ALBATROSS in Application

Outline

- Using Albatross for impact analysis
- An example scenario
- Conclusion
- Software demonstration



Background and Objectives

- Purpose of the study was to test the face validity and sensitiveness of the Albatross 1 model
- The original data set was used (1233 households, 2974 persondays)
- Hypothetical scenarios were defined by the Ministry of Transport
 - Decrease of two-adult households
 - Change of work start times
 - Increase of part-time workers
 - Friday afternoon off



Example scenario: shortening of work hours (1)

- Scenario definition:
 - Friday afternoon off in work schedules (work longer than 6 hours)
- Predictions
 - No change in total travel distance
 - Increase in car travel distance of 1.3 %
 - Increase in number of trips of 1.6 %
 - Shift from public transport to car 1.3 %
 - No change in trip / tour ratio
 - Increase in flexible activities on Friday (shopping, social, leisure)
 - Shift activities to Off-peak hours



Example scenario: shortening of work hours (2)

Interpretation

- Decrease in work activities counterbalanced by increase in leisure/social/shopping activities
- Increase in number of trips is counterbalanced by substitution of long work trips to short discretionary trips
- Substitution of public transport trips by car trips due to shorter work activities
- Shift in time-of-day of flexible activities follows from relaxation of time constraints



Conclusion

- The study illustrates the use of Albatross for impact analysis
- The model proves to be sensitive for:
 - socio-economic changes
 - institutional changes
 - interactions between many choice facets

