

# CommuterSmart News

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GET TO WORK FASTER, CHEAPER AND WITH LESS STRESS

## What's the Score on Transit?

A new service of [WalkScore.com](http://WalkScore.com) – the web tool that ranks how walkable a neighborhood is based on a 100-point scale – now scores an area's transit accessibility as well. To use it, just plug in any address and Transit Score will assign a score based on factors such as how far you have to walk to a transit stop and how often buses and trains arrive.



You can also use it to compare commuting options. Based on the address you give, you'll get a side-by-side comparison of how long it takes to get to any destination by car, bike and foot, as well as see any nearby public transit tops and routes.

Who knows? You might find a whole new way to get to work.



## Tell Us Who's Tops in Rideshare Reporting

Every year, the Rideshare Week agencies honor the best in radio and TV rideshare reporting with the Golden Pylon Awards—and now you can help select the winners. Have you noticed any on-air traffic reporters who regularly mention ridesharing, carpool lanes or "Rideshare Thursday?" Nominate them for an award! One lucky voter and a guest will be invited to the Golden Pylon Awards luncheon on Sept. 29. Cast your vote by Sept. 17 at [CommuterSmart.info](http://CommuterSmart.info)

## Coming Up...

### International Car-Free Day, Sept. 22

In cities worldwide, people are encouraged to leave their cars at home and try an alternative way to get around. For details on events, go to [22september.org](http://22september.org)



### California Rideshare Week, Oct. 4-8

Get ready for Rideshare Week, an annual campaign that urges solo drivers to carpool, vanpool, ride bus or rail, bike or walk to work at least one day during the week. Participants can win prizes including an iPad, getaways, free gas and more. To discover your rideshare options, call 1.800.COMMUTE or go to [CommuterSmart.info](http://CommuterSmart.info)



For more rideshare news and program information, go to [CommuterSmart.info](http://CommuterSmart.info) or call 1.800.COMMUTE