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Bicycling and Walking Performance Measures

Traditional, the new *Highway Capacity Manual*, and beyond...

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A New Game....

- "Balanced" transportation....
- Multi-modal
- Complete Streets
- Livability
- Sustainable "Whatever"
- Economically-Efficient Corridors
- Community Health Metrics....



What gets "measured" gets "done"...

- Artifacts provide the evidence:
 - Federal Reporting by States (HPMS, etc.)
 - AASHTO (Roadway Geometric Design)
 Manuals
 - Highway Capacity Manual
 - Congestion Measures



Livable, or Not Livable?

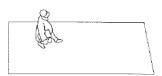


How Livable, or Complete?



LOS A

Pedestrian Space > 60 ft²/p Flow Rate ≤ 5 p/min/ft
At a walkway LOS A, pedestrians move in desired paths
without altering their movements in response to other
pedestrians. Walking speeds are freely selected, and conflicts
between pedestrians are unlikely.



LOS B

Pedestrian Space > 40–60 ft²/p Flow Rate > 5–7 p/min/ft At LOS B, there is sufficient area for pedestrians to select walking speeds freely, to bypass other pedestrians, and to avoid crossing conflicts. At this level, pedestrians begin to be aware of other pedestrians, and to respond to their presence when selecting a walking path.

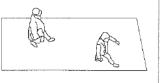


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LOS C

Pedestrian Space > 24-40 ft³/p Flow Rate > 7-10 p/min/ft At LOS C, space is sufficient for normal walking speeds, and for bypassing other pedestrians in primarily unidirectional streams. Reverse-direction or crossing movements can cause minor conflicts, and speeds and flow rate are somewhat lower.



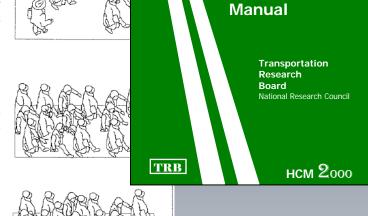
Pedestrian Space > 15-24 ft²fp Flow Rate > 10-15 p/min/ft At LOS D, freedom to select individual walking speed and to bypass other pedestrians is restricted. Crossing or reverseflow movements face a high probability of conflict, requiring frequent changes in speed and position. The LOS provides reasonably fluid flow, but friction and interaction between pedestrians is likely.

LOS E

Pedestrian Space > 8-15 ft²/p Flow Rate > 15-23 p/min/ft At LOS E, virtually all pedestrians restrict their normal walking speed, frequently adjusting their gait. At the lower range, forward movement is possible only by shuffling. Space is not sufficient for passing slower pedestrians. Cross- or reverseflow movements are possible only with extreme difficulties. Design volumes approach the limit of walkway capacity, with stoppages and interruptions to flow.

LOS F

Pedestrian Space < 8 ft²/p Flow Rate varies p/min/ft
At LOS F, all walking speeds are severely restricted, and
forward progress is made only by shuffling. There is frequent,
unavoidable contact with other pedestrians. Cross- and
reverse-flow movements are virtually impossible. Flow is
sporadic and unstable. Space is more characteristic of queued
pedestrians than of moving pedestrian streams.



Highway

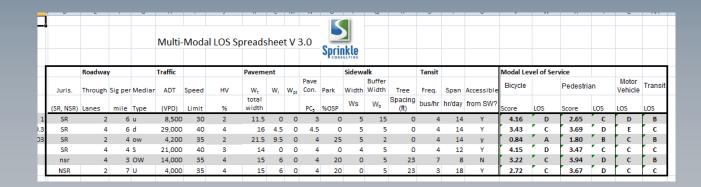
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The Highway Capacity Manual

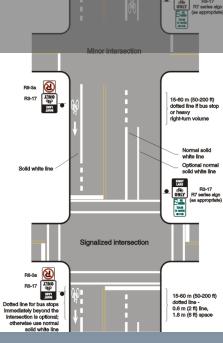
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Planning, Design, Investment

Decisions...





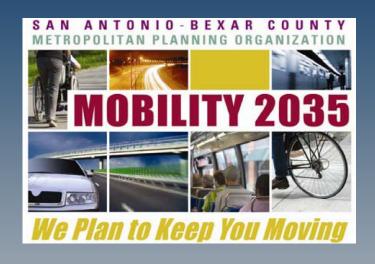
Reliable Measures

- Motor Vehicle LOS
- Bicycling LOS
- Pedestrian LOS
- Transit LOS

- Fuel Savings
- Emissions / GHG
- Health Savings
- Economic Effects



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DOT Research Initiatives







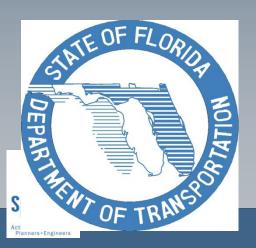


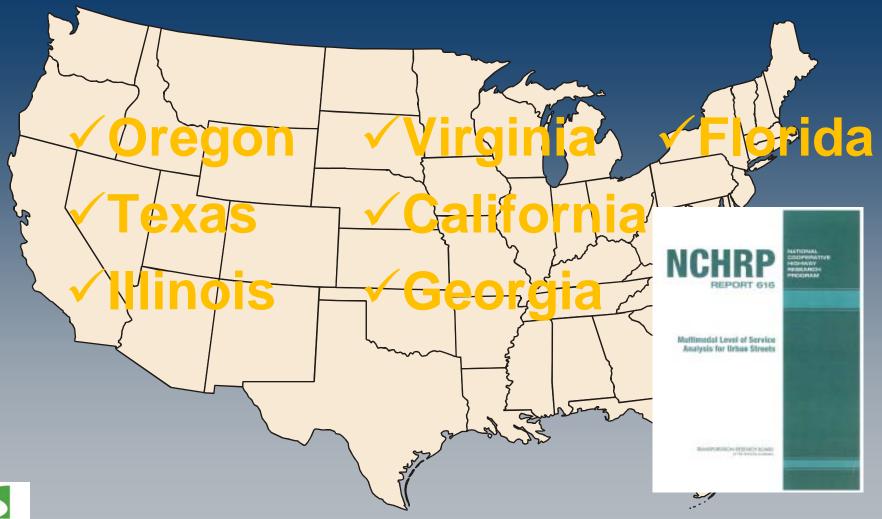
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National Cooperative Highway Research Program NCHRP 3-70

- Multi-modal LOS for Arterials
- Evaluated Bicycling & Walking Conditions Methods
- Established the Best Measures / Models
- Acknowledged Superiority of Bike/Ped Measures' Approach to the Traditional MV LOS
- Tested then Intertwined all Modes' Methods
- Created First Inter-translation QOS/LOS
- Established Simultaneous Reporting



Nationwide Testing & Surveying



Austin's NCHRP 3-70 Test Corridors

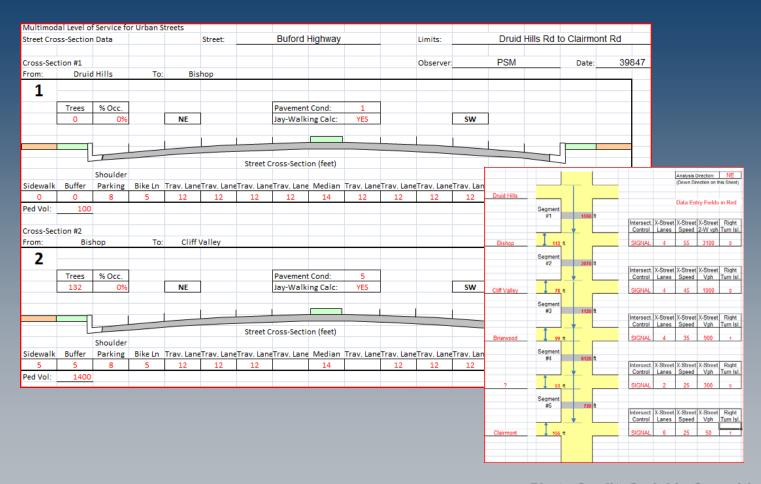
- Guadalupe (MLK to Dean Keeton)
- Manchaca (Berkeley to SH 71)
- Manor (Chestnut to Rogge)

National Cooperative Highway Research Program NCHRP 3-92

- Update of the HCM
- Incorporated NCHRP reports, reliable peerand agency-reviewed methods
- Places Bike, Ped, Transit QOS/LOS measures on par with MV measures
- Acknowledges the "new" approach of asking "customers" for performance measures



Chapters 16 & 17 Urban Arterials a.k.a. "Multi-modal LOS"





Highway System Structure

- Points
- Segments
- Facilities
- Corridors
- Areas



Arterial Bicycle LOS Model

Bicycle LOS =
$$a_1(\mathbf{Seg}) + a_2(\exp(\mathbf{Int})) + a_3(\mathbf{Cflt})$$

Where

Seg = length weighted avg. Segment Bicycle LOS Model

exp = exponential function

Int = average Intersection Bicycle LOS Model

Cflt = number of conflicts per mile (e.g., driveways, unsig. Int.)

 $a_1, a_2, a_3 = coefficients$



Segment Bicycle LOS Model



Effective Pavement Width Effects....



MV Volume Effects....



Pavement Condition Effects....



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Intersection Bicycle LOS

IntBLOS = - 0.2144
$$W_t$$

+ 0.0153 CD
+ 0.0066 (Vol_{15} / L)
+ 4.1324

 W_{t}

= total width of outside through lane and shoulder / bike lane (if present)

CD

= crossing distance, the width of the side street (including auxiliary lanes and median)

Vol15

= volume of directional traffic during a 15-minute time period

= total number of through lanes on the approach to the intersection



Establishing Target Level(s) of Service





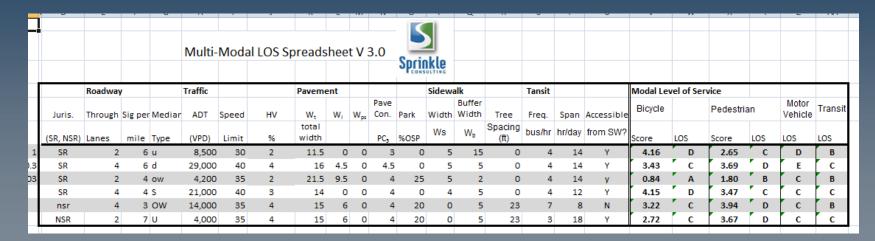




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Pedestrian LOS Model

= Worse of (Density LOS, Roadway Environ, LOS)

Density LOS

= letter grade of LOS for "crowding" density of sidewalks, walkways and street corners

Roadway-Ped LOS = letter grade of LOS for urban street based on

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Pedestrian

LEVEL OF SERVICE A

LEVEL OF SERVICE B

Pedestrian Space: ≥ 40 sq ft/ped Flow Rate: ≤ 7 ped/min/ft

At LOS B, sufficient area is provided to allow pedestrians to freely select walking speeds, to bypass other pedestrians, and to avoid crossing conflicts with others. At this level, pedestrians begin to be aware of other pedestrians, and to respond to their presence in the selection of walking path.



From Chapter 18 of the 2000 HCM

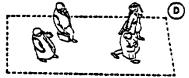
LEVEL OF SERVICE C

Pedestrian Space: ≥ 24 sq ft/ped Flow Rate:

LOS	Min. Ped Space per Person (SF)	Equivalent Max Flow Rate per Unit	ce is available to select normal walking speeds, and to s in primarily unidirectional streams. Where reverse- vements exist, minor conflicts will occur, and speeds swhat lower.				
		Width of Sidewalk (peds/hr/ft)					
A > 60		≤ 300	 Where crossing or reverse-flow movements exist, the high, and its avoidance requires frequent changes in LOS provides reasonably fluid flow; however, interaction between pedestrians is likely to occur. 				
В	>40	≤ 420	interaction between pedestrians is interp to occur.				
С	>24	≤ 600	sq ft/ped Flow Rate: ≤ 25 ped/min/ft				
D	>15	≤ 900	uent adjustment of gait. At the lower range of this LOS, ssible only by "shuffling." Insufficient space is provided destrians. Cross- or reverse-flow movements are				
E >8		≤ 1380	ne difficulties. Design volumes approach the limit of esulting stoppages and interruptions to flow.				
F	≤ 8	>1380	sq ft/ped Flow Rate: variable				

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Pedestrian LOS Model

Two Roadway Environment models...modified by...

PedLOS = $(a_1 PSegment + a_2 PInt + c) (RCDF)$

PSeg = Segment Pedestrian LOS value

PInt = Intersection Pedestrian LOS value

RCDF = Roadway Crossing Difficulty Factor

 $a_1, a_2 = coefficients$

c = constant



Segment Pedestrian LOS

Seg LOS = -1.2276 ln (
$$W_t + f_p \times \%OSP + f_b \times W_b + f_{sw} \times W_s$$
) +

 $0.0091(Vol_{15}/L) + 0.0004 SPD^2 + 6.0468$

Where:

Ped Seg LOS = Pedestrian level of service score for a segment

= Natural log

= Width of outside lane plus shoulder / bike lane

f_p = On-street parking effect coefficient (= 0.20) %OSP = Percent of segment with on-street parking

= Buffer area coefficient (= 5.37 for trees spaced 20 feet on center)

= Buffer width (distance between edge of pavement and sidewalk, in feet)

= Sidewalk presence coefficient (= 6 - 0.3Ws)

Ws = Width of sidewalk

Vol15 = Volume of motorized vehicles in the peak 15 minute period

L = Total number of directional through lanes

SPD = Average running speed of motorized vehicle traffic (mi/h)



Intersection Pedestrian LOS

Ped Int LOS (Signal) = 0.00569 (RTOR+PermLefts) + 0.00013 (crossingTrafVol x

TrafSpeed) + 0.0681 (# LanesCrossed ^{0.514}) + 0.0401In(PedDelay) – RTCI

(0.0027 Perp Traf Vol - 0.1946) + 1.7806

Where

RTOR+PermLefts = right-turn-on-red vehicles plus number of motorists making a permitted left turn in a 15 minute period

PerpTrafVol*PerpTrafSpeed = Product of the traffic in the outside through lane of the street being crossed and the midblock 85th percentile speed of traffic on the street being crossed in a 15 minute period

LanesCrossed = The number of lanes being crossed by the pedestrian PedDelay = Average number of seconds the pedestrian is delayed before being able to cross the intersection



Roadway Crossing Difficulty Factor

 $RCDF = Max[0.80, Min{[(XLOS#-NXLOS#)/7.5 + 1.00], 1.20}]$

Where

RCDF = Roadway crossing difficulty factor

XLOS# = Roadway crossing difficulty LOS Number

NXLOS# = Non-crossing Pedestrian LOS number

= (0.318 PSeg + 0.220 PInt + 1.606)

Pseg = Ped. Segment LOS number (computed per equation #20)

Pint = Ped. Intersection LOS number (computed per equation #21)

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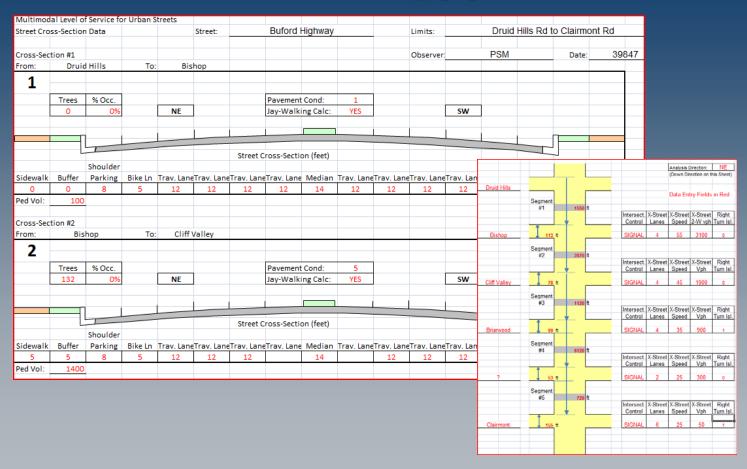


Pedestrian Level of Service

Level of Service	Score
A	≤ 1.5
В	> 1.5 and ≤ 2.5
С	> 2.5 and ≤ 3.5
D	> 3.5 and ≤ 4.5
Е	> 4.5 and ≤ 5.5
F	> 5.5



Chapters 16 & 17 Urban Arterials a.k.a. Multi-modal or Complete Streets LOS





Reliable Measures

- Motor Vehicle LOS
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ActiveTransportation Corridors

Advanced Tools for Livability Benefits...



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Conserve by Bicycle and Pedestrian Study Benefits Calculator Roadway Information Corridor Characteristics new road name 4.0 Roadway Name Average Traveler Trip Length (n Jurisdiction. Miami Aesthetics (1-5) SR Designation Points of Interest (1-3) Analyst 1.43 Date US Designation Auto Occupancy (ppmv) Functional Class Arterial Bike/Ped Facility Length (mi.) Agency/Company Number of Lanes Independent Alignment Trail? Yes Scenario AADT 36000 Corridor Study Length 24 miles Influence Area Demographics Signals Transit Service Population within 10 miles (people) 1000 Divided or Undivided **Buses Per Hour** 11000 Undivided Population within 0.5 miles (people) 35 Two-way Bus Occupancy (ppb) 7954 One- or two-way Population Density (pop/sq. mi.) Trains Per hour 3683 Area Type: Other Employment Density (jobs/sq mi) 13 100000 Speed Limit 30 Span of Service (hours per day) Household Income (\$/household): 2 % Percent Heavy Vehicles Bus LOS* Connectivity Measures E Motor Vehicle LOS* 0.95 Analysis Zone Pedestrian. Pavement Condition 3.5 2.00 Bicycle 3.28 Ellipse Length (mi.) *(from ARTPLAN or Generalized Tables) Ellipse Width (mi.) 0.40 Enter Ped and Bike LOS Data Right Shoulder/ Outside On street Parking? Buffer Width Bike Lane Lane Width Width: Width 10 Sidewalk? No 12 히 Tree Spacing Sidepath? no Width 8 Occupancy Bicycle LOS 2.69 C Pedestrian LOS = 5.09 E Person Induced Facility Users Total Daily Benefits of Facility **Mode Splits** Trips **Volume** Recreational Motor Vehicles 2,575 Hourly Daily 2,575 Fuel Savings Gal Midpoint Facility Transit 39 308 CO2 Reduction 64 lbs 13 167 141 Health Benefits \$1,357 Bicycle 267 2,502 Pedestrian 2,768 .d - 10/29/09

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Report Output for Corridor Investments

Societal benefits:

- Fuel Savings
- CO² Emissions
 Savings
- Health Cost Savings

Health and Energy Benefits Calculator Mode Choice and Induced Recreational Travel Estimation/Prediction

l	Roadway Information Roadway Name Jurisdiction SR Designation US Designation	new roa Miami SR 3	d name	Corridor C Average Tra Aesthetics (Points of In Auto Occup	4 3 2 1.43	mile						
	Functional Class	Arterial		Bike/Ped Fa	cility Le	ength	9	mile				
	Number of Lanes	4		Independen	t Alignn	nent Trail?	Yes					
	AADT	36000		Corridor Stu	ıdy Len	gth	24	mile				
	Signals	4										
	Divided or Undivided	Undivid	ed	Influence A	Area De	mographics						
	One- or two-way	Two-wa	у	Population ¹	within 1	0 miles	1000	peo				
	Area Type	Other		.75 miles	11000 pe							
	Speed Limit	30		Population	Density	(pop/sq. mi.)	7954					
	% Heavy Vehicles	2		Employmen	t Densit	ty (jobs/sq mi)	3689					
	Motor Vehicle LOS*	E										
	Pavement Condition	3.5		Analysis Z								
				Ellipse Leng	•	2.00	miles					
	Transit Service			Ellipse Widt	h	0.40	miles					
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	Bus Occupancy (ppb)	35		Connectivi	ity Mea							
	Trains Per hour	7		Pedestrian		0.9	-					
	Span of Service	19		Bicycle		3.2	:8					
	Bus LOS*	а										
	Cross Section											
	Outside lane width	12	feet	Bike LOS	С							
	Shoulder/bike lane width	5	feet	Ped LOS	E							
	Parking Width	0	feet									
	Parking Occupancy	0	percent									
	Buffer Width	10	feet									
	Tree Sapcing	0	feet									
	Sidwalk?	No										
	Sidepath?	no										
	SW/SP Width	8	feet									

Mode Splits	Person Trips	Volumes	Facility Users	Induced R Us	Total Daily	
Motor Vehicles	3,682	2,575	Daily	Midpoint	Facility	
Transit	1,376	39	0	0	0	39
Bicycle	4	4	167	78	141	308
Pedestrian	1	1	267	278	2502	2,768

 Benefits
 Daily
 Annually

 Fuel Savings
 3 gallons
 1004 gallons

 CO2 Emmissions Savings
 64 pounds
 10 tons

 Health Costs Savings
 \$1,357
 \$4,014

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Performance Metrics

Effective Mid-block Crossings

- Make motorists and pedestrians <u>aware of the crossing</u>
- Communicate the obligations
- Enable the motorists and the pedestrians to <u>fulfill their</u> obligations



Performance Metrics "Buffered" Bike, or Comfort Lanes



Your Resources...

- Highway Capacity Manual
- NCHRP Report 616

http://onlinepubs.trb.org/onlinepubs/nchrp/nchrp_rpt_616.pdf

FDOT's Q/LOS Handbook

http://www.dot.state.fl.us/planning/systems/sm/los/pdfs

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