

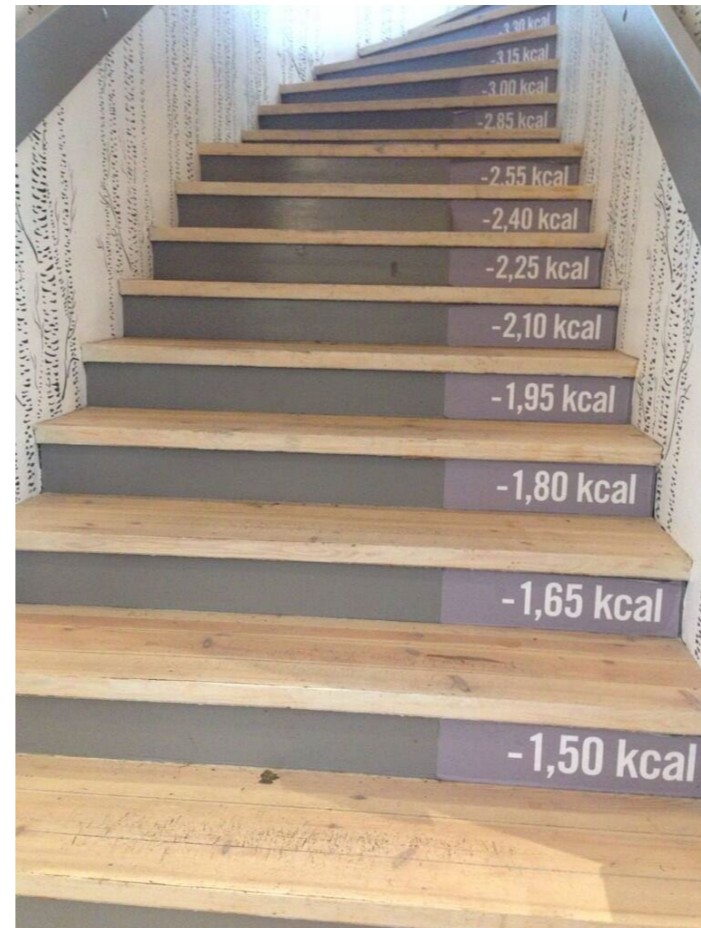
IMPROVING INTEREST IN PUBLIC, ACTIVE, AND SHARED TRAVEL MODES THROUGH NUDGING INTERVENTIONS

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NUDGING

Aspect of the decision environment altering people's behaviour in a predictable way without forbidding any options or significantly changing economic incentives

(Thaler & Sunstein, 2008)



NUDGING IN GOVERNMENT

Nudge units → UK, NL, etc.

Flanders



Local
Initiatives



External
Partners

Health-related

contexts





Moral nudging



Benefits for individual
& society



Norm nudging



Social pressure &
appropriate within-
group behaviour

MORAL NUDGE

Walking/Cycling

Physically and mentally healthier:



Those who are active for 30 minutes a day have less stress and a lower risk of depression.



A frequent cyclist weighs on average four kilos less than a motorist.

Active commuting

- Reduces the average number of sick days by one per year
- Reduces the risk of:
 1. Cardiovascular diseases
 2. Osteoporosis (bone decalcification)
 3. Being overweight
 4. High blood pressure
 5. Colorectal cancer
 6. Type 2 diabetes

More fun and cheaper!

No traffic jams

Reduces air pollution

Better quality of public space

More cost effective

Public Transport

Benefits during the ride, you can...

Relax

Work

Watch series

Meet new people

Benefits for your health:



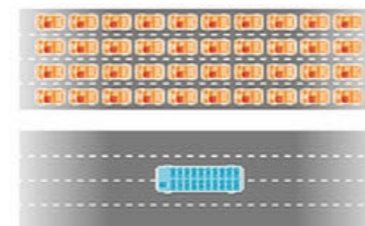
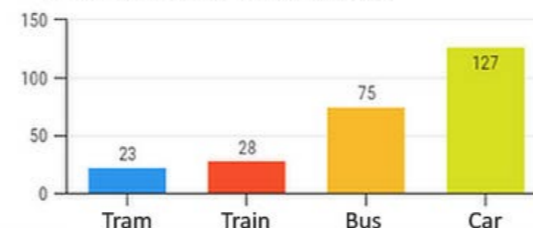
Walking to and from a stop/station gives you more physical activity.



People who travel to work by public transport have a lower BMI and a lower fat percentage than those who drive to work.

Benefits for your health:

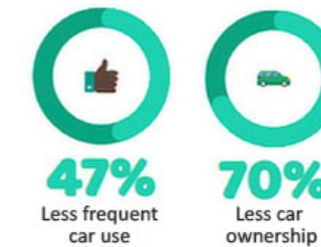
Average CO2 emissions in grams per km per person, at average occupancy:



The space taken up by 40 people sitting alone in their cars compared to the space needed for 40 people together on the tram.

Car Sharing

Impact



A shared car replaces

4-15 private cars

Comfort

Always a parking space

Always a car available

Vehicle to suit your situation

Livable neighborhood

Up to 180m² of space freed up per shared car

New contacts in your neighborhood

Better air quality

Financial

- Save about 3000 euros per month
- Lower costs for society



Climate

- Fewer raw materials needed
- Less energy needed for production
- 21% less CO2 emissions per car sharer



NORM NUDGE

Flemish Government

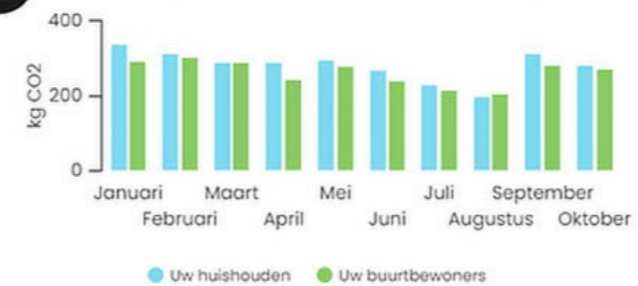
Household Transport Report

This is the result of a study by the Flemish government aimed at helping you understand and reduce your transport emissions. This applies to the entire household and was calculated for all of Flanders.

Here you can see how you compare to your neighbors.



Maandelijkse uitstoot CO2 door transport



You use 7% more CO2 than your neighbors



34% of your neighbours

make daily use of public transport



63% of your neighbours

walk or cycle daily to work, shop, or for hobbies

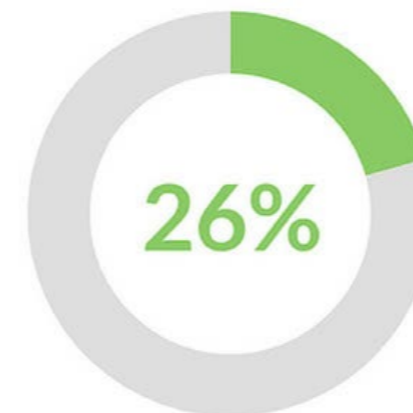


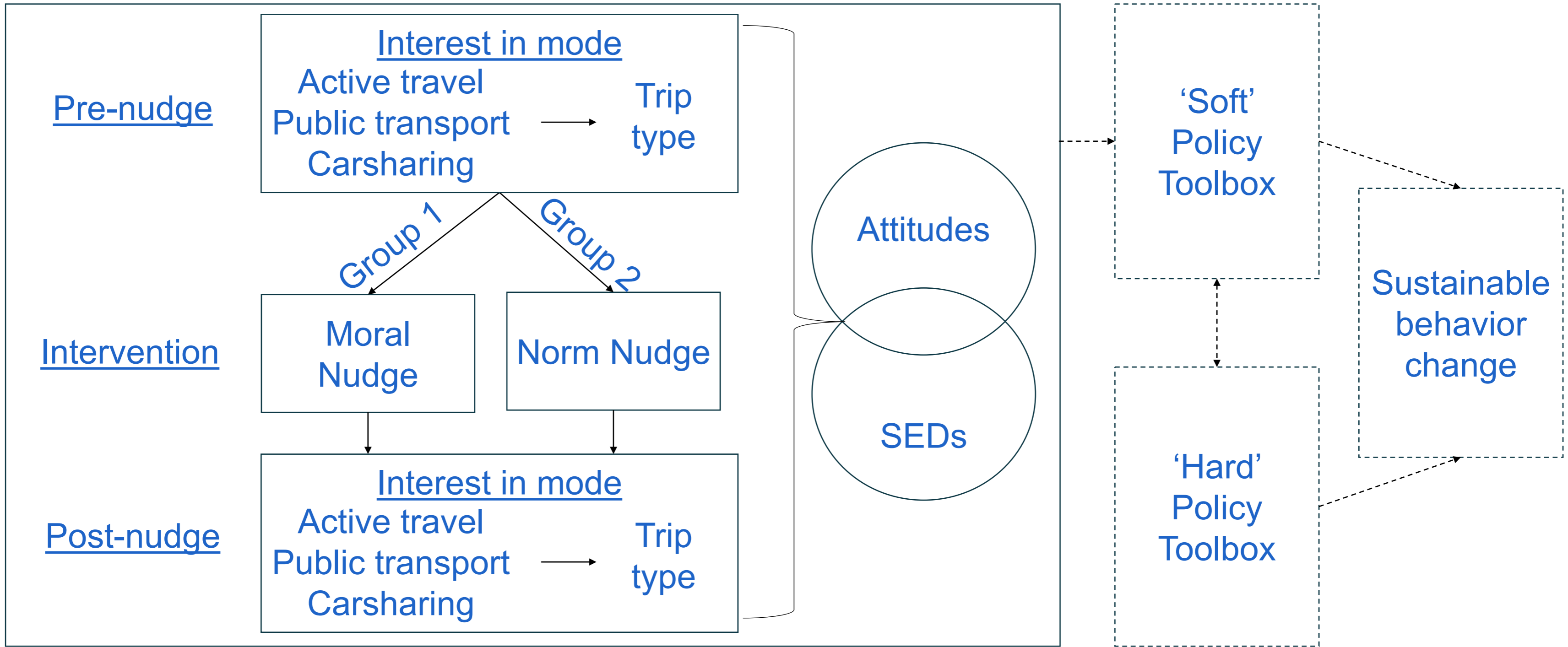
17% of your neighbours

have a car-sharing option



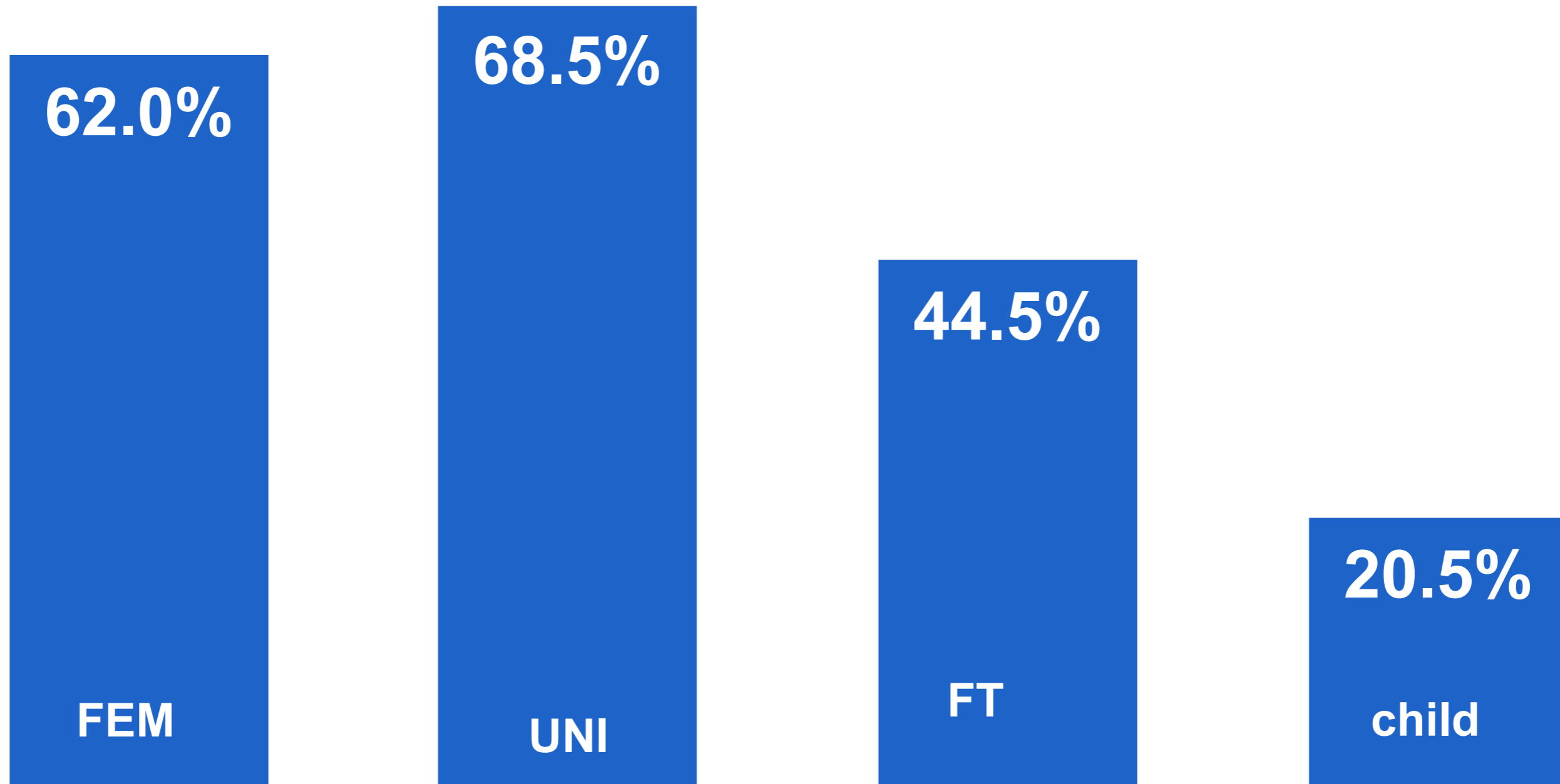
By choosing more sustainable options for travel, you could emit 26% less CO2.



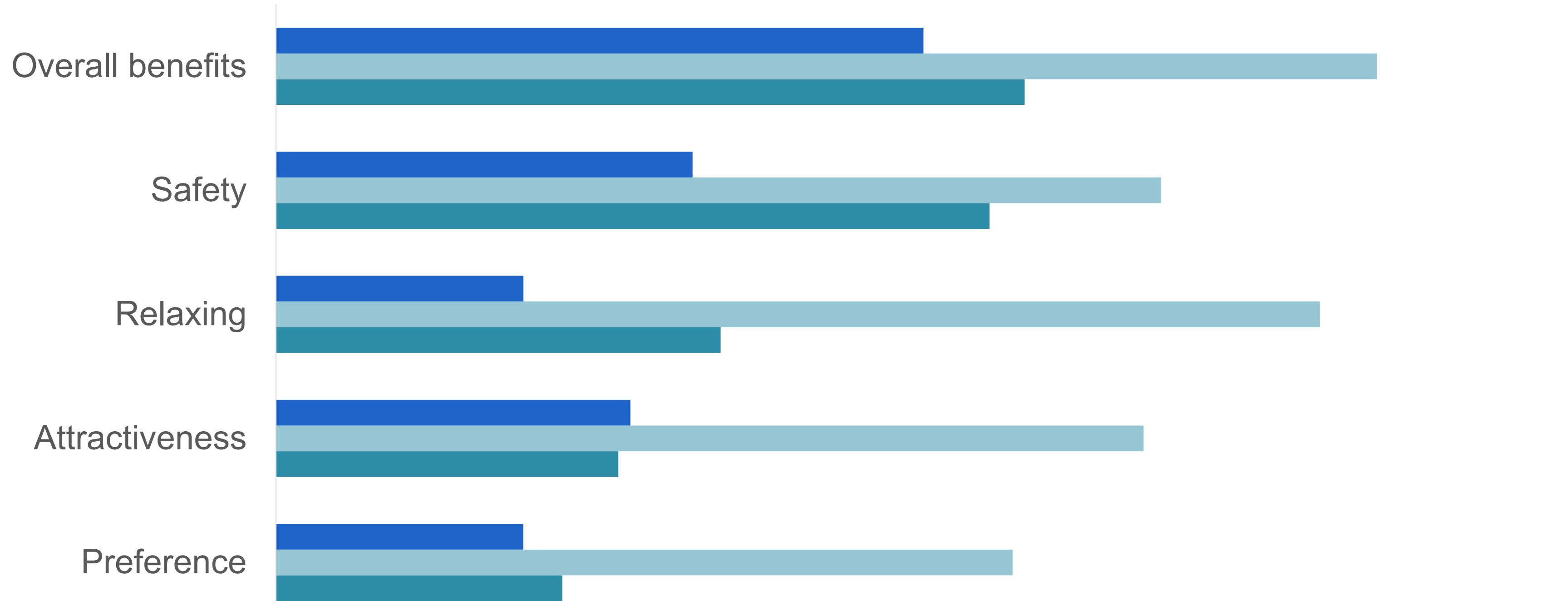


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AVERAGE AGE { 38.5 }



ATTITUDES



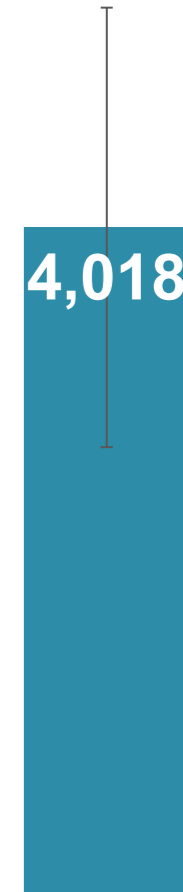
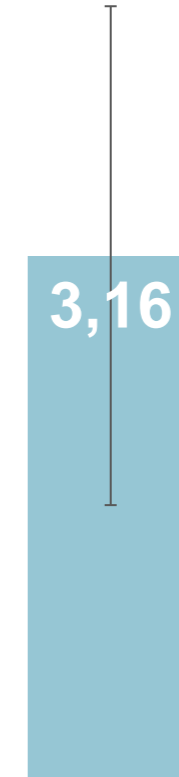
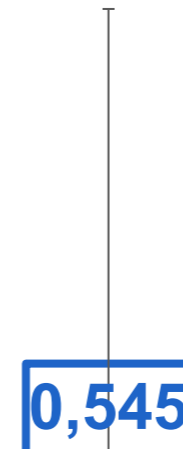
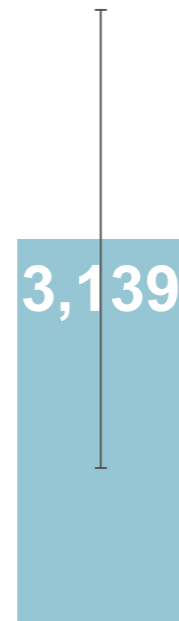
PAIRED SAMPLE T-TESTS



Moral nudging



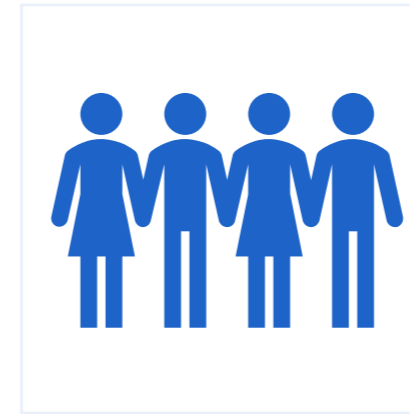
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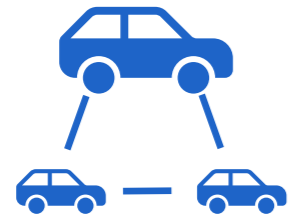
MULTIPLE REGRESSION



Moral nudging



Norm nudging



Attitudes



No Children



Attitudes



Younger



Female



No Driving License

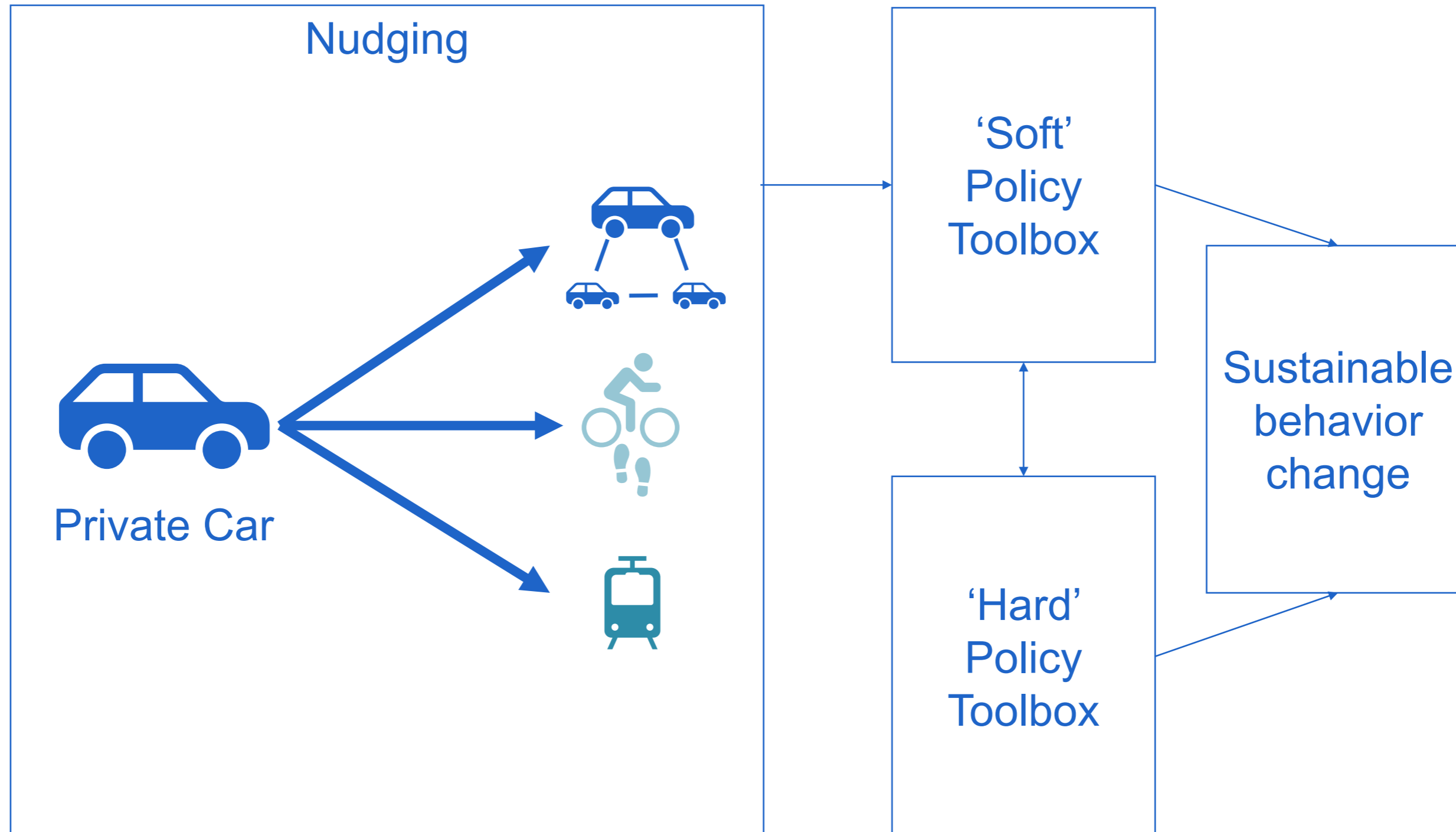


Higher Income



Attitudes

CONCLUSION



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