

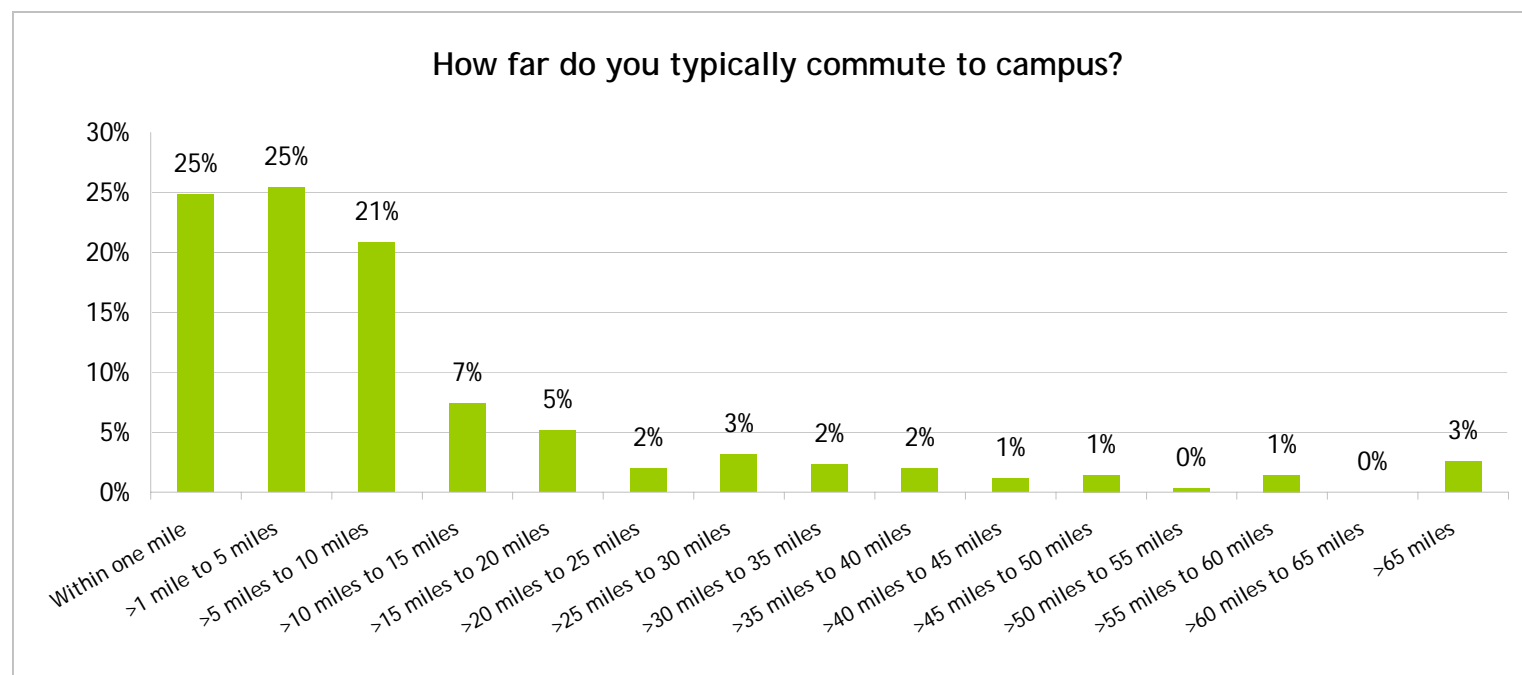
The Evergreen State College  
Evergreen Student Experience Survey 2006  
Responses of Olympia Campus Students

### Commuting to Campus

To assist in understanding commuting patterns, students were asked a set of questions about typical commuting distances and ways of getting to campus. The average distance reported was 13.32 miles, while the median distance was 5 miles. Some students indicated that they commuted 0 miles because they live on campus.

#### How far do you typically commute to campus?

Mean	13.32 miles
Median	5 miles
Minimum	0 miles
Maximum	300 miles
Number skipped question	N = 36



### Estimated Commuting Distances

	Number reported commute distance within range	Percentage reporting commute distance within range
Within one mile	87	25%
>1 mile to 5 miles	89	25%
>5 miles to 10 miles	73	21%
>10 miles to 15 miles	26	7%
>15 miles to 20 miles	18	5%
>20 miles to 25 miles	7	2%
>25 miles to 30 miles	11	3%
>30 miles to 35 miles	8	2%
>35 miles to 40 miles	7	2%
>40 miles to 45 miles	4	1%
>45 miles to 50 miles	5	1%
>50 miles to 55 miles	1	0%
>55 miles to 60 miles	5	1%
>60 miles to 65 miles	0	0%
>65 miles	9	3%
Total number responded	350	100%

The distances reported on the Evergreen Student Experience Survey 2006 were compared with data obtained from a Commute Trip Analysis study of 2004 data. The Commute Trip Analysis involved geocoding Olympia campus students' street addresses to estimate how far students were commuting to the Olympia campus. Comparisons are listed below. The distribution of distances is similar, with the greatest differences between the 2004 and 2006 data in the percentage of students slightly more than 3 miles to 5 miles and from slightly farther than 7 miles to 15 miles. It should be noted that the 2006 Evergreen Student Experience Survey data includes undergraduates only, while the Commute Trip Analysis also included graduate students.

### Comparison of Survey Results (2006) compared to results of the Commute Trip Analysis (Fall 2004 data)

	Number reporting commute distance within range (Evergreen Student Experience Survey 2006)	Percentage reporting commute distance within range (ESES 2006)	Percentage reporting commute distance within range (Fall 2004)	Difference between ESES 2006 and Commute Trip Analysis
Within one mile	87	25%	27%	-2%
>1 mile to 3 miles	36	10%	12%	-2%
>3 miles to 5 miles	53	15%	21%	-6%
>5 miles to 7 miles	32	9%	9%	0%
>7 miles to 15 miles	67	19%	11%	8%
>15 miles to 30 miles	36	10%	8%	2%
>30 miles to 60 miles	30	9%	8%	1%
>60 miles	9	3%	4%	-1%

Olympia campus students were asked to indicate modes of transportation that they typically used to commute to the Olympia campus. In terms of alternative means of transportation, 17.7% indicated that they carpool with at least one other adult, 20.8% indicated that they typically walk, 15.8% ride a bike, 28.5% ride the bus, and 5.1% indicated other means of commuting.

How do you usually get to campus? (N=355, 31 skipped questions)	Percentage who reported that they typically...*	Average (Mean) number of days per week
Drive alone or with child/children only	56.3%	2.9
Carpool with at least one other adult	17.7%	2.1
Walk	20.8%	4.9
Bike	15.8%	2.6
Ride the bus	28.5%	3.1
Other	5.1%	3.8

\* Percentages do not add up to 100% as many students reported more than one way of getting to campus.

#### Responses written in next to Other:

Canoe

Driven by a friend/husband with a car (3)

Hitch hike

I currently live in [a foreign country], and am part of an exchange program so I don't go to the evergreen campus

Live on campus (3)

Motorcycle (2)

Occasional hitch hiking or skate boarding

Off-campus

Skateboarding (3)