

## Technical Memorandum

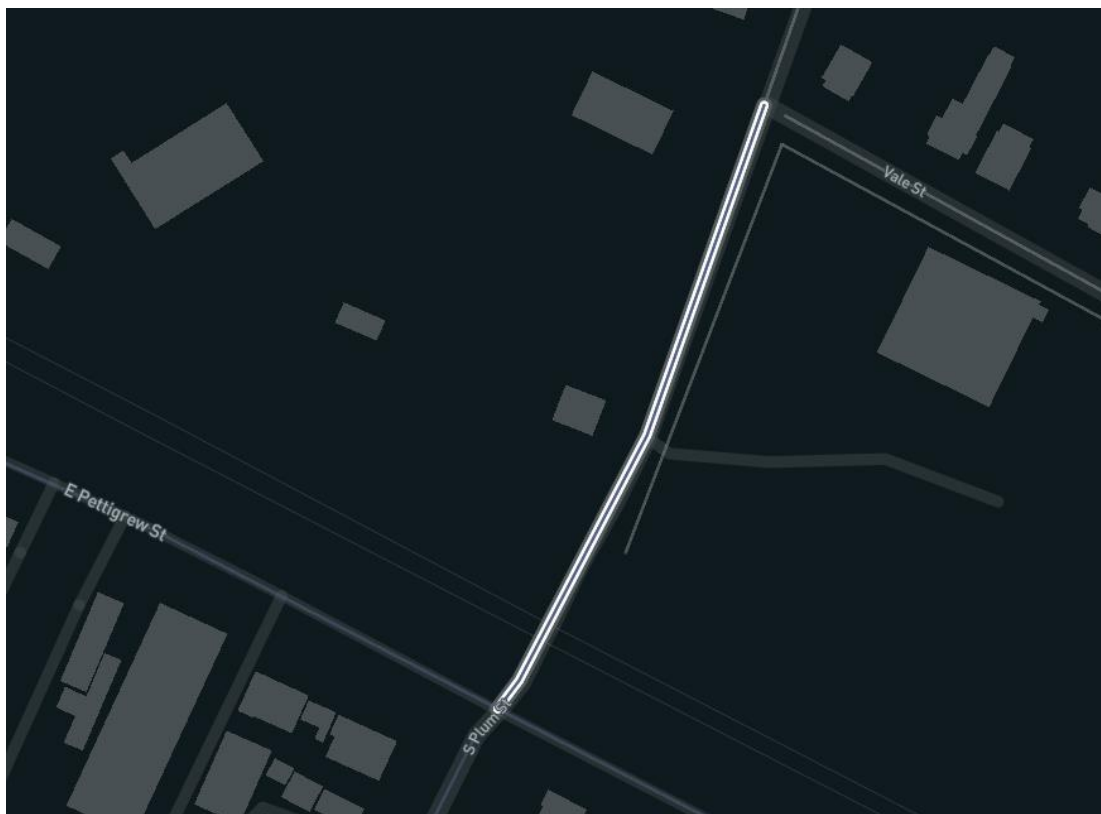
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Subject: **At-Grade Crossings Replica Data for Trip Purpose**

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To produce the requested trip metrics for each existing at-grade rail crossing, network link(s) were selected representative of trips crossing the rail tracks rather than selecting a group of TAZs or Tracts. The data source for this technical memorandum is REPLICA (<https://replicahq.com/>). The available data collected for each link was generated from both 2019 Fall and 2021 Spring midweek data and include the following:

- Number of trips
- Trip mode
- Trip distance and duration
- Trip purpose.

Trip purpose was the only data separated by directional northbound and southbound trips . **Figure 1**, **Figure 2**, and **Figure 3** depict the network links selected for Plum Street, Driver Street, and Ellis Road, respectively.



*Figure 1 – Selected Link for Plum Street*

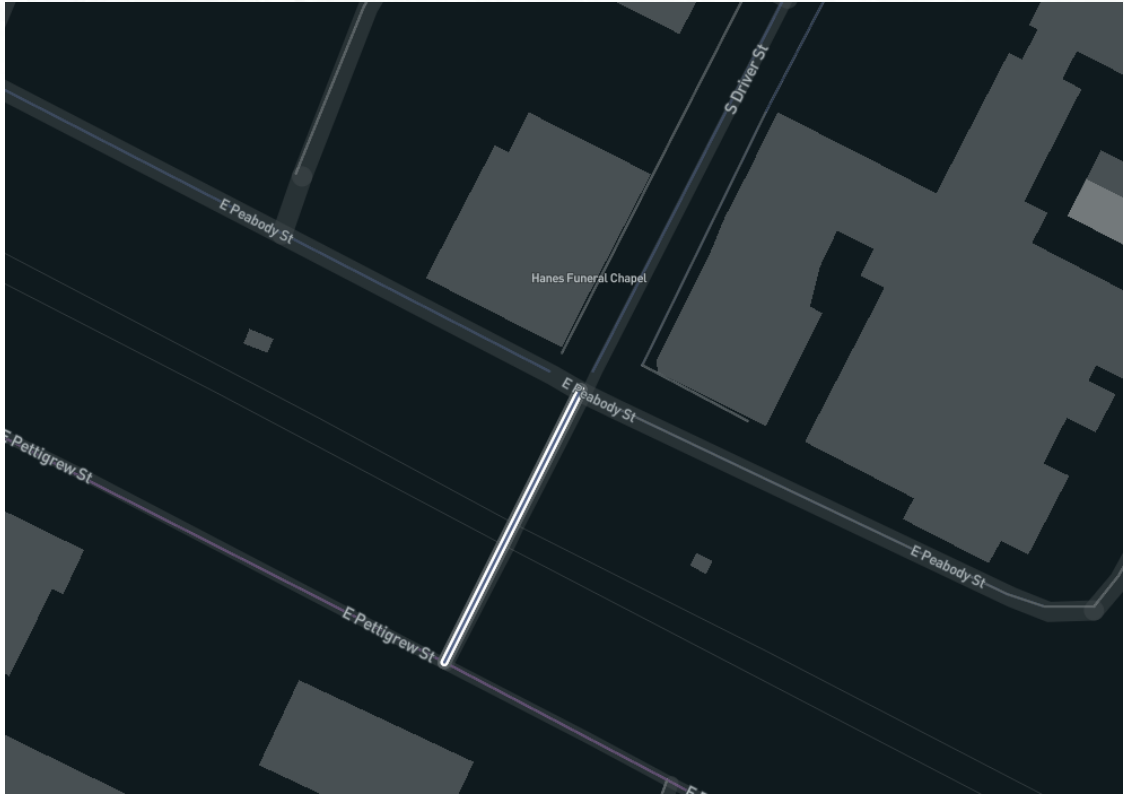
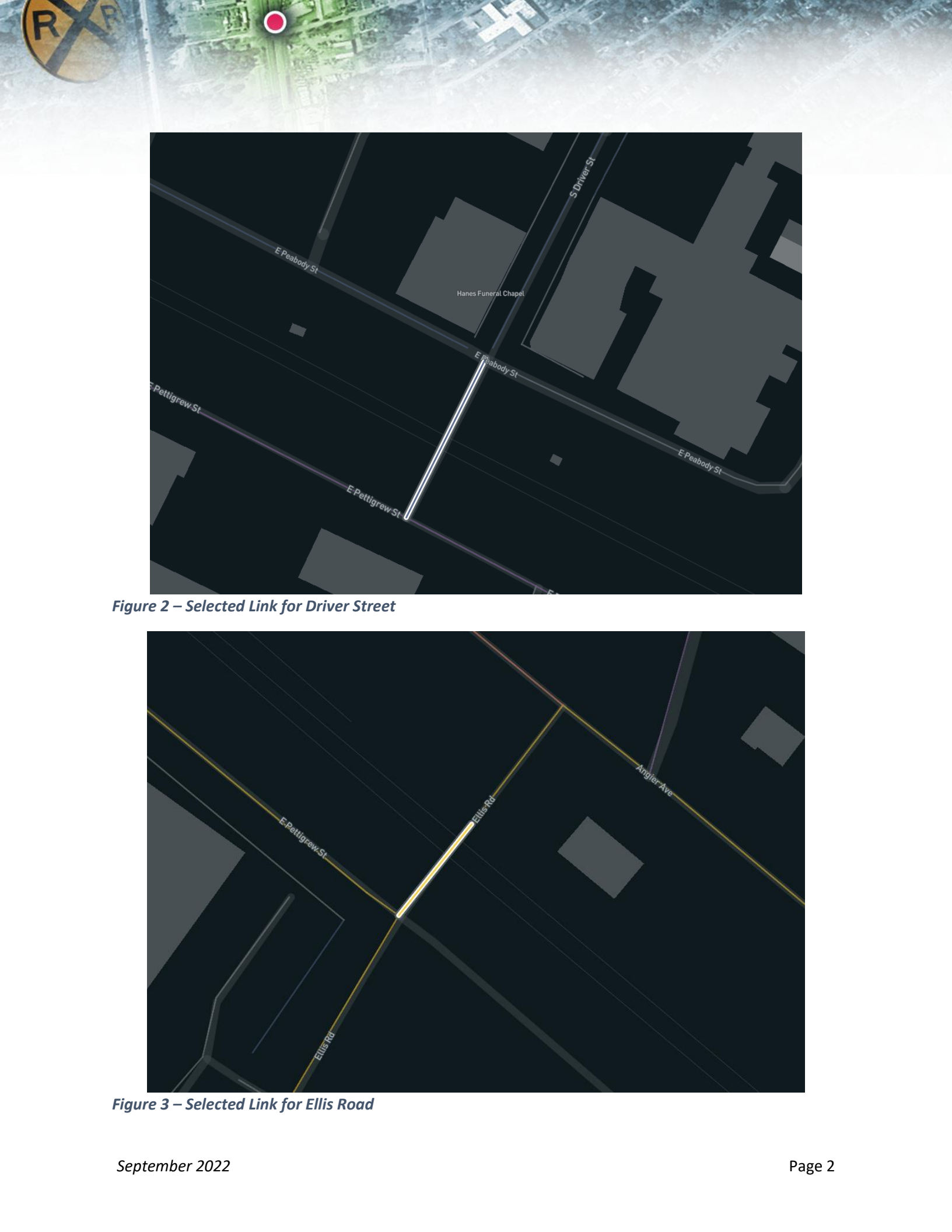


Figure 2 – Selected Link for Driver Street

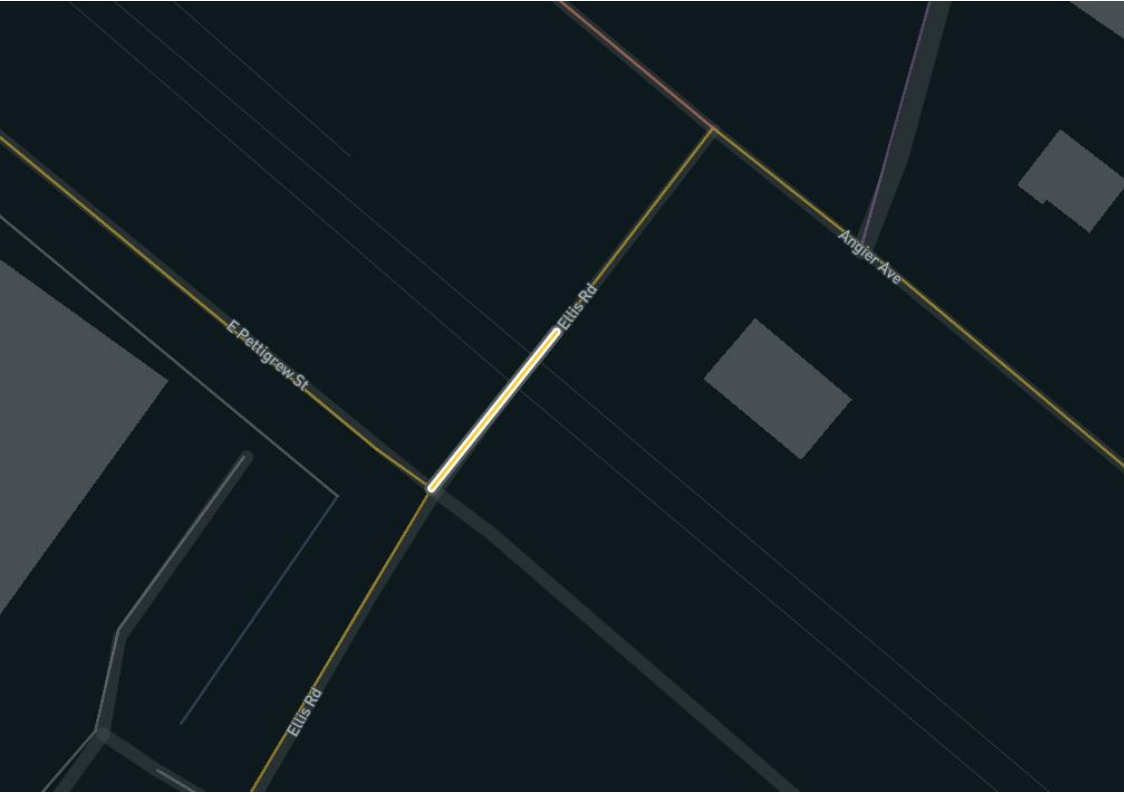


Figure 3 – Selected Link for Ellis Road

With each link separately selected, a summary of the number of trips were generated. Each dataset is represented below:

- Plum Street:
  - 2019 Fall midweek data set produced ≈ 1,500 trips by ≈ 860 people.
  - 2021 Spring midweek data set produced ≈ 1,400 trips by ≈ 800 people.
  
- Driver Street
  - 2019 Fall midweek data set produced ≈ 6,200 trips by ≈ 4,700 people.
  - 2021 Spring midweek data set produced ≈ 5,800 trips by ≈ 4,600 people.
  
- Ellis Road
  - 2019 Fall midweek data set produced ≈ 12,100 trips by ≈ 9,600 people.
  - 2021 Spring midweek data set produced ≈ 13,100 trips by ≈ 10,400 people.

In general, there’s been a decrease in the number of trips along Plum Street and Driver Street between 2019 and 2021 as opposed to the increase in trips along Ellis Road from 2019 to 2021.

**Table 1, Table 2, and Table 3** summarize the primary mode of each of the above trips for Plum Street, Driver Street and Ellis Road, respectively.

**Table 1 – Trip Mode at the Plum Street At-Grade Rail Crossing**

Plum Street				
Trip Mode	2019		2021	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Private auto <sup>1</sup>	1,046	70.1%	823	58.0%
Auto passenger <sup>2</sup>	236	15.8%	359	25.3%
Commercial vehicle (freight)	59	4.0%	120	8.5%
Taxi/TNC	49	3.3%	1	0.1%
<b>Walking</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>6.0%</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>6.0%</b>
<b>Biking</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0.9%</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>2.3%</b>
Public transit	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Other	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,493</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,420</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Table 2 – Trip Mode at the Driver Street At-Grade Rail Crossing**

Driver Street				
Trip Mode	2019		2021	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Private auto <sup>1</sup>	4,026	65.1%	3,944	67.5%
Auto passenger <sup>2</sup>	1,388	22.4%	1,432	24.5%
Commercial vehicle (freight)	517	8.4%	320	5.5%
Taxi/TNC	106	1.7%	27	0.5%
Walking	74	1.2%	61	1.0%
Biking	30	0.5%	37	0.6%
Public transit	47	0.8%	21	0.4%
Other	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,188</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>5,842</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Table 3 – Trip Mode at the Ellis Road At-Grade Rail Crossing**

Ellis Road				
Trip Mode	2019		2021	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Private auto <sup>1</sup>	8,002	66.2%	9,472	72.6%
Auto passenger <sup>2</sup>	3,636	30.1%	3,188	24.4%
Commercial vehicle (freight)	214	1.8%	245	1.9%
Taxi/TNC	147	1.2%	49	0.4%
Walking	65	0.5%	57	0.4%
Biking	22	0.2%	44	0.3%
Public transit	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Other	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12,086</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>13,055</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Notes:**

<sup>1</sup> **Private auto:** Trips made by drivers in private auto vehicles. This is equivalent to the number of private auto vehicle movements.

<sup>2</sup> **Auto passenger:** Trips made by passengers in private auto vehicles. Combine this number with the number of private auto trips to get the number of people who traveled in private autos.

**School buses** are not capture in this analysis.

As summarized above, the primary mode choice for trips is private auto, followed by auto passenger. all three locations. At Plum Street, 6.0% of trips are pedestrians in 2019 and 2021. It should be noted, bicycle trips increased at all three locations from 2019 to 2021, while Taxi trips decreased.

**Table 4, Table 5, and Table 6** summarize the calculated total duration for each of the trips for Plum Street, Driver Street and Ellis Road, respectively.

**Table 4 – Trip Duration at the Plum Street At-Grade Rail Crossing**

Plum Street				
Trip Duration	2019		2021	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Under 5 min	223	14.9%	203	14.3%
5-10 min	377	25.3%	311	21.9%
<b>10-20 min</b>	<b>525</b>	<b>35.2%</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>36.3%</b>
20-40 min	219	14.7%	253	17.8%
40-80 min	126	8.4%	123	8.7%
Over 80 min	23	1.5%	15	1.1%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,493</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,420</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Table 5 – Trip Duration at the Driver Street At-Grade Rail Crossing**

Driver Street				
Trip Duration	2019		2021	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Under 5 min	228	3.7%	176	3.0%
5-10 min	823	13.3%	834	14.3%
<b>10-20 min</b>	<b>2,692</b>	<b>43.5%</b>	<b>2,419</b>	<b>41.4%</b>
20-40 min	1,688	27.3%	1,601	27.4%
40-80 min	508	8.2%	527	9.0%
Over 80 min	249	4.0%	285	4.9%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,188</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>5,842</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Table 6 – Trip Duration at the Ellis Road At-Grade Rail Crossing**

Ellis Road				
Trip Duration	2019		2021	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Under 5 min	105	0.9%	156	1.2%
5-10 min	1,193	9.9%	1,339	10.3%
<b>10-20 min</b>	<b>6,644</b>	<b>55.0%</b>	<b>7,625</b>	<b>58.4%</b>
20-40 min	3,633	30.1%	3,411	26.1%
40-80 min	415	3.4%	409	3.1%
Over 80 min	96	0.8%	115	0.9%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12,086</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>13,055</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



Table 7, Table 8, and Table 9 summarize the calculated total distance for each of the trips for Plum Street, Driver Street and Ellis Road, respectively.

**Table 7 – Trip Distance at the Plum Street At-Grade Rail Crossing**

Plum Street				
Trip Distance	2019		2021	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Under 0.5 mi	23	1.5%	27	1.9%
0.5-1 mi	47	3.1%	42	3.0%
1-2 mi	211	14.1%	175	12.3%
<b>2-4 mi</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>21.8%</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>19.7%</b>
<b>4-8 mi</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>27.7%</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>26.9%</b>
8-16 mi	211	14.1%	215	15.1%
16-32 mi	127	8.5%	172	12.1%
32-64 mi	112	7.5%	107	7.5%
Over 64 mi	23	1.5%	20	1.4%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,493</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,420</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Table 8 – Trip Distance at the Driver Street At-Grade Rail Crossing**

Driver Street				
Trip Distance	2019		2021	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Under 0.5 mi	14	0.2%	7	0.1%
0.5-1 mi	52	0.8%	47	0.8%
1-2 mi	237	3.8%	185	3.2%
2-4 mi	577	9.3%	553	9.5%
<b>4-8 mi</b>	<b>1,250</b>	<b>20.2%</b>	<b>1,064</b>	<b>18.2%</b>
<b>8-16 mi</b>	<b>2,099</b>	<b>33.9%</b>	<b>1,983</b>	<b>33.9%</b>
16-32 mi	1,227	19.8%	1,184	20.3%
32-64 mi	460	7.4%	496	8.5%
Over 64 mi	272	4.4%	323	5.5%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,188</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>5,842</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Table 9 – Trip Distance at the Ellis Road At-Grade Rail Crossing**

Ellis Road				
Trip Distance	2019		2021	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Under 0.5 mi	16	0.1%	19	0.1%
0.5-1 mi	43	0.4%	45	0.3%
1-2 mi	64	0.5%	92	0.7%
2-4 mi	537	4.4%	559	4.3%
<b>4-8 mi</b>	<b>3,757</b>	<b>31.1%</b>	<b>3,767</b>	<b>28.9%</b>
<b>8-16 mi</b>	<b>6,100</b>	<b>50.5%</b>	<b>6,492</b>	<b>49.7%</b>
16-32 mi	1,173	9.7%	1,633	12.5%
32-64 mi	305	2.5%	313	2.4%
Over 64 mi	91	0.8%	135	1.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12,086</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>13,055</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Table 10, Table 11, and Table 12 summarize the directional trip purpose for each of the trips for Plum Street, Driver Street and Ellis Road, respectively.

**Table 10 – Trip Purpose at the Plum Street At-Grade Rail Crossing**

Plum Street								
Trip Purpose	2019				2021			
	Northbound		Southbound		Northbound		Southbound	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Home	260	35.9%	155	20.2%	202	28.0%	158	22.6%
Work	47	6.5%	330	43.0%	54	7.5%	182	26.1%
School	33	4.6%	21	2.7%	28	3.9%	36	5.2%
Eat	70	9.7%	1	0.1%	78	10.8%	3	0.4%
<b>Shop</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>15.7%</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>6.5%</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>22.7%</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>20.3%</b>
Social	66	9.1%	84	10.9%	60	8.3%	51	7.3%
Recreation	21	2.9%	5	0.7%	14	1.9%	4	0.6%
<b>Errands</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>10.1%</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>9.4%</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>5.7%</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>10.0%</b>
Pass-through traffic	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Lodging (hotels etc.)	2	0.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Region departure (airport etc.)	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Commercial (freight)	17	2.3%	42	5.5%	68	9.4%	52	7.4%
Other	22	3.0%	8	1.0%	13	1.8%	0	0.0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>768</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>722</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>698</b>	<b>100%</b>

Table 11 – Trip Purpose at the Driver Street At-Grade Rail Crossing

Driver Street								
Trip Purpose	2019				2021			
	Northbound		Southbound		Northbound		Southbound	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Home	1,563	45.8%	523	18.8%	1,396	41.1%	520	21.3%
Work	229	6.7%	696	25.1%	261	7.7%	447	18.3%
School	116	3.4%	116	4.2%	123	3.6%	108	4.4%
Eat	244	7.1%	146	5.3%	261	7.7%	186	7.6%
Shop	385	11.3%	359	12.9%	544	16.0%	449	18.4%
Social	394	11.5%	251	9.0%	314	9.2%	167	6.8%
Recreation	12	0.4%	59	2.1%	43	1.3%	79	3.2%
Errands	131	3.8%	203	7.3%	163	4.8%	219	9.0%
Pass-through traffic	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Lodging (hotels etc.)	1	0.0%	2	0.1%	3	0.1%	6	0.2%
Region departure (airport etc.)	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
Commercial (freight)	243	7.1%	274	9.9%	184	5.4%	136	5.6%
Other	95	2.8%	145	5.2%	104	3.1%	128	5.2%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,413</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>2,775</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>3,396</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>2,446</b>	<b>100%</b>

Table 12 – Trip Purpose at the Ellis Road At-Grade Rail Crossing

Ellis Road								
Trip Purpose	2019				2021			
	Northbound		Southbound		Northbound		Southbound	
	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent
Home	2,814	54.2%	1,013	14.7%	2,797	48.7%	1,289	17.6%
Work	435	8.4%	2,227	32.3%	439	7.7%	1,718	23.5%
School	76	1.5%	543	7.9%	95	1.7%	450	6.2%
Eat	205	3.9%	580	8.4%	399	7.0%	688	9.4%
Shop	500	9.6%	947	13.7%	995	17.3%	1,556	21.3%
Social	496	9.6%	532	7.7%	375	6.5%	478	6.5%
Recreation	110	2.1%	165	2.4%	98	1.7%	206	2.8%
Errands	375	7.2%	568	8.2%	344	6.0%	604	8.3%
Pass-through traffic	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Lodging (hotels etc.)	4	0.1%	11	0.2%	13	0.2%	9	0.1%
Region departure (airport etc.)	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%
Commercial (freight)	117	2.3%	97	1.4%	116	2.0%	129	1.8%
Other	59	1.1%	212	3.1%	66	1.2%	190	2.6%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,191</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>6,895</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>5,738</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>7,317</b>	<b>100%</b>





In general, most northbound trips are typically destined for home, while the majority of other purposes (work, eat, shop, etc.) are southbound trips. It should be noted, pass-through trips for each at-grade rail crossing is consistently low. It may be assumed that the majority of these trips are local. Definitions of these purposes are next for further description.



## Trip Purpose

The Trip Purpose module shows the number of trips for each purpose. The trip purpose is determined by the destination type of the trip. For example: If a person is traveling to work, the purpose of the trip is 'Work'. If a person is traveling to a restaurant, the purpose is 'Eat'.

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Errands includes trips to hairdressers, auto shops, banks, and a variety of other locations.

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Recreation includes trips to recreational destinations such as parks and swimming pools. Replica does not include looping trips without a destination, such as walking the dog, or jogging.

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Commercial refers to trips by medium and heavy trucks for deliveries and other commercial purposes.

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Lodging refers to trips by visitors to overnight accommodation such as a hotel.

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Region departure refers to trips by visitors to a "port-of-exit", such as an airport, or major train station.

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Pass-through traffic refers to trips made by non-residents that start and end outside the region. These trips can include short stopovers within the region.

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Select a purpose to filter the Replica Activity Table to include only trips for that purpose.

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How the data is generated

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Trips are generated using our modeling tools. We use de-identified mobile phone location data and other data sources to create behavioral models of how people move. We then apply these models to a synthetic population. Movements are calibrated against observed, ground-truth data.