# COVID-19 impacts on intercity mobility

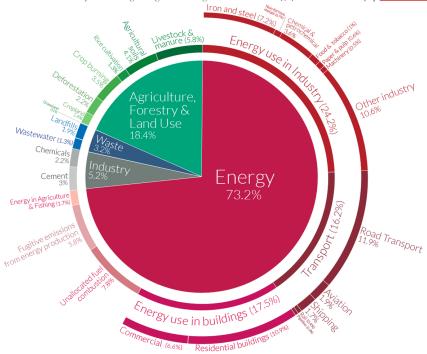


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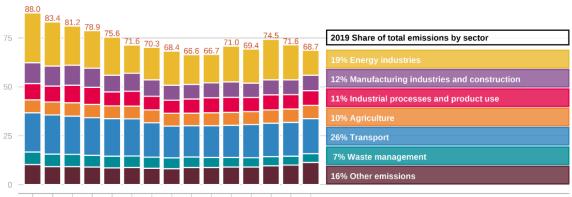
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#### Global greenhouse gas emissions by sector This is shown for the year 2016 – global greenhouse gas emissions were 49.4 billion tonnes CO.eq.





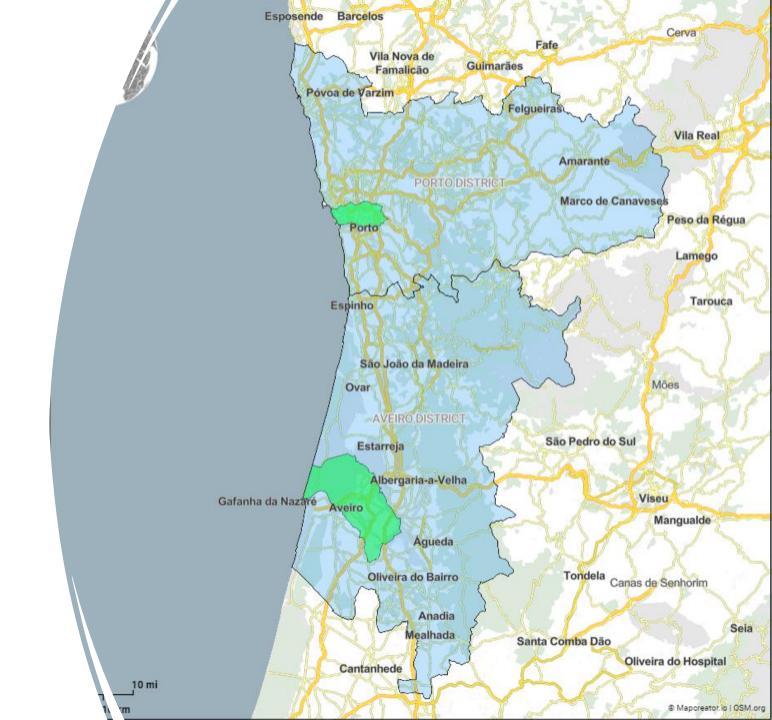
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2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019

# Background

Interurban Corridor (Aveiro – Porto)

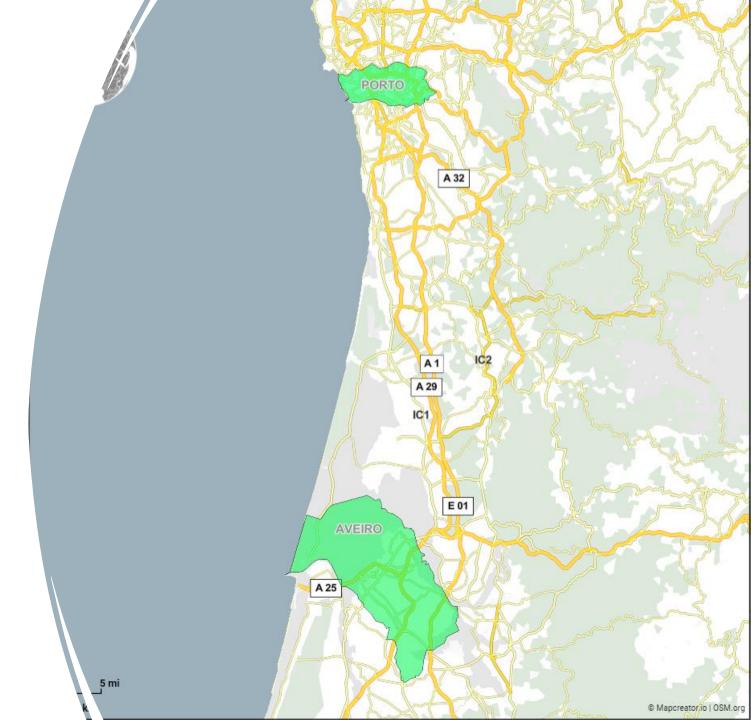


#### 3 Highways:

- A 1
- A 29
- A 32

#### 2 Complementary Itineraries:

- IC 1
- IC 2





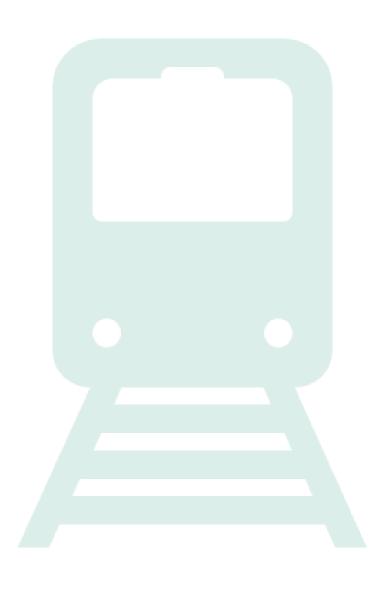


Train Aveiro - Porto (business day)

• 48 results

• Price: 3,55 € – 20,80 €

• Travel time: 0h47 – 1h23







Bus Aveiro - Porto (business day)

• 18 results

• Price: 3€ – 18€

• Travel time: 0h55 – 1h55



#### Case study

#### Metropolitan Area of Porto

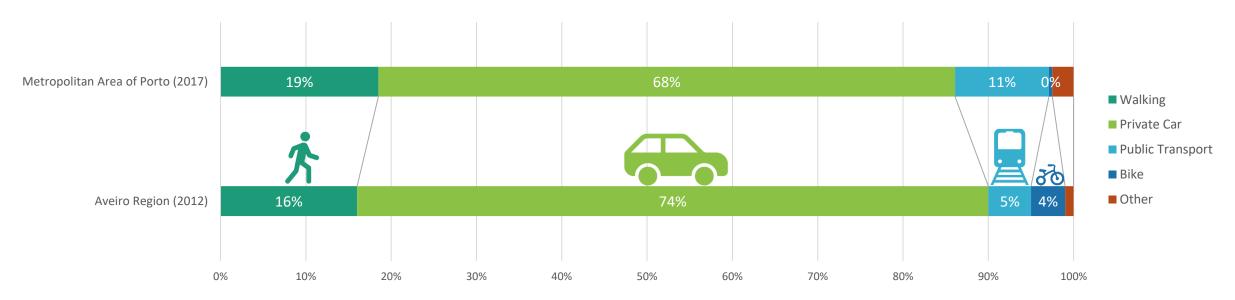
- 852,5 habitants/km<sup>2</sup>
- 3,4 M trips/day (2017)

#### Aveiro Region

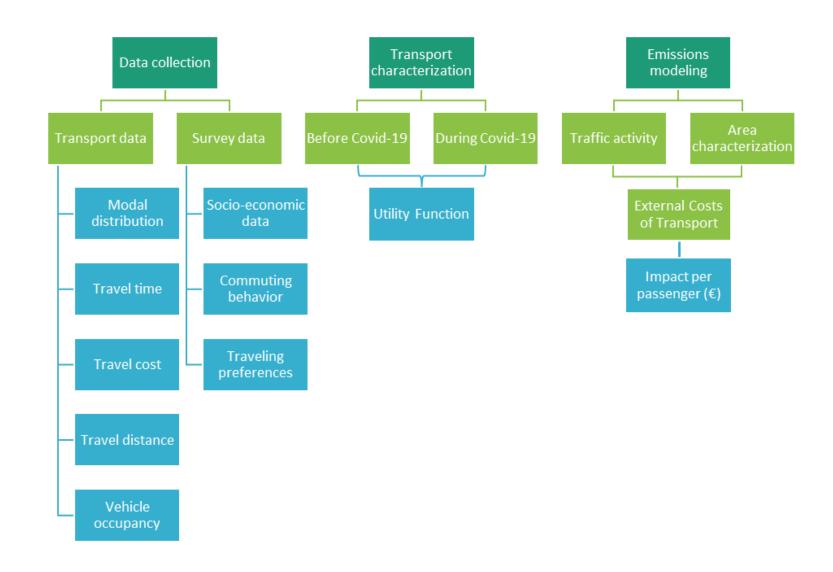
- 218,4 habitants/km<sup>2</sup>
- 0.712 M trips/day (2012)

# Case study

#### Modal distribution



#### Methodology



### Methodology Mobility Survey

- Socio-demographic characteristics
- Primary travel frequency and itinerary
- Transport mode choices



# Methodology - Mobility Survey

Travel purpose

Trips frequency

Distance travelled

Chosen mode

Changes in commuting behaviour

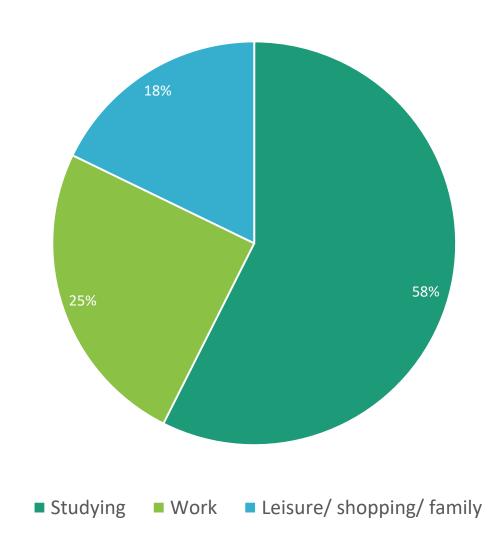
Feeling of safety/comfort using each mode

171 participants

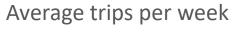
| Item                   | Category   | Frequency                      | Percentage (%)                    |
|------------------------|--|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Age                    | 18-30  | 130                            | 76                                |
|                        | 31-50  | 26                             | 15                                |
|                        | >50  | 15                             | 9                                 |
| Gender                 | Male   | 54                             | 32                                |
|                        | Female   | 117                            | 68                                |
|                        | Other  | 0                              | 0                                 |
| Occupation             | Student Employee Student worker Self-employed Researcher Retired Unemployed              | 109<br>35<br>14<br>6<br>4<br>2 | 64<br>20<br>8<br>4<br>2<br>1      |
| Monthly Income (Euros) | 0 - 400<br>401 - 680<br>681 - 1100<br>1101 - 1500<br>1501 - 2000<br>2001 - 3000<br>3000+ | 104<br>5<br>25<br>16<br>9<br>9 | 61<br>3<br>15<br>9<br>5<br>5<br>2 |
| Vehicle ownership      | Yes  | 91                             | 53                                |
|                        | No   | 80                             | 47                                |

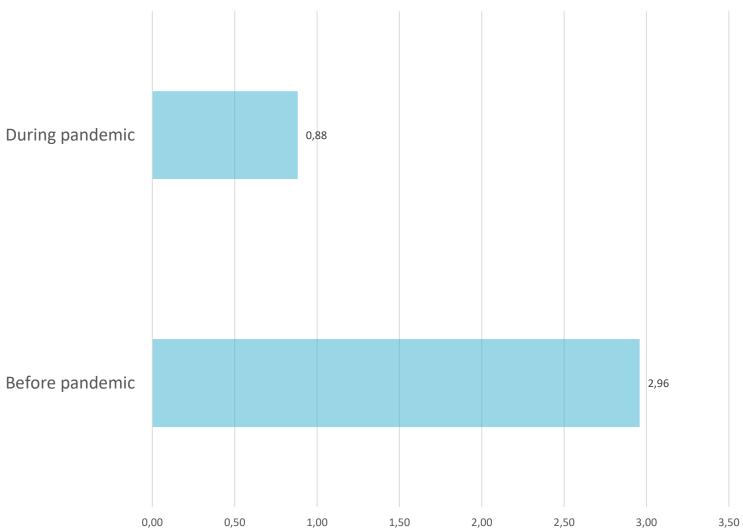






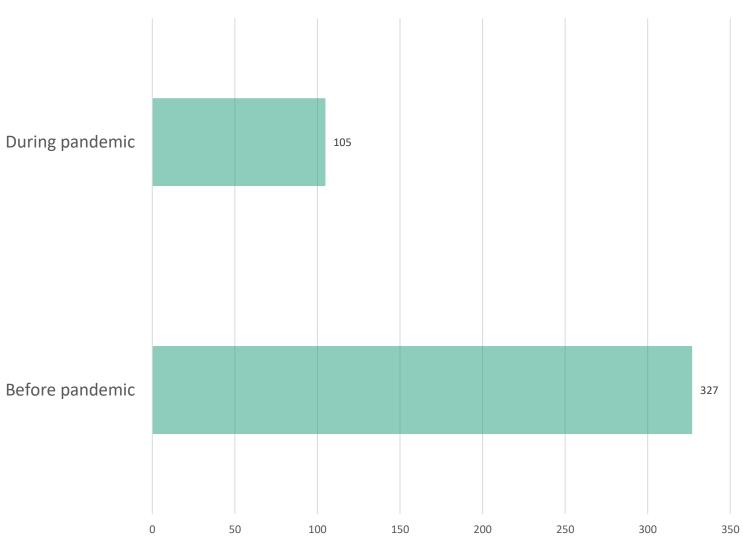






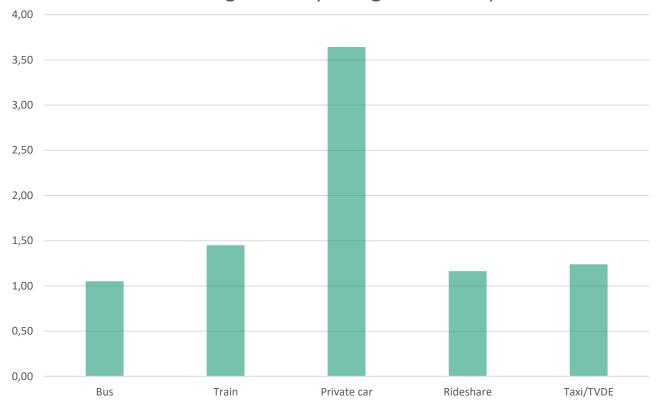






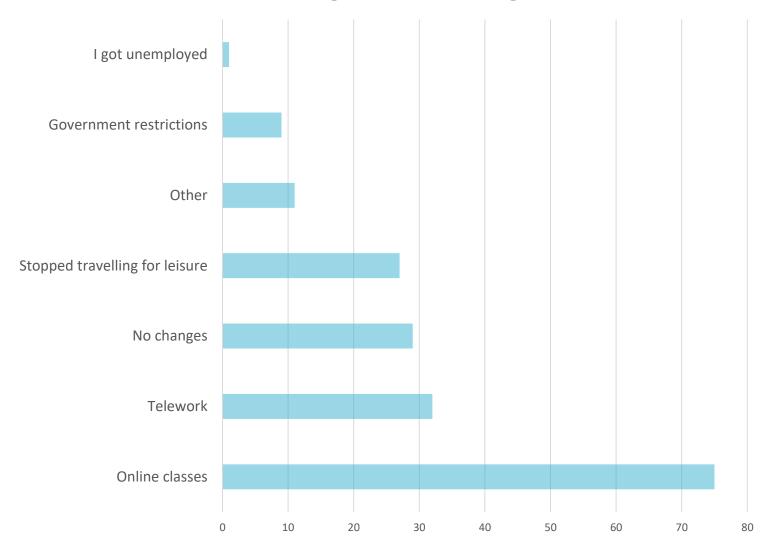




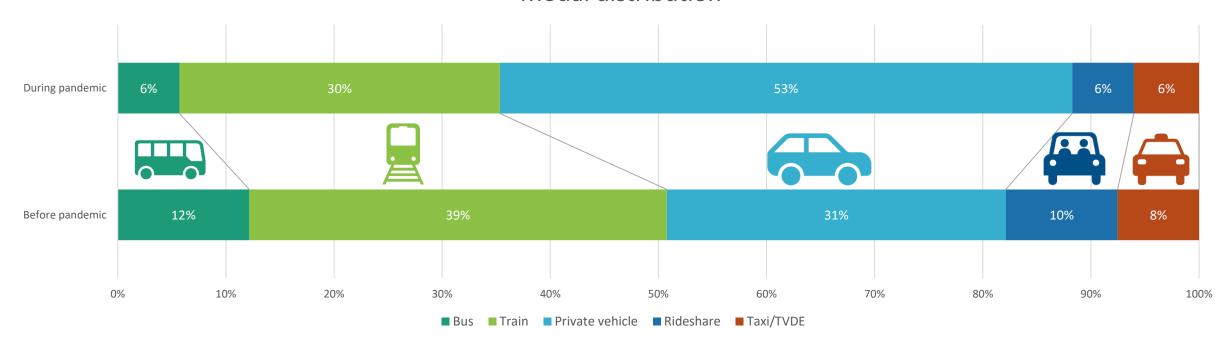




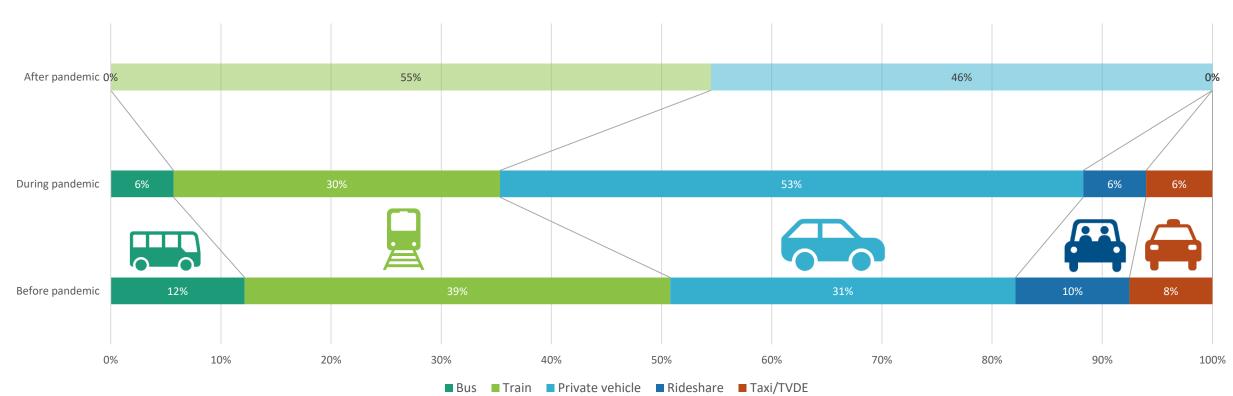
#### Reasons for changes in commuting behaviour



#### Modal distribution









- Significant reduction in the number of leisure and business trips
- Teleworking/studying are the main factors for the reduction in the number of trips
- Widespread fear of using shared transport
- Amongst public transport modes, the train was considered the safest
- Trend of recovery in the use of public transport (but still below pre-pandemic levels)

