-Related Laws
○ NCHRP 08-130 - Best Practices in Coordination of Public Transit and Ride Sharing
○ NCHRP 08-142 - Virtual Public Involvement: A Manual for Effective, Equitable, and Efficient Practices for Transportation Agencies
○ NCHRP 08-147 /TCRP B-49 - Improving Public Transportation in Rural Areas and Tribal Communities
○ NCHRP 08-149 - Strategies for Improving Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the Transportation Planning Profession
○ NCHRP 08-155 - Handbook for Addressing Racial Disparities in the Project Delivery Process
○ NCHRP 08-159 - How to Assess and Address Equity of Access to Essential Goods and Services
○ NCHRP 08-160 - Guide to Identify and Mitigate the Negative Effects of Gentrification Caused by Transportation Investment
○ NCHRP 08-161 - Cultivating Accountability Through Meaningful Public Engagement
○ NCHRP 08-162 - Guidance for Implementing Equitable Transportation Decision-Making
○ NCHRP 20-06 /Topic 26-01 - Effects of Indian Treaties on Development and Operation of Transportation Facilities
○ NCHRP 20-24(141) - Advancing the Art and Science of Decision-Making
○ NCHRP 20-102(24) - Infrastructure Modifications to Improve the Operational Conditions of Automated Vehicles
○ NCHRP 20-123(19) - A Research Roadmap for Institutionalizing Transportation Equity
○ NCHRP 23-13(06) - Assessing the Equity and Workforce Mobility Implications of the Expansion of E-Commerce and Direct-to-Consumer Delivery Services
○ TCRP B-47 - Impact of Transformational Technologies on Underserved Populations
○ TCRP B-49 - Improving Public Transportation in Rural Areas and Tribal Communities
○ TCRP B-50 - Accessible Public Bus and Rail Passenger Information for Riders with Vision Disabilities
○ TCRP B-53 - Addressing Travel Needs of Women on Public Transportation
○ TCRP B-54 - Paving the Way for Inclusion: Addressing Gaps in Measuring Disability within Transportation Data Systems
○ TCRP H-59 - Racial Equity, Black America and Public Transportation
○ TCRP H-60 - Lessons Learned from Covid-19: Strategies to Enhance Racial and Social Equity Through Public Transportation As A Community Lifeline
○ TCRP H-62 - Innovations for Equitable Rural Transit Economic Benefit Analyses
TCRP Synthesis J-07/Topic SB-37 - Transit Agency Goals and Non-Traditional Performance Indicators Focused on Equity
TCRP Synthesis J-07/Topic SB-41 - Microtransit Solutions in Rural Communities: On-Demand Alternatives to Dial-A-Ride Services and Unproductive Coverage Routes
TCRP J-07/Topic SB-42 - Operational and Service Factors When Integrating/Consolidating ADA Paratransit and On-Demand Services
TCRP J-11/Task 44 - Improving Access to Public Transportation Services and Facilities with Transit-Oriented Complete Streets
TCRP J-11/Task 47 - Affordable Housing and Transit
TCRP Synthesis J-07/Topic SB-37 - Transit Agency Goals and Non-Traditional Performance Indicators Focused on Equity

- **Upcoming Projects**
  - ACRP 07-22 - Improving Accessibility and Airport Experience for Neurodivergent Individuals and Individuals with Dementia-Related Conditions
  - ACRP 07-23 - Safety, Empowerment, and Dignity: Improving the Airport Journey of Customers Using Wheelchairs
  - ACRP 11-04B - ACRP Academic Engagement Programs
  - ACRP Synthesis 11-03/Topic S01-30 - Beyond ADA: Airport Initiatives to Improve Accessibility through Programs, Facility Enhancements & Amenities
  - NCHRP 03-153 - Audible Indications for Accessible Pedestrian Signals
  - NCHRP 07-35 - Improving Crash Data for Active Transportation Users
  - NCHRP 08-150 - Tools to Integrate Equity into Active Transportation and Safety Investments
  - NCHRP 08-156 - Planning for Innovative and Emerging Mobility Futures at Intermodal Passenger Facilities
  - NCHRP 08-158 - A Compendium for Communicating the Value of Freight and Community Interactions
  - NCHRP 08-163 - Defining Appropriate Design and Accommodation Thresholds for Active Transportation in a Context-Driven Approach
  - NCHRP 08-166 - Racial and Socioeconomic Inequities in Active Transportation Safety
  - NCHRP 08-169 - Valuing Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Transportation Asset Management
  - NCHRP 08-178 - Identifying and Evaluating Divided, Overburdened, and Underrepresented Communities
  - NCHRP 08-181 - Impacts of Climate Change and Extreme Weather on the Mobility of Socially Vulnerable Populations
  - NCHRP 08-191 - Advancing Safe Connections for the Tribal and Rural Communities to the Intercity Bus Network
  - NCHRP 08-193 - Factors Affecting Implementation of Equitable Alternate Pedestrian Access Routes in the Public Right-of-Way
  - NCHRP 20-44(S2) - Implementing a Guide for Urban and Suburban Roadway Cross-Section Reallocation
  - NCHRP 23-34 - Performance Measures for Community-Centered Transportation Outcomes: A Guide
  - TCRP B-51 - Floating Transit Stops and Passengers with Vision Disabilities

**Reports from the National Academies Press on Accessibility**
- Enhancing Public Access to the Results of Research Supported by the Department of Health and Human Services
- Disrupting Ableism and Advancing STEM: Promoting the Success of People with Disabilities in the STEM Workforce
- Spatial Justice as a Driver of Health in the Context of Societal Emergencies
- The Use of Telehealth for Disability Evaluations in Medicine and Allied Health
- Advancing Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility in the Leadership of Competed Space Missions
- Harnessing the Value of Co-Creating and Stewarding Places for Health, Equity, and Well-Being

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- **D08132** - Accessing America's Great Outdoors: Understanding Recreational Travel Patterns, Demand, and Future Investment Needs for Transportation Systems
- **D08150** - Valuation of Transportation Equity in Active Transportation and Safety Investments
- **D08159** - Understand How Accessibility to Employment, Health Care, Education, and Other Vital Needs Varies for Different Population Groups in Different Settings, and Methods for Effectively Assessing Mobility and Accessibility Needs
- **D08161** - Identify Emerging Approaches for Public Engagement to Meaningfully Involve Minorities, Low-Income, and Other Vulnerable Populations
- **D08181** - NCHRP Project Panel on Understand How Climate Change and Extreme Weather Impacts the Mobility of Socially Vulnerable Populations
- **D1923** - Revenue-Related Strategies for New Mobility Options
- **D20122** - Workshop on Rural Transportation Issues and Needs
- **D2010229** - Incorporating New Mobility Options into Travel Demand Forecasting and Modeling
- **D231306** - Assessing the Equity and Workforce Mobility Implications of the Expansion of E-Commerce and Direct-to-Consumer Delivery Services
- **DA0131** - Technology Solutions to Facilitate ADA Travelers
- **DA0148** - Assessing the Effectiveness of Airport Services Programs for Passengers with Disabilities
- **DA0609** - Quantifying and Understanding Women and Minority Airport Employee Populations to Track Progress
- **DB021** - Assessing and Mitigating Racial Disparities in the Enforcement of Pedestrian, Bicycle, and Micromobility Traffic-Related Laws
- **SAS0130** - Beyond ADA: Airport Initiatives to Improve Accessibility through Programs, Facility Enhancements & Amenities
- **SN5312** - Practices for Adding Bicycle and Pedestrians Access on Existing Vehicle Bridges
- **STSB35** - Customer Education and Awareness of On-Demand Mobility
- **STSB36** - Dynamic Optimization on ADA Paratransit Service
- **STSB38** - Accessible Vehicles Fleet Configuration
- **TB46** - Tactile Wayfinding in Transportation Settings for Travelers Who Are Blind or Visually Impaired
- **TB47** - Mobility Inclusion for Un(der)served Population with the Emerging Technologies
- **TB49** - Assessment of Transit Agency-Sponsored Alternative Services Offered to ADA Paratransit Customers: Intersection of Regulation and Program Objectives
- **TB50** - Public Transportation Information Systems for Passengers who are Vision Disabled
- **TB51** - Floating Transit Stops and Passengers with Vision Disabilities
- **TB53** - Planning for the Travel Needs of Women
- **TF33** - Enriching Transit’s Workforce: Recruiting and Retaining Individuals with Disabilities
- **TI1135** - Diversity and Inclusion Plans, Policies and Best Practices in the Transportation Industry
- **TI1142** - Transportation Services for People With Disabilities and Older Adults during a Pandemic and Other Emergencies: Lessons Learned during the Covid-19 Pandemic
- **TI1144** - Improving Access to Public Transit with Transit-Oriented Streets

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