

# Trinity College Dublin Travel Survey of Staff and Students February 2015

## Summary by Mode

2,587 students and 487 staff responded to the Trinity College Dublin travel survey, which was conducted online through [www.surveymonkey.com](http://www.surveymonkey.com) between 28<sup>th</sup> January and 10<sup>th</sup> of February 2015. This represents a response rate of 16% based on staff (2,868) and students (16,729) across the campus. A higher response rate would be ideal, however the information submitted remains valuable and action undertaken based on this should prove beneficial to Trinity College Dublin.

### Trinity College Dublin

The largest proportion of the respondents to the Trinity College Travel survey travel to campus by bus, minibus or coach (30%), followed by on foot (23%), bicycle (16%), train or DART (16%), Luas (10%), driving a car (3%) and passenger in a car with driver going to a different location (1%). The following modes are used to travel to campus by less than 1% of respondents: Passenger in a car with driver going to different destination, by Taxi, Lorry or van and by other means (<1%). No respondents reported working at or from home.

There is an opportunity to promote walking and cycling as we can see from the results that 36% of staff travel under 5km and 52% of students travel 5km or less to Trinity College.

Figure 1 – Usual mode of travel – Trinity College Dublin (Staff & Students)

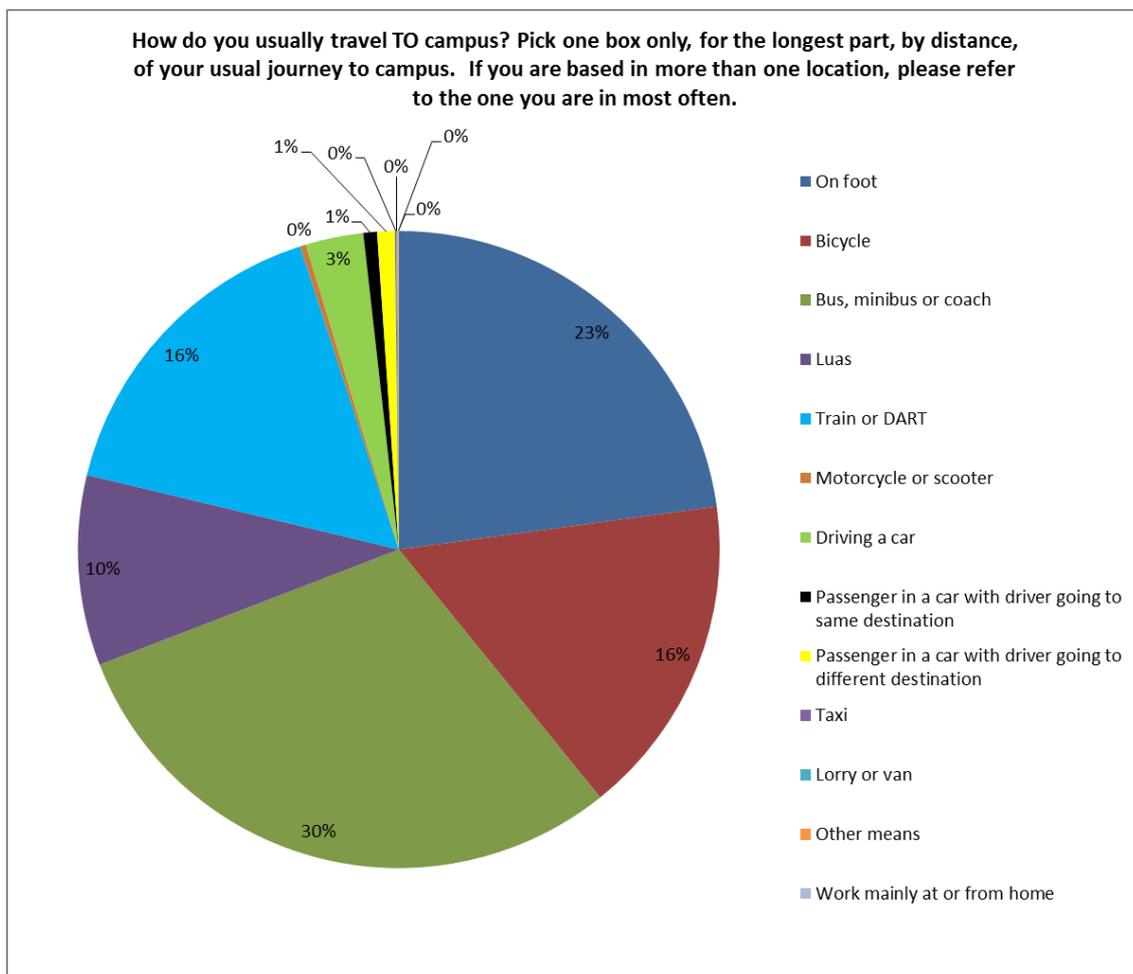


Figure 2 – Usual mode of travel – Trinity College Dublin (Students Only)

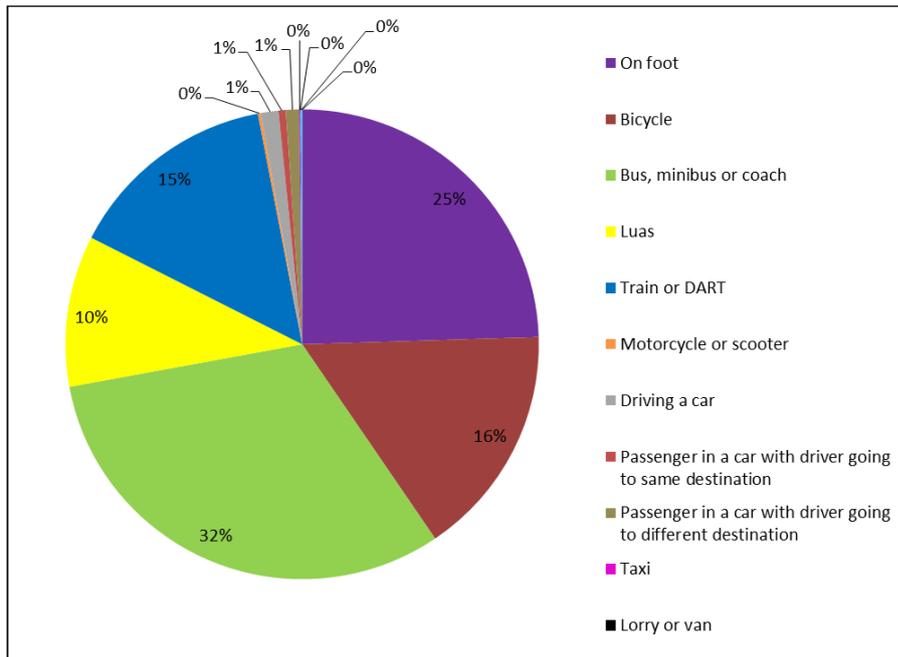
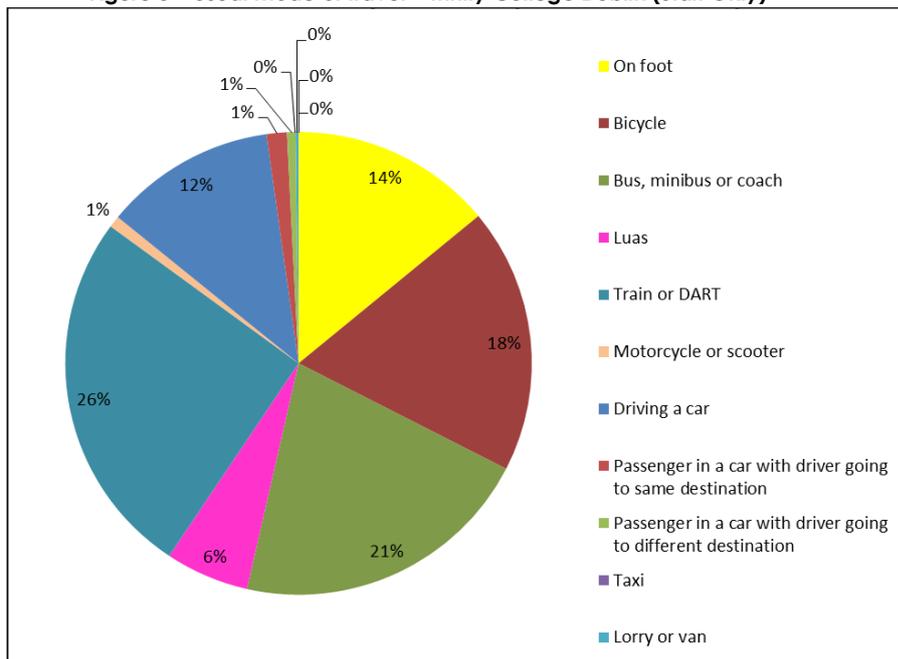


Figure 3 – Usual mode of travel – Trinity College Dublin (Staff Only)



The results of the Trinity College Dublin staff and student travel survey were compared to the Census (2011) data for the Electoral zone that covers the site location. TCD fared well in relation to walking and cycling with TCD reporting a cycle rate of 16% versus the census figure for the district of 8%. Travelling on foot was also higher in the Trinity survey at 23% versus the census results for the electoral district of 14%. Car usage in Trinity is a fraction of the rate highlighted in the census 3% in Trinity versus 24% in the census for the electoral district.

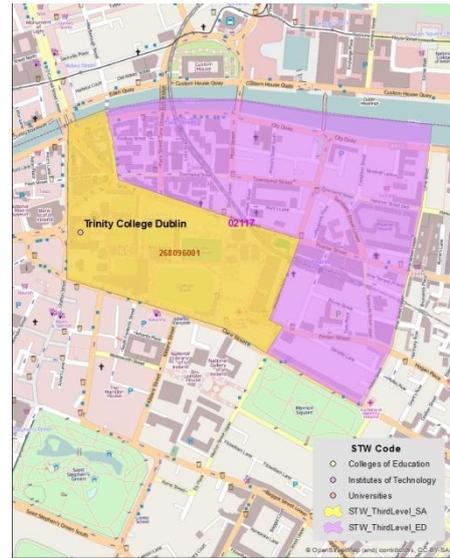


Figure 4 showing Electoral District

The main reasons for mode choice stated by respondents are: Cheapest (25%), Quickest (41%), Environmentally-friendly (1%), Lack of alternative (13%), Less stressful (6%), Habit (4%), Personal safety (1%), other commitments (1%), Reliability (3%), other (5%)

Only 13% stated lack of alternative as a response, therefore there is scope to work with this group.

## Cycling

Trinity's cycling levels are currently quite high with 16% of respondents regularly cycling to Trinity. A further 14% of respondents occasionally cycle to Trinity. 18% of regular car drivers stated travelling to campus by bicycle occasionally. 49% of student respondents reported owning a bicycle. 56% of staff respondents report owning a bicycle.

26% of respondents **live within 3km** of their campus. A further 23% live **between 3-5km** from campus. These people could be targeted for regular and occasional cycling on the commute.

23% of respondents live **between 5-10km** of their campus – these staff and students could also be targeted for occasional cycling on the commute.

- 18% of respondents (948 people) are interested in a **Bike Maintenance Class**
- 17% of respondents (891 people) are interested in **cycle training/on road skills**
- 7% of respondents (340 people) are interested in a **Bicycle Users Group**
- **22% of staff respondents (76 people) are interested in information on electric bikes available through the Cycle to Work scheme**
- 23% of staff respondents (79 people) are interested in information on **fold up bikes** (for use by people commuting part of the way on public transport or by car) available through the Cycle to Work scheme

### Cycle to Work scheme

- Awareness of the Trinity College Cycle to Work scheme is high, with 91% of staff (432 people) indicating that they are aware of it.
- 24% of respondents regularly driving to work (21 people) would consider cycling to/from work if this option was available to them – either using their own or a fleet bicycle.

- Respondents regularly driving to campus would consider an alternative to the car on the commute if cycle parking (36%), showers (45%) and lockers (40%) and provision of a drying room (33%) on campus were improved.
- 15% of responding staff (7 people) who regularly drive to work would consider an alternative to the car on the commute if a bike purchase discount scheme was available. As the Cycle to Work scheme which offers discounts on bike purchases for staff is already in place in Trinity it would be worth promoting this scheme further.
- 17% (73 people) are aware that Trinity College has a kilometrage allowance for cycling on official business

### Cyclists' Facilities

Respondents stated that they would be encouraged to walk or cycle to campus if:

- Shower areas were improved/increased (56%)
- Lockers provided (71%)
- Drying room for gear provided (52%)
- Cycle parking increased (61%)
- Cycle parking moved closer to entrances (46%)
- Cycle parking covered and secure (e.g. only accessible by cyclists) (67%)
- Increased security on campus (62%)

71% of students (1,570 people) stated that they had secure bicycle parking/storage in their primary place of residence during term.

### Sample comments on cycling:

- Not permitted to have bike in TBSI
- Still no bike shelters, covered lockups, lockers, free showers after 0900, even when a bike-2-work scheme has been rolled out?
- Restrictive one way systems on the road which make a 5 minute cycle into a 10 minute cycle.
- I'm a very nervous cyclist so I don't cycle to work.
- I prefer to cycle but need a better bike and the city centre is dangerous to cycle in
- I prefer to be healthy by getting some exercise and fresh air on my bicycle than using public transport.
- If the weather is bad I get the bus instead of cycling.
- Cycling: It's the quickest method but showers, a locker and addressing the high bike theft in TCD would be important
- Cycling in is by far the quickest, it's cheap (I spend money on good rain gear), it's flexible, and I don't get stuck in a tin box with other people's colds + flus and everyone keeping all the windows closed so the bugs recirculate...
- I would prefer to bike to and from campus daily. A focus on bikeways and separated bike trails on the south side of the city would encourage me to do this.
- The lack of dedicated cycle lanes means I am less likely to cycle, however I can walk which is fine at the moment, my children are in a crèche, when they go to school it will be difficult to get to work for 9am.
- Bad weather makes cycling more dangerous so tend to use the train instead on those days
- I cycle because the bus takes much longer. Cycling is an excellent source of exercise and it gets me to work on time!
- My bike has been stolen from Trinity on several occasions. I keep it in my office. Problem throughout Dublin
- No covered, secure cycle parking in Trinity Centre SJH for staff - thefts take place
- More cycle parking in TBSI
- More and more bicycles are being stolen on campus. PLEASE sort it out as it's become ridiculous.

- Night time security would be useful, so that it would be comfortable to arrive later but stay later.
- More Cycle parking is required on campus - I often can't park my bike close to where I work because the cycle racks are full!
- Provide facilities (showers, drying, lockers, secure bicycle parking etc.) and more people would run, walk or cycle to work
- There should be safe bicycle storage on campus. The Cycle to Work scheme should be available 2x a year.
- Bike is cheap and quick
- It's healthier to cycle!
- I walk or cycle because it's the cheapest, I find the buses slow and overpriced
- As a TCD health science student living in Rathmines, My lectures are based in St James' hospital. No direct bus route, so I cycle. Otherwise I would be required to travel into city centre and then out to St James'. Also I choose to cycle because I cannot afford the expense of the bus.

**Further comments are included in appendix 2.**

## Walking

There is great potential for promoting walking on the commute in Trinity as 23% of respondents regularly walk to campus and 34% (1049 people) occasionally walk to campus.

26% of respondents **live within 3km** of their campus. A further 23% live **between 3-5km** from campus. These people could be targeted for regular and occasional walking on the commute.

- 7% of respondents (353 people) are interested in **Lunchtime walking**.
- 12% of respondents (591 people) are interested in a **Sli na Slainte walking route** marked out in the local area/ on site.
- 18% of regular car drivers stated travelling to campus on foot occasionally.

### Comments received in relation to walking:

- I walk, and am happy to do so.
- More gates
- Shower facilities in arts block needed.
- Have childcare issue so walking cycling to work not an option
- Live too far away
- Earlier Opening
- It's better to walk as I feel like I get exercise, it's free, it doesn't contribute badly to the environment, it's less stressful and I can judge the time it takes to get to work easily. My partner cycles and doesn't arrive any faster than me due to traffic.
- I find walking relaxes me
- I am extremely far away from the campus and would walk or cycle if it was an option.
- Walking allows exercise, although it takes in excess of an hour for me to walk to college. While I enjoy it, a bike would be a quicker option and allows me to maintain my fitness. The reason I do not cycle is because I don't like cycling with traffic in town especially on Dame Street and my bike is not meant for city cycling. I am also worried about leaving my bike all day locked on the grounds.

- Large amount which needs to be carried in and out of college each day (laptop, notepads, gym equipment, lunch/dinner containers) means that the walk to the train station is too far (20/25 minute walk), so the bus is the only option.

Further comments are included in appendix 2.

### Active Modes

- 13% of respondents (653 people) are interested in **Green commuters coffee mornings** ('Green commuters' are cyclists, pedestrians, public transport users and car-sharers)
- 25% (1352 people) are interested in an **incentive scheme for 'green commuters'**.

### Public Transport

55% of respondents (1075 people) are already using public transport but it appears that there is further scope to increase regular use of the bus or train, 82% of staff and students occasionally use public transport, meaning that they have access to services.

- 35% of respondents (1063 people) would consider using public transport for the journey to campus, if available.
- 20% of respondents (67 people) said that they would be encouraged to choose an alternative to the car on the commute if **discounted public transport tickets** were available. 75% of students who are regular car drivers (170 people) and 39% of staff car drivers (42 people) said that they would be encouraged to choose an alternative to the car on the commute if **discounted public transport tickets** were available.
- 11% of respondents (38 people) stated that **personalised information** about other transport options would encourage them to choose an alternative to the car.
- 72% of regular staff car drivers (58 people) and 97% of student car drivers (31 people) occasionally travel to campus by public transport (Bus, minibus or coach, Luas, Train or DART) meaning they have access to services.
- 44% of regular car drivers (39 people) stated that if available they would use public transport for their journey to/from campus.
- 66% of respondents (1919 people) stated that they **live within 400 meters of a direct bus** to campus. 26% of regular car drivers (30 people) said they live within 400 meters of a direct bus to campus.
- 44% of respondents (1288 people) said that they **live within 800 meters of a train** or light rail connection to campus. 29% of regular car drivers (26 people) stated living within 800 meters of a train or light rail to campus. There is an opportunity to further promote this availability to staff and students.
- 60% of respondents (1746 people) are aware that **real time arrivals information** on train, bus, and tram services throughout Ireland are available on [www.transportforireland.ie](http://www.transportforireland.ie)
- 63% of respondents (1835 people) are aware that the **Real Time Ireland App** is free from the Apple App store for iPhone and iPad, or Google Play store for Android devices

### Tax Saver Tickets

There is a moderate level of awareness of the tax saver tickets scheme among respondents however there may be potential to encourage current public transport users to avail of the scheme through providing more detailed information to them based on their own circumstances/Public Transport usage.



- 89% of employees who responded (424 people) are aware that public transport users can purchase a **Tax Saver commuter ticket** through their employer.
- 84% of employees who responded (400 people) are aware that Tax Saver tickets for public transport are available annually, twice a year in July and November.
- 36% of employees who responded (137 people) who currently use public transport for their journey to or from work avail of Tax Saver tickets through Trinity. This uptake is relatively low so there appears to be scope for further promotion.
- 85% of respondents (2472 people) are aware of the top-up **Leap Card system** for pay-per-journey public transport travel on Dublin Bus, Luas and DART/ Commuter Rail.
- 96% of respondents (2795 people) are aware that using a Leap card instead of cash can **save money on journeys** on Dublin Bus, Luas and DART.
- 78% of respondents (2270 people) were aware that **Leap cards can be purchased** on campus from U Shops at House #6 and at the Hamilton Building.

#### Comments on tax saver tickets:

- The public transport is really hard. It takes the same time as walking because of the traffic. In addition it is very expensive! I would like to take the bicycle, but they often got stolen so I gave up. My suggestion anyway is to create a student/ staff ticket for the whole year. For example you pay 400 Euro per year and can use any bus, luas or dart in Dublin. That would make travelling easier. Paying with two busses is very expensive, you have to pay for both. An alternative: you can buy a ticket which you can use 90 min in Dublin in one direction. It is very hard to plan a trip, if you have to change your transport. I sometimes feel very immobile due to the reasons named above
- I think that the travel saver scheme should be offered more than twice a year.
- Commuter ticket available at other times in the year. Monthly Commuter tickets.
- Tax Saver Ticket should be available more regularly as a contract employee it is nearly impossible to get any benefit out of it.
- Request for a Student 30 day/ annual pass

#### Sample comments received in relation to public transport include:

- Have considered cycling but the bus drops me almost from my home door to the college door. More bus shelters around the city would make the use of bus transport more user friendly.
- Car journey takes too long because of traffic. Bus route also very slow (90 mins for 30km). Train most efficient transport choice.
- Proximity of train station Distance from work, suggests car, train or bus are the options to use
- No nearby bus stop to home means DART/Train is only Public Transport option. Occasionally, I must drive to campus for external business meetings.
- Traffic and parking in town and TCD means I buy an annual pass for the train
- While there is a train service that would be good, between parking costs and train costs, it is cheaper to travel by car (and diesel) and a whole lot more convenient.
- I choose the bus over train as I am guaranteed a seat and can read in comfort.
- The journey on the bus is fine but the journey home via the N3 is just awful. Something has to be done about more dedicated Bus lanes on artery roads. It can take up to a hour going home and I only live in Castleknock.
- TCD should lobby for expanded rail services, commuter trains are always so packed of people it is difficult even to find a standing place.
- The sheer convenience of using the DART as well as reduced stress etc.
- If the weather is very bad, I sometimes walk to the Luas and get that as far as Stephens green.
- There could be a TCD DART users group to comment on service issues
- Trinity might consider lobbying for better train service on the wicklow/wexford routes since many of its employees use this service. There is no train after 6:30pm beyond Greystones.

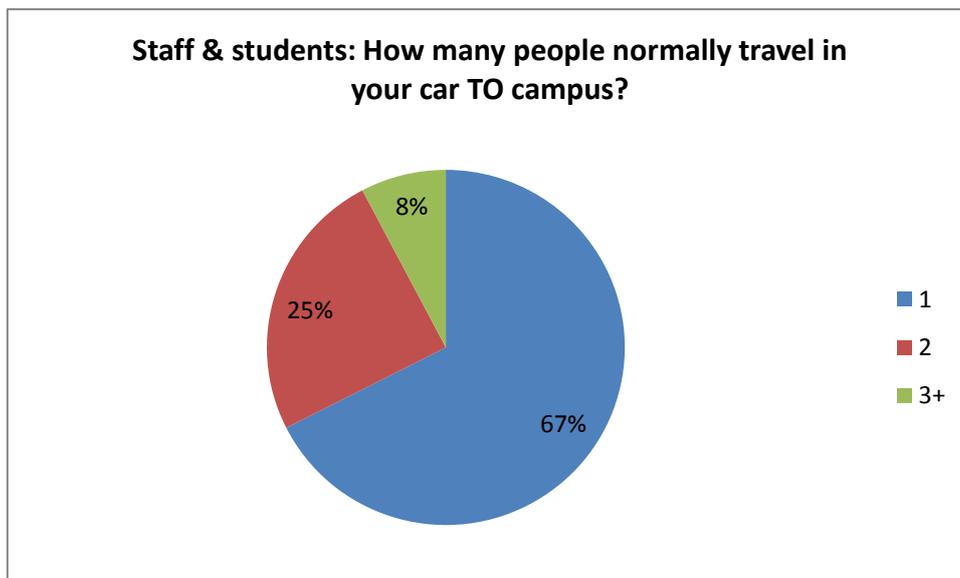
- More frequent DARTs needed - DARTs only run every 15 mins in rush hour, this is not enough.

Further comments are included in appendix 2.

## Car-sharing

While car sharing is an option in terms of more sustainable travel, it should ideally be targeted at those currently driving alone, i.e. avoiding staff and students switching from other modes such as active travel.

Figure 5: People reporting sharing the journey to campus



- **Informal car-sharing** is happening, with 1% of respondents (21 people) regularly travelling to campus as a passenger in a car with driver going to same destination, and 1% of respondents (27 people) reported travelling to campus regularly as a passenger in a car with driver going to different destination.
- Car-sharing could be increased by more **formal promotion**, with 42% of regular car commuters (37 people) stating that they are interested in car-sharing.
- 2 staff respondents who were regular car drivers said that they would be encouraged to choose an alternative to the car on the commute if a **fleet vehicle** was available. Perhaps it would be worth promoting schemes such as Go Car which has stations in the city centre.
- A **guaranteed ride home scheme** could also be put in place for staff in emergency situations where a car share partner is unable to get home. This is rarely used in practice (using UK case studies as evidence).

### Comments in relation to car sharing

- I car-share with another member of staff who lives in Donabate. She is the driver and I am the passenger. It is frustrating that the Pearse St gate does not open until 8.00. We frequently cross the Liffey between 7.45 and 7.50 and have a choice of waiting outside the Pearse St for 10 minutes or driving around through heavy traffic to the Lincoln Place Gate which takes 10-15 minutes. This situation must affect quite a number of people travelling from the North Side.

- Work irregular hours
- I prefer the flexibility of determining my own schedule for arriving/leaving campus.
- It's quicker to use the bus or cycle
- Because I could need to do a school pick up en route
- Work outside peak times
- It's the only time I get with my daughter/ to myself

Further comments are included in appendix 2.

## Video or tele-conferencing/Other

Awareness and use of video/teleconference facilities is relatively low. There is potential for creating greater awareness of the availability of these services and how to use them.

6% of student respondents (105 people) and 56% staff respondents (248 people) are aware of where Trinity College's tele-conferencing/Skype facilities are.

2% of student respondents (44 people) and 34% staff respondents (157 people) are aware of how to use the teleconference/Skype in Trinity. This could be increased through promotion and training in an effort to encourage and support a reduction in business travel.

37% of employees who responded (161 people) to the survey stated that they use video or tele-conferencing for business.

The potential for employees to swap meetings is outlined in figures 4, 5 and 6.

Figure 6 – Employee potential to substitute Irish Meetings

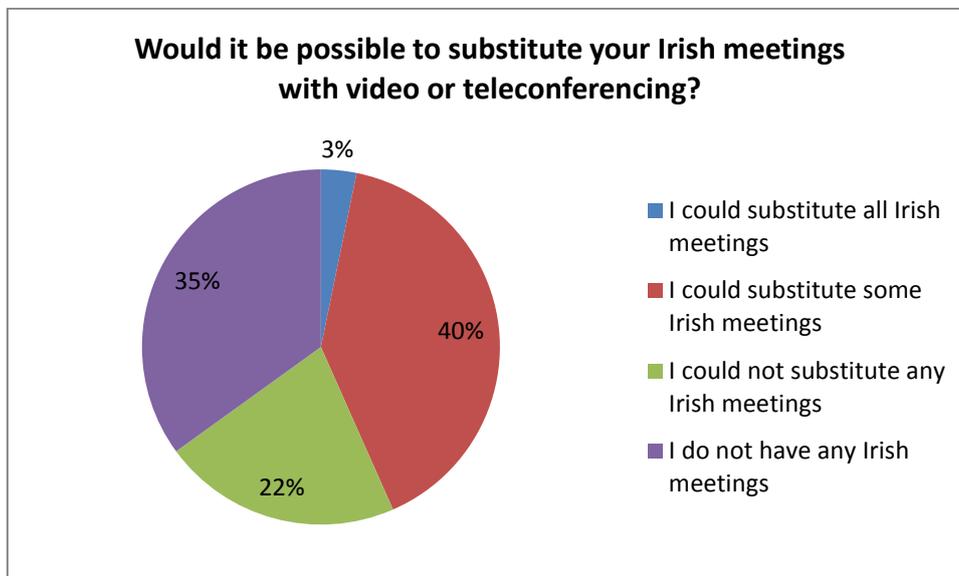


Figure 7 – Employee potential to substitute International Meetings

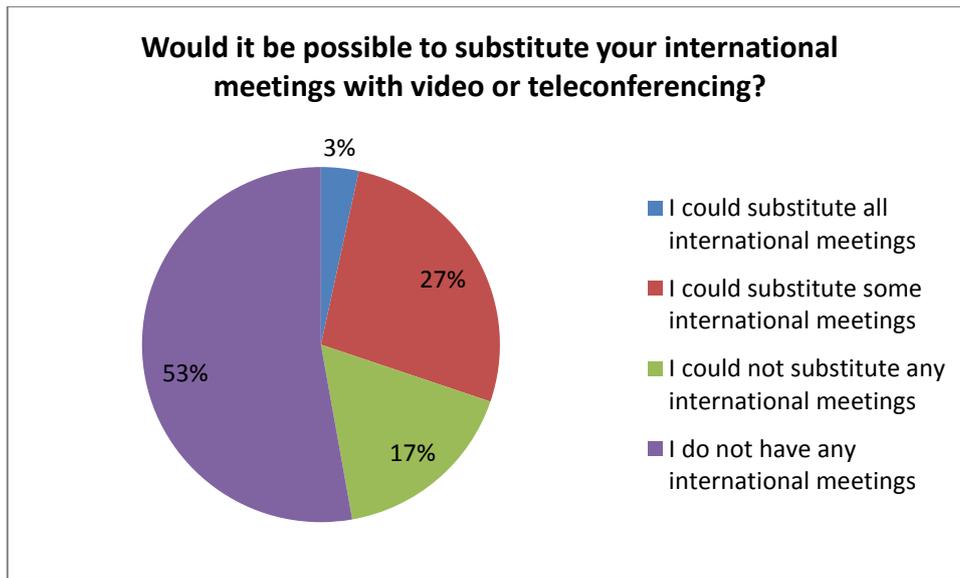


Figure 8 – Employee willingness to use Smarter Travel options for business travel

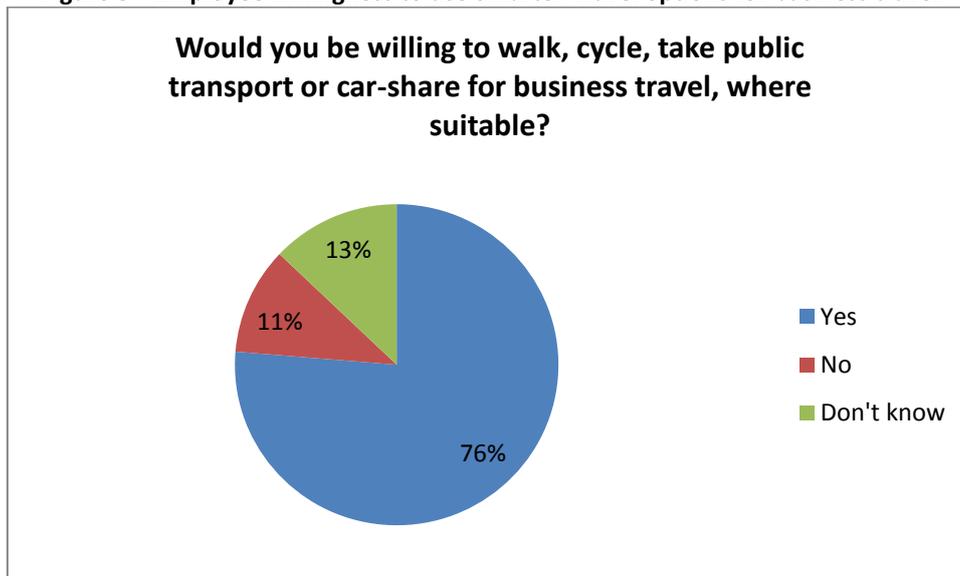


Figure 9 - Frequency of business/research related travel

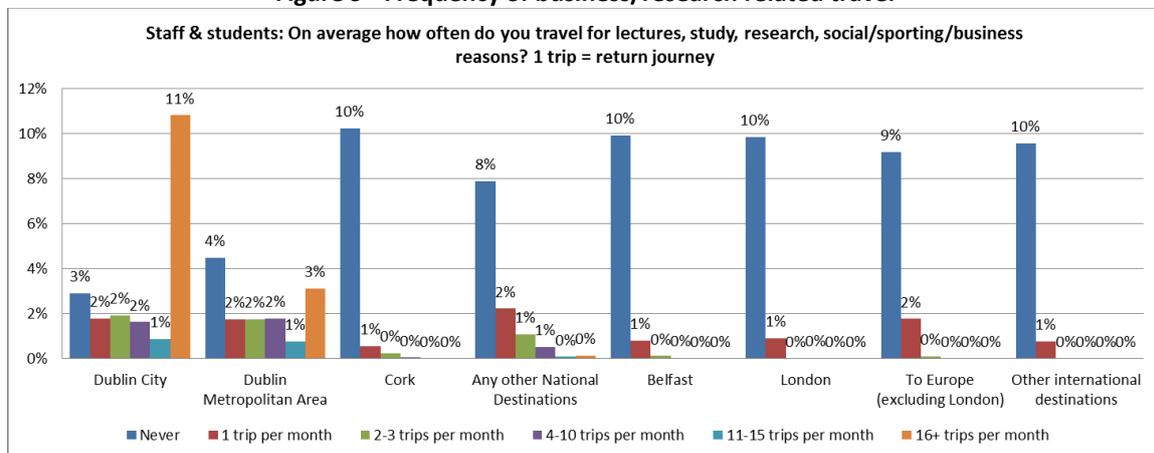
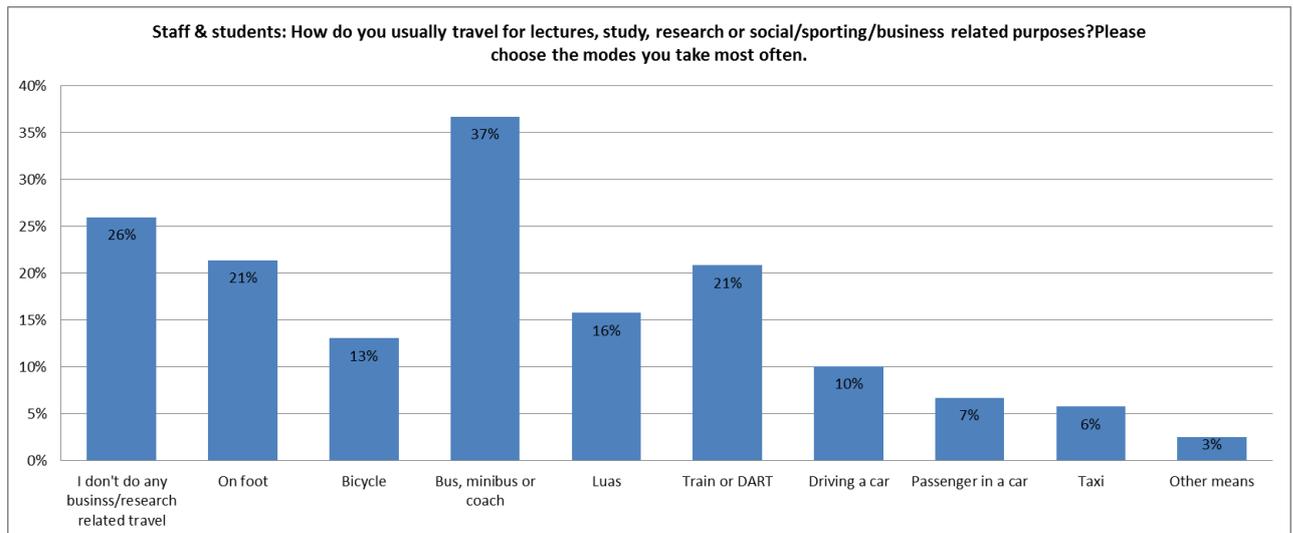


Figure 10 – Mode of choice for business/research related travel



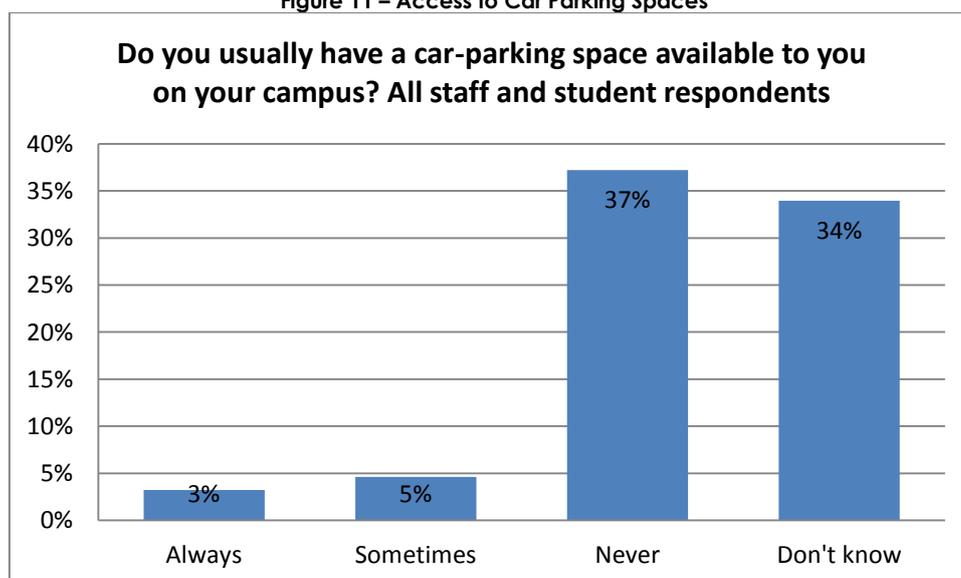
### Car Drivers & Other Information

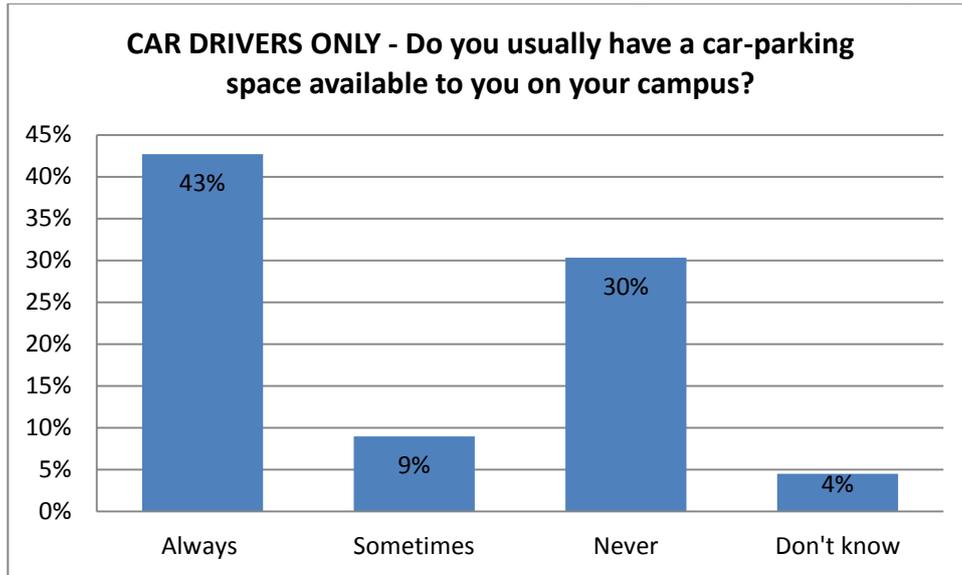
43% of respondents who were regular car drivers (38 people) stated that they always have a car-parking space available to them on campus.

Student car drivers responding to the survey stated that they have car parking available to them; 'always' 6% (2 people), 'sometimes' 10% (3 people), 'never' 65% (20 people) and 10% 'don't know' (3 people). Respondents who are staff and regular car drivers stated they car parking is available to them; 'always' 62% (36 people), 'sometimes' 9% (5 people), 'never' 12% (7 people) and 2% (1 person) 'doesn't know'.

Availability of parking, particularly where it is free to the employee, will have an impact on modal split.

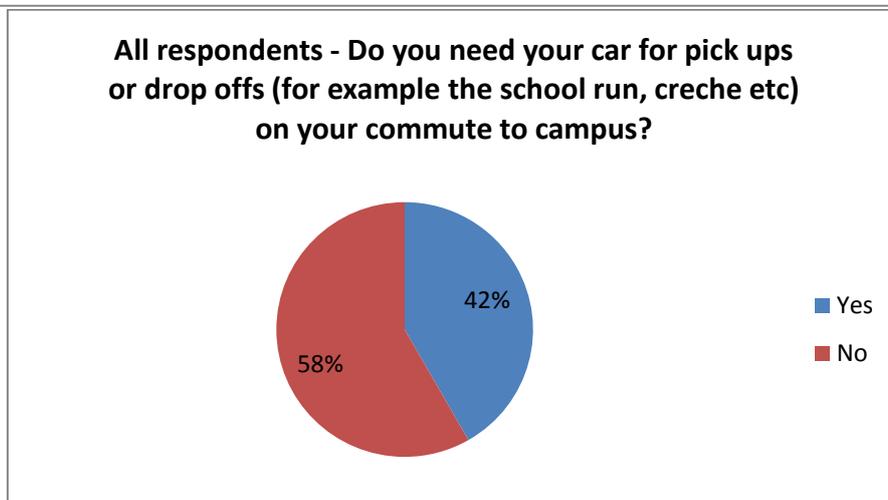
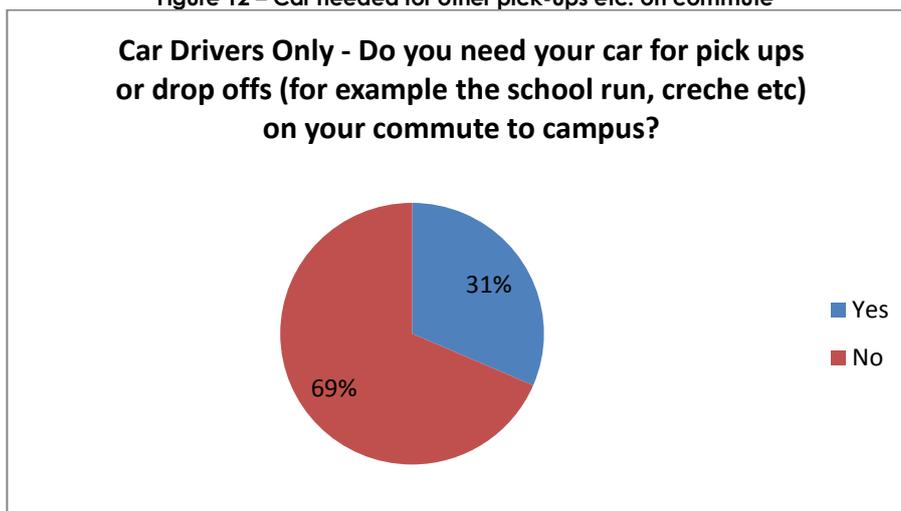
Figure 11 – Access to Car Parking Spaces





31% of regular car drivers (28 people) stated that they need their **car for other pick-ups** or drop offs (for example the school run, crèche etc.) on their commute.

Figure 12 – Car needed for other pick-ups etc. on commute



69% of respondents who drive for the commute stated that there are no other factors or needs which affect their choice of mode.

Figure 13- Reason for choice of usual mode to campus

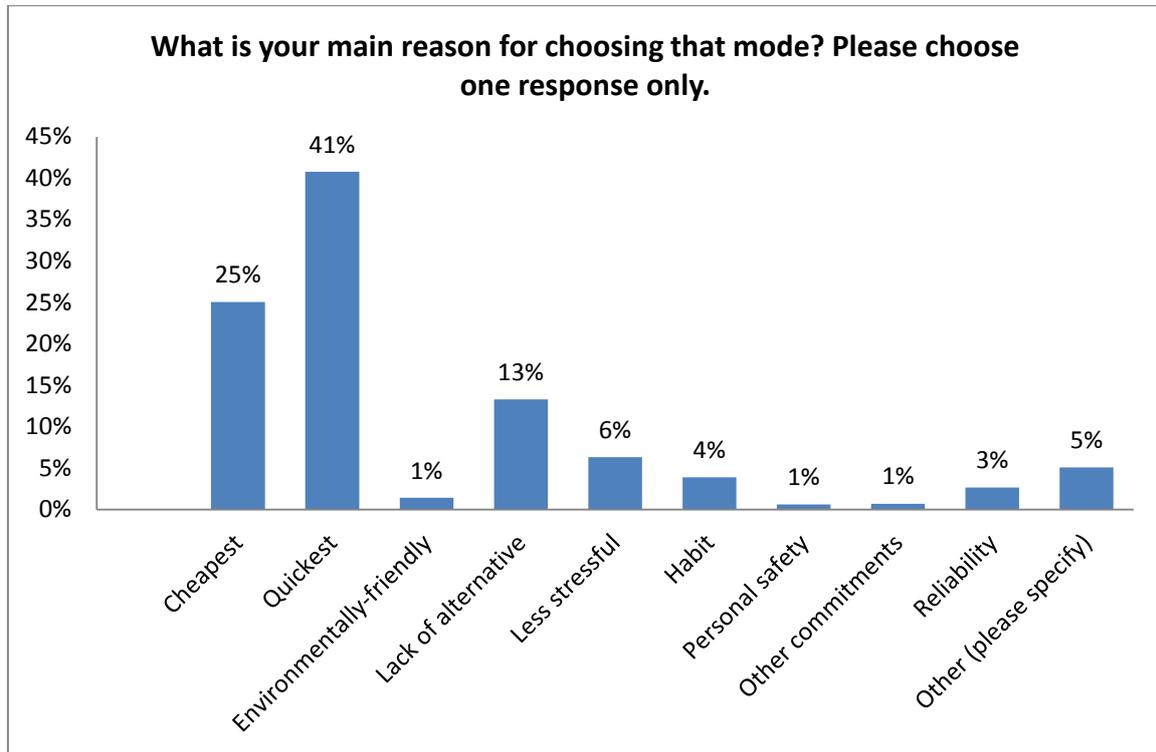


Figure 14- Factors influencing choice of mode

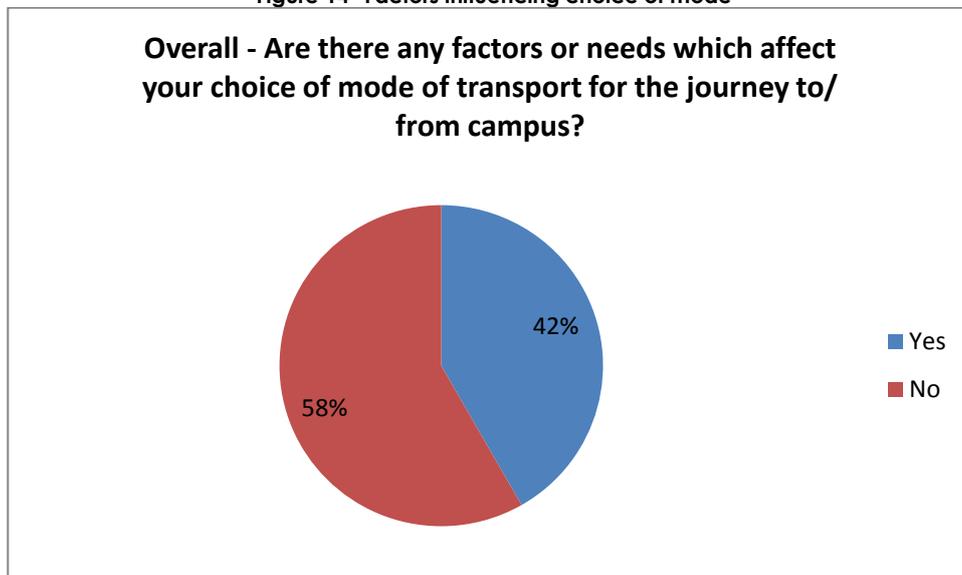




Figure 15 – Car Drivers Only – factors that would encourage alternative to car

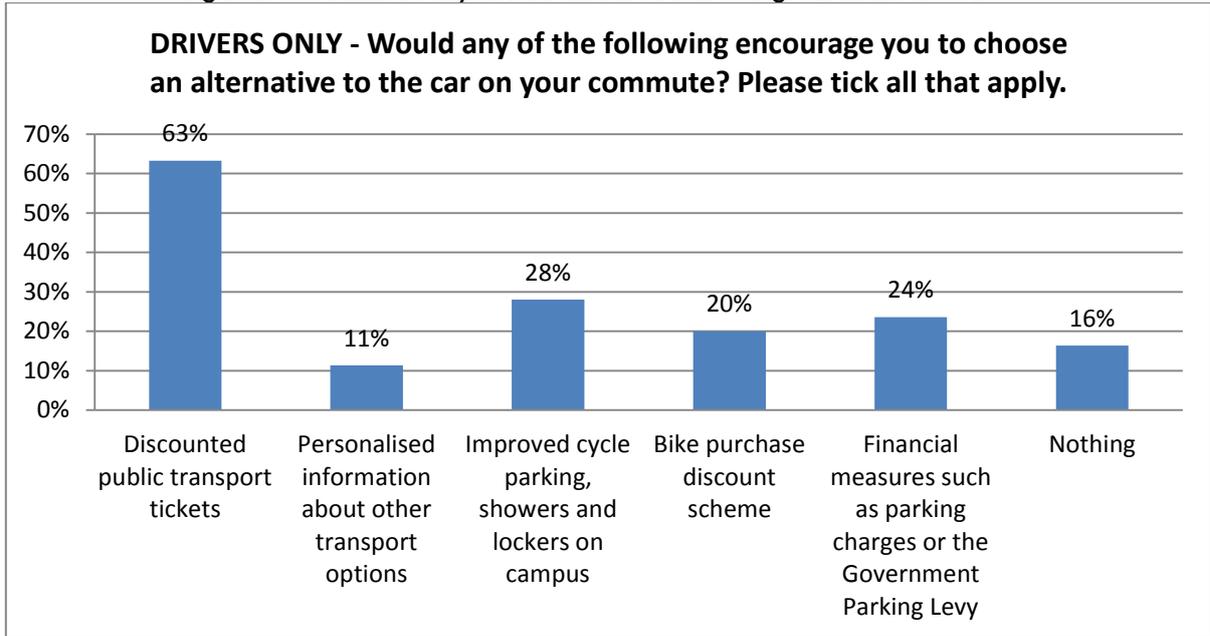


Figure 16- Student Living Arrangements

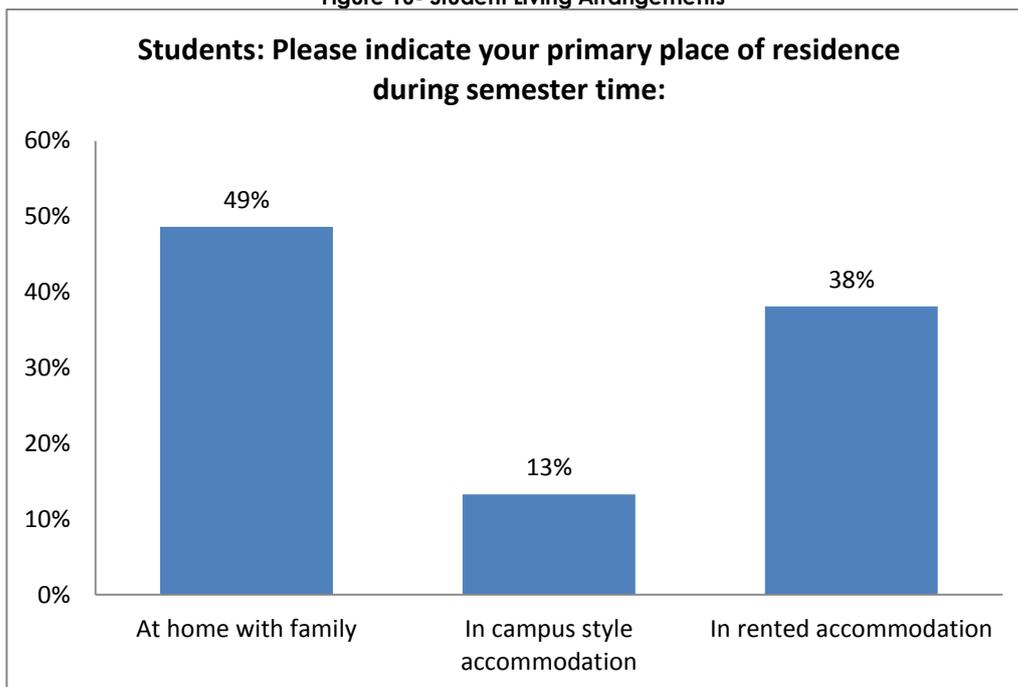


Figure 17- Time taken to get to campus

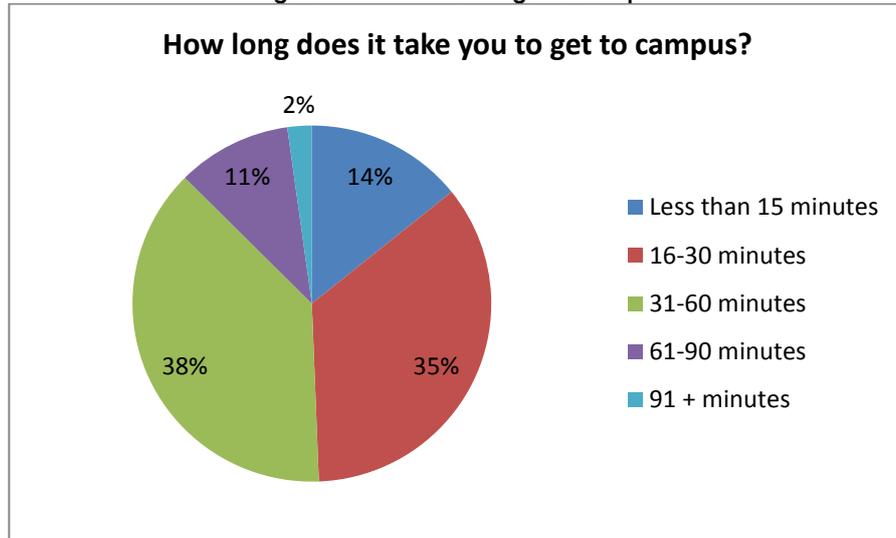
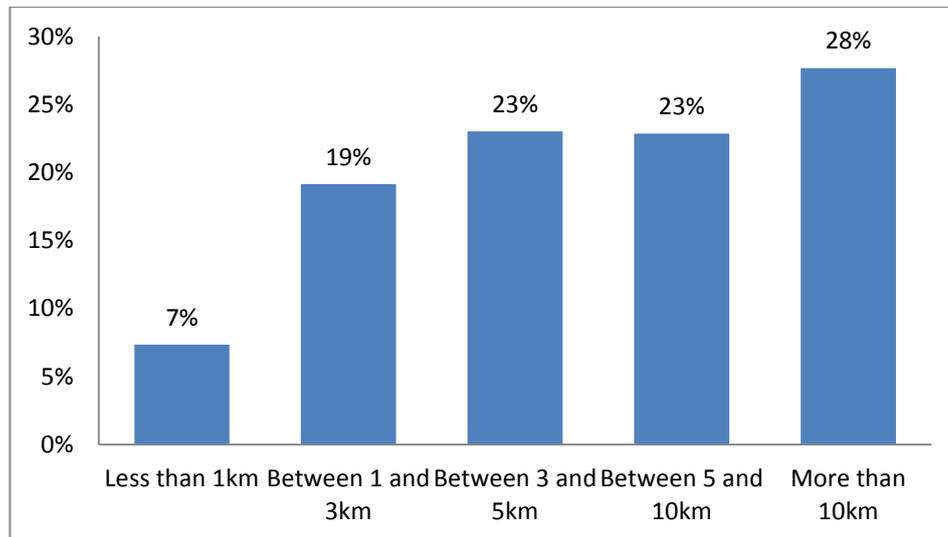


Figure 18: Distance Travelled to campus



Other comments received are included in appendix 2.

## Suggested Actions

Based on occasional use of modes other than the car, or willingness to use other modes, there is a good opportunity for Trinity College Dublin to facilitate employees and students interested in having a more active or sustainable commute.

As 69% of car commuters **do not need their car** for other pickups or drop offs (e.g. the school run or crèche) on their commute, they may have some flexibility in terms of modes they can try, providing they are not mobility impaired, working unsociable hours or on site visits etc. Of those respondents who regularly drive to work, there is some scope to encourage alternatives, even on an occasional basis, based on distances travelled.

As the rate of car commuters is so low and the majority who drive on a regular basis live more than 10km away it is suggested that efforts are focused on ensuring occasional car drivers do not become regular car drivers and those who are travelling by sustainable modes and encouraged and supported to continue doing so. Particularly student as they will be developing habits as they move into their working life.

Only 11% of car commuters (25 people) said that '**nothing**' would encourage them to choose an alternative to the car on the commute. This is a relatively low number of people who are unwilling or unable to change mode of travel – it still leaves plenty of scope for people to work with.

### Making the Business Case for Trinity College Dublin's Action Plan:

The actions listed in the **Action Plan** below are starting points to further promote and encourage sustainable and active travel in Trinity College Dublin. Promoting and celebrating the positive results in terms of mode share is also suggested.

Trinity College Dublin's Action Plan should not be 'anti-car', but instead focus on facilitating choice for employees and students, while incentivising and encouraging use of more sustainable options where possible.

Facilitating employees and students who usually drive to work to change modes even one day every week will reduce cars coming on site by 20% on a daily basis, allowing Trinity to potentially reduce parking. Initially visible 'no cost' and 'low cost' actions will garner support for the plan, while other actions may be planned for subsequent periods. These actions also suggest encouraging a shift to more active modes which as well as impacting on parking capacity could also result in huge health and well-being gains.

Potential impacts are:

- Positive contribution to ISO14001 or other environmental management systems
- Reduced CO<sub>2</sub> emissions associated with business travel or employee commuting
- Decreased sick leave
- Reduced stress on car parking
- Reduction of time spent by those who do drive to find parking and get to class/work.
- Increased return from maternity leave
- Increased site access for staff, students, visitors and suppliers
- Providing additional employee benefits for employees.
- Facilitating and enabling a wider student base to consider attending Trinity College Dublin.
- Linking with Sustainability Agenda and Green Campus Programme

Please contact Smarter Travel Campus for ideas and contacts for any of the actions listed below, or any other initiatives that Trinity would like to address.



Suggested Actions	Person Responsible	Timeline	Targets
<b>Cycling</b>			
<b>'Soft' Measures (e.g. promoting behavioural change)</b>			
Promote the Cycle to Work scheme through in-house bike displays from suppliers			
Organise cycle training/on-road skills to increase safety and confidence of staff and students			
Organise a Bike Maintenance class/course			
Set up a Cyclists' Forum to discuss issues and liaise with management			
Provide Cyclists' equipment to borrow (pump, allen keys, lights, puncture repair kit etc)			
Display local area maps for cyclists/walkers interested in local routes			
Participate in Annual 10 Minute Cycle Challenge for employees in May			
Participate National Bike Week events in June (see <a href="http://www.cyclechallenge.ie">www.cyclechallenge.ie</a> and <a href="http://www.bikeweek.ie">www.bikeweek.ie</a> )			
Participate in Student Cycle Challenge in October			
Arrange tours of cycling facilities for interested/new employees and students			
Arrange for local bicycle shops to come on site and show staff and students how to use electric bikes and fold up bikes. Also provide information on how they can be purchased through the Bike to Work scheme (employees).			
Display and promote accessibility maps showing how long it would take to cycle to/from campus.			
Display time to cycle posters showing time to travel by bike to nearby and popular destinations.			
Publicise details of cycle parking and changing facilities – this can be online as well as across campus(e.g. on noticeboards, at cycle parking, at entrances into the buildings)			
Consider setting up a cycling club (this could facilitate cycling buddy system for new cyclists).			
Consider location of CCTV and presence/visibility of on campus security			
Consider making 2 <sup>nd</sup> hand bicycles available for rent/sale to students in particular.			
Promote Dublin Cycle Planner <a href="http://www.transportforireland.ie/walking-cycling/about-dublin-cycle-planner/">http://www.transportforireland.ie/walking-cycling/about-dublin-cycle-planner/</a>			
<b>'Hard' Measures (e.g. supporting infrastructure)</b>			
Conduct a site audit to gauge ease of access, safety and facilities for cyclists coming on-site (e.g. consider speed bumps along main cycle access routes).			
Survey & improve cycle parking to encourage cycling to your site and cater for increases in demand – e.g. additional secure bike parking and lockers for staff and students.			
Consider providing a dry room for staff and students (see IT Blanchardstown for example).			
Consider making cycle/walking safety and repair materials available on site (e.g. through shops like SU on campus).			
Consider how cyclists should travel across campus –e.g. currently 'no cycling' signs along the mall may create a mixed message if Trinity is being promoted as a cycling friendly campus.			
Provision of bicycle maintenance and repair service and equipment for DIY repairs on campus			
Consider extending hours shower facilities are available free of charge.			
Consider secure parking/storage provision for on-campus residents			
Consider promoting Dublin Bikes and the stations nearby particularly for new staff and students (inc. International students).			
<b>Walking</b>			
<b>'Soft' Measures</b>			
Promote walking through organised walking events/lunchtime walks			
Introduce a Sli na Slainte or similar walking route on-site or promote local parks or walking routes			
Participate in an annual Pedometer Challenge for employees in September, see <a href="http://www.pedometerchallenge.ie">www.pedometerchallenge.ie</a> for more information			
Participate in student walking challenge, Marchathon, in March			
Offer in-house health checks for people interested in getting more active (you can also do this for Cycling)			
Leave umbrellas at reception for employees and students to borrow on wet days			





e.g. they could be Trinity branded!			
Promote your mapped walking/running route on campus in student handbook/diary etc. especially to new students.			
Display and promote accessibility maps showing how long it would take to walk to/from work.			
Display time to walk posters showing time to travel on foot to nearby and popular destinations.			
Coffee mornings (e.g. free tea and snack!) for active commuters to encourage more to take up walking and cycling on the commute and to acknowledge those who currently actively commute.			
Consider making shower and changing facilities available free of charge throughout the day			
<b>'Hard' Measures</b>			
Open up entrances to allow more direct access through your site for pedestrians			
Improve 'natural surveillance' on site (e.g. improving lighting)			
Consider provision of locker facilities where items can be left overnight to facilitate walking and cycling.			

## Public Transport

<b>'Soft' Measures</b>			
Continue to promote Tax Saver monthly & annual commuter tickets for public transport. Highlight potential savings to employees – particularly to new staff.			
Publicise Real Time Passenger Information apps and websites where relevant and consider displaying real time information on TV screens and intranet for bus stop nearby all around campus (e.g. in the SU, canteen and at main entrances to buildings across campus) to show when next buses are due.			
Publicise the national door to door multi-modal journey planner on <a href="http://www.transportforireland.ie">www.transportforireland.ie</a> and mobile phone application. You can also link to this site from your own website/ intranet.			
Publicise National Taxi Driver Check mobile application			
Include public transport information in employee and student induction packs			
Display a local area map with public transport stops/ route numbers marked – this can go online and on notice boards			
Raffle public transport tickets for employees and students to try services.			
Provision of information on savings that can be made by using Leap Card and that leap cards can be purchased in the Students Union. It would also be useful to provide details on how Leap Card works.			
Provision of information on bus networks accessing TCD in induction packs, on internet and student portals and other communications networks (e.g. notice boards in the student union etc.) This could also include information on the distance to walk from local bus stops and potentially the calories etc. burned in the process (i.e. display the benefits).			
Provision of information on student bus ticket types available			

## Car-sharing

<b>'Soft' Measures</b>			
Set up a private campus car-sharing scheme on <a href="http://www.carsharing.ie">www.carsharing.ie</a> . Limit access by email domain, so that only your employees and students can access your carsharing scheme.			
Promote your private car sharing scheme to staff and students who are currently driving			
Hold coffee mornings/a launch event for potential carsharers to find out what is involved & see a demo of the site & to meet others who they might car share with.			
Raffle the use of a parking space near entrances/reception for one carsharing group every month or something that will appeal to staff and students.			
Develop a carsharing policy			
Offer a Guaranteed Ride Home in emergency situations – where a lift is unavailable for unforeseen reasons. In practice this is very rarely used by employees, but is a good tool to address fears about getting home in an emergency. This could also be open to cyclists and pedestrian commuters. This			



could be trailed for staff and potentially considered for students following this.  
Promote the availability of the Go Car around Dublin city centre to staff for business travel and how they can avail of this.

**'Hard' Measures**

Allocate carsharing parking bays in a priority location

**Business Travel/ Technology-Assisted Trip Reduction**

**'Soft' Measures**

Consider introducing a Travel Allowance that includes modes other than the car e.g. walking, cycling, public transport, carsharing, drive-alone car

Record the number of meetings held using video or tele-conferencing and raffle a prize when a target is met e.g. increase usage by 50% over 6 months, 100<sup>th</sup> video-conference - record the carbon savings by using technology instead of travelling and publicise this to staff (and students where relevant).

Promote availability of this technology to staff and students and provide demonstrations on how to use it and details of support available should difficulties arise when using the technology.

**All Modes**

Develop a marketing & communications plan (this could include keeping staff and students up to date on progress, developments and achievements made in relation to travel). This could link with the overall sustainability agenda of TCD and Green campus programme.

Hold Green/Active Commuters coffee mornings

Include travel information in employee and student induction packs and online in an easily accessible location on your campus intranet and student portal

Provide incentives for active commuters

Brand your campus' Travel Plan

Direct all visitors & suppliers coming on-site to a 'how to get here' link/map online, with information on public transport routes & stops, cycle parking availability, taxi ranks, time to travel to site, cost of tickets etc. You can link to the national door to door, multi-modal Journey Planner on [www.transportforireland.ie](http://www.transportforireland.ie).

Visitors and suppliers could also be directed to National Transport Authority mobile phone applications including: Real Time Ireland, National Journey Planner, Dublin Cycle Planner and Taxi Driver Check.

Provide information and promote uptake of Leap Card, particularly for students and those for whom tax saver is not an feasible option

Consider providing travel information to students through website, induction pack/book and any other relevant mechanisms for communication (e.g. with prospectus, CAO offer etc.)

**Other**

Liaise with HR and Management to identify employees who could work from home on a one-off/regular basis

Consider including long-term contractors in schemes such as Cycle to Work and Tax Saver (if not already)

## Appendix 1

### Arrival & Departure Times

The majority of staff and students arrive on campus between 8.30 and 9.30am, and leave between 4pm and 6.30pm. With another group of respondents (17%) leaving after 7pm. As the majority of people arrive on campus within a short timeframe this may facilitate car sharing.

Figure 19 – Arrival Times

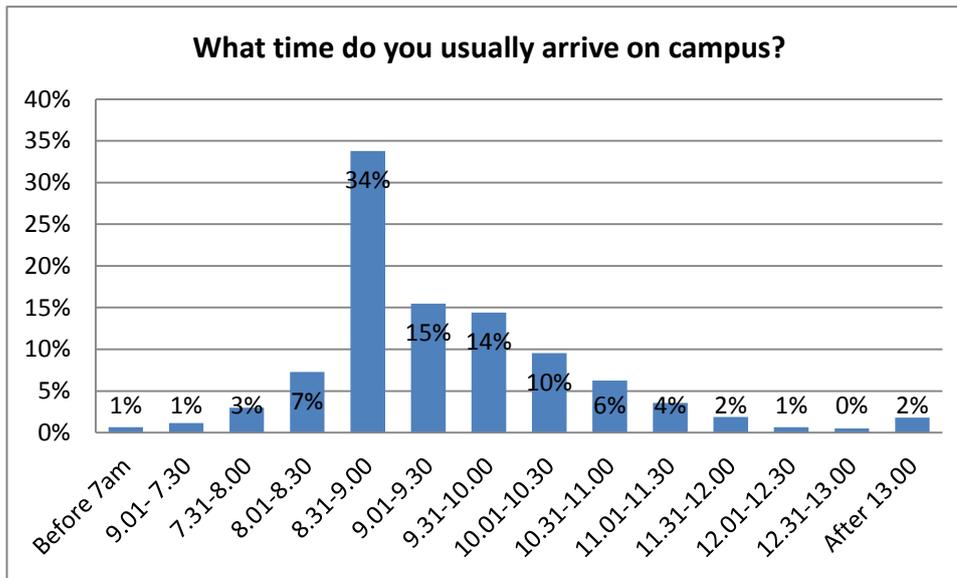
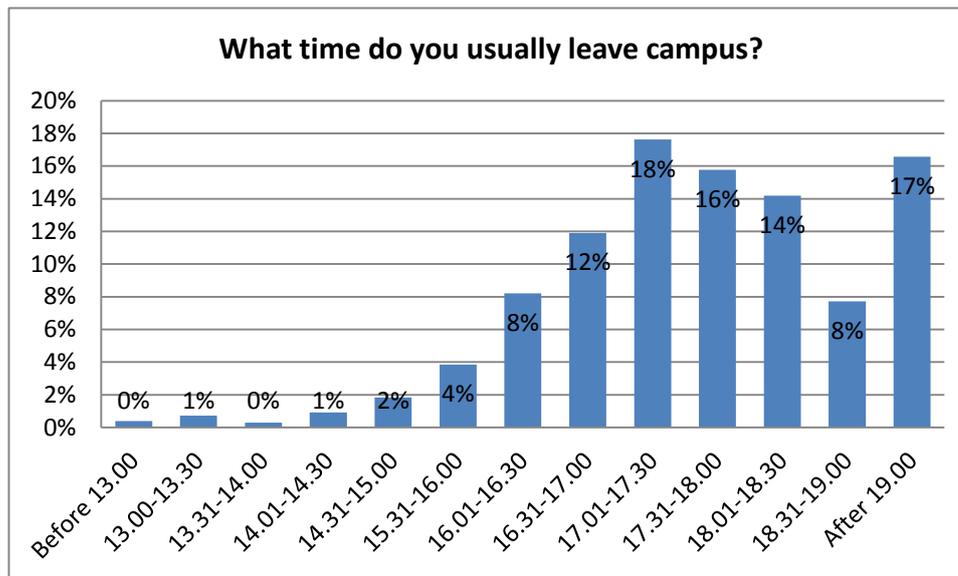


Figure 20 – Departure Times



### Respondents' Profile

65% of student respondents were female and 35% were male. 78% of student respondents reported being based on the main TCD campus. 61% of respondents to

the staff survey were female and 39% were male. 78% of staff respondents are based on the main Trinity campus.

Figure 21 – Gender Profile of Respondents

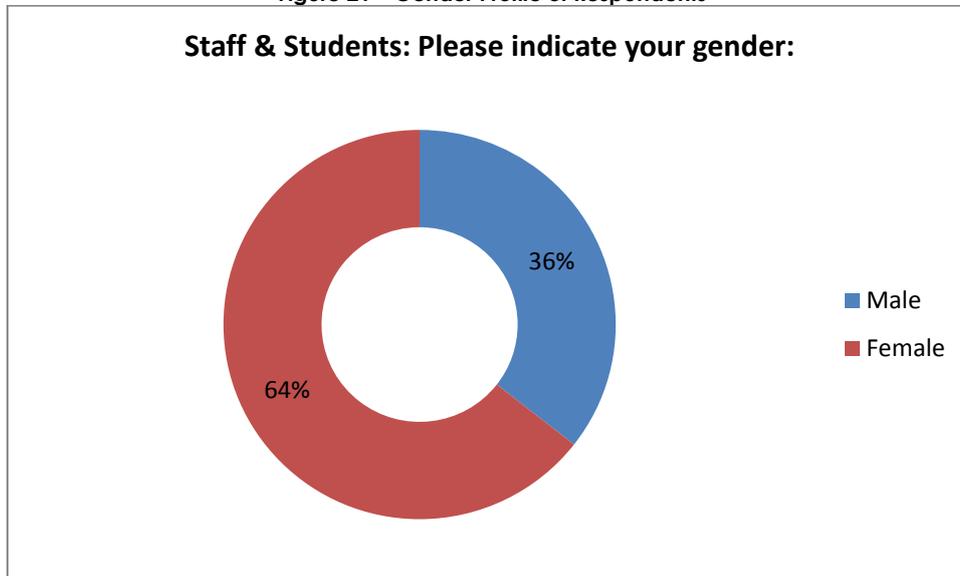


Figure 22 – Age Range of Respondents

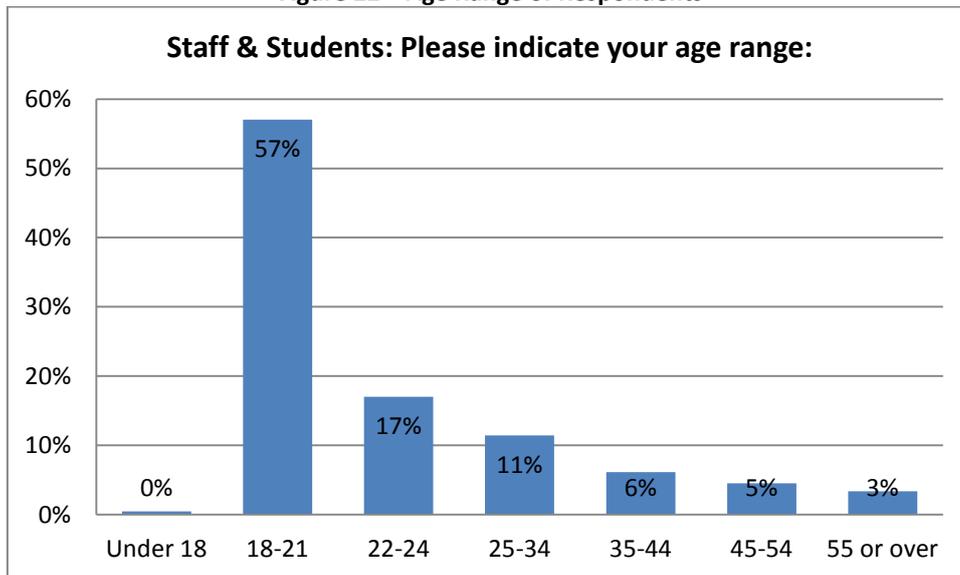


Figure 23 – Employee type (all respondents)

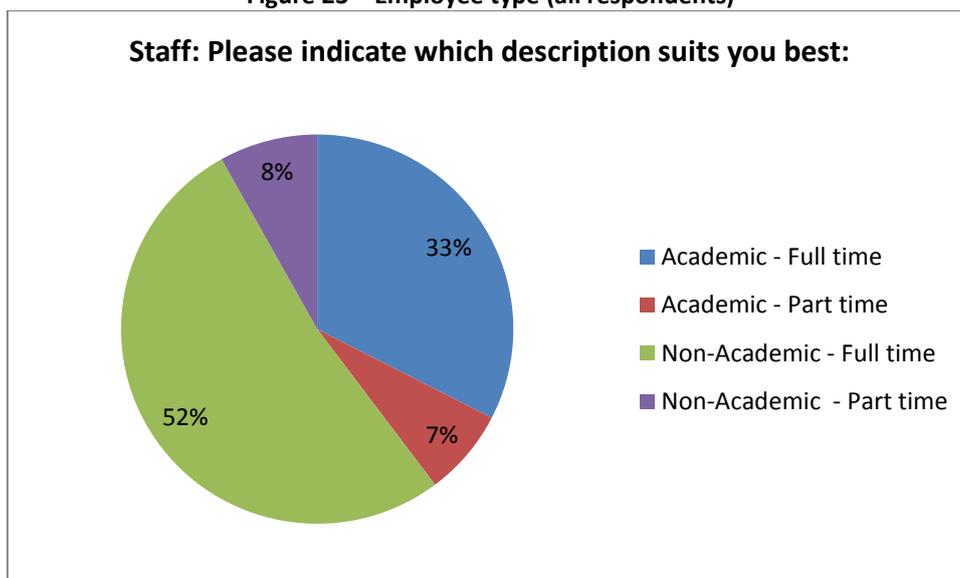


Figure 24 – Student Type (all respondents)

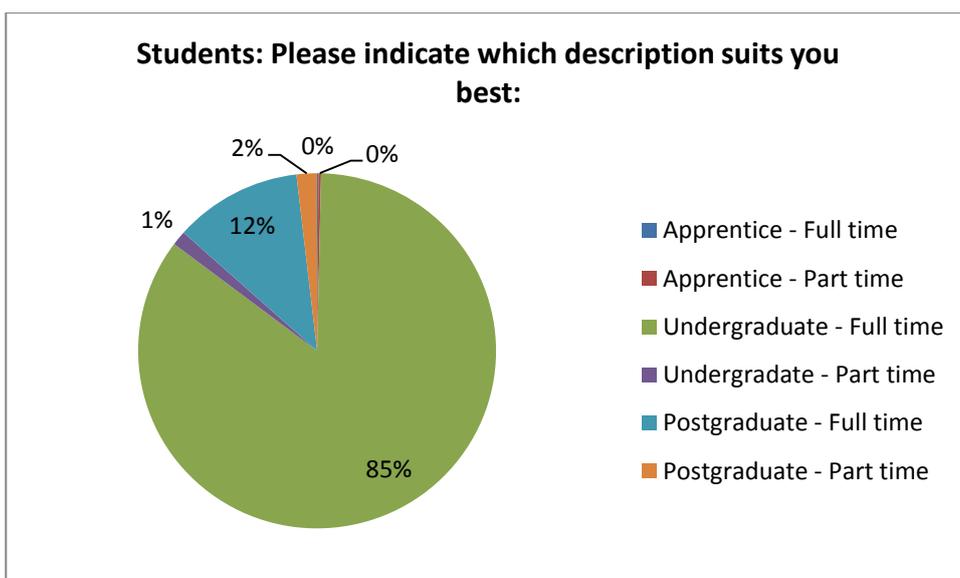


Figure 25 – Staff and Students Activity Level (all respondents)

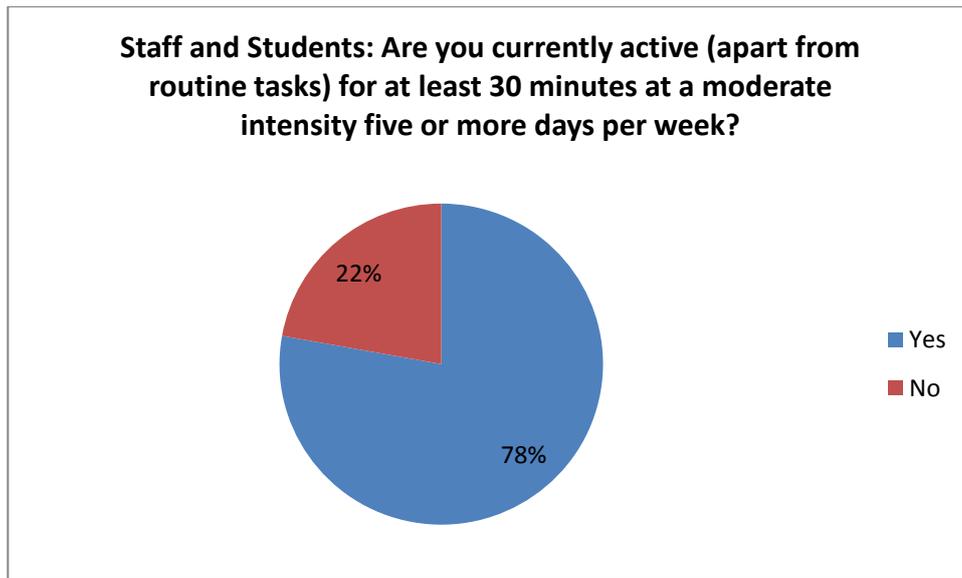
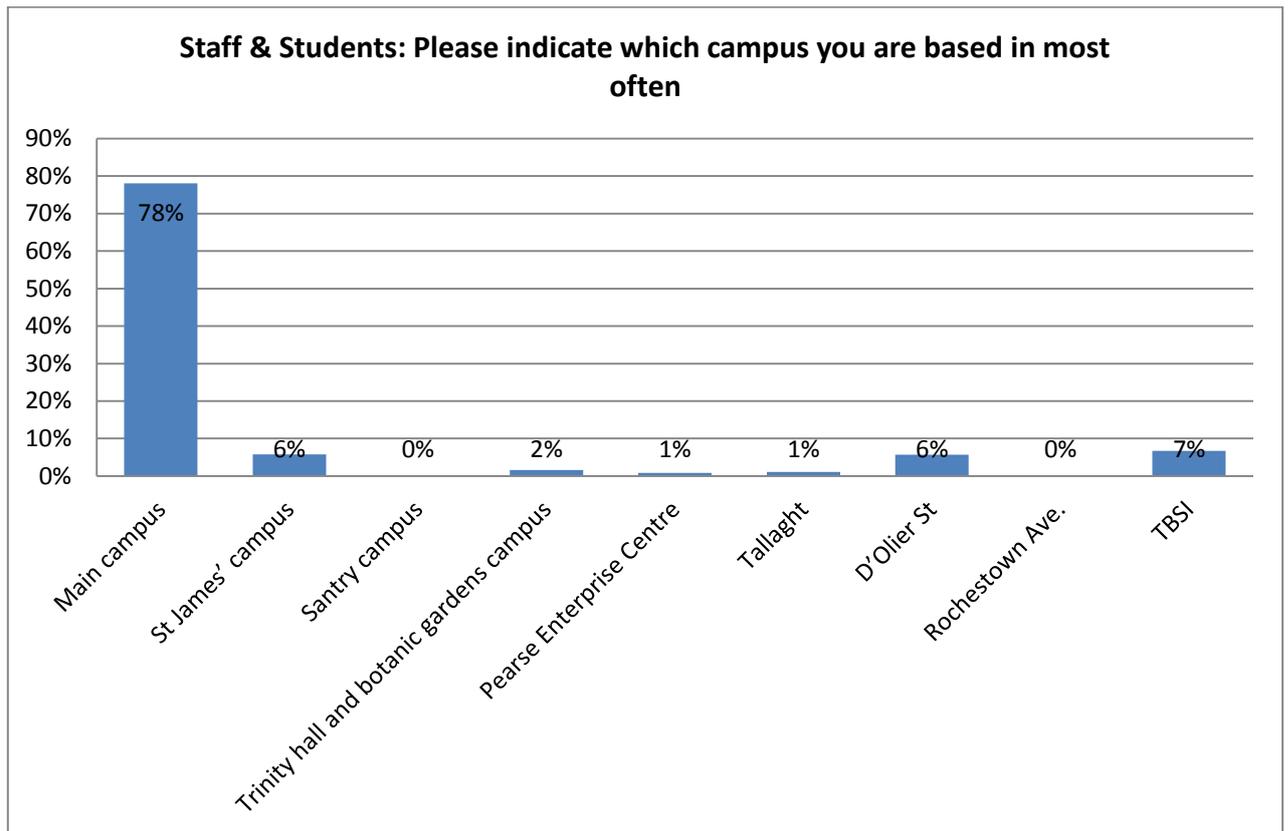


Figure 26 – Staff and Students Campus Based Most Often



## Appendix 2 – Comments on Cycling, Walking & Public Transport

### Walking

- I find walking relaxes me
- Weather - I take the Luas if it is raining heavily, otherwise I walk
- I walk - wind, storm or rain!
- Honestly, when I walk to work, I arrive with my freshly washed hair looking messy--so I tend to take the bus as I feel like I arrive looking more professional. I'm much more likely to opt to walk home.
- It's better to walk as I feel like I get exercise, it's free, it doesn't contribute badly to the environment, it's less stressful and I can judge the time it takes to get to work easily. My partner cycles and doesn't arrive any faster than me due to traffic.
- I walk, and am happy to do so.
- Not relevant as I walk already
- More gates
- Shower facilities in arts block needed.
- Have childcare issue so walking cycling to work not an option
- Live too far away
- Earlier Opening
- I am based in Tallaght hospital these steps would also need to be taken here.
- These improvements on campus would only increase my walking. Cycling in the city still feels very dangerous along the quays and getting across the river.
- I live too far from College to have an active commute
- I already have an active commute
- Shower facilities particularly NB. Pre-work (8-9AM?) shower facility in Sports Centre is very limited.
- The footpaths are in poor condition for walking fast, they hold water after rain and are too narrow in places where there are large volumes of people walking every day.

### Cycling

- It's mainly access to showers
- Bike renting
- Borrow an umbrella service
- If there was a there weren't any extra charges for the Secure bike area, or rent on a locker or to use th drying room, then i would be encouraged to make use of them. these facilities should be provided for students for free.
- TBSI has great bike locking facilities. Still a level of security increase for bike locking area would be incentive to cycle.
- Bicycle grant?
- Dry cycle parking
- If there was a Dublin bikes station in Sandymount
- Bicycle racks at Dolier street
- Bike lockers
- A bike purchase scheme like the bike to work that is available would be nice for students to get in on.
- Bike theft has been an issue for me. This discourages me from cycling.
- The bike locking facilities on campus are atrocious. Really disappointing. Also, the security cutting locks off bikes that are locked in supposedly inappropriate places when there arent enough adequate facilities is absolutely appalling. Complete and utter joke.
- Dublin needs safer and better bike lanes, particularly around the College campus

- While Dublin does have decent bicycle lanes to aid cyclists, I feel the awareness of cars and taxis of cyclists is terrible. Even when in a bicycle lane, I must remain aware of cars cutting me off and do not feel safe. Especially around Trinity College entrances there aren't any bicycle lanes that aid the transition for cyclists from road to pavement in order to enter the campus. Coming down Dame street to college green is especially deplorable.
- The Secure bike shelters that are on St. James premises, can only be accessed by staff. It would be good for health science students to also have these kind of bike shelters only accessible to cyclists. The same can be said for the Tallaght Hospital teaching centre.
- Not enough cycle lanes, from south Dublin into town, several friends have been hit by cars whilst cycling to college!
- Bicycle safety on the roads is a concern that stops me from cycling to college/around Dublin in general
- Dublin City Council really need to put in more effort to make the roads safer for cycling, and not have cyclists on the road treated like a lesser class. Gardaí need to enforce road traffic laws more stringently in Dublin city to make it safer for cyclists.
- Of the students I know who could cycle to college but don't, the main excuse I hear is that cycling in Dublin is incredibly dangerous and just not worth the risk. I cycle every day, whatever the weather, and yes I encounter some hostility from other motorists. I've been shouted at for being in the right turning lane when I want to turn right (some drivers seem to think that bikes must stay in bike lanes at all times, and only ever take left turns), I've had a very close encounter with a left turning hgv (my fault, I know now to avoid coming up on the inside of buses or lorries), I've nearly run over pedestrians who have come to crossing, seen no cars, and run out into the road without waiting for the lights. Its like they just don't see cyclists. So I know there are risks. But its not nearly as dangerous as a lot of people make out. It seems like education on road use (by the rsa or the college or other bodies) is very motorist-centric, and verges on scaremongering. There is this attitude that motorists own the roads, and if you get in their way then they have every right to run you over. That needs to change. All road users, motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians, need to be better educated on how to share the roads safely. And any campaign to promote cycling within college needs to properly communicate that if you are careful, if you follow the rules of the road, if you wear reflective gear and have lights on your bike, and if you are properly observant, then cycling in Dublin is not prohibitively dangerous.
- I would recommend secure areas that require a student card to enter to lock bikes up.
- difficulties to park my bike. Most of the time the parking slots are busy, and takes too much time to find a place! This and the cold are the main reasons that I stopped to come to class by bike
- Any reduced cost bike gear, eg safety gear, lights, rain gear, or bike maintenance would be of great help to bike users and encourage more.
- Absolutely loved the Student Cycle Challenge (participated this year) and feel it would be great to continue, however, that along with other incentive schemes should have improved quality assurance.
- A cyclists' entrance would be great - as long as it's beside the main entrance.
- I would really like if trinity had its own bike rental scheme or maybe an app only students that they could post their traject and offer a free ride for other students without leaving their original route.





- The uphill cycle home from campus sometimes discourages to cycle to college.
- I think something like the bike maintenance classes mentioned above would be extremely useful, both for those who cycle already and those who could potentially cycle instead of the mode of transport they take at the moment.
- A cycle scheme in Trinity Halls would encourage freshers to cycle to college. Start the habit early!
- Some lectures should be given to people who have not used a bike in the city centre before. I would use one but I am too worried about cycling beside buses and not knowing what lane to be in.
- Bikes are often stolen from outside out building. have brought a bike over from London (I'm an international student) and I do not want to risk using it, in fear of it being stolen.
- Academic trips abroad were not included in this survey, though they may not be relevant to it. I believe that if more emphasis was put on the use of bicycles (an incentive to 'green commute', more areas to leave bicycles, sale of bicycle chains at SU shops) to travel to college, there may be an increase in the number of students who travel to college via bicycle.
- **SU shops stocking bike tubes and having a pump/pump available on campus would be good.**
- Cycling is almost free and the fastest method of transport considering traffic at my times of travel.
- I would very much like to use 'dublinbikes' to travel to college, however there are no stations near where I live (Trinity Hall in Rathmines).
- More Bike parking spots would be good!
- **Need for more cycle lanes Cycle to college scheme should be introduced ie affordable bike scheme for students willing to commute on bike**
- **Road safety training for cyclists would be really helpful, particularly relating to beginners.**
- Bicycle parking on front square needs to be available.
- Better security services for bikes in campus are needed.
- Student accommodation closer to campus. Complete non-stop bicycle track into college- broken tracks and roads too dangerous for cyclists in present form.
- I would bike if there were bike paths designated only for bikes all the way from Dalkey to the campus. We used to live in Belgium and we biked all the time. I really miss the exercise and the ability to go anywhere via bike.
- Easier to get safer parking closer to the buildings on campus, such as the arts block.
- **Earlier opening time for parking facility.**
- Because I would still live too far away and the traffic is too scary to cycle in
- Too far to walk.. too dangerous & effort to cycle
- Better cycle routes for cyclists
- Increased security, increased security, increased security
- Better bike stands, wheel lock only is not enough
- **"Cycle lane" in college** - it sometimes takes as long for me to get my bike parked as to get into college due to the rule of dismounting your bike when entering college. It takes FAR too long to walk your bike through the throngs of people at the Nassau Street entrance. Very irritating.
- Free bike
- If there were proper, "bus free" Cycle lanes on roads
- Cycle parking covered and increased are the two most important aspects! If you have to arrive 10 minutes earlier just because you have to look for parking it is a real pain!!!!





- The parking areas fill up very quickly and I regularly hear of friends having bicycles stolen (esp. by gym)
- Remove Old abandoned bikes from the racks.
- As cycling in Dublin can be dangerous at times and carrying a laptop and books on a bike is not necessarily practical, I wouldn't be pushed to cycle as I already walk to college
- more u bike stands like those outside library as they are more secure and bike parking nearer arts block
- Perhaps a scheme on par with the Cycle to Work scheme except for college?
- **Safe segregated cyclist access to campus, ie not having to dismount and remount at all entrances**
- I just hate cycling on the roads so any alternative to this!
- An incentive scheme seems like a good way to promote green commuting.
- **CYCLING WORKSHOP/DON'T KNOW THE TRAFFIC SYSTEM IN DUBLIN?**
- If it was safer for me to cycle through dublin. My friends and I are too afraid to cycle because of the traffic. I don't know the rules of the road.
- It depends on the incentive scheme for green commuters. As a permanently broke student I'm still on the same bike that I got for my 13th birthday (I'm now 26). I'd really like to see some sort of tax discount scheme on bike sales for students, like the cycle to work scheme for tax-payers.
- Bike maintenance shop (there is one but very sporadic)
- Greenways to and from college to surrounding areas
- bike lanes which ran whole route and not used/shared by buses or parked cars
- **Subsidised puncture repair**, I get at least 1 puncture a month
- I would like for trinity to have its own bike rental - dublin bikes is just abusive 150 euro as a deposit is ridiculous
- Free access to lockers for those who walk or cycle (although this is difficult to determine, perhaps just **increased locker space**, or reserved lockers for walkers/cyclers)
- **Free tyre pump at college**
- cheap replacement part store with student credit
- The NTA needs to improve junction design and traffic management to better protect cyclists.
- Provide facilities (showers, drying, lockers, secure bicycle parking etc.) and more people would run, walk or cycle to work
- My main concern is the level of air pollution when cycling. I cycle to keep fit but breathe in so much pollution that it seems like I would better off finding an alternative healthier option. We need to tackle air pollution like we tackled smoking pollution. People know it is wrong to smoke in confined spaces with other people but feel perfectly comfortable with their car pumping noxious fumes out towards pedestrians and cyclists. It will be hard to get people to give up the car but something needs to be done. Electric cars might be part of the solution for localised air pollution problems of cities but something also needs to be done to improve pedestrian and cycle safety too
- I am very supportive of the cycle to work scheme but as a driver I see how little respect (and space) cyclists receive from some other drivers. It is particularly worrying when cyclist share the bus lane.
- Cycling in town should be made safer. It would be good to avail of more tax deduction when buying a bike through the cycle to work scheme. I have a low income and only get 30% off.
- More and better bike racks would be my main wish for my commute! The racks are too small, the bikes get crowded and damage each other and they are all exposed to the elements.
- Cycle lanes to College from home most prohibitive, due to danger of cycling in bus lanes.





- Please increase the number of secure bike parking spaces on campus that are available to staff - it would make bike commuting a lot more appealing and convenient!
- There should be safe bicycle storage on campus. The Cycle to Work scheme should be available 2x a year.
- My feedback re lack of sheltered, secure bicycle parking at SJH campus has been mentioned. ( I have also raised this with the SJH campus committee.)
- I use Dublin Bikes predominantly (not sure that was covered)
- Secure covered parking for bikes, lockers, shower facilities == proper cycle to work scheme.
- I get a lift to the train station. The bicycle bar fits on the towbar and allows us to easily carry my bike. I would be very unwilling to cycle to the station at 6.30 a.m. There are no street lights and no path for part of the journey. Cycling home at lunchtime/afternoon is fine. We have found a mix of methods that suits us well.
- The main issue is the danger of cycling in the city centre. Facilities and services in Trinity are good, but until cycle lanes in Dublin improve drastically, I wouldn't cycle.
- Bike parking at Trinity centre in Saint James's is NOT sufficient. Neither are the shower facilities.
- I would really love to bike to and from work. Identifying routes, improvement of bikeways and trails, and courses on road safety would be ideal.
- Two penalty points for parking in a cycle lane. Fines for failing to indicate.
- College shd consider showering/changing facilities within the Arts Building for Arts-based staff.
- As both a cyclist and a driver I can see the dangers posed to/by cyclists who do not have proper lights etc. One of my key fears as a regular cyclist in the city is that I will be hit by a driver who can't see me or who drives without due consideration for cyclists. I think more people would be encouraged to cycle if there was better education provided to drivers about the needs of cyclists and if there was an improvement in the quality/location of the cycle lanes.
- If I were to cycle with two children, I would probably have to get a trailer - is there a suitable safe, dry place to store such things? That would be a factor. That said, the fact that a lot of my route would have heavy traffic and no bike lane, cycling with a trailer is VERY off-putting - but carrying both children ON the bike is no longer a realistic option, they're too heavy!
- More bike parking facilities needed badly in St James's campus...a lot of bike theft from here so secure facilities needed also.
- It would be useful to open the gates earlier.
- Secure parking for bicycles urgently needed
- Not for myself now. When I lived closer to campus (to 2013) I cycled except in icy or snowy weather and was always aware of the inadequate provision for safe, accessible and sightly cycle parking, as well as the generally poor provision of cycle lanes on the busiest cycle routes..
- Advise / incentive to buy 'multi-child' bike add-ons - but also safer roads when carrying multiple children on a bike!
- Dublin bikes currently are only available close to the canal. What about bringing them as far as Dartry in the future?
- The bicycle is my preferred mode.
- Not permitted to have bike in TBSI
- bicycle only if bicycle lanes available all the way-otherwise too unsafe
- Slightly worried about the Quays and the amount of traffic for cycling. Even the cyclists seem aggressive!
- I don't know if this is a factor or need but traffic is the main reason I cycle. I can cycle the 6km in about 20 minutes -> 30 if you take changing into cycle gear into account. The Bus takes 40-45 and leaves me 10 minutes from the college. Walking takes 70 min and a car can take 1.5 hours in peak traffic
- Still no bike shelters, covered lockups, lockers, free showers after 0900, even when a bike-2-work scheme has been rolled out?





- Restrictive one way systems on the road which make a 5 minute cycle into a 10 minute cycle.
- Im a very nervous cyclist so I dont cycle to work.
- I prefer to cycle but need a better bike and the city centre is dangerous to cycle in
- I prefer to be healthy by getting some exercise and fresh air on my bicycle than using public transport.
- Prefer to cycle but not on very windy days, for safety reasons, or if I have too heavy bags. Seem to end up in the car more often than bicycle, but also use LUAS when I don't have too much to carry. Sometimes have to use the car anyway, to travel between TCD sites and to visit outlying hospitals. Probably use all three (car, bike, LUAS) about equally.
- If Dublin Bikes are available when I leave my area and if spaces are available in city centre, which has been more of a problem lately. If no bikes and I have time, I'll walk — if I don't have time, I take a taxi.
- Secure bike parking, weather, need to bring in additional baggage
- If it's raining/frosty I tend not to cycle so get the Luas instead.
- Weather conditions of Ireland in winter not appetising for cycling, also lack of safe cycle paths - too dangerous to cycle in Dublin city. Traffic congestion - wouldn't use a car into town, its painful, unless I had to do for specific purpose. Price of course, would always choose a relatively competitive option.
- I'd be happy (and would like) to bicycle, but the cycle lanes are not great between where I live and campus.
- I tend to cycle less when the weather is poor.
- Cost. Exercise. Time.
- If the weather is bad I get the bus instead of cycling.
- Cycling: Its the quickest method but showers, a locker and addressing the high bike theft in tcd would be important
- The weather. If protected bicycle lanes were available down O'connel street I would cycle.
- I don't cycle all the time. Factors: Weather, in particular wind or ice. Particular events that are on. I don't like cycling in the dark so I often bring the bike home on the dart if I'm late. If I'm very tired
- If it's raining heavily I'd rather not walk or use dublin bikes and may get the bus instead
- If it is very bad weather I will leave my bike at home and walk 1km to get a bus.
- Weather, seasons
- Safety is a concern, I weigh up the relative safety of bus vs. walking vs. cycling. Safety considerations include: harrassment, traffic (when on a bike or walking), theft.
- Cycling in is by far the quickest, it's cheap (I spend money on good rain gear), it's flexible, and I don't get stuck in a tin box with other people's colds + flus and everyone keeping all the windows closed so the bugs recirculate...
- I would prefer to bike to and from campus daily. A focus on bikeways and separated bike trails on the south side of the city would encourage me to do this.
- The lack of dedicated cycle lanes means I am less likely to cycle, however I can walk which is fine at the moment, my children are in a creche, when they go to school it will be difficult to get to work for 9am.
- Bad weather makes cycling more dangerous so tend to use the train instead on those days
- I cycle because the bus takes much longer. Cycling is an excellent source of exercise and it gets me to work on time!
- Lack of safe parking facilities
- The main reason that I cycle is because the duration of my commute is very predictable - it's always between 25 and 35 mins. Also it's very cheap and gives me exercise.
- Weahter generally high gusting winds are not ideal for cycling
- better bike paths in the city would be great





- Price, Speed, Being Healthy (Walking/Cycling), Reliability (always available), Flexibility in using (available any time)
- I would consider cycling but I work in the Trinity Centre in St James' and the showers are not adequate.
- quick, cheap, safe, - eco-friendly, keep me fit
- Convenience, getting exercise, less so cost.
- Toast-rack bike stands do damage to bikes and need to be replaced with hoop-type
- I'm a keen cyclist. The above would help if I lived closer to Dublin.
- I live too far to cycle to work, bikes not allowed on trains.
- I have a hybrid bicycle that needs to be secured by the frame to an unmovable object and not just by the wheels therefore the types of bicycle parking on campus is totally inadequate for this purpose and actually encourages thieves as people are likely to be away from their bikes from long periods on campus, there are inadequate security cameras even in the secure parking area, and it is not possible to insure your bike unless it can be parked securely leaving cyclists open to large claims to replace a bike.
- I live too far away, 20km, for these to be realistic.
- cycle to work scheme available all year round
- My bike has been stolen from Trinity on several occasions. I keep it in my office. Problem throughout Dublin
- Not applicable to me unfortunately but I don't think the above is necessary other than possibly more/better cycle parking
- It would be impossible for me to cycle from work - too far a distance
- Security for cycle is the biggest concern leaving cycle in campus...
- Cycle parking increased outside the campus for quicker acces to the school of nursing & midwifery on D'Olier street.
- More modern bike lock up rather than old fashioned Toaster style (one rack element that holds 1 wheel of a bike)
- Cycling in Dublin is far too dangerous for me to commute that way.
- I live in Wexford; cycling is not an option for me
- Definitely consider cycling from a health and cost saving, wish they would make more dedicated cycle lanes like they have in Barcelona/european city.
- Secure cycling parking near lockers/showers.
- If I had a choice not to use the car I would definitely be encouraged more to commute if showers were more available
- No covered, secure cycle parking in Trinity Centre SJH for staff - thefts take place
- More cycle parking in TBSI
- More and more bicycles are being stolen on campus.. PLEASE sort it out as its become ridiclous..
- Night time security would be useful, so that it would be comfortable to arrive later but stay later.
- More Cycle parking is required on campus - I often can't park my bike close to where I work because the cycle racks are full!
- I used to cycle when I was living nearer to campus, shower areas were a great help
- Even if cycle parking was just sheltered from the rain I'd be more encouraged to do it!
- I already commute by bike so I'm fine with the situation at hand
- More dedicated cycle lanes on Quays and nicer cyclists as mentioned before they can be very aggressive
- Won't cycle because the bus lanes are inadequate
- Need to be fitter!
- I can't due to the length of my journey, but would be interested in all of the above if I lived closer
- I would cycle but the roads in Dublin just are not safe to do so.
- Consider cycling in city too dangerous at present-not enough dedicate cycle lanes
- Too many bikes are stolen on campus
- Unfortunately I live too far away to use I bicycle (40 minutes by train)





- Big thing would be better cyclist only shower facilities
- Petition to increase cycle lanes around the city would be a big help, as some of the roads are in terrible condition
- **A college webpage for cyclists.**
- Improve the cycle to work scheme which only runs once a year while it should be open permanent cal;l so you can actually get a bike when you need to and not when college decides its time for you to consider it
- Not feasible for the distance - even with electric bike
- Covered, secure cycle parking at Trinity Centre SJH -is available to staff in Biomedical Sciences Institute. Disincentive for me to avail of new bike through bike scheme.
- Information on fold up bikes would be very interesting to me as I am moving out of Dublin 3 and will be moving further away so may have no choice soon enough to take luas to work and cycle some of the way
- Notification of when the cycle to work scheme is open again

### Public Transport

- The price of taking a 'greener' public transport keeps rising and there should be a massive saving for students instead of the current fares.
- **Is there a benefit to topping up for 5 consecutive days on the leap card as opposed to topping up daily?**
- I would love to see a kind of student ticket for the Luas/bus provided by college - confer German models for this. In Northrhine-Westphalia, for example, students are provided with a ticket that covers all travels not only by public transport in the city where they study, but also in trains all over the county.
- The price for 30 days travel with the leap card is way too expensive for students!!
- The cap should be lower when interchanging between different modes of transport
- In my experience public transport along the commuter belt is not very efficient; there is merely one train per hour in and out of dublin, usually, and they are often vercrowded. They should be faster and cheaper and I beleve if more people partook in public transport fubding would increase and it needs to encouraged, along with student subsidies.
- Greenways on core routes into the city would be amazing There should be direct competition with the leap-card from transport providers. The company should have offices of its own within the city centre or their service at the TCD main campus should be improved immensely. The cards are exorbitant to pay annually compared with other cities/countries and the % reduction of cost is relative too as public transport in Ireland is far to expensive. Allocation of parking could be more flexible (at weekends to use sports facilities, etc.)and take into account people commuting with families. i.e. using creche facilities too. Ordinarily I would choose to travel in a more environmentally and healthy way but using a car when necessary with children is way less burdensome, particularly in bad weather.
- Public transport costs for students is far too high. Annual costs for a working adult is cheaper due to the taxsaver scheme.
- It would be beneficial to have a representative argue for cheaper student travel as the price of public transport is increasing.
- Some days I start in James campus then have to go to main campus for one lecture and back to James campus. Its a long walk but to bus it is too expensive. A shuttle bus running throughout the day would be very helpful!
- The Dublin 68 bus is always late. The online real time info does not correlate at all with the actual time the bus will arrive. The 68 only goes once an hour and it is very frustrating to have to wait for more than 30minutes in the cold because it says it's due



for 30minutes. It is a terrible service. - I feel bad for the good drivers, they put in a lot of effort and do a great job but the bad ones let everyone down and give the whole service a bad reputation.

- My bus service is 52.50 for a student ten journey ticket to college or 14 euro daily return, it is cheaper to buy a ticket online than it is to use a leap card, which is falsely advertised. It is only hourly except prior to 8 o'clock from Wicklow or post 3 o'clock from Dublin to 6. It takes on average 1 hour and 45 minutes. It is not a good service for the overpriced and over length it takes for a daily journey, when you are spending sometimes up to 4 hours a day on a bus that breaks down often or doesn't show up.
- It is beyond comprehension that the tax saver yearly train ticket bought through employers for some tax relief scheme works out more cheaply than buying a monthly train ticket. So full time employees with a salary get CHEAPER tickets than students.
- Bus travel is far too expensive for students even with student leap cards etc. In comparison to other EU countries the price we pay for a service (which is frequently of a poor standard) is scandalous.
- Real time bus information is mostly fiction
- Morning traffic. Would be great if there is a form of public transport in my area going to college that is not affected by traffic such as train and Luas.
- Dart can cost me about 130e per month including college related activities.
- Transportation is absurdly expensive and the busses ought to come more often.
- Student 30 day/ annual pass
- There were lots of questions about the new Leap Card system such as 'did you know you can save money on transport using the Leap card' ect. There were however no questions asking if we thought the new Leap Card was good value. The Leap card system is not a fantastic new system designed to save students money, I am now spending more on public transport than I ever have due to this system. I used to pay approximately 100euro for a 30 day bus and Luas card, this works out at a cap of 3.33 euro per day. The Leap cards have a cap of 5euro per day, costing me on average an extra 50euro per month. This works out at an extra 450euro per year (9 months travel). The bus and Luas cards no longer exist as the Leap card has taken over many of these cards that were previously available. I know certain cards such as a single bus and single Luas are available but this would end up costing me more money as I get both modes of transport. In conclusion I am spending almost 50% more on transport than I used to due to this new system. We're not saving money, it's lies. In hindsight this probably isn't the best place for this rant, I'll send it on to whoever came up with the new Leap Card system, thanks to travel survey for the inspiration.
- The Public transport is always extremely packed
- Availability of convenient transport from Halls to James's hospital for the many health science students is poor-normally have to come into town to go back out.
- Sometimes buses are very late or do not turn up at all as scheduled. There is also huge waiting times between buses on a Sunday afternoon which is especially awkward when returning to Dublin after a weekend at home
- While I'm aware of the leap card availability, it's useless to me unfortunately. I get the train in Laytown, where it is not possible to "tag on" or "tag off". As a result, my student rate ticket costs €171.50 per month- worth noting that the next station on the line to Dublin, Gormanstown, is only 5 minutes closer on a 55 minute journey, yet the ticket from there is €50 cheaper, and that stations down the line that are closer by similar margins are also disproportionately cheaper to travel from. I appreciate there's likely not much you can do about it, but I thought it was worth mentioning.





- It would be great if Trinity offered an incentive to obtain student leap cards with their outlet in house 6. Perhaps 5euro free travel credit.
- The travel card scheme is a bit of a sham. We should just be able to use our student cards.
- The only mode of transport available to me is Dublin bus.the 30 day student rambler is 107.50euro which is very expensive for me.if i had another option I would definitely take it.
- Although improving college facilities will assist student who live in or near town to start cycling or walking, the main reason why students would travel on public transport even when facilities in college are improved would be related to the amount of things needed for college: books, laptop, personal belongings, notes, lab coats, instrument...etc. Because there are quite a lot of things to bring to college, a lot of student would prefer to travel using public transport or other means of transport which is more convenient because walking or cycling with a lot of things with you is such a pain ( nevermind when even the weather is not on your side)
- A bus stop further down Dawson Street or on Nassau Street to facilitate the popular 46a/145 route would be helpful in the current period in which that Bus is diverted from Suffolk Street to around campus and down Westland Row.
- Public transport routes that traverse the city, not just in and out of town
- More regular and reliable public transport as experienced in some European countries !
- Improved bus service from Celbridge
- Already use Train as much as possible and avoid taking the car
- Unfortunately, this is impossible as to get public transport from Bray to Tallaght would involve 50 mins commute by DART and then another 50 mins to Tallaght by Luas
- Availability of a feasible public transport option
- Dart or Luas lines north side
- Access to reliable public transport
- Where I live public transport will never be an option, and I live too far for any other option
- More reliable method of public transport that is nearer to my home.
- Park and Ride facilities
- Public transport that didn't take twice as long as the car, was more affordable and more available
- Trinity-St James-Tallaght Shuttle Bus
- DART is the most convenient
- I am between two dart stations both minutes from my home. It's the most convenient way for me.
- Dart or Luas
- TCD Shuttle Service
- The public transport is really hard. It takes the same time as walking because of the traffic. In addition it is very expensive! I would like to take the bicycle, but they often got stolen so I gave up. My suggestion anyway is to create a student/ staff ticket for the whole year. For example you pay 400 Euro per year and can use any bus, luas or dart in Dublin. That would make travelling easier. Paying with two busses is very expensive, you have to pay for both. An alternative: you can buy a ticket which you can use 90 min in Dublin in one direction. It is very hard to plan a trip, if you have to change your transport. I sometimes feel very immobile due to the reasons named above
- **I think that the travel saver scheme should be offered more than twice a year.**
- The high cost of public transport and the slowness of traffic are the main reasons I chose to use a bike.





- As stated above, I live between two dart stations so it's highly convenient as an option, it's reliable and still runs in bad weather. I just wish it was a bit cheaper, fares are constantly on the increase
- As I have to travel to other universities, I have to carry a laptop bag with me. Owing to its weight, I usually have to get the bus rather than walk.
- Reliability and comfort (trains are more reliable than buses)
- My place of employment with Trinity is based in the Trinity Centre for Health Sciences and so I only occasionally travel to "campus" by car or Luas or the latter DART if coming from home
- Have considered cycling but the bus drops me almost from my home door to the college door. More bus shelters around the city would make the use of bus transport more user friendly.
- I try pick a train time when it is not so full that it is dangerous and try to get a seat
- Have to use car to get to and from bus stop as I live in a rural area with no public transport.
- Car journey takes too long because of traffic. Bus route also very slow (90 mins for 30km). Train most efficient transport choice.
- Proximity of train station Distance from work, suggests car, train or bus are the options to use
- No nearby bus stop to home means DART/Train is only Public Transport option. Occasionally, I must drive to campus for external business meetings.
- Distance. Would prefer if I could walk but obviously not possible given the distance.
- Time of Commute and Price increases on DART
- Very little Bus Corridor if traveling by bus
- Travel early as I live on a school corridor and if I fail to get on an early bus I will not get on at all!
- I work in SJH and the journey involves 2 buses if I am to use public transport
- The dart to Malahide suburban train has to wait for these and if there is a dart delay they the suburban train will be delayed
- As I live in an area of Dublin that has no rail / tram services, the bus service is in high demand and not always reliable. I therefore choose the comfort and reliability of my car.
- I take the bus and dart to work, as it gets me there in approx one hour (which is still quite along journey). If I drove in ( when the kids are back in school) it would take me approx one and half hours to get in, but it would only take me a half hour to do the same journey when the kids are off school.
- Traffic and parking in town and TCD means I buy an annual pass for the train
- While there is a train service that would be good, between parking costs and train costs, it is cheaper to travel by car (and diesel) and a whole lot more convenient.
- I don't live on a bus route directly to Trinity Hall plus I have to take my children to school en route to work.
- The Dart times do not suit me when i am going home
- Varied timetable for trains Bus suits better as commute to leixlip
- I choose the bus over train as I am guaranteed a seat and can read in comfort.
- The journey in on the bus is fine but the journey home via the N3 is just awful. Something has to be done about more dedicated Bus lanes on artery roads. It can take up to a hour going home and I only live in Castleknock. As mentioned I would love to cycle but I am frightened by the Quays. Cycling in the Summertime would only take about 30 - 40 minutes door to door and healthy!
- I do not have much choice in my mode of transport - I'm highly reliant on the train.
- Bus only departs on the hour and traffic is so bad that it never arrives on time.
- Time of day departure - e.g. buses full from 7.45-8.45 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays so I get a lift and walk Cost - would be easier to use Bus then Luas but there is no free transfer between modes so the cost would be double. Integrated ticketing with Leap has not meant integrated pricing across modes of public transport.
- Simplicity and reliability of DART
- If public transport (bus is only one near to me) was faster then I would use this.





- Although I take the Dart, yes it is quickest but it is also the most direct route. Thanks hope I win !!
- Regular and frequent timetable for public transport (DART)
- TCD should lobby for expanded rail services, commuter trains are always so packed of people it is difficult even to find a standing place.
- The sheer convenience of using the DART as well as reduced stress etc.
- If the weather is very bad, I sometimes walk to the Luas and get that as far as Stephens Green.
- Weather (I would rather cycle or walk every day, but wind and rain are deterrents) Time (I like to walk, but it takes almost an hour, which I can't always afford)
- When weather is bad I drive. When weather good I get the Luas
- I travel from Cork once a week to campus. I travel by bus because it is safer than driving (tiredness), I can work during the journey and it is environmentally friendly.
- cost, the ability to read/work while commuting
- cost, ease of use, comfort, time to destination
- Sometimes get a bus if I am running late, but it actually takes longer. Also, the bus service in my area is very unreliable
- There are loads of people who drive to TCD who could use public transport but refuse to do so, sometimes because of deficiencies in the service, but often because they refuse.
- Trinity might consider lobbying for better train service on the Wicklow/Wexford routes since many of its employees use this service. There is no train after 6:30pm beyond Greystones.
- More frequent DARTs needed - DARTs only run every 15 mins in rush hour, this is not enough.
- National Transport Authority's Heavy Rail Census 2013 released figures 04/11/2014 showing that for the second year running, the busiest train in the country is the 8am DART service from Greystones to Malahide. This is the last DART to get commuters in town by 9am. This train is too overcrowded, hence I get a DART that gets me in 7mins late for work, and I stay on 7 mins longer in work. This service is not good enough, there are senior people and parents with buggies trying to use this train.
- There could be a TCD DART users group to comment on service issues
- I now have the option of taking the Matthews bus that is cheaper but I already bought the train pass so I will have to wait until next year to change it.
- Tax Saver Ticket should be available more regularly as a contract employee it is nearly impossible to get any benefit out of it.
- First year application for annual travel commute tax saver card should be allowed at anytime during the year, as cost saving for travel should be available from the first start date. Covering the travel up to one of the bi annual months for renewal of the tax saver would allow for this and then subsequent years, the person would be applying for the tax saver card renewal in the allotted months.
- So many research staff have fragile contracts (month by month, 6 monthly, year by year etc.), that it may not be possible to avail of schemes such as the annual travel tax saver pass or the bike to work scheme. This is made much more difficult if they only come around once or twice a year, I really think the take up should be available year round, or that the travel pass can be issued for a shorter duration. While Trinity did not invent the system of disposable post docs it should be aware of it and amend schemes for the majority of whom have non-permanent or potentially uncertain contracts. For example: I wanted to avail of the bike to work scheme but my contracts have been extended, pending review every six months for the past 2 years, due to this uncertainty and the dates for application to the scheme being twice a year (unless I am mistaken) I have decided not to apply
- Often it is difficult to get a seat on the DART travelling into work due to the volume of passengers!



- Park and Ride facilities for the Luas would be good as would be feeder buses to Luas stations like the Red Cow
- Yes the train system would be improved there could be faster non-stop trains.
- It would be great if there was a separate track between Bray and Dublin city centre for the commuter train (express track). The commuter train is regularly late due to being held up by delayed darts up-ahead on the track.
- Commuter ticket available at other times in the year. Monthly Commuter tickets.
- All staff should have the opportunity to park on campus some of the time, by using some kind of booking system.
- I used to live in Leixlip and get the dart in and home every day until last Autumn. I used the leap card every day and only had a 2 min walk after the dart.

### Shuttle bus

- Regular Trinity shuttle bus service for staff, between campuses could be a good idea. Many other universities would have a similar service. It is useful for commute and for attending meetings at different locations.

### Car sharing

- I feel uncomfortable around strangers
- Would probably feel it to be an intrusion of space as I likely wouldn't know the person.
- Like my own space, not necessarily make conversation with a stranger
- I might share if I had an opportunity to meet the persons I would be sharing with for a while first.
- Because I live too far out from any main town or village, I would still have to drive to the pick up point and traffic in the mornings would discourage me from driving any further than I already do.
- Uncomfortable with strangers.
- I prefer to drive by myself
- Security/ Independence and Privacy
- My times are irregular and and I park at the train station
- Wouldn't want to travel with strangers
- my timetable is very unpredictable and i come and go on a whim. I am often not in college until after lunch and leave at about 7 or 8 pm. I would not be willing to change my times to give someone else a lift, that would defeat the purpose of me getting my own car to have a little freedom.
- Wouldn't be comfortable with sharing my car with strangers
- It would take longer
- It would probably be less hassle to get public transport
- Like leaving in my own time.
- I only go to college about 1 or two days a week at irregular times and I do shopping for my aged aunt going to/from college depending on the time I am travelling.
- No one lives near my house
- Because I appreciate the freedom of arriving and leaving on my own time.
- Insurance
- too much hassle, no consistent times when visiting campus
- Unsafe
- I car-share with another member of staff who lives in Donabate. She is the driver and I am the passenger. It is frustrating that the Pearse St gate does not open until 8.00. We frequently cross the Liffey between 7.45 and 7.50 and have a choice of waiting outside the Pearse St for 10 minutes or driving around through heavy traffic to the Lincoln Place Gate which takes 10-15 minutes. This situation must affect quite a number of people travelling from the North Side.
- Work irregular hours
- I prefer the flexibility of determining my own schedule for arriving/leaving campus.



- It's quicker to use the bus or cycle
- Because I could need to do a school pick up en route
- Need to be flexible in arrival and departure times from work, too unpredictable to offer anyone a regular lift as would let them down a lot / make them wait
- I would not like to be a lift-seeker. Because my times of arrival and departure from college may vary I'm afraid I am not a suitable car-lift candidate.
- We live far away and it takes too much time already. Thus if we need any bit of detour, it would be worse.
- Insurance reasons
- No one else I know coming in this direction
- But sadly not practical from Celbridge, too few staff members live there
- Too intermittent need to be practical
- Enough hassle in my life without having to organise that as well, and hard to predict leaving times - impossible to co-ordinate with another person's needs. Besides, few people want to leave home at 7am as I do
- Work outside peak times
- It's the only time I get with my daughter/ to myself
- I am retired and still do some teaching - but I don't come in at the usual hours. Would use a car only on days my husband has medical appointments
- I car share every alternate week with my husband and he works early one week and later the next. I would have to pick him up on his "late" shift week or vice versa and so would not be in a position to offer lift/car share on a regular basis as I would have to bring passenger to my husband's place of work and anyway, we both already carshare.
- We have a toddler and need a special chair
- Work different shifts between 8am - 10pm every day. Live in rural area 3kms from main road.
- Don't use the car regularly enough to depend on me for lifts
- I rarely use the car, I usually walk to work
- Can't depend on people timekeeping
- As I don't drive directly to work, I have to drop children off.
- I have 3 child car seats and travel with my husband so no room in my car and I need my car for child drop off/pick up
- I have to leave my house by 7.15am and don't want to have to leave even earlier to pick someone up
- I usually take the car if I have a late meeting as train service is reduced or if I need to travel between sites so sharing would not be an option.
- Very infrequently use the car - twice a month
- I would be uncomfortable about security (with people I don't know)
- I do not always leave at the same time, I stop off on the way to work, I change my route regularly depending on traffic, what I need to do on my way to and from work and if I have my boyfriend to give him a lift.
- I use the commuting time to catch up on phone calls etc and need the privacy of my car to do that.
- No because I need to do pick up in the afternoons
- Don't want to have to communicate with other on way to/from work! Wouldn't offer a lift - Insurance.
- Parking still an issue on campus and while TCD has good rates with local parking garages (EG. Fleet street), it is still too expensive to drive everyday

### Work Travel

- I travel internationally about six times a year - not possible to put that in. I would travel to Belfast and London about once or twice a year - not possible to put that in I didn't put my location above because I definitely do not want to car-share, for the reasons stated above
- Your survey questions only allow a minimum of 1 trip per month (12 per year) for international travel/London/Belfast travel, or else never. Many of us are in between





that — I travel 2-3 times per year to London and 2-3 times internationally beyond London. Though I understand that there are travel allowances for cycling for business, I have never been informed of how to claim that or whether it is departmental/college funding that is claimed (many of these perks seem to me to be kept from junior members of staff and not included in HR orientation).

- The business trip question does not offer an option of less than 1 trip per month. I usually do 2 trips per year in the dublin metro area. Never is not a suitable response in my case.
- I travel less regularly than once a month but more regularly than never. The questions on business travel won't capture that (e.g. 3 trips per year)
- On q 30: what about travel LESS than once a month but fairly regular (like 3 trips per annum to UK)?
- There was no option for travel <once a month to locations above.
- The "trips per month" section might be a little misleading - I would make less than 1 trip per month to London, for example, but it would not be "Never", maybe only once in 6 months.
- The travel to other locations should have '<once a month' in the drop-down menus

### Video-conference

- Questions about international videoconferencing are flawed. I use Skype all the time (1-2 times per week) and don't bother about videoconferencing except for perhaps 2-3 meetings a year
- The questions on whether video-conferencing could be used to substitute for face-to-face meetings were not clear. I already use video-conferencing for any meetings where it is possible.
- **Video conferencing in the hub is tied to the HEA net services making it unusable for nearly all meetings. Clearly poor planning and a waste of resources given that the greatest savings is for international use. We need proper video conferencing that can reach any area of the world using common software conferencing platforms**
- I work on a number of EU projects and use teleconferencing every day. We only travel to face to face meetings when absolutely necessary. This is largely due to resource issues. It would not be possible to substitute any more face to face meetings for teleconferencing.

### Home working

- Some departments do not promote or encourage working from home even when it would suit the type of work done by some employees.
- Working from home on a regularly basis a good idea to help with commute particularly during times of bad traffic e.g. Christmas.
- Working from home not an option in my department, IS Services.
- **College should try and facilitate work from home for even two days a week so time wasted travelling in and out of work could be avoided and to help as a family friendly initiative**

### Car

- Distance and dislike of driving preclude anything else
- If cheaper parking were available I would use it, as I drive my Daughter to school in Rathgar from Inchicore and then park the car and bus into Town and then do the return journey home.
- I live in Westmeath, so too far to cycle regularly (although I do on occasion) and my car is electric so cheaper than any other alternative.
- I use my car because public transport takes too long and is expensive ( I can't avail of travel saver ticket as only work on a job share )
- I take train because it is quicker than bus, and also I don't have parking in college, so it's cheaper than driving too. However there are very few trains.





- I have a knee injury so it is important to me to get as close to my destination as possible as I need to use a folding crutch for part of the journey.
- Need to move between sites
- Actual destination is only accessed by journey into city centre and out again
- I have no public transport at home, so have to drive to the nearest train or bus station. Trains are never on time, I have looked at public bus, which is cheaper but is also never on time. Private bus is the best option, but I won't cycle in the city centre, so am left with using the Public train for shortest travel time (even though it is late 99% of the time)
- In the past, lack of available parking would have made me think twice about taking the car in to work but in the last year I've noticed that on the days when i do take the car there isn't any problem getting parking on campus.
- Might use car if I have off-site meetings
- Car would be cheaper, but lack of parking means car is not possible.
- I would drive if I had parking on campus because I can come and go exactly when I like, it's the quickest way for me and the most comfortable. I alternate between bus and train but would always get the train if it were just a little closer to home.
- I am based in Tallaght Hospital. Public Transport is unreliable and too slow. It is too far to cycle or walk. I need my car to get to meetings off campus around the city.
- I would like the option to drive and park as occasionally I need to carry items to and from work

#### Other Comments

- I think there should be an increase in support for students travelling more than an hour each day to campus for example, more accommodation provided for students living outside Dublin, particularly in first year. If accessing more accommodation is difficult perhaps cheaper prices for the existing accommodation if it were an option.
- Time, if rushing will take the car
- Possible start or finish days work on another college site around the city .
- Cost, Parking
- Carrying work-related materials/ Weather/Time
- Less stress (no waiting, overcrowding, etc.), exercise, reliability; weather.
- No parking permit available to me. I've been on a waiting list for five and a half years.
- I would cycle more often if there were better facilities for cyclists on campus - secure dry parking, shower facilities/lockers. At present showers are only available up to 9a.m. not suitable for those arriving later on campus.
- I do not own a car
- permit parking
- I only use the car if I'm carrying/collecting something heavy or going straight from work to somewhere further away
- Wouldn't introducing parking fees increase bicycle use?
- TCD staff based in Tallaght Hospital already pay for parking unlike the rest of TCD staff who do not have to pay for parking.
- College needs to start charging an annual fee for those who use the car parking facilities. This will encourage the use of other modes of transport, provide an income stream and end the current inequality which favours those who drive. It will also end the abuse of the current system with people parking because it is a convenience at weekends. Charging is also the norm in many other universities
- I have a weekend parking permit - I am waiting for a full time permit but I really only need a weekend pass and maybe 6 days a year parking as i only like to take the car in the summer when it is quiet and I am heading down the country on Friday say - so a weeked parking permit plus a few days would do me!
- Need to carry tools and Personal protective equipment for work at all college sites especially when starting or finishing my days work away from the main campus .





- If the Pearse Street gate could be open from 7.50, it would save enormous time. From when I come over the bridge from Northside, I can spend from 07.45 and go around by Westland Row and Lincoln Place and just be parked at 8.00 or I can go straight on to Pearse Street and in through that gate and be parked in less than 5 minutes. Saves a lot of emissions - and frustration!
- Car parking permit system requires correction in terms of the moratorium. a 5-year waiting list is not logical if there are parking spaces free regularly.
- These are great, but stop taking parking spaces away by stealth. Sneaky and mean.
- As with many aspects of College, this campus (Trinity Centre in St. James') lacks any communal initiatives like those above and would be very welcome. Fees introduced for people who park cars.
- Family commitments
- Children's school runs
- I need to drop my children to childcare on my way to campus
- Morning schedule means cycling is the only means of transport which enables to me to arrive to work on time (e.g., school drop off of kids at 8:40 a.m.makes car/bus unviable).
- I could drive, but dislike driving and find it stressful. I use Bus Eireann, which offers a good service at reasonable price; and the buses are comfortable.
- Traffic and parking
- I leave outside of Dublin. Driving each day would be too stressful
- I don't want the stress of driving in traffic, having to find a parking space, and basically leaving the car tied up for the day when other family members could use it.
- I have used the **Transport for Ireland app**, and unless you live in Dublin city, it is not really any use to you.
- The real time apps and notices from Dart I would not rely on





## Appendix 3 – Additional Comments

### Students: What is your main reason for choosing your main mode of transport to campus?

- Guaranteed a seat unlike dart
- Not Weather Dependent
- Nothing else would suit.
- Live on Campus - only option!
- Healthier
- Closest to home and college
- Convenience
- I like to walk
- Closest
- Most convenient
- Bus stop closer than luas stop
- Parking car is too expensive...
- I enjoy walking
- Living at home
- closest to my house
- My cosy yet economical distance is far off from college
- no parking available
- my bike was stolen and so this seemed like the cheapest and fastest option after that
- only option available
- Fitness
- Parents are driving in anyway
- Closer to TCD
- Live on campus!
- most convenient
- Enjoyment
- Bus stops beside my house
- No reason to use public transport due to distance
- Exercise
- Daily exercise
- Fitness
- convenient
- I usually miss the bus
- Equal parts cheap, quick and easy
- Healthy and no traffic
- and quickest! Both reasons are equally important
- Live on campus
- I like to exercise and it wakes you up on the way into college
- Live on campus
- Ease of access
- Health
- convenience
- enjoyment
- Most convenient
- Easiest as there is the many luas' that I can take on my way in and not have to worry about missing one.





- Healthier
- I enjoy it
- Most suitable times, comfort and quicker than bus
- My child's school is nearby
- health
- Exercise
- Healthier
- Exercise
- Most convenient
- I enjoy the exercise
- Distance
- very unreliable bus from where I live (17), based in St.James's Hospital
- To exercise
- only option from where I live
- Hate the bus, and it is reliable, and I'm less likely to feel ill.
- Health benefits
- Health benefit of physical activity
- I can buy tickets that allow me to take as many buses as I like in a day whilst only using 1 day off the ticket, which works out much cheaper than the train, my only alternative. Also, the train is relatively new in Dunboyne so I would say habit as well.
- I like walking
- Closest to home
- Bus stop is very close to where I live.
- I live on campus
- health
- I get motion sickness on buses and it's far of a distance to walk
- Easily accessible
- stay in goldsmith hall
- It's a pleasant walk in the mornings
- Healthiest
- Closest to my house
- Proximity to house/college
- Live 2 minutes away
- I enjoy the exercise
- I live on campus
- Closest
- most convenient
- The bus quota on my route is completely inadequate and dangerous as the demand results in passengers standing as far as the driver's front window and to the exit door. Nos 15 and 14
- Most convenient
- Distance
- Sport related issues
- exercise
- Exercise
- CHEAPEST AND QUICKIST AND LESS STRESSFUL. DUBLIN BUS REAL TIME TABLES ARE NOT RELIABLE AT ALL
- Exercise
- Weather. Has been too cold and wet to walk or cycle lately





- I spend all my money on rent and literally have no money
- Convenience
- and in the busy morning it is not necessarily faster to take the bus from where I live
- Live near college
- least walking
- fitness
- Dart comes right to Trinity
- I live on campus
- My bike is broken and I'm too lazy to fix it
- Leaves me closest and is the handiest
- Less packed than train
- Distance
- most reliable
- Closest to my house
- Distance is not great
- Lack of bike security on campus
- To be active in the morning by using walking as a form of exercise

**Students: Which of the following modes of travel would you consider using for your journey to/ from campus, if they were available?**

- I would cycle or walk, but walking would take up to 3 hours, and cycling would be dangerous, as I would have to cycle home in the dark for 1-2 hours. The only way I could consider it is if Dublin had a better bicycle lane system, however even then it is far.
- If there was more parking at campus
- LUAS
- Motorbike
- Skateboarding
- Roller skates
- Dublin bikes if there was a station in Sandymount
- Bus from Trinity Halls to Campus
- Walking if I lived closer to campus.
- Dublin Bike Scheme Bicycle
- Bus if it had a student deal like other universities around Britain and Ireland
- Luas
- Trinity College Bus
- Train
- Jetpack
- Motorbike
- More Bikes for Dublin Bike
- I already use public transport as my commute is quite long and it is more environmentally friendly. I would cycle or walk if I lived in the city.
- Car parking is inadequate in the city and clampers are always ready to pounce as they have to reach their quota given by DCC
- Luas line directly to college
- Metro if constructed
- I live too far to walk/ bike
- I live too far away

**Are there any factors or needs which affect your choice of mode of transport for the journey to/ from campus?**





- Parking in the city centre is limited and expensive and traffic can be quite heavy so train is the quickest and least stressful option.
- Ice, snow, bad wind
- Traffic, available seats
- The price of bus tickets!
- Childcare
- Distance
- exercise
- the bus stop is right beside halls, whereas the luas is a good 10min walk away
- I do not have access to a car or bicycle and taking the bus everyday is too expensive
- As I live so far away getting the bus is the only viable option I would love to be in a position to walk or cycle but its simple not an option.
- Direct bus route from near my home to outside Trinity (College Green) and vice versa, it is the most convenient mode of transport
- Live on campus - only option!
- Cost, distance.
- The time I have to leave at (dark/ light in morning w.r.t walking or public transport)
- Cost and Time
- my area in particular has primary and secondary schools at all corners, plus I am right by the M50, so traffic is particularly bad in early mornings.
- the quickest way is better
- Price, speed, ease of access
- safety, the frequency of the transportation and the accuracy of the real-time info
- How fun it is.
- wind, rain and snow.
- Exercise for the day (walk from the station takes 30 minutes). Time. Energy. Cost.
- traffic and/or vale tudo
- Dublin Bikes availability
- Weather
- Time it takes to travel makes it hard to stay late to study
- Would prefer to cycle but worry about the dangers of the road.
- The Dublin bus fares keep increasing and it's just not acceptable. If I lived on the Luas line I would avail of it but I have resorted to cycling to college.
- Transportation in Dublin is quite expensive, with no reasonably priced student ticket option (the LeapCard is hardly a help, and more for convenience than anything). If I walk I have money for a coffee.
- It's hard to hold an umbrella when you're cycling. To get to Tallaght the only way really is the Luas.
- I live too far from college to cycle I don't get the bus to avoid traffic
- Money mainly, also time taken.
- The bus is often very full passing my stop. The dart allows a reliable arrival time
- Time of day Weather
- How quick the mode of transport is.
- I live on campus
- Traffic congestion
- Broken bicycle and winter weather prevent me from cycling.
- Bus is convenient mode of transport in cold and rainy weather
- I use my bicycle as its the most direct, cost efficient and generally the handiest.





- No car park on the campus for students
- I would cycle up to 30mins to get to campus. I would walk up to 10 mins, otherwise cycle. If the distance is too far I get public transport.
- Convenience, Reliability, Habit of LUAS
- Live close enough to campus not to need to travel by car etc. and can walk
- The only transport available to me is Dublin Bus. If not I must get a lift into town.
- Convenience and short travel time
- There are 2 modes of public transport closest to me the bus or the train. The bus stop I get off at is at the front of college but my classes are in the back end - the train station near college is closer to my lecture venues but the train station in my area is further from the bus stop. Timetables of the two transports also affect my choice and the length in journey. I don't drive to college so as to avoid traffic and rely on public transport
- Would cycle but too far
- quickest, enviro-friendly, reliability and can use bike to cycle to other places after college that would be awkward by public transport (ie: friends in harolds cross, football in dundrum)
- weather (i live up hills, so iciness), if it is a sunday (rail timetables change)
- Cost Ease of use Reliability Time
- Public transport is too expensive and traffic conditions and parking facilities limit my ability to use my own vehicle
- Roads are too dangerous to cycle on
- I don't have a bike so it depends on if there are any Dublin Bikes left at my nearest station
- Money
- Weather, bike parking, changing facilities
- Cost, speed, reliability
- My earnings
- Live in rural area, nearest bus stop 30minutes walking, choose to cycle for convenience, exercise and affordability
- Have to bring child to childcare in suburbs before travelling to city centre
- Cost of travel
- Like the walk for a bit of fresh air. Also a major factor is it being free.
- There's no other possibility to get to the city by public transport, for I am not close to any LUAS. So unfortunately the only option I have is to take a bus, which during rush hour takes me more than 1h to get to Trinity....
- I live beside a luas station
- Ease and cost.
- Money
- If it's raining heavily I'll take the bus.
- Weather, If the bus is RIGHT AT THE STOP or not, money on my travelcard
- Weather
- I cycle weather permitting. ie not in snow!!
- I live in kildare
- The Luas is the cheapest option and reliable
- Convenience and Price
- Lack of money to move out
- Commuting time, Price, Walking distance to public transport
- Reliability - bus schedules aren't trustworthy
- Broke my leg.





- I'm coming from work
- The bus is the only transport within walking distance to my house.
- Lack of alternatives
- I have two options: The bus stop is a 2 minute walk from my house, and takes anything from 30-75 minutes to arrive in town. The Luas is a 20 minute walk, and takes 17 minutes to arrive in town. Therefore the Luas is far more reliable, and I can get exercise in.
- It is cheapest and stops near the campus so it is the most time and cost effective method
- Bus is the most viable as it is located closest to my area of residence. Nearest Luas stop is a 30 minute walk away. I have not considered Trinity Bicycles as I know little about this service and I do not own a bicycle myself.
- We don't have to walk far to get it
- Adverse weather conditions: I won't walk in heavy rain
- Also cheapest option
- Severe weather affect cycling conditions
- laziness
- Cheap and distance from college. Next year, I plan to live in Dublin city so I see myself cycling or walking to college.
- I cycle as city traffic is horrendous. My bikes safety is a huge concern though.
- Walking distance to stop Frequency of route Known reliability Comfort Price
- Lack of parking for students even with car sharing.
- weather conditions
- Price time convenience
- Close proximity and convenience of public transport alleviates the need for alternative modes, which would be welcome for variety but require more investment and are not as convenient in the end. The distance one lives from College also makes certain modes of travel, such as walking, simply not viable time-wise.
- If there was free parking on campus I could drive this would make my journey much shorter
- Distance of public transport from my house
- Weather would determine if I can cycle.
- Buses are not always reliable and are affected by the weather (eg snow) and construction work. I don't have a license and there is no student or guaranteed free parking near campus.
- Bus stop right outside house.
- Luas is much more reliable than bus and easier, faster and more reliable. Luas also faster than cycling for me. Rain is also an issue.
- No other options
- weather. i dont cycle when its pissing rain. i also don't cycle if i plan on doing legs at the gym that day.
- Social aspect - company on bus Seats available - available on bus not luas
- More bike racks
- I would love to cycle but have epilepsy and its a bit unsafe so I'm too lazy to walk so get the bus with my free bus pass instead.
- Weather
- I don't own a bike.
- I often have gym bag and laptop so it's awkward to walk
- Price and time





- If it's heavily raining or i'm late then I'll take the bus instead
- Weather
- I commute from my hometown; Dundalk.
- Traffic and money are the two main ones
- I can't drive and don't own a car so I travel to college on bus. I also have to travel a great distance so even if I did drive I wouldn't and there is a lack of parking another reason I would use public transport.
- Money, weather, whether or not it is dark
- Weather
- Dublin Bus route goes from relatively near my house to College Green so it's the most sensible and easiest option for transportation
- 9 am starts I walk as traffic is too heavy
- Dependently on where I travel from. If there was a bike storage in D'Olier street I would use my bike
- The weather.
- The bus stop is closer to me then the luas stop. It is also easier to change buses than luas
- No parking
- Cycling from home to campus requires cycling on the motorway which I'm not comfortable with.
- money, reliability, timing
- I live close
- Traffic in the Mornings is a Nightmare! ;)
- Weather
- No parking
- If it is heavily raining I will take the bus
- Safety Frequency Duration of time to get to campus
- Cost
- sometimes I don't go straight home. On these occasions, I might choose something I don't usually take.
- If there is free or cheap parking then car is quick and cheap even compared to bus. Even when taking the bus I still have to to walk quite a distance. its not the walk that is the issue as the exercise is good, but timing is a issue due the the somewhat chaotic bus scheduling and moving of stops due to luas works etc.
- the public bus is incredibly expensive
- Price and safety
- price environmental friendliness
- weather, cost and speed
- money, environment-friendliness, physical exercise
- The weather
- Only available option, cost, frequency of service
- Weather.
- Cheapest, Healthy, Environmentally friendly, availability
- It would be great if there could be designated student parking on campus
- Lack of Dublin Bikes scheme where I live.
- I am disappointed I cannot choose to use my inline skates to come to college because I am not allowed to go in with them and I cannot throughout the year just sit on the floor at any entrance of college to change to shoes. It does not affect anyone and people are allowed to cycle in anyways.
- Money



- Weather
- Traffic
- The public transportation fee is too high for students.
- Cost and convenience. Parking too expensive in town. Can read on the bus.
- Traffic
- I couldn't walk or cycle in the bad weather and darkness
- cost, time
- It's too expensive to live in Dublin therefore I have to commute from Kildare each day.
- I enjoy cycling for the most part, but on very windy/rainy days it's not great & sometimes not safe to either so I'd get the Luas or bus
- Weather, no. Of books/notes in bag
- Weather
- Commuting at 9am is sometimes too busy
- I'd like to cycle into school but the Dublin bikes do not have a drop off station in Sandymount, so I take the public bus.
- Public transport is expensive in Dublin, and buses are stuck in traffic often.
- Greystones has a bad public transport service
- If I miss the bus, I have to try make my way down to the Luas, which is a 40 minute walk from my house, but only a ten minute drive
- It's the least expensive
- The Luas would be more quicker and cheaper only that it is less safe and further from my starting and destination point.
- From my place of residence, the easiest and quickest mode of transport to campus is by bus. It is also the only mode of transport available to me.
- Weather. If it is raining, I am more likely to take public transport.
- If there is a lot of traffic I'm more likely to bike. More likely to bus if it's raining or I'm wearing nice clothes for hospital ect.
- cost eg high public transport costs
- A lot of people who live in the same residence as me (Halls) also take the Luas, so it's a good opportunity to socialise.
- No free parking for students
- Buses are unreliable so I generally walk instead
- The bus tickets are super expensive even on Student Leap Card discounts.
- No other alternatives. I would love if there was something else I could take besides the bus but unfortunately I can't. Also too far to cycle in
- I go by bicycle as the other option is the bus. The problem is that the bus costs more or less 100€ per month which would be 900-1000€ per school year, which I find ridiculous. Another issue is that students love to go out and have a pint but if they come and go by bus they either have to run to catch the last one which isn't very convenient. A solution would be to at least have the most important buses to pass by the city centre once an hour.
- The weather.
- Distance from college.
- My house is a long way from Luas line - would take double the time versus cycling
- Train
- Parking
- It's warmer and safer to take the bus during autumn and winter months than it is to walk or cycle. Also, when you take up cycling you have to factor in the cost of servicing/ parts, a lock or two (one for frame, one for wheels), maybe a helmet, a





few sets of sports clothing, and maybe lights, in addition to the cost of the bike. It's not necessarily much cheaper. Plus, it takes me as long to cycle as it does on the bus, but I also need to shower, which is not always an option. Walking takes too long and the route is boring.

- Weather
- I like to walk to wake up in the morning before lectures start.
- Rush hour
- Cost
- Work full time Travel to TCD from work and from home Train accessible from both work and home
- There is very little transport available in my area that gives direct access to trinity
- Price and speed/convenience.
- I drive to DART station because there is no safe cheap parking close to or on campus
- Cost and the duration of the commute involved
- Weather
- Yes, the cost, efficiency and reliability.
- There needs to be student accommodation closer to campus
- bad weather
- I don't take the bus because it is unreliable.
- I take the DART as opposed to a bus even though. I can just as easily get a bus, but the time lost in traffic makes me less inclined use buses.
- Yes, personal safety, bus times, weather
- Distance, from campus is too far to cycle.
- Price of transportation. Time available in the morning. Weather.
- Proximity to bus stop/luas stop
- Bike is cheap and quick
- It's healthier to cycle!
- I walk or cycle because it's the cheapest, I find the buses slow and overpriced
- It's too far to walk and still make it into college on time
- If I had the funds I would get a bike, it'd be way faster for me to get to campus and cheaper for me to get to James's.
- What time I need to be in college at.
- My health!
- What time I need to be in college at.
- I like to take the dart during rush hour rather than the bus or when I come in college very early ( around 7 am ).
- My proximity allows me to walk
- The roads are too dangerous to cycle on going from the north side to Trinity.
- I walk so as to not pay for transportation.
- There are no feasible public transport options
- if there were more cycle lanes in my area i would cycle into college
- time, cost, weather (i.e. if it rains, it's warmer and drier to take the bus/luas)
- Time, cost and time of day. E.g. If staying in later in the evenings to study I would take a bus that leaves me closer to the house for safety reasons.
- DART is the quickest method for me.
- It is close enough that I can walk. I could potentially use a bike but it is just easier to walk sometimes.
- Weather
- The Cost,availability, closeness to campus, the weather.





- The only transport available would be Dublin Bus and a private bus company- Swords Express. I take the Swords express since I started college because it is usually on time and most of the time it can bring me to town in 30-40 minutes (Dublin Bus takes over an hour and it drops me on O Connoll street). Although it costs slightly more in comparison to Dublin bus but its service is much more reliable and safe. From November 2014, there is a significant increase in number of residents in my area taking Swords Express because of its worthy service and more importantly, it is now cheaper than Dublin (for students especially) and is much more comfortable. In terms of driving to come to college, traffic jam, cost of insurance and petrol and parking are problems that stopped me from doing so. Cycling and walking to college from Swords are just not ideal. Since there is no other means of transport available, taking bus to college will be the only solution since my family does not work in town.
- I live outside of Dublin so limited to train or bus.
- I wish to apply for the trinity ball tickets also- [campiong@tcd.ie](mailto:campiong@tcd.ie) 0872392383
- weather dependent
- Travelling by Dart is by far the most convenient way for me to get to college, and it enables me to have a 12-minute walk beside the sea twice a day, when going to the station and back.
- I wish to apply for the trinity ball tickets also- [campiong@tcd.ie](mailto:campiong@tcd.ie) 0872392383
- Price and time
- Taking the bus is the only option which is affordable.
- Money, route, ease, proximity
- Distance from campus, I live in Kildare.
- Speed, price and frequency
- I would drive but for how expensive parking in the city centre is; I would cycle but the route is too long when the weather is interchangeable; the DART is too far a walk from my house, although I would rather take it to the Bus; I would love to walk but it is just too far!
- Traffic can make me need to take a train
- The bus is quite expensive , €6 a day, so if you only have a few classes if doesn't seem worth it
- No money for a bike
- weather
- Cost
- Price.
- Luas doesnt got to my area so I have to take the bus
- Price of public transport, convenience, traffic
- I nearly always walk to/from campus but in some instances, it is not possible to do so e.g. when it is raining or when it is dark. Walking is completely free of charge and it gives me time to myself. It is an independent form of travelling, in the sense that I do not have to rely on others to get me to college in time, for example, I am not dependent on Luas or bus drivers.
- Money for the bus. It is very expensive and there is no change given. Also quite slow and unreliable.
- Bus stop is on north side, too far to walk in comparison to the dart
- time of day, if it's rush hour I prefer the dart however if it's not I'd rather get the bus however I am usually travelling during peak travel times.
- Expense, stress, time, weather
- Lack of luas





- Money
- I have the possibility to come to the campus with my own bike, it is not the case for everyone. I chose it for three reasons : - it is easier to come by bike (even if the roads are not all adapted to ride by bicycle) - it is environmentally friendly - the public transport are very expensive in Dublin and it is hard to understand how to use the bus. Thanks
- I like to get a bit of exercise in each day.
- Weight of bag with laptop books etc
- I live so close there's no point in travelling to college any other way than on foot.
- Weather conditions, wind, rain, etc. plans for the rest of the day
- Prefer to use public transport if possible
- I live on campus
- Cost, health
- books, notes, heavy bag make make walking less attractive, also weather
- weather
- long bus journey in rush hour price enjoyment exercise
- I can get the bus or the train to college. The train would get me a lot quicker but to get to the train I would have to walk for half an hour, where as I live beside the bus stop. The bus is also a lot cheaper than the train/DART
- Money
- Its too far and uphill to cycle
- cost
- The lack of bike ramps available to Trinity students greatly discourages students from cycling.
- Cost
- Whether I need to bring in my laptop or a lot of books - in this case I may not use the bike and will get the bus instead.
- The bus takes way too long in the morning traffic and is far too expensive. Going by bike is quicker, cheaper and easier to travel between St James hospital, Trinity campus and home.
- Public transport is ridiculously overpriced, unreliable and slow especially at rush hour. Cars aren't efficient for the length of my journey and there is no where to park. Walking could be an option but cycling is by far the quickest out of any of my options.
- Price, lack of alternatives
- Cost and distance from transport to home
- Money, traffic, location of transport
- Cost. Cycling saves money. I get the bus usually when the weather is bad.
- Am part of a few sports societies, and know that cycling is a good way of getting some extra exercise in and can be seen as another method of training. I also love the scenery and enjoy being outdoors.
- The busses are slow, often late and expensive.
- Weather
- Proximity to home
- Expense
- The time involved
- Icy roads
- I live far and my bus stop is not very safe when I leave college at night so I sometimes take the train which means another half hour walk home after the train. My commute is not ideal at all.





- Health sciences are based in st.james hospital which is awkward to get to in the mornings!
- Most convenient, only options are direct train, or two buses
- I don't have enough money to buy a bike.
- quicker and more reliable to go on foot - public transport often too busy or too slow
- Rain, wind, and snow.
- Bags and equipment.
- Distance - I live about an hour (by bus) from campus Cost Reliability
- I own a bike but prefer walking as it's safer and less hassle
- Bike lanes
- I am extremely far away from the campus and would walk or cycle if it was an option.
- Cost of public transport, the length of time it takes to walk in
- Weather
- Traffic in the morning
- Live on wexford street, walking is the easiest option for me.
- The buses go less frequently than the luas in the morning
- weather conditions
- On days when I wish to study on campus, I sometimes take the bus as it is easy with a heavy bag.
- I take the bus because it keeps me warm and dry on the way to college. But it is too expensive.
- I travel from Offaly and have children with after school activities which needs me driving a car.. If I have to "bus" it and need to be in for nine I need to be up and on a bus for 6.45
- Weather (sometimes too cold, sometimes too rainy to cycle), What I have to do that day (if I have to conduct an interview I would take the bus in, if I plan to leave very very late, if I am going to the gym). What time I have to be in, if I plan to go drinking, and so on.
- Lack of alternative
- Dublin Bus is the only transport service available to/from my town
- I use to take the bus depending on the weather (too windy or rainy).
- The rising costs of public transport
- Lack of public transport in country areas
- Weather
- A bus at the bottom of my road will leave me directly outside the arts block so it is quick and convenient and also I cannot drive and unfortunately cycling is too far
- I could also use the bus; however, it is more expensive, it comes less frequently and takes longer - so this is not an option. I actually got a bike, but I am often too lazy to take it to college; apart from that, it is quite a long distance from college to where I live. As I live very close to a Luas stop, this is the best option for me.
- As a TCD health science student living in Rathmines, My lectures are based in St James' hospital. No direct bus route, so I cycle. Otherwise I would be required to travel into city centre and then out to St james'. Also I choose to cycle because i cannot afford the expense of the bus.
- Cost of parking Time taken Which mode of transport is closest in proximity to campus
- Price of public transport; distance from home to nearest public transport; speed of public transport





- I'm based in AMNCH, and am dependent on public transport, which is complicated by public transport not running early enough
- Fitness and health
- Price of the bus and walking distance
- Need a quick way as journey is far and traffic can be very bad.
- Weather, time of day etc
- Distance from college and cost of mode of transport used
- Quick, cheap, environmentally aware also.
- I am in James hospital which means I need to take two luas's
- Lack of money
- Chronic fatigue unable to walk for long stretches of time
- Only one bus available
- I walk as it is cheap, fast, convenient, stress free and an easy way to fit exercise into my busy day
- Financial affordability and regularity of service.
- My choice of transport is also due to a disability which prevents me from walking or using a bicycle
- Bus is the closest to trinity
- Weather is a big one. I also work for a campus group. However, I do the work at mine so I need to take the bus on the days of transporting the material.
- I walk to get in some exercise before sitting in a lecture theatre for the whole day.
- It's too far to cycle but i would everyday if i could
- Cost, particularly when travelling to hospitals. Luas return to Tallaght hospital is over 5 euro (5.40). Usually cycle everywhere, but weather, roads and truly crap bicycle parking in Trinity and hospitals an issue
- Bus takes too long , cycling much quicker
- Health factors, stress factors
- No reliable bus service
- Reliability, price
- Price - Aside from maintenance the bike is free. Health - I spend all day every day sitting at my desk, its nice to get a bit of exercise and fresh air in the morning/evening.
- The ever changing bus prices and the fact that the bus will often not stop if it is too full but no extra buses are provided, or the bus driver change over can often leave you late because at times it can take up to 20 minutes, so it is not reliable
- I walk or cycle because it is the quickest form of transport and it is a good form of exercise.
- I live outside of Dublin, so there is no alternative other than Bus Eireann. However Bus Eireann are reconsidering their routes around South Meath and are considering by-passing my town, which is a problem and I may have to source an alternative transport mode for the future.
- speed, ease of use, regularity, comfort
- The bus is far less reliable and much more expensive than travelling on foot
- Luas is handiest but not the most comfortable. Would prefer bus or walking but takes longer
- Severe adverse weather would influence my decision i.e I wouldn't take the bike and I'd jump on the Luas instead, even though it adds at least 15 minutes to my journey
- If it is rush hour I usually get the luas instead of the bus but if the weather is bad I get the bus as it is nearer





- Traffic, lack of bicycle lanes
- Cost of public transport - Student 30 day travel - increasing in price each year therefore some days I walk
- I live very closeby so I walk. I used take the bus if it was raining but now the bus stop is too close to home and too far from campus because of the Luas works for me to justify taking the bus, even if it means I will get wet
- Heavy traffic, unpredictable bus timetables
- Economic reasons
- Lived on campus
- cost
- Bike is quick but often dangerous
- Weather conditions
- Driving would take too long and parking would be too expensive, so taking the bus is the quickest and cheapest way to get here.
- Commuting to college from home- in Offaly. Train is most convenient. Bus is also available, but can sometimes be unreliable. Works out better value to get a weekly rambler for the train and use it every day than to chop and change between coach and train. Usually walk or get bus/ luas to college from Heuston- weather/ time depending.
- Speed
- I live on campus.
- Cost
- I always take the dart as it is reliable and very handy. Dublin bus is nearby but its not as frequent or always on time/has space.
- the bus is the only real option as i live in naas
- Bicycle, needed for fitness and can be used whenever I want, e.g. between lectures at different sides of campus
- Parking
- Dart station is too far away, more expensive and offers less student discounts.
- Weather
- Business of roads in the morning.
- cost of parking
- convenient way to get exercise, save money
- Traffic, Distance and Reliability
- I walk because my bike has been stolen
- Speed and frequency
- Closest to my house
- My daughter needs to travel with me to trinity day nursery, safety issues and weather determine whether I cycle or travel by bus
- Meath
- Price. Dart is more expensive than bus
- Length of journey and price
- Re Q9: While on placement in certain hospitals, start times can be as early as 7am. I travel 1.5 hours or more to these hospitals. Many forms of public transport do not run as early as 5:30am, forcing me to either drive (and risk getting clamped due to a complete absence of student parking) or to be late to college. I suggest Trinity take travel times and distance into account for certain students when assigning them to peripheral placements. It is also essential that Trinity at least consider implementing student parking, both close to campus and for peripheral students.





- daily weather
- Close to my accommodation
- Depending on rain or wind intensity I rather walk
- free wifi on bus, bus stop near my house
- The weather
- Regular public transport services Cost Weather
- The distance is large and I take the train even though it is more expensive than the bus because I end u commuting for about two hours a day and it is more regular than the bus
- safety money efficiency convenience
- Lack of a secure place to lock my bike, forces me to take public transport
- Weather, condition of bike.
- Financial expenses
- I get the dart because the bus can be badly delayed by traffic
- Bus is too expensive and too slow in the morning to use everyday, driving my car is too expensive and slow also and walking is too slow. Cycling is fastest, cheapest and healthiest
- Depending on the weather, (ie: if it is extremely rainy I would take the bus instead).
- The weather
- Parking Weather Cost
- Weather Availability of Dublin Bikes
- If it is raining I take the bus
- Weather because I normally cycle. On awful rainy days I occasionally take the bus
- My only way to college is by Dublin bus.
- Weather/if exercising at another point during the day
- Cheap and environment
- Rain!!
- I have a disability so carrying books to and from campus on public transport is painful and stressful so I choose to drive even though it is not cheap. I have been refused accommodation and parking on campus so I have no other choice.
- I choose to take the train because it is faster than the bus. Also, buses do not pass frequently in my area.
- weather, availability of secure and covered bike parking
- Price and the length of time it takes.
- I would like to cycle but find the city to dangerous in and around college green
- It would be good if there were better bike parking facilities at front square end of campus. Bike racks there are no good/ not safe.
- Travel costs
- I would take the bus everyday if the cost of the 30 day rambler was lower
- There's a lack of public transport where I live, so I have to travel in as a passenger of a car to get to college. If I lived closer, or there was public transport I would take alternatives preferably bike or by walking
- the weather
- We need way more bicycle locking facilities around campus being as we are in the city centre so driving wouldn't be an option for most.
- Affordability, convenience and comfort
- Too far to walk/cycle, too difficult to try and access the city centre and campus by car. Only modes of transport available are train and bus.





- When I have to be there, rush hour, cost, how quickly it will get me there, if it is convenient.
- Cost
- My dad has a car parking facility on Dawson street
- Closest mode of transport to home. Traffic avoiding and cheapest
- I am self-funded so I will not spend excess money on public transport.
- Availability of Dublin Bikes at home/college.
- I choose the bus because i dont like walking in the dark on temple rd from luas to trinity halls by myself if i dont have company
- Bicycle lane not fully integrated
- The luas is quick and easy, and has a consistent schedule. If I'm running late, I know another will arrive shortly
- Financial Cost
- Cost e.g the train is more expensive than the private bus service I use. Buses are also more frequent.
- Price of public transport
- Cheapest and fastest mode of transport
- Quickest
- Weather conditions, if I'm tired I'll take the bus, I dont have a good bike
- Cheap to cycle/walk. In control/autonomy, don't have to wait for bus.
- Price
- The cost of parking in the city centre is too expensive for my current budget
- Don't find cycling safe in Dublin, would love to cycle as living relatively close. The Luas near me is the Red line, so while it is more reliable than the buses that stop nearer to me, it would take longer to walk from Abbey St to Trinity. Bus brings me to Nassau street but unreliable. Car sharing is not great if the driver is a bad driver. It would take me 40 mins walk which I feel is too much each way.
- cost
- Traffic in early mornings means I have to take alternative forms of transport
- Cycling brings the journey down by around half; it takes me twenty minutes to cycle to college on average, as opposed to forty-five minutes when walking.
- I like to try not to break the bank, but considering that public transport is so expensive, the only way I seem to be able to cut costs is by avoiding college. Particularly at the weekends, where it would help cost-wise the most.
- Live on campus
- I like to exercise on the way in
- Time and cost are biggest factors
- There is only one method of public transport. I have to drive to the busstop to get this bus. Parking prices in Dublin are far too high so this means I've no choice but to take the bus.
- Price, Time, duration
- Bicycle safety. TBSI car park is not accessible to card holders early in the morning so I cannot lock my bike in there if I come in to work early.
- If it's raining or horrendously cold I will choose public transport over my bike
- Traffic. Hours of darkness.
- Time Weather
- Distance from home to methods of public transport, Costs in both monetary and time to use methods such as the Dart.
- The proximity of the DART to my house and to Trinity college
- I live in Balbriggan.





- Lack of income
- Lack of affordable accommodation close to campus.
- Quick
- Roads are too congested to go by bus
- The weather- if its raining heavily I would get the luas some of the way
- If raining I take bus
- Cost, student fares, speed.
- Trains are usually on time
- Cheapest, quickest, most convenient, most reliable, Pearse station's location
- It's easier to transport my laptop and sports bag on the bus than on a bike.
- Weather - if it's warm (i.e. warmer than say 8C) I use a motorbike
- Time and money. Cycling is by far the fastest mode of transport
- Bike is the cheapest and quickest
- Distance would be a major factor.
- When bike is punctured
- Too long a distance to walk twice daily, not very safe at night time
- Bad weather or if I'm running late, then I'd get the bus
- I live on campus
- Easiest, arrives beside my house
- I live in Dundalk.
- quick, cheap, environmentally friendly
- Bus too expensive, reliable and takes too long
- I would like to cycle to and from college but find the roads are very dangerous for cyclists.
- Money, time, health and convenience are the main reasons my choice to cycling to college. The weather also affects my choice on a given day, if it is raining or stormy I would choose public transport.
- Rain and strong winds I won't cycle
- I don't drive
- rain
- The availability of Dublin Bikes.
- Time that public transport takes is too long. And it is too expensive
- There are not enough DublinBikes in the liberties so I cannot rely on getting a bike. That is why I have to leave the house early in case I have to walk
- Distance - no frequent direct bus routes from Donabate, Co. Dublin
- Heavy traffic at peak times
- Would use Dublin Bike scheme but nervous cycling without a helmet and none come with these bikes
- Speed, ease of use and detachability (ie not waiting round when I want to leave/come)
- Keeping fit
- Sometime the bus I get can be quite expensive with transport costing me €11 everyday, so I sometimes cycle forty minutes to the train station in order to get cheaper transport
- I commute from Kildare from a village which does not have any public transport within it
- I would travel by car but it is very expensive and no free parking available
- Cycling keeps me healthy
- Distance it leaves you from the campus





- I enjoy walking, the weather is always nice enough for it, and taking the bus would take the same amount of time (if not longer).
- Likelihood to cause motion sickness is a big consideration. Also, I need to carry a large instrument most days, so transport that accommodates that is necessary.
- Living outside Dublin
- Money
- I am mainly in St James campus so the reason I drive is because I would have to get the bus and luas otherwise.
- Ability to pay easily for that transport and relatively cheaply.
- Bus lane makes it quicker than car
- Have a car but need to be in college for 9 to 10 am commuter hours. Travelling from Wicklow so car is really not viable at that time + parking in city centre extremely expensive. If I occasionally start later than 10am , I will drive to the luas park and ride (usually sandyford)
- Take bus home if the weather is very bad
- When I studied at UCD, I would always drive but because of a lack of free parking for TCD, I have to use public transport because it works out cheaper but if there was free parking available for TCD, I would avail of it.
- The speed and comfort
- Weather
- Availability of transport
- Cycling is quick and doesn't generate carbon emissions
- Cost of dublin bus
- The luas is closest to my house and the most convenient and reliable
- I don't own a car
- Weather
- I live in Trim, Meath, and the only way to get to college is Bus Eireann, and it costs €51.30 per week.
- Weather, traffic during rush hours
- It's very expensive to travel to and from Newbridge , would love if leap card commuter limit was extended from hazelhatch to Newbridge
- Going to college: good bus lanes so journey is quite quick. Coming home: far fewer bus lanes so I avoid travelling at peak times. Bus stop is closer to my house than dart station but the commute takes longer so depends on my mood.
- No bus early enough from where I live, kids need to get to school and I couldn't afford a bus for three of us even if there was one.
- There is no direct bus from my house, Cycling is cheapest, and quickest but security in college is a major concern. I've had two bikes (locked) stolen. I take the Luas if it's raining heavily
- I have to commute to various locations so it's hard to get into a routine with others for carpooling. It's too far to walk. Buses are not always reliable. The Luas is great to meet all needs but it's way too expensive for students. And prices only continue to rise
- Doesn't cost any money. Trains are even expensive
- comfort
- Bicycle is quick and cheap, and good for health. But when it's raining or icy, I take the bus that can be unreliable sometimes or may pass me by at the stop making me late for college





- I usually get the bus as it stops on Dawson St, near college, and I can pick it up on Nassau St to return home. However, currently there are roadworks which mean the bus routes have changed so it is easier for me to get the luas home.
- The weather.
- Train is only 3 time a day from where I live and a half an hour walk from my house so I get bus eireann
- Desire to keep fit, speed and cost effectiveness all factors in my choice to cycle. Also get sick less as Im not stuck on public transport with so many people. Many people will say it is not safe and drivers do need to have greater awareness of cyclists, but a fundamental issue is drivers animosity towards cyclists; which is rarely well founded and instead is usually born out of a lack of understanding about what it is like to cycle around Dublin.
- time and price
- There are limited travel options available, the only other apart from going on foot being Dublin Bus. In rush hour (which is when I usually go/leave college) this takes just as long as a commute by foot.
- Time of day affects what mode I use ie 9 o'clock lecture - I take the Luas as traffic is too bad. 10 o'clock or later I take the bus
- Dublin bus is the only mode of public transport available to me.
- Weather although very rarely
- Bus stop closer than Luas station
- Long term cost of travelling each day. Length of time it takes to travel, especially in the morning rush hour (e.g. bus journeys too long with traffic)
- I have muscular dystrophy
- Can't take one form of public transport so I drive
- to get in to college for nine o clock i would have to get the bus at 7.45 and i still will be five minutes late to my first lecture. However if i cycle i can leave my house at 8,15 and make it in for 8.45 ish
- I would cycle if roads to/in the city were more cycle-friendly
- i hate waiting, would rather walk than get a bus or luas etc. price: cycling is free, however during the winter i would be less inclined to cycle cus its so cold
- Price. Frequency of public transport
- rain, dont have a credit card so cant use dublin bikes
- Price, Practicality, Reliability
- I get a bus initially to get me to Dublin and then walk the rest of the journey often carrying heavy bags! These are awkward and restrict my use of Dublinbike scheme which would be otherwise convenient for me
- Money - public transport is too expensive to be worth using.
- Weight of books
- Cycling is cheap and quick however when it rains I would take the bus, although I would need to allow for extra time.
- Bus fare is way too expensive for such a short ride, traffic in the morning. -As I'm a foreigner I have no interest in buying my own bike - as soon as my degree is over is most likely that I go back home. -There is no ride scheme between the students -- that could a great way to meet other fellow students and not walk in the cold.
- Traffic means I would never drive
- Bikes is fast, cheap
- The fact the service is reliable and frequent is the most important and the directness of the route travelled is also a factor in my choice of transport





- I usually commute from Dundalk to Dublin and there is not much alternative in terms of public transport available and still very expensive.
- As stated above, I get motion sickness on buses, so LUAS is preferable
- I would like to cycle more but there is very few bike space and I am on d'olier street so high risk of bike been stolen
- If the weather is bad or the roads seem treacherous (ice, etc.) then I'll leave my bike at home and instead will walk, get a bus or get a lift in a car into college
- Need to buy bike
- Expense Traffic from Luas works Time
- I do very little 'organised' exercise, eg taking classes, playing a team sport, going to the gym, so I often opt for walking instead of taking the bus in order to keep fit.
- Weather and traffic - I don't like cycling at busy times
- Traffic
- Distance is the main factor as I live approx 35km from campus. The cost of train travel is broadly the same as travel by car, with the exception of the cost of parking which when taken into account stacks the odds in favour of travel by train.
- WI connectivity on the public by service is very useful.
- I hate being stuck in traffic.
- Weather!
- No cheap parking in town. Should have discounted parking for students
- Distance and hills
- No parking at college.
- Cost is the most important one - the monthly bus pass is too much money to add to my budget. I also like getting in at least some exercise every day by walking in and out. Also a bus would actually take longer due to the route that the bus has to take, whereas I can walk a quicker way (not restricted by one-way systems etc)
- Buses take way to long to get into college so train is the only other option
- weather
- The traffic, the time I'm in at in the morning, the weather
- The cost of travelling to and from campus is so high I sometimes have to choose between college or money
- Bus service is below EU average Cycle lanes are below EU average Car parking below EU average
- Speed is one of the most important factors. I would really like to take the bus but it is stuck in traffic jams all the time and takes far too long. Also I'd love to take the LUAS more often, especially when there is bad weather and cycling is just a pain. But as the LUAS stop at St. Stephens Green it is also very inconvenient to make the way until Trinity. By the time I am there I am as wet as if I would bike.
- Length of time taken. My only two options really are to walk or to get the bus and it generally would take too long to walk so the bus is my only option.
- Laziness and cold weather in winter so use bus. In summer months I walk. Sometimes bus is very slow in rush hours so I walk
- Slight lack of bike parking spaces More side entrances would be great as it is awkward to travel to the far end if campus just to enter
- Morning buses and luas are very claustrophobic and uncomfortable so I avoid them at all costs - also Public transport in Dublin is extremely expensive, even using a leap card. I'd like to cycle more but my route involves cycling on Dame St which is quite stressful.





- I am a mature student and have to get my son to his school bus run before I can leave so that is beside the train station which means even though the train is very expensive it is my best option
- No reduced rates for car parking for trinity students e.g. DIT students can pay €5 for a full day parking in a nearby car park on the basis that they are students from DIT
- Morning buses and luas are very claustrophobic and uncomfortable so I avoid them at all costs - also Public transport in Dublin is extremely expensive!
- Time and cost are biggest factors
- No parking for car
- I enjoy walking, it relaxes me after a long day of college, it is always a way to stay fit, it kills two birds with a stone
- Close to where I live; reliable and quick
- Safety Ability to carry heavy laptop, 2 meals, gym bag, maybe books Speed and ability to read en route
- If I can get a lift to the dart station I will get the dart if not, I will get the bus.
- No parking and traffic puts me off using my car.
- Convenience and close proximity to accomodation
- The time, if it's after 9:30 I have no way home via bus
- Yes the bus is the only option for me because of where I live
- Amount of luggage - books, gym gear etc.
- More bicycle parking spaces. ideally covered, like in dcu.
- The fact that buses are the only mode of transport in the Northside in the D11 area
- On the luas there can be a lot of individuals that seem to be on drugs or have some sort of addiction, this can make one feel intimidated and uncomfortable on the luas.
- The cost of transport outside of the Dublin area is extremely expensive even though its still a commutable distance.
- If the gate opposite Pearce station was open
- I would like to cycle in but I feel it is too dangerous. The bus journey is always very slow because of the heavy traffic.
- Drivers can be very rude to cyclists even when wearing proper high visibility clothing and lights. Beeping can really frighten a cyclist and can often cause them to become unsteady. I am a driver myself and feel that there should be more legality regarding drivers and cyclists rights.
- Weather. I cycle if the weather is nice.
- Bus is the only transport near me
- Lack of alternative, distance
- Bicycle rails are always full by the time I arrive in.
- No car spaces
- Have low blood pressure, often walking isn't really an option because I feel like passing out
- Weather conditions and time of arrival. If it's too early, I won't walk
- Consistency and reliability of mode of transport in terms of time taken and cost.
- Places to lock my bicycle, especially in college.
- Cycling is cheap, I get exercise, it is quick in the morning when the traffic is bad, I can leave my bike safely in the TBSI parking garage.
- Weather, money





- Bus only option
- I use the Dart or train as they are the quickest and cheapest option for me, and are quite safe
- Rush hour traffic makes DART preferable to bus
- Money is an issue so try to choose the cheapest way possible to get here.
- Most days I have class at 9 am. It is quickest to get here by taking a lift into the city centre and walking the rest of the way here. Having to be in by 9 am is the major factor in my decision not to, in the main, use public transport to come to college. Given where I live, I would need to get a bus shortly after 7 am to make it here on time, compared to leaving shortly before 8 am when travelling by car.
- Healthy living
- Carrying groceries when shopping on the way home, traffic at certain hours
- The DART station near my home is only fifteen minutes away, Pearse st. station is very close to the science end of campus. As such, my primary mode of transport is the DART. The bus is less reliable and usually louder.
- Traffic flow- I try to avoid cycling in rush hour as it can feel quite dangerous
- Walking allows exercise, although it takes in excess of an hour for me to walk to college. While I enjoy it, a bike would be a quicker option and allows me to maintain my fitness. The reason I do not cycle is because I don't like cycling with traffic in town especially on Dame street and my bike is not meant for city cycling. I am also worried about leaving my bike all day locked on the grounds.
- Time constraints
- The cost and reliability
- Bad weather
- I would cycle more but im nervous of rush hour traffic
- They cost of bus fare is too high and paying 100 euro all at once for a 30 day student bus pass is very difficult to fund.
- If I have access to my mum's car and if parking is free
- Would love to cycle but don't own a bike and live too far from campus plus generally have too many bags or unsuitable clothing for cycling
- Have to walk through some dodgy areas to get to house, bus is a lot safer especially at night.
- Large amount which needs to be carried in and out of college each day (laptop, notepads, gym equipment, lunch/dinner containers) means that the walk to the train station is too far (20/25 minute walk), so the bus is the only option.
- Rush hour jam on the luas is awful. Bus is much easier if you can catch it on time
- Bicycle safety in the college is awful, often I try not to cycle simply because I'm in too late and worry about theft.

