

APPENDIX B: GLOSSARY

Average Annual Wage -

The average wage paid per year per employee within a given geographic area.

Average Daily Trip (ADT) -

An indicator of traffic volume. Measured by counting the number of vehicles that pass a certain point. Daily totals are averaged for a given period, usually one year. Often reported as AADT-annual average daily traffic. AADT is corrected for seasonal variations.

Baby Boomers -

The generation born right after World War II. Their significance is in their size, creating large numbers of people within an age group.

Bicycle Facilities -

A general term denoting improvements and provisions made to accommodate or encourage bicycling and walking, including parking facilities, maps, bikeways, walkways, sidewalks, and shared roadways not specifically designated for bicycle use.

Bikeway -

Any road, path, or way which in some manner is specifically designated as being open to bicycle travel, regardless of whether such facilities are shared with other modes of transportation or for exclusive use of bicyclists.

Consumer Price Index (CPI) -

An index developed by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics to measure average change in prices over time to consumers. This index is used to evaluate the buying power of the dollar.

Double Stack Containers -

A type of rail transport that involves stacking trailers two high on top of one another while attached to a rail car.

Fixed Route -

Bus or rail service which follows an established route with scheduled stops.

General Aviation Services -

All aircraft, not including military and commercial airlines.

Goods Movement -

The transporting of consumer products that people use.

Human Service Agencies -

Those agencies which provide social services.

Infrastructure -

The underlying foundation or basic framework of a system.

Intermodal -

Providing seamless connections for travelers and shippers between different modes of transport.

Level of Service -

A measure of how traffic-free or traffic-congested a road segment or intersection is. Levels range from A (complete maneuverability) to F (gridlock).

Mean -

Average.

Median Family Income (MFI) -

The midpoint in the range of incomes - as many families earn above this point as below.

Median -

The midpoint in a range of values.

Mobility Limited -

Difficulty related to transportation based on inability to leave home without assistance because of mental or physical limitations.

Multimodal -

Using more than one mode of transportation.

National Highway System -

A federal highway funding initiative intended to insure that all areas of the country are served by highways meeting minimum design, construction, and performance standards.

Paratransit Service -

A sub-category of public transportation which provides service to the mobility-impaired on a regular basis. Para-transit services include demand-responsive transportation services such as shared-ride taxi.

Per Capita Income (PCI) -

The per person income in a given population.

Public Transportation -

Transit systems such as bus, rail, air, and taxi used to convey the general public.

Real Income -

Income adjusted for inflation using a base year "real" \$1.00 per the CPI.

Road Classification -

A system for grouping roads into categories according to specified criteria. Useful in inventorying, describing, and discussing roads.

Seasonal Unit -

Vacation housing units used or intended for use only during certain seasons, for weekends, or for other occasional use throughout the year; includes time-shares or shared-ownership units.

Single Occupancy Vehicle (SOV) -

Private vehicle conveying one person.

Sufficiency Rating -

An evaluation of the adequacy of a bridge or road to perform its required functions, based on structural, safety, and service conditions.

Traffic Calming -

A series of techniques used to control traffic and reduce travel speeds that seeks to maximize mobility, while creating more livable surroundings by reducing the undesirable side effects of mobility.

Transit -

Passage; conveyance of persons or things from one place to another.

Transit Dependency-

The need to rely on other sources of transportation.

Transportation Disadvantaged -

Persons who, for reasons of health, age, lack of private vehicle, and/or low income may have a transportation need.

Vehicle-Miles Traveled (VMT's) -

Also known as Total Vehicle-Miles. An indicator of automobile usage over a given time period (usually on an annual basis). Equal to the total number of miles traveled by all vehicles. Estimated using surveys and traffic counts.