

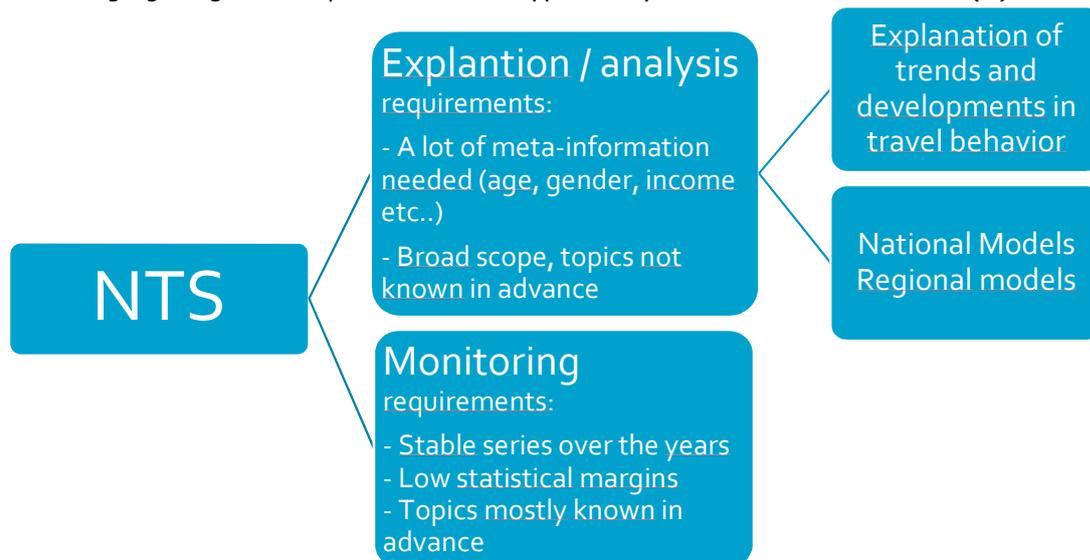
(National) Travel Surveys, call for papers for ETC 2023

Over the last years the importance of good data collection on travel behavior has been widely recognized. The innovation of data collection methods has moved forward, and more countries and metropolitan areas are working towards regular collection of revealed travel behavior. In addition, the scope of interest regarding the collection of travel data has broadened towards issues in the social domain like transport poverty, broad prosperity and inclusion of mobility parameters in the sustainable development goals. Aside from this an important question all countries face is if, and if so how, mobility behavior has changed due to the Covid pandemic.

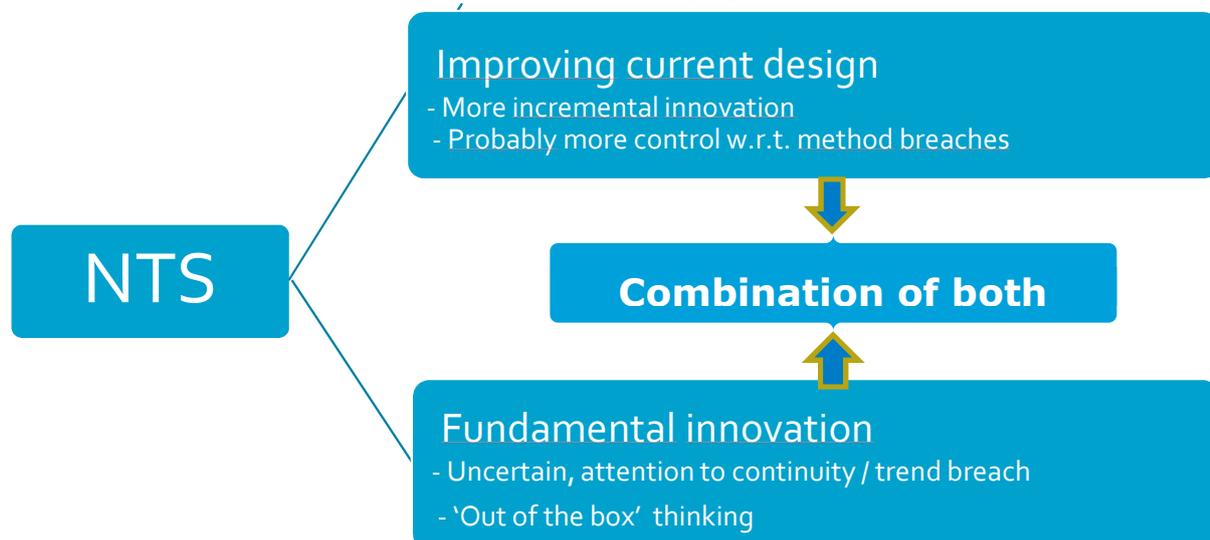
To get insight in (changing) travel behavior, travel surveys play a key role. Nonetheless, there are many challenges regarding the data collection for travel surveys. Amongst others, these challenges lie in the following domains: funding, continuity of the survey, increased privacy concerns, how to incorporate new data collection methodologies, how to achieve flexibility to respond to new data needs, how to make consistent international metrics in spite of methodological differences.

The AET aims to program (national) travel surveys ((N)TS) as special topic at ETC 2023. In many countries research is ongoing to improve and innovate the traditional travel surveys, and how to achieve the optimal design to meet the information needs in the most efficient way.

The following figure gives a representation of typical ways information collected in (N)TS is used.



Ways how NTS can be innovated is given in the following figure:





For ETC 2023 NTS papers are welcomed, for example on the following topics:

1. Best practices of the use of (N)TS data
2. Best practices in travel survey methodologies
3. Innovations in survey methodology
4. Comparability of different travel survey methods
5. Balancing information needs from travel surveys with respondent burden; what to ask and what not to ask
6. Sampling, response rate, weighting and grossing up;
  - a. how to make representative population totals from the collected data
  - b. how to collect representative data for all relevant domains (socio-economic, purposes, modes, qualitative data on preferences/attitudes access to transport, transport costs, social safety of transport etc...)

Abstracts related to this special topic can be submitted to the Data programme committee.