

# Ballard Employee Parking and Transportation Survey

- Open April – May, 2014
- Mailer sent to 795 business addresses in study area
- Mailing supplemented by myballard.com posting and direct outreach



**HOW DO YOU GET TO WORK?**

Please complete a short online survey by May 31, 2014 at [www.surveymonkey.com/s/ballard\\_survey](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ballard_survey)

PROJECT INFORMATION & CONTACT  
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- 535 local employee responses, 135 responses from other interested individuals

# Response by employment sector

Type	Percent of respondents
Restaurant, bar, coffee shop, etc.	10%
Retail or retail services	10%
Office	20%
Health care	33%
Nonprofit	4%
Marine services / fishing	7%
Industrial / manufacturing / construction	4%
Other	12%

# How do employees get to work?

Mode	Percent of respondents
Drive Alone	65%
Walk	11%
Bus	9%
Bike	5%
Carpool	5%
Telework	4%

# Where are employees coming from?

Zip	% of respondents	Drive alone %
98107 – Ballard / Frelard	24%	40%
98117 – Loyal Heights / Crown Hill	18%	64%
98103 – Wallingford / Fremont / Licton Springs	6%	65%
98133 – NW Seattle / Shoreline	5%	67%
98199 – Magnolia	4%	44%
98115 – NE Seattle	3%	86%
Other (2% or less)	39%	76%

# Where do employees park?

	Does your employer provide free parking?
Yes	25%
No	75%

	If no free employer-provided parking, where do you park?
On-street free	64%
On-street paid	4%
Off-street free	4%
Off-street paid	30%

# Employee work and on-street parking locations



# Comments from employees

- If parking after 10 AM, finding a spot is very challenging.
- Most of the time we have to move our cars every two hours.
- Recently this has become more difficult with many spaces closed related to construction.
- It's easy to park as I use a garage, for which I pay a fee. The reason why I have chosen to pay is that parking is quite difficult to find.
- Parking is terrible. Too many apartments built with no parking spaces for the tenants.

# Comments from non-employees

- I moved my office space off of Ballard Avenue in 2013 so my clients don't spend 20-30 minutes looking for parking.
- There's plenty of parking in downtown Ballard. But it costs money. How do we get people in Seattle to pay for parking?
- It is becoming difficult to visit the business district because so many residents are parking on the streets and so many bars attract so many patrons. Where to park to purchase something?