

Kitsap Transit Intracounty Passenger- Only Ferry Study DRAFT

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Agenda

- Study Overview and Current Progress
- Preliminary Public Survey Findings
- Next Steps

Study Overview and Current Progress

Intracounty Passenger-Only Ferry (POF) Study Overview

Phase 1

Service Opportunities and Route Analysis

Phase 2

Operations and Facility Requirements

Phase 3

Funding Alternatives and Strategy

Community and Stakeholder Outreach

- Preliminary assessment of route opportunities
- Route screening

Community and Stakeholder Outreach completed to date:

- Online public survey
- Stakeholder emails
 - *Invitation to stakeholder advisory group*
 - *Project introduction to other stakeholders*

CURRENT PHASE

- Analysis of selected routes
 - Operating profiles and service schedules
 - Financial considerations
 - Implementation phasing and capital acquisition plan

- POF Business Plan and Long-Range Strategy report
- Presentation of findings

Preliminary Findings – Public Survey

Survey Summary

Overview

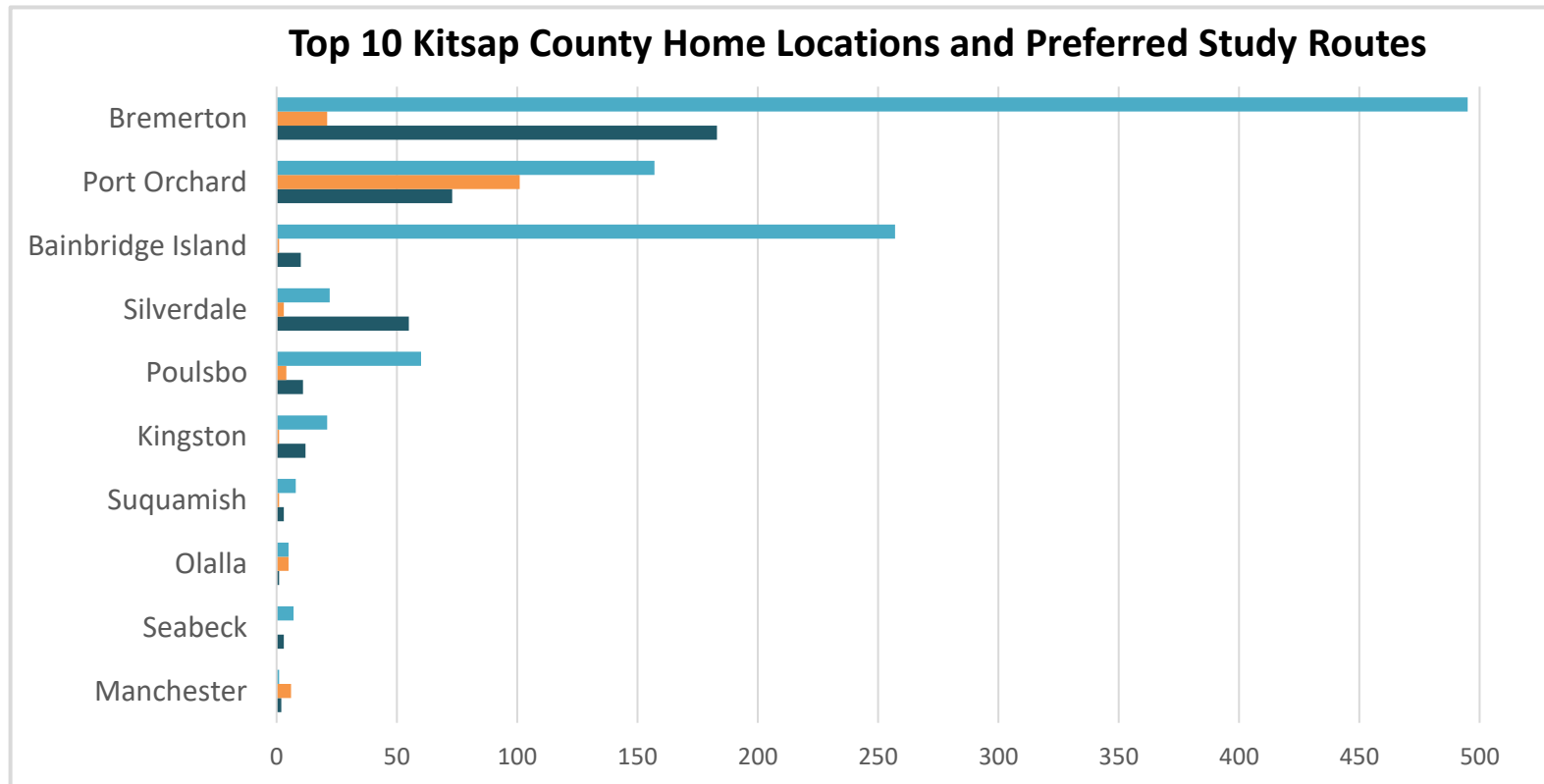
- Online survey promoted through rider alerts, social media, project webpage, targeted emails to chambers, and news outlets
- Survey open 6/2-6/25
- 1,914 respondents

Purpose of Survey

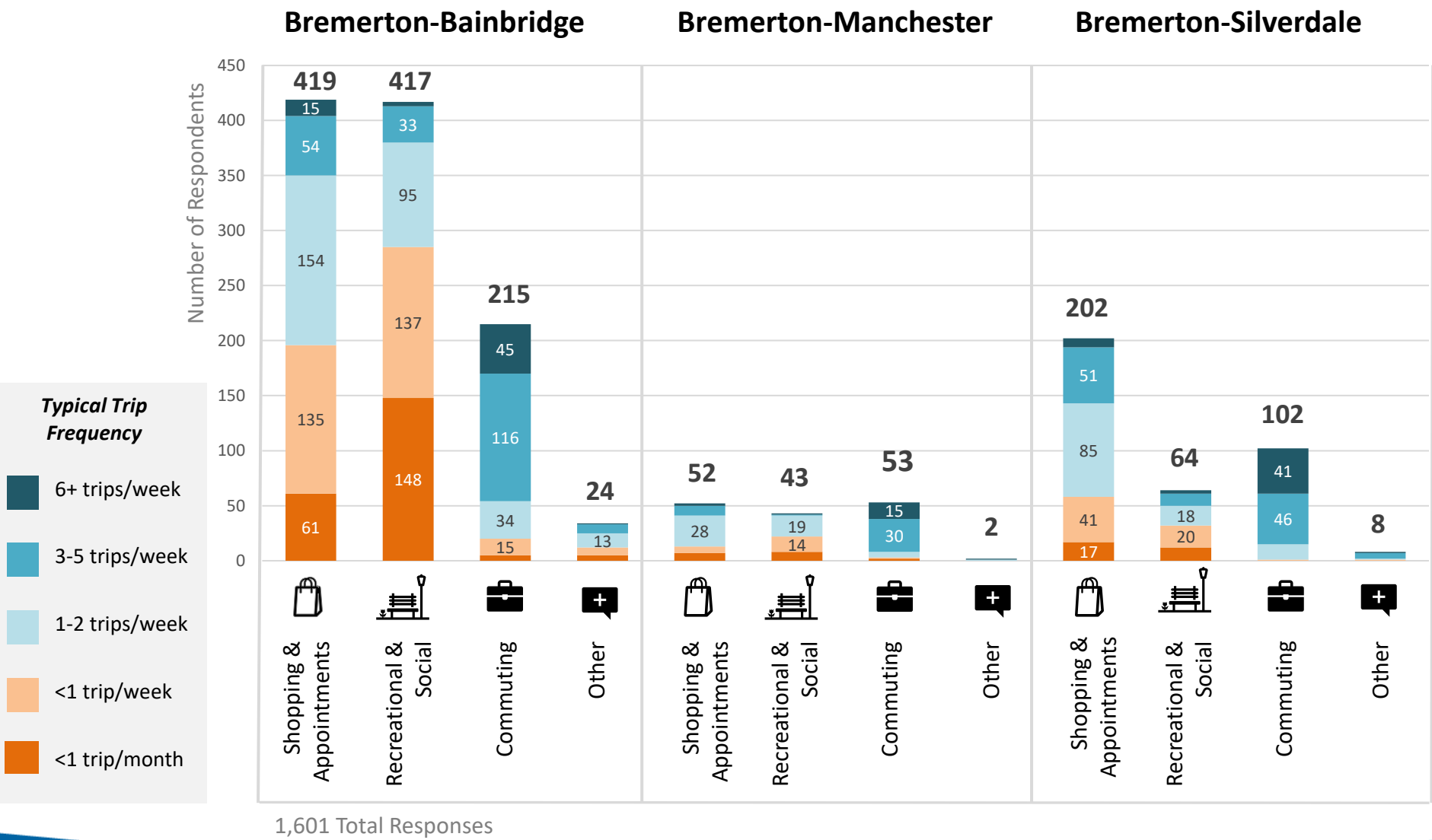
- Measure level of importance of three study routes, and typical purpose/frequency of trip between origin/destination of top route choice
- Suggest additional routes for consideration, and typical purpose/frequency of trip between origin/destination of suggested route
- Share additional feedback on routes to be studied and priorities for potential intracounty POF service

Survey Findings – Preferred Study Routes by Home Location

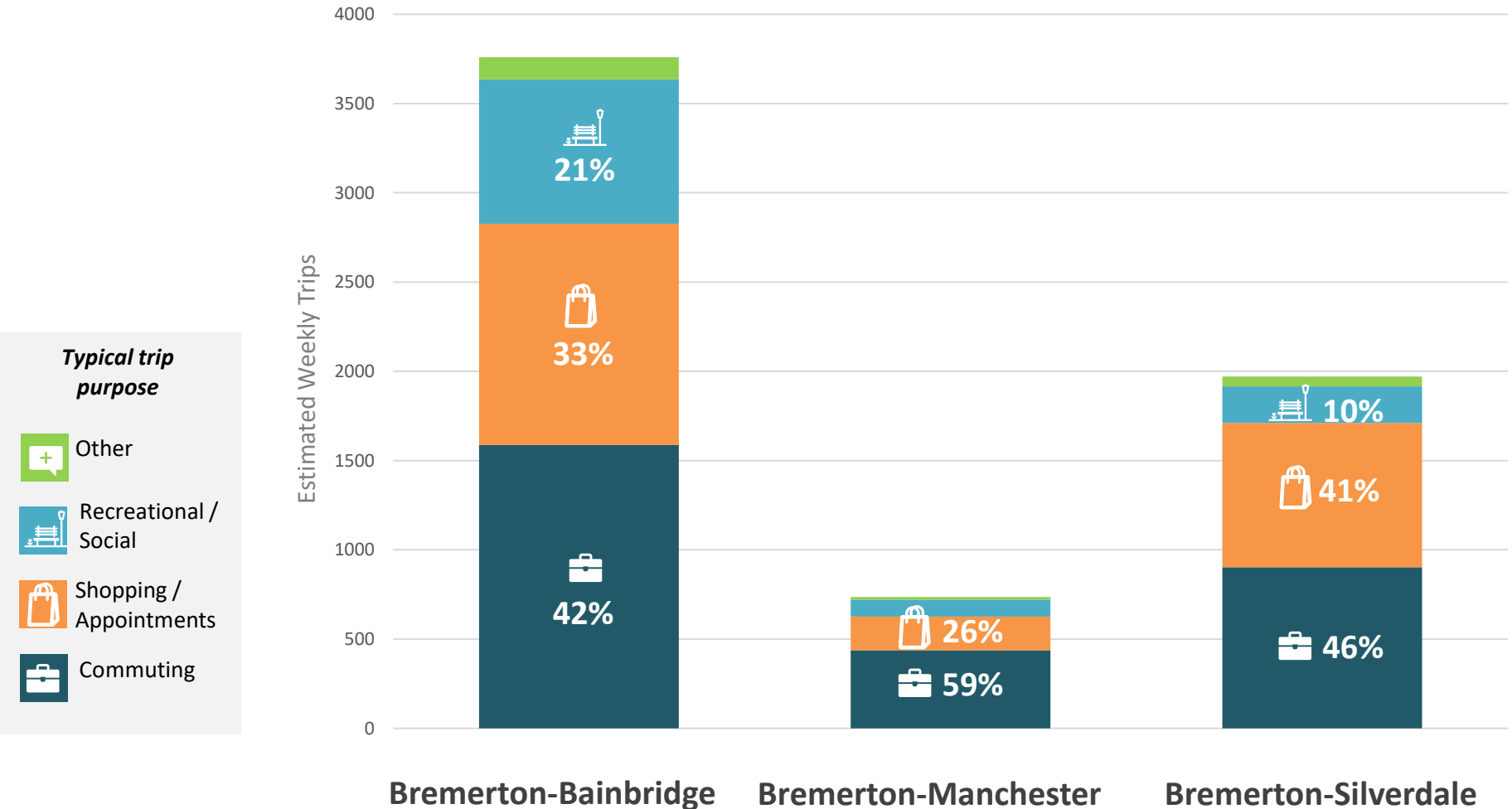
- Residents countywide took the survey, with the most respondents in **Bremerton (40%)**, **Port Orchard (21%)**, and **Bainbridge (18%)**. Silverdale and Poulsbo each accounted for 5% of respondents.
- Of the three study routes, the **Bremerton-Bainbridge** route ranked highest across the county.



Survey Findings - Preferred Study Route and Typical Trip Purpose

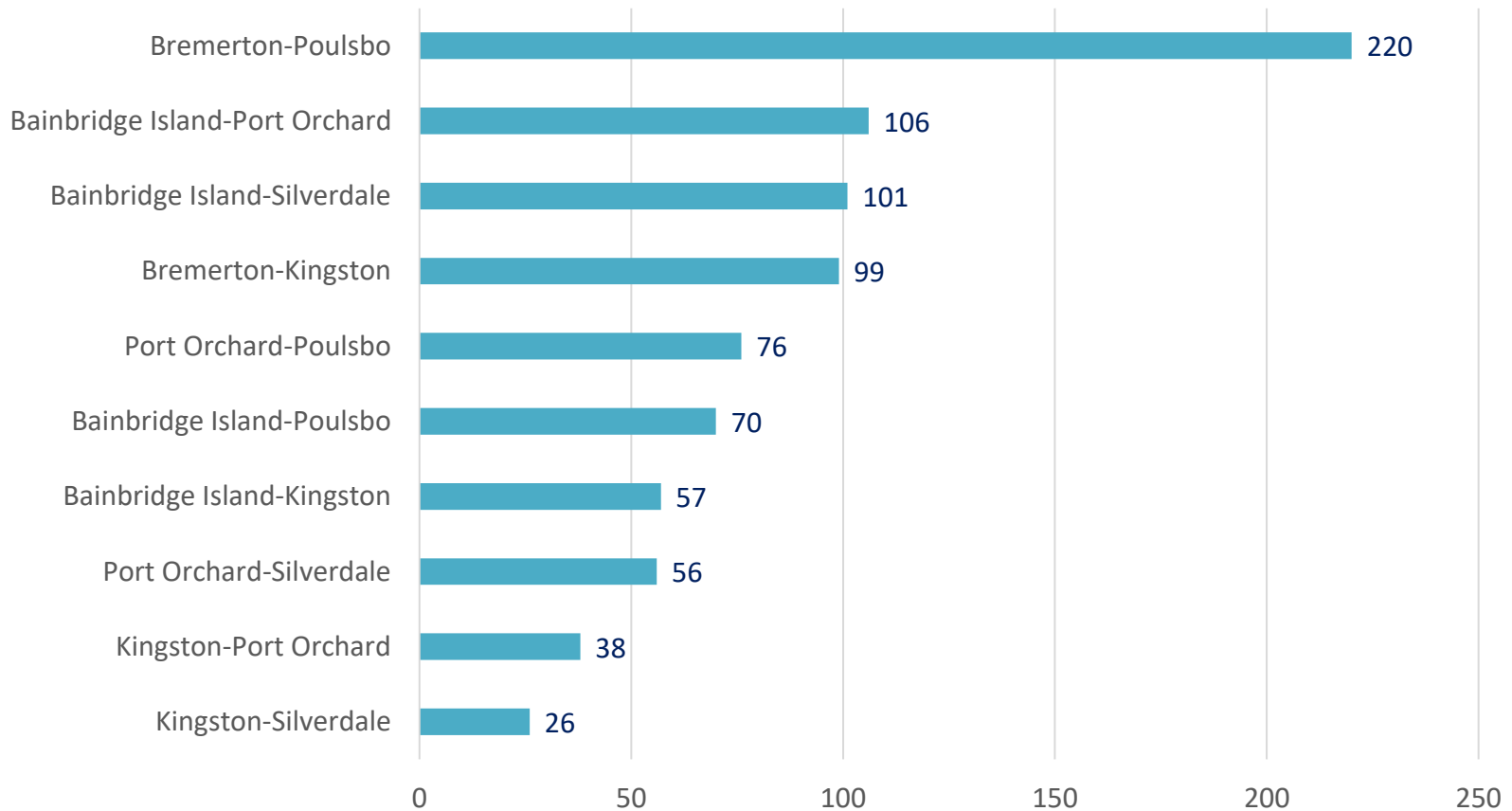


Survey Findings – Current Weekly Trips by Highest-Ranked Route Based on Reported Typical Trip Purpose and Frequency



Survey Findings – Top Write-in Routes

Top 10 Routes (within Kitsap County)*



**Excludes the three Study routes and locations outside of Kitsap County*

Next Steps

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Provide guidance and recommendations to KT Management to support identification of routes to move forward for detailed analysis

- Initial route feasibility assessment criteria:
 - Travel time competitiveness
 - Existing transit alternatives
 - Navigational and vessel wake considerations
 - Potential demand
 - Community and stakeholder interest

Advance feasibility analysis of selected routes

- Define operating parameters and capital requirements