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PROJECT SDADO6R013  
 MOBILITY OF THE AGED IN DURBAN

SCHEDULE

Name of respondent.....
Address.....
Area.....Area code.....
Interviewer.....
Date.....
Controlled.....Date.....

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1. Do you ever use the following means of transport?

		Yes	No	
1	Car (self-driven)	1	2	17
2	Car (driven by spouse)	1	2	18
3	Car (driven by relatives/friends)	1	2	19
4	Bus (municipal)	1	2	20
5	Bus (private or semi-private)	1	2	21
6	Taxi	1	2	22
7	Bicycle	1	2	23
8	Walking	1	2	24
9	Ambulance	1	2	25
10	Other (specify.....)	1	2	26

2. Which mode of transport do you use mostly?

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3. Which mode of transport do you usually use to get to the following places?

	Do not go to this place	Car (self-driven)	Car (spouse)	Car (driven by relatives)	Bus (municipal)	Bus (private)	TAXI	Bicycle	WALK	Ambulance	OTHER			
Food shops	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			29-30
Other types of shops	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			31-32
Bank/building society	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			33-34
Post office	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			35-36
Doctor	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			37-38
Outpatient dept.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			39-40
Hospital (other than outpatient dept.)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			41-42
Library	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			43-44
Church	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			45-46
Clubs/service centre	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			47-48
Centre of town	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			49-50
Visit relatives	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			51-52
Visit friends	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			53-54
Beach	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			55-56
Cinema/concerts	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			57-58
Parks	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			59-60
Cemetery	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			61-62

4. When you visit these places, do you usually go alone or with someone? Who is this person(s)?

	Do not visit this place	Go alone	Go with someone				
			Spouse	Relative(s)	Friend(s)	Other person(s)	
Food shops	1	2	3	4	5	6	63
Other types of shops	1	2	3	4	5	6	64
Bank/building society	1	2	3	4	5	6	65
Post office	1	2	3	4	5	6	66
Doctor	1	2	3	4	5	6	67
Outpatient department	1	2	3	4	5	6	68
Hospital (other than outpatient department)	1	2	3	4	5	6	69
Library	1	2	3	4	5	6	70
Church	1	2	3	4	5	6	71
Clubs/service centre	1	2	3	4	5	6	72
Centre of town	1	2	3	4	5	6	73
Visit relatives	1	2	3	4	5	6	74
Visit friends	1	2	3	4	5	6	75
Beach	1	2	3	4	5	6	76
Cinema/concerts	1	2	3	4	5	6	77
Parks	1	2	3	4	5	6	78
Cemetery	1	2	3	4	5	6	79

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5. What type of dwelling do you live in?

House (own)	1	
House (rented)	2	
House (live with other persons in their house)	3	
Flat* (own)	4	
Flat* (rented)	5	
Hotel/boarding house	6	
Home for the aged	7	
Other (specify).....	8	
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6. How many adults,\*\* excluding yourself, live in this dwelling with you? (Interviewer: exclude respondents living in hotels/boarding houses/homes for the aged.)

Respondent lives in hotel/boarding house/home for the aged	1	
None, live alone	2	
One	3	
Two	4	
Three or more	5	16

\* Includes a duplex, simplex, townhouse, maisonette and a flat in a building, other than a flat attached to a house.

\*\* Eighteen years and older.

7. How long have you lived in this dwelling?

Less than six months	1	
Six to twelve months	2	
One to two years	3	
Three to four years	4	
Five to nine years	5	
Ten to 14 years	6	
Fifteen to 25 years	7	
More than 25 years	8	17

8. how many years have you lived in Durban altogether?

Less than one year	1	
One to two years	2	
Three to four years	3	
Five to nine years	4	
Ten to 14 years	5	
Fifteen to 25 years	6	
More than 25 years	7	
My whole life	8	18

9. How do you rate your health at present?

Very good	1	
Good	2	
Average	3	
Poor	4	
Very poor	5	19

10. Is there anything about your health that makes it difficult for you to walk? Please explain.

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11. How easily would you say are you able to get around?

Get around freely and independently	1	
Get around but with difficulty	2	
Get around only with the aid of a cane or walking-frame	3	22

12. Which of the following health conditions would you say bother you when you go out?

	Yes	No	
Poor eyesight	1	2	23
Poor hearing	1	2	24
Tire easily from walking	1	2	25
Tire easily from standing	1	2	26
Shakiness, vertigo	1	2	27
Heart problems	1	2	28
Arthritis, rheumatism	1	2	29
Breathlessness	1	2	30
Bad knee	1	2	31
Problems with feet	1	2	32
Problems with leg(s)	1	2	33
Bladder problem	1	2	34
General weakness	1	2	35

13. Can you tell me how these problems affect your going out?

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(3).....		38
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14. Do you ever travel by municipal bus?

Yes, often	1	
Yes, sometimes	2	
No, never	3	39

15. How often during the past week have you traveled by municipal bus (count a return journey as one)?

Never travel by municipal bus	1	
Travel by municipal bus, but did not travel during the past week	2	
Once	3	
Twice	4	
Three or more times	5	40

16. How often during the past month did you travel by municipal bus (count a return journey as one)?

Never travel by municipal bus	1	
Travel by municipal bus, but did not travel within the past month	2	
Once	3	
Two or three times	4	
Four or five times	5	
Six to ten times	6	
More than ten times	7	41

17. How do you rate the municipal bus service in Durban – first, for other people, and second, for yourself?

	Very good	Good	Average	Poor	Very poor	Don't know	
For other people	1	2	3	4	5	6	42
For yourself	1	2	3	4	5	6	43

18. Is there anything about using a municipal bus that bothers you? Please explain.

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Do you experience the following difficulties when traveling in a municipal bus?

	Never travel by municipal bus	Yes	No	
Getting into the bus	0	1	2	47
Getting of the bus	0	1	2	48
The step is too high	0	1	2	49
Walking to and from the bus stop	0	1	2	50
Standing waiting for a bus	0	1	2	51
Obtaining a ticket	0	1	2	52
Grasping coins and tickets	0	1	2	53
Grasping handles	0	1	2	54
Finding a seat	0	1	2	55
Getting to a seat	0	1	2	56
The driver does not wait until the passengers are seated	0	1	2	57
Crowded buses	0	1	2	58
Maintaining balance in a moving bus	0	1	2	59
Buses travel too fast	0	1	2	60
Uncertain where to get off	0	1	2	61
Have to walk to exit in a moving bus	0	1	2	62
Get nervous that I will not be able to get off in time	0	1	2	63
Cannot get to the upper deck	0	1	2	64
Reading or understanding informational signs	0	1	2	65
Carrying parcels	0	1	2	66
Sitting down or standing up	0	1	2	67
Stepping up from the kerb	0	1	2	68
Stepping down onto the kerb	0	1	2	69

20. If you presently DO NOT travel by municipal bus, have you used these buses at any other time in your life?

N.a. – travel by bus		
Yes		
No, never		70

If YES, did you ever have an experience while traveling on a bus that makes you disinclined to travel by bus now? If so, please explain.

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What would you say is the main reason why you do not use a municipal bus now?

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21. If you travel by municipal bus, do you make use of the concessionary fare for elderly persons?

N.a. – never travel by municipal bus	0	
Yes, always	1	
Yes, sometimes	2	
No, I do not	3	
Do not know of such a fare	4	<input type="text"/> 73

If YES, are there any problems attached to using the concessionary fare? Please explain.

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If NO, are there any reasons why you do not make use of the concessionary fare? Please explain.

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22. Do you (or, if you are married, your spouse) own a car at present?

Yes	1	
No	2	<input type="text"/> 77

23. Do you yourself still drive a car?

I never learned to drive a car		
Yes, I still drive		
No, I no longer drive		<input type="text"/> 78

If you are married, does your spouse drive a car?

N.a. – am widowed/divorced/ never married	1	
My spouse never learned to drive a car	2	
Yes my souse still drives	3	
No, my spouse no longer drives	4	<input type="text"/> 79

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24. Presuming that you yourself still drive, can you tell me of any difficulties that you experience in driving around in Durban? Please explain.

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25. If you used to but no longer drive a car, is there any specific reason why you do not? Please explain.

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26. May I ask you again, do you ever use a taxi? If YES, how often?

Yes, often	1	
Yes, sometimes	2	
Very seldom	3	
No, never	4	<input type="checkbox"/> 19

If you EVER use a taxi, on what occasions or for what type of journey is this? Please explain.

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If you NEVER use a taxi, what would you say is the main reason why you do not?

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27. Is there a telephone in your dwelling?

Yes	1	
No	2	<input type="checkbox"/> 22

If NO, is there a call-box or a telephone within three minutes' walk from you that you can use?

Respondent has a telephone in dwelling	1		
Yes	2		
No	3		23

28. In getting around in Durban, do you ever experience any of the following fears?

	Yes	No	
Fear of crowds	1	2	24
Fear of getting lost	1	2	25
Fear of falling	1	2	26
Fear of traffic accident	1	2	27
Fear of embarrassment	1	2	28
Fear of physical attack (e.g. pick pocketing, mugging)	1	2	29

Do you experience any other fears in getting around in Durban?

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29. Since turning 60 years, have any of the following things happened to you in Durban, outside of your home?

	Yes	No	
Was pick pocketed (was unaware when it happened)	1	2	32
Was physically assaulted but not robbed	1	2	33
Was physically assaulted and robbed	1	2	34
Had my handbag/briefcase/parcels snatched, but was not assaulted	1	2	35

If YES, can you please tell me what happened and where it happened?

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30. In getting around in Durban, do you experience any difficulties with the following things?

	Yes	No	
Reading and understanding road signs			36
Crossing streets at pedestrian crossings			37
Crossing streets where there are no pedestrian crossings			38
Waiting for a bus where there is no bus shelter			39
Walking on sidewalks (pavements)			40
Reading and understanding informational signs			41
Climbing steps (into buildings)			42
Climbing up pavement kerbs			43
Finding a public toilet			44
Using a public toilet			45
Visiting parks			46
Going to the beach			47

Would you please discuss some of these difficulties?

- (1).....
- (2).....
- (3).....
- (4).....

31. Are there any places in Durban that you would like to visit but for some reason find it difficult to do so? Can you tell me of these places and what makes it difficult for you to go there?

- (1).....
- (2).....
- (3).....
- (4).....

(Interviewer: Please probe)

32. What would you say are the greatest difficulties that you have in getting around in Durban?

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33. Can you think of anything that the Durban City Council could do to make it easier for elderly people to get around? Can you give me some suggestions?

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(3).....  
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(Interviewer: Please encourage the respondent to make suggestions)

I now require some general information from you for record purposes. Please be assured that the information that you provide will not identify you in any way.

34. Interviewer: Indicate whether respondent is male or female.

Male	1		
Female	2		51

35. Would you mind telling me how old you are?

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36. Are you married, widowed or single?

Married	1		
Widowed	2		
Single*	3		54

\* Single includes persons who are divorced, separated or never married.

37. What level of education do you have?

Up to St. 5	1	
St. 6	2	
St. 7	3	
St. 8	4	
St. 9	5	
St. 10	6	
Post-school qualification	7	
University degree	8	55

38. If the respondent is female, and is married, widowed, divorced or separated, what was the occupation of her husband for most of his life?

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If the respondent is female, and has never married, what was her occupation for most of her life?

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FOR OFFICE USE	
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If the respondent is male, what was his occupation for most of his life?

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FOR OFFICE USE	
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END OF INTERVIEW  
THANK RESPONDENT FOR CO-OPERATING