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NOTE: all results shown are percentages unless otherwise labeled.

#### TRAFFIC AND HIGHWAYS STUDY

(Q.1 ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO ARE EMPLOYED FULL OR PART-TIME IN Q.D	2 (RESULTS FOR Q.D2
ARE REPORTED IN THE DEMOGRAPHIC SECTION).)	

Are you currently employed <u>OUTSIDE THE HOME</u>, or not?

Yes	93
No	7
Not sure	-

#### (Q.2a ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY THEY ARE CURRENTLY EMPLOYED OUTSIDE THE HOME IN Q.1.)

2a. How do you generally get to work? Do you...

Drive yourself	87
Take mass transportation such as a bus or train	4
Ride with someone else	4
Walk	3
Something else	2
Not sure	_

# (Q.2b ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO DRIVE THEMSELVES OR RIDE WITH SOMEONE ELSE TO WORK IN Q.2a.)

2b. How many minutes does it usually take for you to drive from home to work?

Median	14.5
Mean	21.5
Not sure	11
More than 60 minutes	2
46-60 minutes	4
31-45 minutes	11
21-30 minutes	14
16-20 minutes	14
11-15 minutes	22
6-10 minutes	18
1-5 minutes	14

3. Would you say that traffic in your area is ...

A major inconvenience	21
A minor inconvenience	39
Not an inconvenience at all	40
Not sure	_

4. How has the traffic in your area changed over the past five years? Would you say it has? Would you say traffic has gotten a lot (better/worse) or only a little (better/worse)?

Total Gotten Better	6
- A lot better	3
- A little better	3
Stayed about the same	33
Total Gotten Worse	55
- A lot	31
- A little	24
(NOT READ) Have not lived in	
area for 5 years	5
Not sure	1

5. I'm going to read you a list of changes you might have made to your normal daily routine because of increased traffic. As I read each one, please tell me which if any of these changes you have made to your own normal daily routine because of increased traffic. Have you?

% Saying Yes, Have Made Change		
	ALL Adults	Employed Outside <u>Home</u>
Allowed more time for travel	63	61
Avoided certain highways	57	58
Avoided driving during certain hours	51	45
Taken mass transit instead of driving	11	10
Have Made At Least One Change Have Not Made Any Changes	78 22	76 24

% Saying Yes, Have Made Chan	ge
	Employed Outside <u>Home</u> 1
Left earlier for work	51
Changed working hours	14
Worked from your home more often	11
Have Made At Least One Change	57
Have Not Made Any Changes	43
<sup>1</sup> These items are asked ONLY of those who say in are employed outside the home.	n Q.7 that they

6.	Which do you think should be the higher priority for government spending?

Building more roads and highways	46
Expanding public transportation such	
as buses, subways and trains	51
Not sure	3

7. Would you be willing to pay more in taxes if the money were used to make significant improvements in the roads and public transportation in your area, or not?

Yes	56
No	43
Not sure	1

#### **DEMOGRAPHICS**

NOTE: Results for demographic questions represent all adults unless otherwise indicated.

- D1a. First of all, in what year were you born?
- D1b. Have you already had a birthday this year?

#### (IF RESPONDENT REFUSES Q.D1a OR Q.D1b, Q.D1c ASKED. RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

D1c. Are you:

18-34	31
35-49	
50-64	
65 and over	16
Refused/not sure	1

D2. Are you employed:

TOTAL EMPLOYED	64
- Full time	52
- Part time	12
Not employed	14
Retired	22
Refused/not sure	-

### (Q.D3 ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO ARE EMPLOYED FULL OR PART-TIME IN Q.D2.)

We would also like to have just a general idea of what type of occupation you have. Which one of the following best describes your current job?

Professional	15
Senior executive or manager	8
Clerical or administrative	7
Sales or services	9
A skilled trade or technical occupation	11
Blue-collar work or laborer	6
Farming or fishing	1
Other (VOL)	7
Refused/not sure	-
Not Employed Full/Part Time (Q.D2)	36

D4. What is the last year of school you completed?

Grade school or some high school	5
Completed high school	25
Some college but did not finish	23
Completed a two year college degree	13
Completed a four year college degree	20
Completed a post-graduate degree such	
as a Master's or Ph.D.	13
Refused/not sure	1

D5.	Are you currently married?
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Yes	58
No	41
Refused/not sure	1

D6. Including yourself and any children, how many people are currently living in your household?

1	17
2	
3	19
4	
5	
6 or more	6
Refused/not sure	1

#### (Q.D7a-c ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY MORE THAN ONE PERSON IN HOUSEHOLD IN Q.D6.)

D7a. How many children under 6 years are currently living in your household?

D7b. How many children ages 6 to 12 are currently living in your household?

D7c. How many children ages 13 to 17 are currently living in your household?

ANY CHILDREN - NET	39
Under 6	19
6-12	20
13-17	18
NO CHILDREN	60
Refused/not sure	1

D8. Do you currently own stocks, bonds or mutual funds?

Yes	56
No	41
Refused/not sure	3

### (Q.D9 ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY THEY OWN STOCKS, BONDS OR MUTUAL FUNDS IN Q.D8.)

D9. In the past 12 months, how many times did you make changes in your investments - buying or selling stocks or stock mutual funds either within or outside an employer-sponsored 401K plan?

	INVESTORS
None	43
1 time	
2 times	13
3 times	5
4 times	4
5 to 9 times	6
10 to 14 times	3
15 to 19 times	2
20 to 24 times	-
25 times or more	2
Refused/not sure	4
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Active Investors (5 times or more)....... 13

D10.	Do you own your home, or do you re	nt?
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Own	75
Rent	23
Refused/not sure	2

D11a. What religion are you? Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, or some other religion?

Protestant	50
Catholic	23
Jewish	2
Some other religion	12
(DO NOT READ) No religion	9
Refused/not sure	4

D11b. Would you describe yourself as either a fundamentalist or born-again Christian, or neither?

Born-again Christian	28
Fundamentalist	5
Neither	64
Refused/not sure	3

D12. Could you please tell me your household income from all sources in 2003?

Under \$15,000	8
\$15,000 to less than \$20,000	4
\$20,000 to less than \$25,000	5
\$25,000 to less than \$30,000	5
\$30,000 to less than \$40,000	9
\$40,000 to less than \$50,000	9
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	17
\$75,000 to less than \$100,000	11
\$100,000 or more	15
Refused/not sure	17

D15a. Are you of Hispanic ethnicity?

## (Q.D15b ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO DO NOT SAY THEY ARE HISPANIC IN Q.D15a.)

D15b. Are you white, black, Asian, or some other race?

#### (RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

White	78
Black	
Hispanic	
Asian	
American Indian	1
Other	1
Refused	2

**METROPOLITAN STATUS:** 

### **REGION:**

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## **GENDER:**

Male	48
Female	52