DRAFT 2050 MTP Public Feedback Memo



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Introduction/Overview

Maryland launched an effort to create a new long-range transportation plan, the 2050 MTP. The new 2050 MTP establishes a 25-year vision for statewide transportation and provides policy direction to inform transportation investments. Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) conducted outreach to Maryland's transportation system users between April and October 2023.

As part of the MTP process, MDOT conducted extensive engagement both internally throughout MDOT and externally with its local, state, and regional planning partners and the wider public.

Outreach Methods

MDOT coordinated with partners and the public via a project <u>website</u>, e-blasts/newsletters, social media posts, and a project web video. Bookmarks with QR codes were distributed to libraries throughout the state and the MTP was advertised at other events.

Public Feedback

Public Surveys

The public provided feedback on the draft strategic direction, transportation needs, and budget allocation. Over 2500 survey responses were collected from the public survey effort. Participants also submitted a total of 578 comments that provided additional insight into their transportation priorities.

Surveys were developed in MetroQuest and were available in Spanish, French, and an accessible Word document.

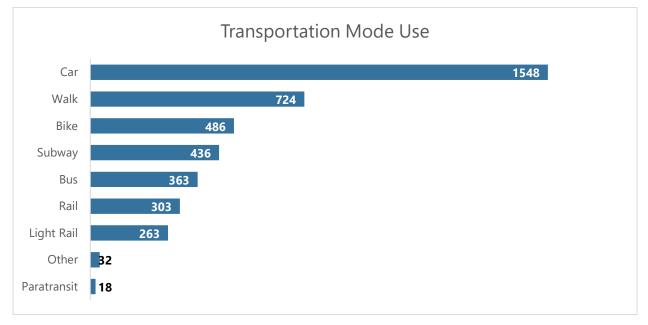
The surveys were provided via a hyperlink on MDOT's website. They were promoted on MDOT social media, promoted at an in-person event coordinated with the Bicycle Pedestrian Plan, and shared through email-blasts. MDOT also coordinated with local government agencies and partner organizations to encourage a wide range of experience and perspectives from participants.



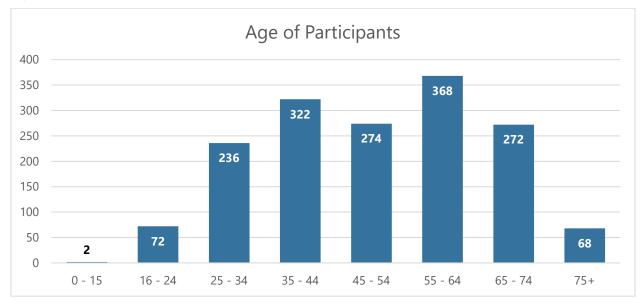


Survey Demographics

Mode Use



Age

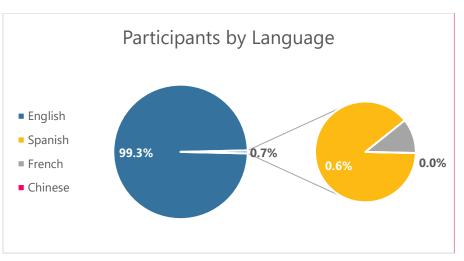




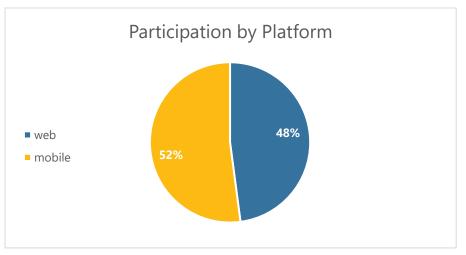


Work Environment Work Environment In Person Hybrid Remote Not Applicable











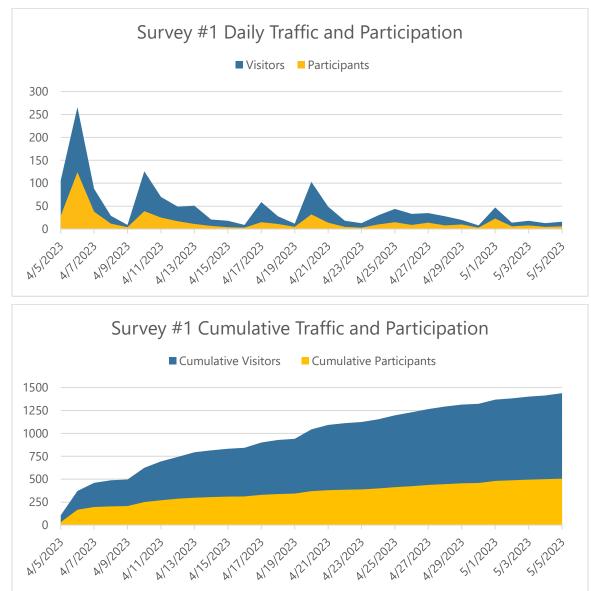


Survey #1

The first of several public outreach efforts was a survey that focused on draft strategic direction language. An inactive version of the survey can be viewed <u>here</u>.

Traffic

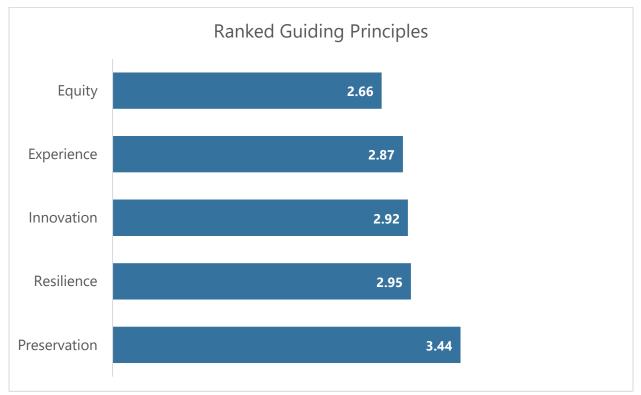
The survey was active from April 5th to May 5th. During this time, 506 survey responses and 357 additional comments were received.







Guiding Principles



Goals







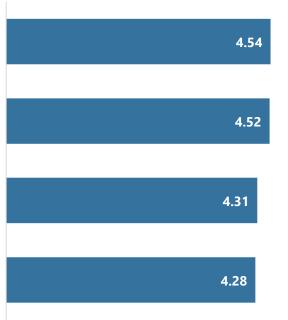
Objectives



3. Support a safe and secure multimodal system for all users.

4. Maintain a safe system during adverse weather events, man-made threats, and other system disruptions.

2. Reduce disparities in safety across Maryland's diverse communities.







Rate Objectives - Choice and Accessibility

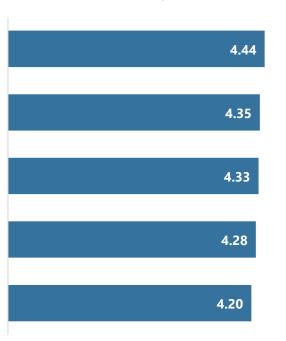
5. Increase access to jobs and educational centers by non-auto options.

4. Deliver a system that improves access to opportunities and quality of life regardless of mode choice.

2. Apply enhanced technologies to improve communications and relay real-time information.

3. Consider the transportation needs of underserved and overburdened communities in project selection and scoping.

1. Enhance customer satisfaction.

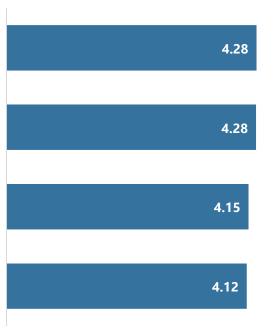


Rate Objectives - Environmental Stewardship

- 4. Improve the health of communities adversely impacted by previous transportation decisions by mitigating negative environmental impacts.
- 3. Reduce fossil fuel consumption, mitigate greenhouse gases, improve air quality, and support the growth of alternative fuels.

 Employ resource protection and conservation practices in project development, construction, operations, and maintenance of transportation assets.

1. Protect and enhance the natural, historic, and cultural environment through avoidance, minimization, and mitigation of adverse impacts related to transportation...



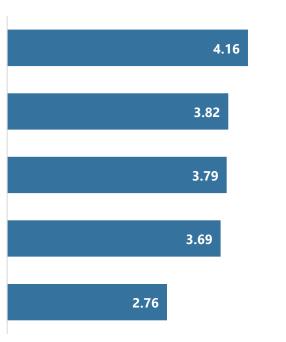




Rate Objectives - Economic Development

5. Increase inclusive transit-oriented development activity near the state's transit stations.

- 4. Minimize traffic and truck delays.
- 2. Improve the movement of goods through the Port of Baltimore & BWI Thurgood Marshall Airport.
- 1. Advance easy access and growth at BWI Thurgood Marshall Airport.
- 3. Facilitate international cruise movement.



Rate Objectives - Best Practices





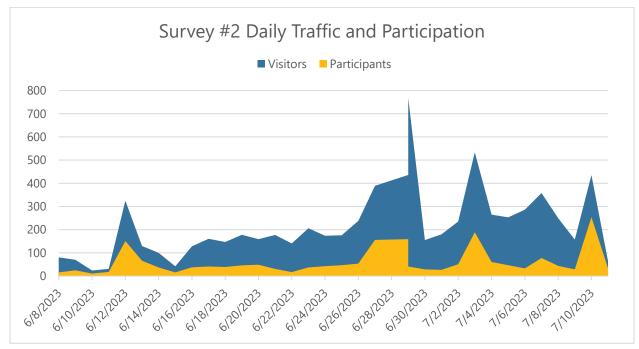


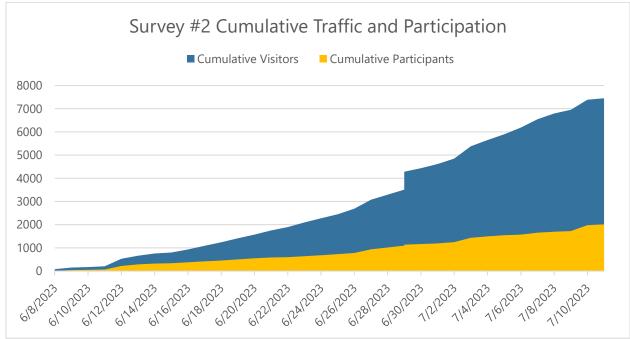
Survey #2

The second survey focused on key outcomes, mapping needs, and budget allocation. An inactive version of the survey can be viewed <u>here</u>.

Traffic

The survey was active from June 5th to July 10th. During this time, 2017 survey responses and 221 additional comments were received.

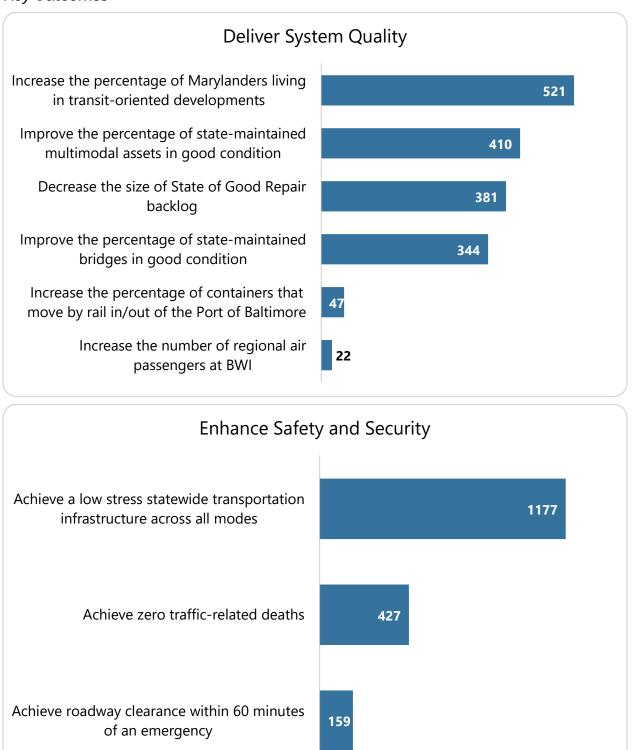








Key Outcomes







Promote Environmental Stewardship

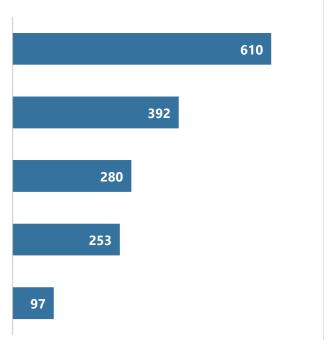
Reduce vehicle-miles-of-travel (VMT) per capita

Ensure that there are alternative fuel stations within 50 miles on all Maryland roadways

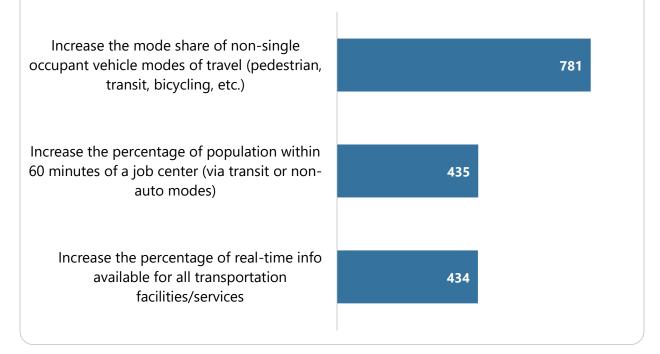
Reduce transportation sector GHG emissions towards net-zero emissions by 2045

Reduce transportation GHG emissions towards overall reduction of 60% by 2031

Improve Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program Testing compliance rate



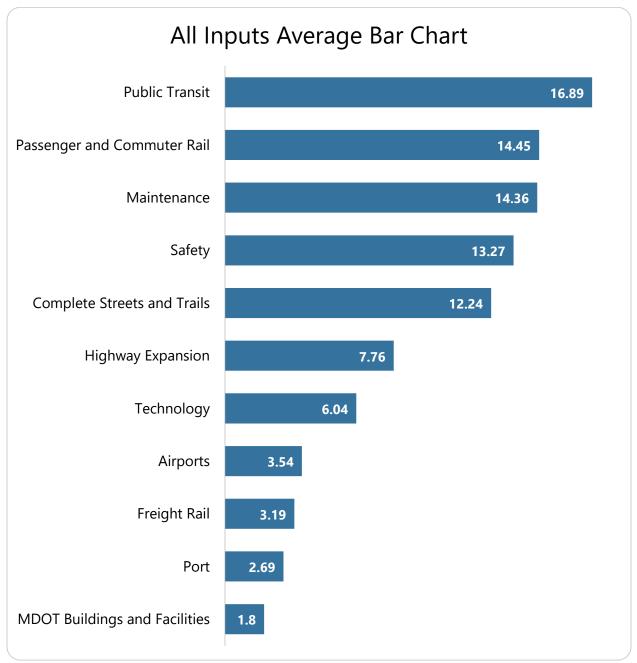
Serve Communities and Support the Economy







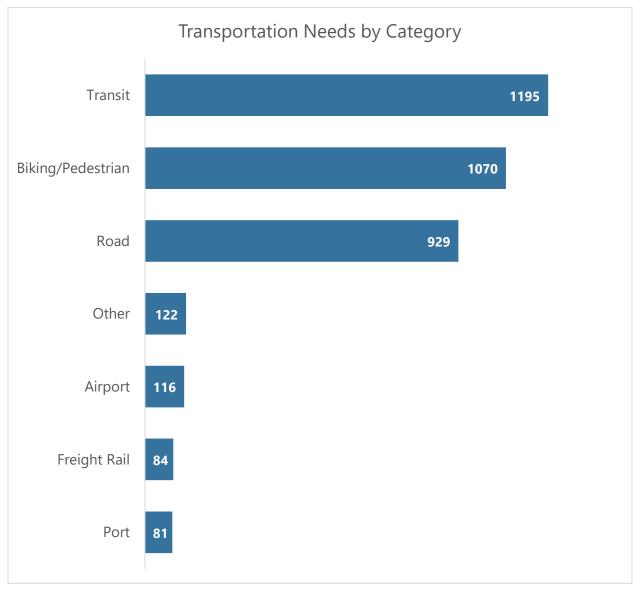






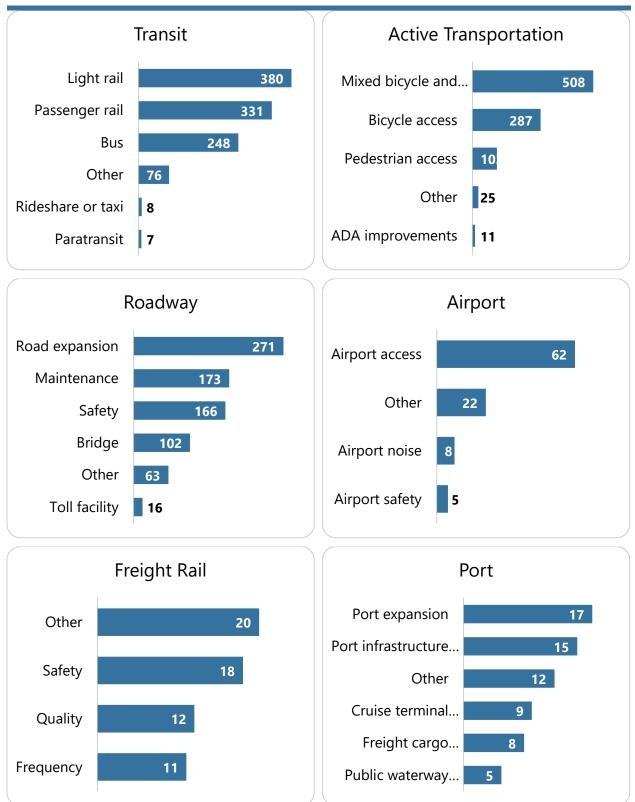


Mapped Needs













Public Comment Period

The draft 2050 MTP will be published for public comment in September 2023. After November 20, 2023, the public comment period will close. Feedback from that public comment period will be incorporated into the 2050 MTP and summarized in this memo.

