

National Roads and Traffic Expo 30th November & 1 December 2020 Australia

Long Term Travel Impacts of Covid-19 in Melbourne

Phase 1 and 2 Results - Overview of Key Findings

Prof Graham Currie FTSE, Dr Taru Jain, Laura Aston Public Transport Research Group Monash Institute of Transport Studies Monash University, Australia







Agenda

Introduction

Approach

Evidence from past disruptions

Qualitative interview findings

Panel survey findings

Transit ridership futures

Next steps



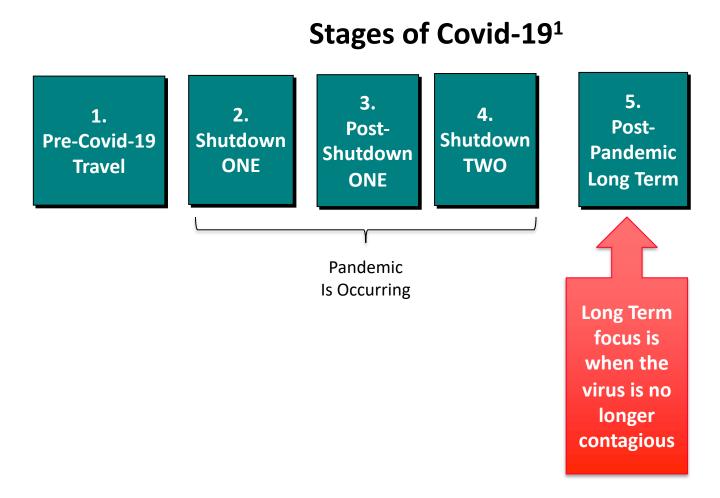
1. Project scope

Objective:

 Understand how C-19 has impacted travel including long term effects.

Focus:

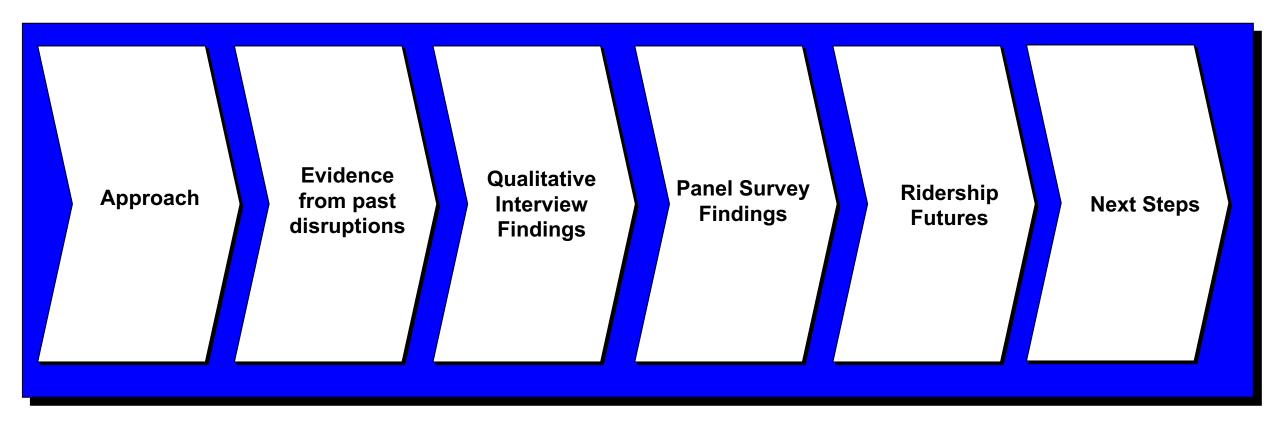
Melbourne, Australia







It is structured as follows;









Agenda

Introduction

Approach

Evidence from past disruptions

Qualitative interview findings

Panel survey findings

Transit ridership futures

Next steps



The research program reviews secondary evidence and undertakes two phases of primary research in the community focussing on self reported changes in travel

Research Plan – phases and tasks

Phase 1 – Research Context

- 1.Project Inception
- 2. Literature Review
- 3. Secondary Travel Data Impact Analysis
- 4. Future Travel Impact Forecasting Approach

Phase 2 – Shutdown Field Surveys

- 5. Qualitative Survey
- 6. Quantitative Online Panel Survey
- 7. Phase 2 Analysis and Reporting

Phase 3 – Late Shutdown/Post Pandemic Field Surveys

- 8. Qualitative Survey
- 9. Quantitative Online Panel Survey
- 10. Phase 3 Analysis and Reporting

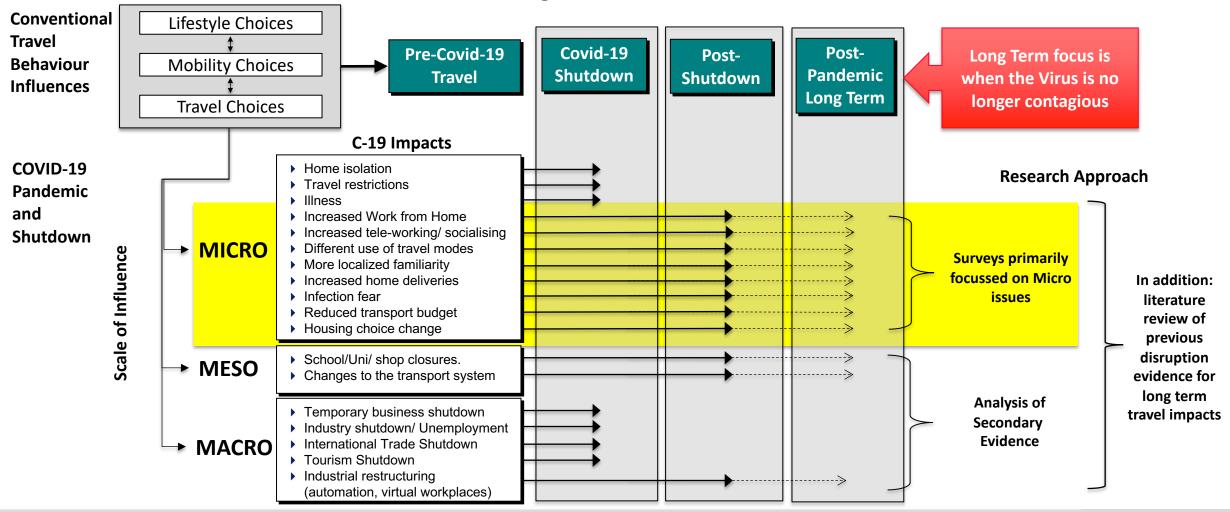
Completed





2. Framework

The 'Monash' Framework - An Integrated Framework of Factors Influencing Travel Behavior Before, During and After the Covid-19 Crisis.



Note: This framework is developed by the research team from a review of previous research literature and also from a workshop with staff from the Victorian Department of Transport







Agenda

Introduction

Approach

Evidence from past disruptions

Qualitative interview findings

Panel survey findings

Transit ridership futures

Next steps



3. Evidence from past disruptions

Personal health

SARS (2003)

MERS (2012)

Fear/dread

avoidance

distancing

• -25%.-35% reduction in

Metro system travel

Social

concerns

Micro

Meso

Macro

Examples:

Key similarities:

Short Term Travel Impact

Travel Impact

▶ Zero Long-Term Impact **Long Term**

▶ Rebound on average 28 days

Disruptions Explored in Travel Behaviour Research

Security threats

> 9/11 Terror attacks (2001) London, Madrid bombings 2005

Fear/dread avoidance

Planned disruptions

Major events (London Olympics) Infrastructure works

- Availability of options changes
- Encouragement to change travel

Unplanned disruptions

> Natural disasters Infrastructure fault **Strikes**

- Availability of options changes
- Unknown duration

Economic crisis

Global financial Crisis e.g. 2007

- Long duration
- Macro/structural impacts
- Reduced latent demand

- **-40%,-45%,-60%** ▶ -20% to -40% reduction reduction in rail travel in base travel
- >90% reduction in base travel during disasters
- ▶ -20% reduction in selected transit systems

▶ No Long Term Impact

Mean time to recovery

- Zero Long-Term **Impact**
 - rebounded maximum was 6 months

McKinsey & Co 2020a

- ▶ TDM impact -6% after 2 months
- Expect this effect to reduce over time

Parkes et al. 2016. Currie & Delbosc (2011)

- ▶ No Long Term Impact
- Mean time to return to normal is 7-10 days

Kontou et al 2017

was 2 years

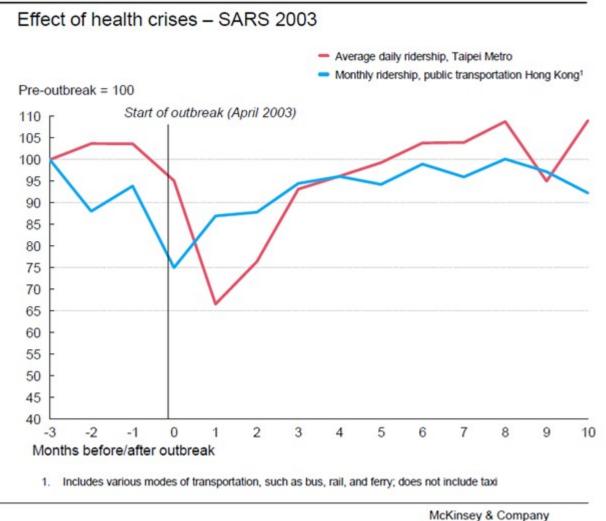
McKinsey & Co 2020b

Wang 2014, McKinsey & Co 2020a

MONASH



The most relevant is SARS in Asia; immediate impact was a 25%/35% decline in transit ridership; Post Pandemic, ridership returned to normal within 6 months



rebound on average took 28 days Wang (2014)

Source: Wang, K-Y 2014, 'How Change of Public Transportation Usage Reveals Fear of the SARS Virus in a City: e89405', PLoS ONE, vol. 9, no. 3.









Agenda

Introduction

Approach

Evidence from past disruptions

Qualitative interview findings

Panel survey findings

Transit ridership futures

Next steps



Online interviews explored personal experiences of Covid-19 on travel/activity and self reported expectations of long term impacts - for a sample frame designed to assure diversity/coverage

C-19 Travel Impacts – 1. Online Interview Survey – Shutdown Phase

Objective:

provide qualitative detailed <u>narratives</u> of how <u>C-19</u>
 <u>shutdown</u> has <u>impacted the lives</u> of respondents and to provide <u>inputs to long term forecasting</u> of impacts.

Aims:

- Understand <u>personal experiences of C-19 Shutdown</u> on life, work and travel – notably differences between pre-shutdown and shutdown (in their words)
- Ask for respondents <u>personal views</u> on how life, work and travel might change in a <u>post-C-19 shutdown</u> – will anything have changed? (in their words)
- c. <u>Explore specific issues which might affect long term travel</u> with respondents (in their words)

Approach

Targetted 18 interviews - 40 mins - online/by phone

Table 1 – Sample Frame – Online Interviews

		Regions of Melbourne										
Personal		Inner			Middle		Outer					
Income												
		Age		Age Age								
	Low* Medium High			Low	Low Medium High			Medium	High			
Lave	4.2		4	4.2			4.2					
Low	1 ²	-	1	1 ²		1	1 ²		1			
Medium	1 1 ² 1 1 ²						1	1 ²				
High		1	1 ²		1	1 ²	1 12					

^{*}No surveys are undertaken of anyone aged under 18

Completed in March/April 2020





²Respondents who used Public Transport in Melbourne equal to and also more frequently than 1-2 days a week

4. Findings from Qualitative Interviews

C. Post - Pandemic

How do you expect what you do and how you get around will change when the virus has gone?

Go back to normal

No get back to normal

Note: Yellow boxes report specific answers from a respondent in their own words

I'll travel by public transport again

Not much change

Go back to normal

Just go back to normal

Will soon go back to how it was

Expect it will go back to normal

Will drift back into same as we used to

Go back to normal

It will all be the same; don't expect to change anything

Go back to how it was before the virus came about

Vote:

1) Monash – May 2020 Online Interview Survey

2) Yellow boxes report specific answers from a respondent in their own words





4. Findings from Qualitative Interviews

D. Exploring Specific Long Term Impact Issues

Post Pandemic will you use public transport?

Yes

Yes

Yes no problem with it

Yes will use public transport

Yes I would

Im not scared to use public transport;
I use trams even now

Yes

See no reason why not; yes

D. Exploring Specific Long Term Impact Issues

Post Pandemic will you have concerns about infection on public transport?

Majority – No concern – some noted concern

No more than usual; we have the annual flu concern but not a problem

A little apprehensive but no not real concerns; have to have a bit of confidence when things go back; ill be careful; get a flu shot

As long as risk has gone ill be ok

Note:

(1) Monash – May 2020 Online Interview Survey

Yes I have no choice

(2) Yellow boxes report specific answers from a respondent in their own words







Agenda

Introduction

Approach

Evidence from past disruptions

Qualitative interview findings

Panel survey findings

Transit ridership futures

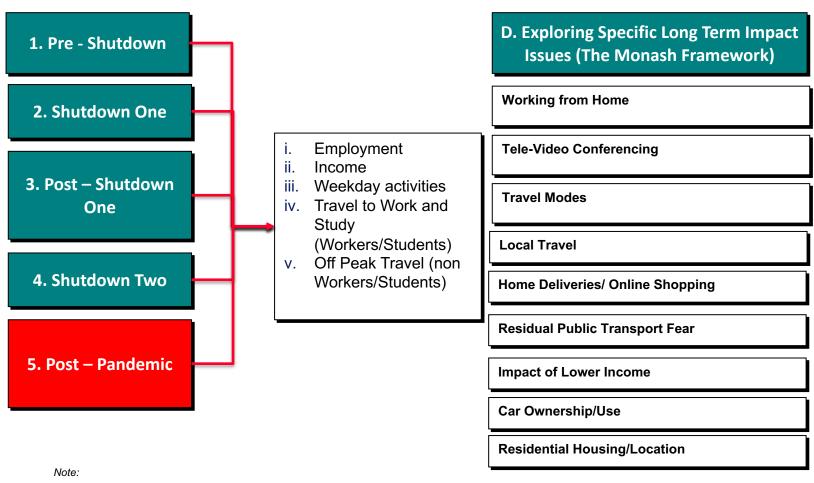
Next steps



The online panel survey covers self reported travel by Covid period & Specific Issues affecting long term travel (from the Monash framework) – a sample frame is so results are representative

Online Panel Survey Questionnaire – Areas Covered

Sample Frame¹



INNER MELBOURNE (n=700)										
	Annual	Annual Personal Income , Before Tax								
	Nil Income	Less than	Between	More than	Total					
Age Group	Target	Total Target								
18-29	53	96	83	16	248					
30 - 44	12	43	86	79	220					
45 and over	12	232								
Total	77	228	231	164	700					

	MIDDLE MELBOURNE (n=700)										
	Annual	Annual Personal Income , Before Tax Total									
Age Group	Target	Target	Target	Target	Total Target						
18-35	37	73	92	36	238						
36-54	17	43	87	90	237						
55 and over	18	107	64	37	226						
Total	72	223	243	163	701						

OUTER MELBOURNE (n=700)										
	Annual	Annual Personal Income , Before Tax								
	Nil Income	Less than	Between	More than	Total					
Age Group	Target Target Target Total T									
18-35	26	87	97	24	234					
36-53	15	64	101	56	236					
54 and over	18	230								
Total	59	273	263	105	700					

	GRAND TOTAL									
	Annua	Annual Person Income, Before Tax								
	Nil Income	INCOME 1	INCOME 2	INCOME 3	Total					
Age Group	Target	Target	Target	Target	Total Target					
AGE GROUP 1	116	256	272	76	720					
AGE GROUP 2	44	150	274	225	693					
AGE GROUP 3	48	318	191	131	688					
Total	208	724	737	432	2101					

- (1) Quotas in a sample aim to ensure representation of the community with respect to key/influential demographic and spatial criteria
- (2) Statistical accuracy minimums are a sample of 600 to achieve a 95% confidence that any result is within 4% standard error.





The sample (n=2,176) has excellent coverage of age/income quota – By region (Inner, Middle, Outer) the sample exceeds the statistical accuracy minimums

Figure A1: Sample Frame Quota and Achieved Targets – 10 August Sample

	INNER MELBOURNE (n=700)														
Annual Personal Income , Before Tax															
	Nil Income Less than \$45,000 Between \$45,000 and \$98,000 More than \$98,000												Total		
Age Group	Target	Completed	%	Target	Completed	%	Target	Completed	%	Target	Completed	%	Total Target	Completed	%
18-29	53	54	102%	96	101	105%	83	87	105%	16	17	106%	248	259	104%
30 - 44	12	12	100%	43	45	105%	86	90	105%	79	83	105%	220	230	105%
45 and over	12	13	108%	89	82	92%	62	64	103%	69	68	99%	232	227	98%
Total	77 79 103% 228 228 100% 231 241 104% 164 168 102									102%	700	716	102%		

	MIDDLE MELBOURNE (n=700)														
Annual Personal Income , Before Tax															
	Nil Income Less than \$37,000 Between \$37,000 and \$84,000 More than \$84,000											Total			
Age Group	Target	Completed	%	Target	Completed	%	Target	Completed	%	Target	Completed	%	Total Target	Completed	%
18-35	37	39	105%	73	77	105%	92	97	105%	36	38	106%	238	251	105%
36-54	17	17	100%	43	45	105%	87	91	105%	90	94	104%	237	247	104%
55 and over	r 18 18 100% 107 111 104% 64 64						100%	37	37	100%	226	230	102%		
Total	72 74 103% 223 233 104% 243 252 104% 163 169 1								104%	701	728	104%			

										- 00					
	OUTER MELBOURNE (n=700)														
	Annual Personal Income , Before Tax														
	Nil Income Less than \$37,000 Between \$37,000 and \$84,000 More than \$84,000										Total				
Age Group	Target	Completed	%	Target	Completed	%	Target	Completed	%	Target	Completed	%	Total Target	Completed	%
18-35	26	27	104%	87	91	105%	97	102	105%	24	25	104%	234	245	105%
36-53	15	15	100%	64	67	105%	101	105	104%	56	59	105%	236	246	104%
54 and over	18	19	106%	122	128	105%	65	68	105%	25	26	104%	230	241	105%
Total	59	61	103%	273	286	105%	263	275	105%	105	110	105%	700	732	105%

	GRAND TOTAL														
Annual Person Income, Before Tax															
	Nil Income INCOME 1 INCOME 2 INCOME 3									Total					
Age Group	Target	Completed	%	Target	Completed	%	Target	Completed	%	Target	Completed	%	Total Target	Completed	%
AGE GROUP 1	116	120	103%	256	269	105%	272	286	105%	76	80	105%	720	755	105%
AGE GROUP 2	44	44	100%	150	157	105%	274	286	104%	225	236	105%	693	723	104%
AGE GROUP 3	48	50	104%	318	321	101%	191	196	103%	131	131	100%	688	698	101%
Total	208	214	103%	724	747	103%	737	768	104%	432	447	103%	2101	2176	104%

loto.

- (1) Monash July 2020 Online Panel Survey final sample vs quota targets
- (2) Statistical accuracy minimums are a sample of 600 to achieve a 95% confidence that any result is within 4% standard error





There was also interest in sampling of PT Users, Employed and CBD Workers - the sample also exceeds statistical accuracy minimums for all these non-Quota targets

Figure A2: Sample Non-Quota Targets and Achieved Sample

Q7: LAST YEAR, in 2019, HOW OFTEN did you typically use		% of total
public transport?	Completed	sample
6-7 days a week	170	8%
5 days a week	355	16%
3-4 days a week	280	13%
1-2 days a week	263	12%
Total	1068	49%

Q8. BEFORE the COVID 19 Outbreak, which of the following		% of total
best describes what you did?	Completed	sample
Employed full time	905	42%
Employed Part Time	329	15%
Employed casual	199	9%
Total	1433	66%

Q9 Before the COVID-19 outbreak, did you WORK in		% of total
Melbourne CBD?	Completed	sample
Yes	635	29%
Total	635	29%

loto:

- (1) Monash July 2020 Online Panel Survey final sample
- 2) Statistical accuracy minimums are a sample of 600 to achieve a 95% confidence that any result is within 4% standard error
- (3) About half the sample used PT in 2019; this is a very high number and might imply a sample biased towards public transport users; this is good for reliability of results regarding public transport but may imply high estimates of PT mode share in the results

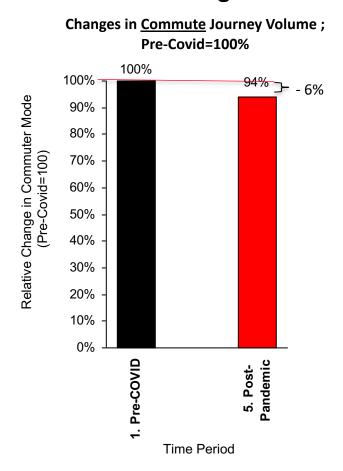


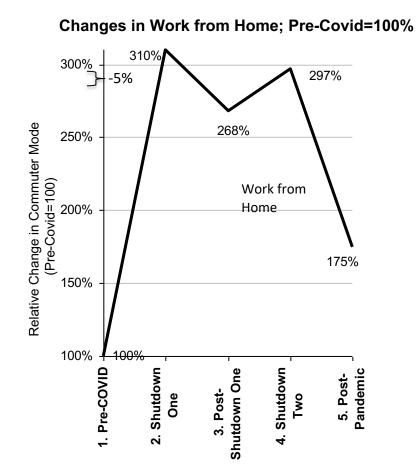


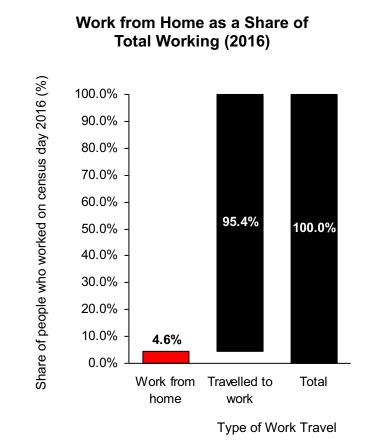
POST COVID total JTW travel declines by 6% - mainly due to increased WFH

Figure D2: Post-Covid Total Travel Reduction and Linked to WFH Growth

Peak-Related Travel







Note:

- (1) Monash August 2020 Online Panel –final sample Self reported activity participation volume per week
- (2) Weighted sample; representative of total Melbourne travel

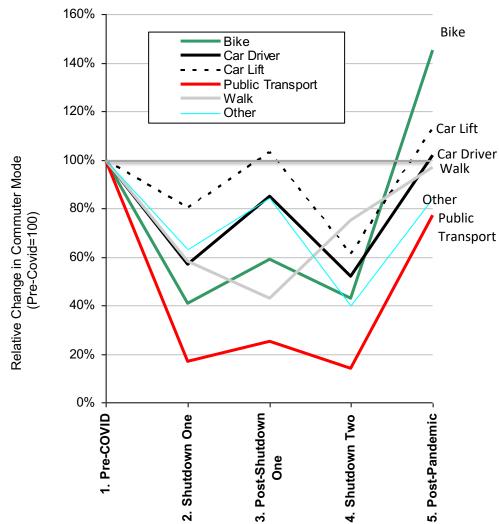
Source:: Australian Bureau of Statistics, 2016 Census Journey to Work

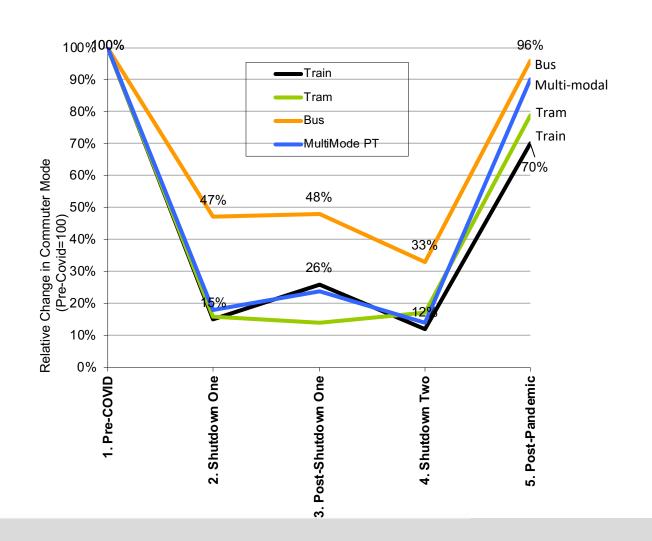




By Mode Post-Covid; JTW grows for Bike (+45%), Car Lift (+13%), Car Driving (+2%). Walking (-3%) PT ridership returns to 77% of Pre Covid Levels – rail more affected than Bus and Multimodal

Figure D5: Changes in Commute Journey Volume by Mode; Pre-Covid=100% Peak-Related Travel









Monash - August 2020 Online Panel - final sample - Self reported travel to work volume per week

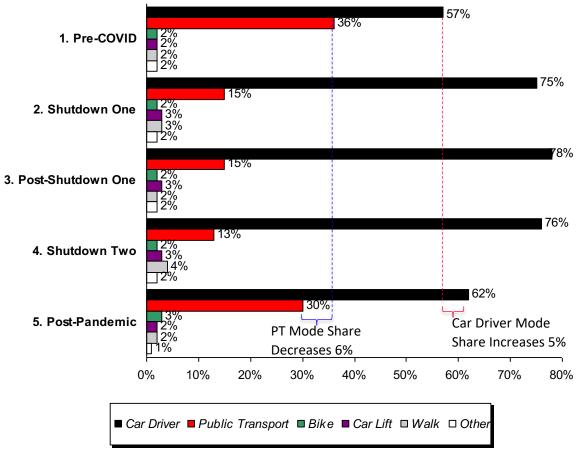
Weighted sample; representative of total Melbourne travel



JTW mode share increases for car driving from 57% to 61%. PT mode share declines from 36% to 30%.

Figure D7: Changes in Commute Journey Share by Mode

Peak-Related Travel



Key Points

- ▶ This is the relative SHARE of travel to work by MODE. It is the weighted sample (representative of all travel in Melbourne).
- ▶ <u>Post Pandemic</u>; major shifts are:
 - Increased car driving; the share of car driving to work will increase from 57% to 62%.
 - Decreased public transport use; although mode share recovers from a low of 13% (Shutdown Two) it returns to a share of 30% of journey to work, 6% below pre covid levels
 - Bike share increases from 2% to 3% post pandemic
- ▶ During the Pandemic (period 3, 4 and 5) car driving share of journey to work has consistently increased to represent 75-78% of all work travel.
- Public Transport travel declines to a share of between 13-15% of travel. Interesting it still represented the second most important means of travel to work after car driving; even during the pandemic.

Note:

- (1) Monash August 2020 Online Panel final sample Self reported travel to work volume per week
- (2) Weighted sample; representative of total Melbourne travel





Melbourne CBD

CBD Commuting



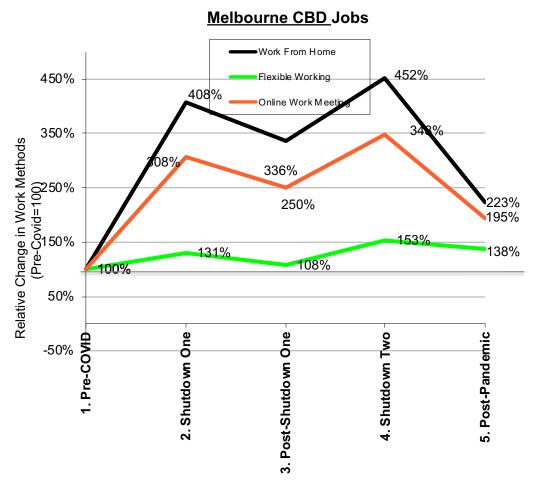


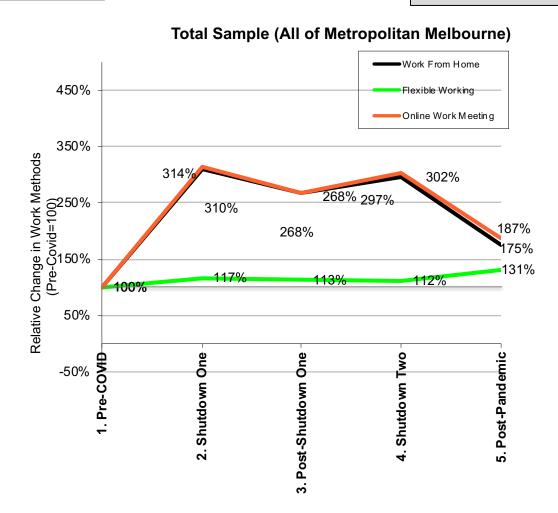


Work from Home is MUCH more common for CBD workers; Post Pandemic WFH is expected to more than double (+117%) compared to pre-covid, much higher than for Melb as a whole (+75%)

Figure F2: Changes in <u>Alternative Work Methods</u>; Pre-Covid=100%

CBD Commuting





Note:

(1) Monash – August 2020 Online Panel Survey – final sample - Self reported activity participation volume per week (2) Weighted sample; representative of total Melbourne travel

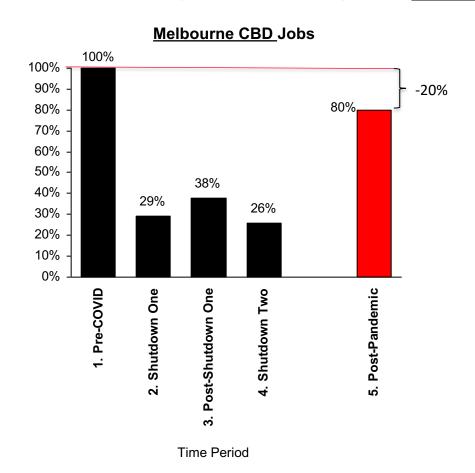




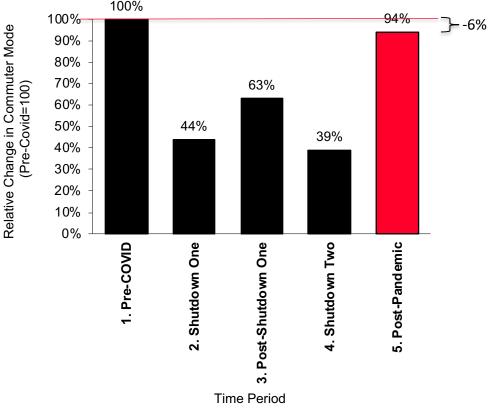
Respondents say CBD COMMUTE will reduce more than the rest of Melbourne; Post Pandemic a 20% decline in CBD COMMUTE is self estimated - much larger than for Melbourne as a whole (6%)

Figure F4: Changes in Commute Journey Volume ; Pre-Covid=100%

CBD Commuting







Note:

- (1) Monash August 2020 Online Panel final sample Self reported CBD travel to work volume per week
- (2) Weighted sample; representative of total Melbourne travel

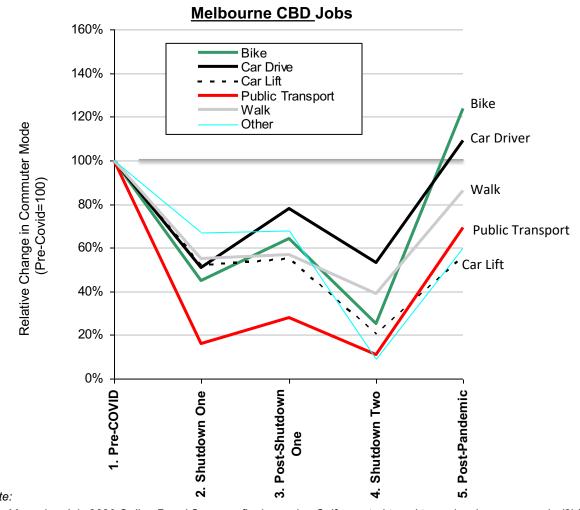


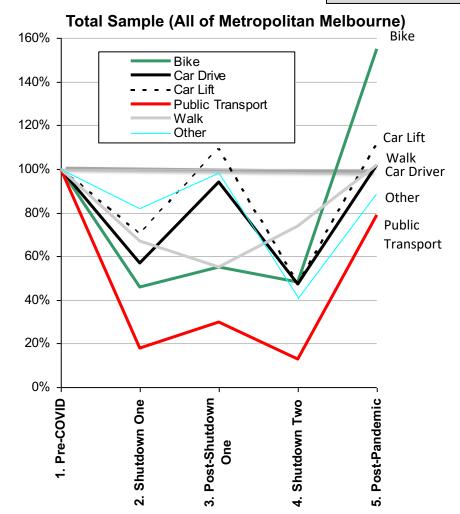


Post-Covid CBD COMMUTE grows for Bike (+24% Pre-Covid) & Car Driver (+9%). Car Lift (-44%) PT (-31%) & Walk (-14%) reduce. CBD modes decline more than Citywide; Car Driving growth is bigger

Figure F6: Changes in Commute Journey Volume by Mode; Pre-Covid=100%

CBD Commuting





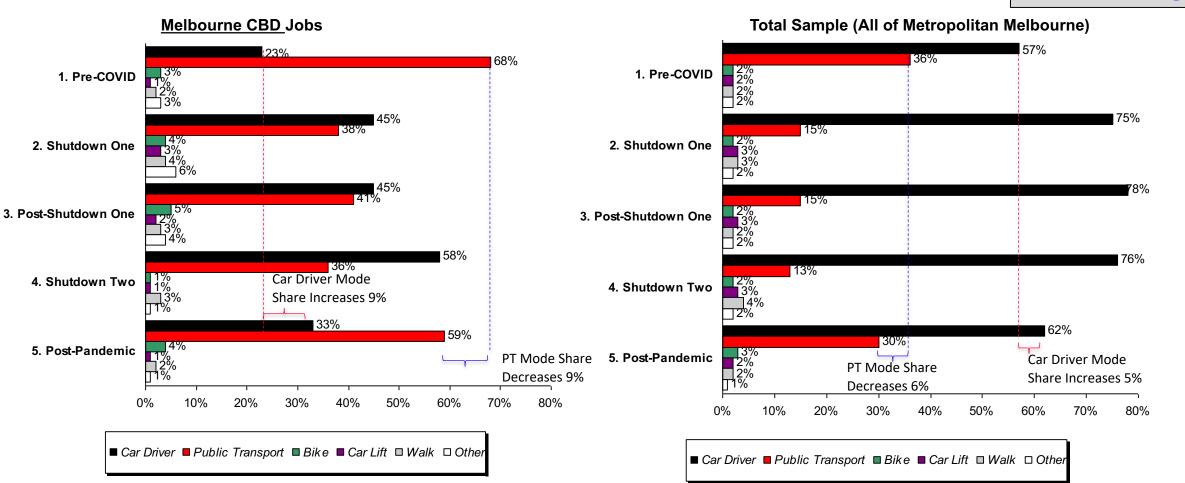
(1) Monash – July 2020 Online Panel Survey – final sample - Self reported travel to work volume per week (2) Weighted sample; representative of total Melbourne travel





Post-Covid CBD COMMUTE mode share increases for car driving 23%-33%; PT CBD mode share declines 67%-59%. This CBD swing is similar but larger for the CBD than for Melbourne as a whole

Figure F8: Changes in <u>CBD Commute</u> Journey <u>Share by Mode</u>



Note:

⁽²⁾ Weighted sample; representative of total Melbourne travel





CBD Commuting

⁽¹⁾ Monash - August 2020 Online Panel –final sample - Self reported travel to work volume per week

Public Transport Users

PT Users







Overcrowding & Infection Fear are top concerns for PT Users since the pandemic – these concerns increased in shutdown two

Figure C2: Pt User Attitudes to PT Issue IMPORTANCE

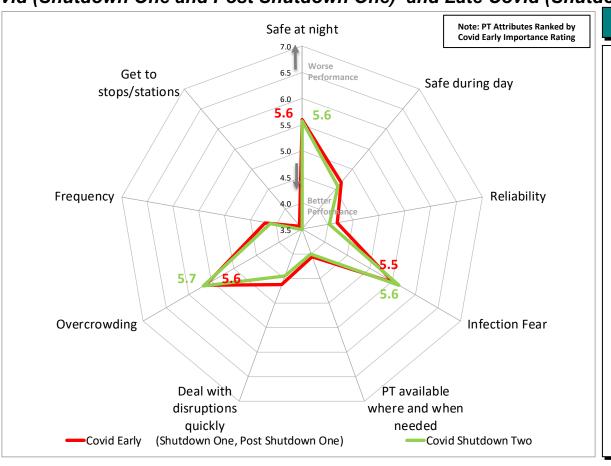
Early Covid (Shutdown One and Post Shutdown One) and Late Covid (Shutdown Two)

Attitudes/Perceptions

PERFORMANCE

Average Raw Stated Scores		
Attribute (Ranked by Covid Early Importance)	Covid Early (Shutdown One, Post Shutdown One)	Covid Shutdown Two
Safe at night	5.6	5.6
Safe during day	4.7	4.6
Reliability	4.2	4.0
Infection Fear	5.5	5.6
PT available where and when need	4.1	4.0
Deal with disruptions quickly	4.6	4.5
Overcrowding	5.6	5.7
Frequency	4.2	4.1
Get to stops/stations	3.6	3.5

3.5 5.7



Key Points

- ▶ Covid Early In terms of performance the biggest concerns are:
 - Overcrowding
 - Safety at Night (from assault/theft)
 - Infection fear
- ▶ Covid Late these are still the top issues but there are small changes:
 - Overcrowding remains biggest concern but its rating is worse
 - Infection Fear becomes the second worst rated issue
 - Safety at Night is still a major concern but its performance is rated as slightly of a concern
- Other slight changes to shutdown two are:
 - Concern over the performance of safety during the day, reliability and dealing with disruptions are not as larger as they were in early shutdown
- Overall shifts between Coveid early and late are minor in scale

- Monash August 2020 Online Panel final sample Self reported IMPORTANCE rating; 1-7; 7 = extremely Important, 1=Extremely unimportant (2) Weighted sample; representative of total Melbourne travel
- Spiral Plot uses approach from Currie G Delbosc A (2015) Variation in Perceptions of Urban Public Transport Performance Between International Cities Using Spiral Plot Analysis' TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH RECORD No. 2538 pages 54-64.

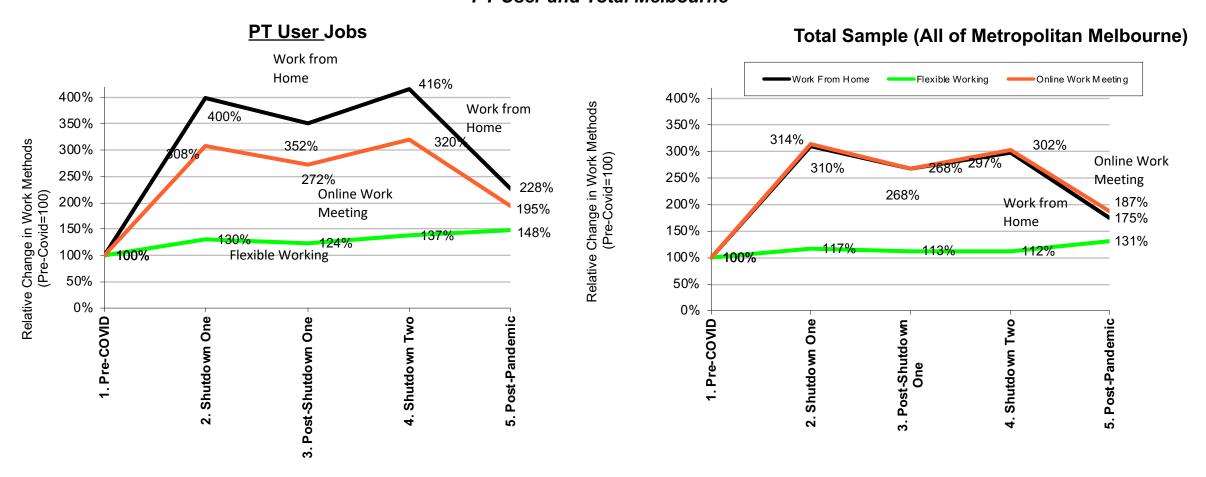




Work from Home is MUCH more common for PT Users; Post-Pandemic WFH is expected to more than double (+128%) compared to Pre-Covid for PT Users, much higher than for Melb (+75%)

Figure G2: Changes in <u>Alternative Work Methods</u>; Pre-Covid=100% PT User and Total Melbourne

PT Users



Note:

(1) Monash - August 2020 Online Panel -final sample - Self reported activity participation volume per week (2) Weighted sample; representative of total Melbourne travel

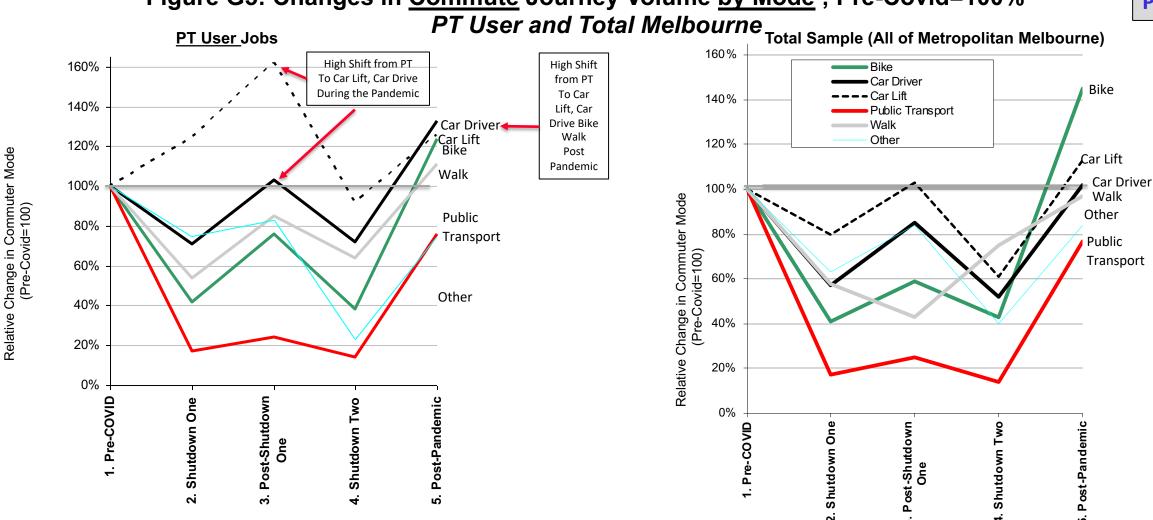




Post-Covid PT User COMMUTE increases for Car Driver (+33% pre-covid), Bike (+28%), Car Lift (+26%). PT declines (-22%). The shift to car use is higher for PT Users than Citywide

Figure G5: Changes in <u>Commute</u> Journey Volume <u>by Mode</u>; Pre-Covid=100%

PT Users



Note:

(1) Monash - August 2020 Online Panel – final sample - Self reported travel to work volume per week (2) Weighted sample; representative of total Melbourne travel

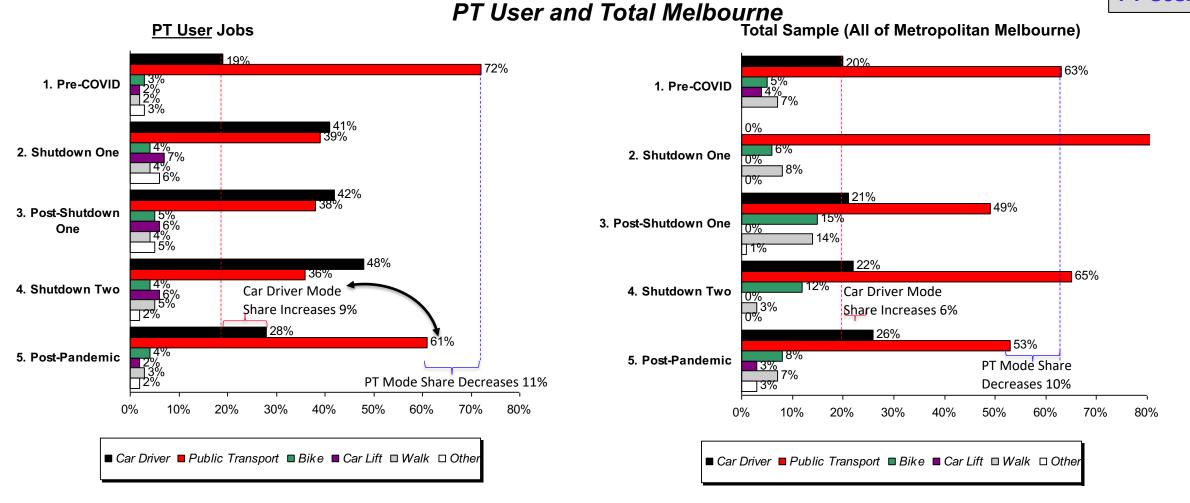




Post-Covid PT User COMMUTE mode share increases for car driving 19%-28%; PT User mode share declines 72%-61%. This swing is similar but larger for PT Users than for Melbourne as a whole

Figure G6: Changes in CBD Commute Journey Share by Mode

PT Users



Note:

⁽²⁾ Weighted sample; representative of total Melbourne travel





⁽¹⁾ Monash - August 2020 Online Panel - final sample - Self reported travel to work volume per week



Agenda

Introduction

Approach

Evidence from past disruptions

Qualitative interview findings

Panel survey findings

Transit ridership futures

Next steps



All evidence suggests a Post-Covid 0% to -5% total travel decline. Mode Shift evidence is mixed ranging from 0% to -6% total travel shift from PT to car; a max one-off absolute PT decline of ~20%.

Previous Disruption Evidence -

Consistent evidence total travel will decline by ~0%-<5%

larger than previous evidence

Evidence of Post-Covid Travel Impacts

Self Reported (Estimated) Post-Covid Impacts

Long Term Travel Impacts Market **TOTAL Car Drive Car Lift** Walk Bike **Key Points** Change in Trip Volume (Post-Covid vs Pre-Covid) ▶ Total Travel Volume - between 0% and 5% reduction in Peak Related travel Journey to Work -6% -23% +2% +13% -3% +45% ▶ Travel Mode Shift – between 0% and 5% swing in travel • between modes -2% Journey to Study -18% +24% +72% +2% +59% ▶ Previous Pandemics – zero long term impact on ridership Off Peak - ridership returns within at most 6 months Off Peak -25% -24% -19% Post-Covid Mode Share (Change in Mode Share) Post-Covid vs Pre-Covid Online Interview Survey (May 2020) Peak Related **Key Points** Journey to Work/ 30% (-6%) 62% (+5%) 2% (+0%) 2% (+0%) 3% (+1%) 53% (-11%) 26% (+6%) 3% (-1%) 7% (+0%) 8% (+3%) Journey to Study ▶ Total Travel Volume - Zero long term effect on travel ▶ Travel Mode Shift – Full return to public transport Off Peak expected; some small desire to use active travel modes 10% (+1%) | 20% (+1%) Off Peak 14% 51% (+5%) 3% (+1%) for health reasons if possible ▶ Recognition that infection fear is a major long term Off Peak Travel Decline – Inconsistent with Interview/ Disruption Evidence concern in using public transport Mode Shift from Causes worthy of further analysis Transit to mainly car driving Mode Shift From Public Transport to When full return to work/activity occurs this Mainly Car Driving – Inconsistent with will cause substantial traffic congestion Interview/ Disruption Evidence - scale is



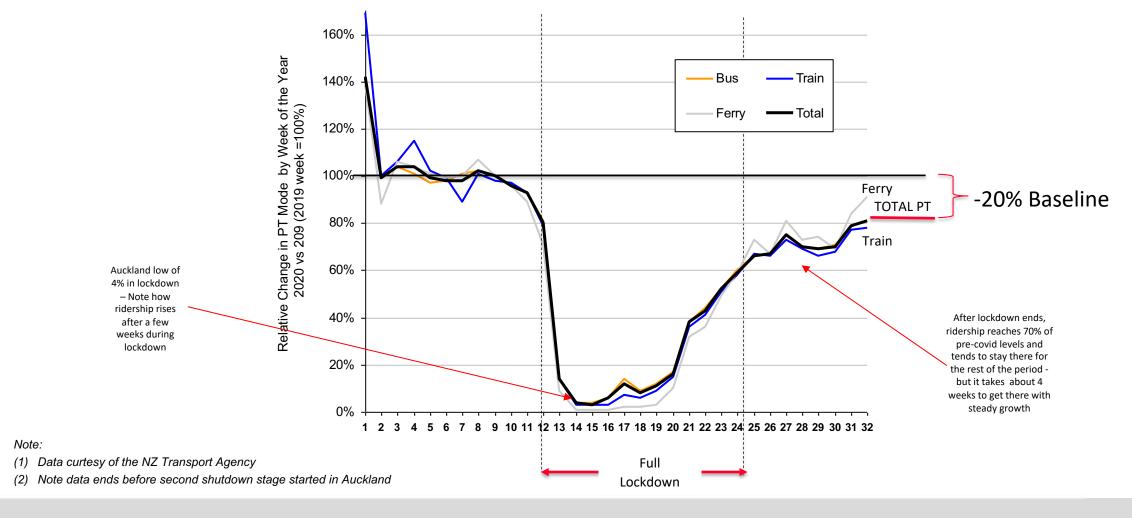


notably in CBD areas where our evidence

suggest this will be a bigger effect

We note that Auckland Transport; when Covid-19 was no longer an issue, demonstrated a 20% net PT ridership decline; consistent with our low-end est. for Post Covid in Melbourne of -20%

Changes in AUCKLAND TRANSPORT (NZ) Total Public Transport Travel by Mode by week - 2020 vs 2019; 2019 =100%

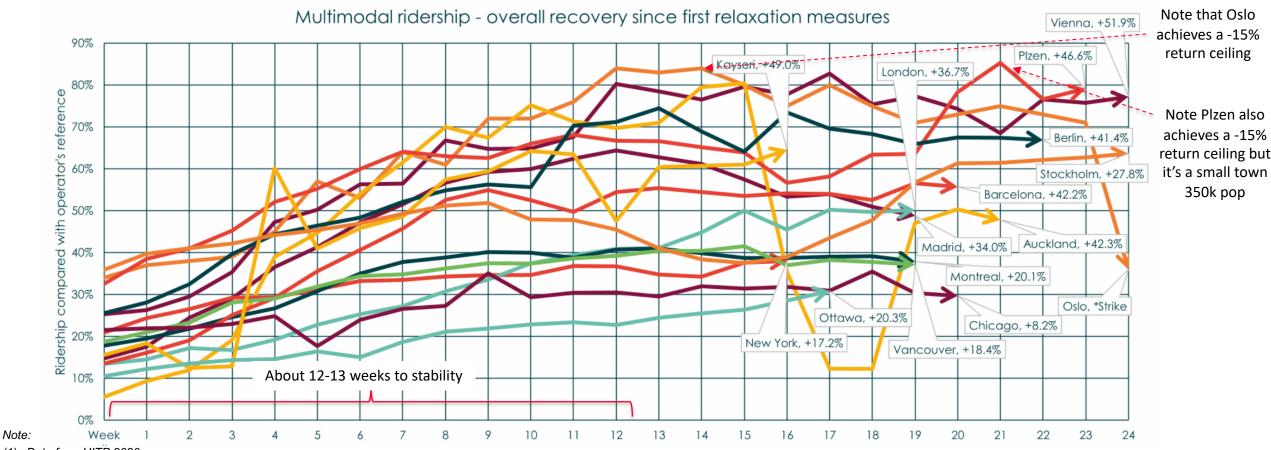






This trend matches a global city pattern of ridership return after shutdown; with a ~-20% level currently representing a general ceiling for ridership return

Changes in International City (<u>Multi-modal</u>) Public Transport Travel by Mode by week after Recovery (shutdown) - % relative to baseline (update 2-10-2020)



⁽¹⁾ Data from UITP 2020

⁽³⁾ The text tags with percentages after the city name show the relative change in ridership after shutdowns finish



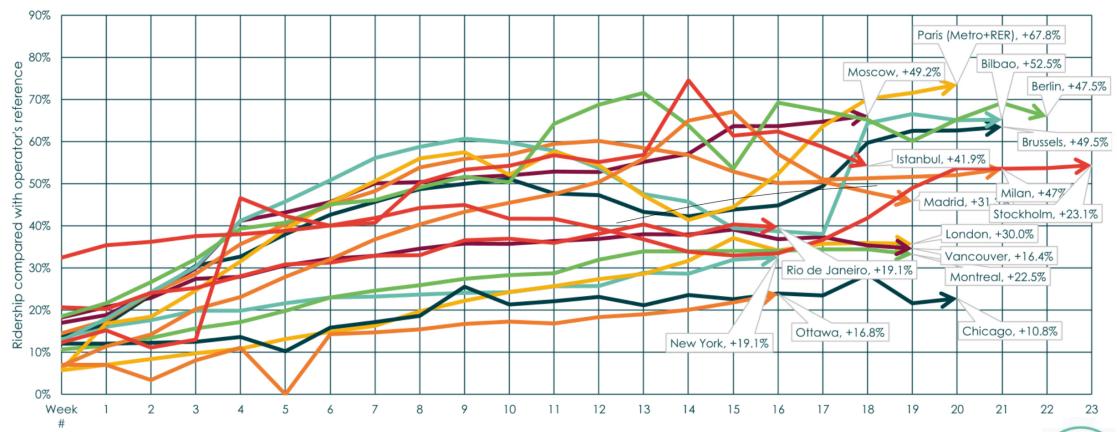


⁽²⁾ Note includes Auckland Transport turn down after shutdown two returns

Interestingly Metro systems, with underground operations have a lower ceiling and return trajectory

Changes in International City (<u>Metro</u>) Public Transport Travel by Mode by week after Recovery (shutdown) - % relative to baseline (update 2-10-2020)

Metro recovery since first relaxation measures



(1) Data from UITP 2020

Note:

Number of weeks after the first measures had been relaxed

(2) The text tags with percentages after the city name show the relative change in ridership after shutdowns finish



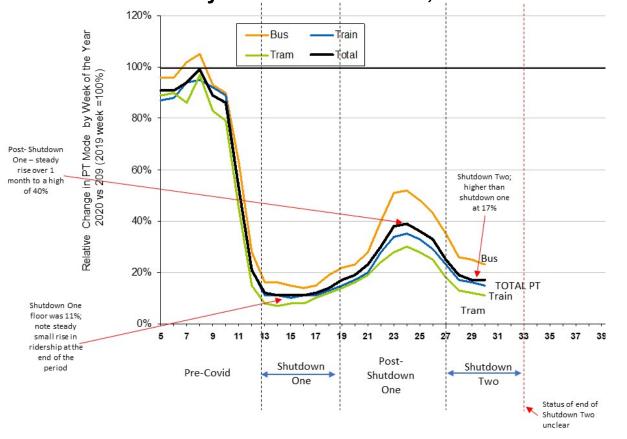


Melbourne & Sydney have a way to go and display interesting differences which will be explored in future research

Change in PT Mode by Week of the Year 2020 vs 209 (2019 week =100%)

Relative

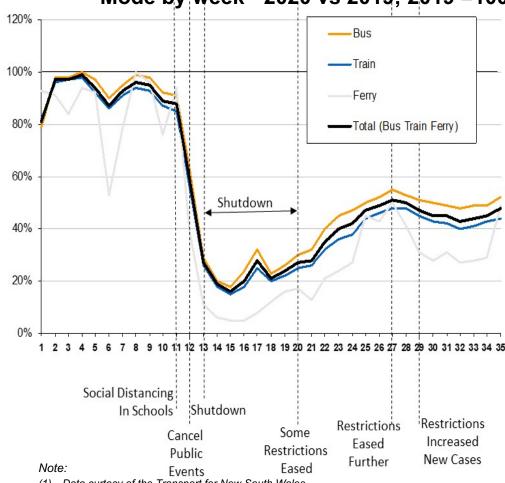
Changes in MELBOURNE Total Public Transport Travel by Mode by week - 2020 vs 2019; 2019 =100%



Note:

- (1) Source: Department of transport 2020, Daily patronage estimates by mode, compared to baseline data, for February to July 2020
- (2) Patronage baselines are based on monthly predictions for weekdays, Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays, derived from 2019 patronage est for the same month and with a year on year growth rate applied. Baselines do not reflect fluctuations in patronage that occur throughout each month or week.

Changes in Sydney Total Public Transport Travel by Mode by week - 2020 vs 2019; 2019 =100%



- (1) Data curtesy of the Transport for New South Wales
- Note: Light Rail and Metro not included as significant new service introduced in 2019 distorting effects prepost Covid 19





The general pattern of Melbourne recovery matches those of other cities

Changes in International City (Multi-modal) Public Transport Travel by Mode by week after Recovery (shutdown) - % relative to baseline including Melbourne and Sydney 90% 80% 70% 80% London, 50.2% Stockholm, 63.6% Som 50% Barcelona, 55.79 Berlin, 66.9% Madrid. **Auckland**, 47.8% Montreal, 37.9% Oslo. *Strike Ottawa, 30.8% Chicago, 29.7% Vancouver, 37.1% ew York, 38.0% Sydney, 48.0% Melbourne, 17.0% 0%

Number of weeks after the first lockdown measures have been relaxed

⁽²⁾ The text tags with percentages after the city name show the change in ridership compared to baseline in 2019



Week



20

⁽¹⁾ Monash University analysis of raw data collated from Victorian Department of Transport, Transport for NSW, NZ Transport Agency, UITP.



Agenda

Introduction

Approach

Evidence from past disruptions

Qualitative interview findings

Panel survey findings

Transit ridership futures

Next steps



A number of additional analysis of the first Online Panel Survey are planned next; additional suggestions are welcome

Baseline Queries of the First Online Panel Survey

- New Analysis Questions/Areas to explore:
 - Isolation of factors resulting in PT use decline
 - Off peak travel
 decline is suggested
 this is unexpected;
 why does it happen?
 How robust is this finding?

Analysis testing the robustness of user self-reported travel predictions

The (London 2012 Olympics) Transtheoretical Model Tests

- ▶ Parkes et al (2016) developed the Transtheoretical Model in research exploring long term travel impacts of the Summer Olympic Games on travel in London
- ▶ They found long term travel impacts related to the degree of adjustment to change each person had made.
- ▶ The Online Panel Survey included questions exploring this for Journey to Work. This analysis will adopt this approach to test self reported travel changes

The Transtheoretical Model

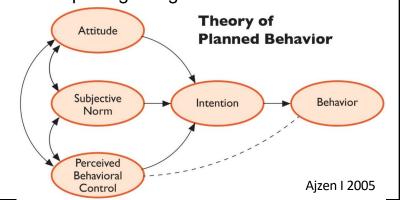
User Adjustment to Change – London 2012 Olympic Games

Pre-contemplation	
Contemplation	
Preparation	
Action	
Maintenance	

(Parkes et al 2016, Prochaska and DiClemente 1982)

The Theory of Planned Behaviour and Working From Home

- Increased WFH is a notable impact of Covid-19
- ▶ The Theory of Planned Behaviour (TPB) is the most prolific tool used to understand travel behavior. It says behavior is a function of attitudes, norms, perceived control.
- We are a series of questions on these for WFH users and will check the robustness of self reporting using this model

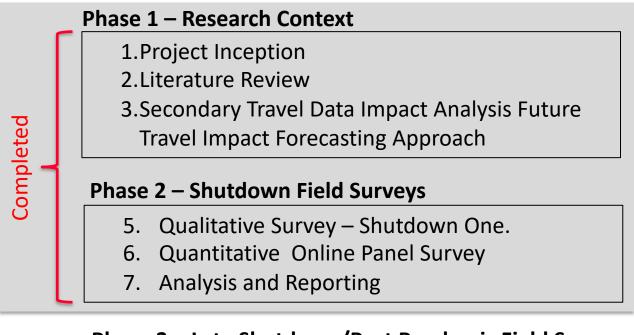






In addition we must plan for Phase 3 of the research – a second round of interviews and a second Online Panel Survey scheduled for later as the Pandemic progresses (or ends)

Research Plan – phases and tasks – reporting and status





- 8. Qualitative Survey
- 9. Quantitative Online Panel Survey
- 10. Phase 3 Analysis and Reporting

Scheduled for Late 2020/ Early 2021

Possible ADDITION topics to explore

- Explore reasons behind the large self reported post pandemic changes in off peak travel – factor/PCA causes
- Cross check/ calibrate self reported changes in travel against known changes – if necessary consider a sample adjustment to get a more accurate forecast
- Disaggregate analysis:
 - Inner, Middle, Outer, Age and Income
- Analyse results by health related impact measures (Factor/PCA analysis of differences)
- Factor analysis of factors influencing long term travel changes
- Focus on impacts on the disadvantaged
- Do the project in other cities



Up

Next



Please reach out for more information









