Housing and Transportation Cost Estimates

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"To identify average combined estimated housing and transportation cost"

Methodology



Housing cost estimates - 2016 census

Transportation costs - customized 2017 CRD Origin and Destination Household Travel Survey

Census tract level and aggregated up to a municipal level average

Engagement and Participation



Project Owner: CRD Regional Housing – scope determination

Study Preparation, Data and Analysis: CRD Regional and Strategic Planning

DPAC: updated DPAC on two separate occasions

took feedback and adjusted study accordingly

Transportation Costs



- Commuting patterns
- Vehicle Ownership Rates
- Distance and frequency of travel
- Fixed Costs insurance, depreciation
- Operational costs costs of fuel, servicing, repairs

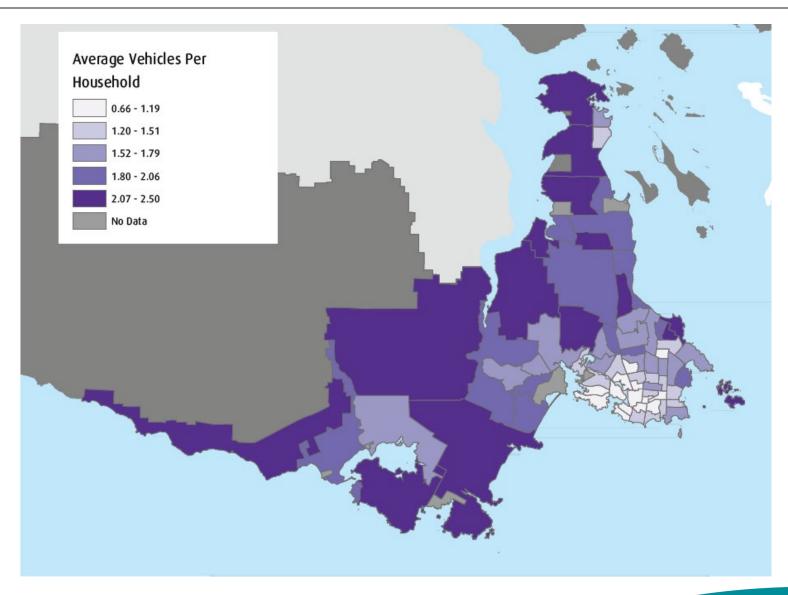
Transportation – Commuting patterns



Sub Region	Geography	Percentage Commuting within Home Sub Region	Percentage Spending >45 minutes on Commute	Percentage of Commutes By Active Travel*
Core				
	Esquimalt	90.5%	7.1%	35.9%
	Oak Bay	93.6%	4.4%	30.2%
	Saanich	84.5%	5.2%	24.5%
	Victoria	91.5%	6.1%	48.8%
	View Royal	67.3%	9.2%	18.8%
Saanich Peninsula				
	Central Saanich	45.3%	8.5%	12.1%
	North Saanich	57.3%	12.2%	10.5%
	Sidney	69.1%	9.0%	25.1%
West Shore				
	Colwood	31.5%	20.2%	14.3%
	Highlands	33.9%	21.5%	5.8%
	Juan de Fuca (Part 1)	46.8%	43.0%	9.4%
	Langford	32.2%	20.3%	14.1%
	Metchosin	47.9%	30.5%	6.9%
	Sooke	51.1%	43.6%	15.6%

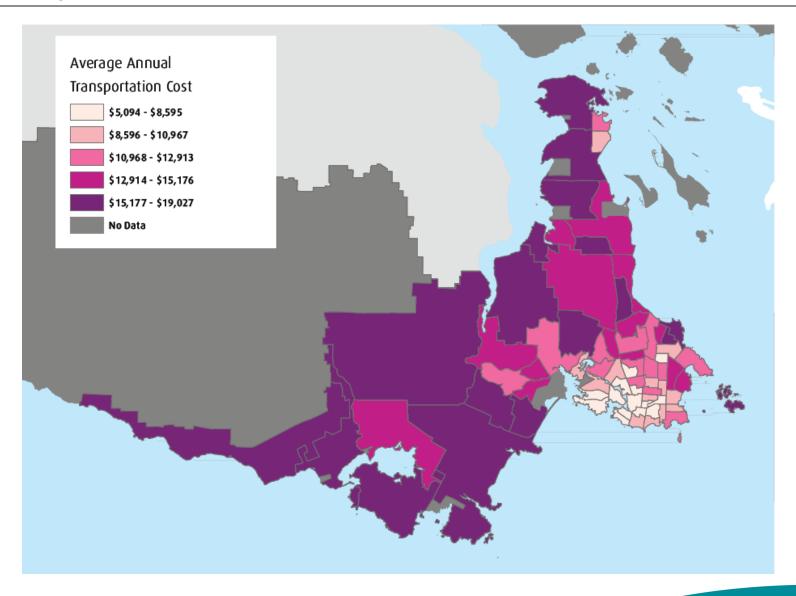
Transportation Costs – Average Vehicles per Household





Transportation – Average Annual Transportation Cost





Housing Costs



- 2016 Census shelter cost, what households on average actually pay
- Includes rent/mortgage payments, taxes and utilities
- Owner households with and without a mortgage

Housing Cost Escalation





Neighbour 1, may have bought their house or strata lot in 1980 for \$135,000 and are now mortgage free.



Neighbour 2, on the other hand, purchased a similar house or strata lot for \$400,000 in 2009 requiring a \$300,000 mortgage, which the household has now paid down to \$175,000.

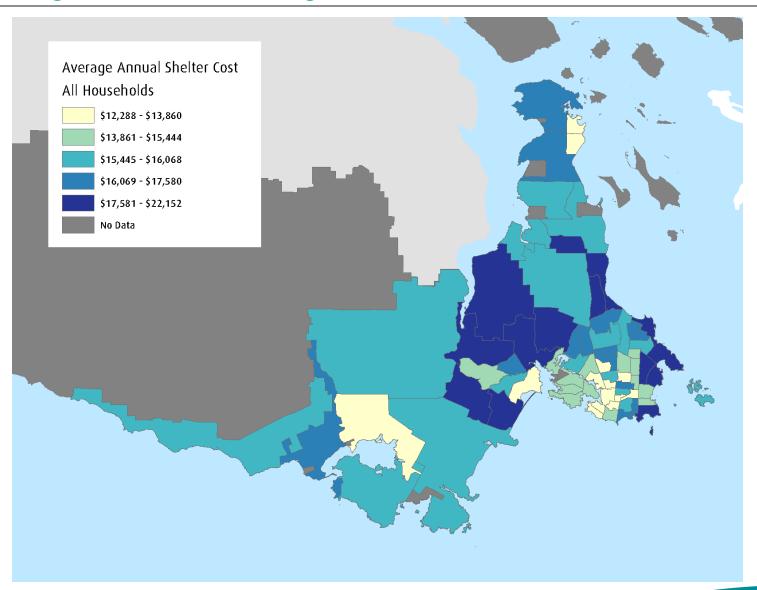


Neighbour 3 purchased their house or strata lot in 2019 for \$800,000, requiring a mortgage of \$600,000.



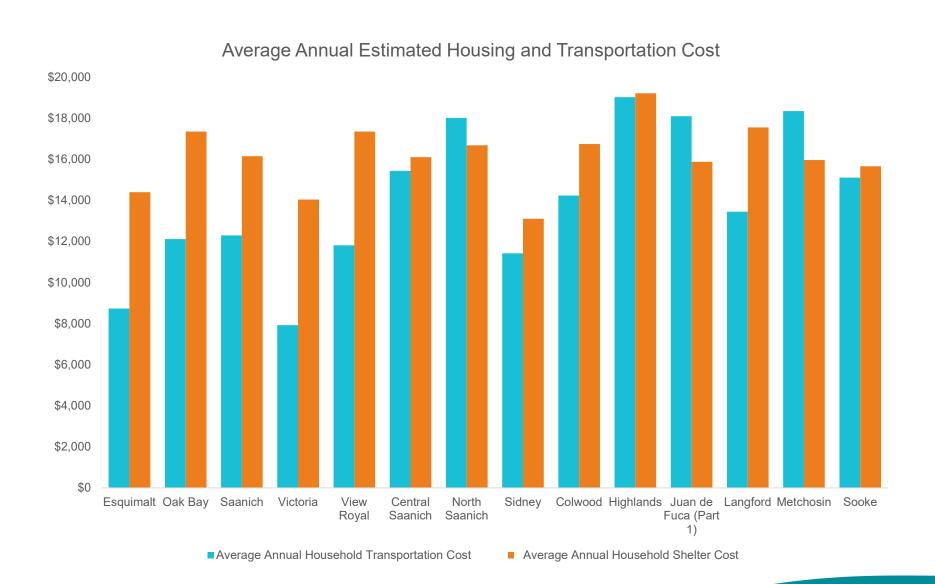
Average Annual Housing Cost





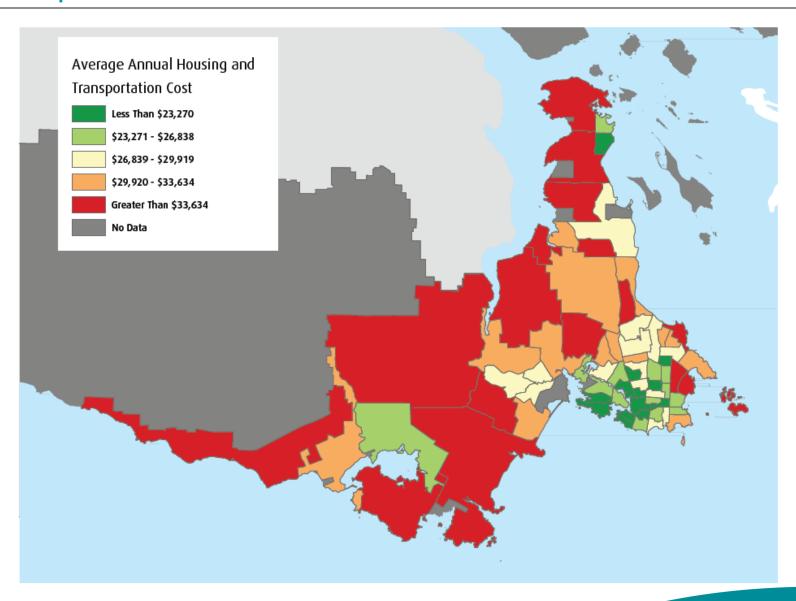
Average Annual Housing and Transportation Cost





Average Annual Combined Housing and Transportation Cost





Key Findings



- Housing location can affect transportation choice and costs, and therefore general affordability.
- Vehicle ownership drives higher transportation costs fixed ownership costs are significant regardless of use.
- Average housing and transportation costs are more moderate in walkable mixed use areas with a diverse housing stock and greater transportation choice.
- Residents have more control over transportation costs than they do housing costs.