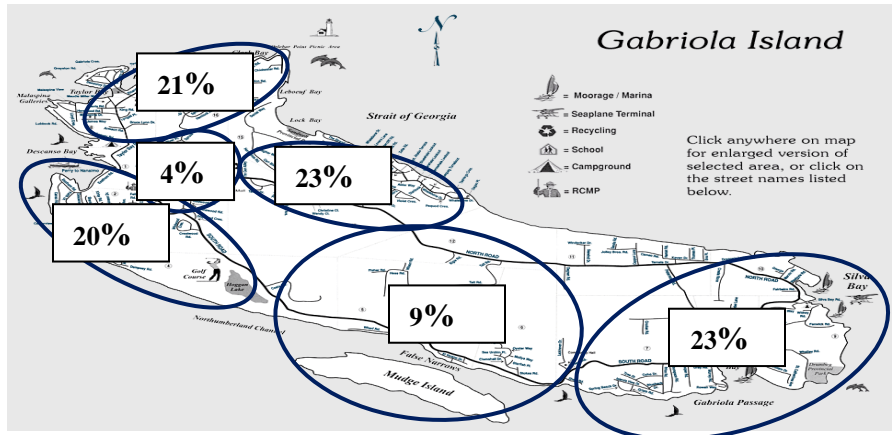


# Gabriola Transportation Survey Results

The Gabriola Transportation survey was mailed to Gabriola households September, 2008. The survey was also available on-line and copies were available at the local Library. Four hundred households responded, representing 799 residents. This response indicates that responses are accurate within + or – 4.3%. Population estimates are based on 2006 census plus 7.5% growth for a total of 4354. The results were as follows:

## 1. Street Address or Nearest Intersection



## 2. Describe uses of transportation for each person in your household:

| Purpose                                | %   | Gabriola residents (estimate) |
|--|-----|-------------------------------|
| Attend School                          | 11% | 479                           |
| Attend Post Secondary                  | 3%  | 131                           |
| Work outside the home full time        | 18% | 784                           |
| Travel to community activities         | 72% | 3135                          |
| Travel to work                         | 33% | 1437                          |
| Travel for shopping & medical appoint. | 87% | 3788                          |

## 3. What time do you arrive at your Gabriola destination (if going to Nanaimo – time for ferry that you would catch)? If your time is always different leave blank.

263 left this question blank, 136 responded. The following describes the commuter hours for those that responded:

| Time    | % of respondents | Gabriola residents(estimate) |
|---------|------------------|------------------------------|
| 5:20ish | 5.6%             | 41                           |
| 6:45ish | 18%              | 133                          |
| 7:50ish | 54.7%            | 405                          |
| 8:55ish | 21.7%            | 161                          |

## 4. What approximate time do members of your household arrive home for the day? If your time is always different leave blank.

274 left this question blank 125 responded. The commuter hours for those that responded:

| Time      | % of respondents | Gabriola residents (estimate) |
|-----------|------------------|-------------------------------|
| 3-3:25    | 9%               | 61                            |
| 3:30-3:50 | 13%              | 88.5                          |
| 4-4:20    | 16%              | 108                           |
| 4:30ish   | 19%              | 129                           |
| 5ish      | 12%              | 82                            |
| 5:15-5:45 | 23%              | 156.5                         |
| 6-6:30    | 7%               | 48                            |

## 5. Describe the most common type of transportation used by each person

| Type                  | Number resp. | %    | Gabriola residents (est.) |
|-----------------------|--------------|------|---------------------------|
| Vehicle (driver)      | 586          | 73%  | 3178                      |
| Vehicle (passenger)   | 327          | 41%  | 1785                      |
| Bicycle               | 144          | 18%  | 784                       |
| Walk                  | 256          | 32%  | 1393                      |
| Taxi                  | 32           | 4%   | 174                       |
| Hitchhike             | 49           | 6%   | 261                       |
| Elementary School bus | 37           | 4.5% | 196                       |
| Motorcycle/scooter    | 45           | 5.6% | 244                       |
| Secondary school bus  | 20           | 2.5% | 109                       |

**6. What are the most common destinations for travel outside of the home for each person? (select more than one if necessary)**

| Location                  | # of respondents | %   | Gabriola residents (estimate) |
|---------------------------|------------------|-----|-------------------------------|
| Village area              | 384              | 97% | 4223                          |
| Twin beaches              | 137              | 35% | 1524                          |
| South end                 | 129              | 32% | 1393                          |
| Rollo park                | 24               | 6%  | 261                           |
| Nanaimo (no transp. req.) | 184              | 46% | 2003                          |
| Nanaimo (transp. req.)    | 230              | 60% | 2612                          |

**7. Does someone in your household have a disability that requires door to door transportation?**  
 94.3%: No                      5.7%: Yes

**8. If public transit was provided to your area, how often would your family use it?**

|          | never | 2-3 times per month | 1-3 times per week | every work day | every day |
|----------|-------|---------------------|--------------------|----------------|-----------|
| %        | 23.6% | 26.7%               | 37%                | 8.3%           | 4.4%      |
| estimate | 1070  | 1163                | 1611               | 361            | 192       |

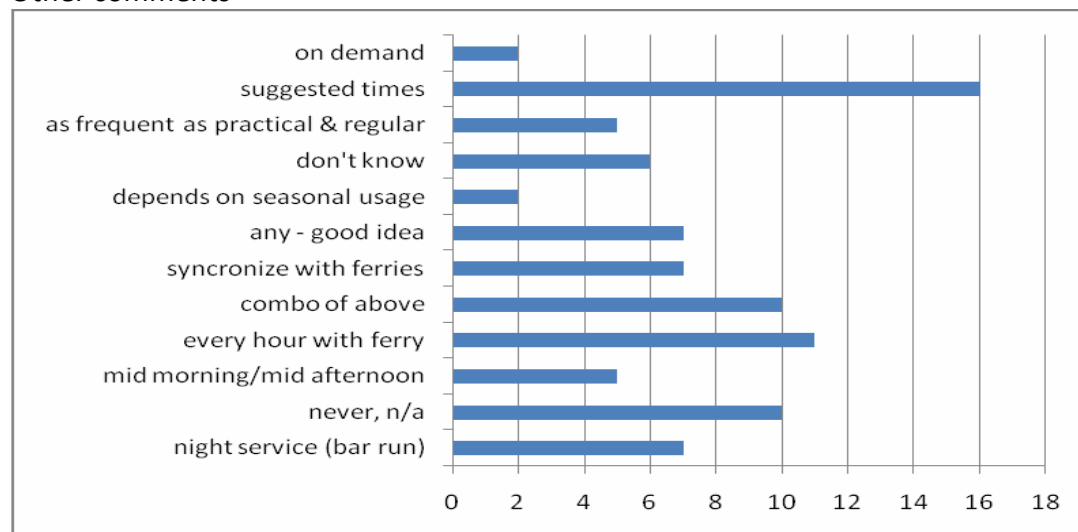
**9. What days of the week would members of your household use transit?**

|   | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday |
|---|--------|---------|-----------|----------|--------|----------|--------|
| % | 57%    | 66%     | 65%       | 67%      | 63%    | 58%      | 41%    |

**10. How often should a bus run if provided to your community**

|   | Every 2 hrs | Midday only | Am/pm commuter | Evening | Other comments |
|---|-------------|-------------|----------------|---------|----------------|
| % | 66%         | 4.6%        | 44%            | 9%      | 31%            |

**Other comments**



**11. Please feel free to use the space below to include any additional comments on transit and transportation in your area and Gabriola island (193 responses)**

