

# The Washington State CTR Law - 'Commuter Trip Reduction'

Passed in 1991, the [CTR Law](#) requires employers to work with employees to reduce the number and length of drive alone trips.

The CTR Law stems from the Washington Clean Air Act and Climate Action Plan. These aim to:

- Improve air quality
- Reduce traffic congestion
- Reduce the consumption of fossil fuels



# What Are the Requirements of the CTR Law?

Under the CTR Law, worksite with 100+ employees must:

1. Designate an ETC
2. Conduct a Commuter Survey every two years to measure employees' commute habits
3. Submit a Program Report every two years about the commuter benefits your workplace offers employees
4. Inform employees of commuter benefits (2x per year, or via an intranet)
5. Exercise a good faith effort by collaborating with the City in its implementation of the law

Commute Seattle is here to help you with these requirements!

We will contact you to remind you about the Commute Survey (#2) and Program Report (#3)

# Who Is Affected by the CTR Law?

The CTR Law affects Seattle worksites with 100 or more full-time employees.

## How does the Law define a “full-time employee” (FTE)?

Those who:

- Work 35+ hours/week
- Begin work between 6am-9am
- Anticipate being employed for 12+ months

## Remote work guidelines:

- Employees who telework full-time, part-time, or occasionally are CTR-affected
- Remote workers are not CTR-affected if they meet all four of the following requirements:
  - work from home or a site near home, and
  - come to the worksite once per year or less, and
  - live more than 150 miles from their worksites, and
  - do not work at a state agency in Lacey, Olympia, or Tumwater.

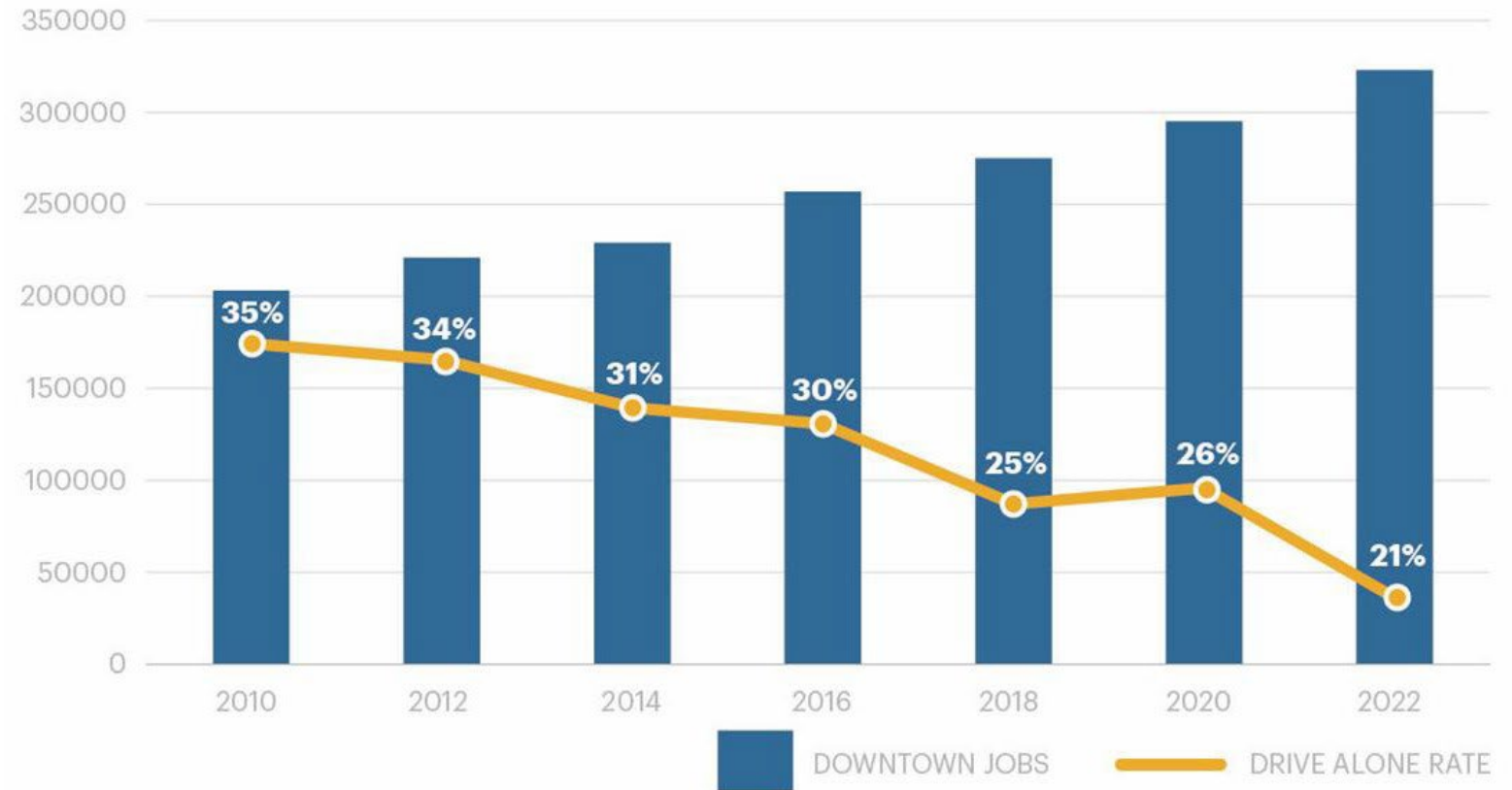
# City Wide CTR Outcomes

We are striving to reduce the “Drive Alone Rate” – it’s working!

Drive Alone Rate (DAR): the percentage of people who drive to work in a vehicle by themselves.

DAR is the primary data point the CTR program focuses on – you will see this acronym frequently.

## Downtown jobs vs. drive alone rate



# Drive Alone Rate Goals

Seattle is broken up into “Networks” which each have a designated DAR goal to strive towards.

Network Area	2019/2020	2023/2024	2035/2036
Elliott Corridor/Interbay	52.0%	49.1%	42.4%
East Seattle	48.7%	47.6%	45.3%
Fremont/Green Lake	47.5%	46.2%	43.5%
Northgate	65.5%	59.4%	46.9%
South Seattle	63.5%	60.4%	53.4%
U District	30.4%	29.2%	26.6%
Pioneer Square & Chinatown/International District	21.4%	20.4%	18.1%
South Lake Union & Uptown	26.8%	24.5%	19.7%
Belltown & Denny Triangle	20.0%	18.0%	14.1%
Capitol Hill, Pike/Pine, & First Hill	42.9%	41.6%	38.9%
Commercial Core	15.6%	15.2%	14.4%
Citywide	30.6%	28.8%	25.0%

