

## Route User Survey 2005 – The Dings, Bristol

### Introduction

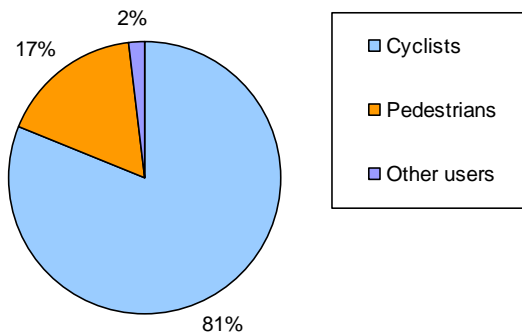
This is a summary report of data collected at a single point on the route during July and September 2005. Route users were interviewed during four 12-hour survey periods, a school-holiday weekday, a school-holiday weekend day, a term-time weekday and a term-time weekend day. Manual count data was collected during the same four 12-hour periods.

The survey site is on a traffic free route along a disused railway line the Bristol to Bath path. The site is approximately 400 metres east of start of the Bristol end of the railway path. The survey location was between the Lawrence Hill entrance and the Railway Passage underpass/Dings Railway Path junction. The route is part of NCN National Route 4. The survey was funded by Bristol City Council and the VIVALDI project

### User count and survey responses

A total of 5,198 route users were counted over the 48-hour survey period, and 235 interviews were completed during this period.

### Activity of users



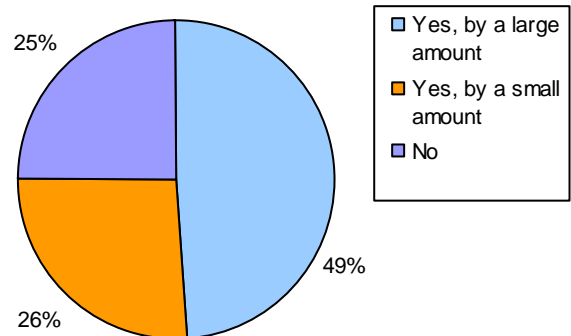
### Gender and age classification of users

	Count	Percentage
Children	283	5
Adult males	3,498	67
Adult females	1,305	25
Older males	83	2
Older Females	29	1
Total	5,198	100

### Factors encouraging route use

The most commonly cited influences on route users decisions to use the route were the convenience of the route (52%), pleasant surroundings (48%), journey efficiency (45%), safety of the route (41%) and quality of the route (30%).

### Physical activity benefit attributable to the route



### Trip type

Trip Type	Percentage
Shopping	14
Education	3
Commuting	43
Personal business	7
Leisure	30
Other	3

### Cyclists

18% of cyclists interviewed were novices and 82% were experienced cyclists. 52% of cyclists said that they are now cycling more than they were a year ago, and 46% said they plan to cycle more in the future

### Other modes of transport

7% of respondents used a car for part of their journey. 48% of users could have used a car to make their trip, but opted not to, and for 44% a car was not an available option.

### Location of survey point

