

### **Main Findings from Wellington Railway Station Cyclist Survey:**

During the morning peak (in July 2010) passengers with bikes arrive from the Paraparaumu/Johnsonville/Hutt lines at the rate of about 12 per hour.

On average, these commuters caught the train with their bikes 4.2 days per week.

Approximately half of these commuters had a bike journey at either end of their train trip that was less than 10 minutes ride.

Of 23 respondents, six said they would drive if they could not take their bike on the train. Of the rest, the most popular alternate modes stated were walk, bus and skateboard.

During the evening peak (in November 2010) bike-carrying passengers depart on the Paraparaumu/Johnsonville/Hutt lines at the rate of about 30 per hour.

The evening peak usage is significantly higher for the following reasons:

- Cycle/Train commuters choose to avoid climbing the Ngaio and Ngauranga gorges
- Cycle/train commuters caught out by deteriorating weather or light
- Hutt Valley cycle/train commuters feel SH2 northbound is unsafe
- Some cycle/train commuters exhausted at the end of the working day

During the survey the most popular stations for cycle/train commuters (excluding Wellington) were:

- Plimmerton (6 inbound/5 outbound)
- Paraparaumu (5 inbound/4 outbound)
- Paremata (4 outbound)
- Porirua (4 inbound/11 outbound)
- Johnsonville (3 inbound/5 outbound)
- Silverstream (4 outbound)
- Waterloo (3 inbound/7 outbound)

## Summary of survey of rail passengers – Cycles on trains. January 2011

- 12% of respondents have taken a bike on a train
- 21% of respondents are likely to take a bike on a train in the future
- 50% of respondents think bikes should be allowed on the new trains in **peak** times
  - Those that intend taking bikes on trains in the future are significantly more likely to think bikes should be allowed on the new trains in peak times (70%)
- 94% of respondents think bikes should be allowed on the new trains in **off peak** times
  - Those that intend taking bikes on trains in the future are significantly more likely to think bikes should be allowed on the new trains in off-peak times (100%)
- 21% of respondents would be annoyed if they had to vacate their seat for a bike when they **could** get another seat.
- 57% of respondents would be annoyed if they had to vacate their seat for a bike, when they could **not** get another seat.
  - Those who have taken a bike on a train are significantly less likely to be annoyed (37%).

