

Puget Sound Regional Household Travel Survey Program

Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee
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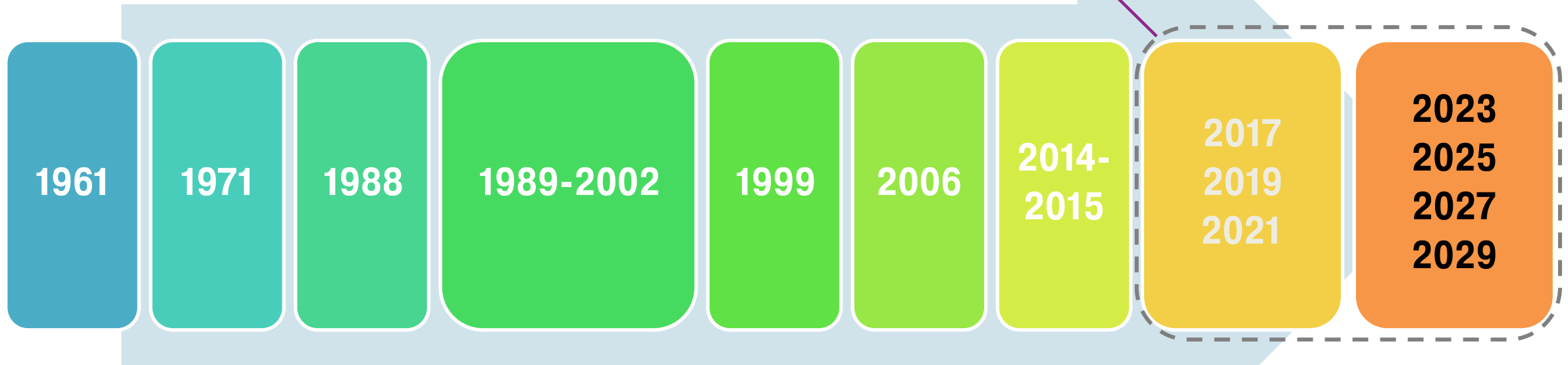


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More frequent snapshots

allows for more timely analysis & monitoring of trends. Data can be combined across years.



Webpage: <https://www.psrc.org/household-travel-survey-program>



Multi-year HTS Program

Program goal: The surveys seek to capture quality, regionally representative data for activity and travel behaviors of residents on a typical weekday.

Survey data collection & analyses

- HTS conducted every two years since 2017
- 2025 data finalized this April, analyses now

Motivations

- Frequent snapshots, ability to combine years
- “Smoother” budgets & labor roles
- More flexibility & opportunities for “add-ons”



Uses of HTS data



Analysis

- Most recent regional travel behaviors & patterns
- Trends: comparisons with previous surveys

Model development

- SoundCast
 - Activity-based travel model system
 - Estimate activity/travel choice models
- UrbanSim
 - Parcel-based land use model system
 - Estimate residential location choice model



Information in the HTS data

Who is traveling?

Where are they going?

When do they travel?

Why are they going?

How do they get there?

Examples of planning topics:

- Active travel
- Care-giving responsibilities
- Electric vehicle charging
- Home deliveries & shopping
- Public transit access & use
- Residential mobility & displacement
- Vehicle use & emissions
- Work travel & telecommute

Examples of socio-demographics directly observed:

- Age
- Disability
- Education
- Gender
- Home location
- Housing type
- Income
- Race & ethnicity
- Sexuality



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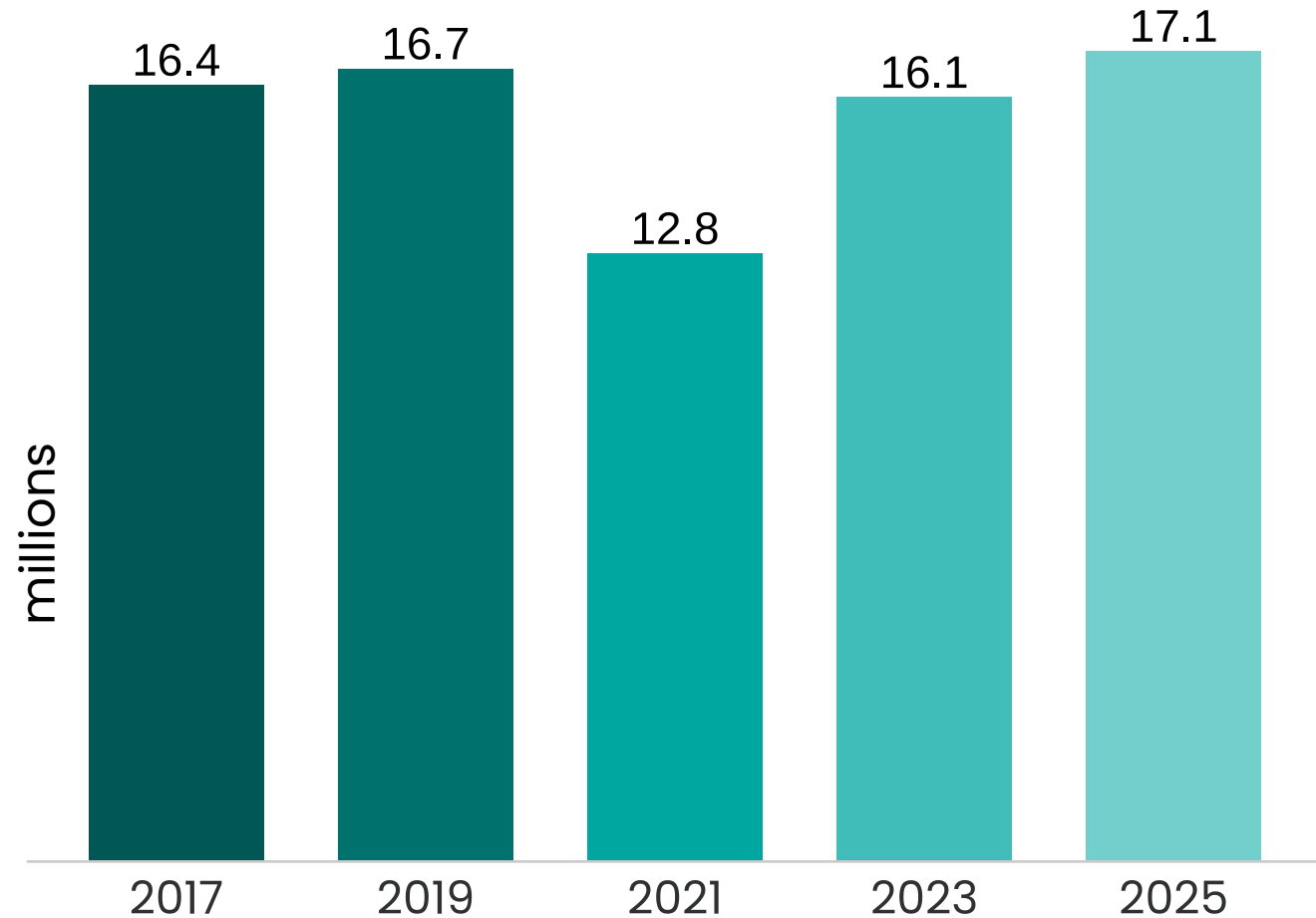
Planning/policy relevant Q's

- How many trips do different residents make by mode?
- Who are displaced from their homes?
- How does travel vary by age, disability identity, gender, income, race/ethnicity, etc.?
- Who goes to work in person and who telecommutes?
- Where are people going and for what purpose?



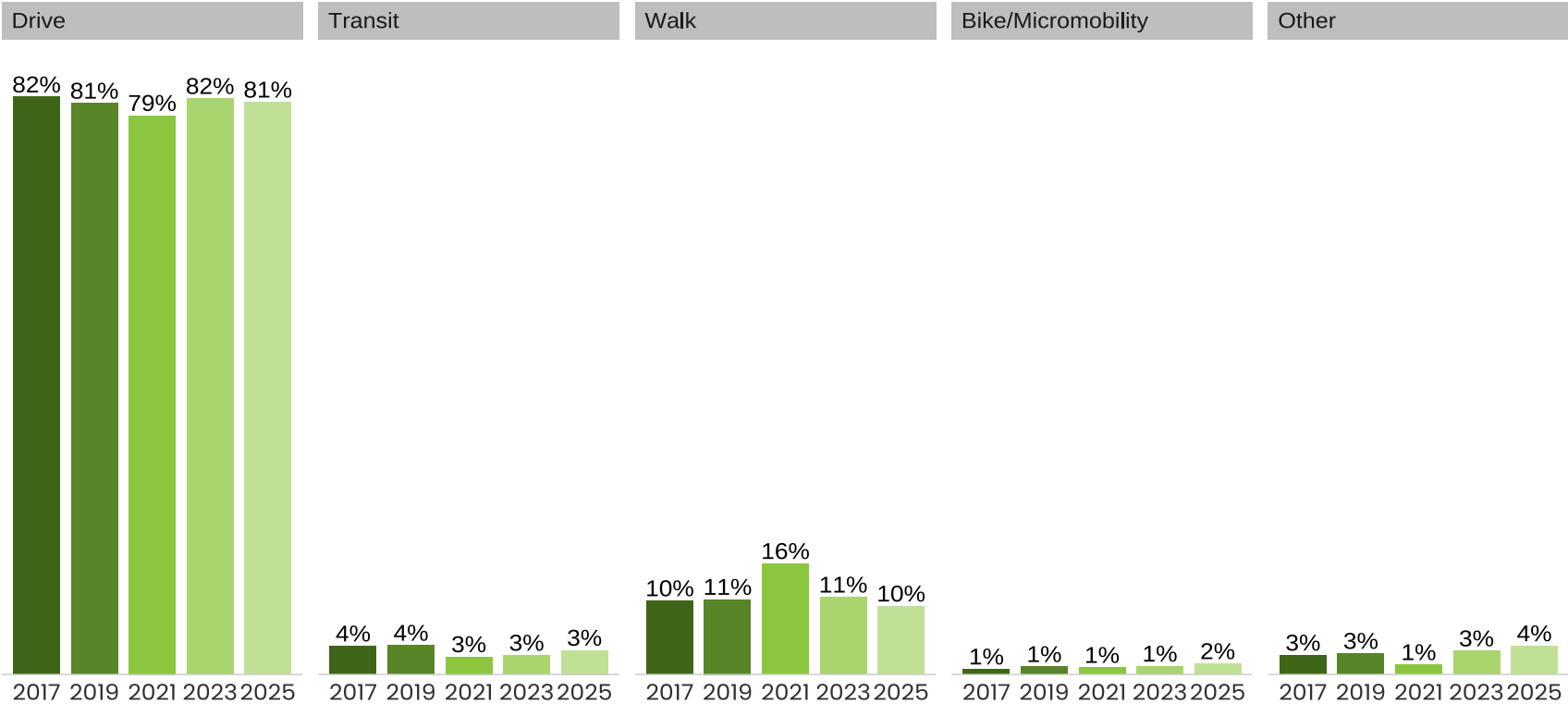
Trips in the Region

Total number of trips in the region on an average weekday has **increased** in 2025

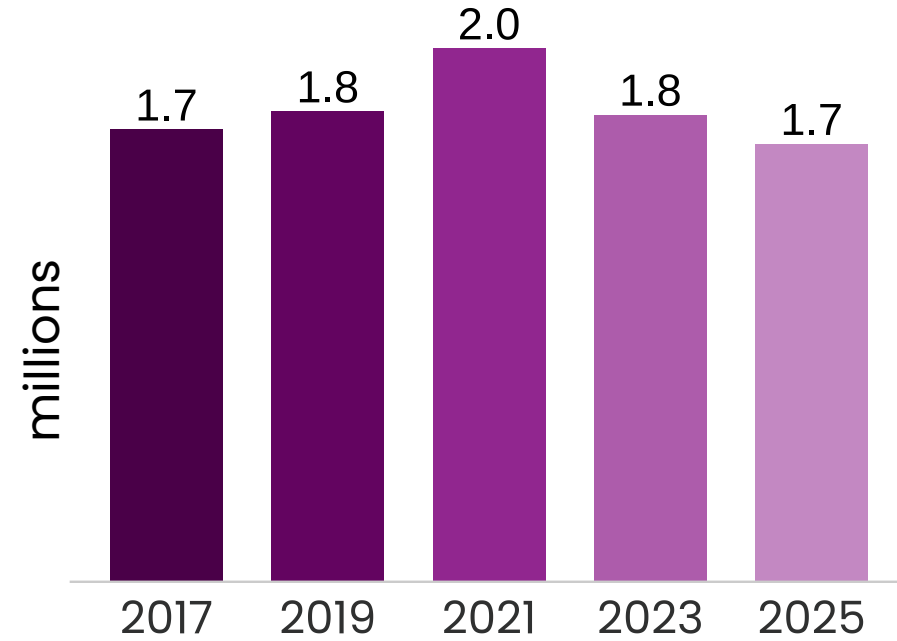
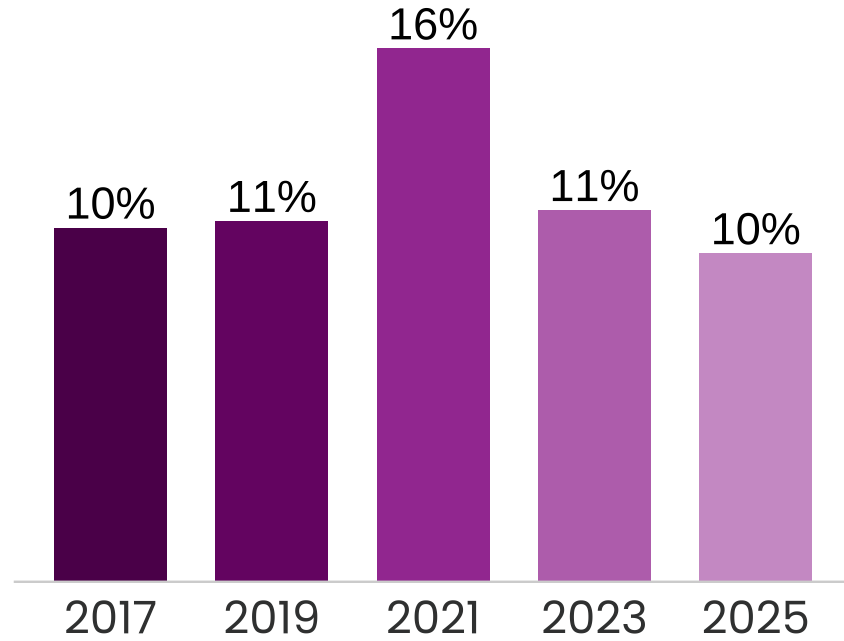


Trips by Mode

Driving remains the dominant mode for trips made in the region in 2025



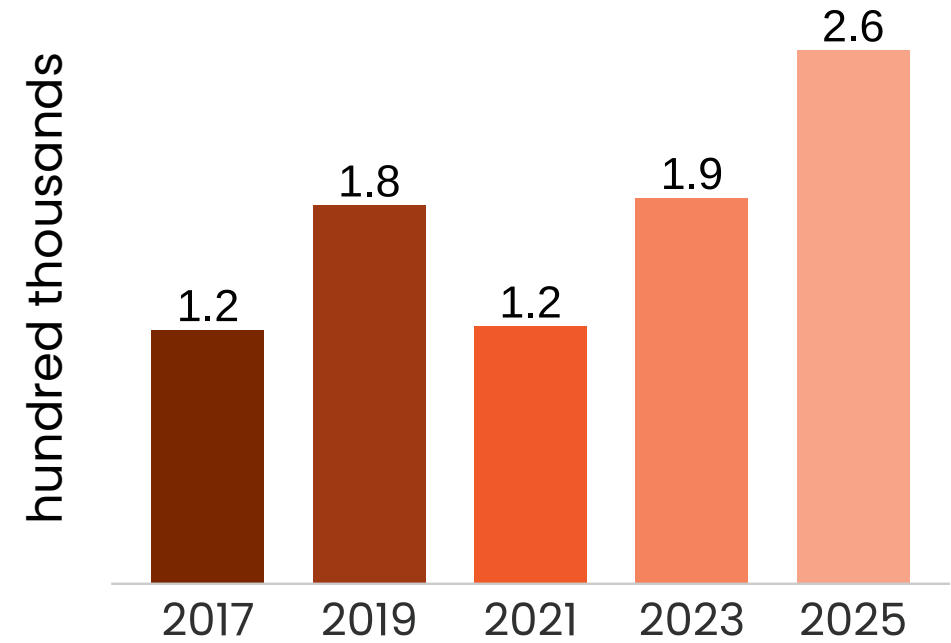
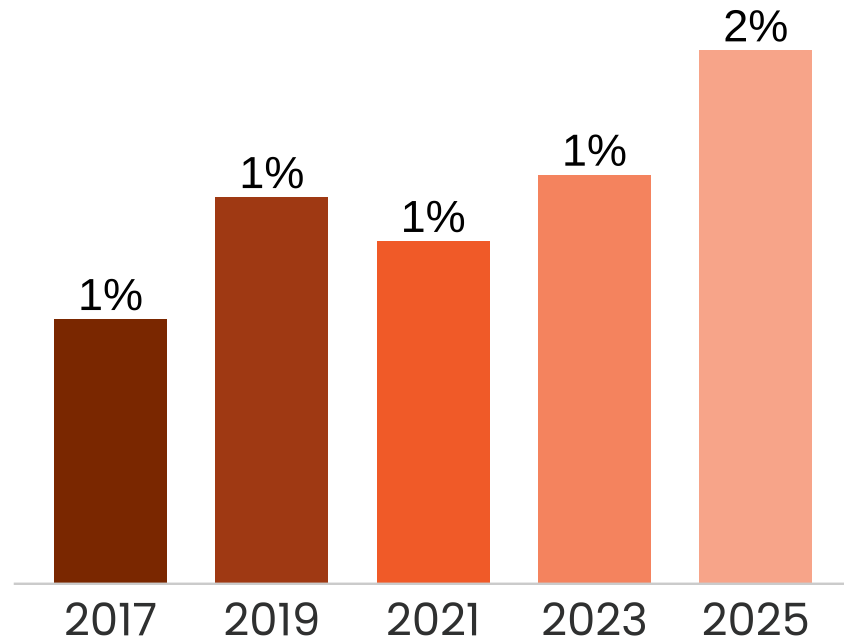
Trips by Mode – Walk



Share and number of trips made by walking has **decreased** since 2021



Trips by Mode –Bike/Micromobility

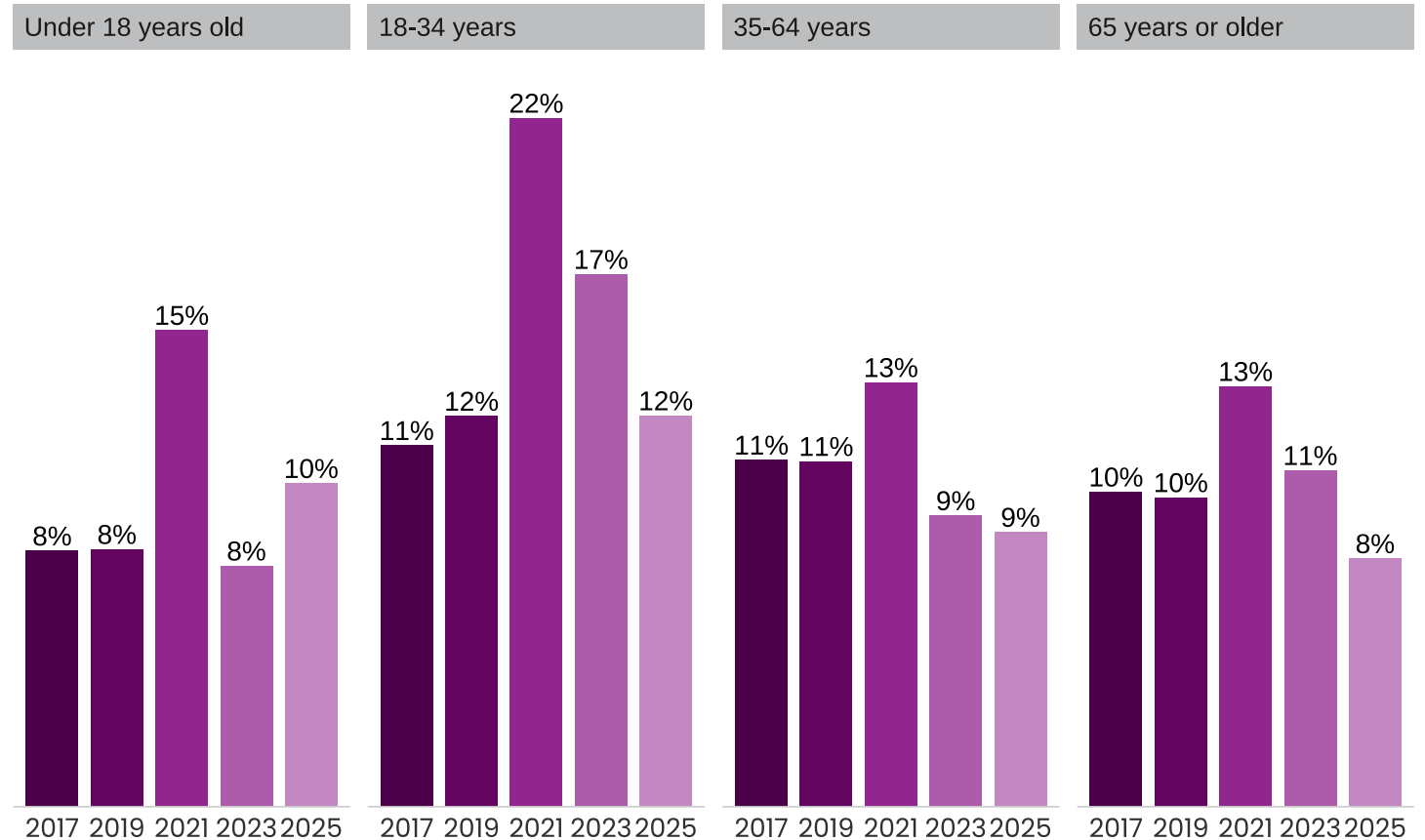


Share and number of trips made by biking has **increased** since 2021



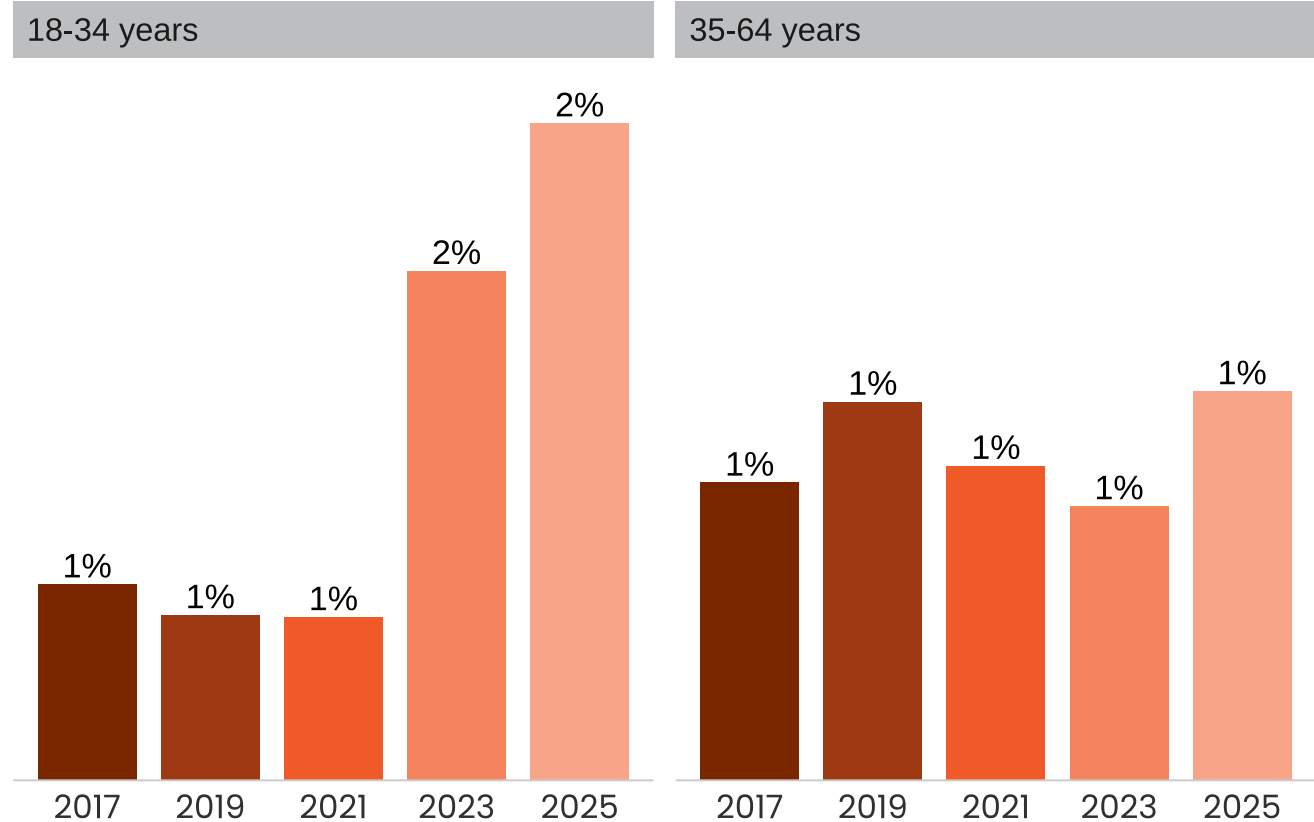
Age

Share of walking trips for children has **increased** since 2023, but has decreased for other age groups



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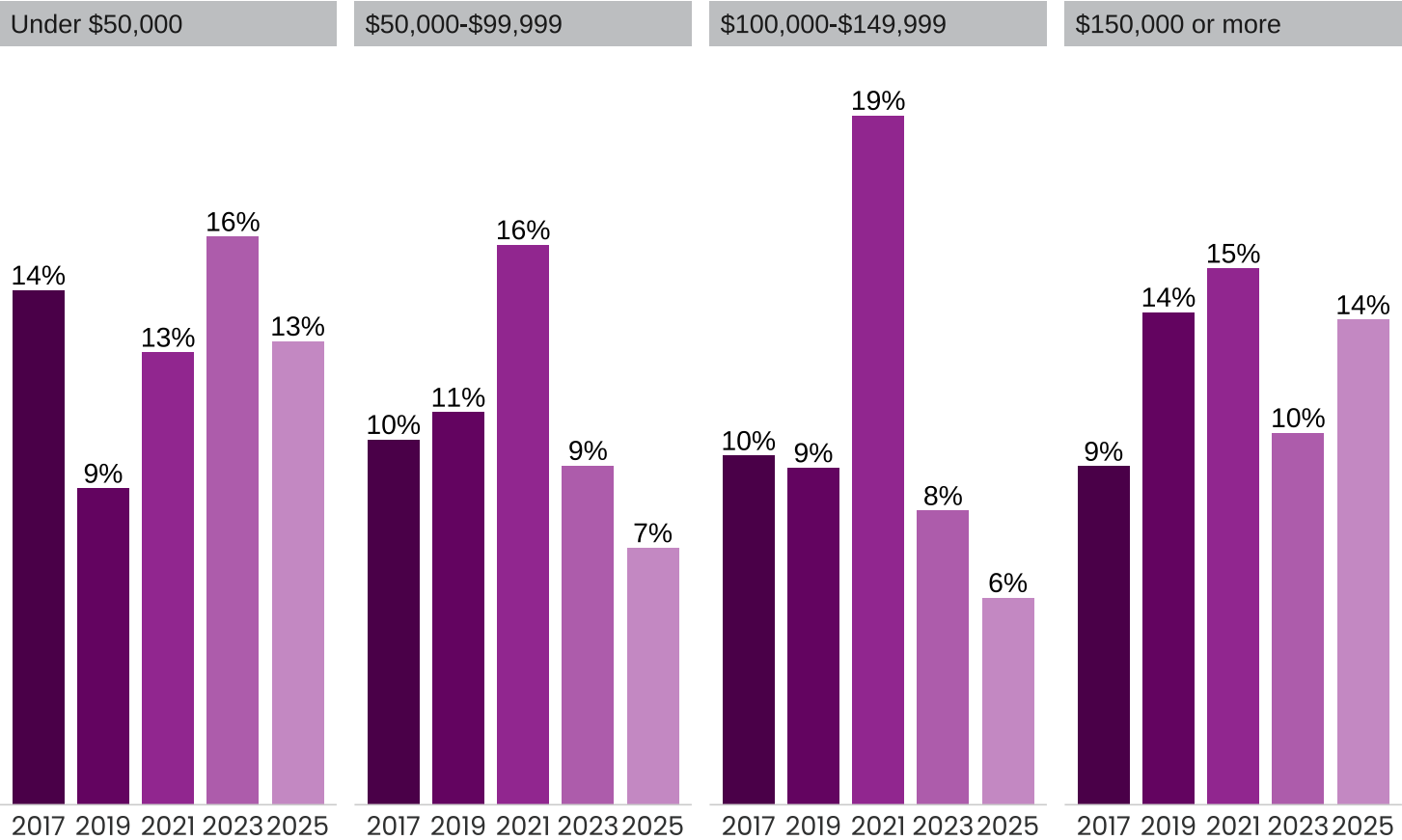
Share of biking trips for people 18-34 years old has **increased** significantly since 2021



Household Income

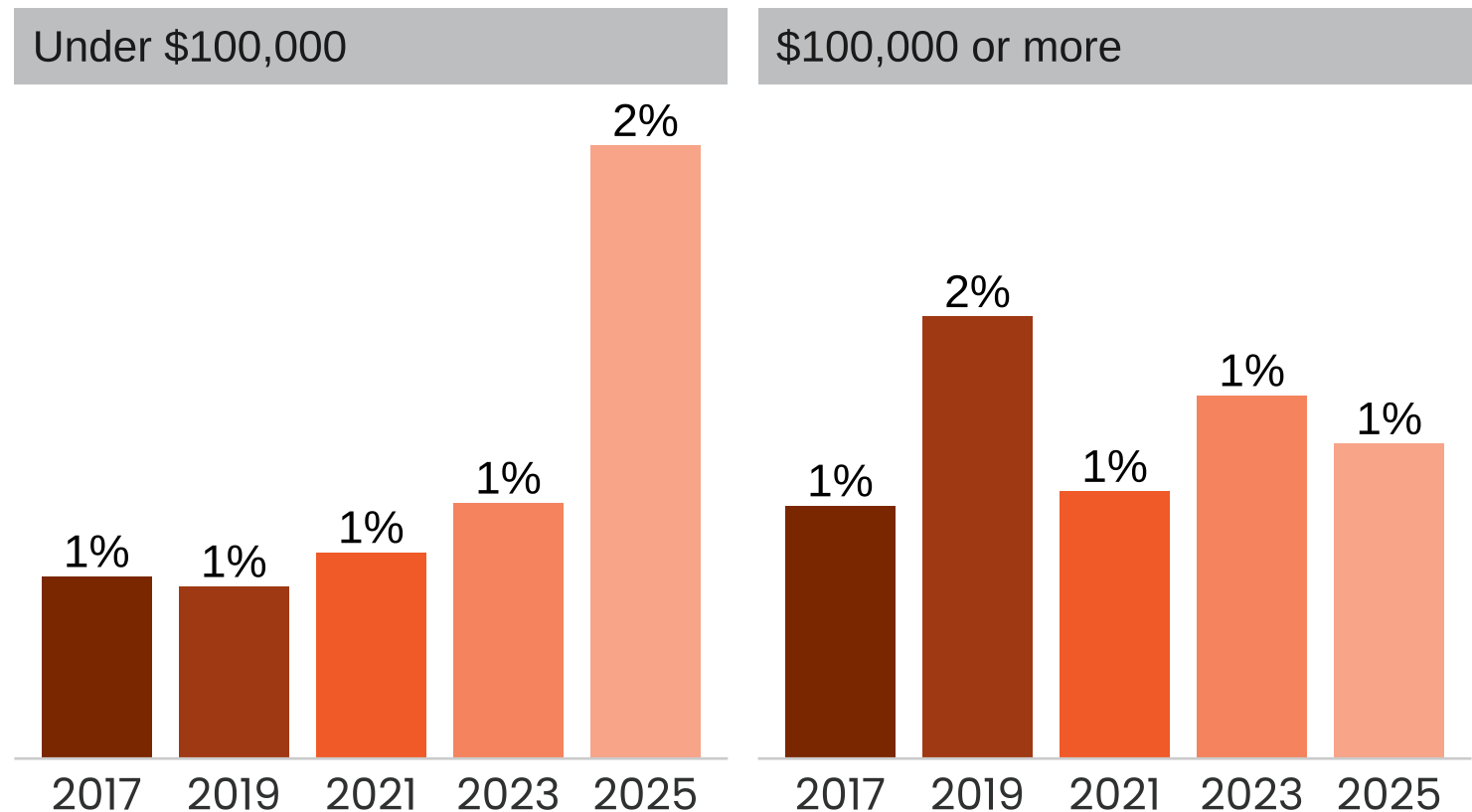
Share of walking trips for households \$50,000–\$149,999 has **decreased** since 2021

Share of walking trips for households \$150,000 or greater is similar to 2021



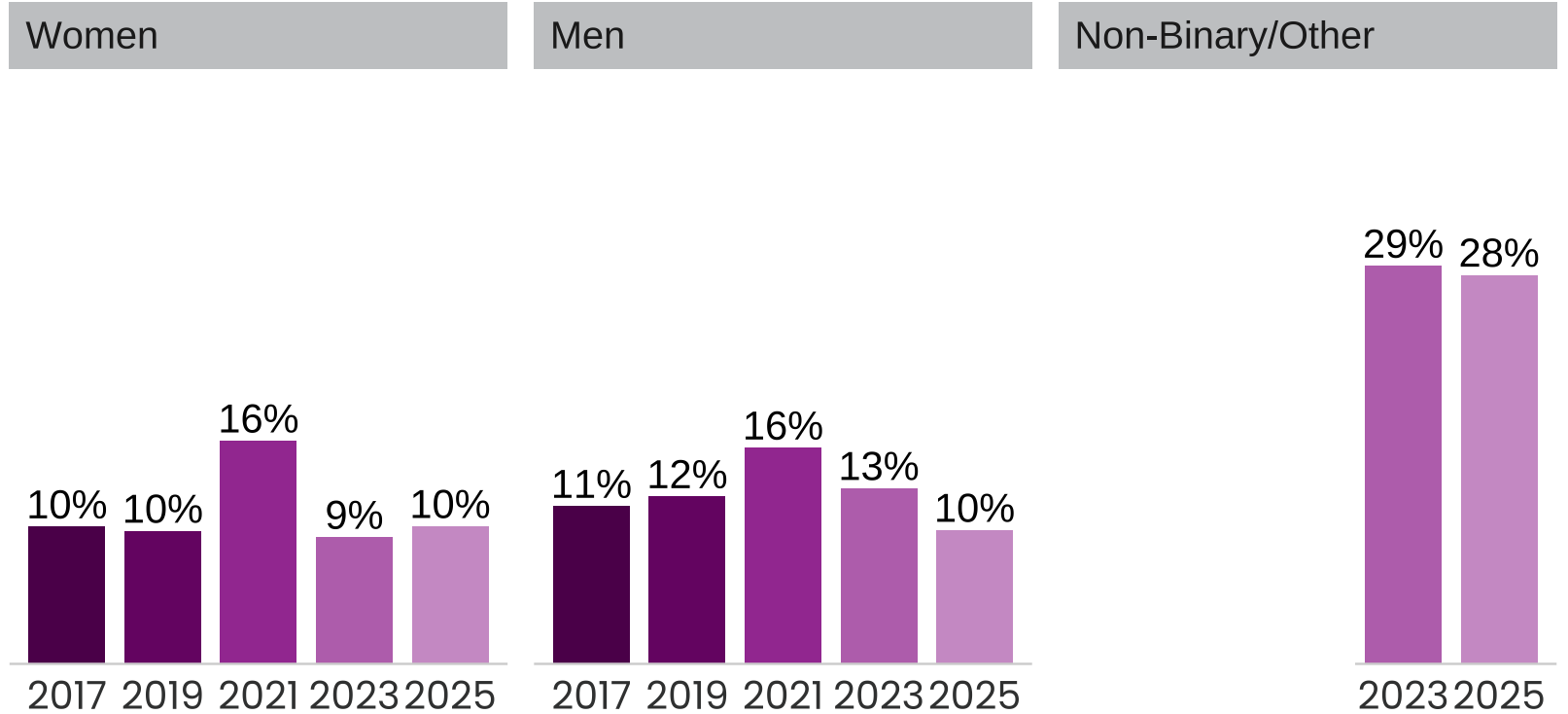
Household Income

Share of biking trips for households under \$100,000 has **increased** in 2025, especially for households under \$50,000



Gender

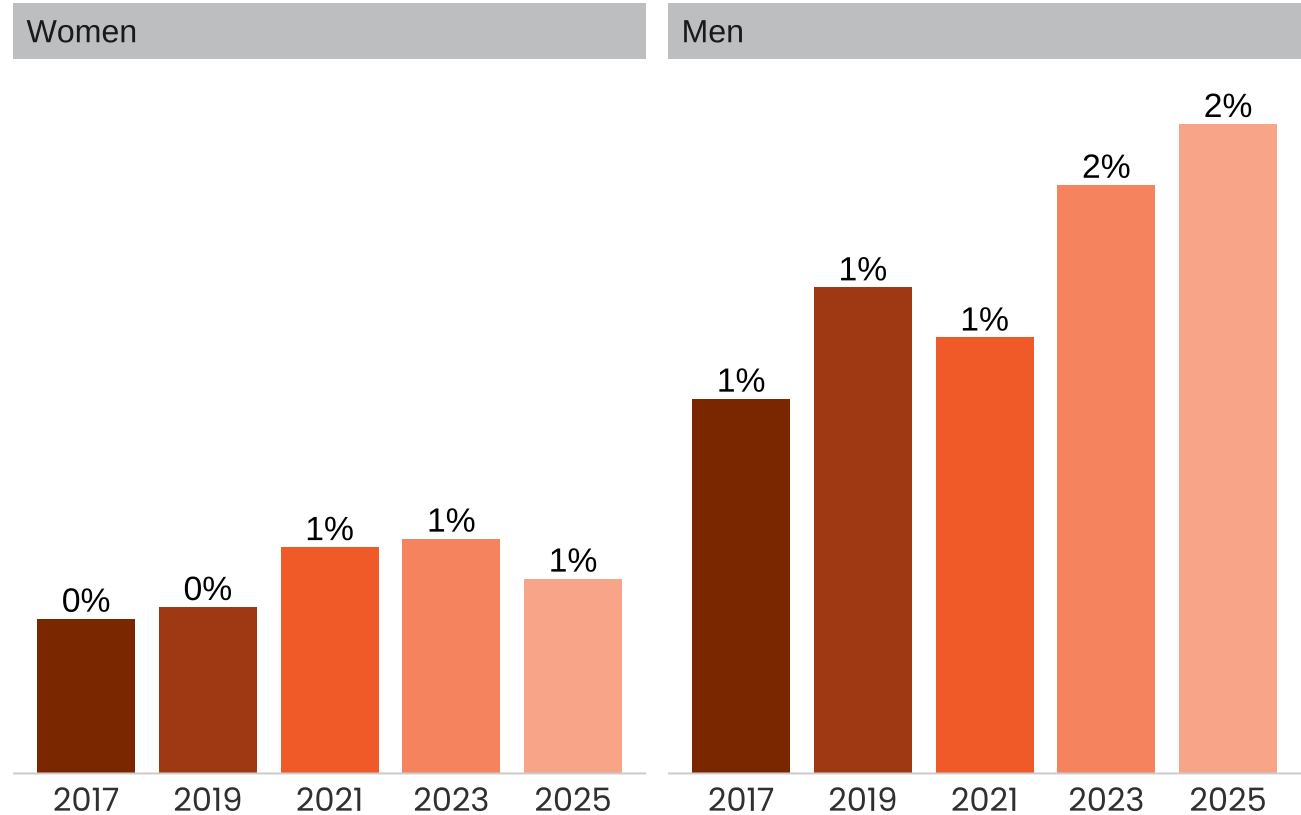
Share of walking trips for women has remained the same since 2023, but for men has **decreased**



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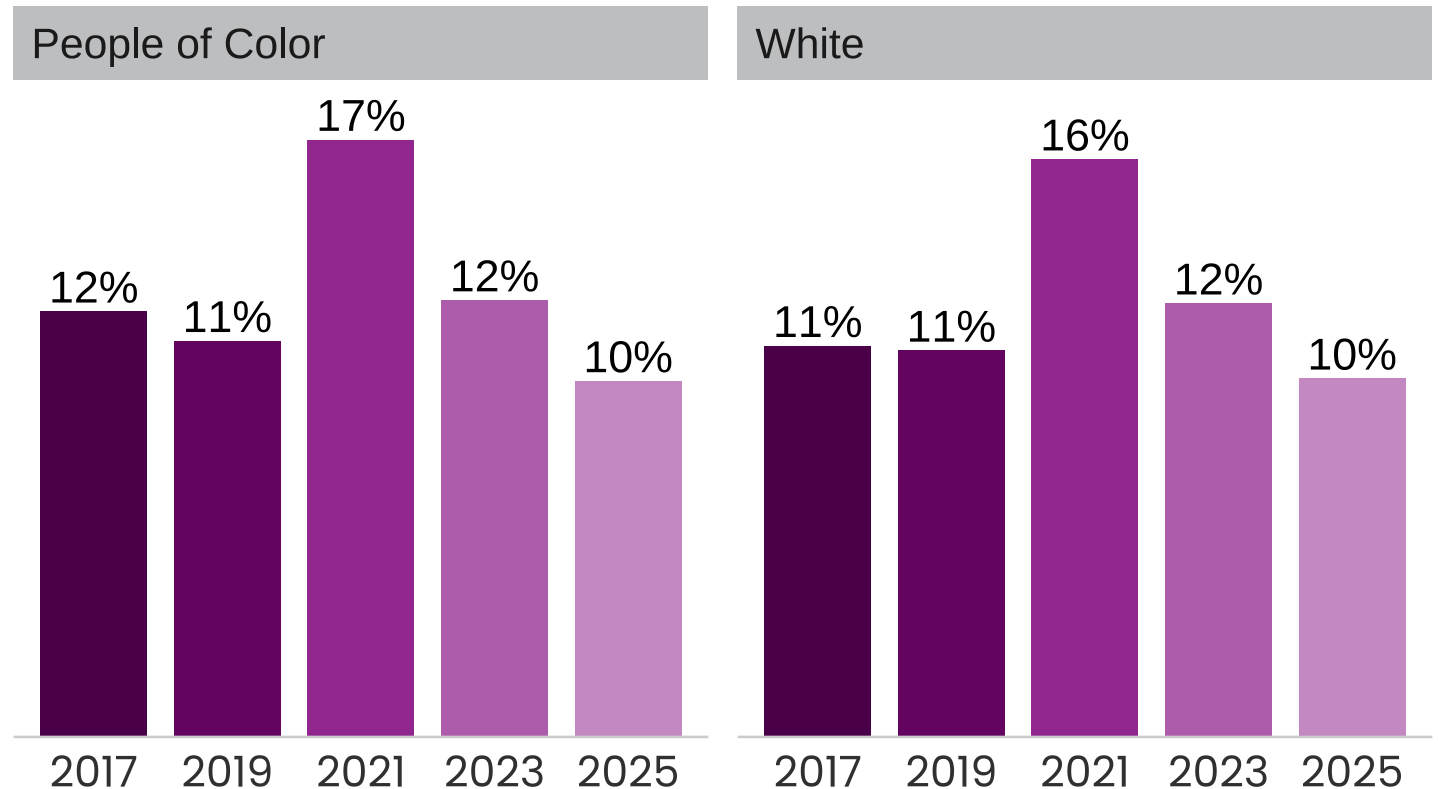
Share of biking trips for women is relatively stable

Share of biking trips for men has **increased** since 2021



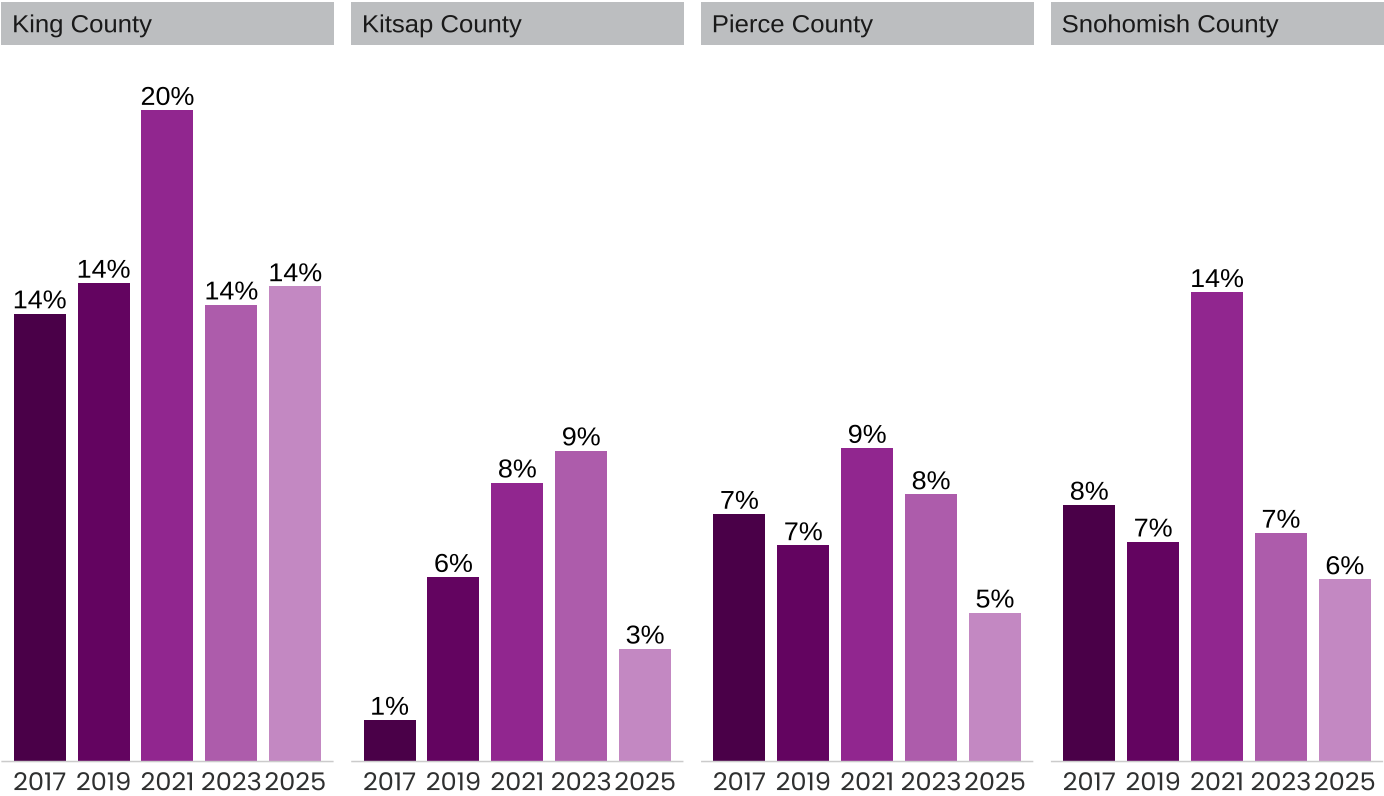
Race / Ethnicity

Shares of walking trips have **decreased** in 2025 for both people of color and white people – similar to the region as a whole



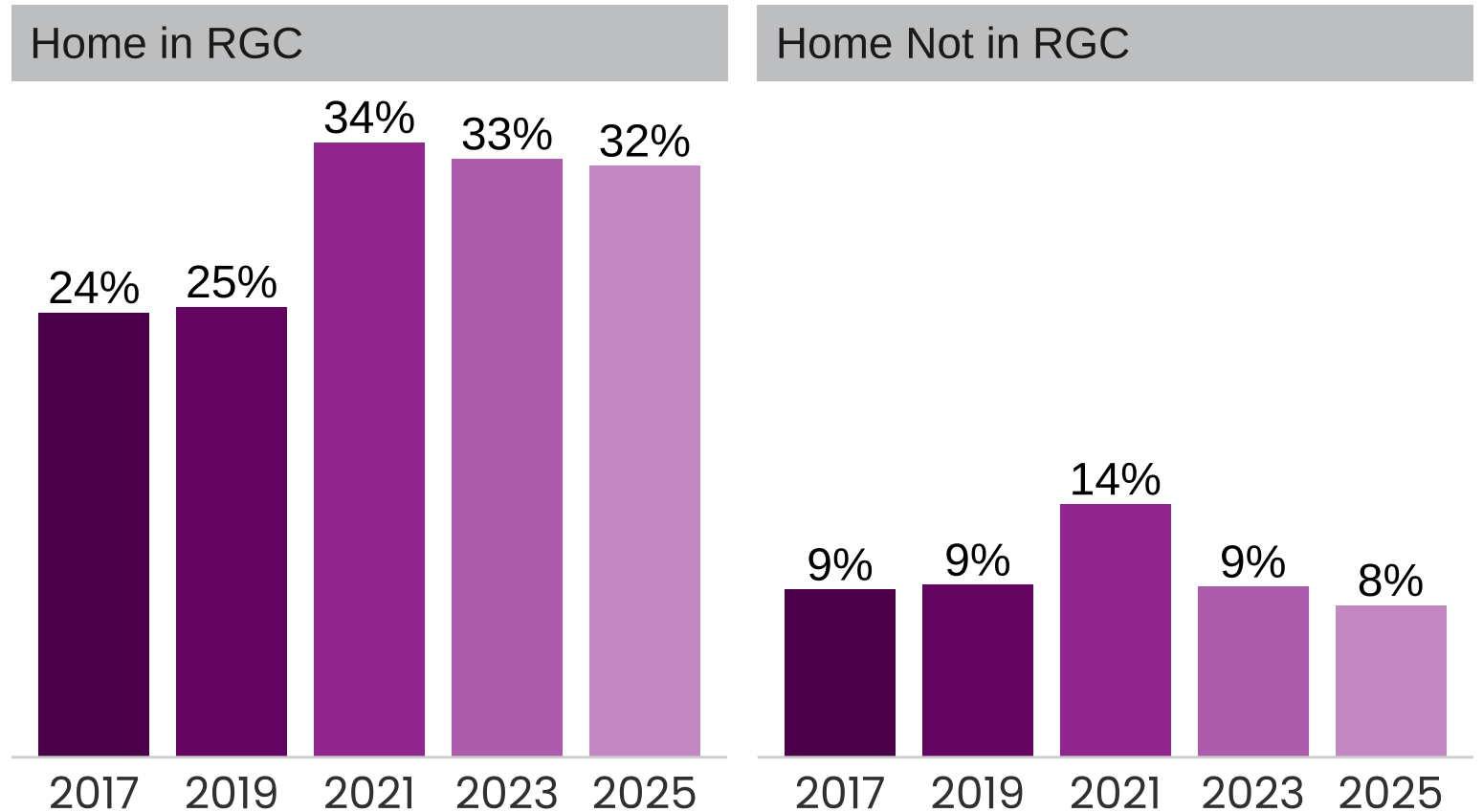
Counties

Shares of walking trips for people living in Kitsap, Pierce, and Snohomish counties has **decreased** in 2025



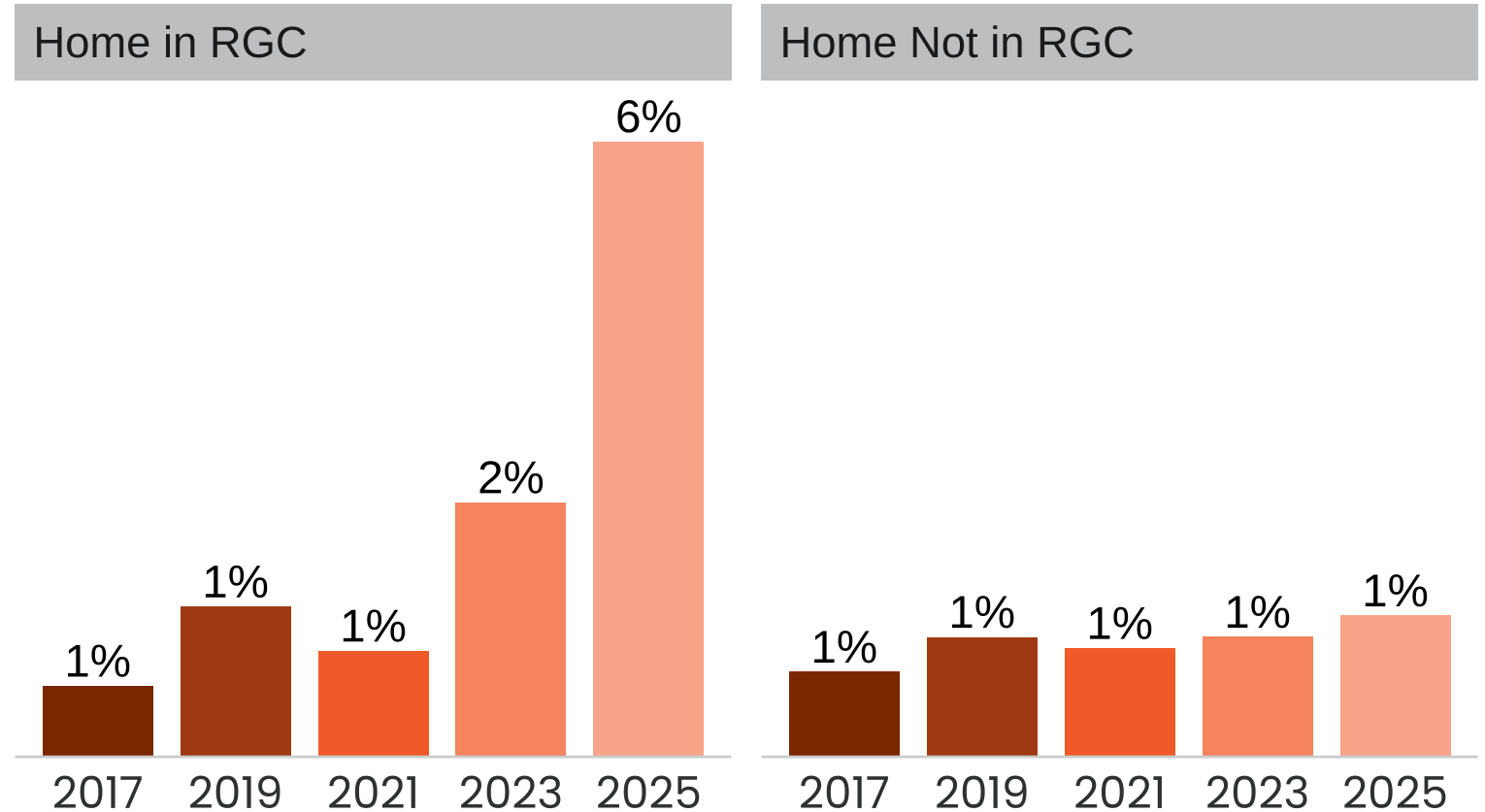
Regional Growth Centers

Share of walking trips for people living in RGCs has remained elevated after 2021, but has **decreased** for people living outside of RGCs

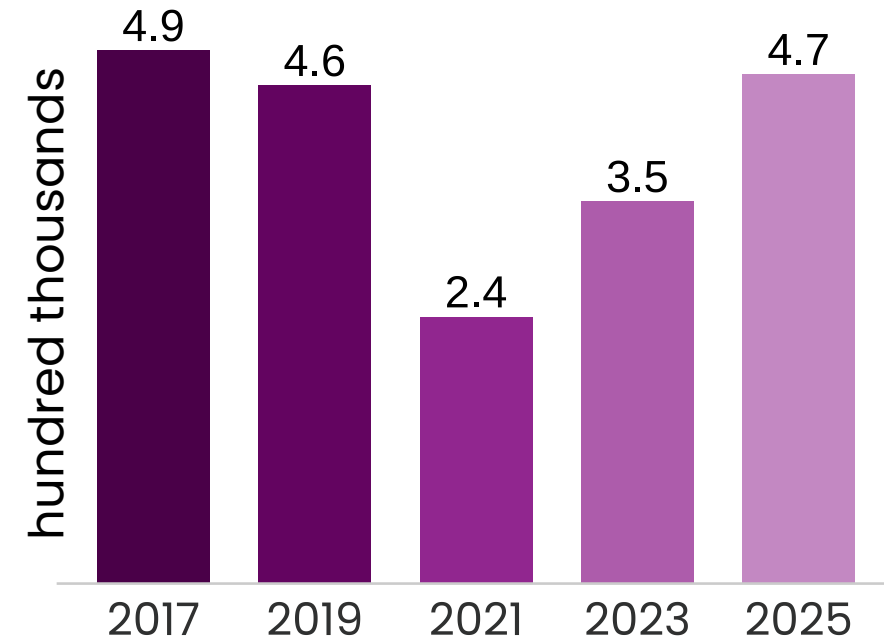
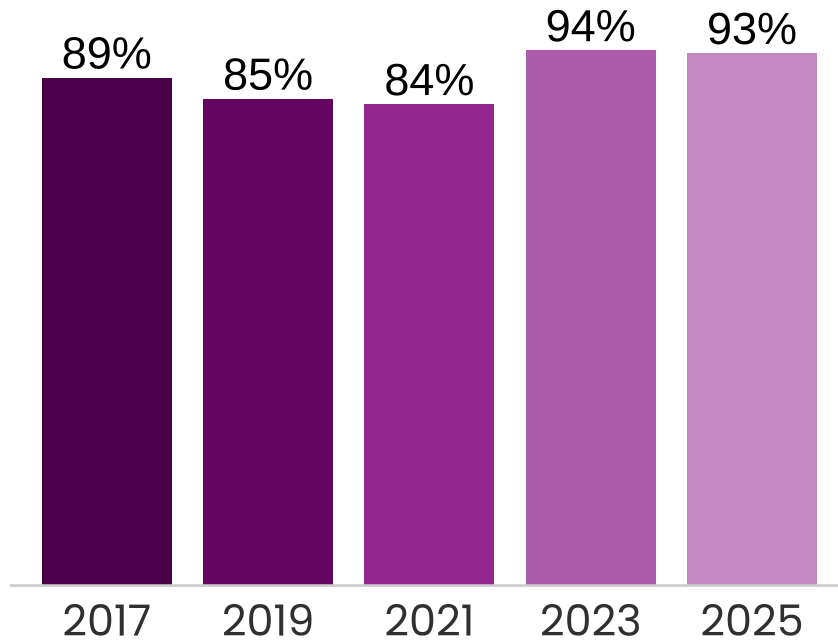


Regional Growth Centers

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Walk/Jog Access to Transit



Walking remains primary mode to access transit in the region



Thank you!

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