

Getting to school

Travel to primary school

The car is the dominant mode for travelling to primary school, with over 60% of children travelling this way in most of Melbourne's Local Government Areas (LGAs).

Students living in inner Melbourne have the highest rates of walking to primary school (60%). Across the rest of the urban area rates fluctuate between 20-40%. Few primary school students use bicycles. Use of public transport to reach primary school is also low across Melbourne, at less than 10% in all areas except Hobsons Bay, Cardinia, and Brimbank, where it is 10-20%.

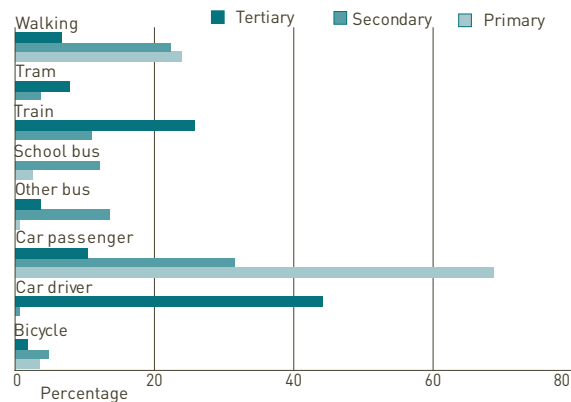
Travel to secondary school

Public transport plays a stronger role in travel to secondary school, with the distribution partly reflecting tram and train access but also the network of school buses which operates across Melbourne. The car remains the dominant mode for students travelling to secondary schools.

Note: Public transport includes train, tram, bus, school bus and taxi.

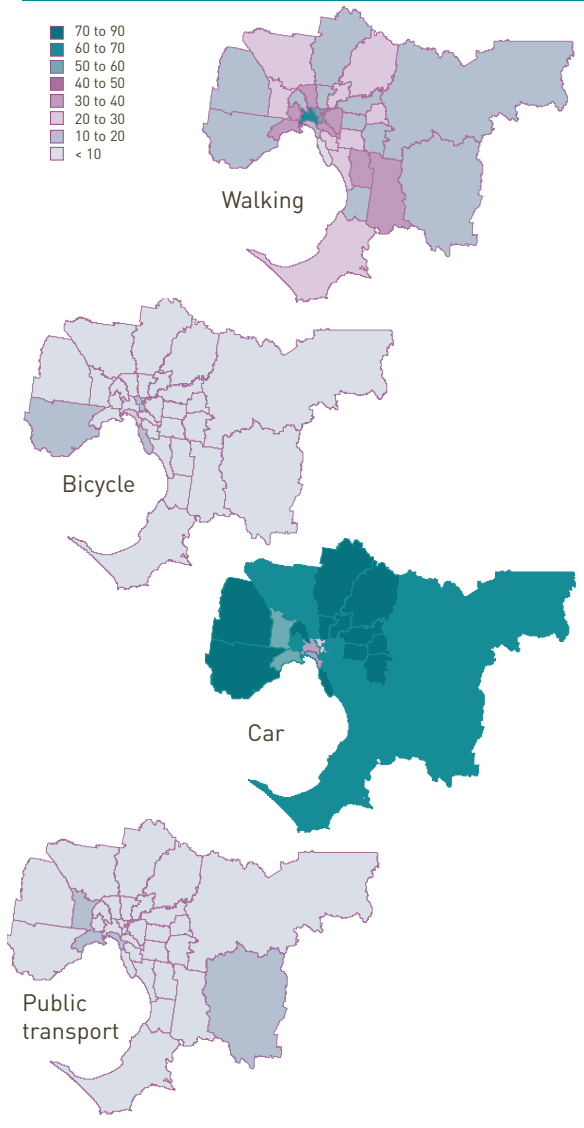
1 Percentage of students using each travel mode

Primary, secondary and tertiary students in aggregated Local Government Areas, Melbourne, 1997-99



2 Students' method of travel to primary school by home location

Local Government Areas, 1997-99



3 Students' method of travel to secondary school by home location

Local Government Areas, 1997-99

