



Travel

Visitors mostly drive to parks, walk or bike to trails

Visitors were asked how they traveled to the park or trail on the day of survey (Figure 2, 3, 4). Park visitors mostly traveled via car (59.4%), but almost 40% traveled to parks by bike or on foot. Trail visitors arrived via bike (44.7%), on foot (37.2%) and less often by car (17.3%). However, the proportions varied among locations. The difference in car use suggests that the distance traveled to trails was much shorter than the distance to parks. Mass transit was used for less than 1% of visits to the regional system.

Visitors traveled to parks mostly in cars
but went to trails via mostly people-powered methods.

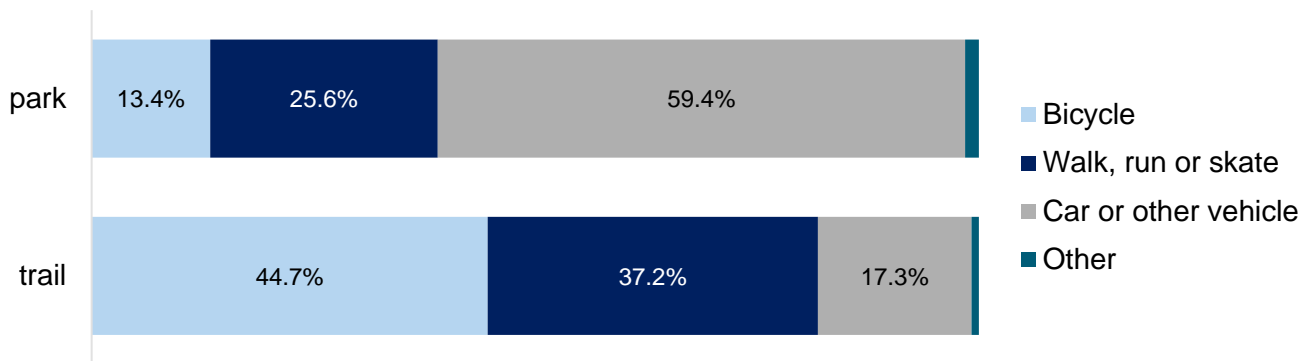


Figure 1: Modes of travel to visit parks and trails (percent)

Across the region, travel to parks mostly by car, with more people-powered transportation in urban core parks.

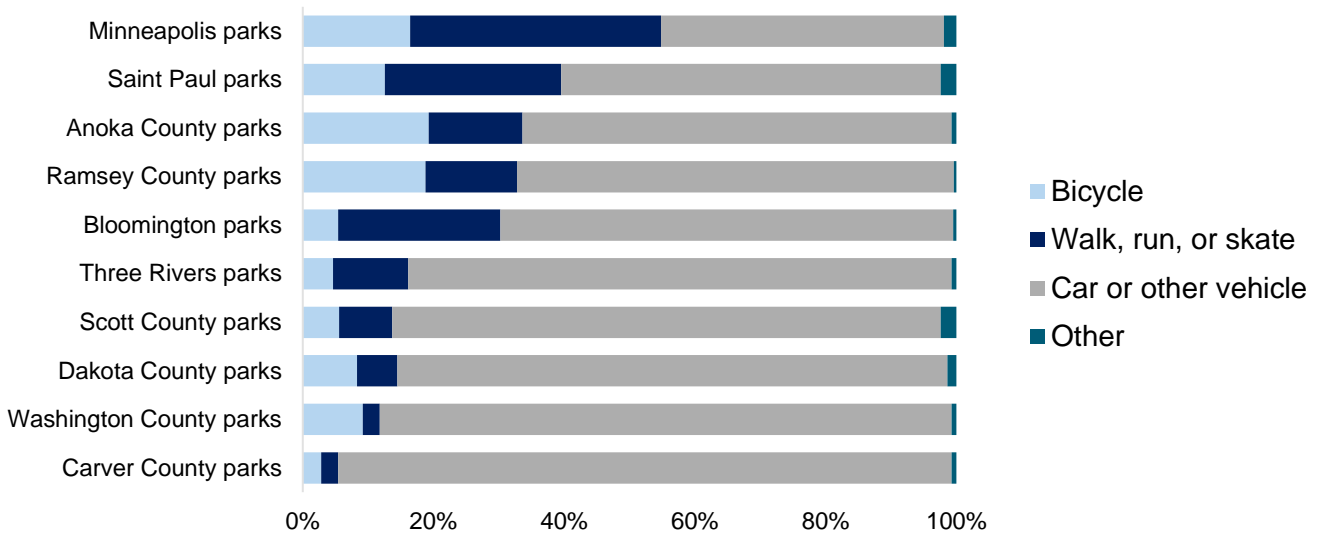


Figure 2: Modes of travel to visit parks across park agencies (percent)

Trail visitors across the system arrive most often by bike, on foot.

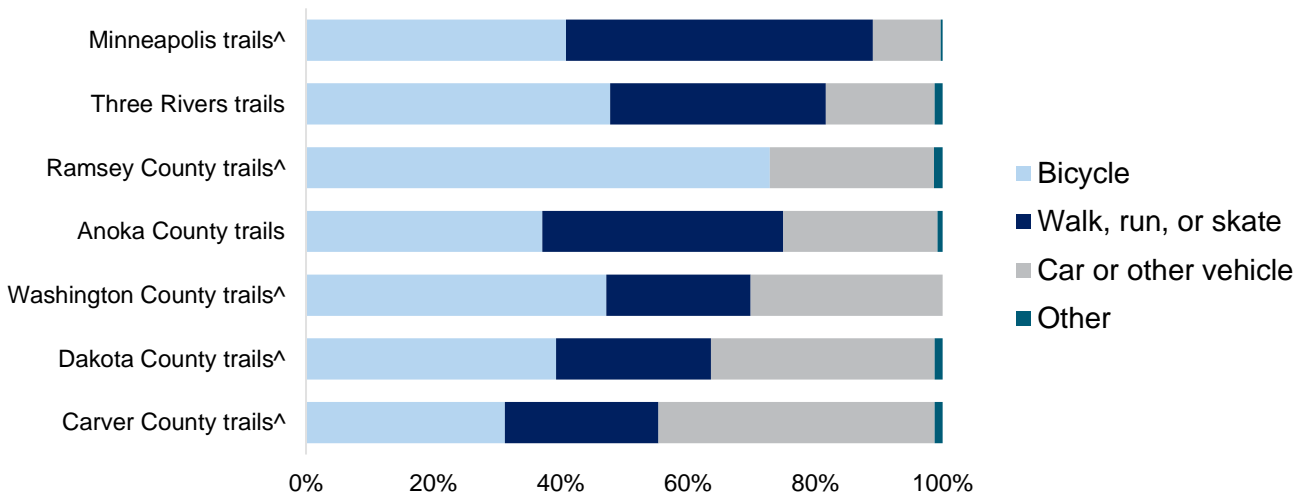


Figure 3: Modes of travel to trails across park agencies (percent)

Units with ^ (caret) symbol: Interpret with caution because margins of error are larger than 10% of estimate totals. Sample sizes were too small to report results for trail systems within Bloomington, Saint Paul, and Scott County.