



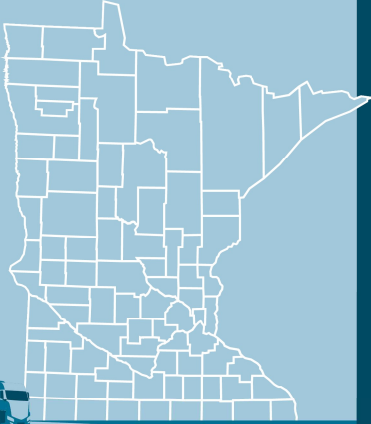
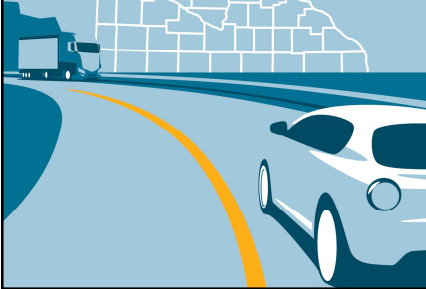
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**Public Engagement and  
Status Update**

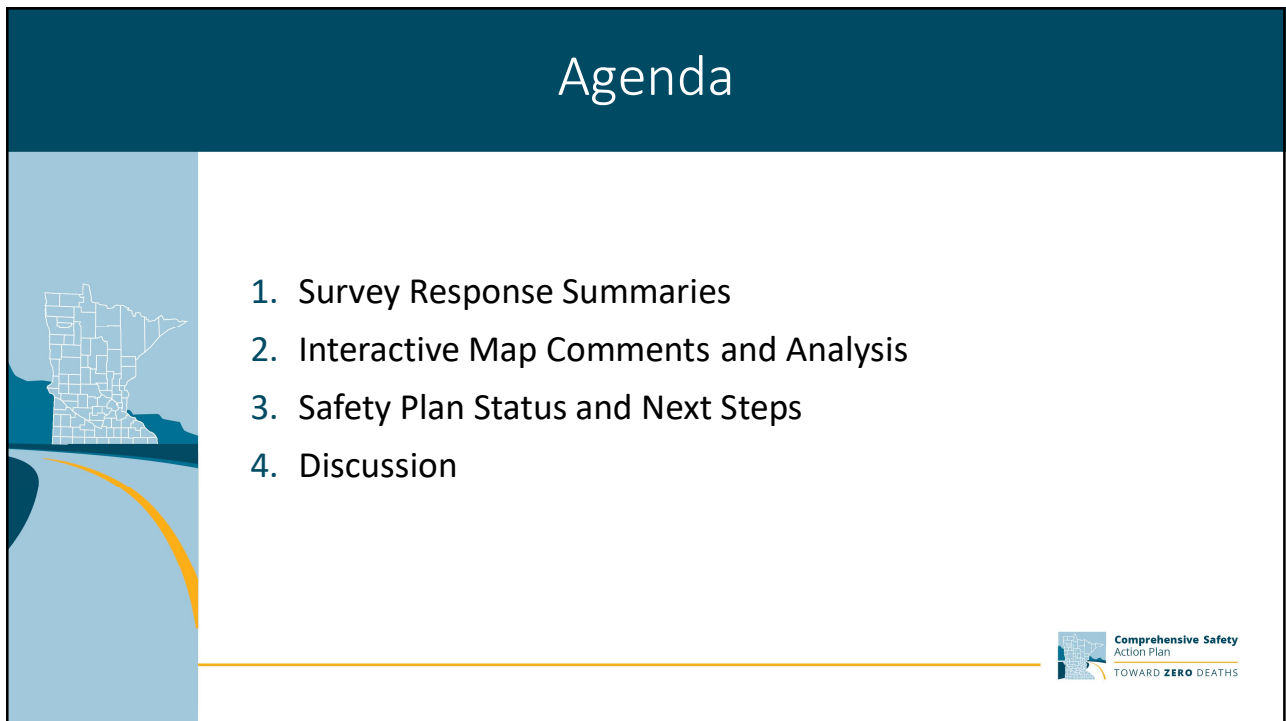
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING  
DECEMBER 4, 2024

 Anoka County  
MINNESOTA

 SS4A  
Safe Streets  
for All


  




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# Agenda

1. Survey Response Summaries
2. Interactive Map Comments and Analysis
3. Safety Plan Status and Next Steps
4. Discussion

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# Engagement Activity Summary

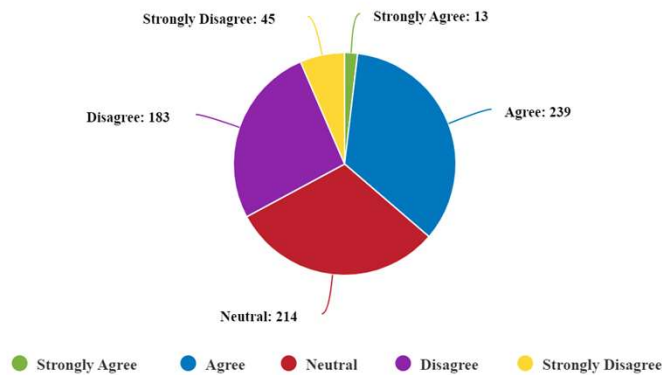
- Online Survey and Interactive Comment Map were live from **June 20<sup>th</sup>** to **October 2<sup>nd</sup>**, 2024.
- Advertised through social media including:
  - Anoka County webpage
  - Next Door, Instagram, X/Twitter
- **2,468** Total visits
- **1,931** Unique users
- **3:49** Average number of minutes on-site
- **705** Survey responses
- **407** Map comments



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# Survey Responses

**“Thinking of your experience traveling on county roadways within your community, how strongly would you agree that county roadways in Anoka County are safe?”**



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# Survey Responses

## “What experiences led to this rating?”

### • Positive Sentiment

- Improvements noted in road infrastructure, especially on **Highways 10 and 65**.
- Comments reflect general satisfaction with road condition and safety.

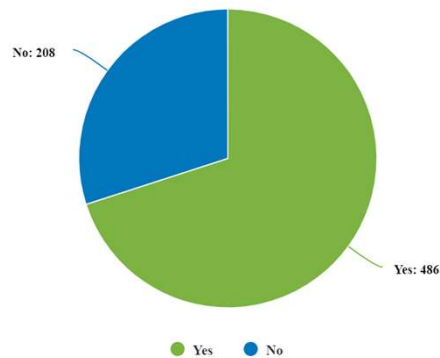
### • Negative Sentiment

- **Speeding:** Frequent reports of speeding, especially at intersections, with red light violations on major roads like **Coon Rapids Blvd.**
- **Road Design Concerns:**
  - **Congestion** due to undersized roads.
  - **Limited infrastructure** for pedestrians and cyclists, especially near intersections.
- **Law Enforcement:** Some believe increased enforcement would deter unsafe driving behaviors and enhance safety.

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# Survey Responses

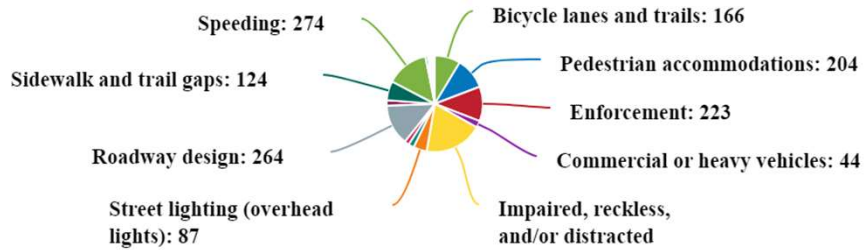
## “Have you been in, or almost been in a crash in Anoka County?”



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# Survey Responses

“What are your three most important safety concerns Anoka County should address?”



# Survey Responses

“What experiences led to this rating?”

- **General Feedback**

- Some respondents had no further comments.

- **Specific Locations**

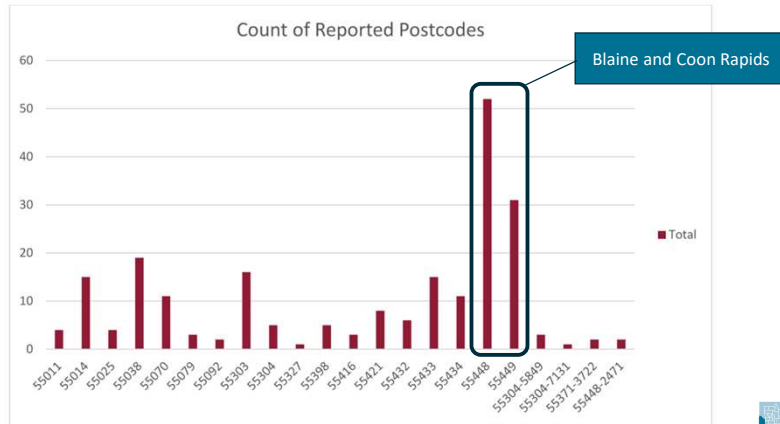
- Requests for crosswalks on **Main Street** and improvements near **St. Francis Elementary**.
- Concerns about **shoulder runners** and unsafe passing on **7th Ave** and **Round Lake Rd**; suggestions for adding lanes and turn lanes.

- **Pedestrian and Cyclist Safety**

- Desire for more crosswalks and safer pedestrian crossings, echoing support for improved non-vehicle infrastructure.

# Demographics

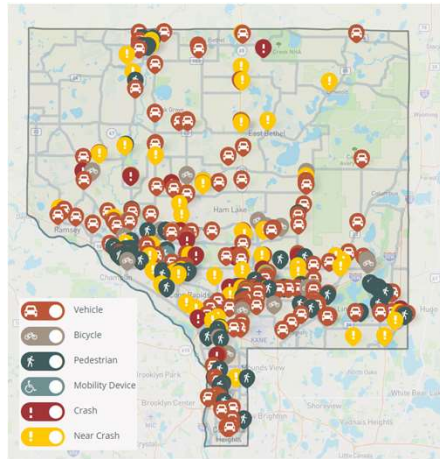
“What is your home zip code?”



# Comment Word Cloud



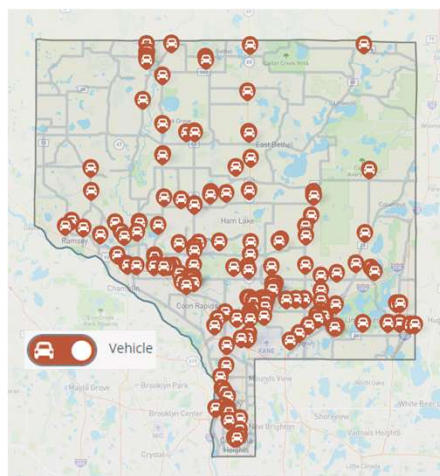
# Interactive Comments by Comment Type



## All Comment Types

- 407 comments were left on the interactive map.
- Concerns about speeding vehicles and the need for speed enforcement
- Frequent issues with intersection safety and navigation
- Complaints about heavy traffic and congestion in specific areas
- Recurring mentions of poor road conditions, especially regarding potholes
- Issues with traffic lights or signals causing delays or confusion

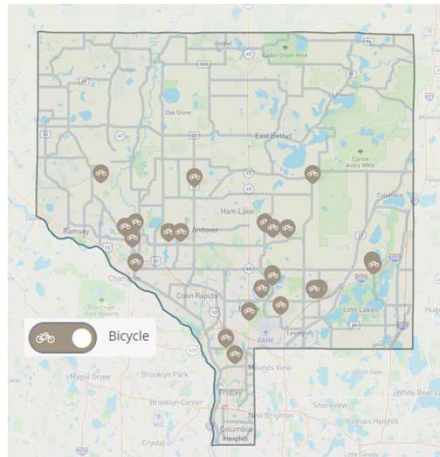
# Interactive Comments by Comment Type



## Vehicle

- Frequent concerns about speeding vehicles or the need for speed enforcement.
- Complaints about heavy traffic and congestion in specific areas.
- Comments highlight dangerous or unsafe driving conditions.
- Issues with traffic lights or signals causing delays or confusion.

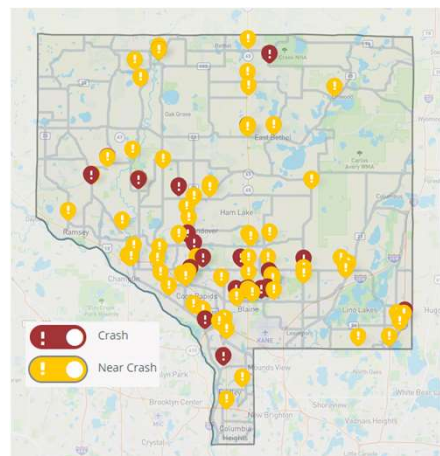
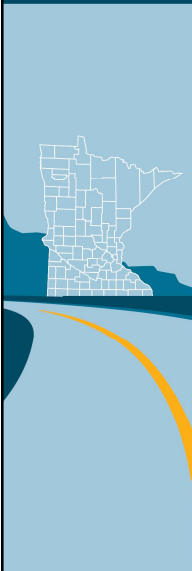
# Interactive Comments by Comment Type



## Bicycle

- Recurring concerns about the condition and availability of bike lanes or trails.
- Issues related to bicycle safety at intersections.
- Comments mention dangerous or unsafe conditions for bicyclists.
- Frequent complaints about the lack of paved shoulders for bicyclists.
- Concerns about speeding vehicles impacting bicycle safety.

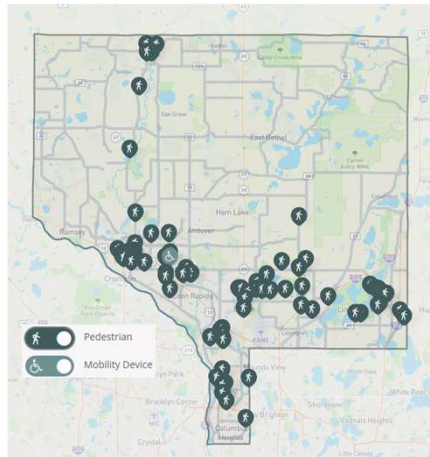
# Interactive Comments by Comment Type



## Crash and Near Crash

- Recurring mentions of crashes and near crashes at intersections.
- Crashes and near crashes caused by speeding vehicles are frequently highlighted.
- Crashes involving turning vehicles are a recurring issue.
- Many near-crash incidents involve pedestrians and crossing situations.

# Interactive Comments by Comment Type



## Pedestrian and Mobility Devices

- Frequent concerns about pedestrian crossings and the need for safer crosswalks.
- Comments about the condition or lack of sidewalks.
- Pedestrian safety at intersections is a recurring issue.
- Concerns about speeding vehicles making pedestrian areas unsafe.

# Comment Cluster Analysis: Methodology

## 1. Identify Comment Clusters

- Used GIS to identify geographic areas with a cluster of four or more comments
- Threshold of four comments helps us identify more frequent comment locations

## 2. Identify Potential Intersection Comment Clusters

- Higher density clusters at or near intersections suggests recurring issue
- Applied a 200-foot radius and a threshold of four or more comments to identify locations

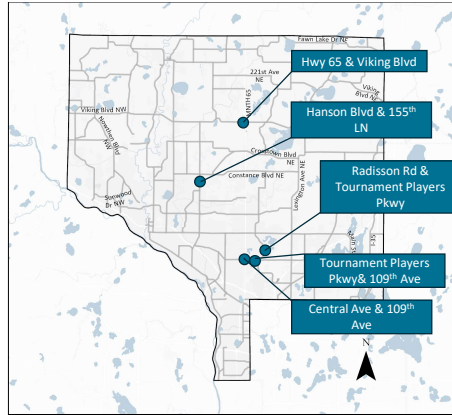
## 3. Identify Potential Segment Comment Clusters

- Lower-density clusters spread along a path indicate recurring issues on roadway segments
- Applied a 100-ft radius around the same segments being used in the CRSP analysis and a threshold of four or more comments to identify segments. Some manual filtering was needed to exclude clusters with too low a density to be significant.

## 4. Next Step: Cross-check with CRSP

- Do crowd-sourced locations align with technical analysis? Do public comments suggest additional locations of concern?

# Comment Cluster Analysis: Intersections

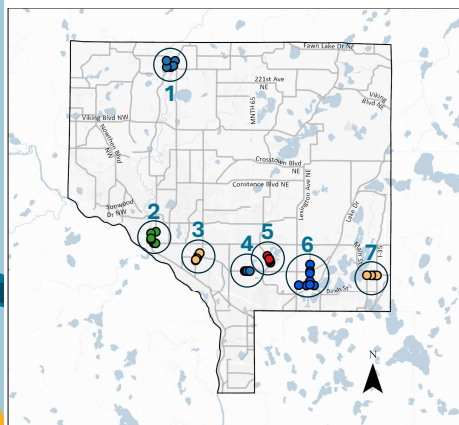


## Intersections Identified with Comment Clusters

- Highway 65 NE & Viking Blvd NE
- Hanson Blvd NW & 155<sup>th</sup> LN NW
- Radisson Rd NE & Tournament Players Pkwy
- Tournament Players Pkwy & 109<sup>th</sup> Ave
- Central Ave NE & 109<sup>th</sup> Ave NE

*Comment clusters were identified using spatial analysis.  
Comment content may include a range of issues.*

# Comment Cluster Analysis: Segments



## Roadway Segments Identified with Comment Clusters

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# Safety Plan Next Steps



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# SS4A Checklist

SS4A Item	Action	Status
Leadership Commitment/Goal Setting	Set safety target	Complete
Planning Structure	Get diverse input (e.g., Task Force)	Underway (Meeting #2 is 12/20)
Safety Analysis	Identify locations, risks, etc.	Underway
Engagement and Collaboration	Public engagement	Underway (website map/survey)
Equity Considerations	Review data, prepare approach	County staff reviewing
Policy and Process Changes	Review documents and recommend	Sharing draft memo today
Strategy and Project Selections	Identify safety projects	Upcoming
Progress and Transparency	Post safety plan publicly; monitor progress	Upcoming

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# Thank you!

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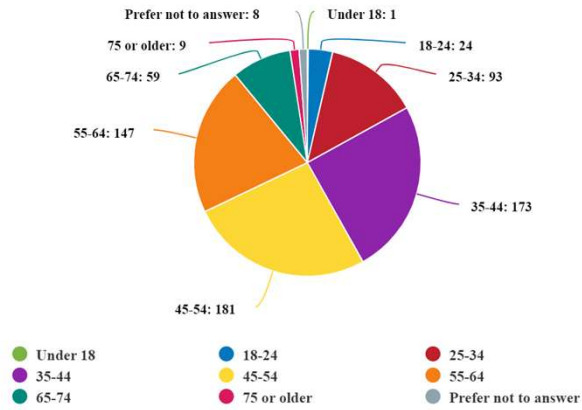
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## Additional Survey and Demographic Responses

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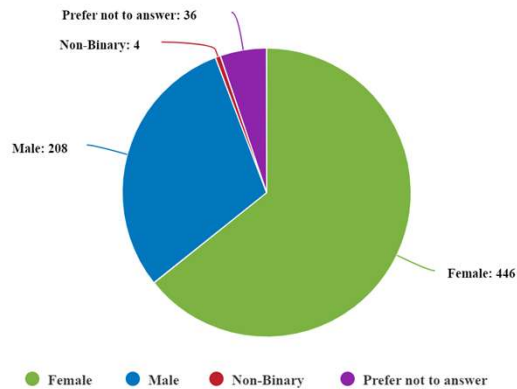
# Demographics

## “How old are you?”



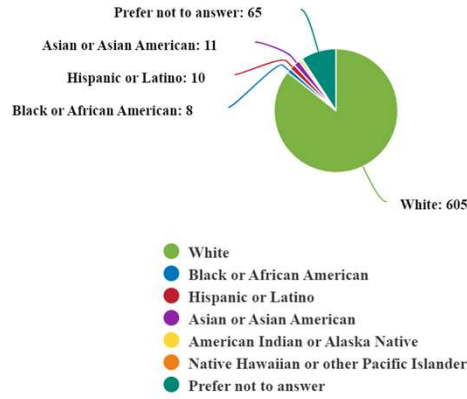
# Demographics

## “What is your gender?”



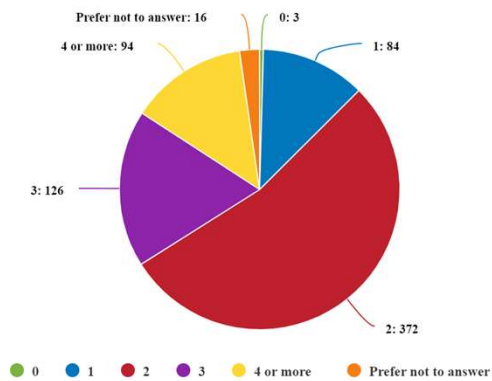
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**“Select the racial or ethnic group(s) with which you identify (select all that apply).”**



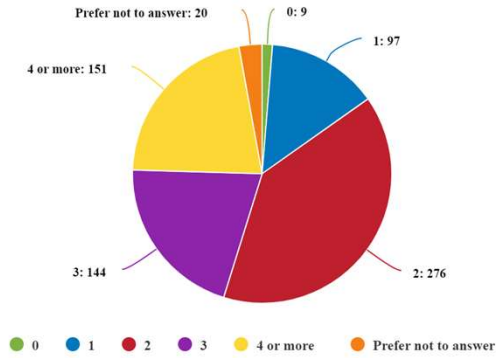
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**“How many licensed drivers are in your household?”**



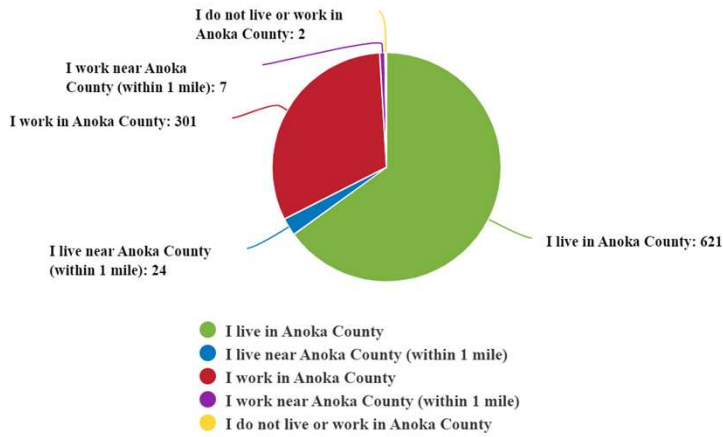
# Demographics

**“How many licensed vehicles do you own or lease in your household?”**



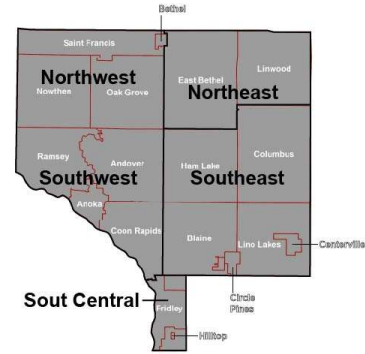
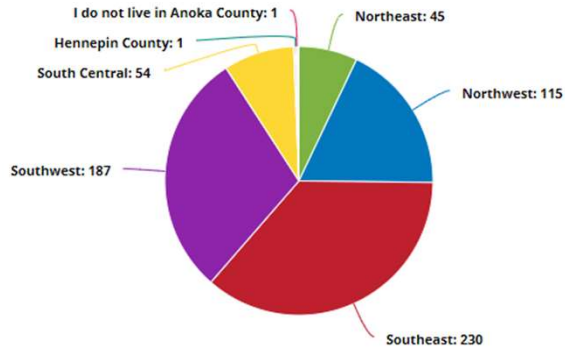
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**“Please check all that apply to you.”**



# Survey Responses

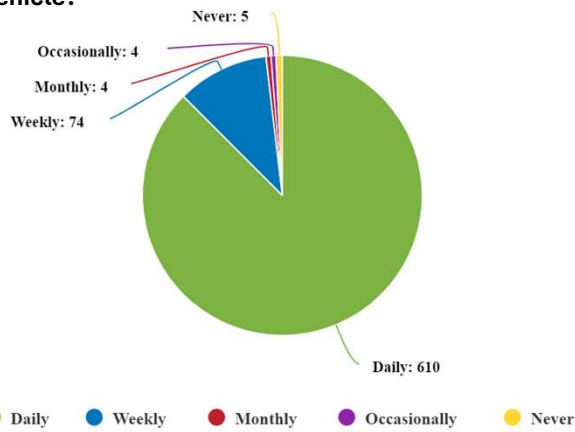
“If you live in Anoka County, what area do you live in? (see image)”



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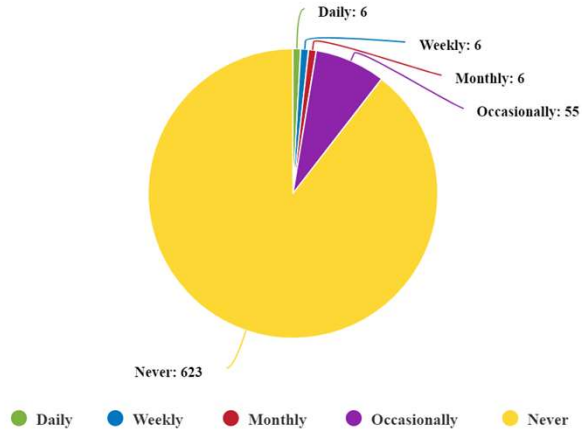
“How often do you travel in Anoka County in a passenger vehicle?”



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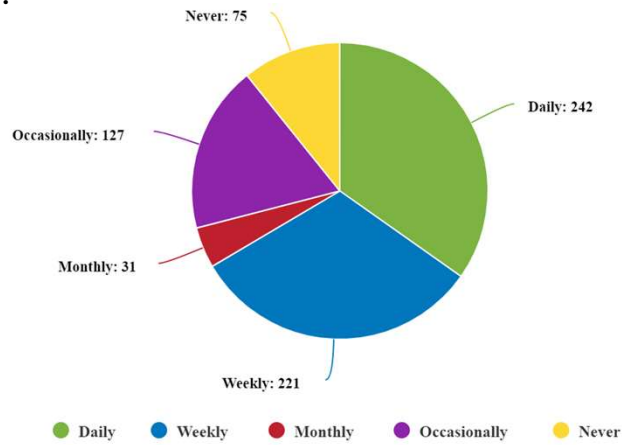
# Survey Responses

“How often do you take public transit in Anoka County?”



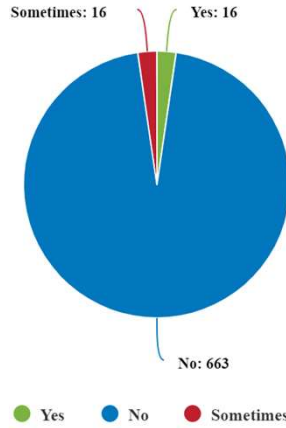
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“How often do you walk bike or roll in Anoka County?”



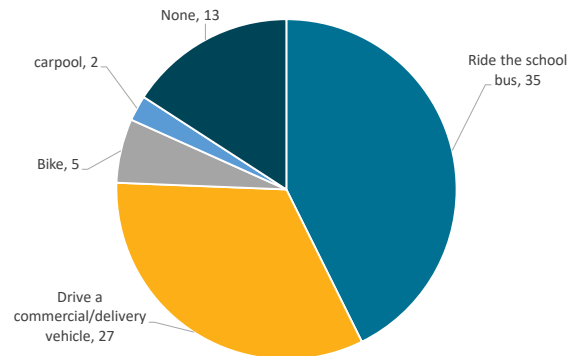
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**“Do you use a mobility device?”**



# Survey Responses

**“What other ways do you travel in Anoka County?”**



# Survey Responses

**“Thinking of your experience traveling on county roadways within your community, how strongly would you agree that county roadways in Anoka County are safe?”**

