

California Senate Bill 743 Vehicle Miles Traveled Data Disclaimer

A. Definitions

ABM	Activity-Based Model
CEQA	California Environmental Quality Act
OPR	California Office of Planning and Research
SB 743	California Senate Bill 743 (Steinberg, 2013)
VMT	Vehicle Miles Traveled

B. Overview

The SB 743 VMT maps provide an estimate of personal vehicle travel by residents and employees within the San Diego region. The OPR released a Technical Advisory on Evaluating Transportation Impacts in CEQA (<http://opr.ca.gov/ceqa/updates/sb-743/>) and the maps provided by SANDAG are an interpretation of the guidelines provided as a resource to the jurisdictions in our region to use as they see fit.

The estimated data in these maps are an analysis of travel using SANDAG's ABM. The currently approved ABM version is ABM2 using Land Use Series 14 data source version 17. ABM1 Series 13 maps and data are provided as historical reference for projects. These maps and data are subject to change as new estimates are produced using updated inputs and methodologies.

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The estimated data are provided at three geographic scales: City, City/County Community Planning Area, and Census Tract. For each geography SANDAG provides the VMT data per capita and per employee. VMT per capita represents the average amount of personal, non-commercial, vehicle travel made on an average weekday by each resident who lives within that geographic boundary. VMT per employee represents the average amount of personal, non-commercial, vehicle travel made on an average weekday by each resident employee whose employment/work location is within that geographic boundary. VMT per employee includes all travel made by the employee, not just commuting to work, and includes those individuals who telecommute to their work location.

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SANDAG Activity Based Model #, Release vXX.X.X, Growth Forecast XX.XX, Forecast Year YYYY, Reference Scenario #XXX, Month Year of Model Run

Current 2016 VMT Data

SANDAG Activity Based Model 2, Release v14.1.1, Growth Forecast 14.17, Forecast Year 2016, Reference Scenario #434, October 2019

Historic 2012 VMT Data

SANDAG Activity Based Model 1, Release v13.3.2, Growth Forecast 13, Forecast Year 2012, Reference Scenario #720, June 2017

Short citation for charts and maps

SANDAG Activity Based Model #, Forecast Year YYYY

Current 2016 VMT Data

SANDAG Activity Based Model 2, Forecast Year 2016

Historic 2012 VMT Data

SANDAG Activity Based Model 1, Forecast Year 2012