# PlanCompare - Quick Reference

Version 5.0.12

#### Usage



#### PlanCompare [-flag] [control\_file] [partition]

#### Optional Flags:

-Q[uiet] = execute without screen messages
-H[elp] = show program syntax and control keys
-C[ontrol] = create/update a default control file
-K[eyCheck] = list unrecognized control file keys
-P[ause] = pause before exiting
-N[oPause] = never pause before exiting
-D[etail] = execute with detailed status messages
-X[ML] = write an XML file with control keys

#### **Purpose**

- 1. Compares two plan files and selects plans that have significantly different travel times.
- 2. Generate convergence statistics and distribution charts by time of day.
- 3. Includes walk and wait time in the transit travel time comparisons.
- 4. Includes options to only compare drive legs.
- 5. Compares plan files generated on different networks.
- 6. Compares plan files for specified time periods.

#### Configuration Keys

REQ? KEY	TYPE	DEFAULT	VALUE RANGES
TITLE	Text		
REPORT_FILE	File		filename[_partition][.prn]
REPORT_FLAG	Bool	FALSE	TRUE/FALSE, YES/NO, 1/0, T/F, Y/N
PROJECT_DIRECTORY	Path		
MODEL_START_TIME	Time	0:00	>= 0 [seconds], 0.0 [hours], 0:00
MODEL_END_TIME	Time	24:00	> [model_start_time]
UNITS_OF_MEASURE	Text	METRIC	METRIC, ENGLISH
RANDOM_NUMBER_SEED	Int.	0	0 = computer clock, > 0 = fixed
MAX_WARNING_MESSAGES	Int.	100000	>= 0
MAX_WARNING_EXIT_FLAG	Bool	TRUE	TRUE/FALSE, YES/NO, 1/0, T/F, Y/N



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### Configuration Keys

REQ? KEY	TYPE	DEFAULT	VALUE RANGES
MAX_PROBLEM_COUNT	Int.	0	>= 0
NUMBER_OF_THREADS	Int.	1	124
PLANCOMPARE_REPORT_*	Text		program report name

### System File Keys

REQ? KEY	TYPE DEFAULT	VALUE RANGES
✓ PLAN_FILE	File	[project_directory]filename.*
SELECTION_FILE	File	[project_directory]filename.*
NEW_SELECTION_FILE	File	[project_directory]filename.*
NEW_PLAN_FILE	File	[project_directory]filename.*

### Data Service Keys

REQ? KEY	TYPE	DEFAULT	VALUE RANGES
DAILY_WRAP_FLAG	Bool	FALSE	TRUE/FALSE, YES/NO, 1/0, T/F, Y/N
SUMMARY_TIME_RANGES	Text	ALL	e.g., ALL, 097200 seconds, 0.027.0 hours, 0:0027:00
SUMMARY_TIME_INCREMENT	Time	15 minutes	0, 2240 minutes
PERIOD_CONTROL_POINT	Text	MID-TRIP	START, END, MID-TRIP

### Select Service Keys

REQ? KEY	TYPE	DEFAULT	VALUE RANGES
SELECT_HOUSEHOLDS	List	ALL	e.g., 1, 2, 410, 100200, 300
SELECT_MODES	List	ALL	e.g., ALL or 1, 1214 or WALK, HOV2HOV4
SELECT_PURPOSES	List	ALL	e.g., 1, 2, 410, 100200, 300
SELECT_START_TIMES	List	ALL	e.g., ALL, 097200 seconds, 0.027.0 hours, 0:0027:00
SELECT_END_TIMES	List	ALL	e.g., ALL, 097200 seconds, 0.027.0 hours, 0:0027:00
SELECT_ORIGINS	List	ALL	e.g., 1, 2, 410, 100200, 300
SELECT_DESTINATIONS	List	ALL	e.g., 1, 2, 410, 100200, 300



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# Select Service Keys

REQ? KEY	TYPE	DEFAULT	VALUE RANGES
SELECT_TRAVELER_TYPES	List	ALL	e.g., 1, 2, 410, 100200, 300
SELECT_LINKS_*	List	ALL	e.g., 1, 2, 410, 100200, 300
SELECT_NODES_*	List	ALL	e.g., 1, 2, 410, 100200, 300
SELECT_SUBAREA_POLYGON	File		[project_directory]filename
PERCENT_TIME_DIFFERENCE	Dec.	0.0 percent	0.0100.0 percent
MINIMUM_TIME_DIFFERENCE	Time	1 minutes	0120 minutes
MAXIMUM_TIME_DIFFERENCE	Time	60 minutes	01440 minutes
PERCENT_COST_DIFFERENCE	Dec.	0.0 percent	0.0100.0 percent
MINIMUM_COST_DIFFERENCE	Dec.	10 impedance	0500 impedance
MAXIMUM_COST_DIFFERENCE	Dec.	1000 impedance	010000 impedance
SELECTION_PERCENTAGE	Dec.	100.0 percent	0.01100.0 percent
MAXIMUM_PERCENT_SELECTED	Dec.	100.0 percent	0.1100.0 percent
DELETION_FILE	File		[project_directory]filename
DELETE_HOUSEHOLDS	List	NONE	e.g., 1, 2, 410, 100200, 300
DELETE_MODES	List	NONE	e.g., ALL or 1, 1214 or WALK, HOV2HOV4
DELETE_TRAVELER_TYPES	List	NONE	e.g., 1, 2, 410, 100200, 300

# Control Keys

REQ? KEY	TYPE	DEFAULT	VALUE RANGES
✓ COMPARE_PLAN_FILE	File		[project_directory]filename.*
COMPARE_GENERALIZED_COSTS	Bool	FALSE	TRUE/FALSE, YES/NO, 1/0, T/F, Y/N
SELECTION_METHOD	Text	RANDOM	RANDOM, PERCENT_DIFFERENCE, RELATIVE_GAP
MERGE_PLAN_FILES	Bool	FALSE	TRUE/FALSE, YES/NO, 1/0, T/F, Y/N
NEW_TIME_DISTRIBUTION_FILE	File		[project_directory]filename
NEW_COST_DISTRIBUTION_FILE	File		[project_directory]filename
NEW_TRIP_TIME_GAP_FILE	File		[project_directory]filename
NEW_TRIP_COST_GAP_FILE	File		[project_directory]filename



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#### **Notes**

Each '\_FILE' key has a corresponding '\_FORMAT' key. The following file formats can be used for input and ouput files.

TEXT, BINARY, FIXED\_COLUMN, COMMA\_DELIMITED, SPACE\_DELIMITED, TAB\_DELIMITED, CSV\_DELIMITED, DBASE, SQLITE3, VERSION3

