



Employment and TOD

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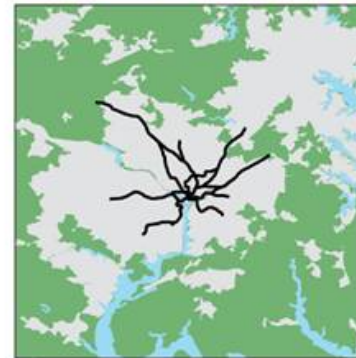
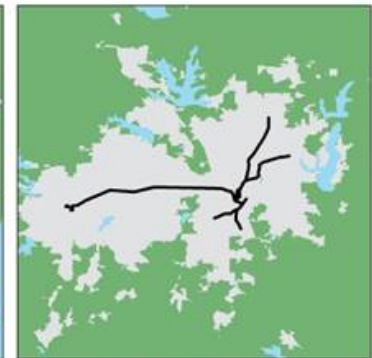
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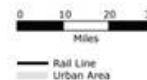
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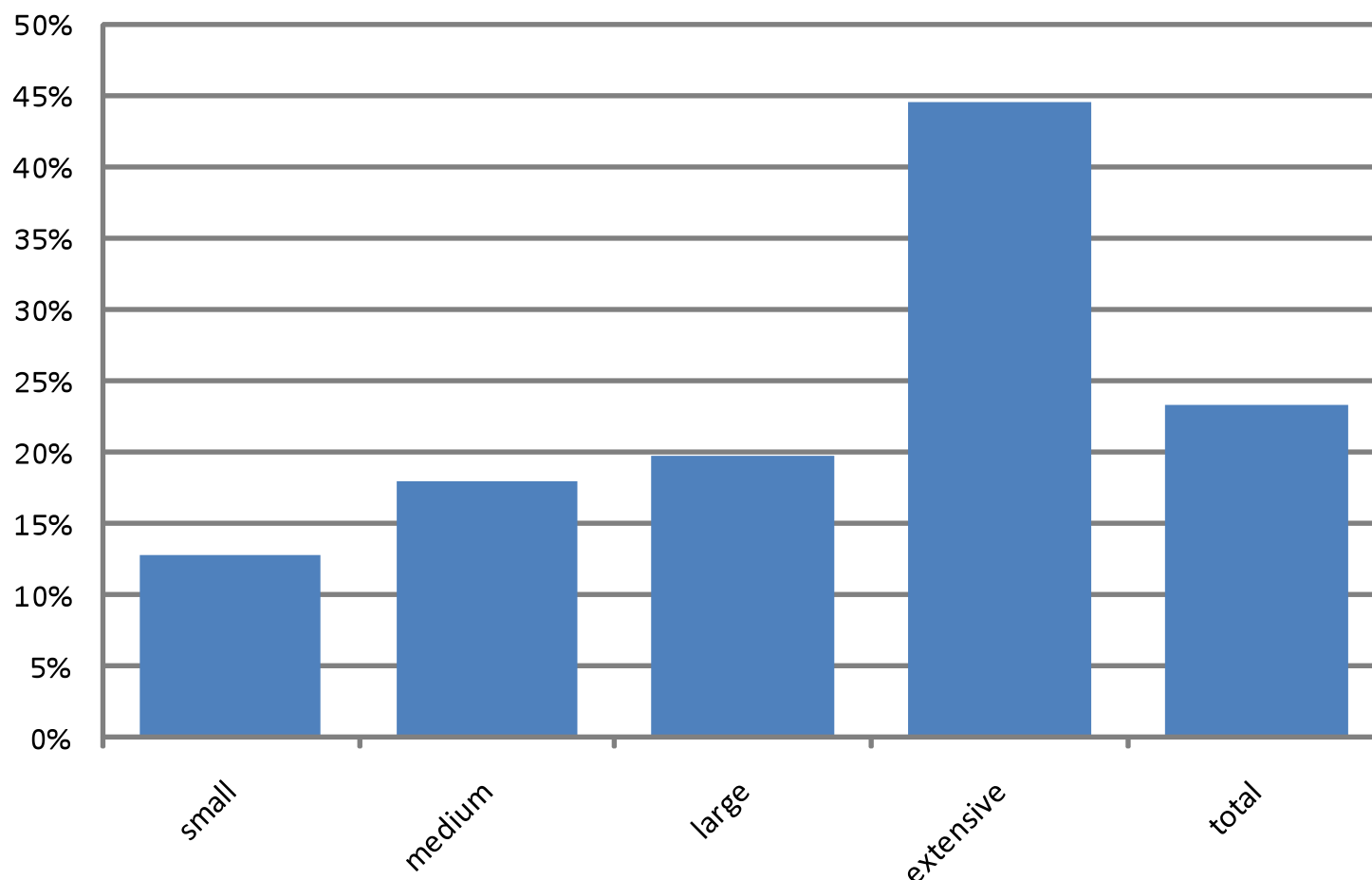
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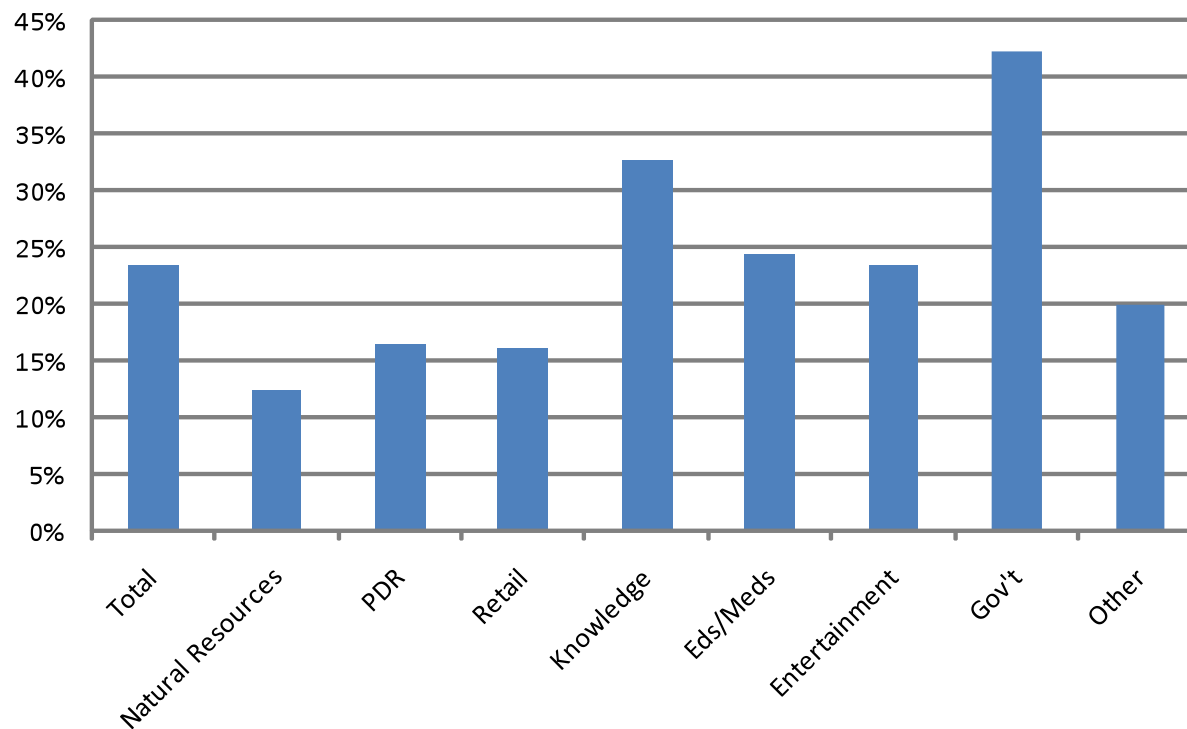


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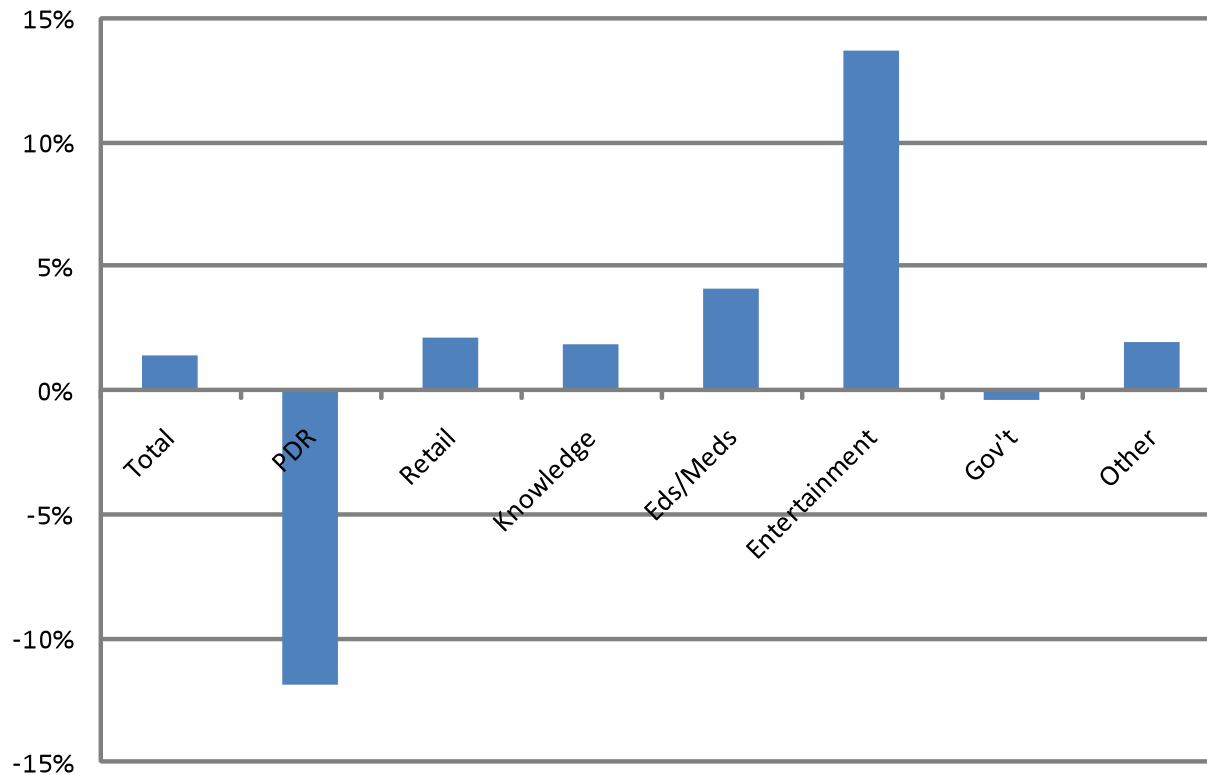
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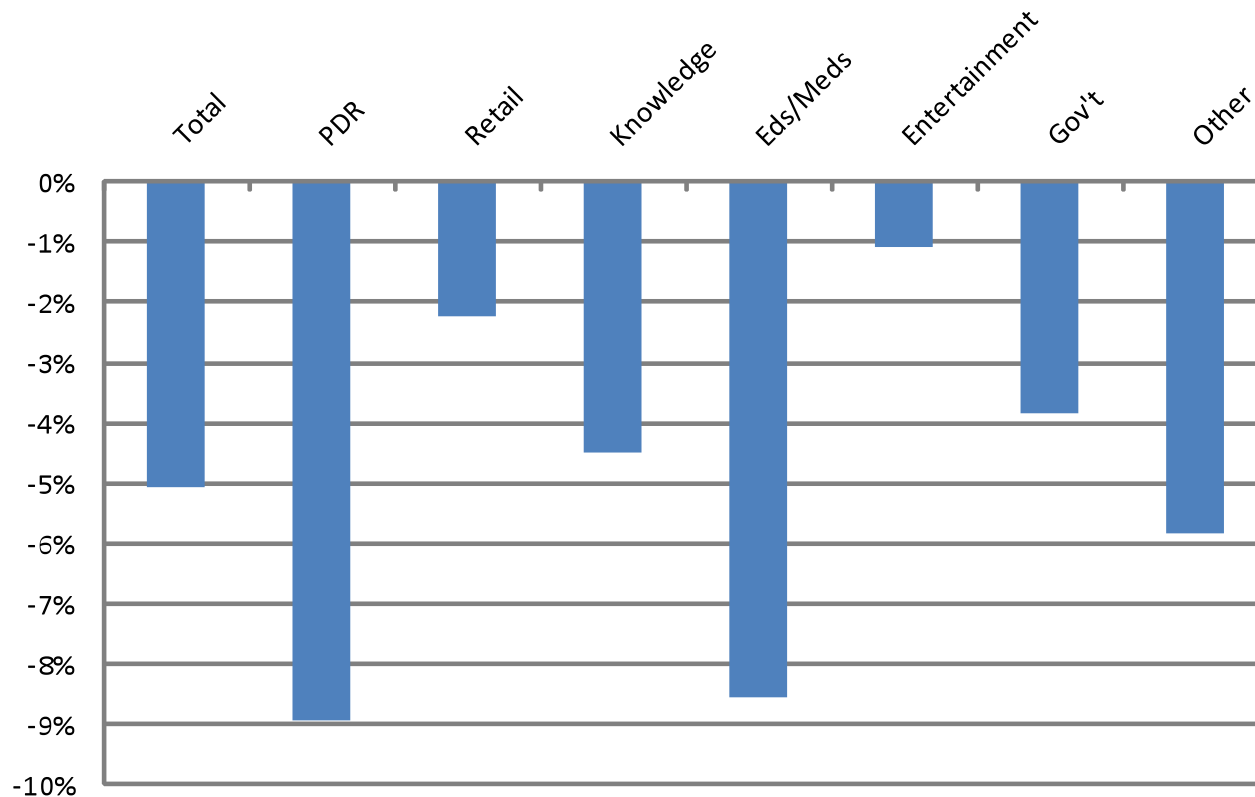
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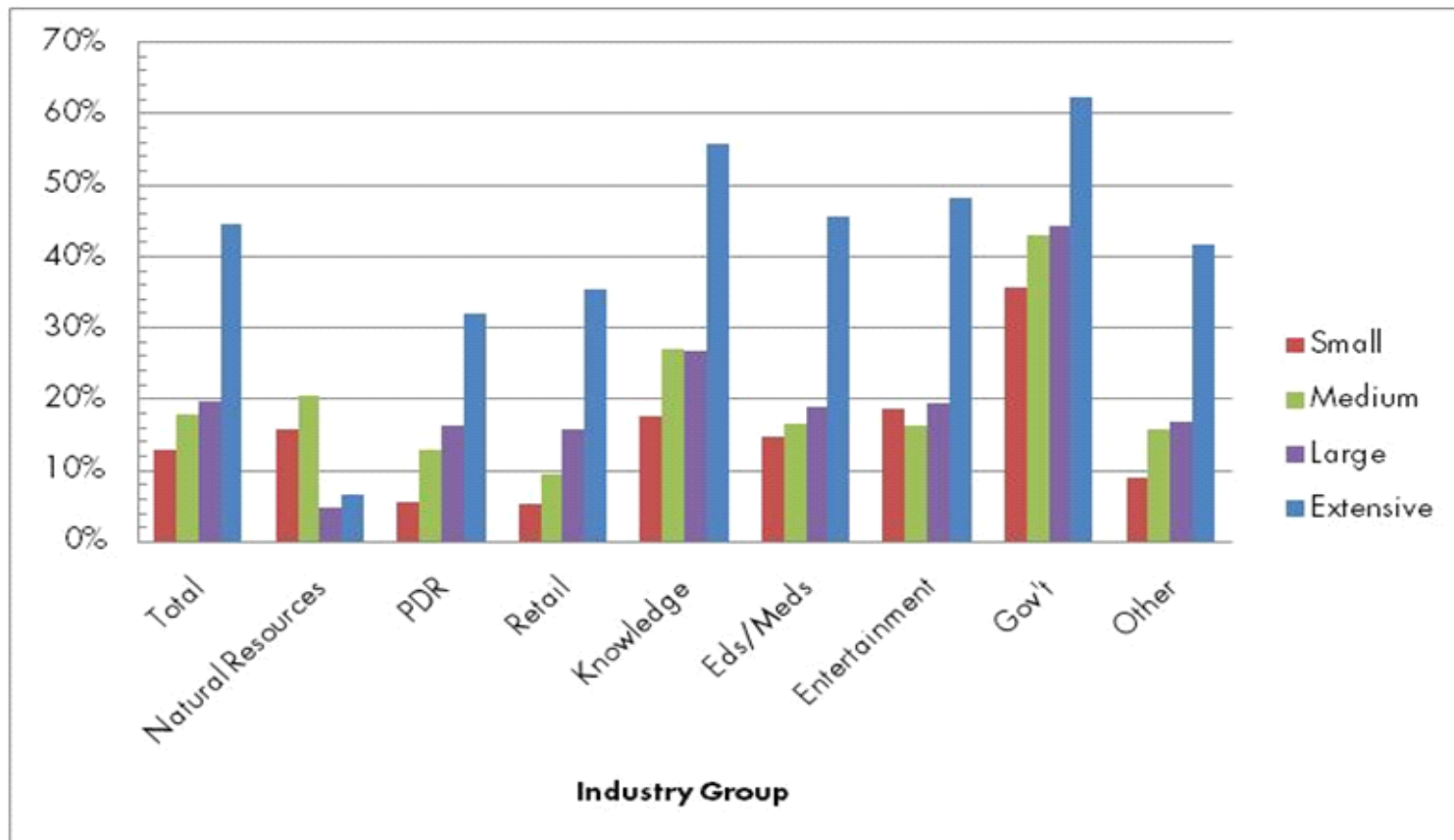
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TRANSIT + EMPLOYMENT

Increasing Transit's
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Reconnecting America and
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Why Focus on the Transit Commute?

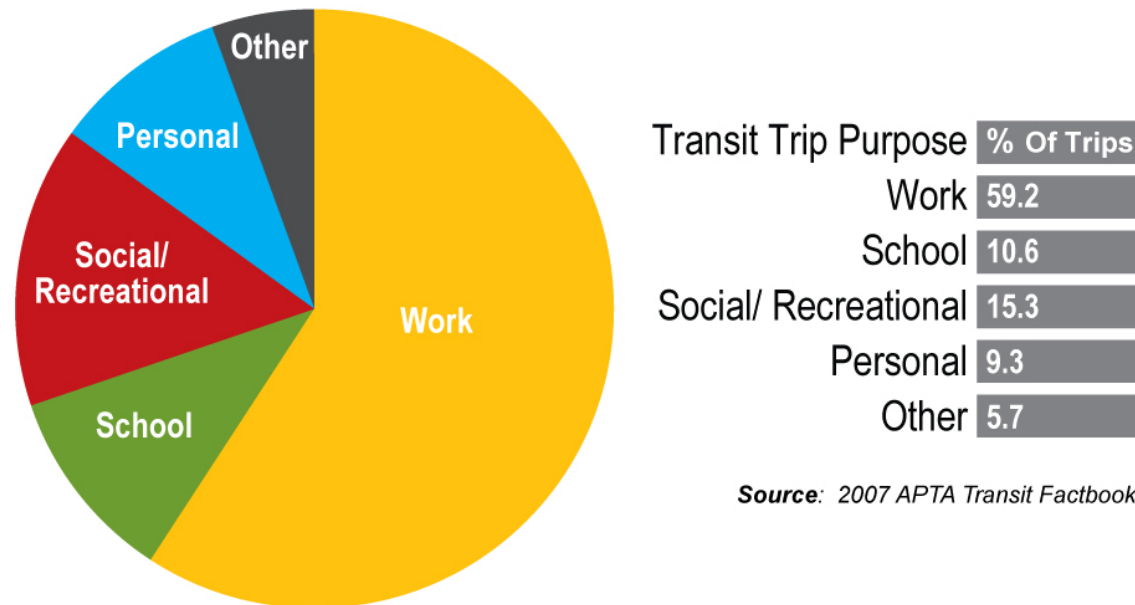
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- Fundamental to transit productivity
- Biggest single component of peak hour travel demand
- Critical to regional economic sustainability
- Often overlooked in TOD discussion



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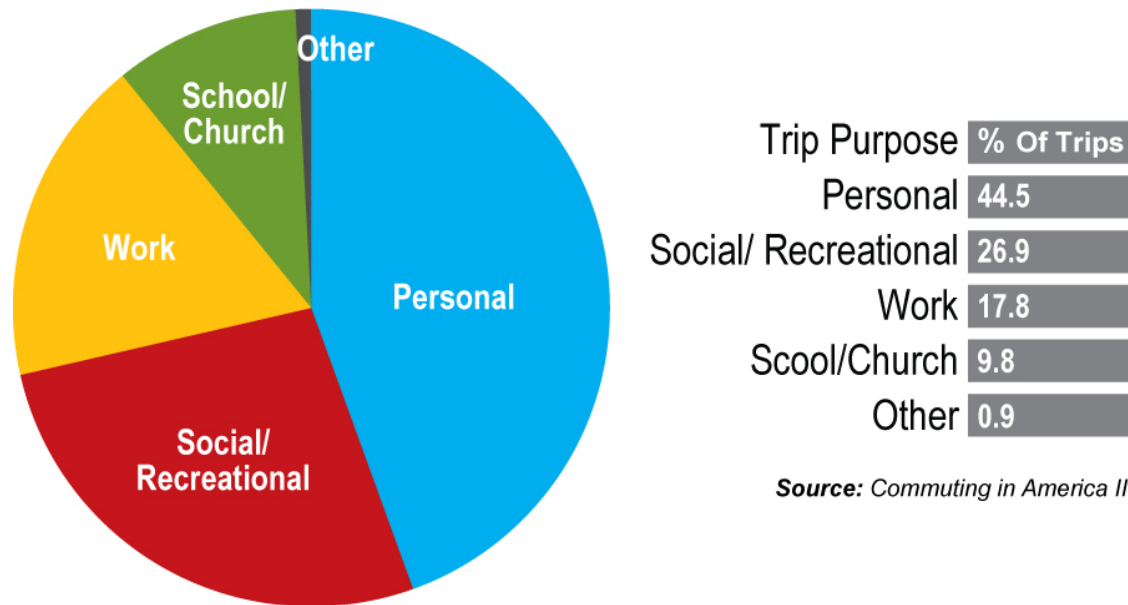
Fundamental to transit productivity



- By a wide margin, the largest group of transit trips are commute trips
- Commuters are a key to transit's productivity

The Transit Commute:

Work Trips Are Less than 20% of Total Trips



Source: *Commuting in America III*

- Work trips are concentrated by day of week and time of day
- Non-work trips make up a growing share of peak hour trip making

The Impact of the Commute Trip

Commuting

- bears an importance to transportation beyond its share of total travel
- is a major factor in determining peak travel demand ...
- defines the high-cost of peak capacity far more than other purposes of travel

From *Commuting in America III* by Alan Pisarski

What Pisarski Fails to Say....

1. Choices about how commute travel demand is met have an enormous impact on the physical fabric of our communities



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2. These choices can help or hinder communities as they try to achieve other important goals



The Transit Commute helps resolve this tension



VS.



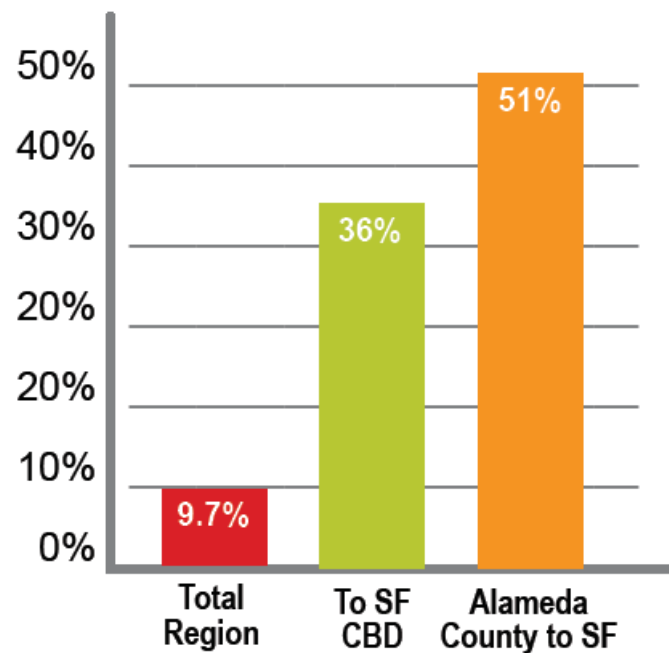
People Who Work Near Transit are much more likely to ride transit



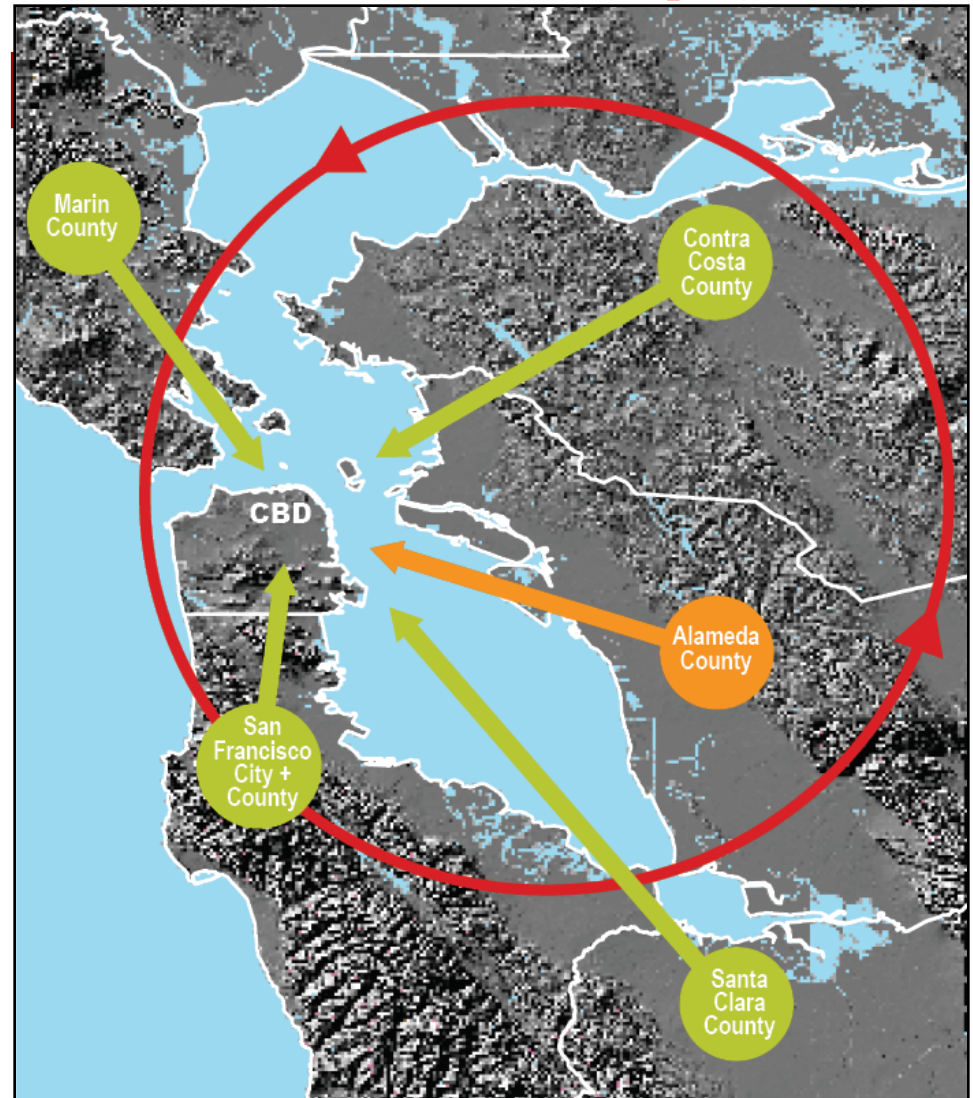
- About 20% of California workers in suburban office near transit commute by transit (Cervero, 2006)
- High quality transit, expensive parking and nearby convenience services all build ridership

Transit's Share of the Commute Trip of the Commute Trip

Highly Correlated
with Population and



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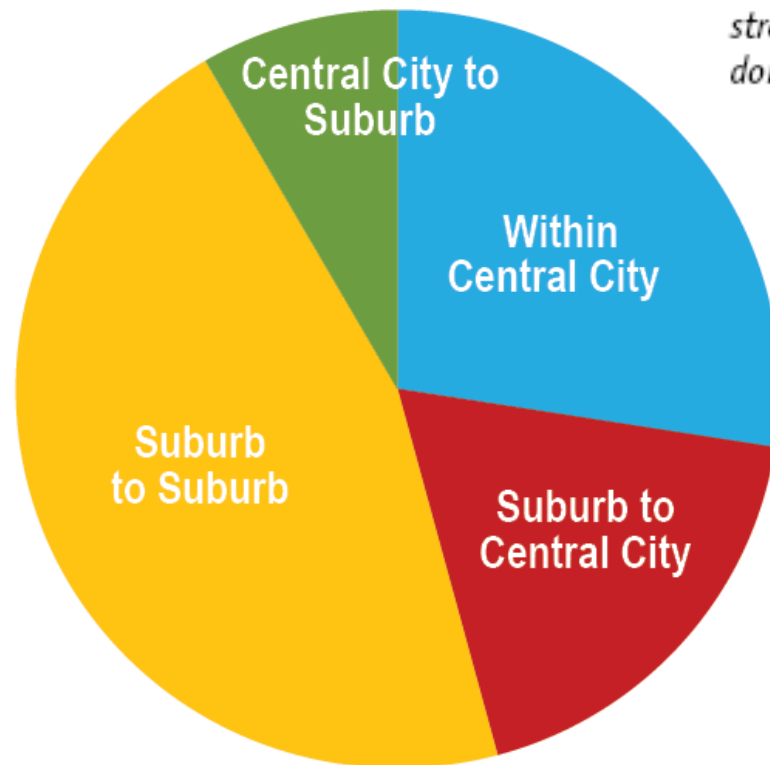


Dispersed Land Use Patterns

have a negative effect on transit use

FIGURE 7: *Major Metropolitan Commuter Flows*

The suburb-to-central-city commute can attract high numbers of transit commuters in metro areas with a strong center and transit network, but since 1980 the dominant commute flow has been suburb-to-suburb.



Metropolitan Flows	Workers
Within Central City	24,506,065
Suburb to Central City	16,598,820
Suburb to Suburb	40,804,660
Central City to Suburb	7,532,770

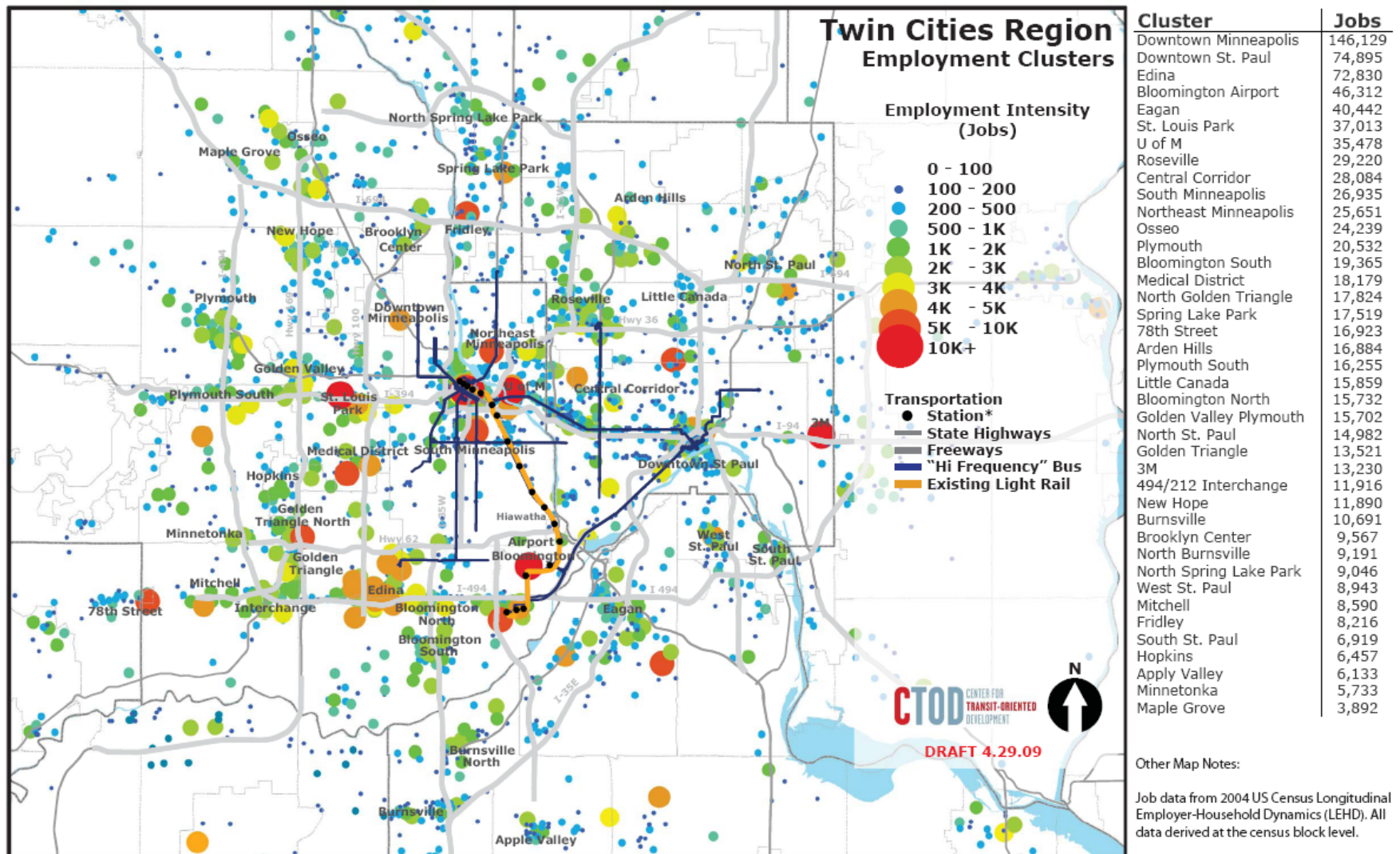
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Urban Form & Employment Decentralization

Leapfrogging
Boomburgs
Edge Cities



Twin Cities – Destinations?



Twin Cities Region Employment Clusters 2030 Transit

Transit lines on this map are those fixed guideway routes which are undergoing detailed planning analysis or currently exist.

Transportation

- Station*
- State Highways
- Freeways
- "Hi-Frequency" Bus
- Streetcar
- BRT
- Light Rail
- Commuter Rail
- Future Fixed Guideway

* Routes and stations have not been determined on each line. Lines denoted as future fixed guideway are generalized alignments. For more information please visit the local authority

Employment clusters were assigned different colors based on the number of jobs per acre

- <10K (Total Jobs)
- <10 Jobs/Acre
- 10 - 15 Jobs/Acre
- 15+ Jobs/Acre



Cluster	Jobs	Jobs /Acre
DT Minneapolis	146,129	55.33
DT St. Paul	74,895	23.77
Edina	72,830	27.22
Bloomington Airport*	46,312	22.43
Eagan	40,442	4.72
St. Louis Park	37,013	19.24
U of M	35,478	21.08
Roseville	29,220	7.55
Central Corridor	28,084	10.58
S Minneapolis	26,935	10.41
NE Minneapolis	25,651	11.40
Osseo	24,239	4.17
Plymouth	20,532	8.25
Bloomington South	19,365	12.98
Medical District	18,179	10.98
N Golden Triangle	17,824	20.79
Spring Lake Park	17,519	7.09
78th Street	16,923	15.66
Arden Hills	16,884	7.34
Plymouth South	16,255	5.26
Little Canada	15,859	5.18
Bloomington North	15,732	14.51
Golden V/ Plymouth	15,702	11.15
N St. Paul	14,982	5.21
Golden Triangle	13,521	11.17
3M	13,230	30.32
Interchange	11,916	11.03
New Hope	11,890	8.51
Burnsville	10,691	4.92
Brooklyn Center	9,567	8.41
North Burnsville	9,191	4.92
N Spring Lake Park	9,046	6.82
W St. Paul	8,943	8.31
Mitchell	8,590	10.17
Fridley	8,216	13.72
S St. Paul	6,919	6.43
Hopkins	6,457	12.74
Apply Valley	6,133	8.12
Minnetonka	5,733	16.15
Maple Grove	3,892	5.77

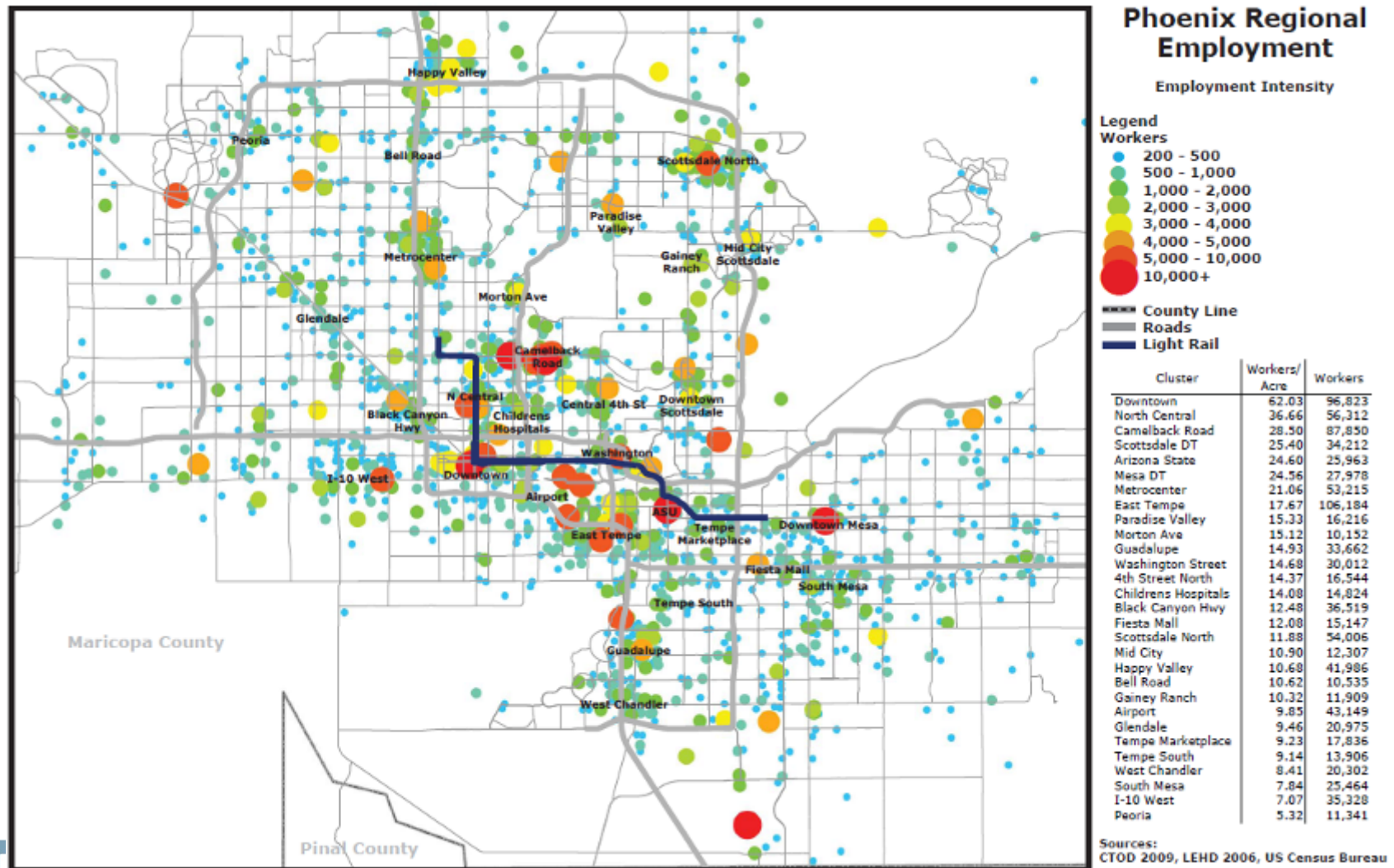
Other Map Notes:

Job data from 2004 US Census Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics (LEHD). All data derived at the census block level.

* Airport doesn't include runway acres. All densities are approximate

Edina cluster has same employment as Downtown St. Paul, yet no future plans for Rapid Transit

Phoenix



Phoenix Regional Expansion

Employment Density & Mix
Legend

Cluster Worker Density
(Workers/Acre)

- < 10
- 10-20
- 20-30
- 30+

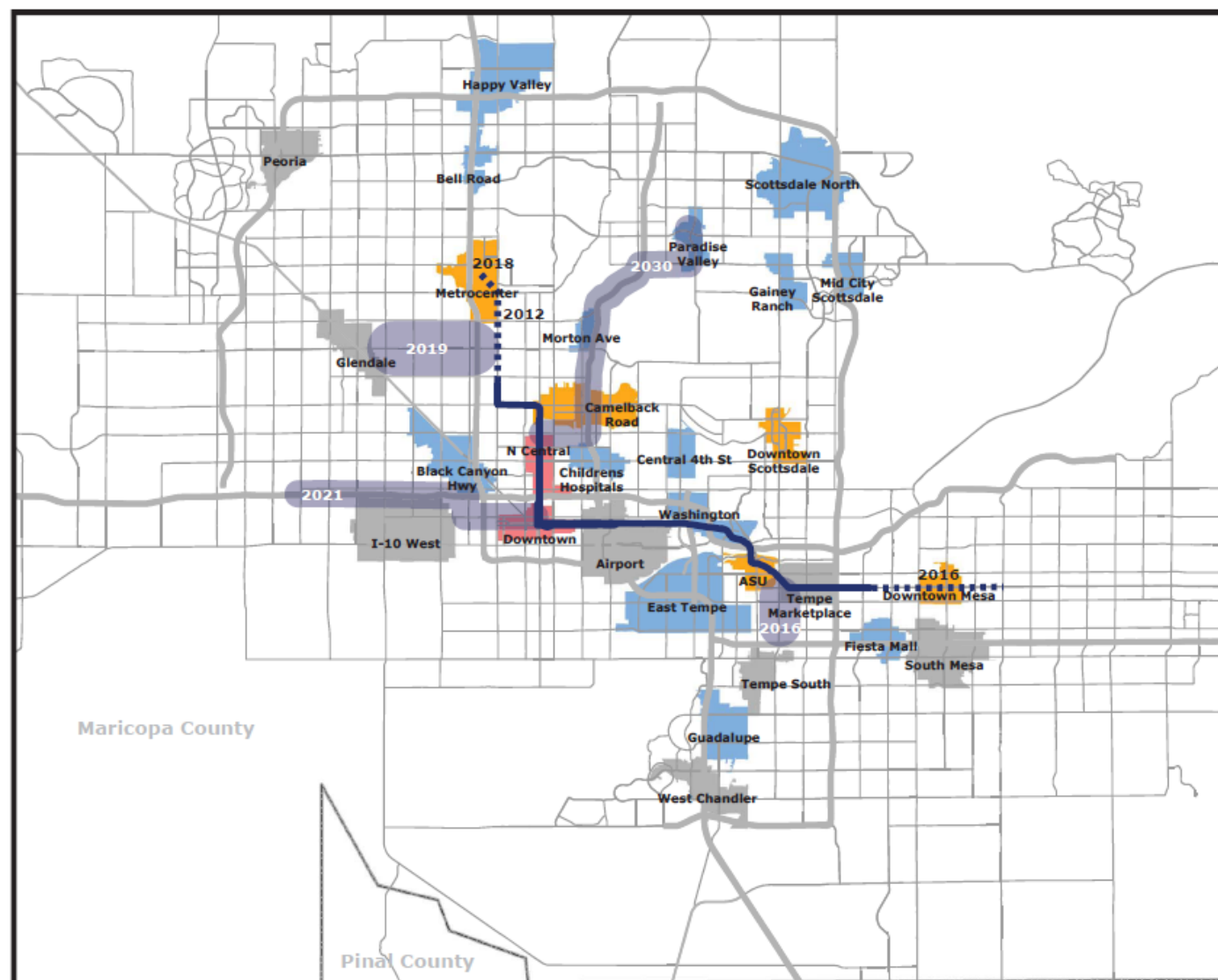
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Roads

Light Rail

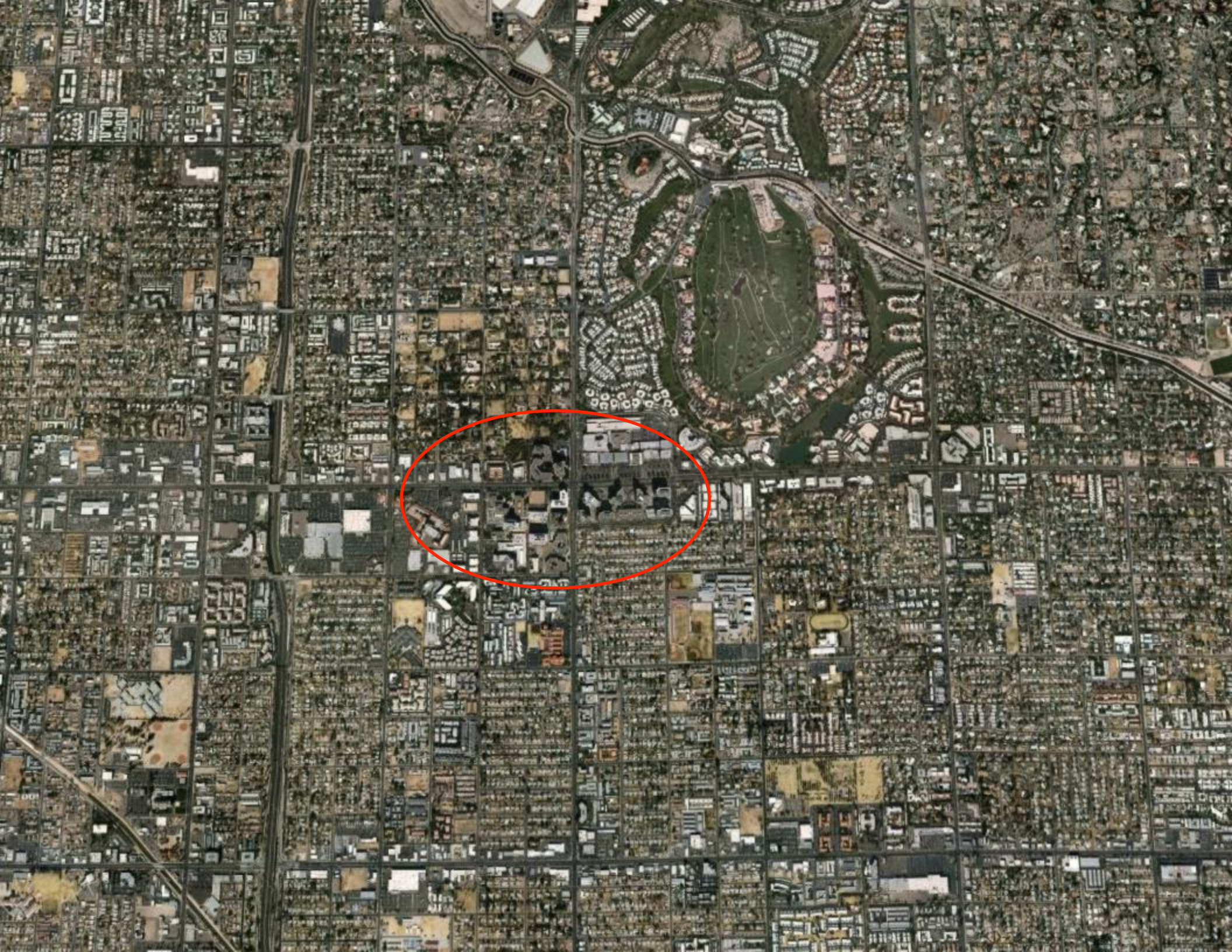
Designed Extensions

Corridors for Further Study



Cluster	Workers/Acre	Workers
Downtown	62.03	96,823
North Central	36.66	56,312
Camelback Road	28.50	87,850
Scottsdale DT	25.40	34,212
Arizona State	24.60	25,963
Mesa DT	24.56	27,978
Metrocenter	21.06	53,215
East Tempe	17.67	106,184
Paradise Valley	15.33	16,216
Morton Ave	15.12	10,152
Guadalupe	14.93	33,662
Washington Street	14.68	30,012
4th Street North	14.37	16,544
Childrens Hospitals	14.08	14,824
Black Canyon Hwy	12.48	36,519
Fiesta Mall	12.08	15,147
Scottsdale North	11.88	54,006
Mid City	10.90	12,307
Happy Valley	10.68	41,986
Bell Road	10.62	10,535
Gainey Ranch	10.32	11,909
Airport	9.85	43,149
Glendale	9.46	20,975
Tempe Marketplace	9.23	17,836
Tempe South	9.14	13,906
West Chandler	8.41	20,302
South Mesa	7.84	25,464
I-10 West	7.07	35,328
Peoria	5.32	11,341

Sources:
CTOD 2009, LEHD 2006, US Census Bureau



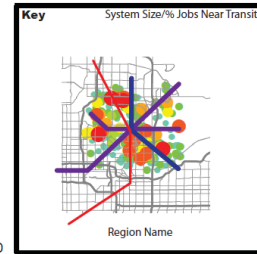
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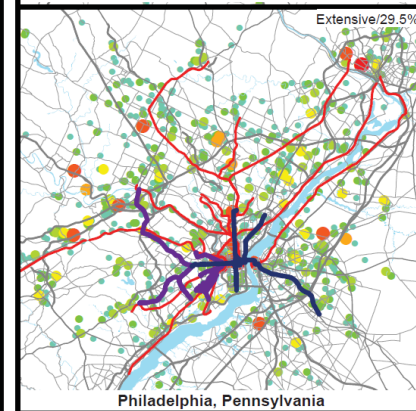
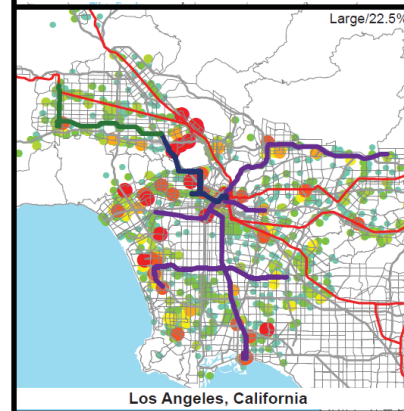
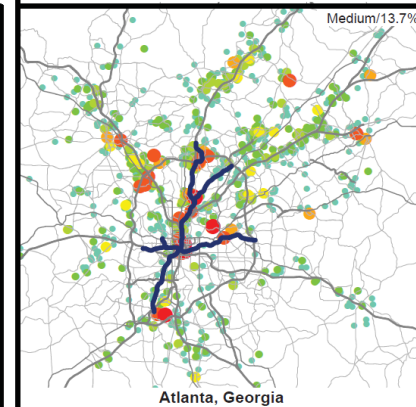
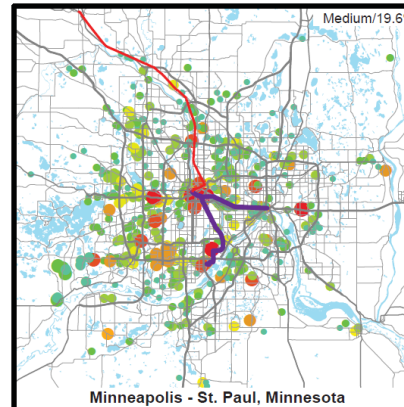
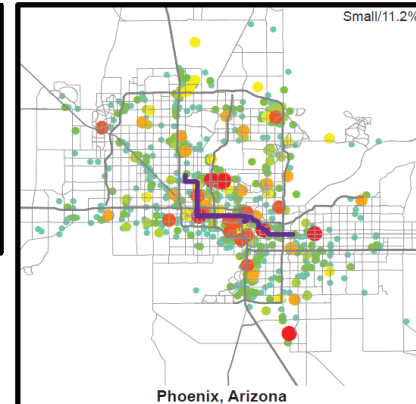
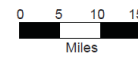
- Light Rail
- Commuter Rail
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- Major Highways
- Major Roads

Workers

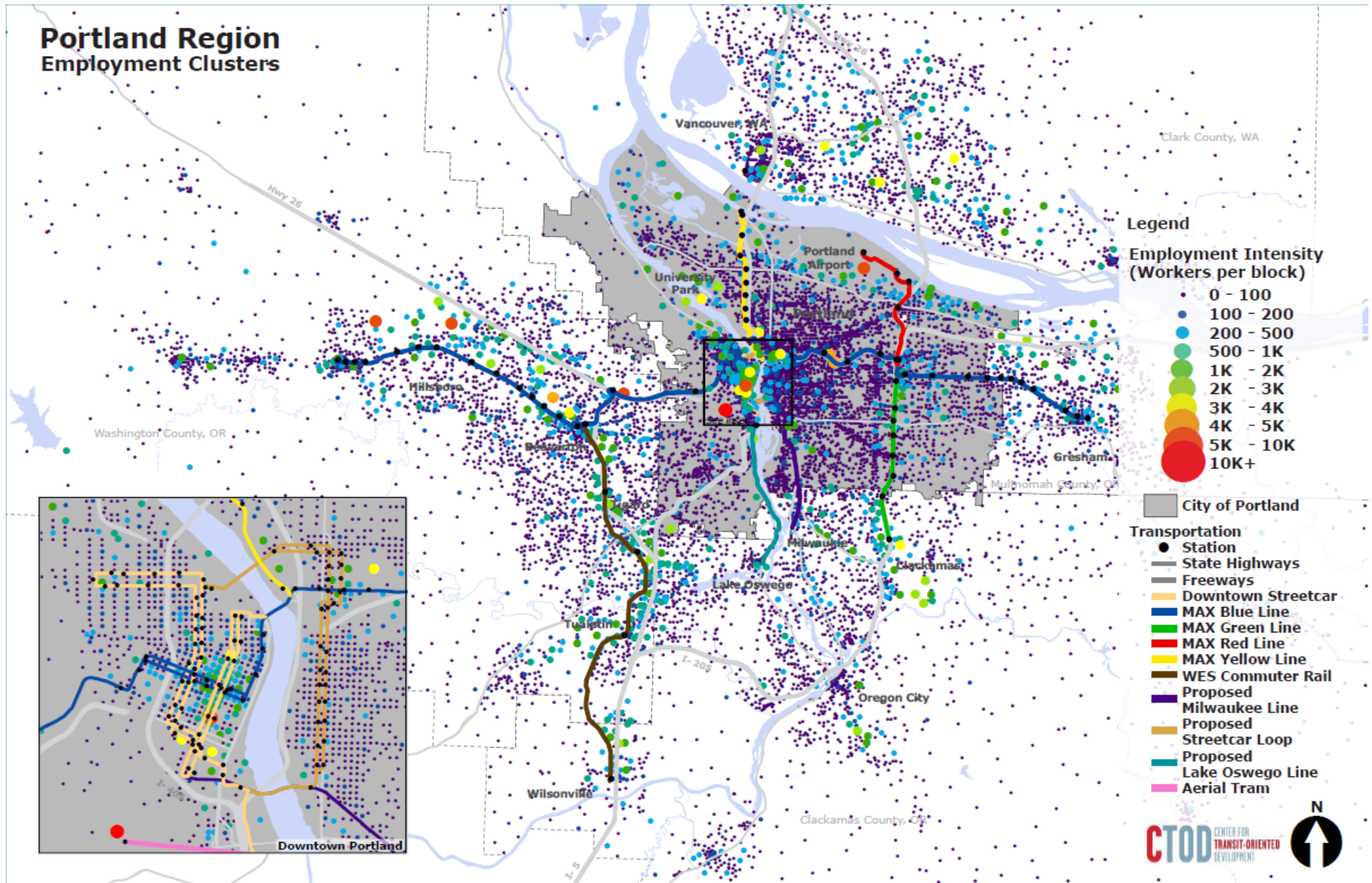
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- 5,000 - 10,000
- 10,000+



Sources: 2004/2006 Census LEHD, CTOD 2009, ESRI



Portland



Travel Behavior and Workplace Districts: Investigation for Hacienda Business Park

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Travel Behavior and Workplace Districts Final Jeopardy Answer

The formula for accommodate growth (i.e., significant increase in urban activity and movement) without a directly corresponding increase in trips, vmt and congestion

Transportation Performance and Workplace Districts

(1) Case studies:

Established City Employment Districts

Business Park Urbanism

(3) Research Review

(4) Review of Local data

(5) Synthesis

Travel Behavior and Workplace Districts

Final Jeopardy

What is: Concentrated mixed land uses + Rational decision-makers + very high network capacity + regional location and optimal transportation supply + authentic urban character + “self selectors”

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Increase number of people who

take transit to park jobs

Considerations:

- Transit: availability at origin, quality of service
- Distance of commute trip
- Ability to accomplish daily errands during work day
- Relative cost and time of transit vs. auto trip
- Fit between workers with transit available at their trip origin, and jobs available at Hacienda

By drawing on these factors: concentrated mixed land uses + rational decision-makers + very high network capacity + optimal regional location and transportation supply + authentic urban character + self-selectors

Increase number of people who

both live and work in
park; don't drive to work

Considerations:

- Accommodating daily household routine, incl. school trips
- Match of jobs and workers: skills, #, \$
- Distance between home and work
- Housing opportunities within the park
- Suitability and appeal of walk infrastructure

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Considerations:

- Transit availability at destination
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- Relative cost and time of transit / walk/ bike vs. auto trip
- Ease of BART access from home location

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Increase number of people who

live <1 mile from HBP, work in
Park, walk to work

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- Relative cost and time of walk vs. auto trip
- Travel needs of entire household
- Suitability and appeal of walk infrastructure

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Increase number of people who

live 1-5 miles from HBP, work in
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- Travel needs of entire household
- Suitability of road infrastructure for bicycle trips

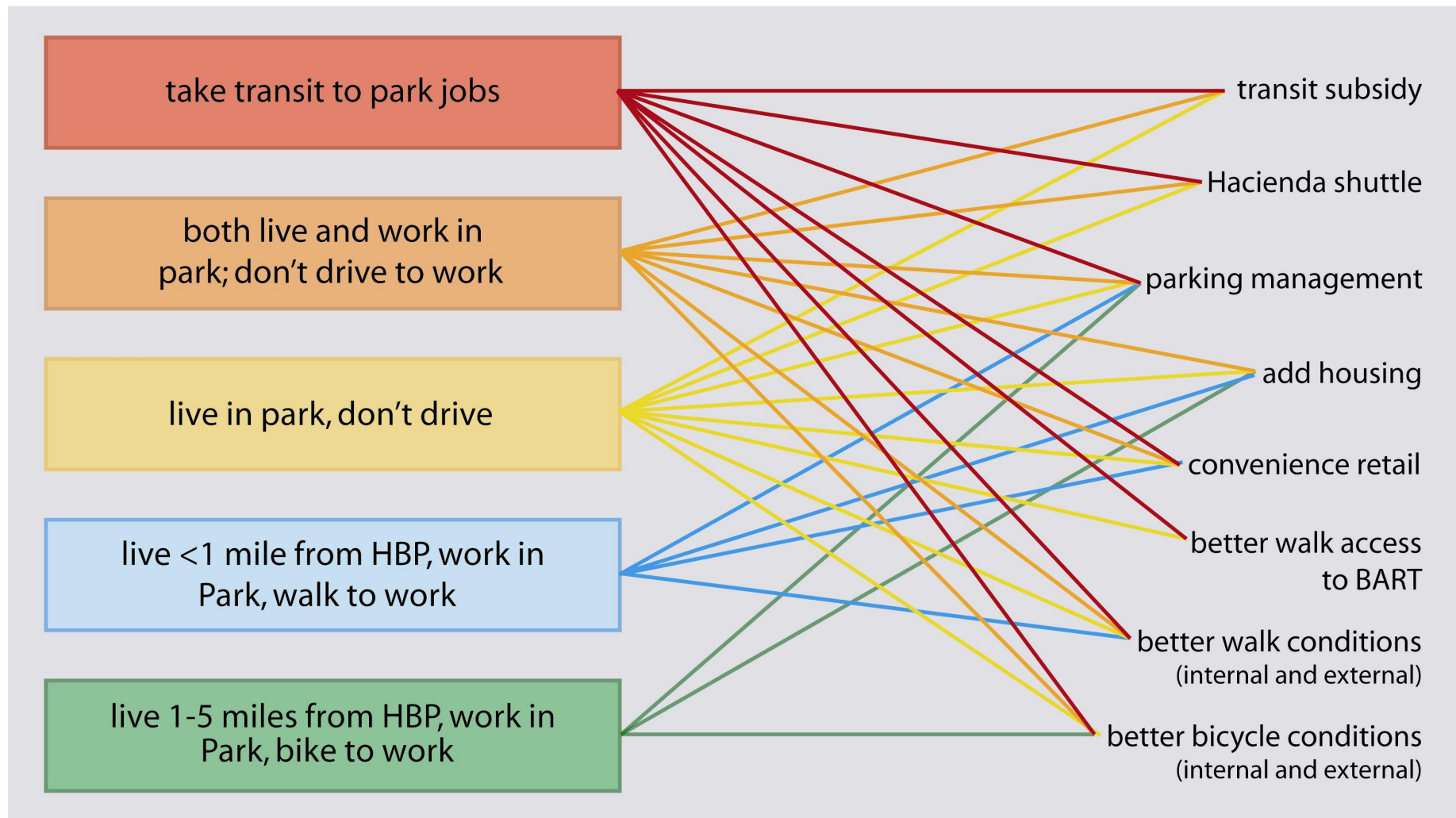
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Linking Desired Travel Behavior and Strategic Actions

- A composite view links desired travel behavior to a full program of strategic actions
- Disaggregated views show strategies associated with individual travel behaviors

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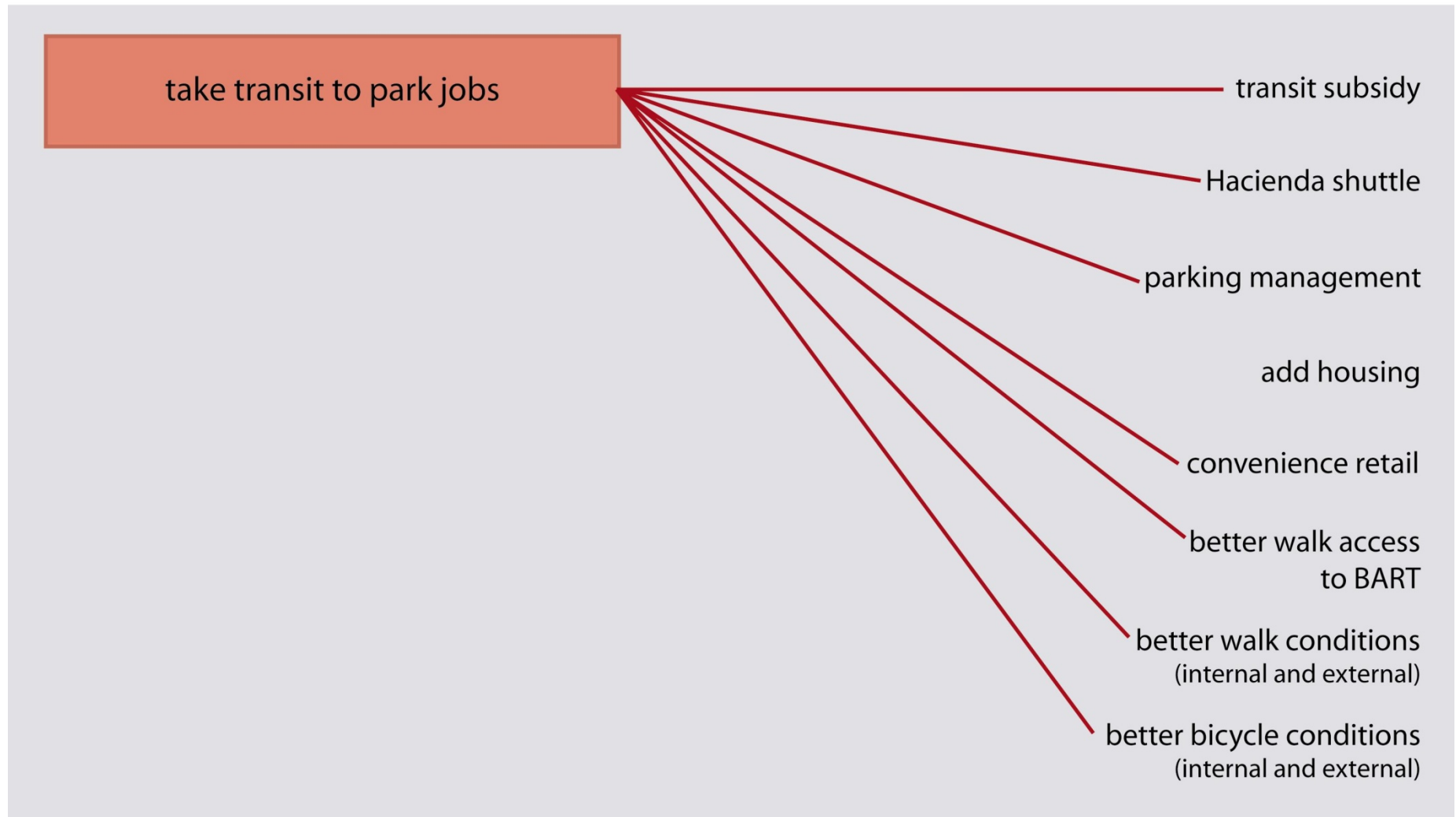
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Hacienda shuttle

parking management

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convenience retail

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to BART

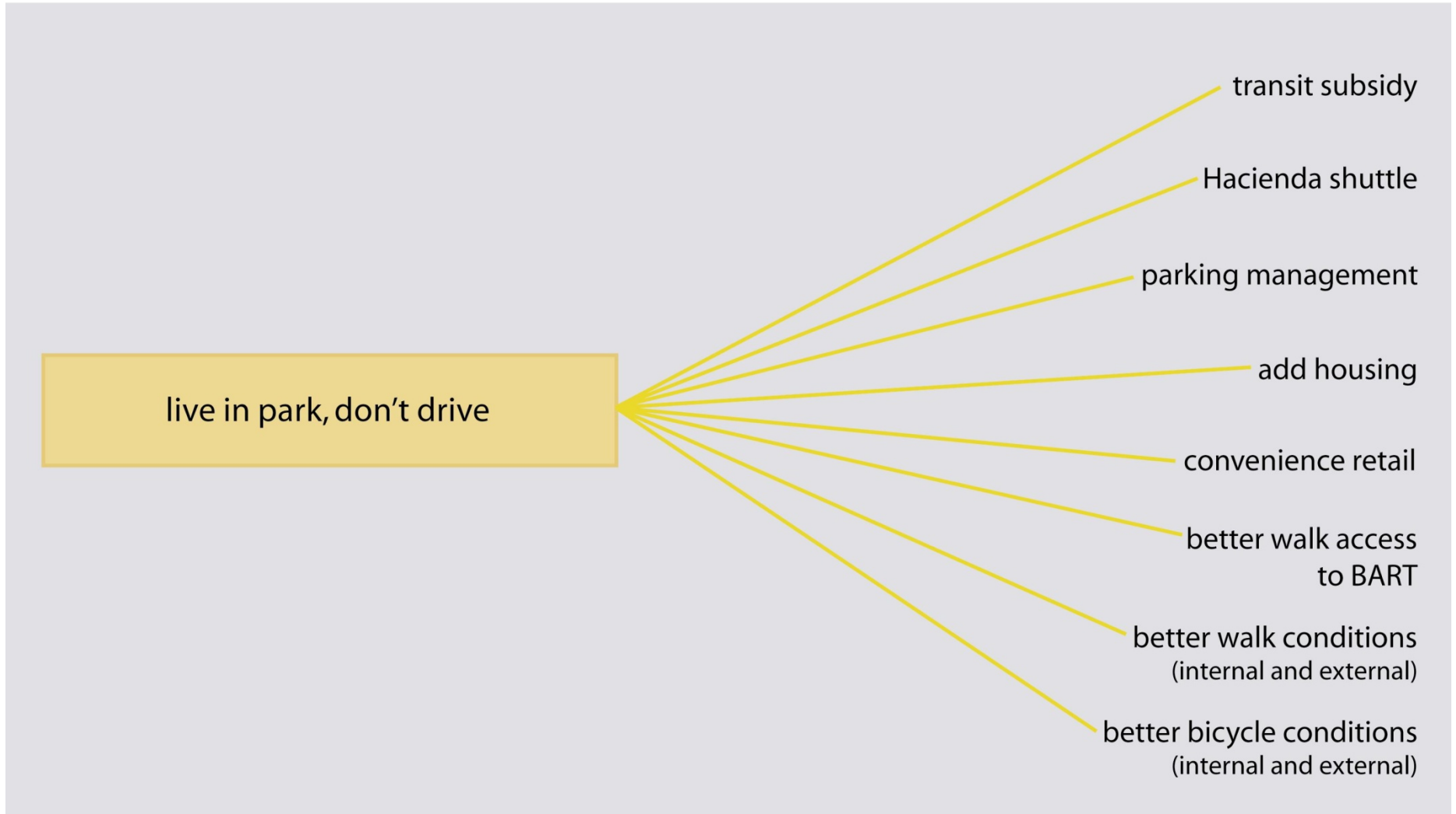
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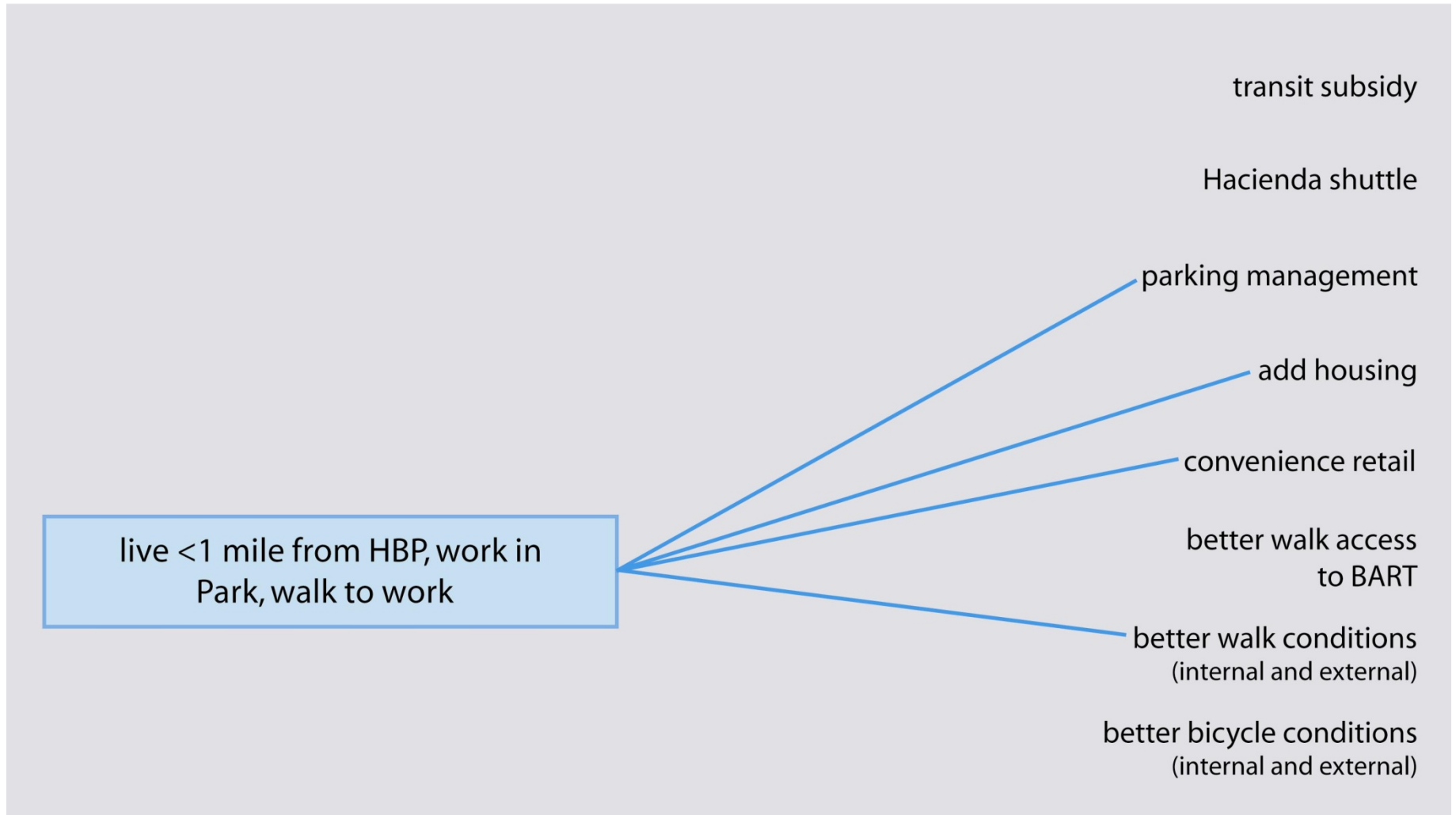
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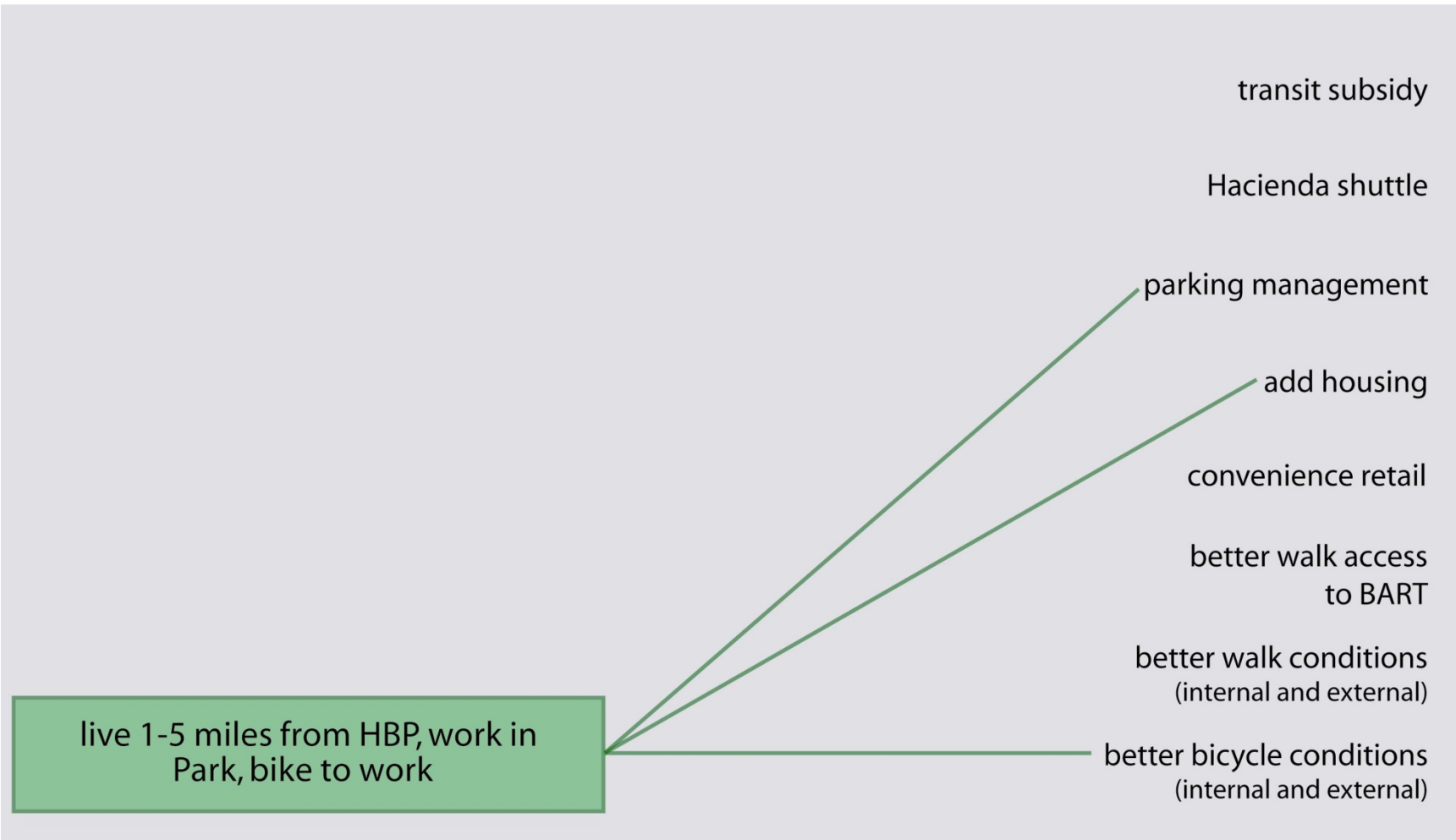
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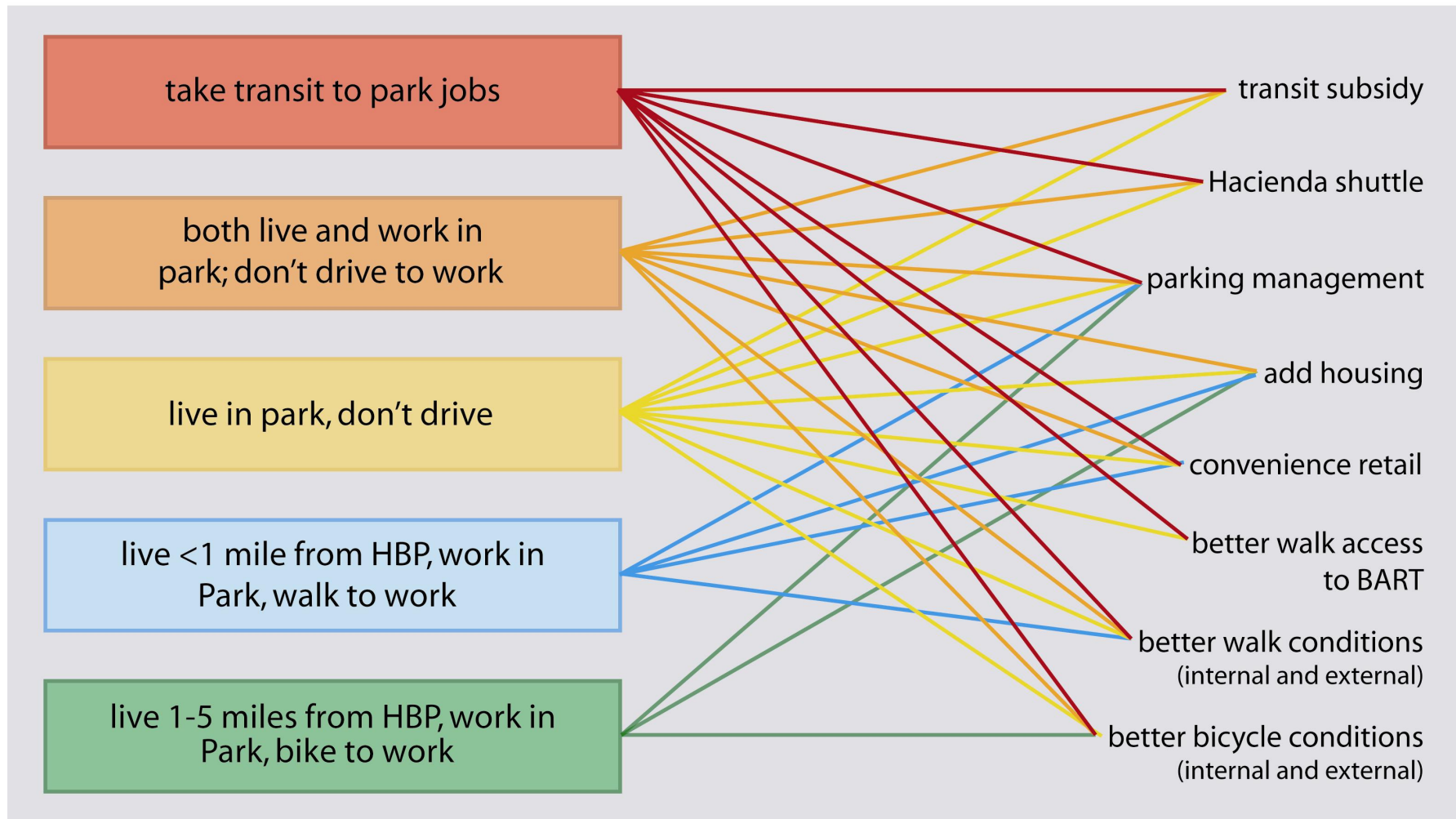
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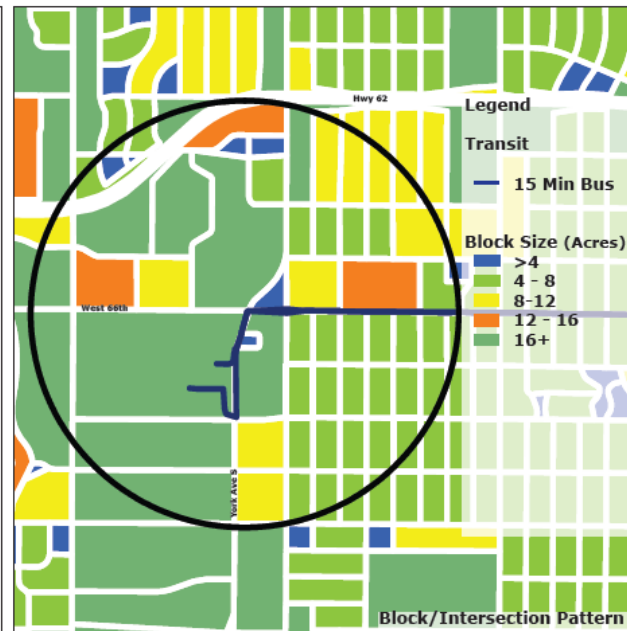
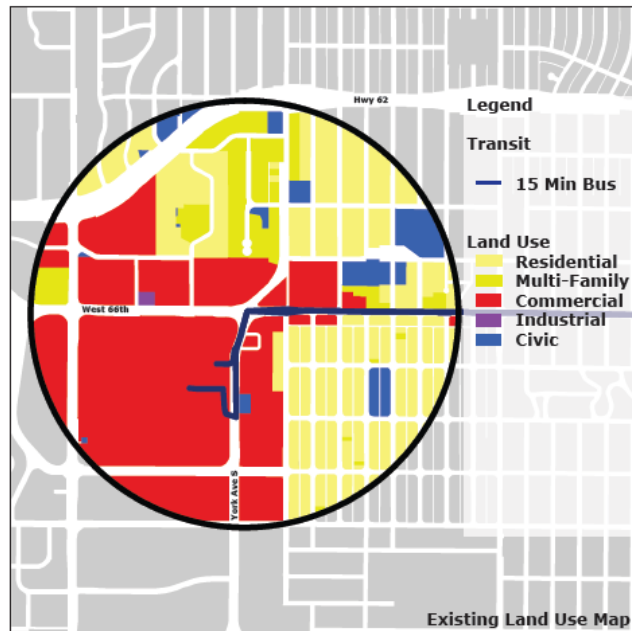
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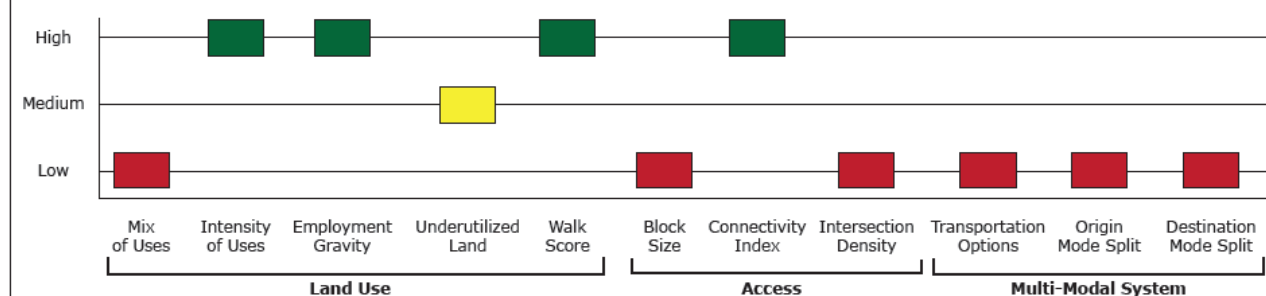
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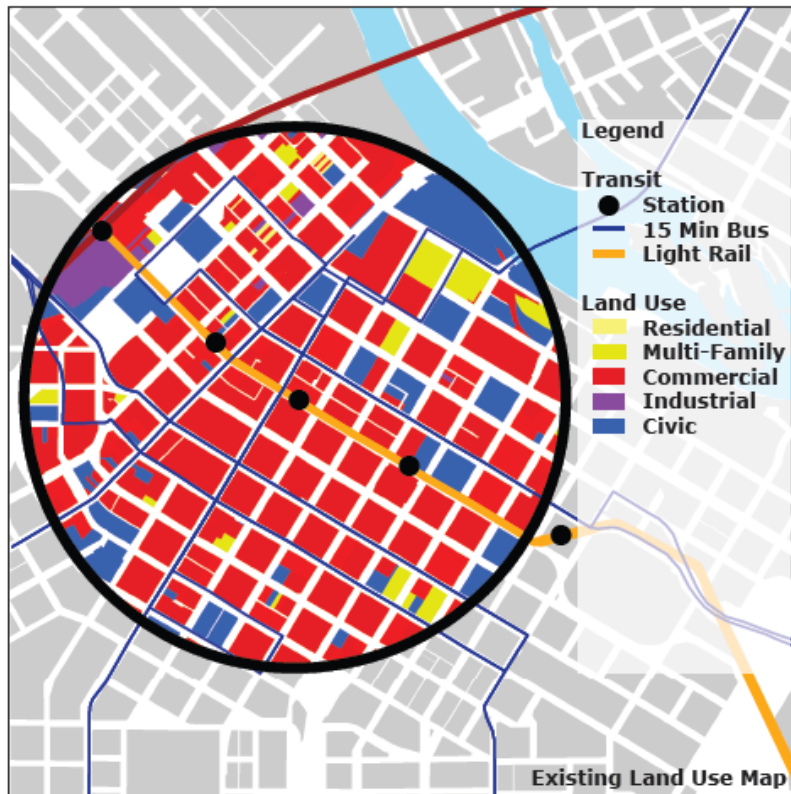
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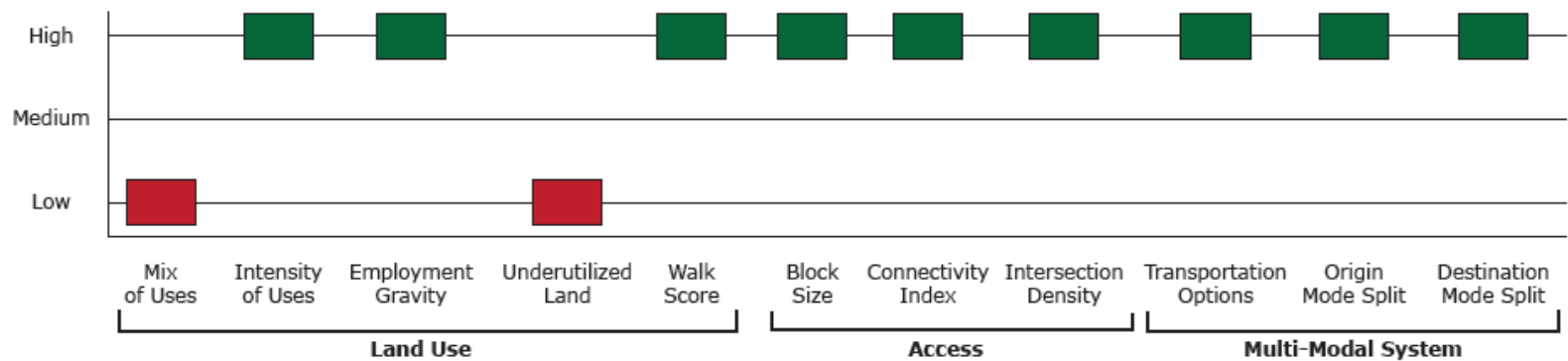
Indicator	
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Intensity of Uses (Work. + Res./Acre)	46.4
Employment Gravity	High
Underutilized Land	116 Acres
Walk Score	92
Average Block Size	10.02 Acres
Connectivity Index	1.84
Intersection Density	40/sq mi
Origin Mode Split	9% Non-auto
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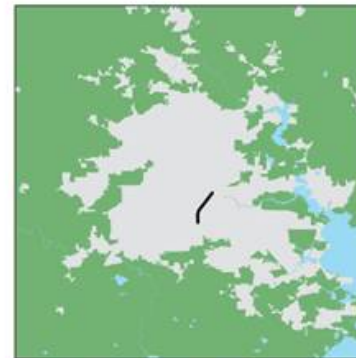


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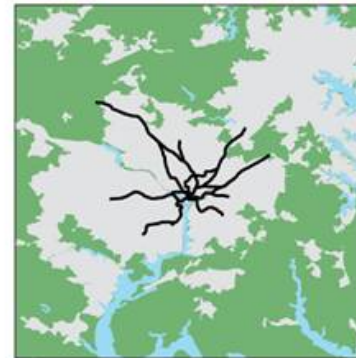
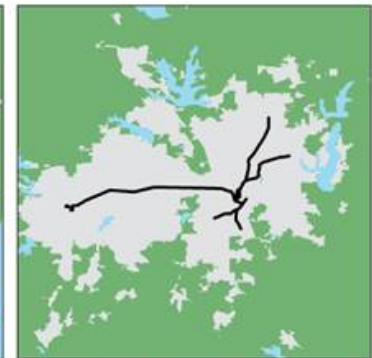
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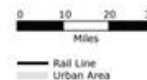


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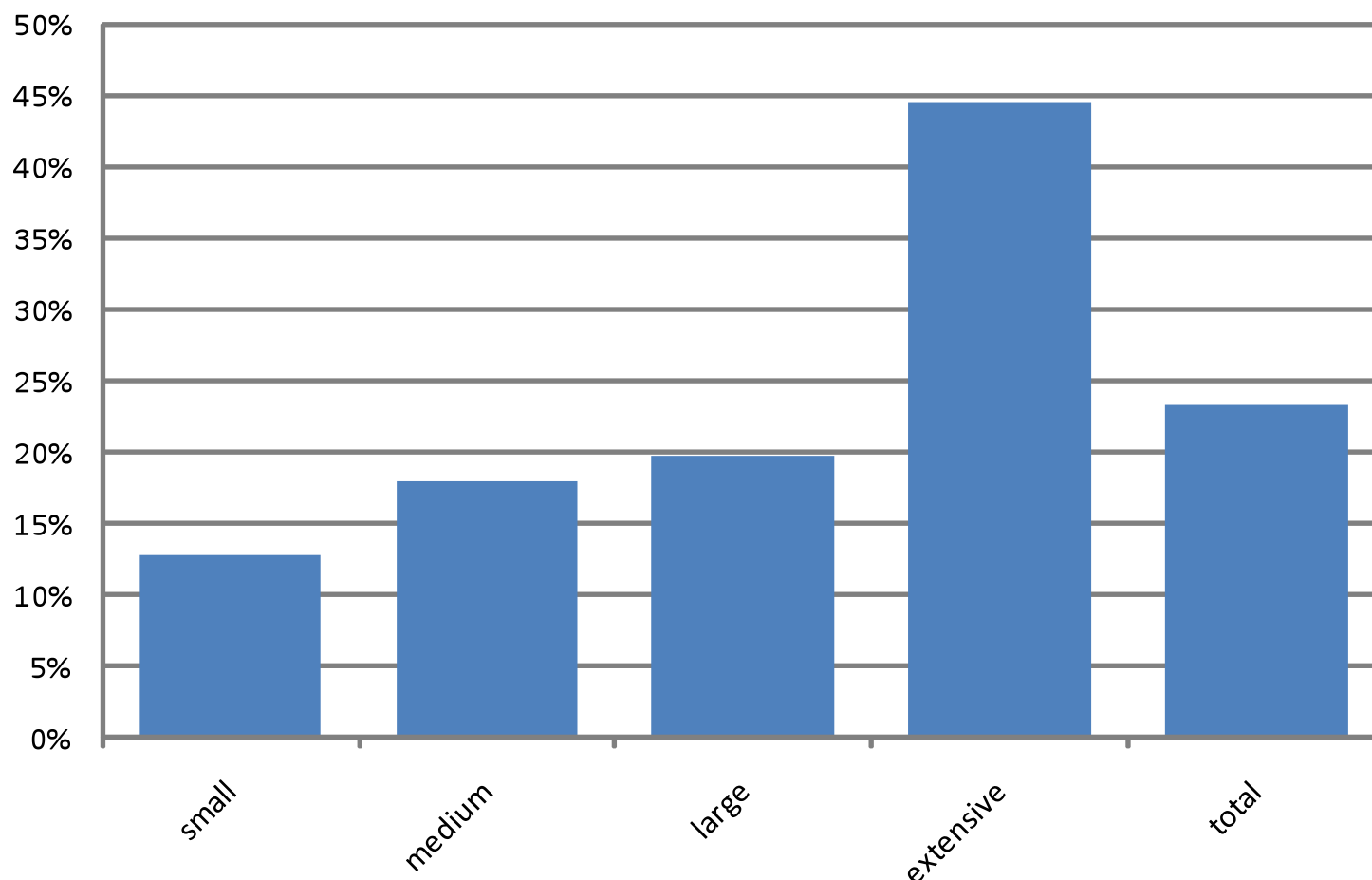


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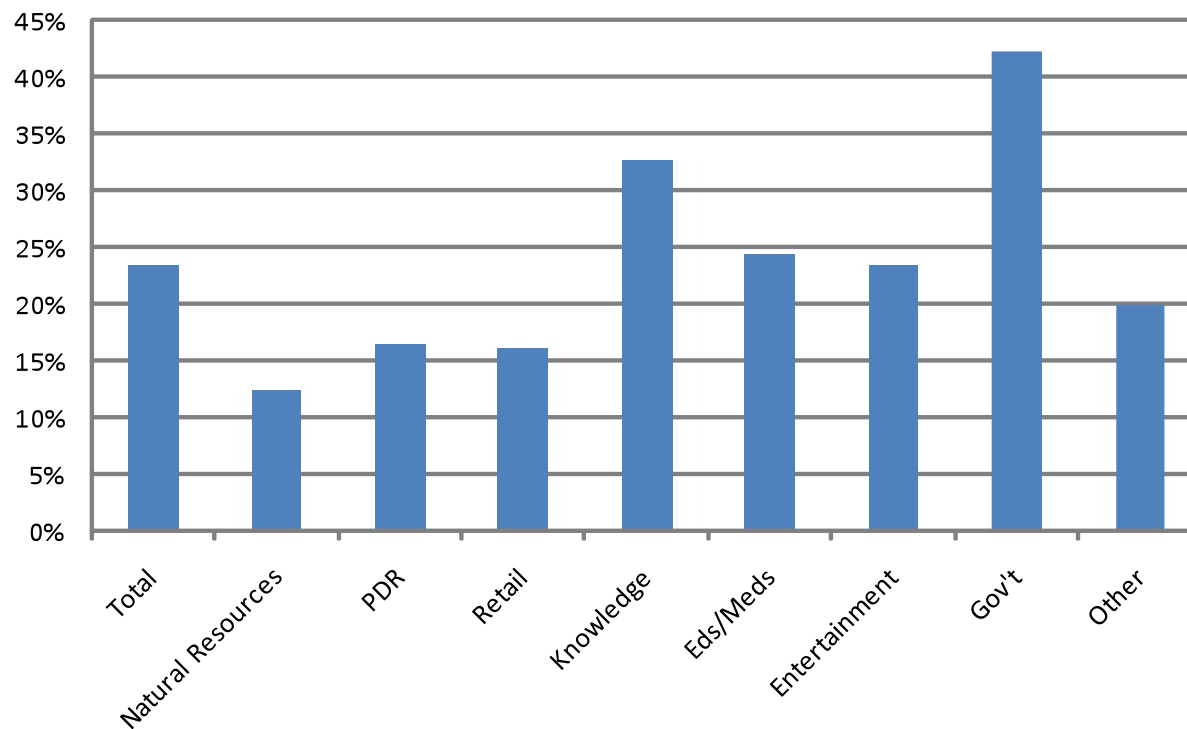


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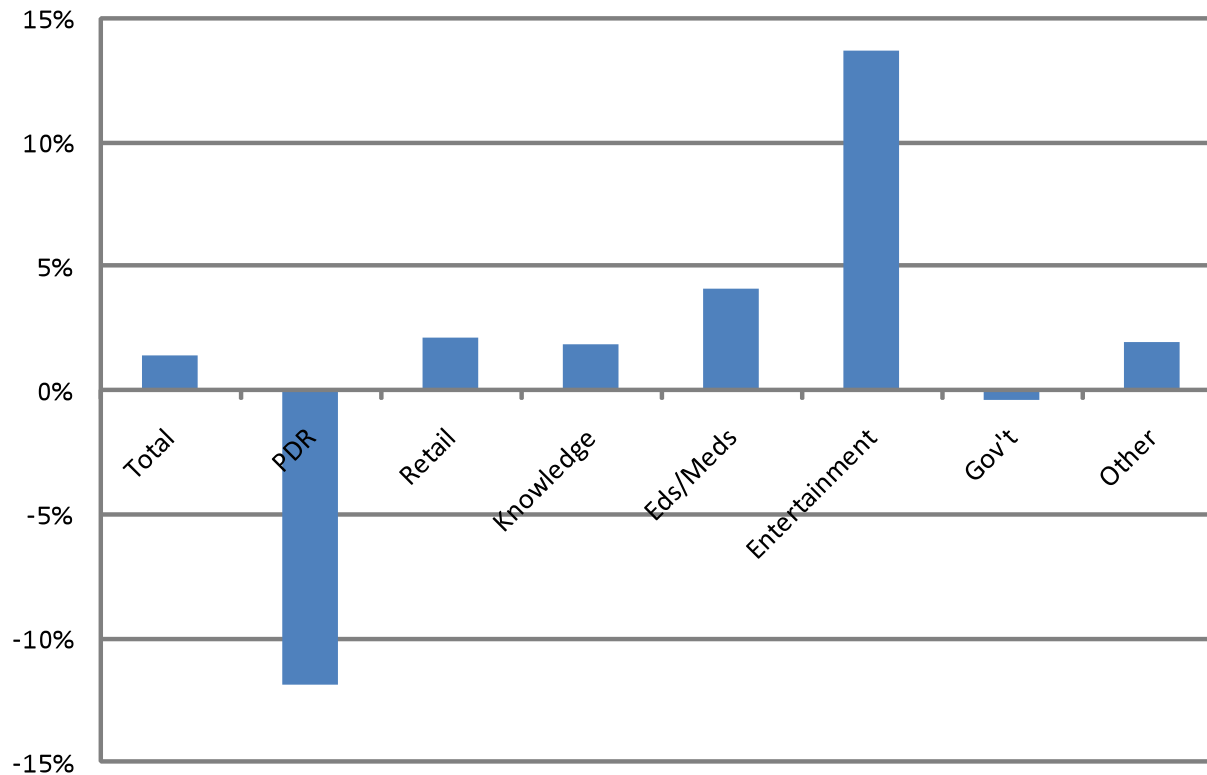
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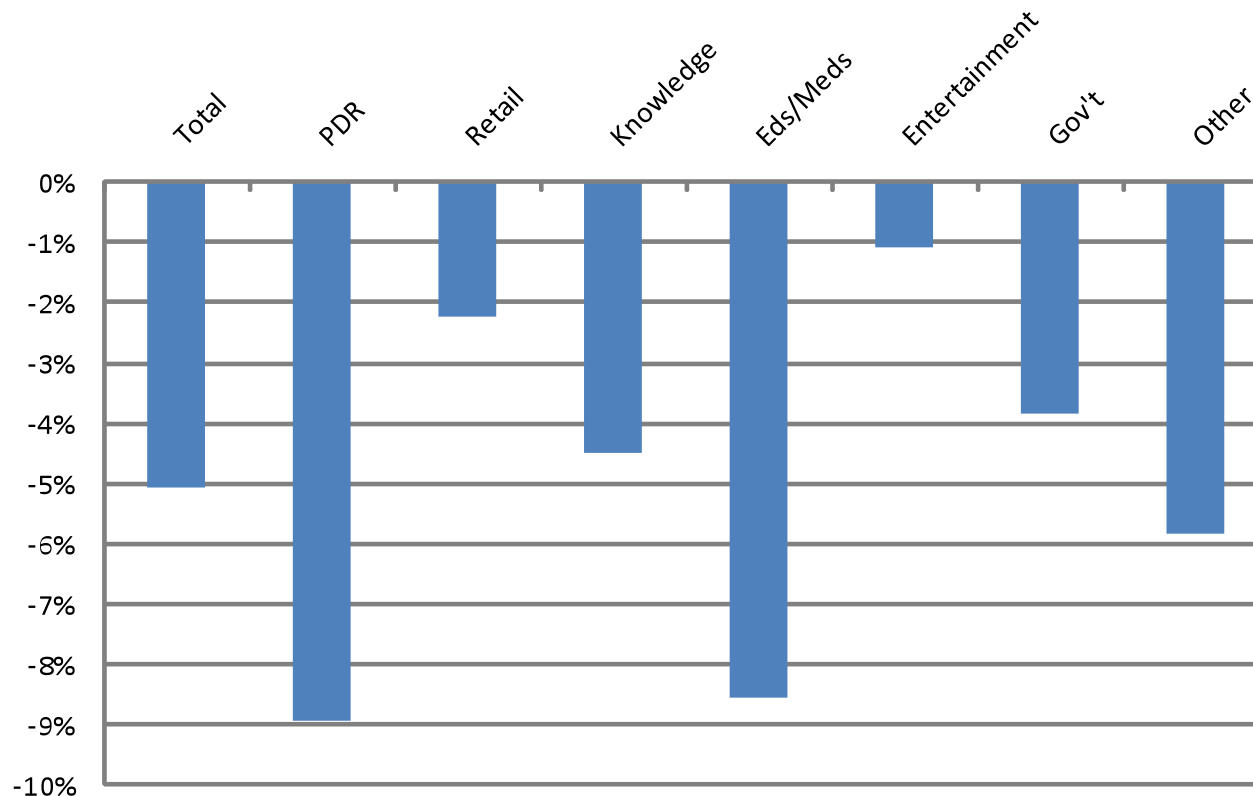
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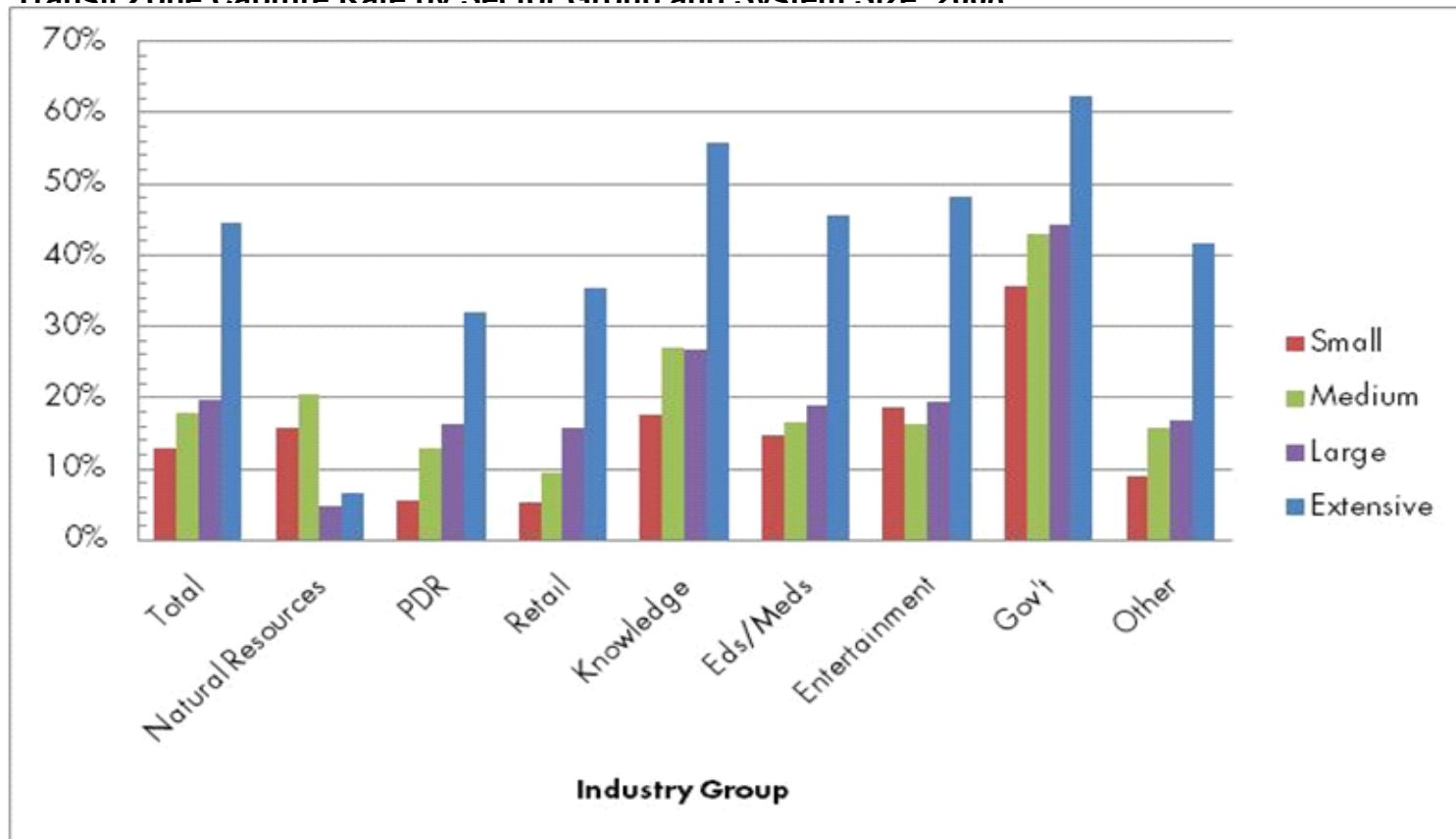
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Source: LEHD 2008, Center for Transit Oriented Development 2010



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