School Transport Programme -Travelwise

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Walking School Bus

Rain or Shine





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- How does Travelwise connect Transport to make liveable communities?
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Strategic Context

- Auckland Plan Vision
- Auckland the most liveable city
- Auckland Transport's Outcome
- Auckland Transport's System is effective, efficient and safe





Auckland Transport Strategic Context

Vision Mission

Delivering transport choices to get you where you want, when you want





To deliver effective and innovative transport solutions to customers





What is the School Transport Programme -Travelwise?



- Partnership approach:
 School community, local boards and key stakeholders including NZ Transport
 Agency and the NZ Police
- Annual investment:\$12 million
- 403 Travelwise Schools across the region
- 202,087 students attend a Travelwise School



How is Travelwise and the Safe System linked?



The Safe System approach aims to create a forgiving road system based on these four principles:

PEOPLE MAKE MISTAKES

We need to recognise that people make mistakes and some crashes are inevitable.

PEOPLE ARE VULNERABLE

Our bodies have a limited ability to withstand crash forces without being seriously injured or killed.

WE NEED TO SHARE RESPONSIBILITY

System designers and people who use the roads must all share responsibility for creating a road system where crash forces do not result in death or serious injury.

WE NEED TO STRENGTHEN ALL PARTS OF THE SYSTEM

We need to improve the safety of all parts of the system – roads and roadsides, speeds, vehicles, and road use so that if one part fails, other parts will still protect the people involved.



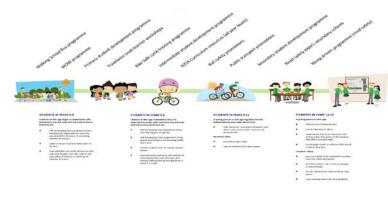


What is Travelwise?

Whole School Approach



Travelwise through the years







How does Travelwise connect Transport to liveable communities?

Creating opportunities to walk

and to cycle









Walking School Bus

Walking school bus participants



Walking school bus merit scheme









Cross Safely





Watch out!
Cross at the Zebra

Auckland 2

Stop, look, listen!
Cross at the Zebra

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WOW and Bike Safe programme



Bike Safe Programme







Be Safe Be Seen and Scoot Skills

Be safe be seen



Scoot skills







Travelwise Tree and Bike Breakfast

Travelwise Tree



Bike Breakfast







Public Transport





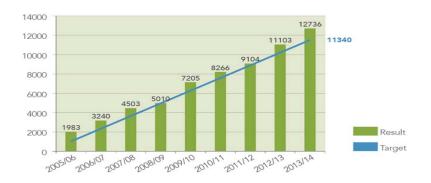






Key findings

Graph showing the number of cars removed



2013 results

- 12,736 fewer car trips in morning peak
- 11,992,434 passenger trips (on 499 AT school buses + urban services and commercially operated bus services)
- 9348 students in 93 schools received cycle training



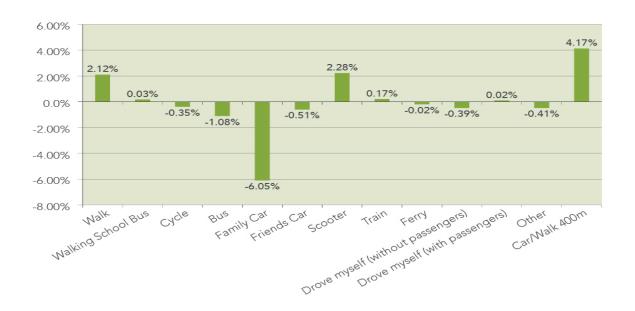
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- 21% reduction in crashes involving school age pedestrians and cyclists was found at schools with a Safe School Travel Plan, compared to a 5% reduction at schools without a Safe School Travel Plan Source Flow Transportation Specialists. (2014). Safe school travel plans and road safety research update. Auckland: Commissioned Report.
- Customer perception of road safety is improved around schools. Source: Travelwise Lead teachers and Principals were asked whether they felt Travelwise had made a difference to congestion and safety outside their school. 44.7% of Lead Teachers believe Travelwise has had a positive or very positive impact on the safety of children around their school. 31.2% of Lead Teachers believe Travelwise has a positive or very positive impact on congestion around the school.





Key findings







What are the challenges for Auckland?

- Ensure all Travelwise schools have a clear vision for road safety and sustainable transport at their school, and know what interventions need to take place in order for them to reach their goals
- Ensure there is a stronger focus on recognising the efforts and contribution of the students, staff and volunteers for their contributions to the successful delivery of the Travelwise programme







Focus areas

- Improve road safety
 particularly for school aged
 children going to school in
 central and south Auckland
- Work with the NZ Police
- Better monitoring of perceptions of safety
- Encourage active transport
- Promote students to use AT HOP card







Any Questions?

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Conclusion

The School Transport programme - Travelwise is a great example of how transport can **connect** and make a community vibrant and liveable. Moving forward the goal is to continue to improve connectivity to make it easier to get to and from school safely and sustainably.





