**Transportation for the Elderly and Persons with Disabilities**

**(Section 5310 Program)**

**Annual Data Collection & Analysis FY: 2008 – 2009**

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) is required to establish performance goals to define the level of performance and to establish performance indicator to be used in measuring relevant outputs, service levels, and outcomes for each of its programs as mandated by the Government Performance Results Act. Commonwealth Environmental Services (CES), Inc. and its subcontractor, TranSystem, have been tasked to collect and analyze data pertaining to FTA’s Transportation for the Elderly and Persons with Disabilities (Section 5310) performance evaluation for the Federal fiscal years 2008 and 2009.

**Program Goal**

The goal of the Section 5310 program is to improve mobility for elderly individuals and individuals with disabilities throughout the country. Toward this goal, FTA provides financial assistance for transportation services planned, designed, and carried out to meet the special transportation needs of elderly individuals and individuals with disabilities in all areas – urbanized, small urban, and rural. The program requires coordination with other Federally-assisted programs and services in order to make the most efficient use of Federal resources.

**Program Performance Measures**

1. Gaps in Service Filled. Provision of transportation options that would not otherwise be available for older adults and individuals with disabilities measured in numbers of older adults and individuals with disabilities afforded mobility they would not have without program support.
2. Ridership. Actual or estimated number of rides (as measured by one-way trips) provided annually for individuals with disabilities and older adults on Section 5310 supported vehicles and services.

**Section 5310 Report FY 2008 and 2009**

**Number of Individuals Served**

2008 2009

1. The total number or individuals served 20,039,165 95,317,571
2. The average number of individuals served 43,234 53,973
3. The median number of individuals served 374,973 850,144

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| 2008 Recipients 2009 | Groups | % 2008 % 2009 |
| 395 856 | 1 – 1,000 | 43% 45% |
| 139 259 | 1,001 – 5,000 | 15% 14% |
| 103 148 | 5,001 – 10,000 | 11% 8% |
| 48 62 | 10,001 – 15,000 | 5% 3% |
| 83 104 | 15,001 – 30,000 | 9% 5% |
| 68 108 | 30,001 – 60,000 | 7% 6% |
| 75 180 | 60,001 – 200,000 | 8% 10% |
| 15 169 | 200,001 - Plus | 2% 9% |
| Total 926 1,896 |  | 100% 100% |

**Number of Rides Provided**

2008 2009

1. The total number of rides 23,684,813 43,303,819
2. The average number of rides 51,044 23,767
3. The median number of rides 850,266 106,020

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| 2008 Recipients 2009 | Grouping | % 2008 % 2009 |
| 85 279 | 1 – 1,000 | 9 15 |
| 228 507 | 1,001 – 5,000 | 24 28 |
| 177 314 | 5,001 – 10,000 | 19 17 |
| 96 169 | 10,001 – 15,000 | 10 9 |
| 166 236 | 15,001 – 30,000 | 18 13 |
| 91 164 | 30,001 – 60,000 | 10 9 |
| 75 119 | 60,001 – 200,000 | 8 7 |
| 15 36 | 200,001 - Plus | 2 2 |
| Total 933 1,824 |  | 100% 100% |

**Geographic Coverage of the Section 5310 Program**

1. The total number of counties in states reporting Sec. 5310 service in FY 2008:

862 counties out of 975 or 88%.

1. The total number of counties in states reporting Sec. 5310 service in FY 2009:

1,320 counties out of 1,829 or 72%.

States with the top 25 subrecipients with the most trips:

1. Illinois - 9 2. Iowa – 4 3. Vermont – 3

4. Oregon – 2 5. Florida – 2 6. Wyoming – 2

7. New York -1 8. Montana – 1 9. Mississippi - 1

States with the top 25 subrecipients with the most individuals served:

1. Texas – 19
2. Connecticut – 4
3. Michigan – 2

**Year–to–Year Comparisons:** Although FTA has requested ridership information from all of the recipients and their subrecipients, not all grantees provided the requested data each year. Therefore, it is important to take this into consideration when making year-to-year comparisons. For example, if a subrecipient reported service in several counties in FY: 2009 but did not provide a report in FY: 2008, the number of counties serviced will be higher yet, there may not have been an increase in the number of counties served in FY: 2009. While recognizing this consideration, the data collected still depicts an overall portrait of the program’s service.