

**Connections: A Regional Plan for a Sustainable Future On-line Survey Results**

Area	DVRPC Region	N/A	DVRPC Planning Area Type				Bucks	Chester	Delaware	Montgomery	Philadelphia	PA	Burlington	Camden	Gloucester	Mercer	NJ
			Core Cities	Dev Comms	Grow Subs	Rural Areas											
Total Survey Respondents	4,648	421	1,488	1,198	1,590	372	473	596	503	789	1,445	3,806	216	323	214	89	842
<b>1. What do you like most about the Delaware Valley region? (Choose up to 3)</b>																	
1a Walkable downtowns with viable business districts	46%	37%	72%	40%	32%	22%	29%	30%	46%	37%	74%	50%	28%	37%	19%	31%	30%
1b Wide range of transit options	18%	17%	28%	21%	10%	7%	8%	10%	21%	15%	28%	19%	16%	19%	10%	21%	16%
1c Ease of travel by auto	10%	14%	5%	15%	11%	9%	9%	7%	14%	9%	4%	8%	21%	21%	21%	17%	21%
1d Abundance of open space and natural beauty	33%	33%	20%	26%	44%	64%	58%	57%	32%	32%	20%	34%	31%	16%	35%	33%	26%
1e Accessible public parks and outdoor recreational amenities	34%	30%	30%	35%	36%	35%	40%	39%	30%	39%	31%	35%	31%	28%	27%	35%	29%
1f Numerous cultural and historic sites	58%	51%	61%	56%	56%	55%	60%	55%	54%	61%	61%	59%	52%	54%	48%	52%	52%
1g Variety of shopping and entertainment venues	32%	32%	27%	38%	35%	23%	29%	25%	30%	35%	26%	29%	47%	52%	50%	28%	47%
1h Range of business and employment opportunities	25%	22%	16%	28%	31%	25%	24%	28%	26%	29%	16%	23%	34%	37%	34%	36%	35%
1i Environmental and sustainable initiatives	11%	10%	9%	9%	11%	22%	14%	17%	11%	10%	9%	11%	8%	6%	10%	10%	8%
<b>2. What do you like least about the Delaware Valley region? (Choose up to 3)</b>																	
2a Limited transit options	37%	34%	41%	30%	39%	43%	37%	38%	30%	36%	41%	38%	31%	30%	51%	35%	36%
2b Traffic congestion	67%	69%	48%	72%	80%	72%	74%	79%	73%	78%	48%	65%	76%	76%	78%	66%	75%
2c Physical condition of roads and transit system	51%	45%	56%	50%	49%	41%	51%	43%	49%	51%	56%	52%	53%	47%	48%	37%	48%
2d Limited public parks and recreational facilities	8%	8%	10%	8%	6%	4%	5%	5%	9%	6%	10%	8%	8%	10%	8%	6%	8%
2e Loss of farmland, open space, and natural beauty	53%	50%	42%	56%	58%	66%	63%	66%	58%	52%	42%	53%	52%	58%	54%	53%	55%
2f Lack of shopping and entertainment options	3%	4%	3%	1%	3%	3%	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%	3%	3%	1%	4%	7%	3%
2g Limited business and employment opportunities	10%	8%	18%	8%	5%	6%	6%	4%	6%	7%	18%	11%	5%	8%	7%	9%	7%
2h Lack of environmental and sustainable initiatives	27%	18%	35%	27%	20%	21%	19%	22%	28%	23%	36%	28%	19%	26%	15%	20%	21%
<b>3. What do you believe are the most important issues facing the Delaware Valley region? (Choose up to 3)</b>																	
3a Improving transportation infrastructure	49%	45%	53%	47%	49%	40%	45%	46%	44%	54%	54%	50%	41%	40%	50%	44%	43%
3b Curbing sprawl	41%	36%	36%	38%	43%	55%	51%	53%	38%	39%	36%	42%	33%	34%	38%	39%	35%
3c Revitalizing urban centers and towns	42%	34%	49%	42%	37%	33%	30%	33%	42%	43%	49%	42%	43%	41%	41%	48%	42%
3d Preserving open space/farmland and improving parks and recreational opportunities	36%	32%	23%	35%	43%	60%	54%	51%	38%	36%	23%	36%	36%	33%	40%	29%	35%
3e Increasing housing variety and affordability	15%	17%	17%	13%	15%	10%	12%	16%	16%	10%	16%	14%	18%	18%	12%	24%	17%
3f Increasing inter-governmental cooperation	15%	14%	16%	15%	14%	15%	13%	14%	17%	15%	16%	15%	14%	16%	11%	19%	14%
3g Dealing with global warming and greenhouse gas emissions	17%	17%	19%	17%	16%	14%	15%	15%	19%	16%	19%	17%	16%	15%	17%	20%	16%
3h Building and maintaining a competitive regional economy	30%	25%	36%	30%	26%	20%	24%	19%	26%	33%	36%	30%	30%	31%	22%	28%	28%
3i Cleaning up the environment	20%	19%	24%	21%	17%	15%	16%	15%	20%	18%	24%	20%	21%	23%	19%	11%	20%
3j Rising home and automobile energy costs	18%	21%	11%	22%	22%	19%	21%	17%	23%	15%	10%	15%	31%	31%	33%	17%	30%
<b>4. Where in the Delaware Valley region should most future development be encouraged? (Choose up to 2)</b>																	
4a In existing core cities (ie Philadelphia, Trenton)	85%	76%	96%	82%	78%	81%	84%	76%	83%	79%	96%	86%	77%	79%	73%	92%	79%
4b In older, first-generation suburbs (i.e. Lansdale, Haddonfield)	58%	49%	49%	62%	61%	64%	63%	66%	68%	66%	49%	59%	52%	47%	47%	61%	50%
4c In newer, growing suburbs (ie Exton, Mount Laurel)	14%	15%	7%	15%	21%	16%	13%	20%	12%	16%	6%	12%	25%	24%	31%	8%	24%
4d In undeveloped rural areas	5%	8%	4%	5%	6%	5%	5%	6%	4%	5%	4%	4%	8%	8%	10%	6%	8%
<b>5. What is the most effective way to manage future development? (Choose up to 2)</b>																	
5a Link new development to available water, sewer and transportation infrastructure	33%	20%	28%	32%	37%	39%	35%	37%	32%	33%	28%	32%	38%	32%	39%	48%	37%
5b Purchase undeveloped land or farmland to limit development	25%	13%	15%	26%	29%	36%	37%	29%	27%	24%	16%	24%	30%	28%	36%	17%	29%
5c Implement more effective zoning and design controls	41%	24%	47%	38%	38%	41%	40%	39%	42%	38%	47%	42%	42%	33%	34%	44%	37%
5d Place mixed-use development (i.e. housing, office space and stores) near train stations or transit stops	52%	29%	62%	51%	45%	44%	44%	44%	47%	51%	62%	52%	52%	50%	44%	51%	49%
5e Increase inter-governmental cooperation and coordination (i.e., multi-municipal plans and ordinances)	32%	17%	32%	33%	34%	25%	27%	33%	35%	38%	32%	33%	33%	28%	22%	36%	29%
5f No controls should be placed on development	1%	0%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	4%	1%	0%	2%
<b>6. What do you think is the most important transportation need in our region today? (Choose up to 3)</b>																	
6a Reduce traffic congestion	46%	25%	28%	50%	59%	52%	52%	52%	54%	55%	27%	43%	63%	55%	64%	49%	59%
6b Repair our existing roads, bridges and rail system	50%	32%	42%	52%	53%	57%	63%	48%	52%	52%	42%	49%	62%	55%	50%	44%	54%
6c Improve safety	9%	6%	10%	10%	8%	8%	8%	7%	8%	7%	10%	8%	9%	14%	14%	7%	12%
6d Provide more travel options (ie transit, biking, walking)	47%	24%	52%	43%	46%	42%	49%	50%	43%	45%	52%	49%	37%	41%	37%	45%	39%
6e Reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve air quality	25%	15%	28%	27%	22%	25%	22%	23%	28%	24%	28%	26%	26%	27%	21%	24%	25%
6f Adequate, dedicated transportation funding	41%	21%	53%	39%	34%	31%	31%	33%	43%	40%	54%	43%	29%	28%	32%	47%	31%
6g Improve inter-city passenger rail service between Delaware Valley and other metro areas	38%	25%	43%	35%	35%	37%	35%	38%	34%	35%	43%	38%	33%	33%	42%	34%	35%
6h Add freight capacity (i.e. freight rail improvements, port improvements)	6%	4%	7%	5%	7%	6%	5%	6%	6%	6%	7%	6%	6%	6%	6%	12%	7%
<b>7. With limited financial resources, how should transportation funding be prioritized? (Choose up to 2)</b>																	
7a Rebuild and maintain existing highway and transit facilities	35%	21%	25%	38%	40%	45%	48%	39%	39%	34%	25%	34%	46%	38%	39%	43%	41%
7b Improve the operation of existing highway facilities (i.e. coordinate traffic signals, quick accident clearance)	32%	20%	17%	36%	42%	42%	45%	38%	38%	36%	17%	30%	44%	41%	40%	36%	41%
7c Improve the operation of existing transit service (i.e. universal transit fare card, increase service frequency)	63%	33%	82%	62%	49%	44%	44%	53%	64%	60%	83%	66%	44%	49%	42%	58%	47%
7d Expand the highway system	7%	4%	4%	7%	10%	7%	9%	7%	6%	10%	4%	6%	13%	11%	8%	4%	10%
7e Expand the transit system	50%	26%	60%	44%	45%	47%	41%	47%	42%	46%	60%	50%	41%	46%	55%	47%	47%
<b>8. What is your most important consideration in deciding where to live in the region? (Choose up to 3)</b>																	
8a Proximity to jobs and shopping	42%	24%	47%	40%	42%	28%	31%	34%	38%	43%	46%	41%	46%	46%	44%	56%	47%
8b Taxes	26%	18%	12%	31%	34%	35%	31%	29%	33%	25%	11%	22%	48%	39%	52%	31%	44%
8c Amount of land/lot size	10%	8%	3%	8%	14%	30%	19%	19%	10%	12%	3%	10%	13%	9%	16%	2%	11%
8d Quality of schools	36%	20%	16%	46%	49%	39%	41%	43%	49%	48%	15%	34%	49%	43%	43%	49%	45%
8e Proximity to transit	34%	17%	53%	37%	21%	10%	16%	19%	34%	34%	54%	37%	20%	30%	16%	18%	23%
8f Safe and comfortable walking and biking opportunities	32%	19%	40%	29%	30%	24%	30%	30%	32%	30%	40%	34%	23%	27%	21%	26%	24%
8g Proximity to open space, parks and outdoor recreational facilities	30%	17%	24%	27%	34%	51%	44%	45%	24%	32%	24%	31%	25%	23%	29%	25%	25%
8h Sense of community	37%	19%	40%	37%	35%	37%	37%	34%	38%	35%	40%	38%	39%	36%	34%	42%	37%
8i Access to arts, cultural and entertainment venues	26%	13%	44%	19%	17%	14%	21%	14%	17%	18%	44%	28%	14%	21%	14%	21%	18%