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Freight Modeling at CMAP

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Advanced Freight Model Development

- GO TO 2040 Freight Chapter
 - National policy
 - Economic development
 - Infrastructure
- Three-tiered freight analysis
 - Macro = Economic choice
 - Meso = Supply chain
 - Micro = Network operations
- Implementation strategy
 - Agent-based
 - Microsimulation



Today's topic: Mesoscale model development

- Two rounds of development: CS and RSG
 - Data resources (or lack thereof)
 - Getting started
 - Sensitivity/Scenarios
 - Using the application

An Agent-Based Supply Chain and Logistics Model for the Chicago Region

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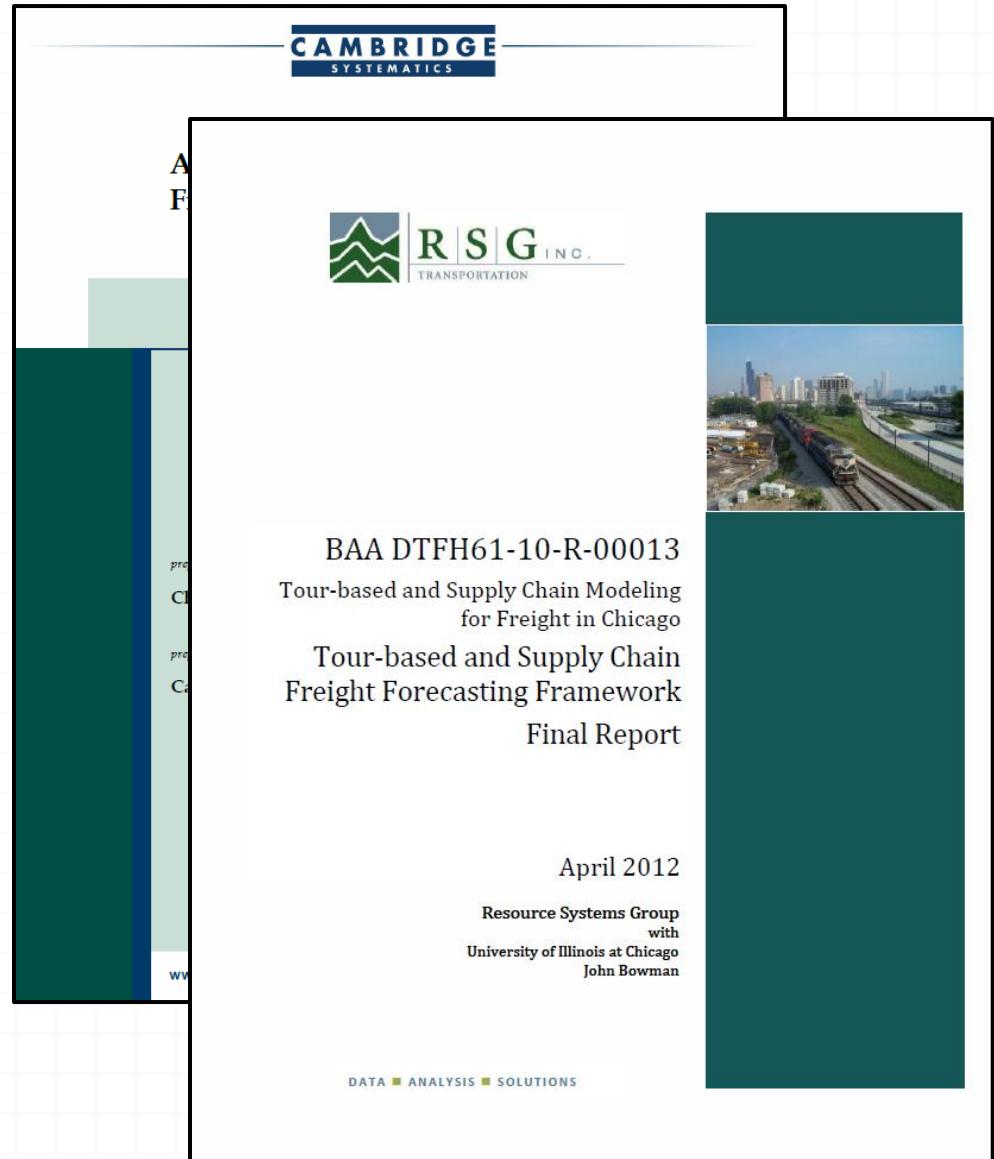
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Two rounds of development: CS and RSG

- CS: designed the model and prepared the original code in SAS
- RSG: Extended the design and rewrote the code in R



Data Resources

(or lack thereof)

- o Basic demonstration uses currently available data:

- o Freight Analysis Framework
- o County Business Patterns
- o Make-Use Tables
- o Regional Model Data
- o National Freight Networks

- o Parameter estimation:
 - o heuristic
 - o empirical



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FREIGHT MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS

Analysis

Table 1.1 Description of Variable and Parameter Notation

Variable or Parameter	Description or Interpretation (of Parameters)	Source
G_{mql}	Logistics cost between shipper m and receiver n with shipment size q and logistics chain l	Calculated in mesoscale model
Q	Annual flow in tons	Macroscale model or FAF
q	Shipment size in tons	Variable
β_{0qj}	Alternative-specific constant	Parameter to be estimated

Table 19. Distribution Channel Model Specification for Food Products

Choices	Variable Description	Variable Name	Coefficient	t-stat
Direct	Alternative Specific Constant	ASC_V1	0 (fixed)	
1-Type Used	Alternative Specific Constant	ASC_V2	-0.932	-2.47
2-Types Used	Alternative Specific Constant	ASC_V3	-3.32	-3.20
3-Types Used	Alternative Specific Constant	ASC_V4	-52.5	-3.11
Direct	49 or less employees firm involved	EMP49_1	0.907	2.03
1-Type Used	Manufacturing industry firm involved	MFGIND2	1.94	3.48
2-Types Used	Transportation\warehousing or wholesale trade firm involved	TRWIND3	3.49	3.23
3-Types Used	Transportation\warehousing or wholesale trade firm involved	TRWIND4	51.4	3.05
3-Types Used	Great circle distance between buyer and supplier zones	DIST1	0.000559	1.14
Number of Observations	Final Log Likelihood	Rho-squared		
106	-85.326	0.419		

Getting Started

- Learn R
- Understand logic
- Scrutinize data
- Understand output

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Greedy Algorithm

The model uses a Greedy algorithm to Direct Connect tours. This algorithm starts with the first tour and adds stops to the tour until all stops are connected.

The figure shows the first tour. There are a few stops in the tour.

1. The tour starts at the first stop.
2. Since there are no stops in the tour, the tour is complete.

The figure shows the first tour. There are a few stops in the tour.

Update Time-of-Day Value

Some additional coding was added to ensure that the TOD values were updated for return trips. This is a common sense approach.

Track From-Firm and To-Firm

Two firms are involved with the origin and destination.

Reset Tours

Again, just a quick note comparing the two approaches.

CS Skim Data

This issue affects the CS Skim Data.

I built a base version of the CS Skim Data slightly to Date.

Origin

From	Origin	76
17031-481	76	76
17031-322	76	76
17031-4A0	76	76
17031-812	76	76
17031-4A0	76	76
17043-533	76	76
17097-722	76	76
17031-424	76	76
17031-313	76	76
55101-325	76	76
17201-312	76	76

One part of the calculation uses the mode path.

A good CS problem.

The last two items are the tracking.

Retain External Direct Trips

MODEL RESULTS

This section provides a brief summary of the model results. The model run yields miles covered by the trips are included: minimum, maximum, mean and median distances are included to get a better sense of average trip length. The miles shown as the maximum Direct trip distance could not be traveled in one more reasonable estimate of "normal" daily trip distance.

	Direct Trips	Tour Trips
Total Trips	370,119	142,587 (in 21,591 tours)
Total Miles	3.3	5.6
Minimum	2,327.7	896.5
Maximum	459.7	282.2
Median	222.7	241.2
Trips per Tour	Minimum	2.0
Maximum		25.0
Mean		6.6

Origin	Direct Trips	Indirect Trips	Total Trips
Cook	120,216	58,562	178,778
DuPage	47,035	18,695	65,730
Kane	26,201	7,782	33,983
Kendall	4,437	1,033	5,470
Lake	33,090	10,102	43,192
McHenry	16,490	4,459	20,949
Will	29,678	11,388	41,066
Other Illinois	48,684	16,129	64,813
Indiana	25,749	8,176	33,925

Sensitivity/Scenarios

- Reduce Rail Delays
- Add Rail Capacity



130th and Torrence Bridge Move

Alfred Benesch - 1 video

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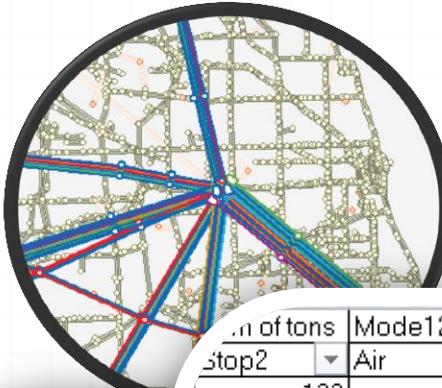
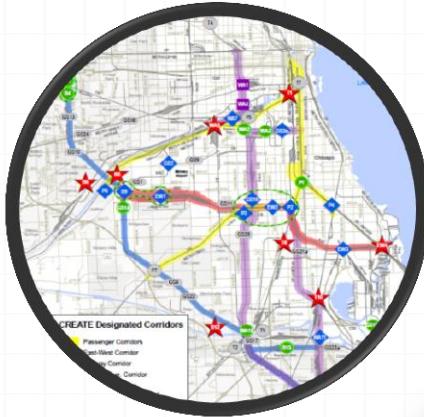
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Published on Sep 26, 2012
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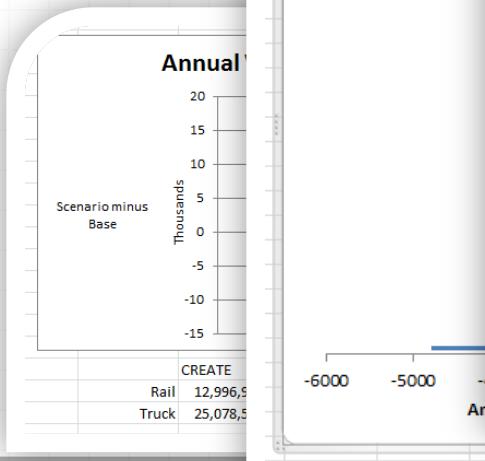
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Scenario: Reduce Rail Delays



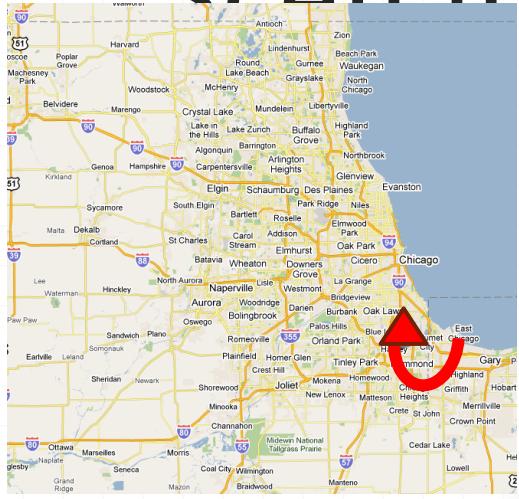
Stop2	Mode12	Air	Carload	FTL	IMX	LTL	Water
133				573,751		313,068	
134				190,026		403,251	
135				538,124		646,568	
136				583,473		889,647	
137				1,310,221		1,440,695	
138				1,105,178		1,073,521	
139				1,046,149		1,065,541	
141		534				11,216	
142		414				4,228	
143		101				413	
144		102				1,175	
145				9,054,154			12,1
146				4,386,813			11,9
147			12,363,735	6,769,180	316,258	352,691	
148			13,690,575	3,986,273	436,852	765,753	
149			21,122,258	17,098,886	215,199	403,706	
150			148,914,677	132,423,650	13,529,372	12,716,689	
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							24,0

How? • Cut logistics



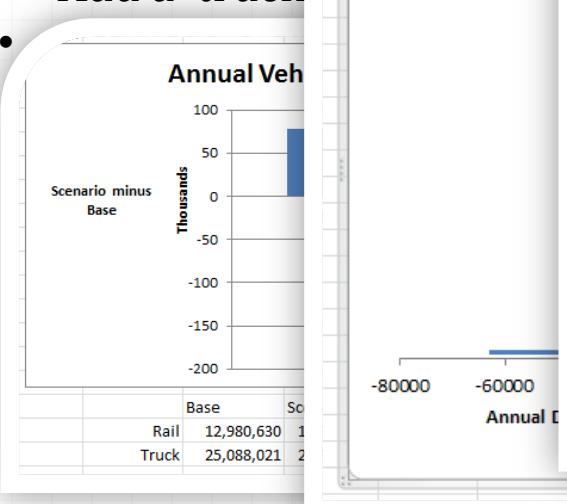
And So?

Scenario: Add Rail Capacity



How?

- Add a rail line
- Add a truck
- ...



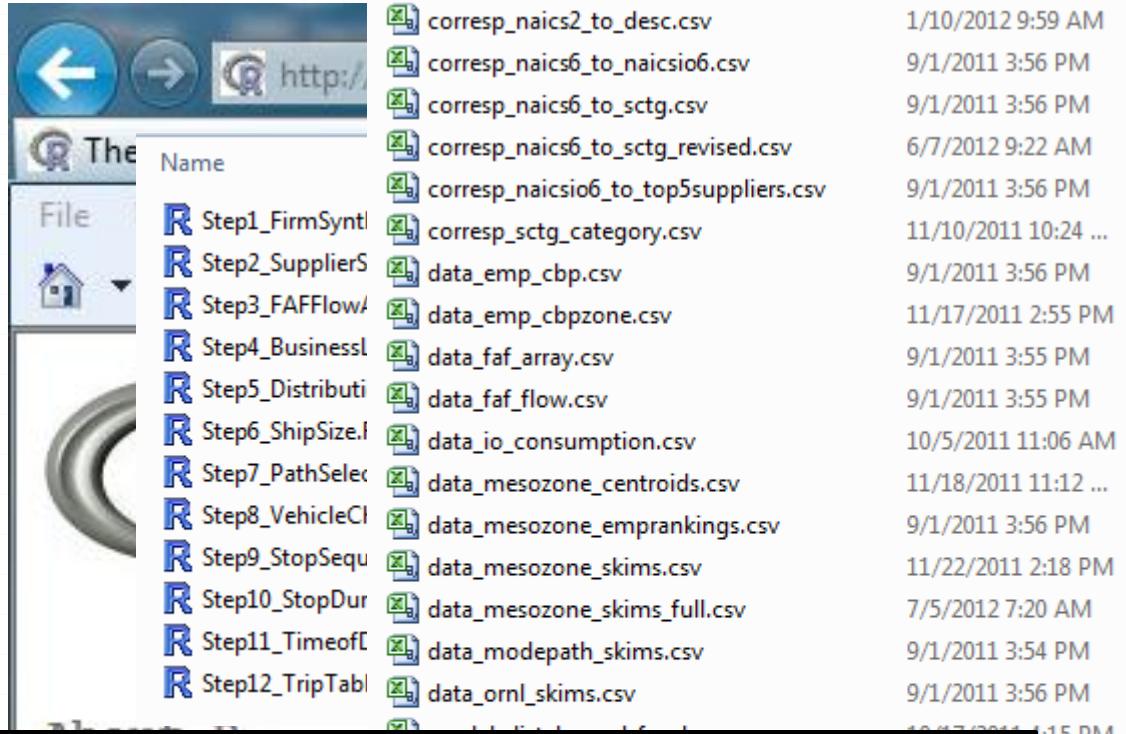
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Stop	Mode	Air	Carload	FTL	IMX	LTL
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134				180,535		389,185
135				528,652		625,256
136				584,484		892,127
137				1,315,699		1,444,359
138				1,107,372		1,076,237
139				1,047,080		1,064,813
141	Air	534				11,216
142	Carload	414				4,228
143	FTL	101				413
144	IMX	102				1,175
145	LTL		8,748,564			
146			4,635,327			
147		5,925,400	3,497,289	132,879	149,794	
148		27,290,572	18,796,401	2,066,439	2,064,962	
149		21,491,286	15,399,415	305,805	678,294	
150		140,148,655	121,007,962	12,008,208	11,305,016	
(blank)	Grand Total	1,152	194,855,914	177,415,445	14,513,331	20,011,125

And So?

Using the Application

- Install R
- Inspect Code
- Inspect Inputs
- Let 'er Rip
- Inspect Outputs



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- Outputs folder has summary files created by script. Some of the more interesting are:
 - 3_fafflow_valuetonsbyloc.csv – tons & value (all/food/mfg) b/n CMAP-CMAP, CMAP-Ext, Ext-CMAP
 - 5_distchannel_allscfg.csv – shipments by distribution channel type b/n CMAP-CMAP, CMAP-Ext, Ext-CMAP
 - 6_shipsize_allcommodities.csv – shipment size by dist. Channel
 - 7_modepath_allcommodities – shipments by mode (from/to/within CMAP) [everything still annual values at this point]
 - 8_vehtourpat_allcommodities – daily shipments by veh type & direct/tour
 - 9_stopseq_numstopspertour.csv – freq. dist of stops per tour
 - 9_stopseq_tourcatbyshipsize.csv – shipments by tour category & shipment size
 - 10_stopdur_durationbytourtype.csv – shipments by stop duration & tour type
 - 11_tod_todbytourtype.csv – shipments by TOD & tour type

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Freight Modeling at CMAP

Overview

- **Objective of Study**
- **Evolution of Freight Modeling**
- **Modeling Steps**
- **Results**

Objective

An Innovative New Freight Model

- **Regional freight questions (examples)**
 - » **How do fuel prices impact mode share?**
 - » **Would a new airport relieve congestion at existing airports?**
 - » **Would a new intermodal terminal reduce truck drayage?**
 - » **How many trucks would use new truck-only lanes?**

The Evolution of Freight Models



The CMAP Approach to Advanced Freight Modeling

Macroscale Model

- Position of the Chicago region in local, national, and global trading arenas

Mesoscale Model

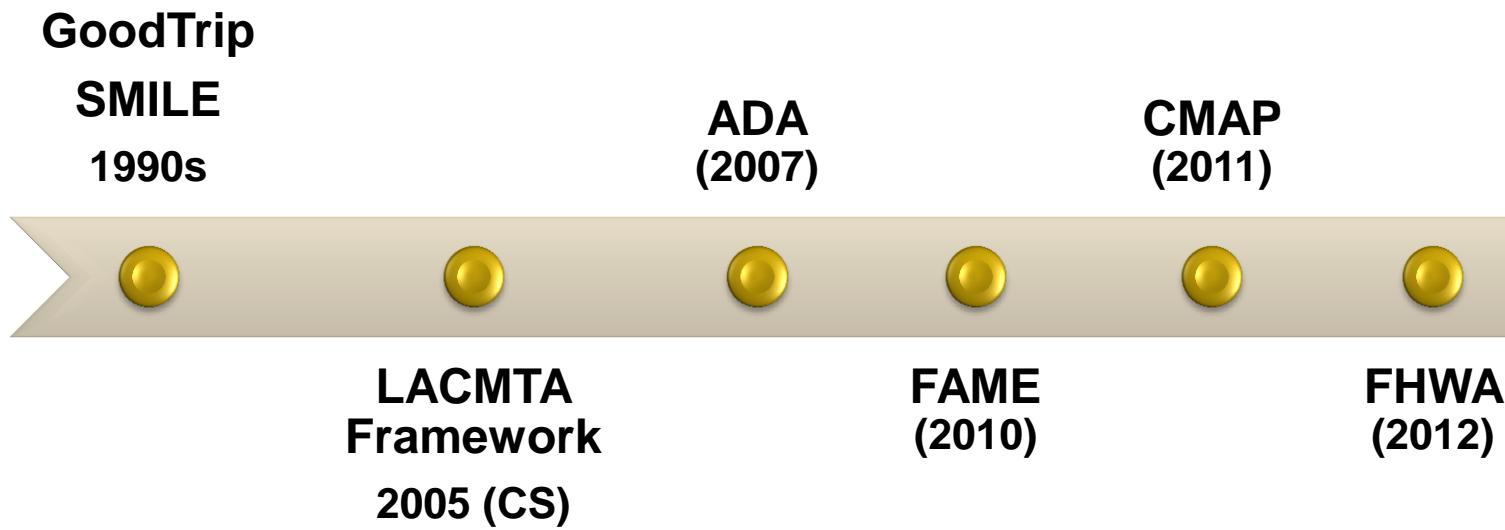
- Goods movement to/from individual businesses in the Chicago region

Microscale Model

- Microsimulation of goods movements



Recent Developments in Advanced Freight Modeling



CMAP's Innovative Approach to Freight Forecasting



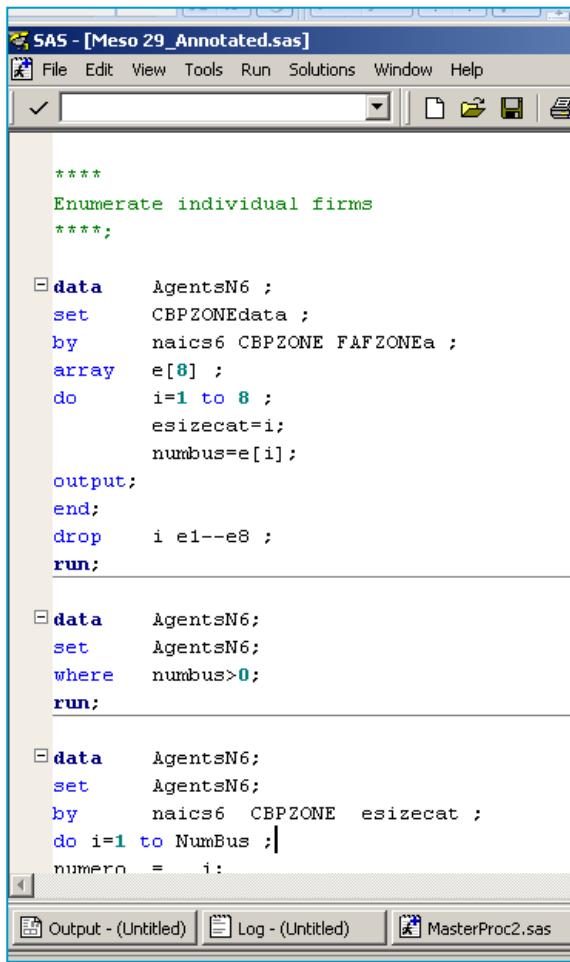
Agent-Based



Driven by Business Economics

Project Specifications

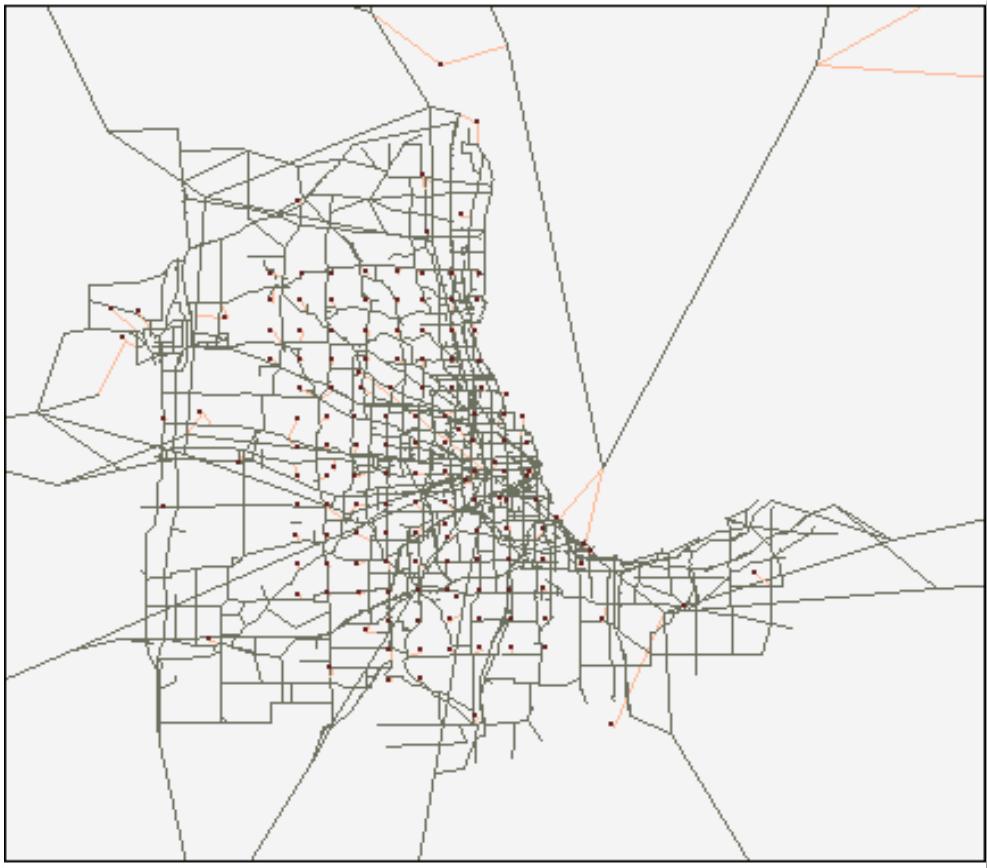
Fully Functioning Software



The screenshot shows a SAS software interface with a code editor window titled "SAS - [Meso 29_Annotated.sas]". The code in the editor is as follows:

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Enumerate individual firms  
****;  
  
data AgentsN6 ;  
set CBPZONEdata ;  
by naics6 CBPZONE FAFZONEa ;  
array e[8] ;  
do i=1 to 8 ;  
  esizecat=i;  
  numbus=e[i];  
output;  
end;  
drop i e1--e8 ;  
run;  
  
data AgentsN6;  
set AgentsN6;  
where numbus>0;  
run;  
  
data AgentsN6;  
set AgentsN6;  
by naics6 CBPZONE esizecat ;  
do i=1 to NumBus ;  
  numero = i;  
run;
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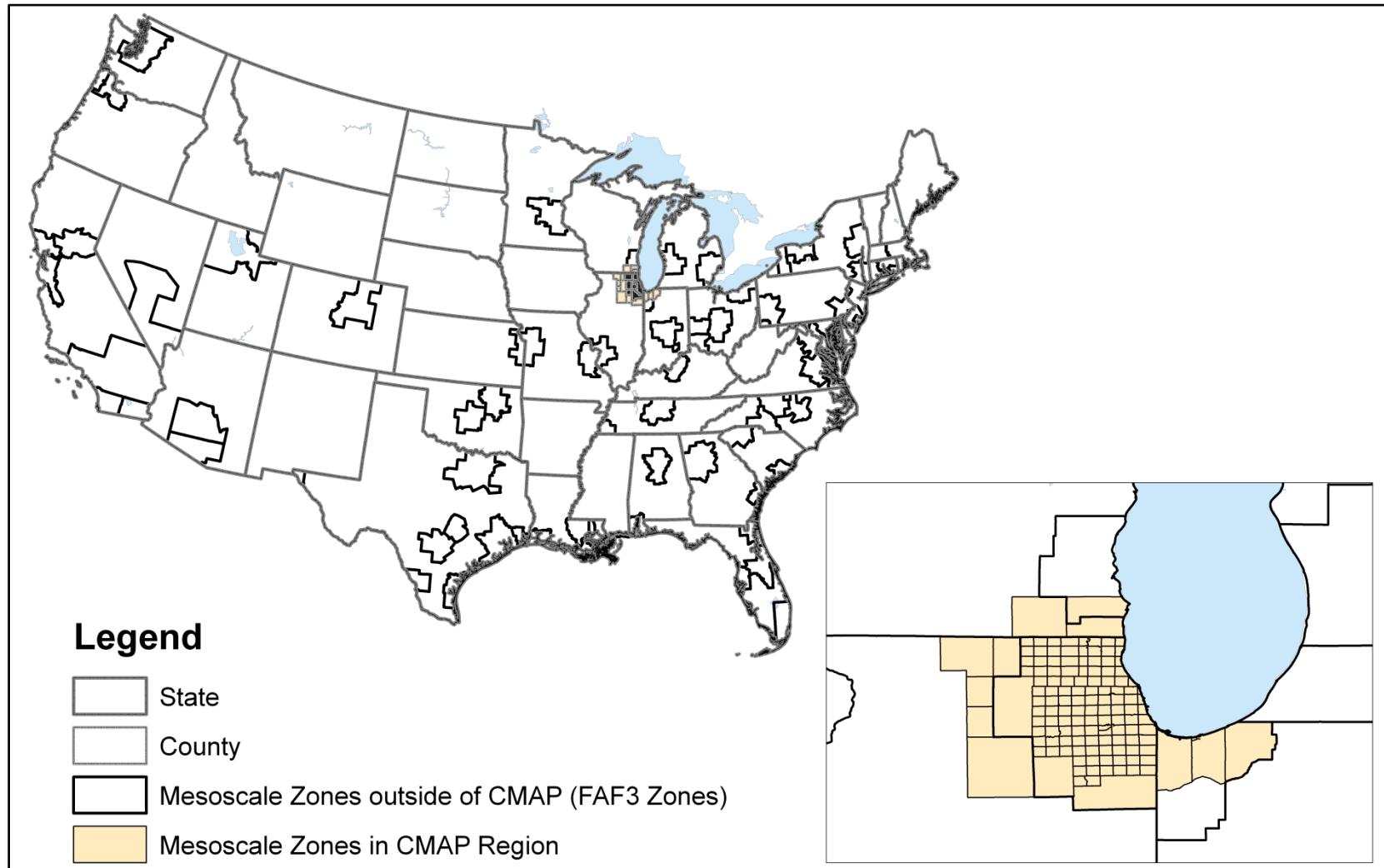


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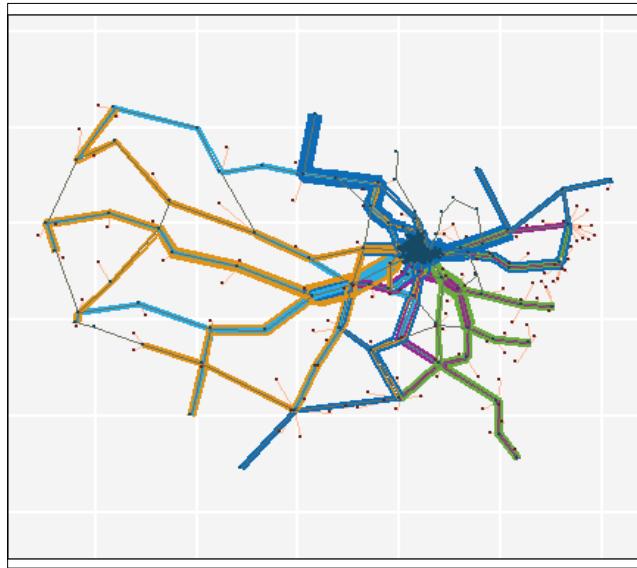
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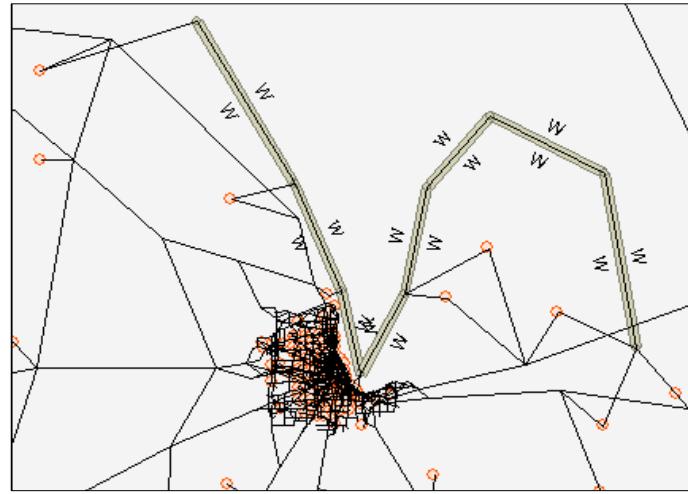
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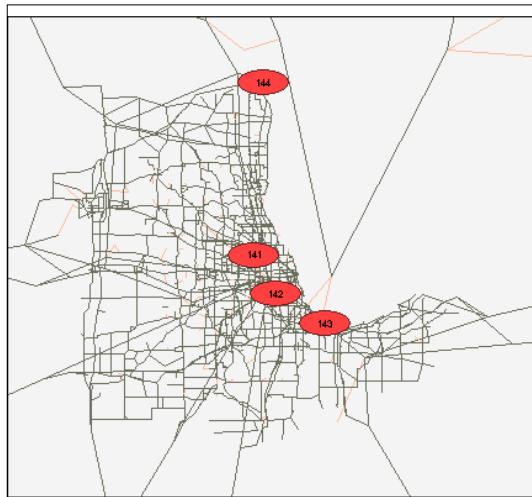
Multimodal Network Development



Rail – National,
Regional



Water – Regional (Great Lakes)



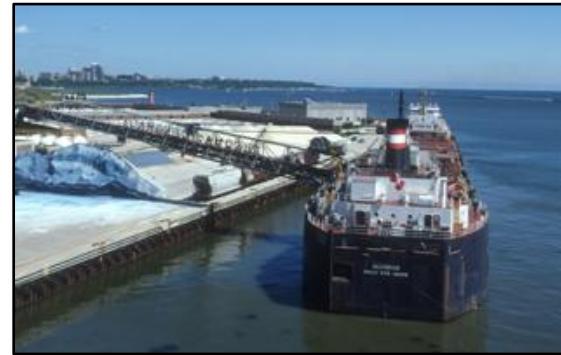
Airports

Project Specifications (continued)

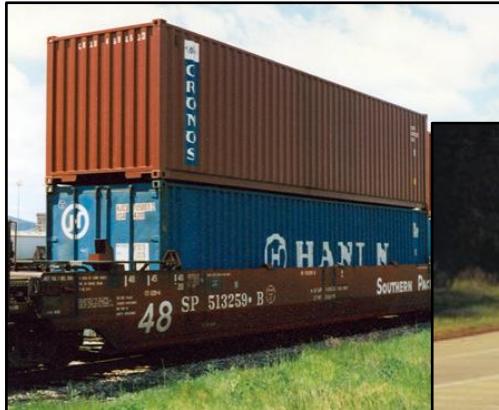
Evaluate Transportation Decisions (1)



Rail
Carload, Intermodal (IMX)



Water



Rail-Truck Intermodal



Air

Project Specifications (continued)

Evaluate Transportation Decisions (2)



Truck with Container



Truck



FTL: Full Truckload
LTL: Less-than-Truckload



Logistics Handling →
Transloading, Distribution

Mesoscale Model Overview

1 Firm Synthesis

2 Supplier Selection

3 Apportionment of Commodity Flows

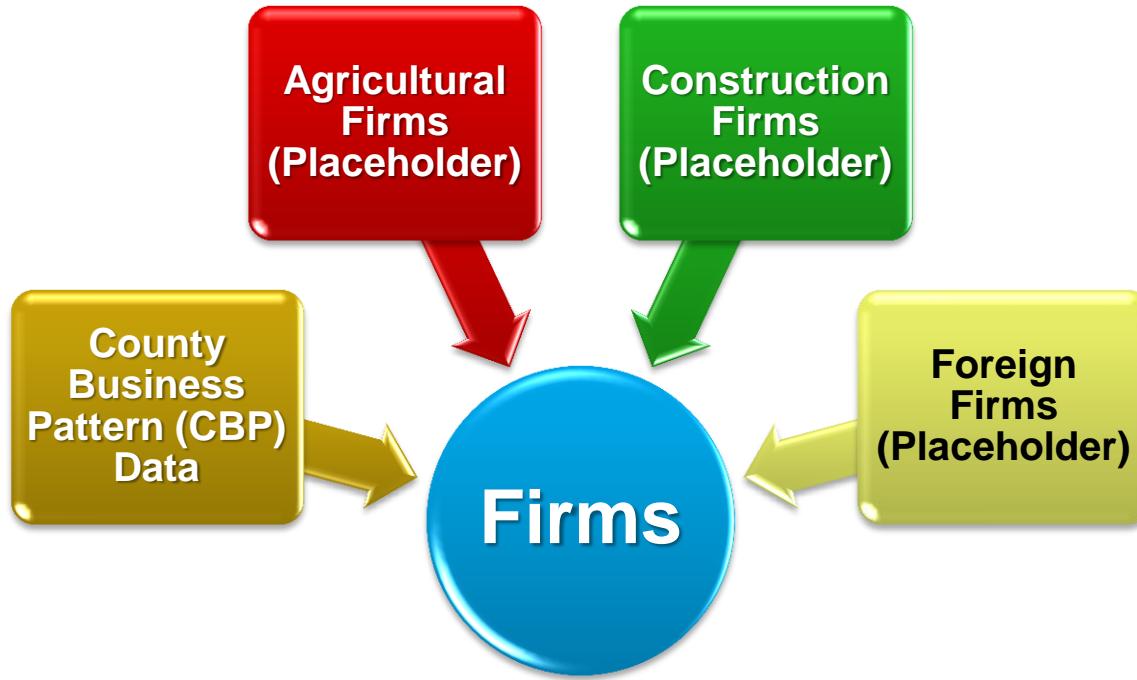
4 Path Selection

5 Prepare for Assignment

“Step 0”: Prepare Macroscale Flow Data

- Placeholder dataset: FHWA Freight Analysis Framework 3 (FAF3) commodity flows
 - Origins, destinations of commodity shipments
 - Sample firms:
 - » Manufacturing, mining, wholesale sectors
 - » Select retail and service establishments
- Supplier (shipper), buyer (receiver), and wholesale (shipper and receiver) firms

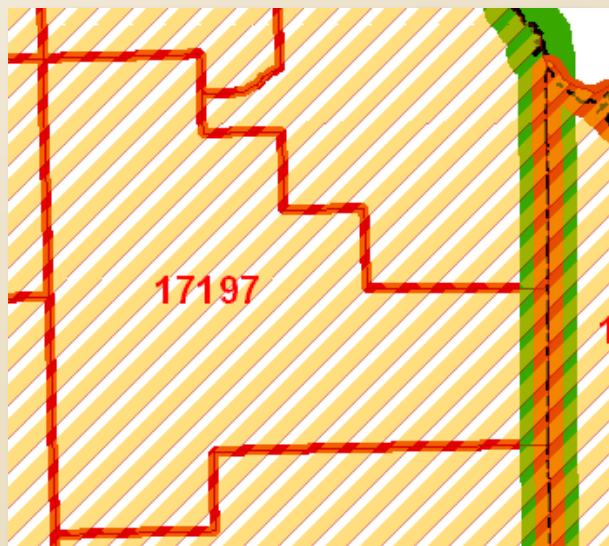
Generate Individual Firms



- * Characterize firms – Buyer? Supplier? Both?
- * Identify top commodities traded
- * Wholesale firms – simulate type of goods traded

Firm Location Model

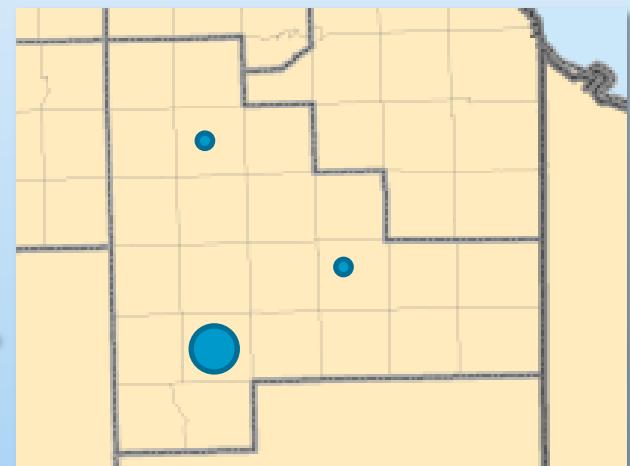
CBP Data at County Level



- 2 firms with 1-10 employees
- 1 firm with 100-250 employees

CMAP
Land Use
Data

Simulate Mesozone Location



1. Firm #1 in Mesozone 23
2. Firm #2 in Mesozone 57
3. Firm #3 in Mesozone 59

Supplier Selection

- Identify ***potential*** trading partners (FAME)
 - » Utilizes information from Input-Output Make and Use Table (Bureau of Economic Analysis)
 - » Candidate partners must be part of Macroscale commodity flow table
- Supply chain formation
 - » Each buyer selects a supplier
 - » Model with asserted parameters (based on FAME formulation)

Consumer Business Size (Number of Employees)	Coefficient							
	Producer Business Size (Number of Employees)			Great Circle Distance Between Consumer and Producer (Miles)				
1 to 99	0.2	0.2	0.4	-0.4	-0.3	-0.2	0	0.1
100 to 499	0.2	0.6	0.6	-0.2	-0.1	-0.05	0	0.1
500+	0.4	0.6	0.6	-0.1	-0.05	0	0	0.1

Flow Apportionment

- **Input – aggregate commodity flows**
 - **Disaggregate flows among supplier-buyer pairs**
 - » **Based on buyer firm size (number of employees)**
 - » **Tons of goods consumed per buyer employee**
 - By industry
 - Derived from Make-Use table
- **Output – annual tons traded between supplier and buyer**

Path Selection

- **Inputs**
 - » **Path information from model network**
 - » **Annual transport and logistics cost formulation**
 - Ben-Akiva and de Jong (ADA)
 - Cost by mode
 - Travel time and reliability needs
 - Loss and damage
 - Vary by shipment frequency, commodity type
- **Each supply chain selects a transport and logistics path**

Prepare for Assignment

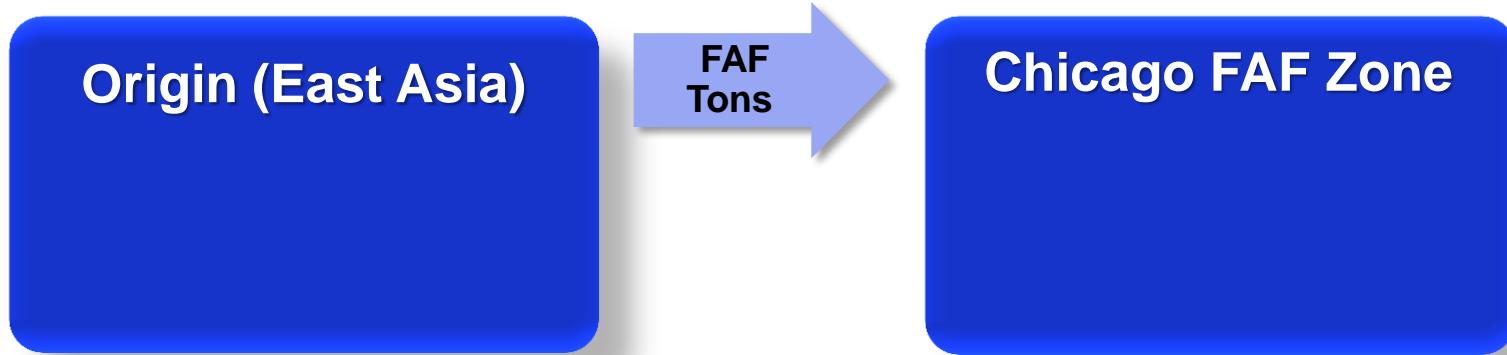
- Key output – freight vehicle trip table by:
 - » Commodity
 - » Shipment size
 - » Shipment frequency
 - » Mode (truck, rail, air, water) and submode (TL, container, etc.)
 - » Origin TAZ, destination TAZ, and intermediate logistics stop nodes

SUPPLY CHAIN EXAMPLE

Supply Chain Example

Consumer Goods from Overseas Manufacturer to Retailers

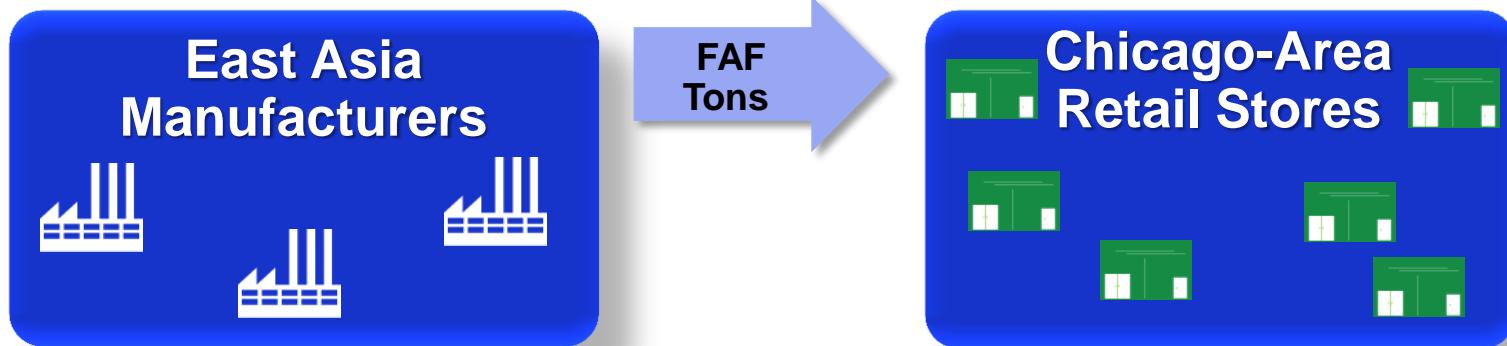
Input Flows from Macroscale Model



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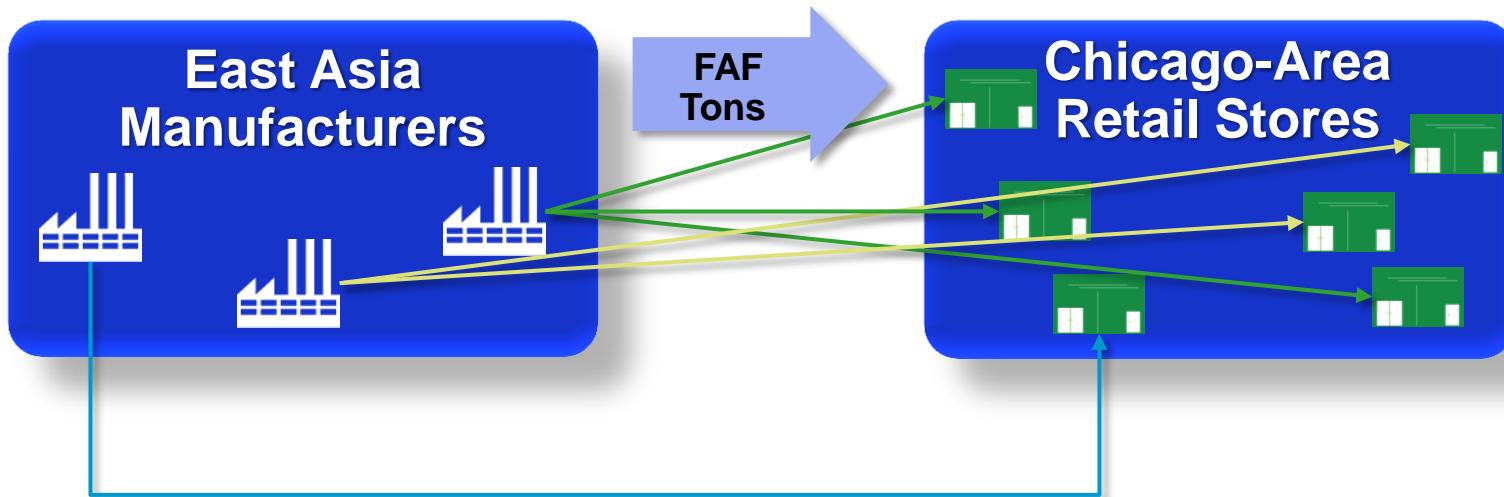
Generate Firms



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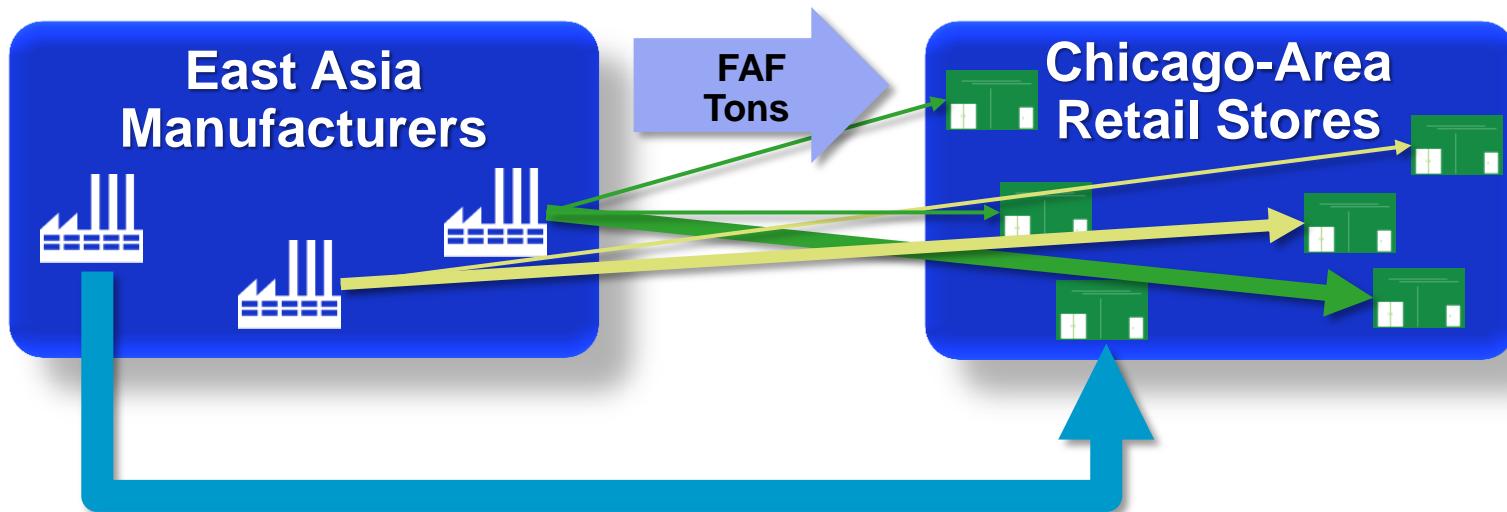
Form Supply Chains



Supply Chain Example

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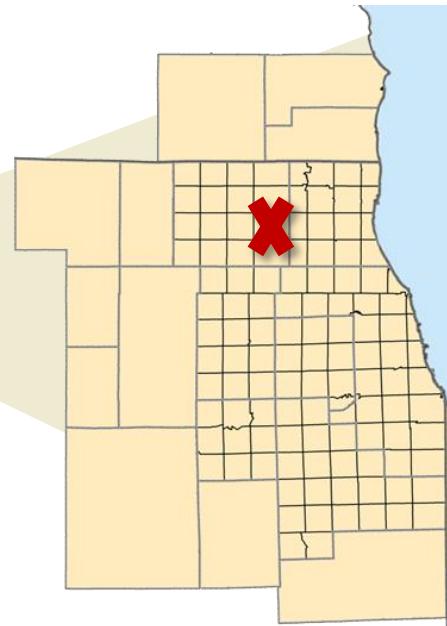
Apportion Flows Among Supply Chains



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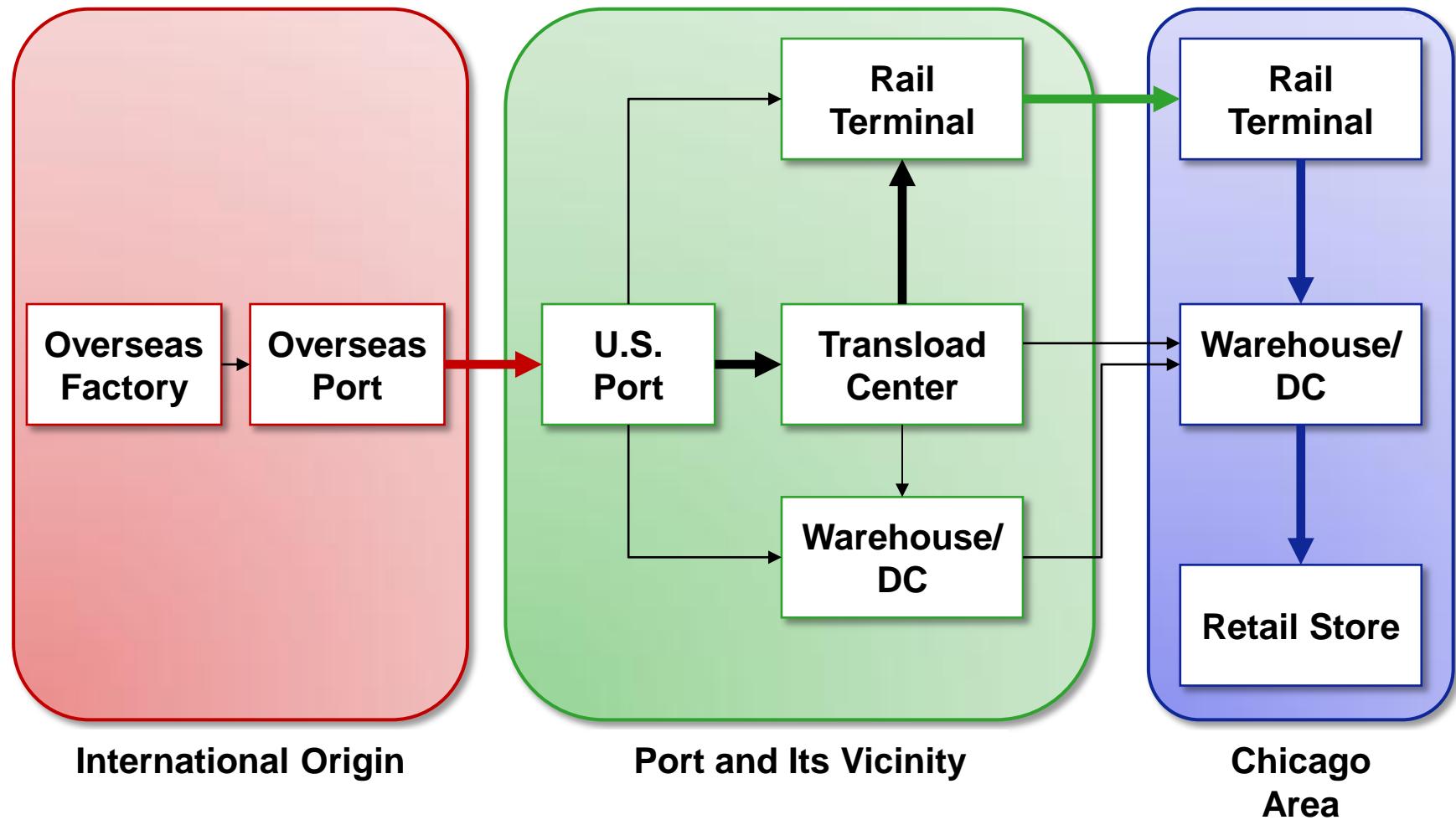
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Path Selection Overview



Supply Chain Example

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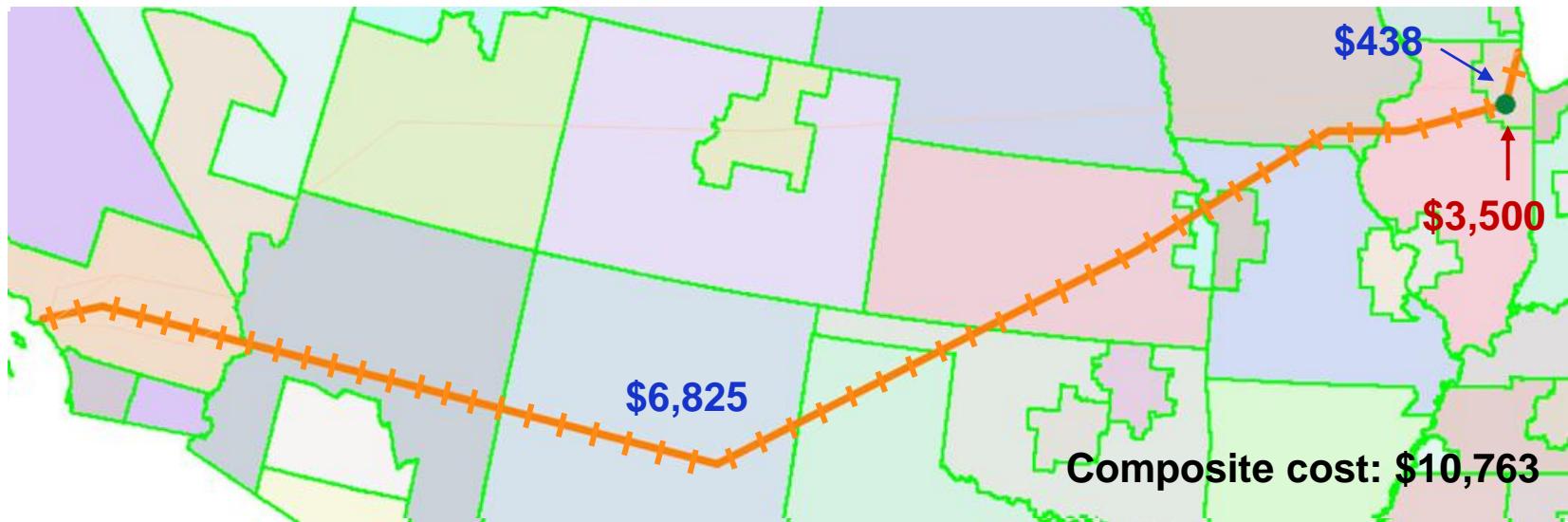
Evaluation of Transport and Logistics Decisions: Path Enumeration

Example:

Port of Los Angeles to Chicago

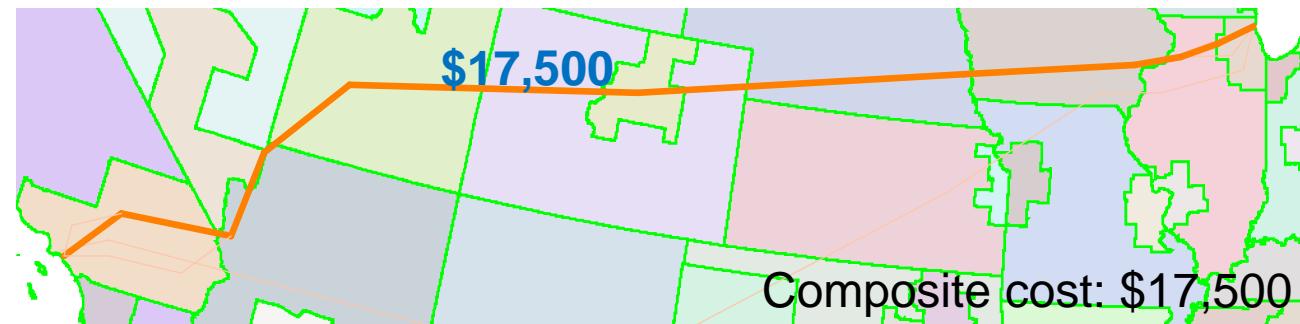
Shipment Size: 140 tons in seven 40' containers

Option B: Train to Chicago, then truck to destination

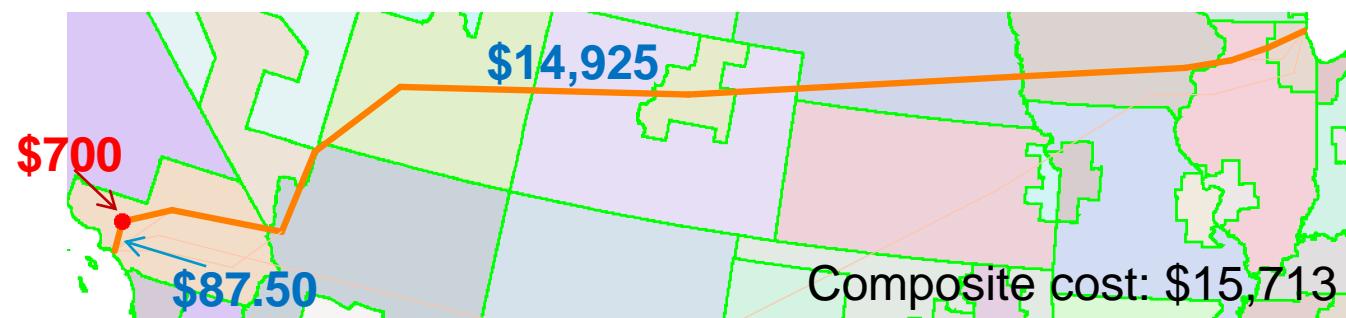


Evaluation of Transport and Logistics Decisions: Path Selection

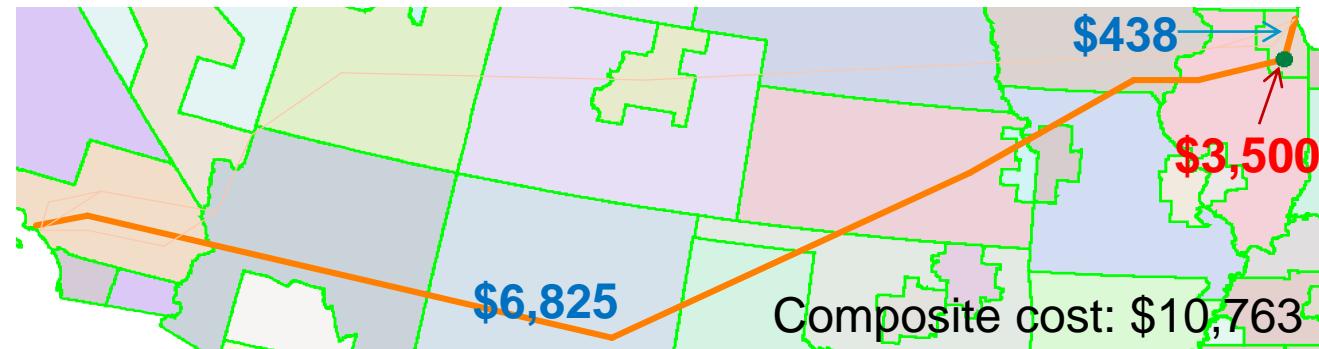
Option A: Truck hauls container entire distance



Option B:
Transload then
Truckload



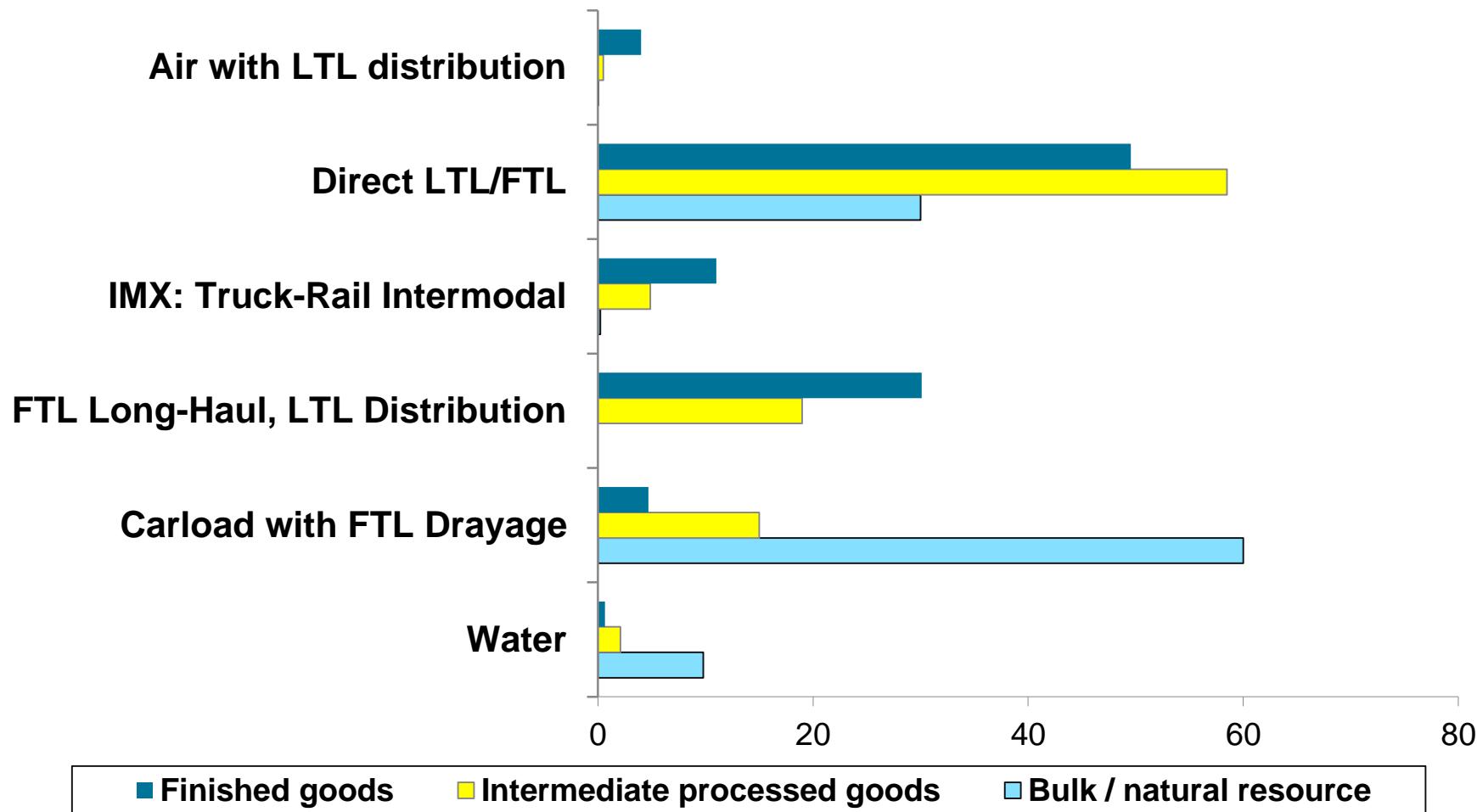
Option C:
Intermodal rail to
intermodal yard in
Chicago area,
then Truck



EXAMPLE RESULTS

Example Results

Percentage of Goods by Path Type



Source: CMAP Mesoscale Model (2011) and Cambridge Systematics.

Example Results

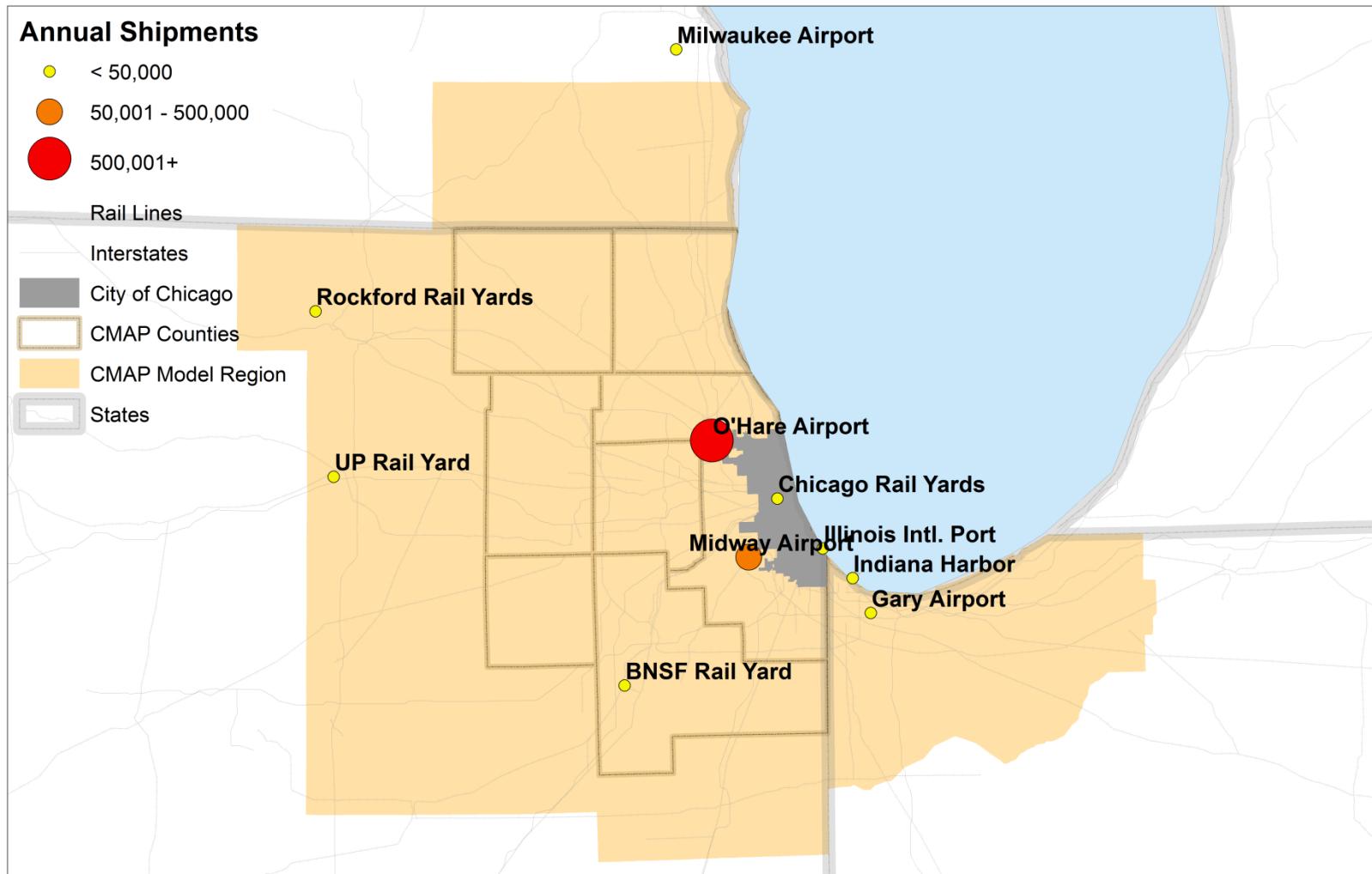
Annual Shipments and Drayage Trucks by Facility

Logistics Handling Facilities	Number of Dray Trucks		Number of Shipments
	Full Truckload (FTL)	Less-than-Truckload (LTL)	
Truck Terminals			
(Various)	8,974	136,512	11,938,571
Airports			
O'Hare	0	155,258	3,585,833
Midway	0	10,156	352,592
Gary	0	23	2,057
Milwaukee	0	31	1,771
Water Ports			
Illinois International Port	2,776	0	522
Indiana Harbor	2,134	0	346
Intermodal Yards			
Rockford-Area Rail Yards	2,679	888	441
Global III-Rochelle	2,445	1,488	883
Logistics Park – Elwood	4,545	623	485
Central Chicago rail yards	36,900	25,149	14,937
All Logistics Nodes	60,453	330,128	15,898,438

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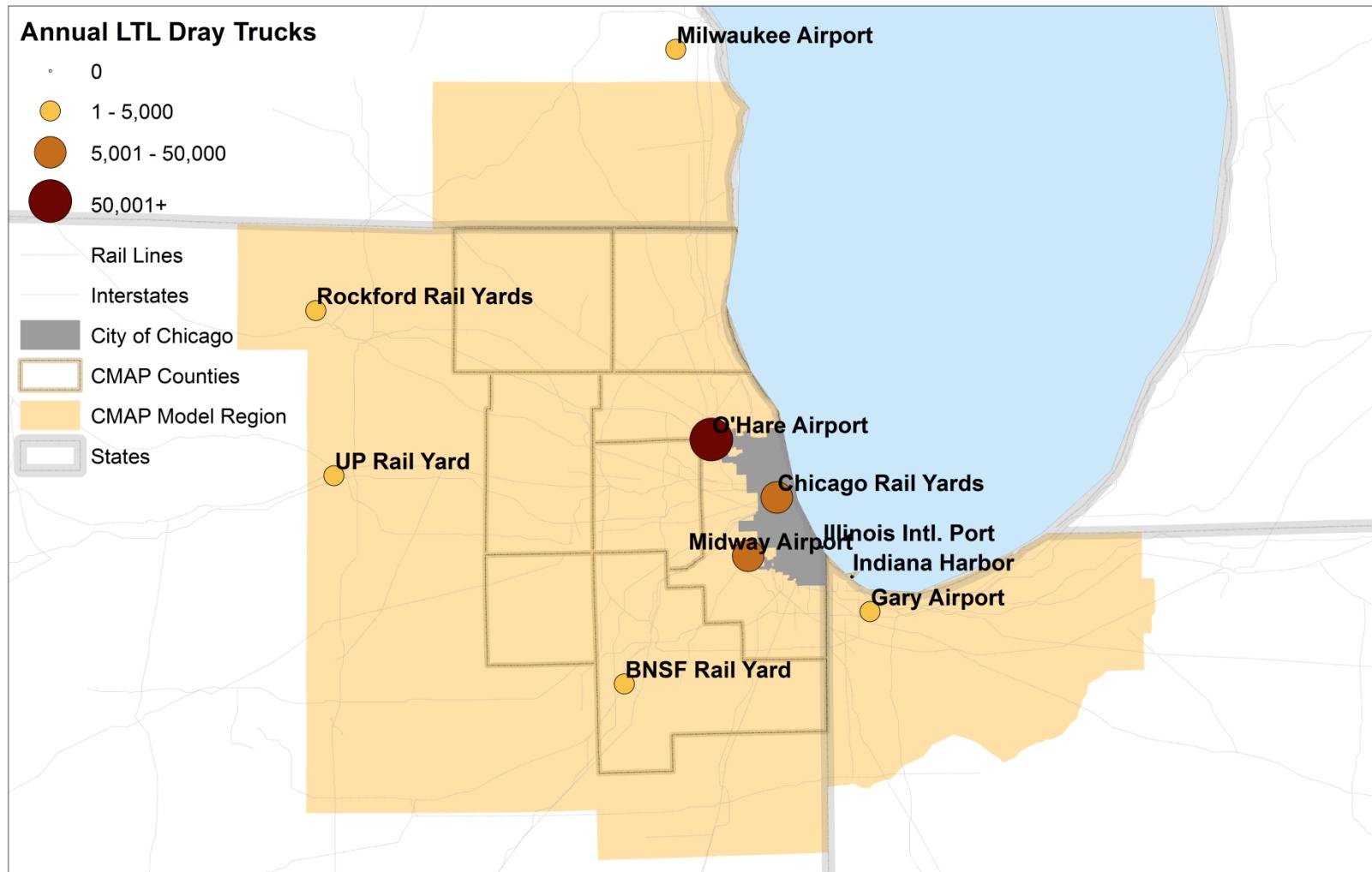
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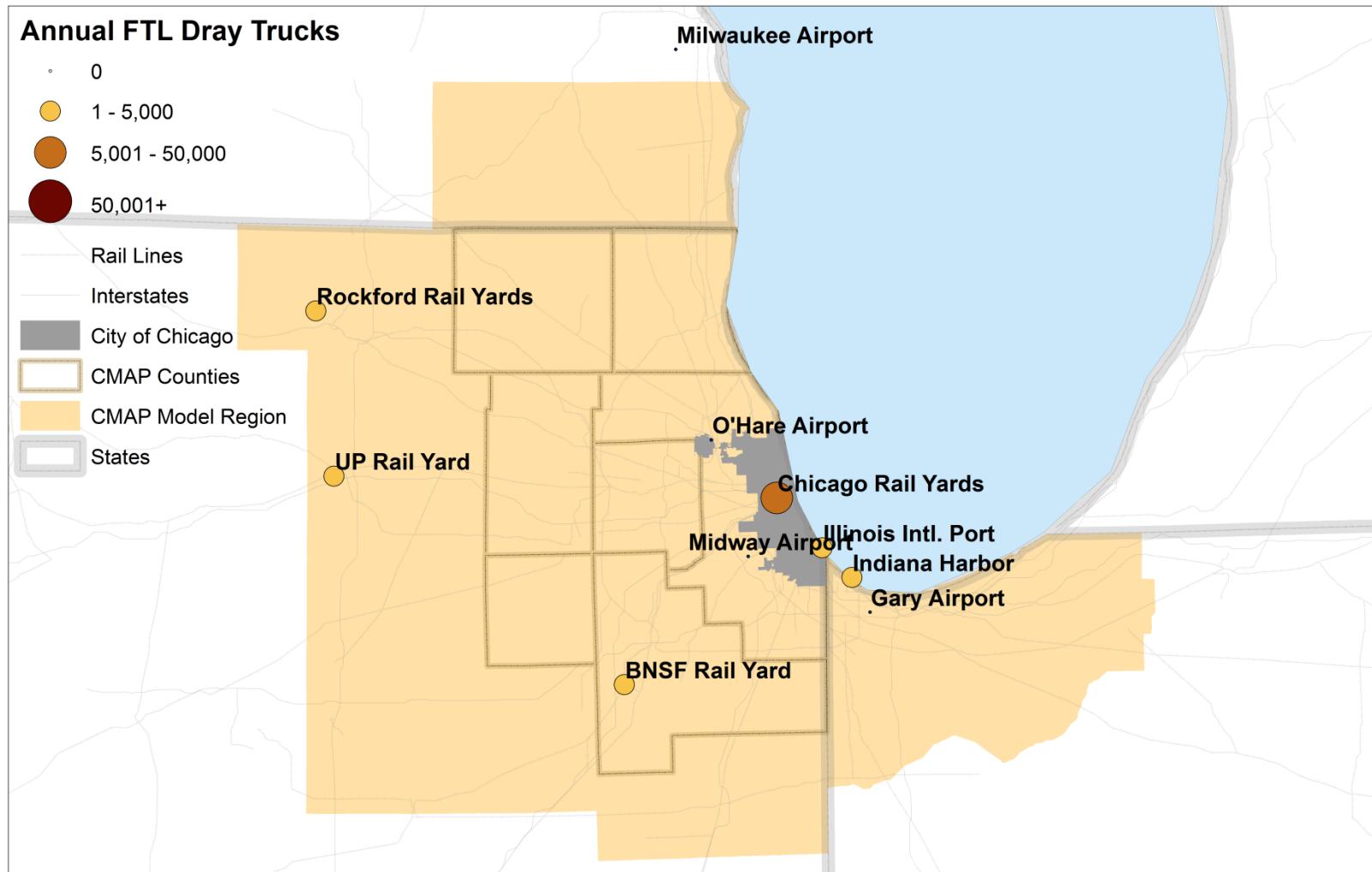
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Example Results: Rail, Air, & Water Terminals

Full Truckload Drayage Trucks



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Summary and Next Steps

- **The CMAP Mesoscale Model**
 - » **Leading edge of freight modeling tools**
 - » **Agent-based approach to modeling freight movements**
 - » **Driven by economic principles**
 - » **Generate insights into broad range of questions**
- **Model enhancements**
 - » **Data collection**
 - **Stated preference surveys of businesses**
 - **Path cost data**
 - » **Model calibration and validation**

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Freight Modeling at CMAP

Project Goal

Identify a framework that can be adopted by MPOs in the U.S. for use in evaluating transportation investments and their impacts on freight mobility.

- Current freight forecasting methods do not address complexities of freight demand.
- Freight forecasting requires a different approach than passenger forecasting.
- New techniques should be considered
 - Disaggregate
 - Tour-based
 - Econometric
 - Supply chains

Freight Forecasting Model Improvements

Address current weaknesses identified in standard practice freight forecasting

- The lack of detail at the traffic analysis zone level
 - Synthesize firms and goods movements at the zone level
- The lack of information about the local pickup and delivery trips
 - Specifically model the delivery system at the end of the supply chain
- The need to estimate shifts in long-haul and short-haul demand resulting from regional investments
 - Connect movements from supplier to buyer by modeling in a single framework
- The ability to capture trip-chaining that occurs
 - Represent distribution channels in the supply chain and touring during deliveries
- The need to represent commodities produced and consumed by different industries
 - Represent commodity movements as links between buyers and suppliers

Advanced Freight Forecasting Models

3 Types Emerging

Supply Chain Models

- Tend to be National in scope
- Some examples at State and Regional levels

Hybrid Models

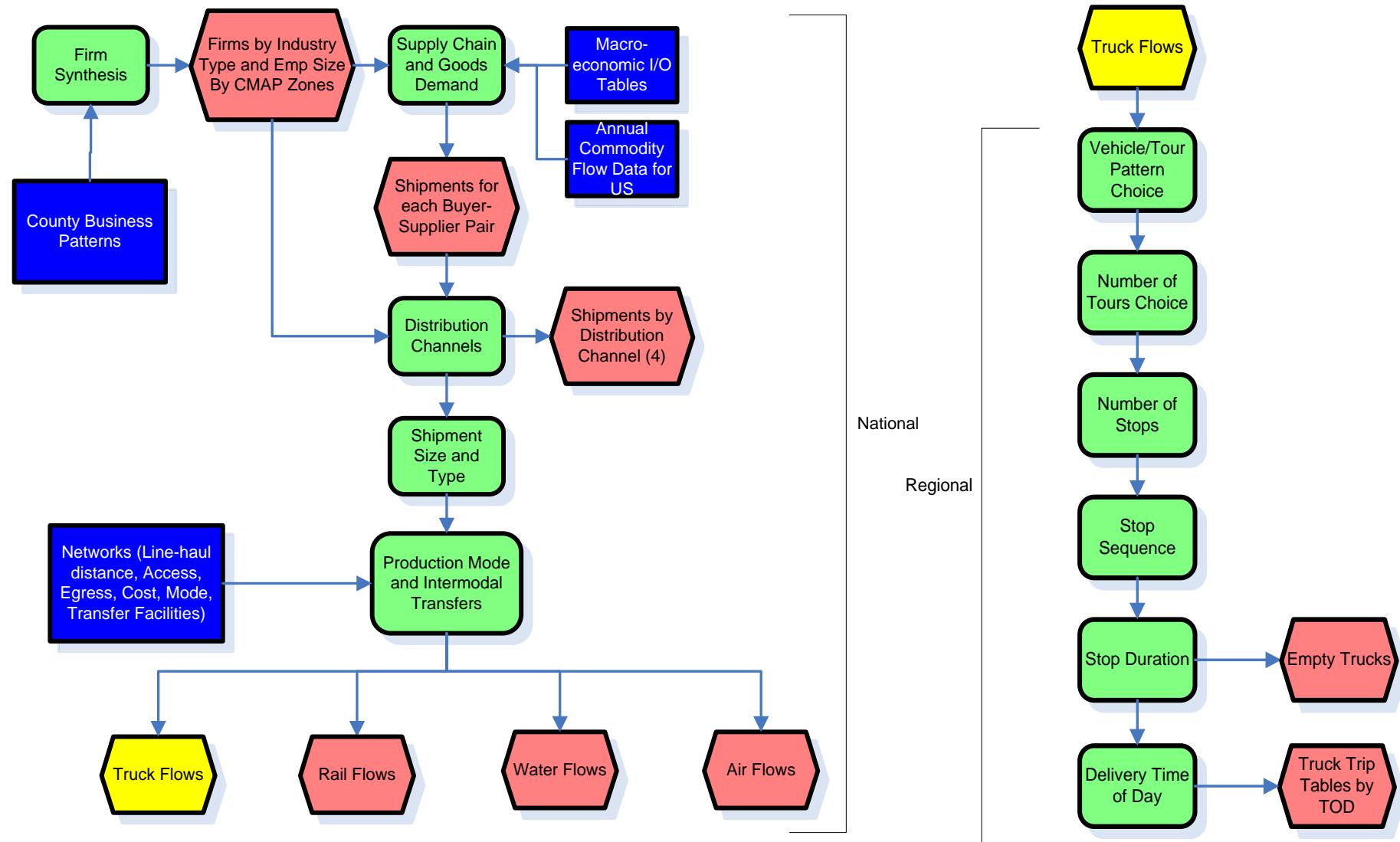
- Combined supply chain and tour-based models
- For Regional/Statewide planning, but with a National component

▪ Mode and path selection

Models shipments using the supply chain framework such as tour generation, regional pick up and delivery of shipments is incrementally handled by touring trucks



FHWA Freight Forecasting Framework in Chicago

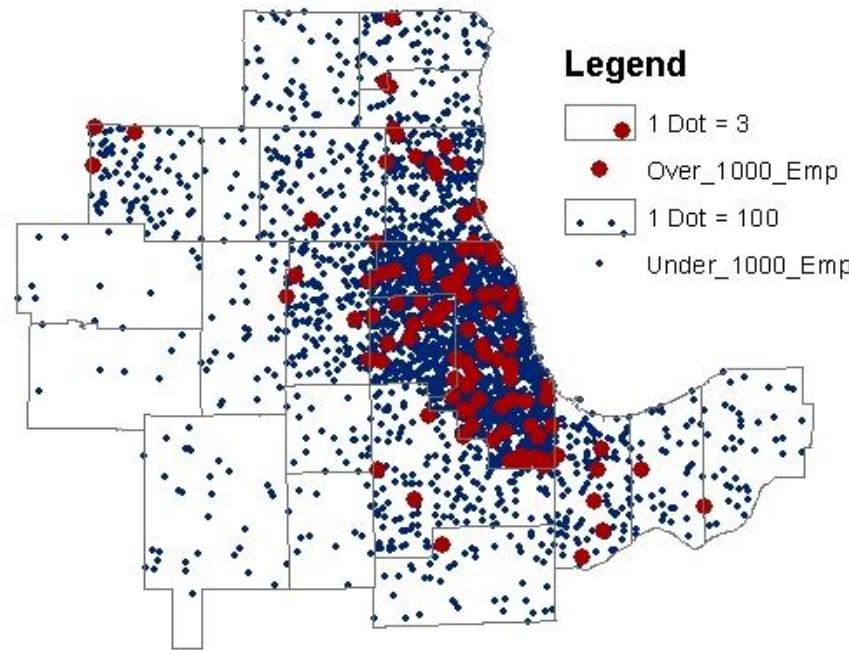


National Supply Chain Models

Firm Synthesis

- Firms are synthesized for the entire U.S. with a high level of industrial sector detail, and across several employment categories
- Spatial resolution is more detailed than is used nationally (counties are smaller than FAF zones)

CMAP Region Firms

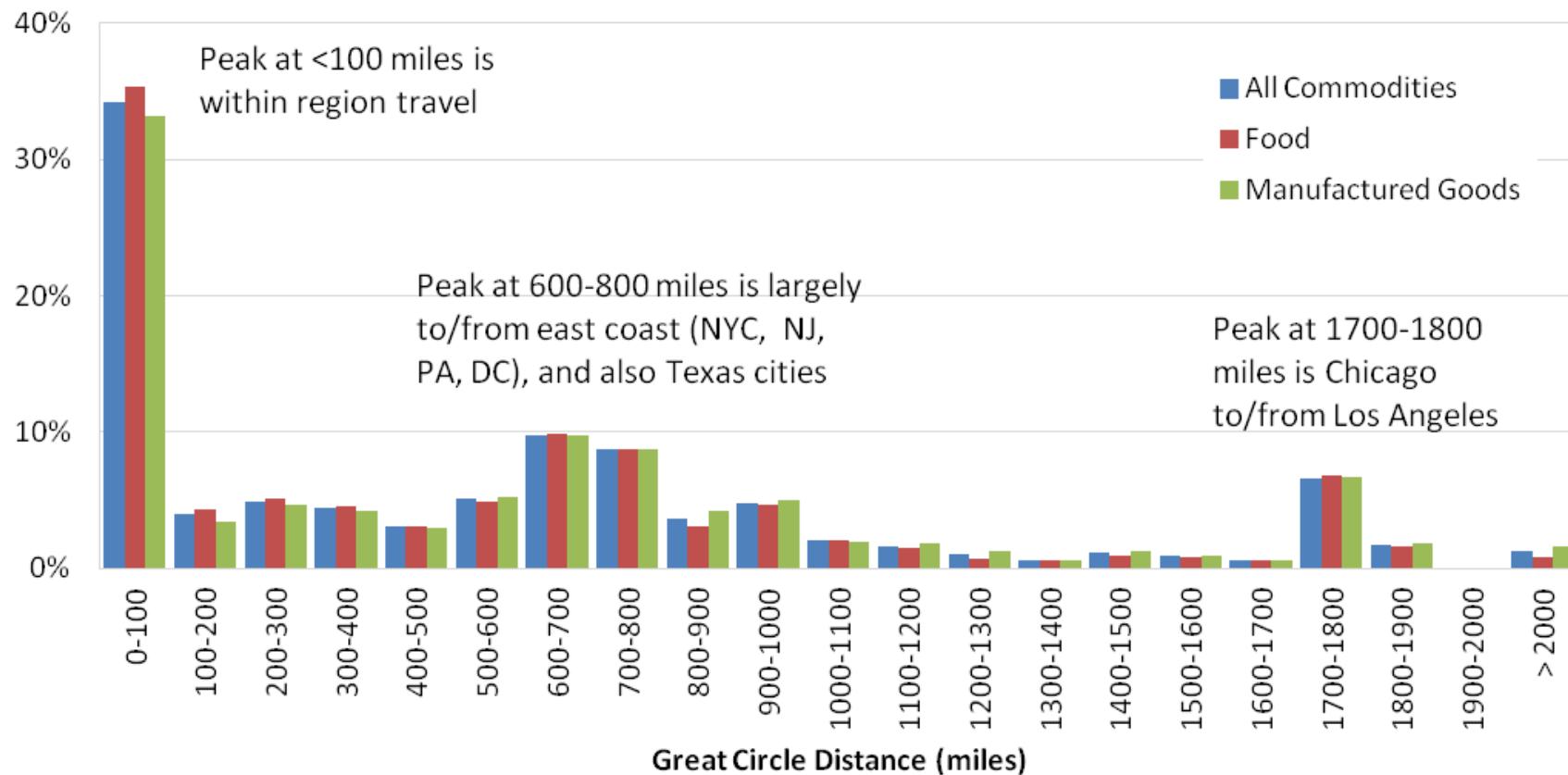


Supplier Selection Results

- The model builds 2.8 million buyer-supplier pairs with one of the pair in the Chicago region
- The distance distribution of buyer-supplier pairs reflects the spatial distribution of commodity flows

Distance Distribution of Buyer-Supplier Pairs

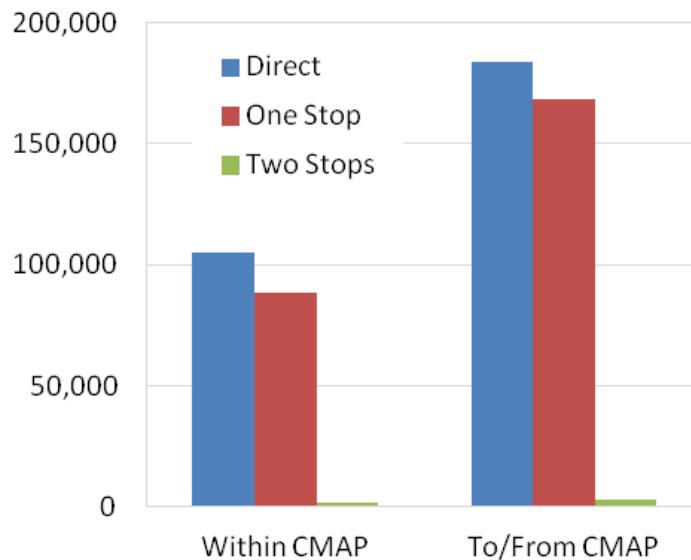
Includes pairs with one or more firms in the Chicago region



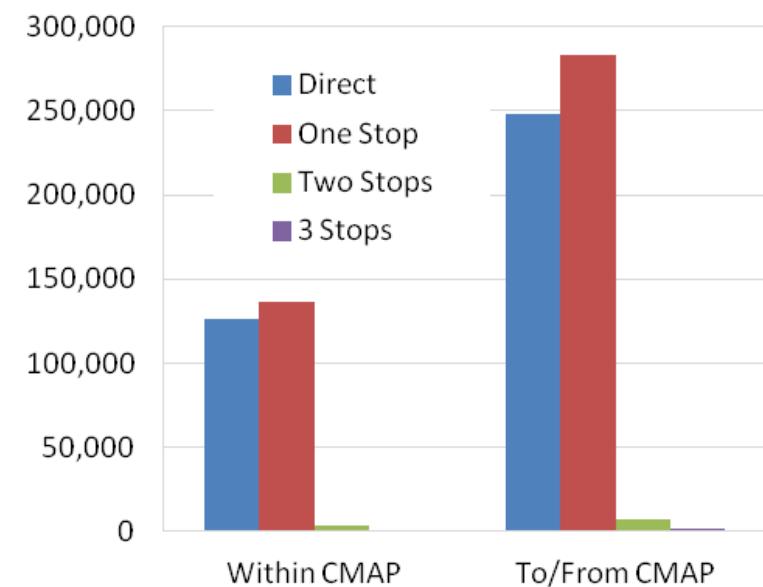
Distribution Channel Results

Direct distribution channels and channels involving a single type of stop are evenly split and account for almost all of the shipments

Distribution Channels used for Food Shipments

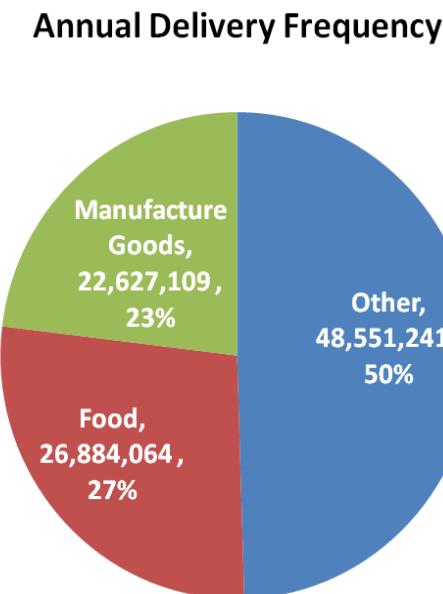
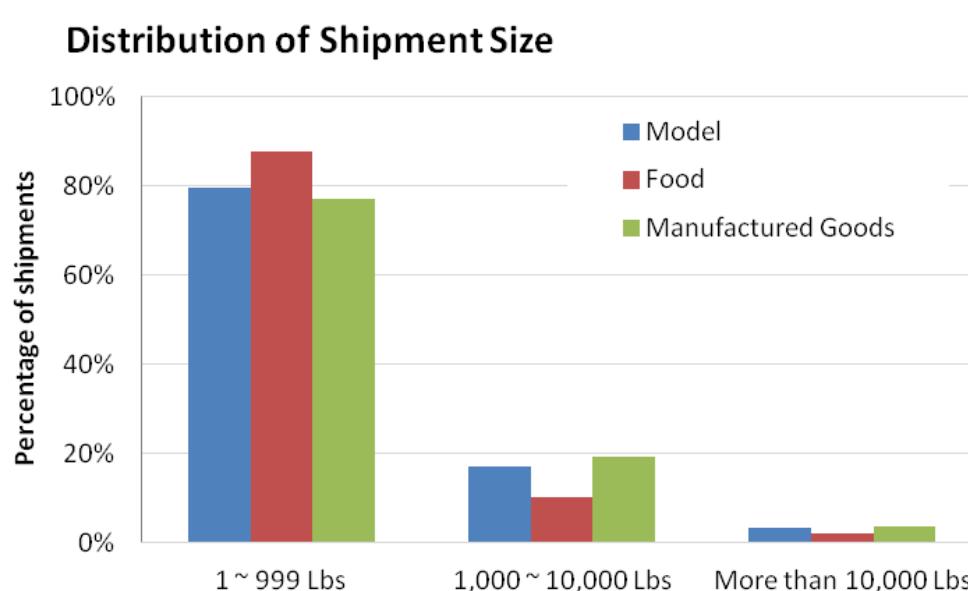


Distribution Channels used for Manufactured Goods



Shipment Size and Frequency Models

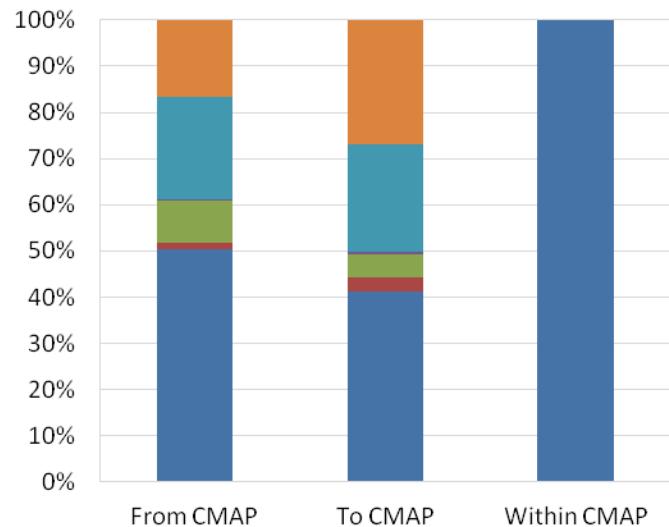
- Small shipments (<1,000 lb) make up the largest proportion of shipments
- There is relatively little variation between the commodities: a slightly higher proportion of food shipments are small
- Annual shipment frequency is calculated by dividing the annual flow for each supplier-buyer pair by the shipment size



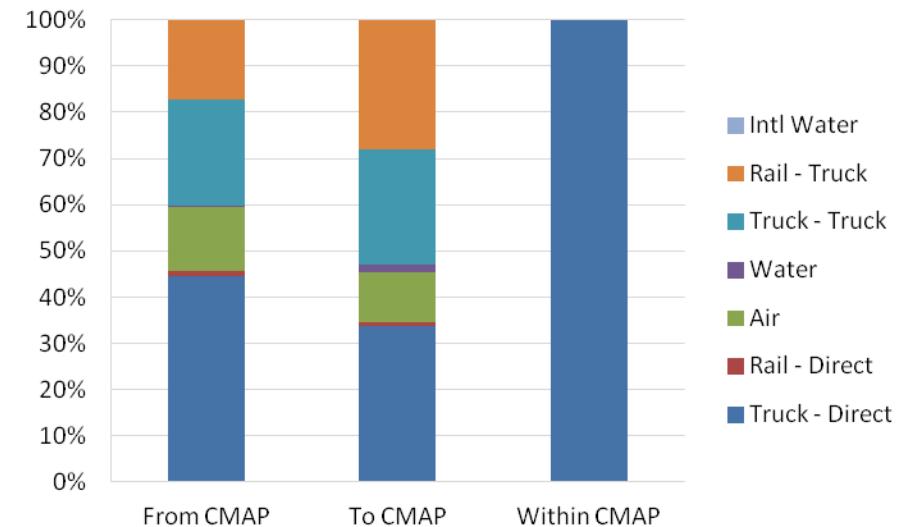
Mode and Transfer Results

- Within Chicago movement is all via truck
- Longer movements include significant intermodal elements, including conversion between (for example) FTL and LTL

Mode Split - Food Shipments

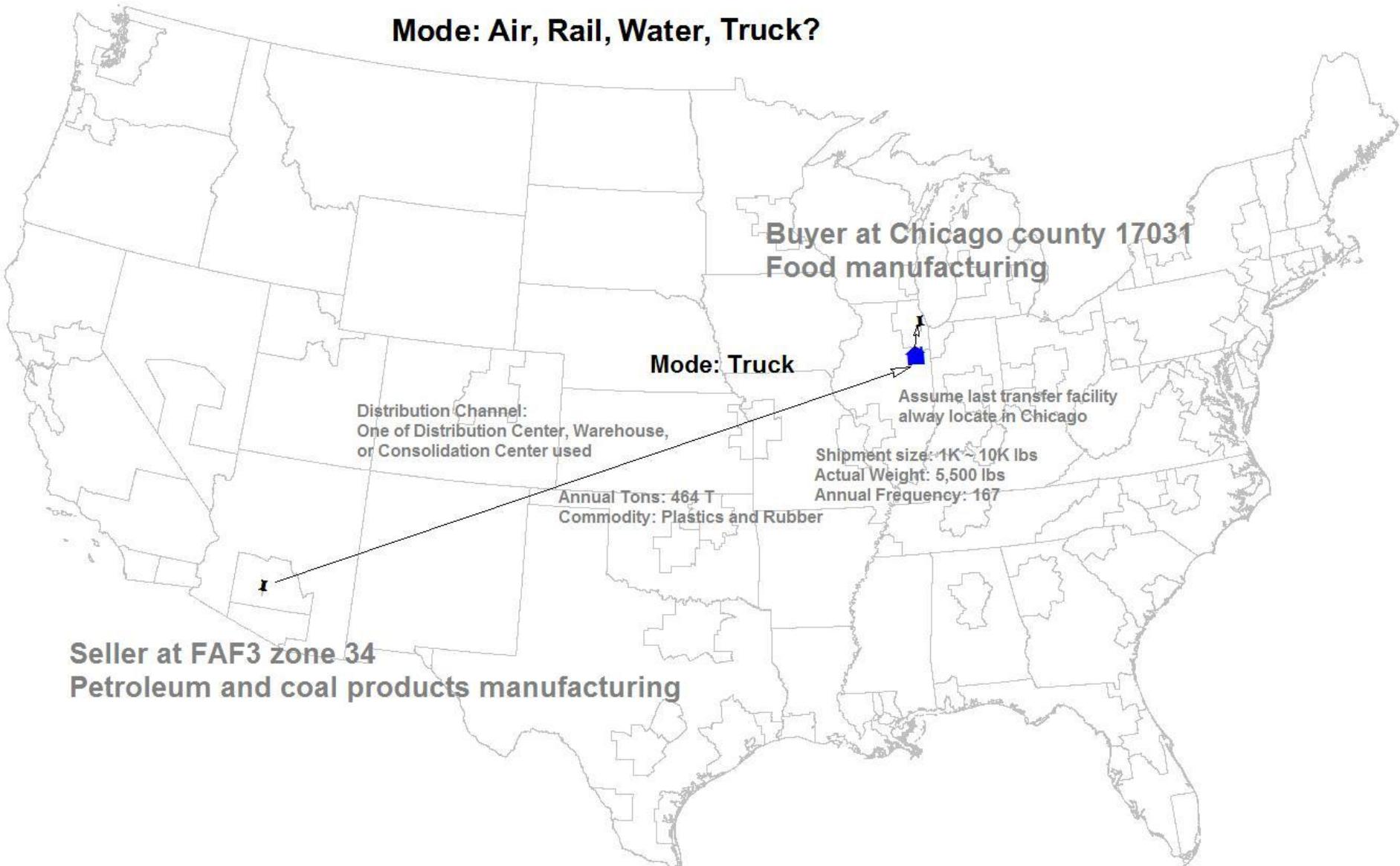


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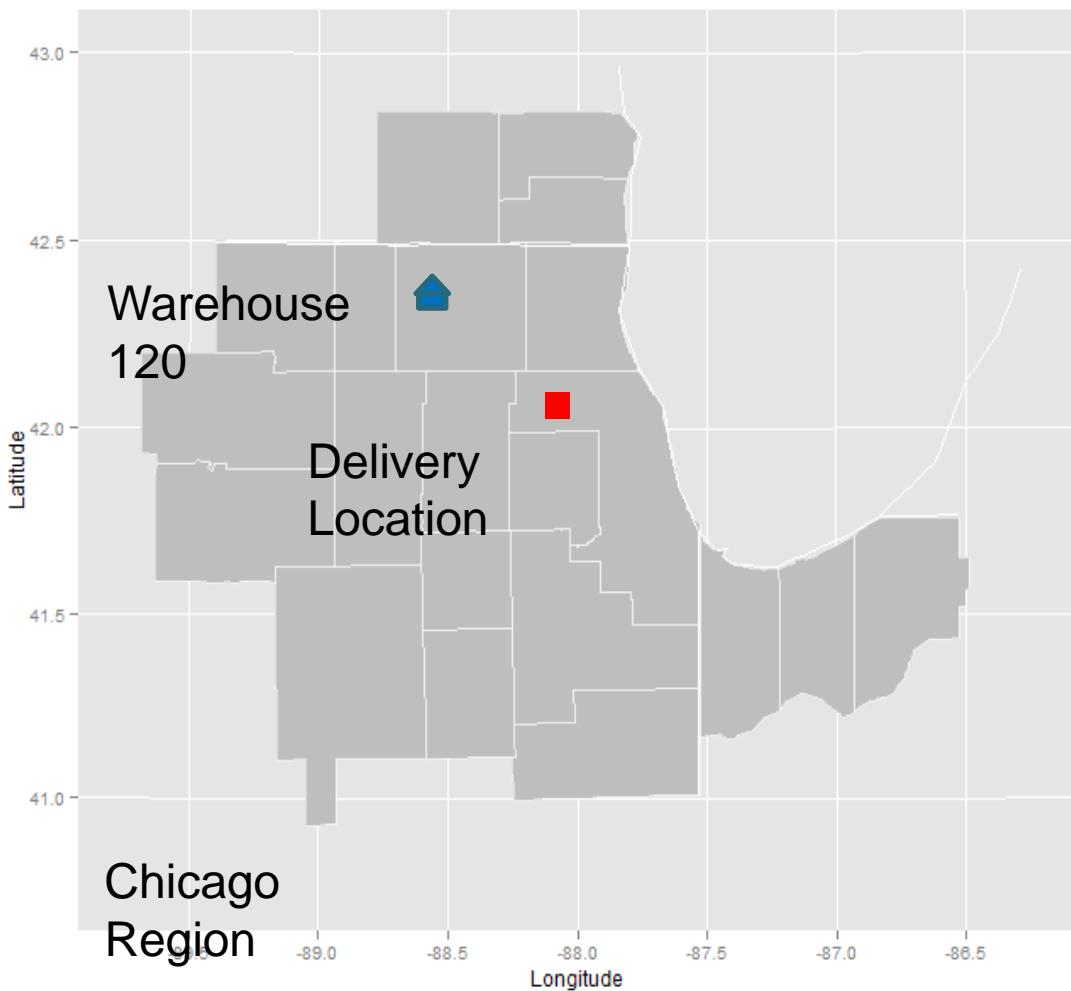
National Model Sequence

Mode: Air, Rail, Water, Truck?



Regional Tour-based Models

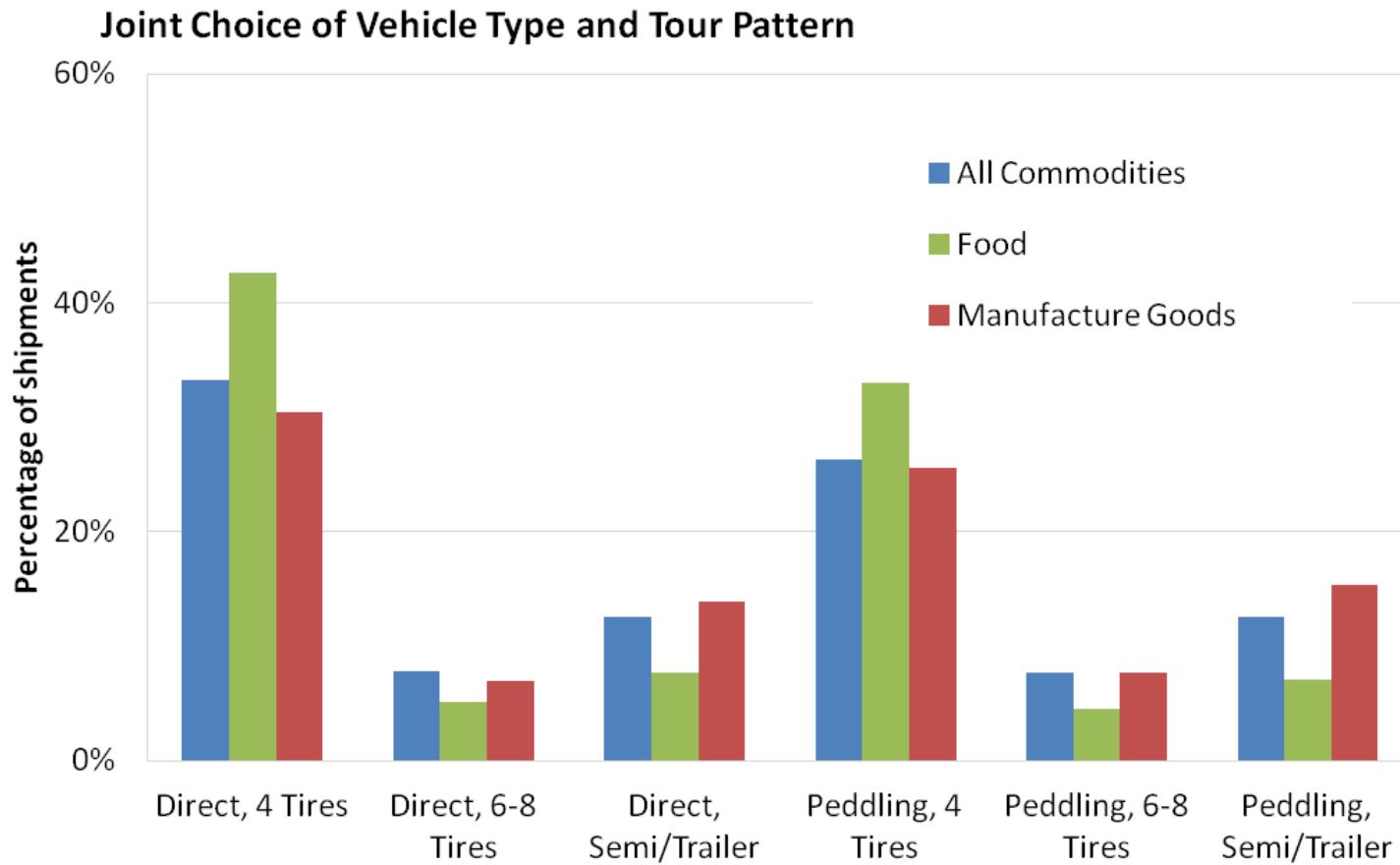
Convert to Daily Shipments and Select Warehouse



- Convert annual to daily shipments
- Identify warehouse/distribution center locations from the synthesized business establishments
- Assign shipments to a warehouse/distribution center

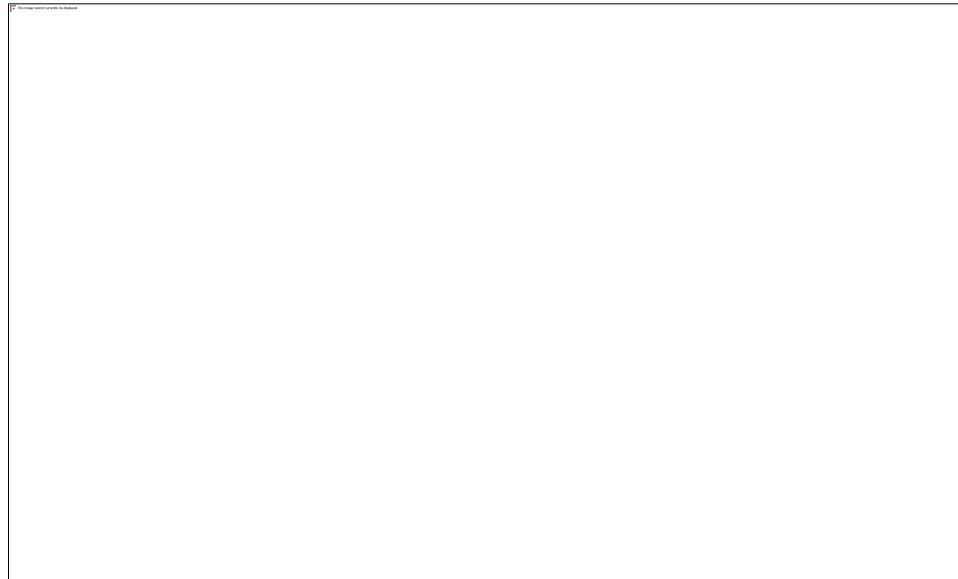
Select Vehicle Type and Tour Pattern

- Results produce the majority of tours using smaller 2 axle trucks
- There are slightly fewer peddling tours than direct tours

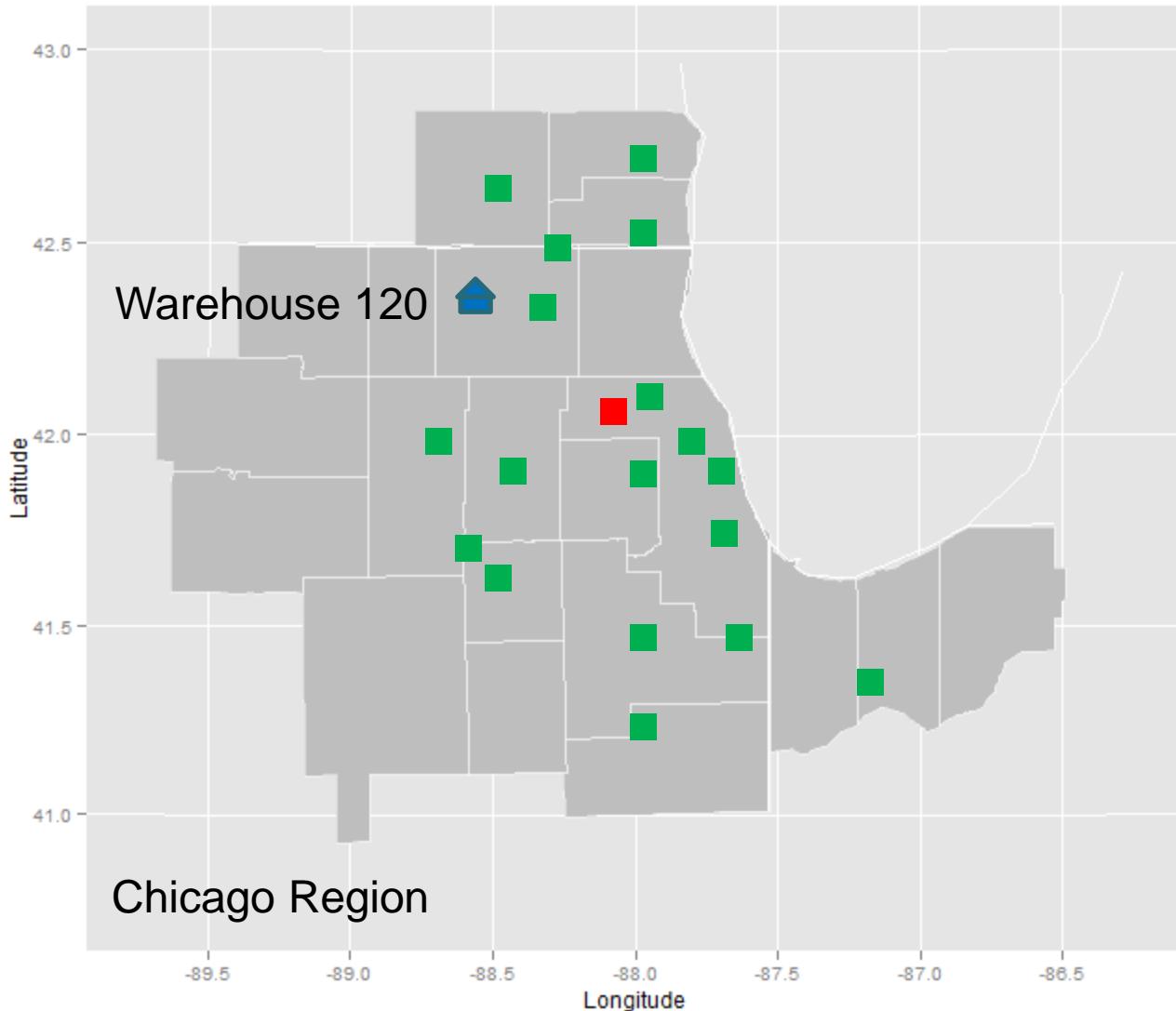


Allocate Shipments to Tours and Stops

- The model allocates most shipments to single tour patterns
- Larger shipments are most likely to be in multiple tour patterns
- There is a long tail of tours with many stops



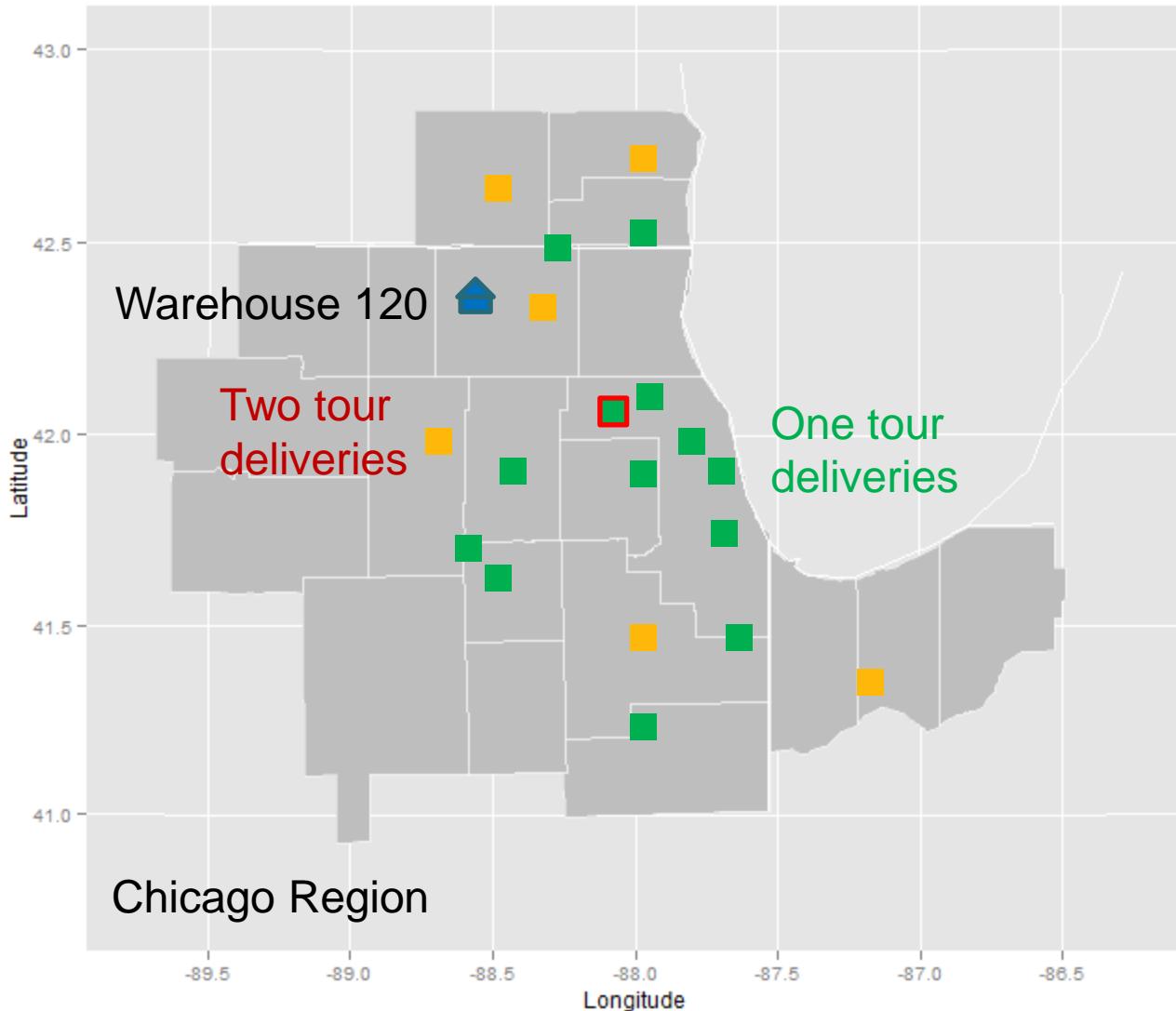
Regional Model Sequence



All shipments from a warehouse with the same vehicle type and tour type

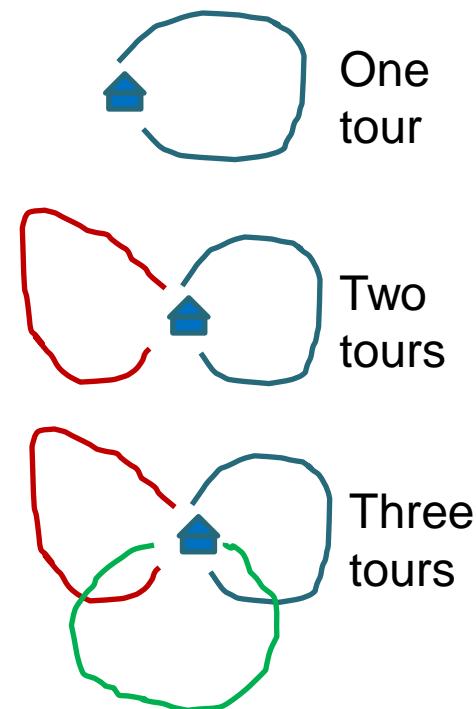
Our delivery is one of several from that warehouse that will be delivered by the same vehicle type - these must be grouped into tours and sequenced for delivery

Regional Model Sequence

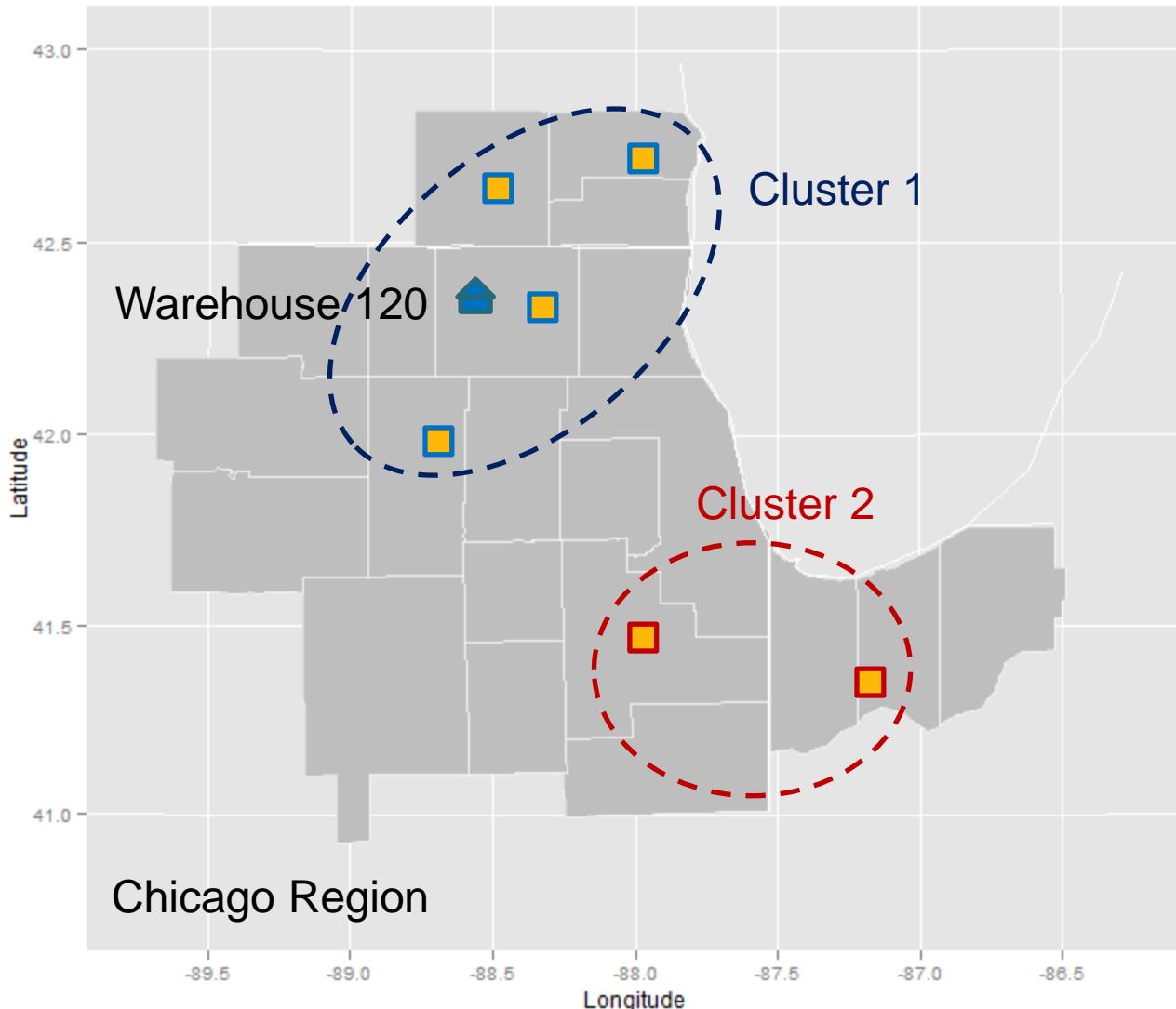


Number of tours

An MNL choice model is used to assign deliveries to tours patterns with one tours, two tours, three tours or four tours



Regional Model Sequence

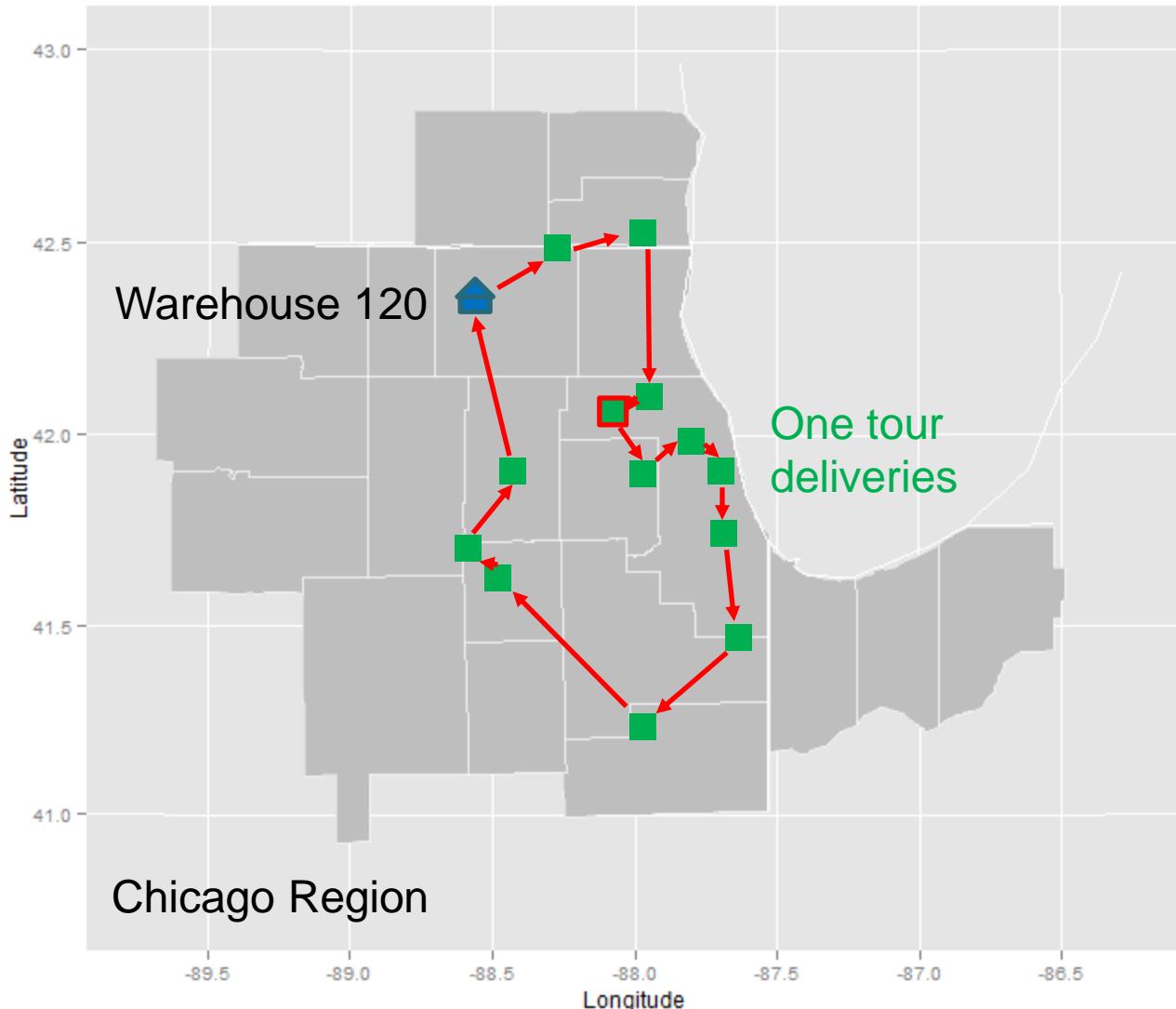


Stop Clustering

For deliveries in two or more tour patterns, the stops are assigned to a specific tour using hierarchical clustering

This technique groups together spatially close deliveries

Regional Model Sequence

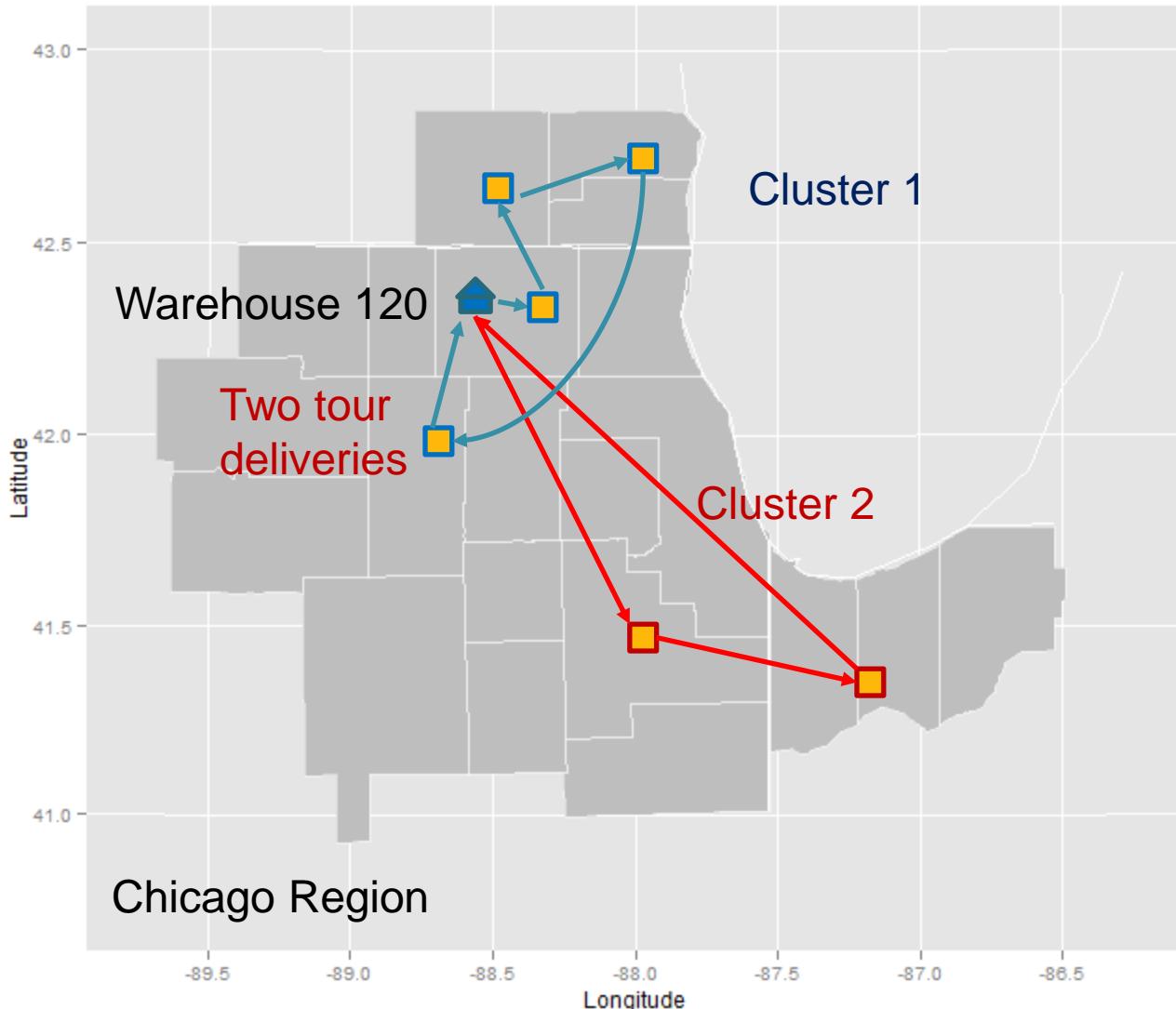


Stop Sequencing

A greedy algorithm is used to sequence the stops, which is much simpler and more realistic (according to Texas data) than a traveling salesman algorithm

1. First delivery is the closest to the warehouse
2. Second delivery is the closest to the first delivery point
3. Etc., until all deliveries are made

Regional Model Sequence



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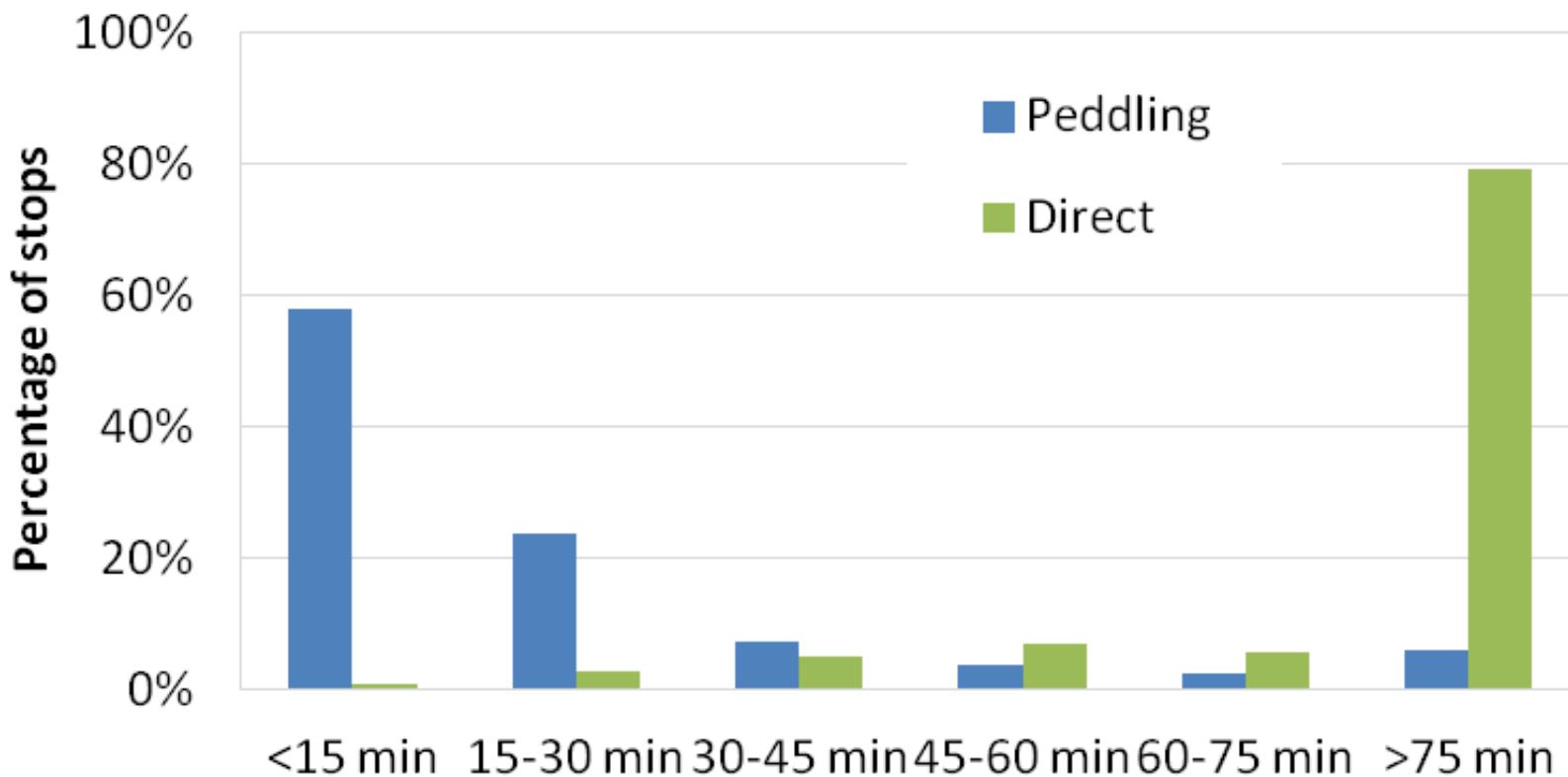
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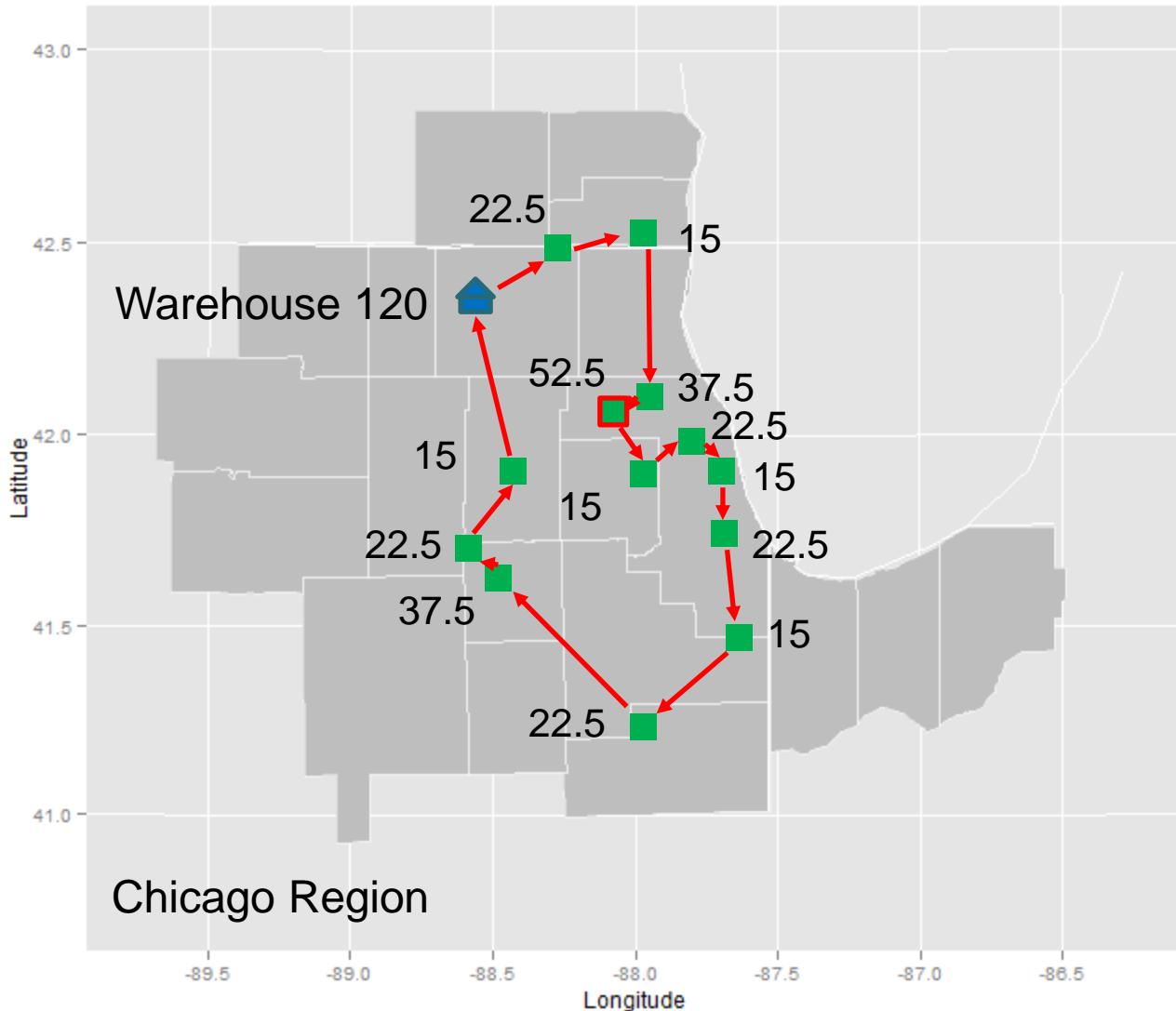
Stop Duration

The model predicts that stops will generally be short on peddling tours and long on direct tours

Stop Duration



Regional Model Sequence

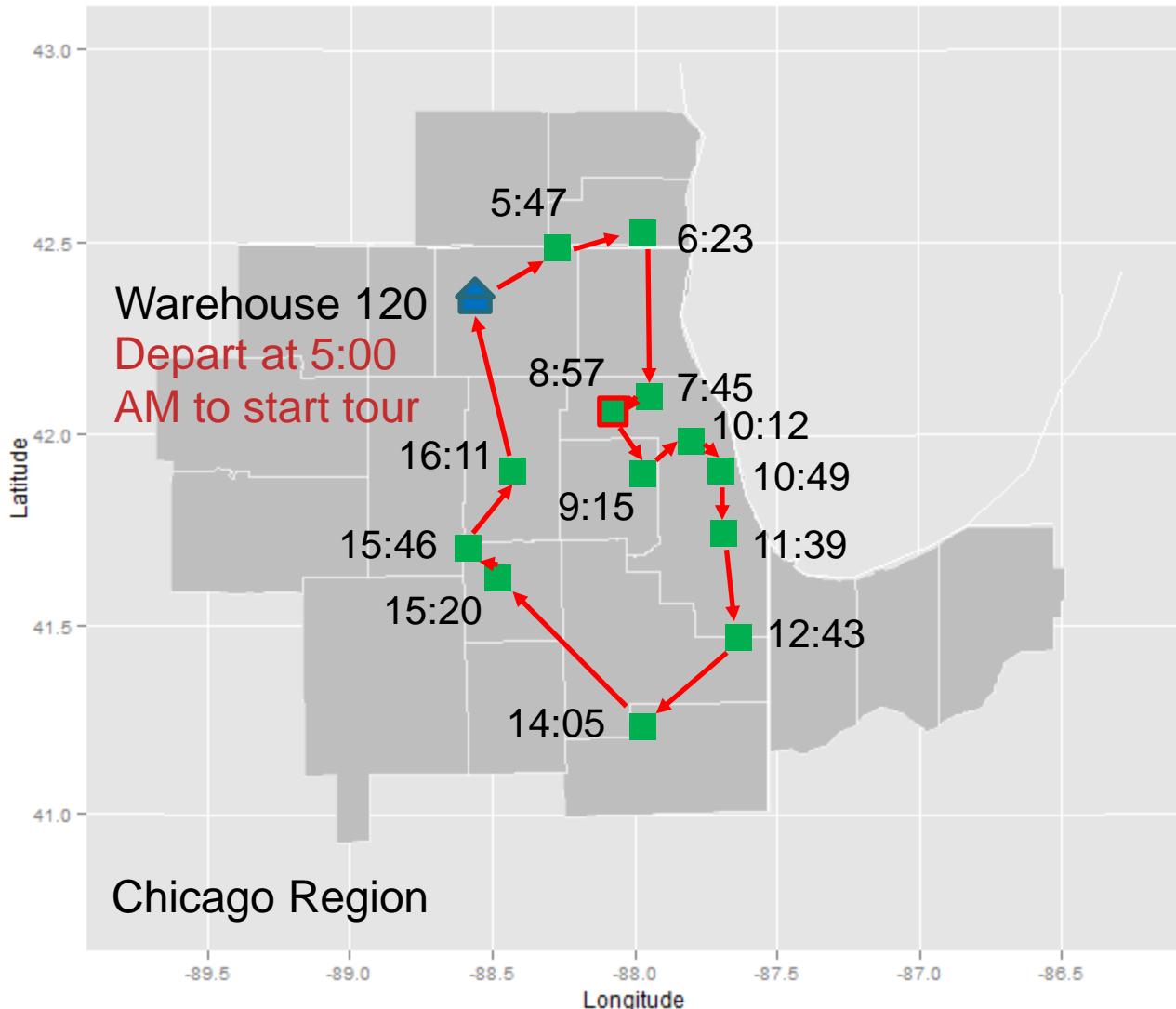


Stop Duration

An MNL choice model, estimated using the Texas survey data, is used to simulate the duration at each stop

Stop durations are short for stops in tours with a lot of stops, and are longer for larger loads

Regional Model Sequence



Tour start time

A final MNL choice model, again estimated using the Texas survey data, is used to predict the tour start time

With the stop durations and travel times from skim data, the departure time of each trip can be calculated, to give a complete trip list

Demonstration and Implementation

Demonstration in Chicago

Model framework was estimated and then applied in Chicago

- Estimation work used sources such as FAME survey data (UIC) and Texas Commercial Vehicle Survey
- Models were estimated for two commodities - food and manufacture goods
- Application combined the elements of the model developed by Cambridge Systematics as part of their work on the CMAP Mesoscale Freight Model with all of the new components
- Programmed in R, open source statistical programming language
- Software was recently completed and turned over to CMAP for testing
- Final report submitted to FHWA and available for distribution

Application Development in R

▪ Scripting Software

- R version 2.14

▪ Runtime

- Total run time is 80-90 minutes

▪ Hardware

- Manufacturer: HP Z200 Workstation
- Processor: Intel Core i7 CPU 870 @ 2.93 GHz
- Installed RAM: 12.0 GB
- OS: Windows 7 Professional (64-bit)

Model Component	Run Time (minutes)	Notes
Firm synthesis	13	Synthesize 8 million firms and choose buyers (7.5 million) and suppliers firm types (1.4 million) for CMAP simulation
Supplier selection	24	Match supplier firm types for about 3 million firms
Supply chain and goods demand	19	Apportion FAF flows for 3 million buyer supplier pairs and locate 8 million firms to mesozones
Distribution channel	1.0	Predict distribution channels for 3 million buyer-supplier pairs using logit shares
Shipment size	1.5	Estimates annual shipment size and frequency
Mode-Path selection	20	Evaluation of annual logistics and transport costs for 54 mode-paths
Vehicle choice and tour pattern	1.5	Daily simulation for 300k deliveries\pick-ups from warehouses
Stop clustering and sequencing	1.5	Clusters and sequences stops on tours
Stop duration	0.2	Estimates stop duration
Time of day	1.5	Constructs tours from start time and stop duration

Implementation of this Framework in Florida

Florida is developing a statewide multi-modal freight model to ...

Enhance Florida's statewide freight forecasting capabilities

- Represent characteristics of firms and shipments
 - Synthesize firms and goods movements at the zone level
- Represent supply chains and distribution channels
 - Link commodity movements between buyers and suppliers
- Estimate shifts in long-haul and short-haul demand resulting from statewide investments
 - Connect movements from supplier to buyer in a single framework
- Include all modes (air, water, rail, road)

Provide a framework to support enhancements to regional freight forecasting

- Capture trip-chaining that occurs
 - Represent distribution channels in the supply chain
 - Represent touring during pick up and delivery of goods

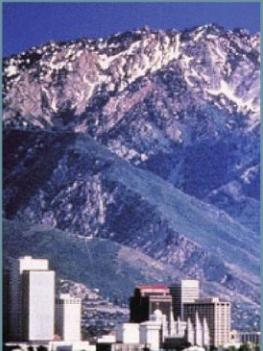
Policy Sensitivity for the Florida Statewide Model

Statewide Policies

- Changes in land use and economy: spatial distribution of employment and mix of industries
- Changes in transportation supply
 - Major highway network changes
 - Changes to rail capacity
 - Intermodal facility capacity changes, including deep water ports and airports
- Changes in distribution center network
 - New facilities (with regional significance)
- Changes in commodity flow origins and destinations outside Florida

Regional Policies

- Regional model input is the output from the statewide model, so statewide model's sensitivity feeds through to regional model
- Local (more detailed) distribution of employment and land use affects local truck travel patterns
- Local changes in transportation supply, non-truck traffic growth causing congestion, and resulting truck travel times
- Local policies such as truck routes, truck prohibitions, delivery windows, and size limits can be modeled



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