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  Nowadays commuting as a daily travel mostly between work and home is considered as an inevitable part of
  This research aimed at providing a comprehensive data package of travel behavior and other aspects of
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  Stress as a serious physical and mental health implications of commuting, has hardly been mentioned in
  This study seeks to bridge this gap in research, aiming to comprehensively grasp the impact of stress
  Interestingly, the results obtained from the context of Santiago, Chile, a region characterized by a
  This research makes a two-fold contribution. First, it compiles an extensive array of data including
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Preface

This thesis includes four chapters that presents the research that I have conducted over my master's degree. The main goal of this thesis is to discuss commuting stress and identifying the coping strategies for motorized and active users. The case study for the middle chapters would be Santiago, Chile. This study contains some overlaps in terms of introduction, case study and some parts of data description as the focus of those chapters are active and motorized commuters in Santiago, Chile. The first chapter of the thesis could be considered as an introduction to give a broader viewpoint of research and its objectives for each of the two subsequent chapters. The last or forth chapter serves as a through conclusion of the research, how the study contributes to other various literature and policy implications as the summary of research findings.

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As main author of the whole research, I performed all of the fundamental research activities including the literature review, data preparation and cleaning, statistical analysis, model interpretation and writing of the all chapters.