

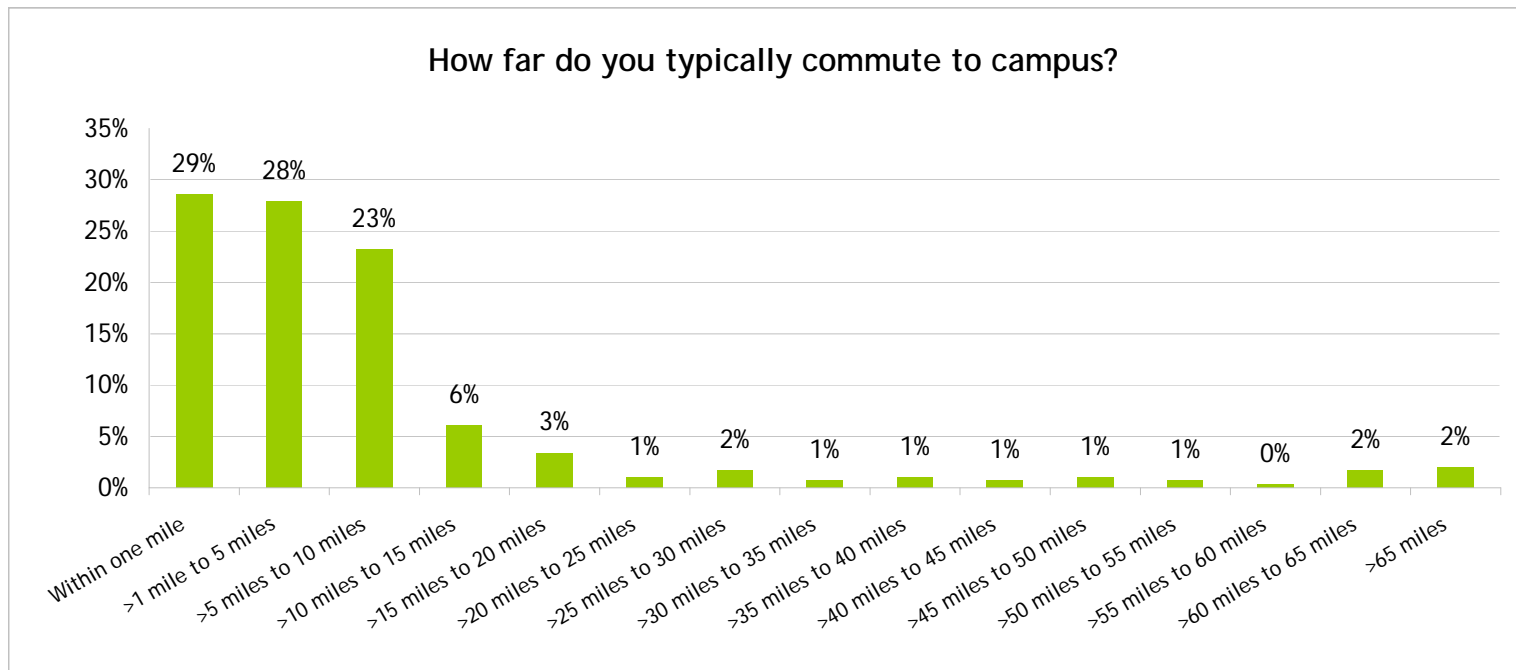
The Evergreen State College
Evergreen Student Experience Survey 2008
Responses of Olympia Campus Students

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 10.2 miles and the median distance was 5 miles. Some students indicated that they commuted 0 miles because they lived on campus.

How far do you typically commute to campus?

Mean	10.2 miles
Median	5 miles
Minimum	0 miles
Maximum	125 miles
Number unable to code	8
Number skipped question	25



Estimated Commuting Distances and Comparison of Evergreen Student Experience 2006 and 2008 Survey Results

	Number reporting commute distance within range (2008)	Percentage reporting commute distance within range (2008)	Percentage reporting commute distance within range (2006)	Difference from 2006 to 2008, Evergreen Student Experience Survey
Within one mile	85	29%	25%	4%
>1 mile to 5 miles	83	28%	25%	2%
>5 miles to 10 miles	69	23%	21%	2%
>10 miles to 15 miles	18	6%	7%	-1%
>15 miles to 20 miles	10	3%	5%	-2%
>20 miles to 25 miles	3	1%	2%	-1%
>25 miles to 30 miles	5	2%	3%	-1%
>30 miles to 35 miles	2	1%	2%	-2%
>35 miles to 40 miles	3	1%	2%	-1%
>40 miles to 45 miles	2	1%	1%	0%
>45 miles to 50 miles	3	1%	1%	0%
>50 miles to 55 miles	2	1%	0%	0%
>55 miles to 60 miles	1	0%	1%	-1%
>60 miles to 65 miles	5	2%	0%	2%
>65 miles	6	2%	3%	-1%
Total number responded	297	100%	100%	

Olympia campus students were asked to indicate modes of transportation that they typically used to commute to the Olympia campus. Over seventy percent of respondents used alternative transportation: 19.7% of respondents indicated that they carpool with at least one other adult, 20.3% indicated that they typically walk, 13.0% ride a bike, 33.6% ride the bus, 10.0% used a combination of bike and bus, and 1.5% indicated other means of commuting.

Responses that could not be coded:

The responses of students who did not indicate that they lived on campus and did not enter a numerical response could not be captured. The responses of these students are listed below:

I don't know
I do not know.
I don't know miles. I live in downtown though.
N/A
carpool
Not on campus this year.
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How do you usually get to campus? (N=297, 33 skipped questions)	Percentage who reported that they typically...*	Average (Mean) number of days per week
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Drive alone or with child/children only	42.4%	2.7
Carpool with at least one other adult	19.7%	2.2
Walk	20.3%	4.8
Bike	13.0%	2.8
Ride the bus	33.6%	3.3
Bike and bus combination	10.0%	2.7
Other	1.5%	2.2

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

Percentage who reported that they typically...*

	2008	2006	change in usage
Drive alone or with child/children only	42.4%	56.3%	-13.9%
Alternative Transportation, any form**	70.4%	62.8%	7.6%

Average (Mean) number of days per week

	2008	2006	change in days
Drive alone or with child/children only	2.7	2.9	-0.2
Alternative Transportation, any form**	3.5	2.8	0.7

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** For 2006, this includes carpooling with at least one other adult, walking, biking, riding the bus, and other. 2008 includes all of these options as well as bike and bus combination.

Responses written in next to Other:

Bus and train twice per quarter
canoe to beach and walk through woods
Ferry boat---walk-on passenger
I drive a moped, 100mpg

What percentage of the trips you take to and from campus are by alternative transportation (i.e. using something other than alone or with children only)?

Mean	55
Median	75
Number skipped the question	50