
Evaluating the choice of transportation modes considering the future population structure

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1. Introduction

1.1 Background



Koto city

江東区の人口推移

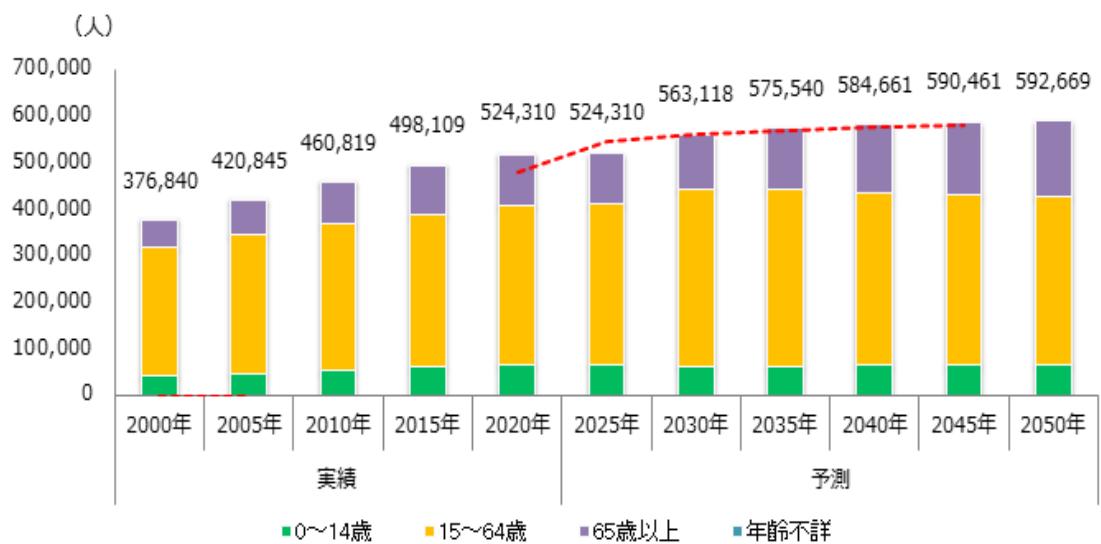


Figure.1 Estimates of population shift in Koto city

In **regional city**, the proportion of senior citizens in population generally increases by time. However, the population itself **decreases**, so it is doubtful that promoting the use of public transport is effective.



In **Koto city**, the population **increases** until 2050 because of the excess moving-in, AND the proportion of senior citizens in population also increases.

▷ Therefore, promoting the use of public transport there is also justified!



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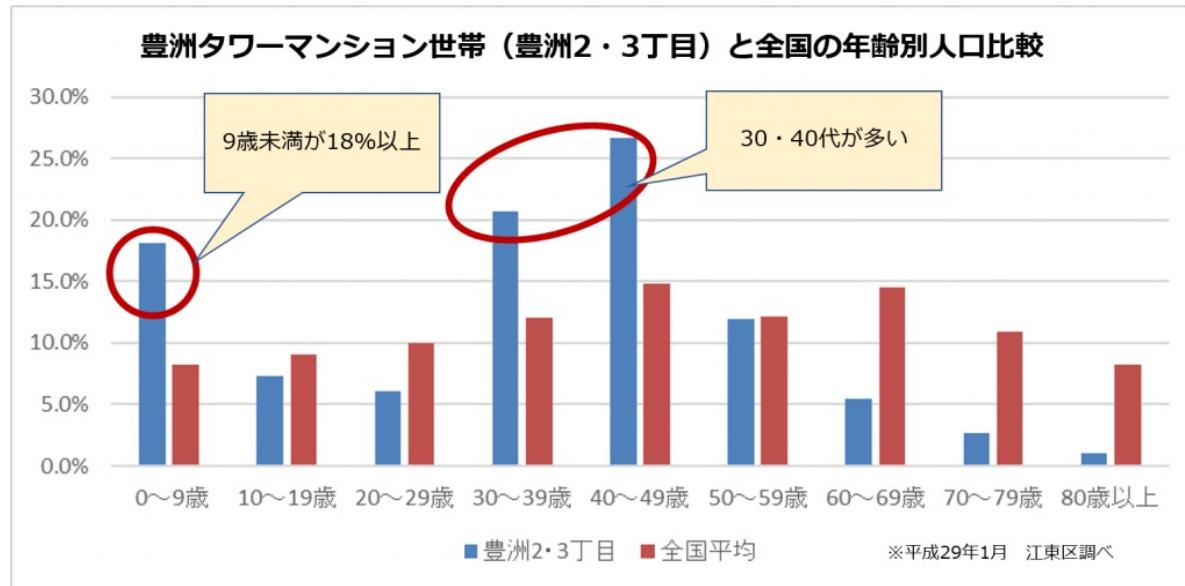


Figure 2. Comparison of population share between 2,3 Chome Toyosu and national AVG



2,3 Chome Toyosu, which is located in the north-west corner of Koto city, has a number of **high-rise condominium** and main type of resident is **nuclear family**.

However, the **population aging** of new town resident was a crucial problem of urban planning. The same thing seems to happen in the Toyosu section as well in the future.

Therefore, encouraging and considering the use of public transport in urban area is as important as that in rural area.

1. Introduction

1.1 Background

In Koto city, proportions of people older than 59 who answered "Inconvenient to move" were more than **25%** in most of areas (especially in Tatsumi/Shiomi area, more than 40%). (From Koto city regional questionnaire)



It seems unexpected to find that there are fair number of unsatisfied senior citizens in urban area.

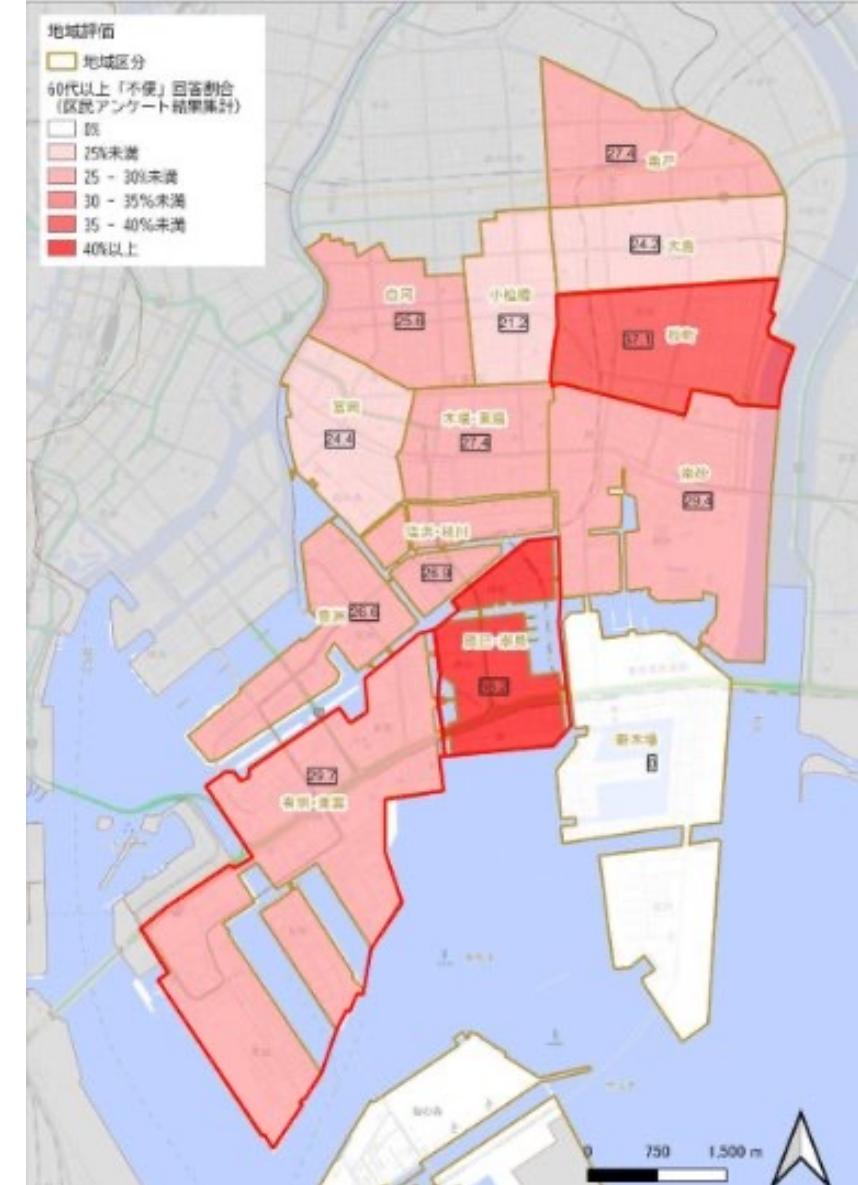


Figure 3. The result of Koto city regional questionnaire indicating the proportion of unsatisfied senior citizens



1.2 Purpose

Building a transportation mode choice model based on current data
Evaluating future public transportation system considering the expected population structure

As the present situation stated in p.4, fair proportion of senior citizens are not satisfied in current transportation services. Therefore, we also examine what type of transportation system will be needed in the future.



1. Introduction

1.3 Flow of analysis

Analysing current situation & Basic tabulation



Model estimation using Multinomial Logit Model



Policy evaluation (measuring the effect of public transport)



2. Data & Basic analysis

2.1 Subject area & Data

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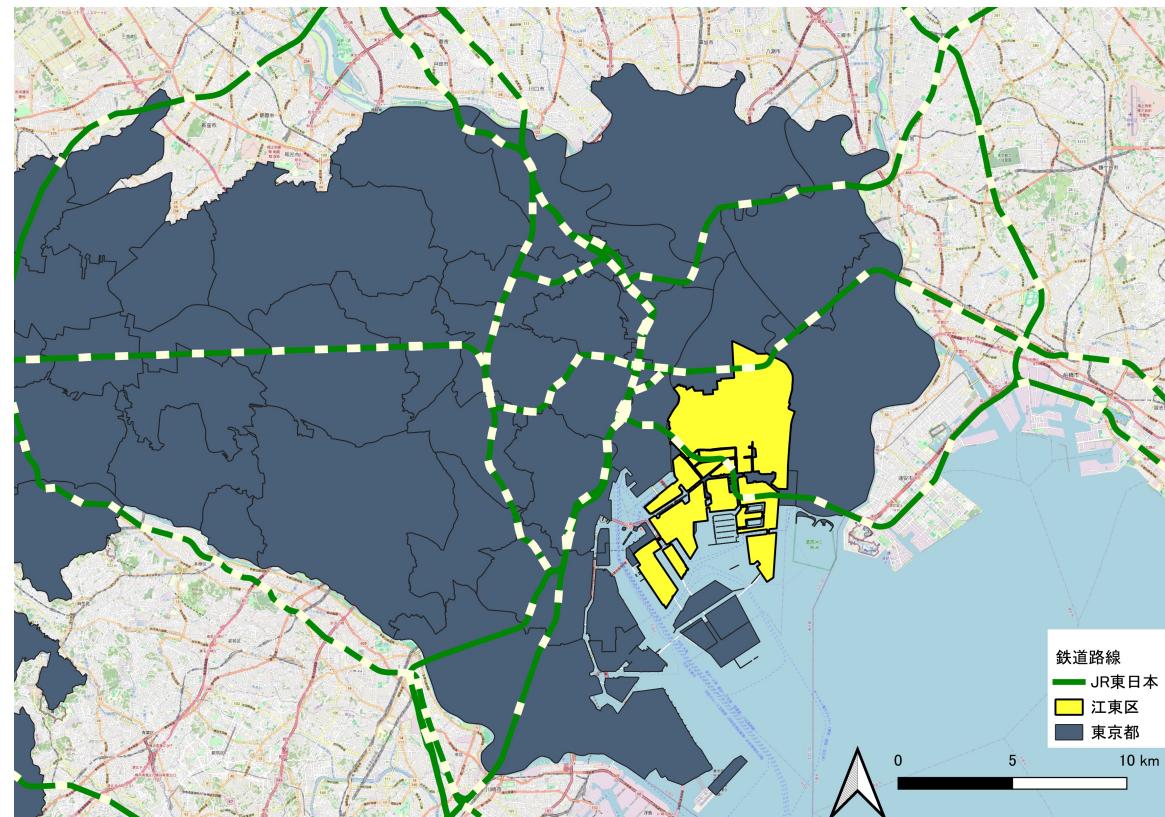
Koto city, Tokyo

<Data>

- Person Prove Survey conducted in 2021
- Digital National Land Information



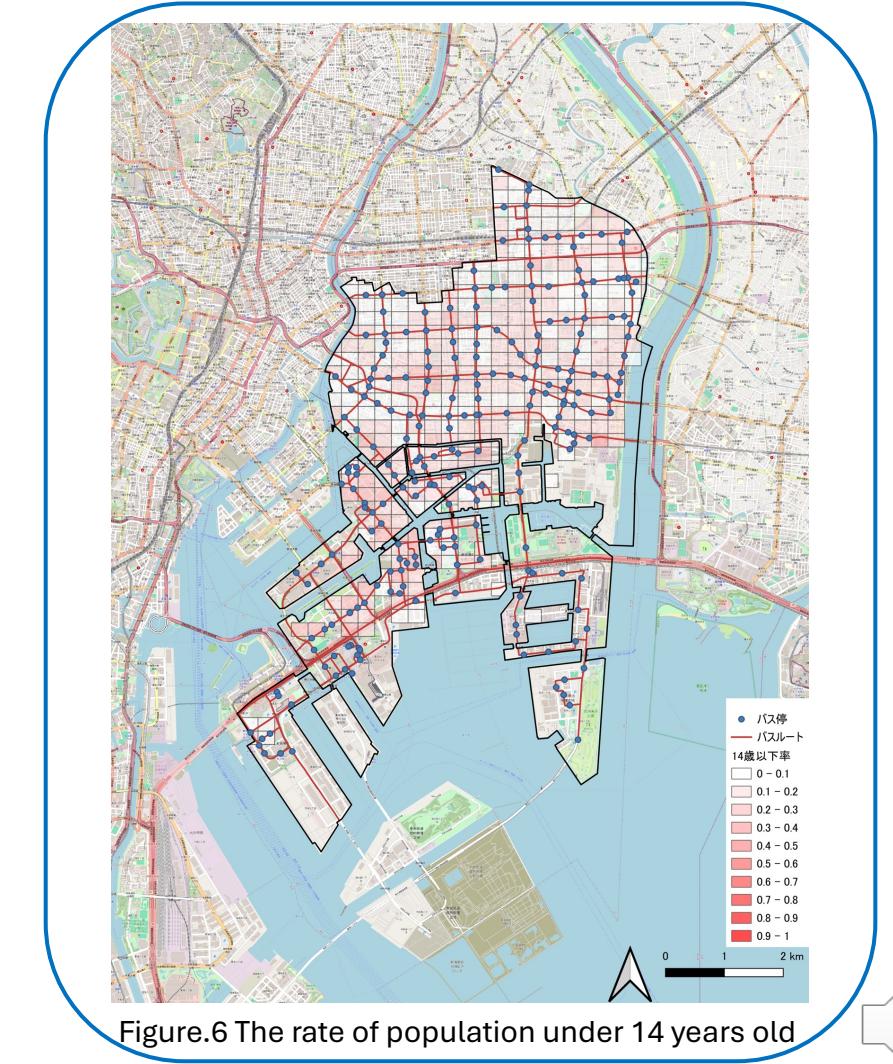
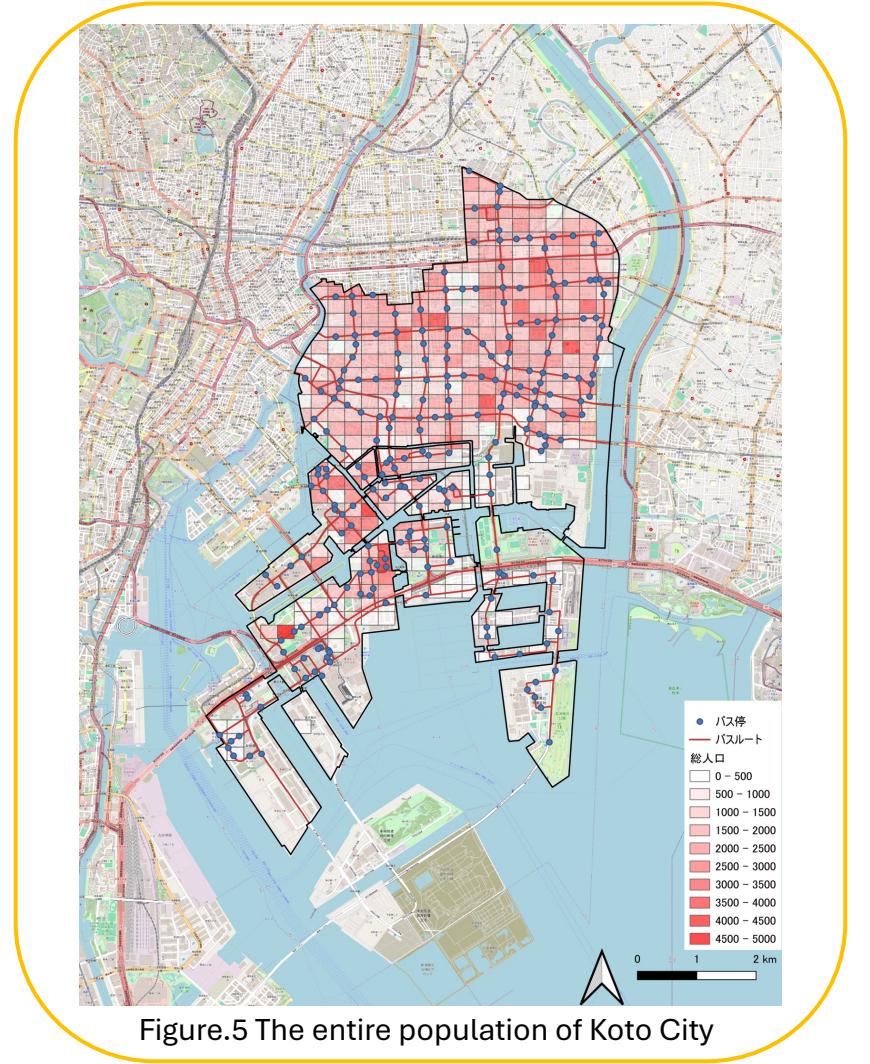
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2. Data & Basic analysis

2.2 Analyzing current situation

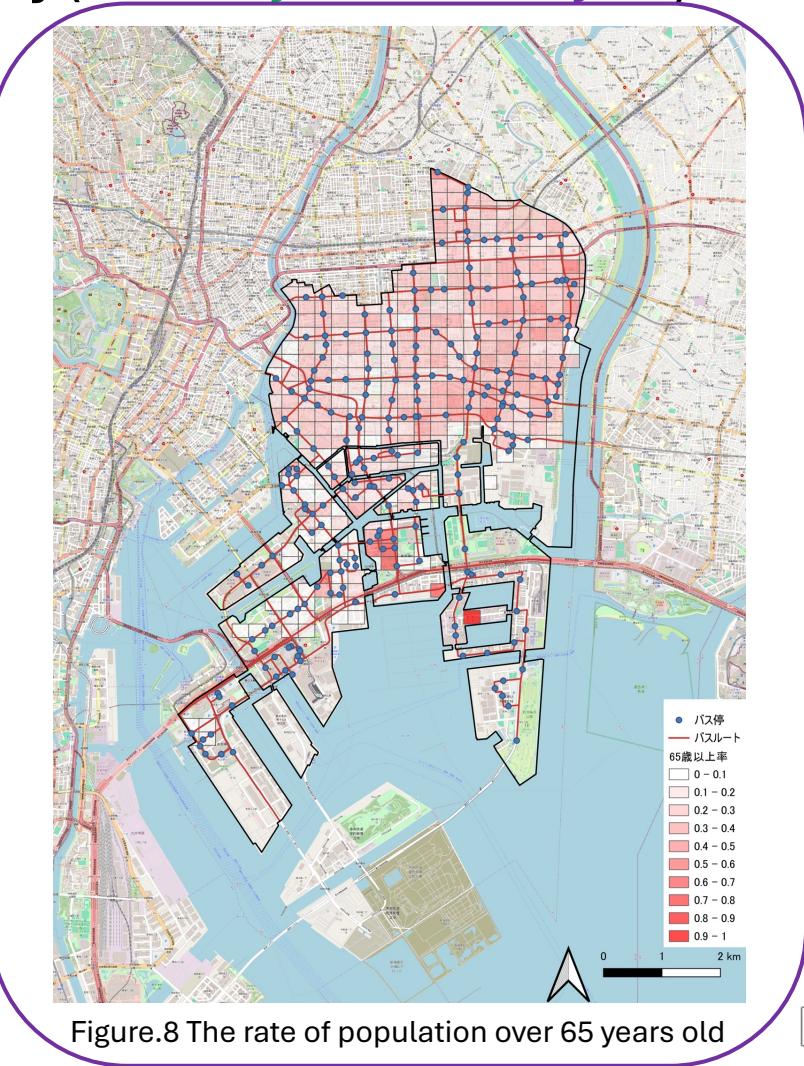
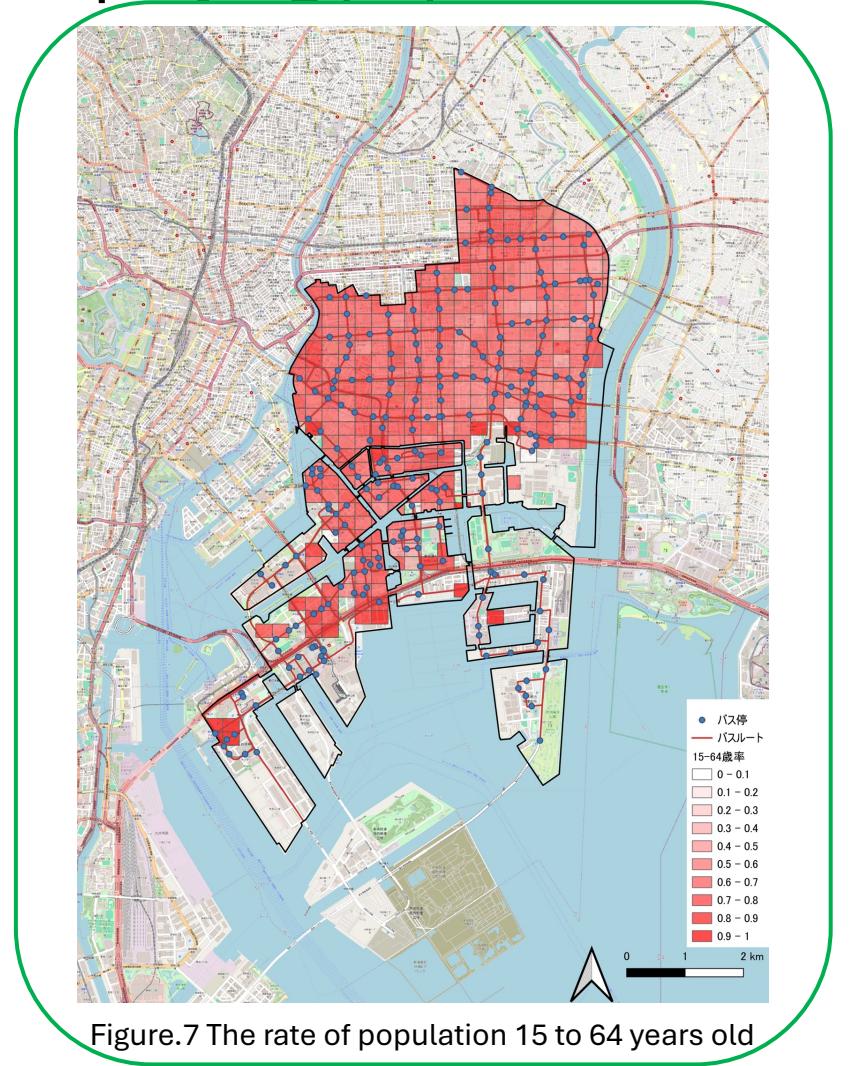
- Displaying population distribution of Koto city (entire population & ↓14y/o)



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Displaying population distribution of Koto city(15-64 y/o & ↑60y/o)



2. Data & Basic analysis

2.2 Analyzing current situation

■ Calculating the bus covered rate

- A buffer is within a 100m/300m radius of the bus stop.
- The bus covered rate is calculated as follows; dividing the sum area of buffers by the entire area of Koto city

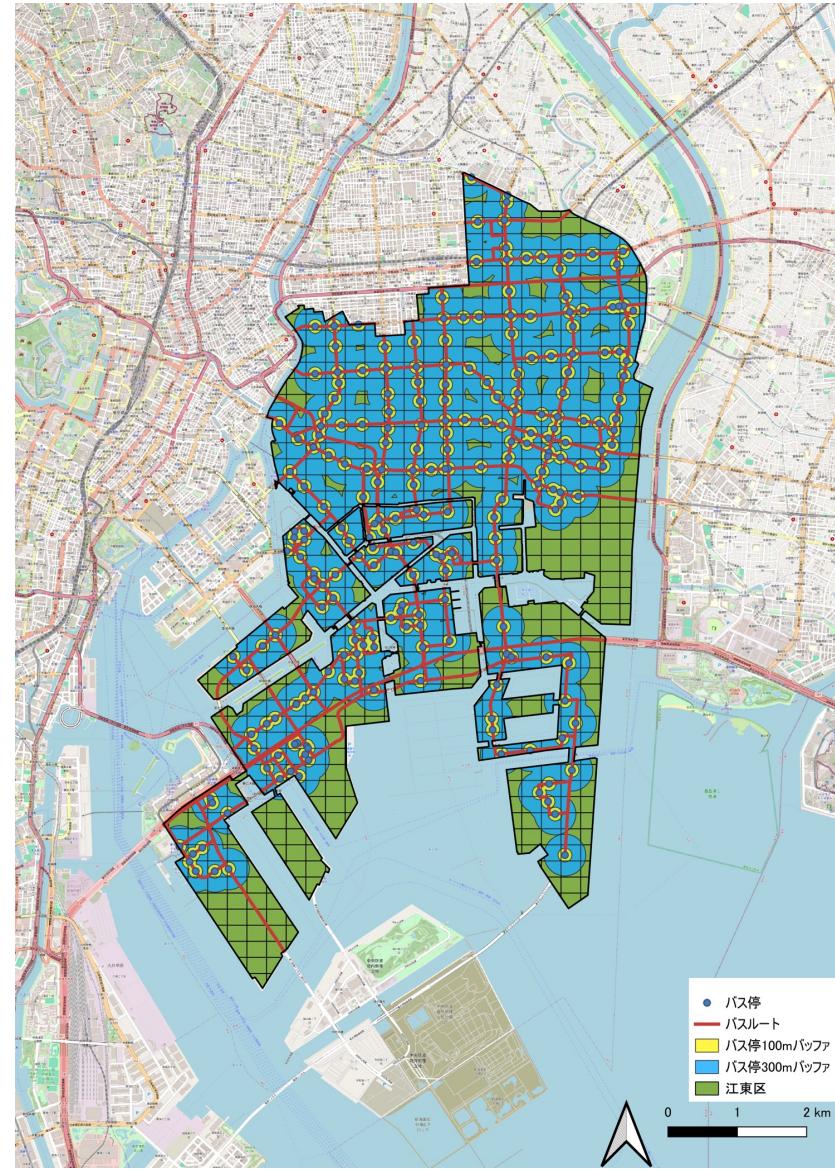


Figure.9 Illustration of buffers used to calculate the bus covered rate



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- Calculating the bus covered rate

	The bus covered rate
Within 100m buffer	0.17885
Within 300m buffer	0.74889

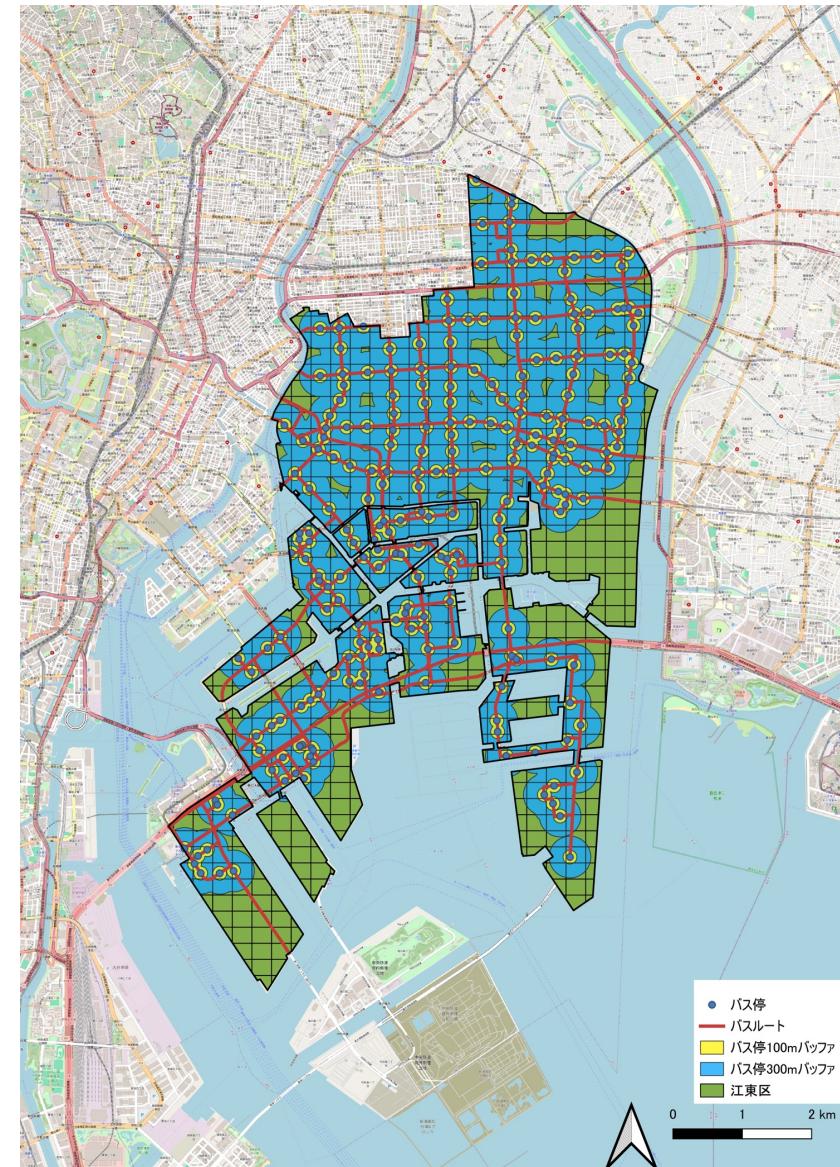


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- Displaying the bus covered rate of Koto city

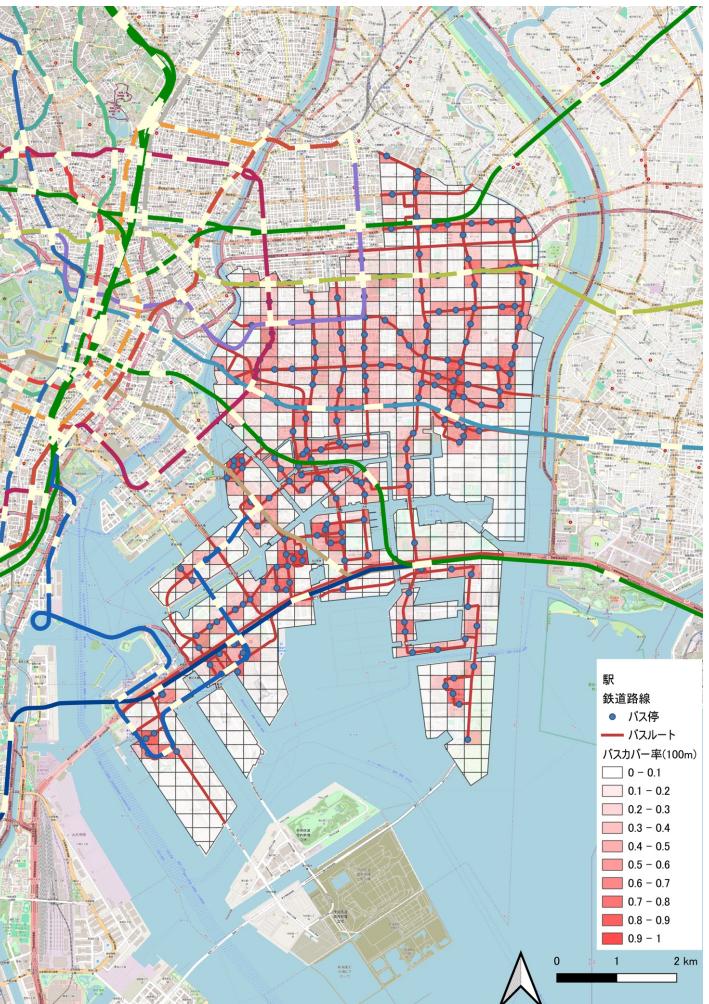


Figure.10 The bus covered rate within 100m buffer

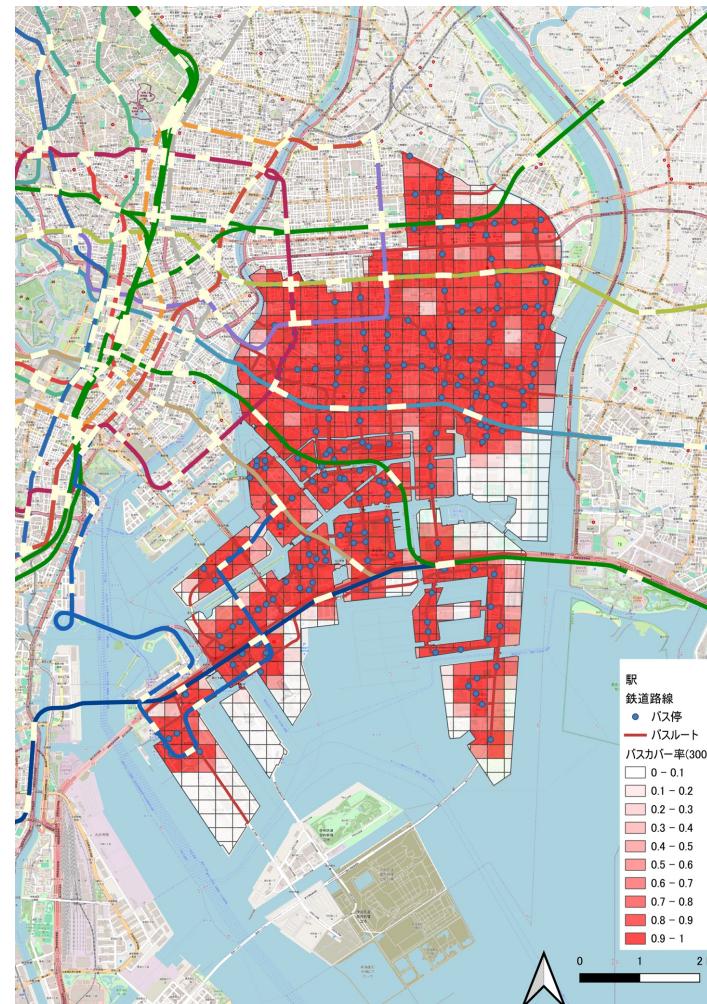


Figure.11 The bus covered rate within 300m buffer

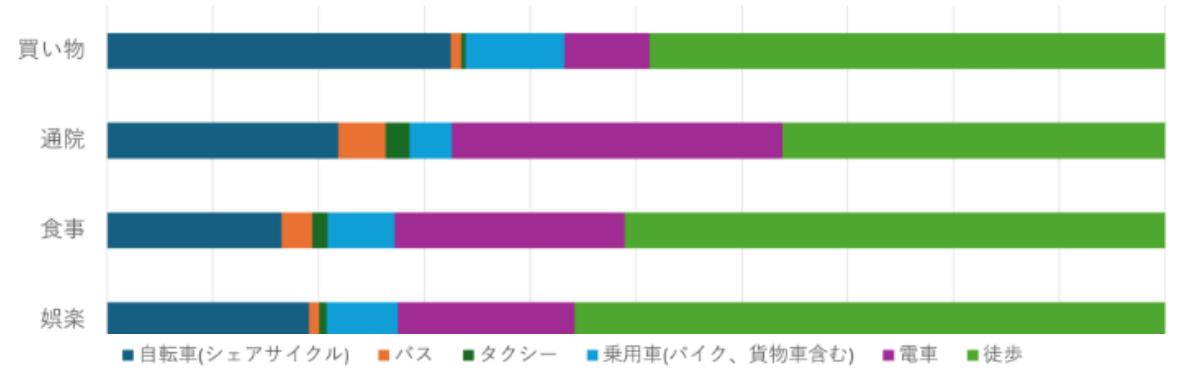


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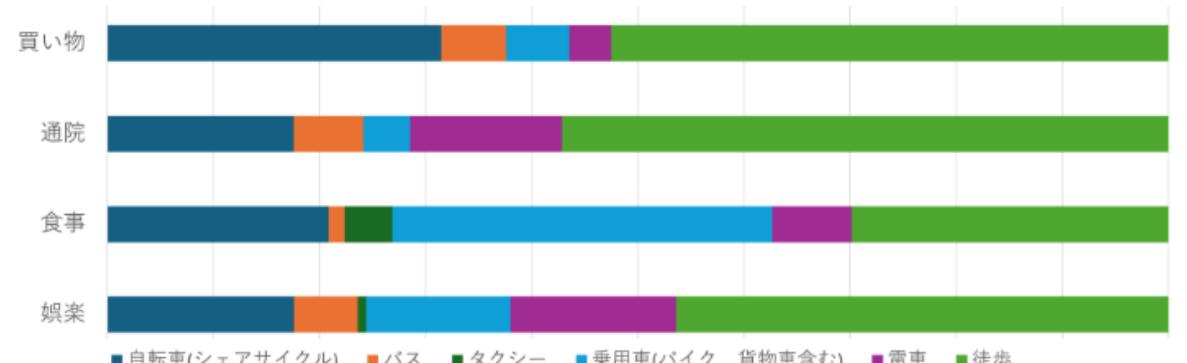
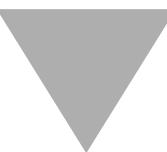
The distribution of means of transportation by purposes

20-50 age



- Generally, the proportions of "walk" are high, indicating the characteristic of urban areas.
(You can do most things without going further from your residence.)

Over 60 age



- Senior citizens use railways less, cars and buses more than 20-50s.

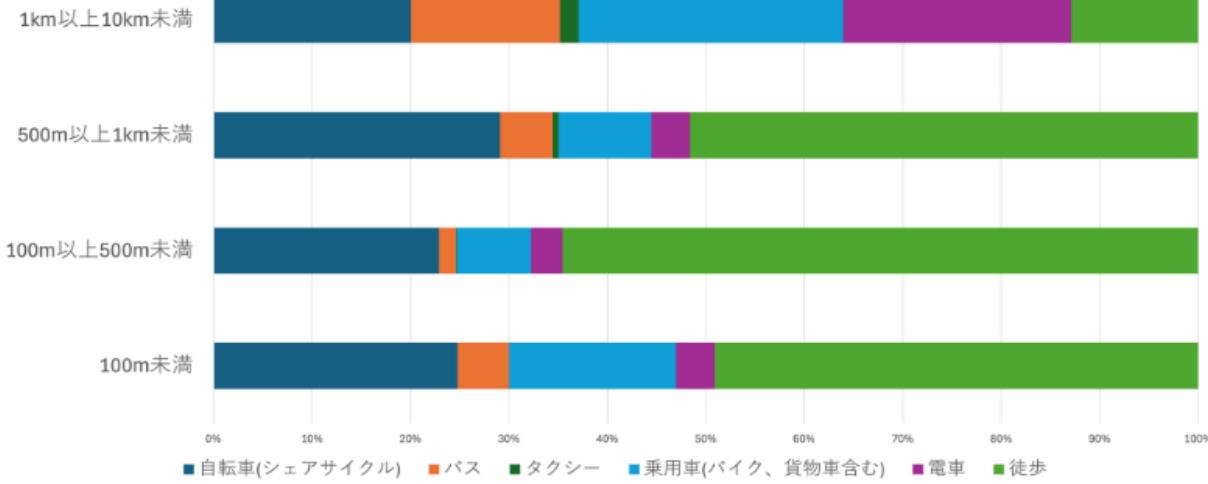


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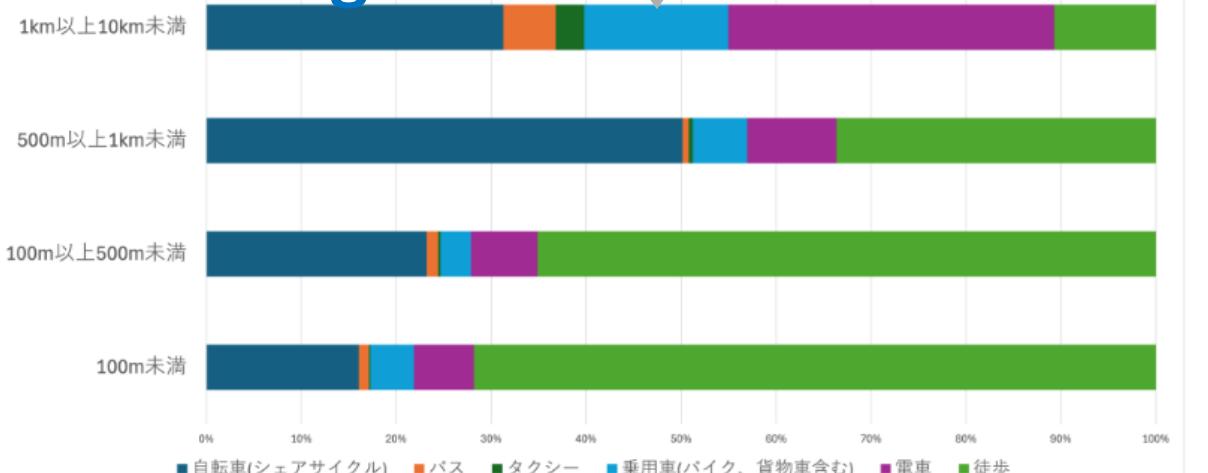
2.3 Basic analysis

The distribution of means of transportation by distances

20-50 age



Over 60 age

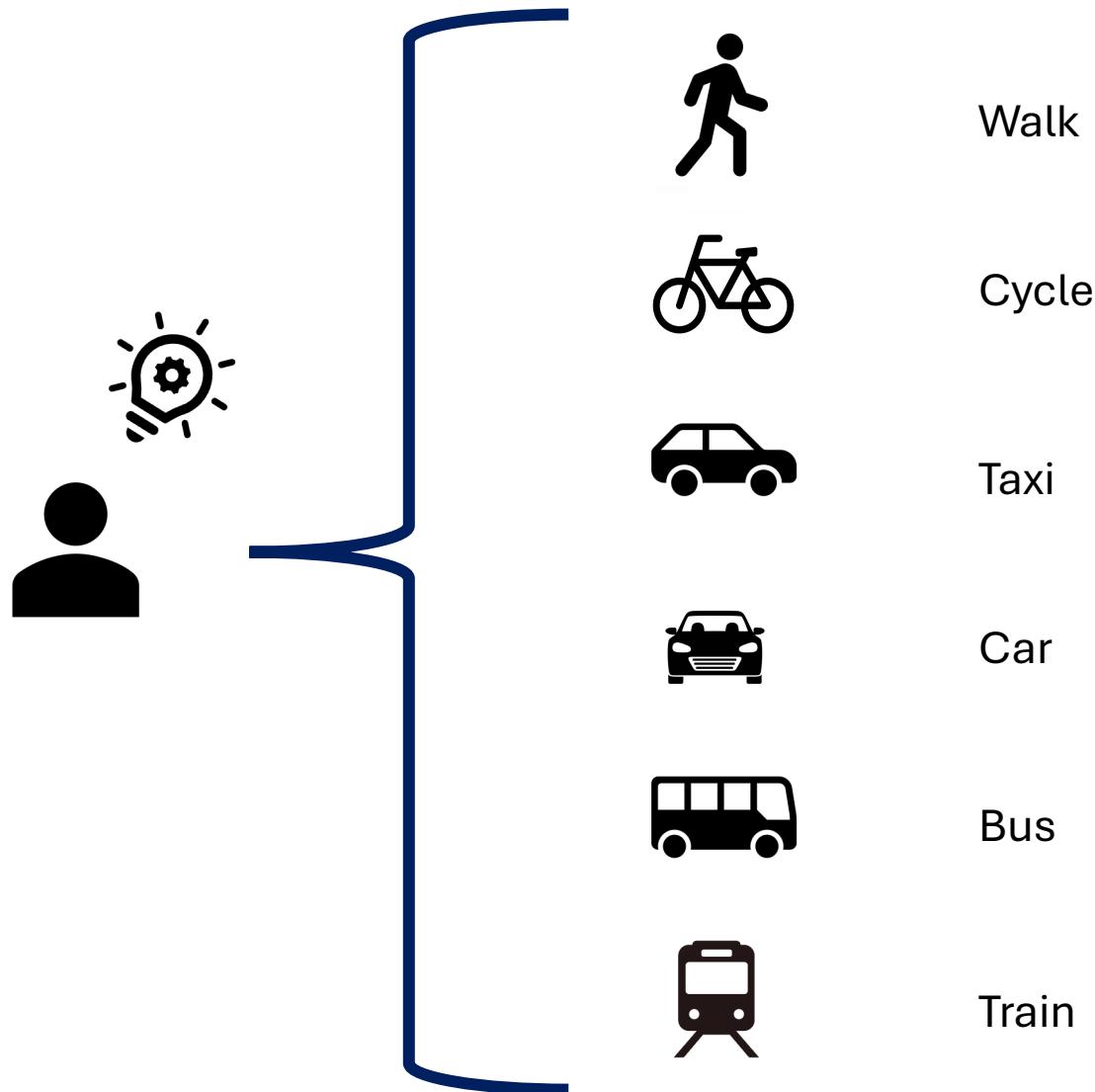


- Senior citizens walk relatively less and the use of **cars** and buses compensates them.
- However, **buses** are used mainly in distances between 1km to 10km.

► Senior citizens seems to be forced to **walk within 1km of movement.**



3.1 What is Multinomial Logit model?



Multinomial Logit model

It is a mathematical model aimed to explain **how much the mode of transportation is chosen**, by using fare, waiting time, etc and personal preferences as variables.

The model is determined by maximizing the utility function.



3. Logit model

3.2.1 Utility function

$$U_{\text{train}} = \alpha_1 \text{time} + \alpha_2 \text{cost} + \alpha_3 \text{access} + \varepsilon$$

$$U_{\text{bus}} = \alpha_1 \text{time} + \alpha_2 \text{cost} + \alpha_4 \text{o60age} \times \text{Cover} + \varepsilon$$

$$U_{\text{car}} = \alpha_1 \text{time} + \alpha_2 \text{cost} + \alpha_5 \text{hincome} + \alpha_6 \text{Owners} + \varepsilon$$

$$U_{\text{bike}} = \alpha_1 \text{time} + \varepsilon$$

$$U_{\text{walk}} = \alpha_1 \text{time} + \varepsilon$$

$$U_{\text{taxi}} = \alpha_1 \text{time} + \alpha_2 \text{cost} + \varepsilon$$



3.2.2 Notational Glossary of Utility function

- Time = Total travel time
- Cost = Cost of destination
- Access = Access distance
- Owner = Car ownership
- **O60age × Cover = (Over 60 age dummy × Bus coverage)**
- High income = Over six million yen dummy
- ε = Constant



3. Logit model

3.3 Result

	t value	Estimated coefficient
Constant(train)	** 17.82	1.86
Constant(bus)	** -3.83	-0.53
Constant(car)	** -9.32	-1.24
Constant(bike)	** 23.39	1.82
Constant(walk)	** 40.56	3.10
Time	** -36.11	-5.40
Cost	** -6.62	-0.04
Access distance	** -12.86	-1.14
High income	** 9.64	1.12
O60age × Cover	** 9.72	1.76
Owner	** 20.71	1.61
sample		13585
Initial likelihood		-18390.91
Final likelihood		-11753.22
Coefficient of determination		0.361
Adjusted coefficient of determination		0.360



Forecasting Methodology: Reflecting the 2030 Population Structure

Objective

This analysis evaluates transportation policies from a future perspective by forecasting the 2030 demand, accounting for the projected aging of the population.

Method: Sample Re-weighting

We replicated the projected 2030 population structure by re-weighting our 2021 survey data. Based on official estimates, the elderly (60+) population ratio is expected to increase from **22.0%** (2021) to **24.2%** (2030).

This yields the following weights:

Weight for Elderly Sample: 1.1 ($= 24.2\% / 22.0\%$)

Weight for Non-elderly Sample: 0.972 ($= 75.8\% / 78.0\%$)

The future mode shares are then simulated by calculating a weighted average of the choice probabilities.



Policy Scenario 1: Fare Discount for the Elderly

Hypothesis

By directly reducing the financial burden on the elderly, this policy is expected to encourage them to go out more and promote a modal shift towards public transportation.

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- Implement a uniform discount on bus and rail fares for elderly individuals aged 60 and over.



4. Policy evaluation

Policy Scenario 1: Fare Discount for the Elderly

discount(%)	train	bus	car	bike	walk	taxi
10	0.127994	0.013319	0.075955	0.272043	0.478812	0.031876
20	0.128051	0.013359	0.075935	0.271982	0.478804	0.03187
30	0.128108	0.013398	0.075915	0.271921	0.478795	0.031864
40	0.128164	0.013438	0.075895	0.27186	0.478786	0.031858
50	0.12822	0.013477	0.075875	0.271799	0.478777	0.031852



Policy Scenario 1: Fare Discount for the Elderly

An increase in the choice probability was observed as a result of offering public transportation discounts.

50	0.12822	0.013477	0.075875	0.271799	0.478777	0.031852
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Policy Scenario 2: Fare Discount for Transportation Disadvantaged Areas

Hypothesis

By geographically targeting the policy, we can more efficiently support the transportation vulnerable and promote the use of public transport.

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This policy discounts bus and rail fares for residents in areas with low bus coverage (50% or less).



4. Policy evaluation

- In the case of providing public transportation discounts for transportation disadvantaged areas.

Discount(%)	Train	Bus	Car	Bike	Walk	Taxi
10	12.79528	1.328211	7.596945	27.20941	47.88198	3.188177
20	12.7968	1.328393	7.596428	27.20842	47.88186	3.188096
30	12.79831	1.328576	7.595918	27.20744	47.88174	3.188015
40	12.79981	1.328759	7.595414	27.20646	47.88163	3.187934
50	12.8013	1.328943	7.594917	27.20548	47.88151	3.187853



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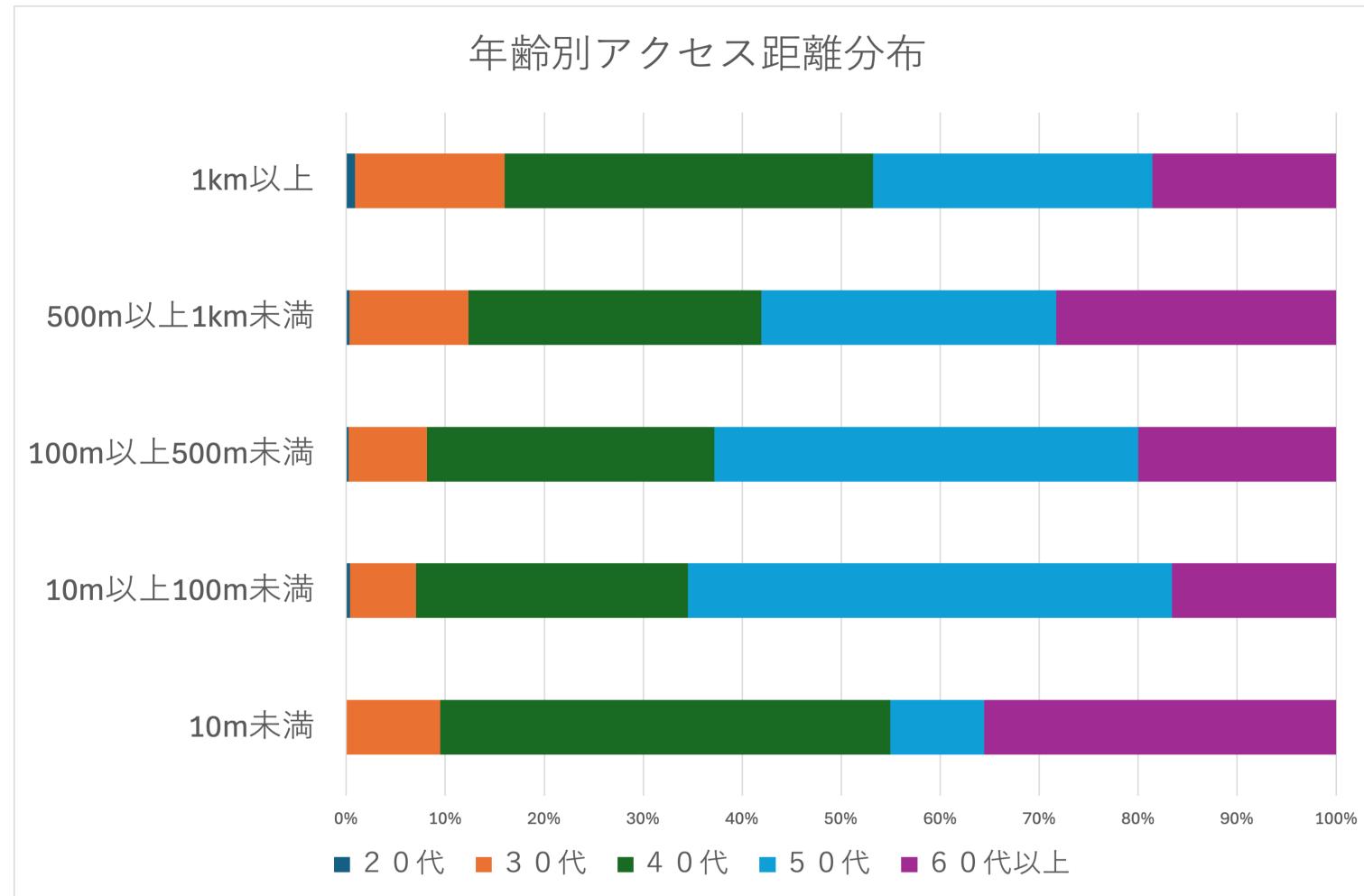
The fare discount policy for poorly served areas yielded only a marginal increase in public transport choice probability.

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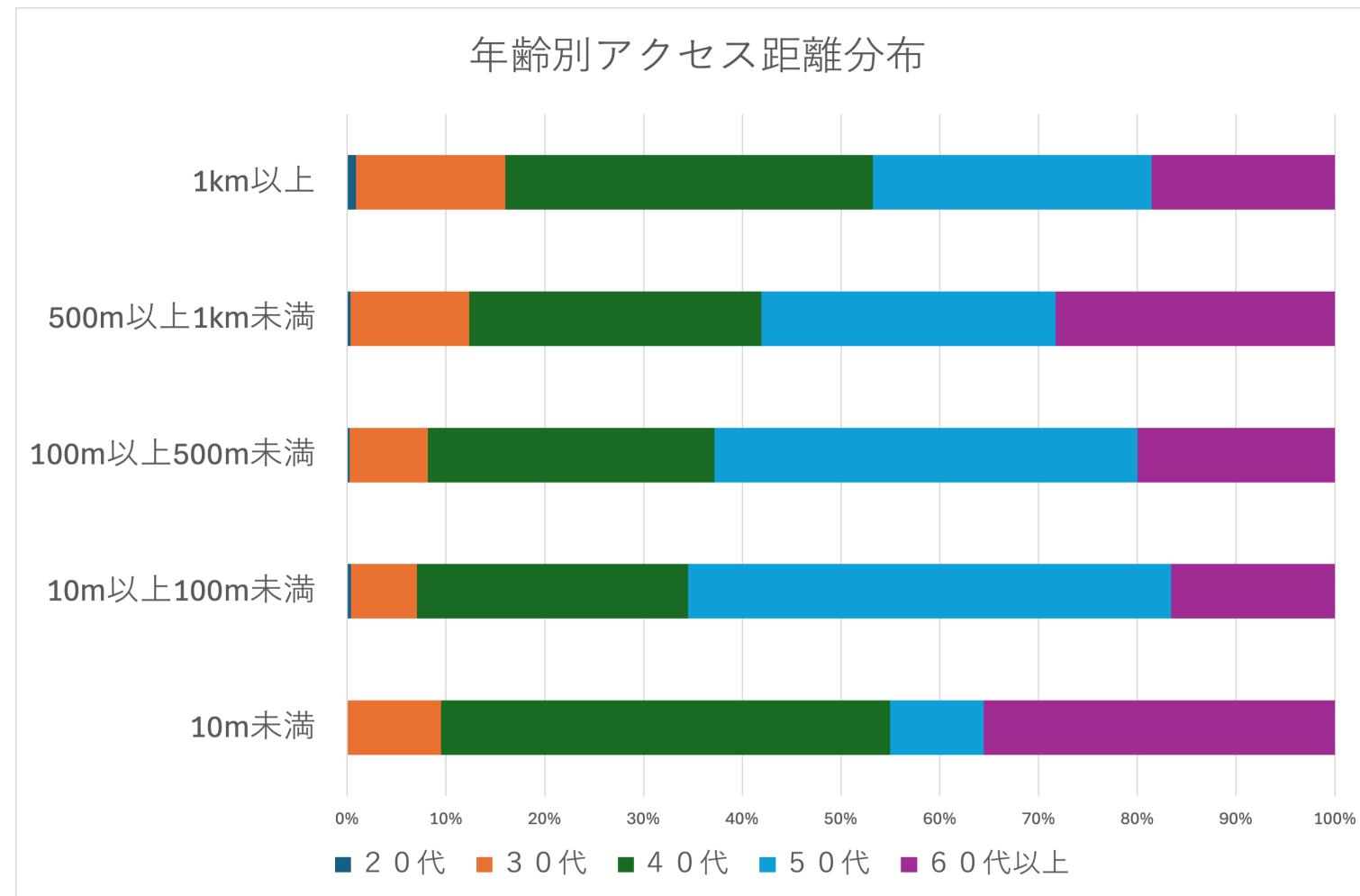
A1. The distribution of access distances by ages

- Senior citizens generally use means of transportation near their home.

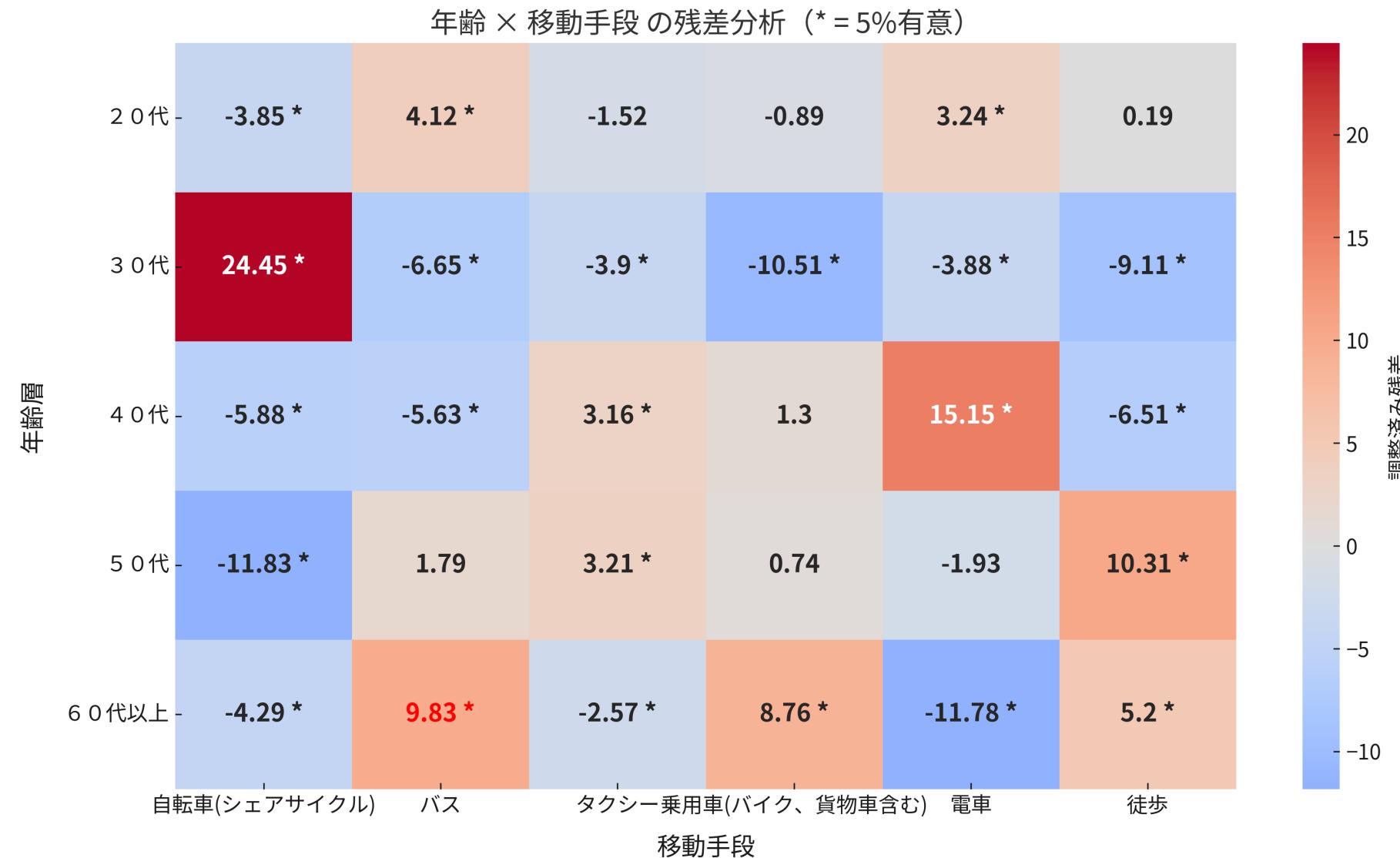


A2. The distribution of egress distances by ages

- Senior citizens generally use means of transportation near their destination.



A3. Residual analysis for age/mode of transportation cross tabular



A4. Residual analysis for income/mode of transportation cross tabular

