

Choice Criteria survey

In the following, we report the text of the conversational survey on choice criteria, used to collect data from EU travellers.

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- I would like to ask you some questions about your choice criteria when choosing travel solutions
- To begin with, let's focus on one of your last trips
- It can be anything, a commute to work or even a more unusual journey

1. What was the reason of the trip you chose?

options

- Leisure
- Business
- Commute
- Other commitments

2. Whom were you travelling with?

options

- Partner
- Family
- Friends
- Colleague
- Alone

3. How long was your trip?

options

- Very short (10km or less)
- Short (10km to 50km)
- Medium (50km - 300km)
- Long distance (300km or more)

4. Where did you start the trip from?

options

- An urban area (densely inhabited city)
- A suburban area (commuting zone)
- A rural area

5. And what was your destination?

options

- The same area where the trip started
- An urban area
- A suburban area
- A rural area

6. Select all the means of transport you have used in that trip

checkbox (*multiple choice*)

- On foot
- Bicycle or micro-mobility
- Metro
- Bus/Tram/Trolleybus
- Private car/Private Taxi/Motorbike
- Car pooling/Ride sharing/Shared Taxi
- Train
- Plane
- Ferry

- Thank you, now imagine that you are using a travel app to plan/optimize your trip by comparing different solutions

7. Firstly, what are the travel preferences you'd like to specify?

checkbox (*multiple choice*)

- Specific means of transport
- Specific transportation companies
- A time interval for the departure and arrival times
- A limit on the amount of transport changes
- The travel class
- The seat type (e.g. aisle, window...)
- Meal inclusion
- Refundability
- Live notifications on trip status updates
- On board connectivity

8. Do you also have any of those needs?

checkbox

- I have large/multiple baggage
- I have special baggage (sport equipment, instruments, etc.)
- I need animal allowance
- I need help because of reduced mobility
- No additional needs
- I have health-related needs
- I travel with an infant
- Other needs

9. Related to those additional needs, is there any specific travel preference that you would like to specify?

 open-ended

- Now imagine that the travel app divides the available travel solutions into predefined categories (Quick, Short, etc.)
- I'm going to list these categories. For each of them please state how relevant it is for you!
- Let's start with the first category! From 1 to 5, how much are you interested in travel solutions that are:

★ *The following questions, from 10 to 19, are star-ratings (from 1 to 5 stars)*

10. ★ **Quick** (minimizing the total travel time)

11. ★ **Short** (minimizing the distance covered)

12. ★ **Reliable** (minimizing the chances of delays, breakdowns or last-minute changes)
13. ★ **Cheap** (having the lowest price)
14. ★ **Door-to-door** (minimizing the segments of the trip that are not covered by the solution)
15. ★ **Social** (facilitating new acquaintances)
16. ★ **Multitasking** (maximizing the possibility to perform other tasks while travelling: productivity, enjoyment, etc.)
17. ★ **Environmentally-friendly** (minimizing the trip's impact on the environment, such as NOx, CO2 emissions, energy consumption, etc.)
18. ★ **Philanthropic** (involving donations to charity or volunteering organizations)
19. ★ **Comfortable** (maximizing your comfort during the trip)

20. Which of these factors, in your opinion, define a comfortable solution?

checkbox

- Having a comfortable seat
- Cleanliness of stations and vehicles
- Low number of different means of transport
- Minimum number of interchanges
- High level of privacy
- Feeling of personal safety
- Protection from weather

- Awesome! Thank you for your input
- Now, if you could only choose some of these categories to make your final decision

21. Which ones would you pick? Please select max 3 categories

checkbox

- Quick
- Short
- Reliable
- Cheap
- Door-to-door
- Social
- Multitasking
- Environmentally friendly
- Philanthropic
- Comfortable

22. Is there any other category that you would like to have?

 *open-ended*

- Perfect, thank you
- Now, imagine you are inclined towards a choice and the app would like you to select a different travel solution
- I'm going to list some techniques that could be use to influence your final choice. Tell me how likely they are to succeed!
- Let's start, just touch or move the slider!

— Questions from 23 to 32, are sliders with values from 1 (Really unlikely) to 5 (Totally likely)

- 23. — Immediate price discount
- 24. — Price discount on future purchases
- 25. — Loyalty program with points collection to unlock different rewards
- 26. — Being offered additional services (e.g. included meal)
- 27. — Discounts on complementary services (e.g. hotel, restaurants...)
- 28. — Free (or discounted) class upgrade
- 29. — Provide more information about the positive aspects of a solution (e.g. sightseeing locations during the trip)
- 30. — Provide information on the solution's environmental impact
- 31. — Challenge you to achieve a specific goal (e.g. trying ride-sharing for the first time)
- 32. — A competition with friends and a shared leaderboard with points assigned based on your travel choices

33. Can you think about anything else that could influence your final choice?

 *open-ended*

- We're almost done! Before letting you go, I need to ask you a couple of questions about yourself

34. How old are you?

options

- Less than 18
- 18-24
- 25-34
- 35-50
- 51-65
- More than 65

35. What's your gender?

options

- Male
- Female
- Other
- Prefer not to say

36. In which country do you live?

 *open-ended*

37. What is the highest degree or level of education you have completed?

select

- Basic education
- Higher education
- Bachelor's Degree
- Master's Degree or higher
- Prefer not to say

38. What is your current employment status?

select

- Employed full time (40-more hours/week)
- Employed part time (max 39 hours/week)
- Unemployed and looking for a job
- Unemployed and not looking for a job
- Student
- Retired
- Self-employed
- Unable to work
- Prefer not to say