



Horizon School Division Transportation and School Boundary Review

**Welcome and
Thank you for
coming to
share your
perspective.**



Horizon Board of Trustees



Introductions



An Inclusive learning community that engages and empowers all learners

We value...

- Student-centered decision making
- Purposeful collaboration and partnerships
- Accountability, sustainability, and fiscal responsibility
- Transparent practices





Community Perspective

**We are open to listening
to your perspectives on:**

- School Attendance Boundaries
- Transportation Fees
- Distance limits for walking
- Ride times limits
- Parental Choice (School of preference)

**We want to collect parent
perspectives**

The Horizon Board of Trustees will be undertaking a review regarding changes to transportation policies and practices. The review is in preparation of the Alberta Government's New Education Act and revised Transportation Regulation in September 2015.

**Before making decisions regarding
transportation, the Board wants to know:**

- What do you want for your children?
- What do you value with regard to transportation? (What is important to you?) and
- What do you want the Board to keep in mind as they make transportation decisions?



Transportation and School Boundary Review Process

Timeline

- Spring 2014 – public consultation
- Summer 2014 – decision made
- Fall 2014 – revised Government Transportation Regulation Released
- Fall 2014 - stakeholder communication regarding Board decision and forthcoming changes
- Fall 2014/Spring 2015 – Horizon policy revisions and ongoing stakeholder communication
- September 2015 – New Education Act, New Regulations, and New Jurisdiction Policies come into force (changes in transportation practice take effect).

Transportation Review Timeline

Three Public Input Forums

To describe review process and collect parent perspectives

Feb 11 – Milk River Elem (6-7:30pm)

Feb 13 – Enchant School (6-7:30pm)

Feb 25 – D.A. Ferguson (6-7:30pm)

Online parent opinion survey

Feb 26-March 5, 2014

Share your thoughts with us at

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/hsdtransportation> or
(e)mail (barb.mcdonald@horizon.ab.ca) or fax in
(223-2999), or drop off a submission.

Potential Solutions Open House

Share your thoughts on potential changes/solutions before they are implemented

April 7 – Lomond School (6-7pm)

April 9 – Hays School (6-7pm)

April 17 – Warner School (6-7pm)

April 28 – D.A. Ferguson (6-7pm)



Alberta Education Funding

New Education Act

Subject to the regulations, a board

- shall create policy regarding appropriate transportation of students.
- may charge the parent of a student receiving transportation provided by the board any fee determined by the board.

Here are the parameters under which School Jurisdictions work (current School Act)

“Alberta Education’s: Student Transportation Regulation”

- School jurisdiction will transport students when they reside more than 2.4 km from the school and they live within the school’s attendance area
- If a student does not reside in the attendance area for that school, the student or the parent shall provide for the transportation of the student
 - to and from school, or
 - to and from a designated stop on a school bus route in the transportation service area for that school.
- School jurisdictions may set policy to guide practice which includes:
 - charging parents a fee for transportation of students



Transportation Statistics

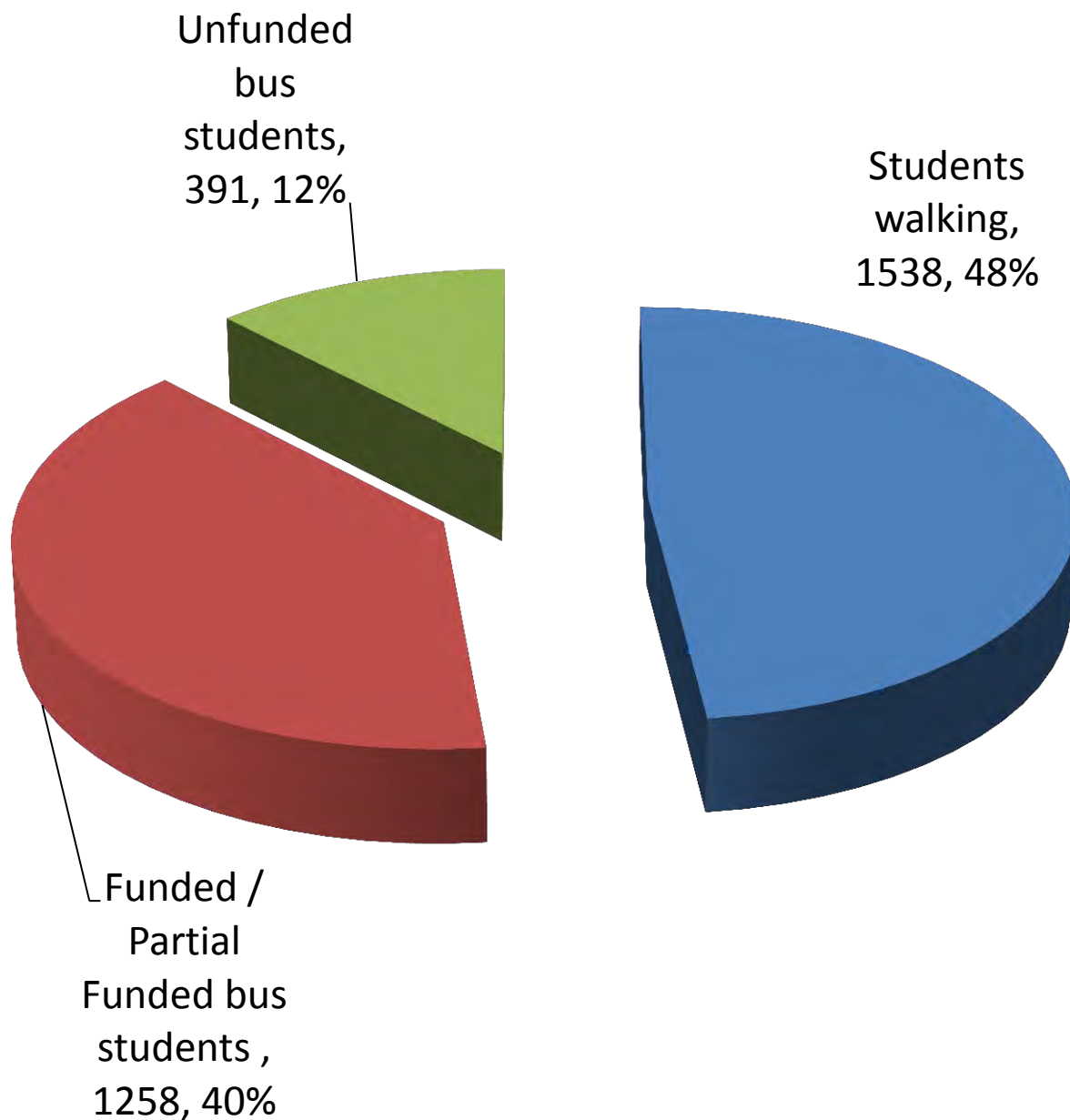
Alberta Education is also reviewing transportation

“Results Based Budgeting”

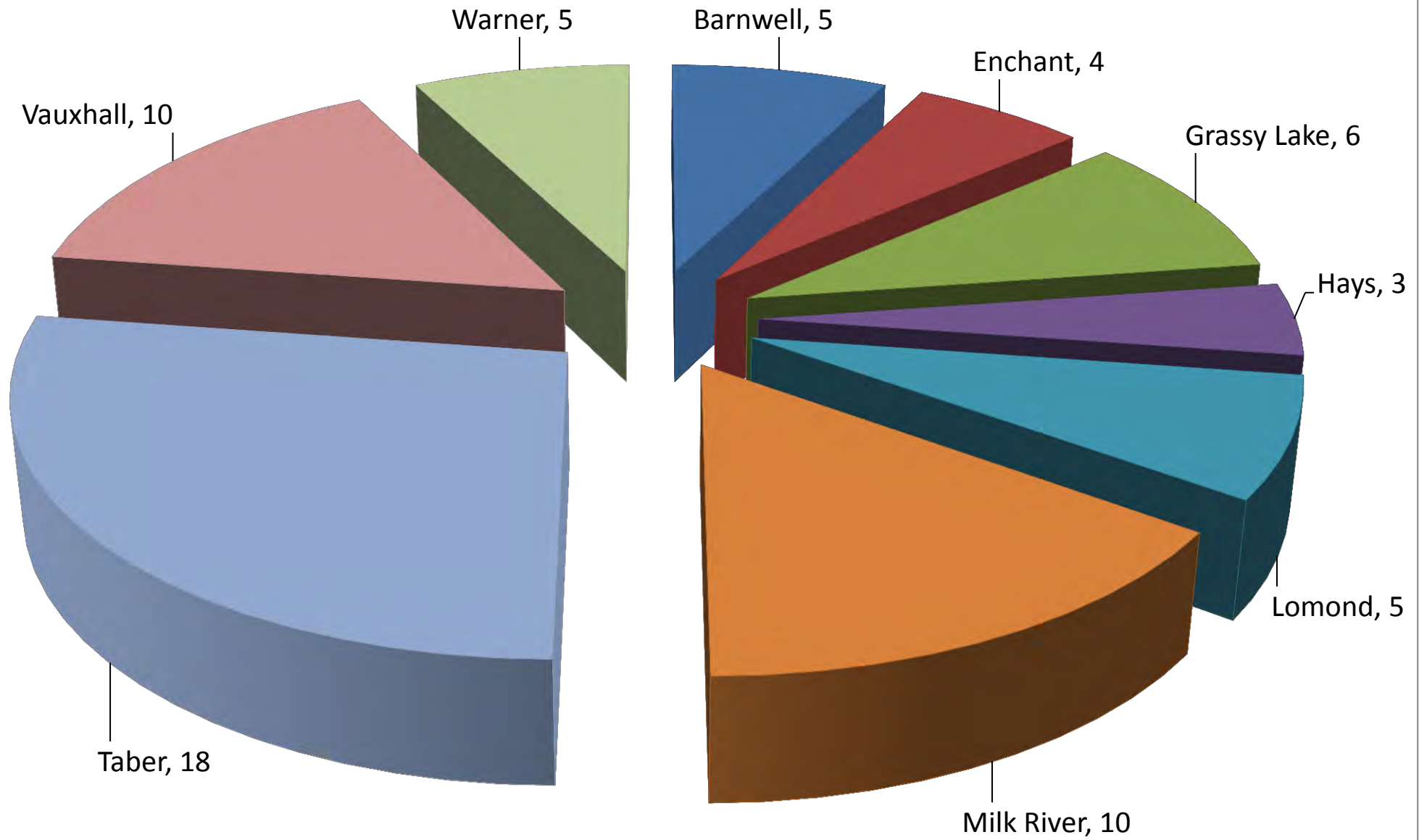
Looking to streamline
(efficiency and effectiveness)

- Transportation Fees
- Walk Limits
- Ride times
- Parental Choice
- Getting out of the business of bussing (contractors)
- Sharing of transportation services between jurisdictions

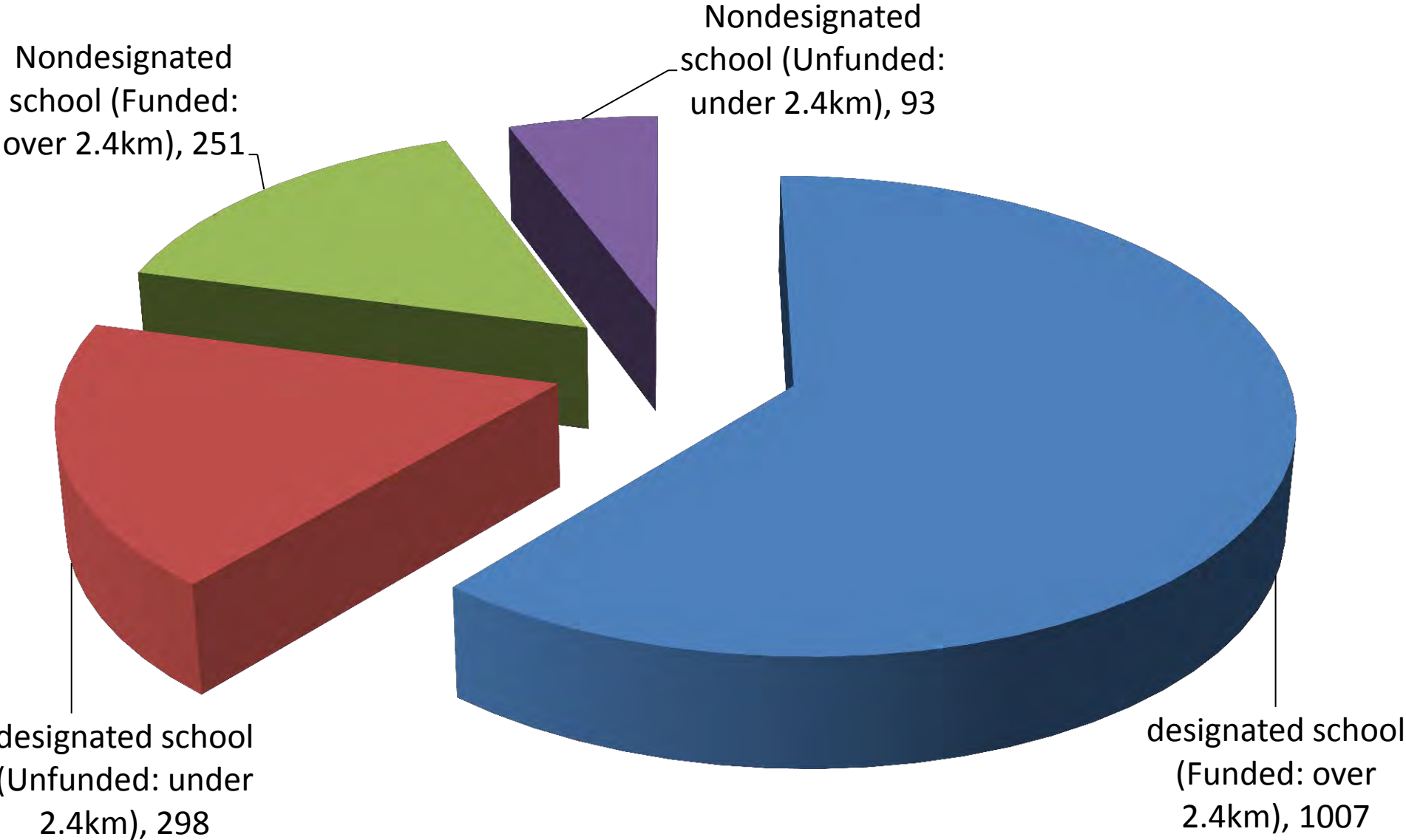
Horizon Students (excluding Pre-K and Hutterite)



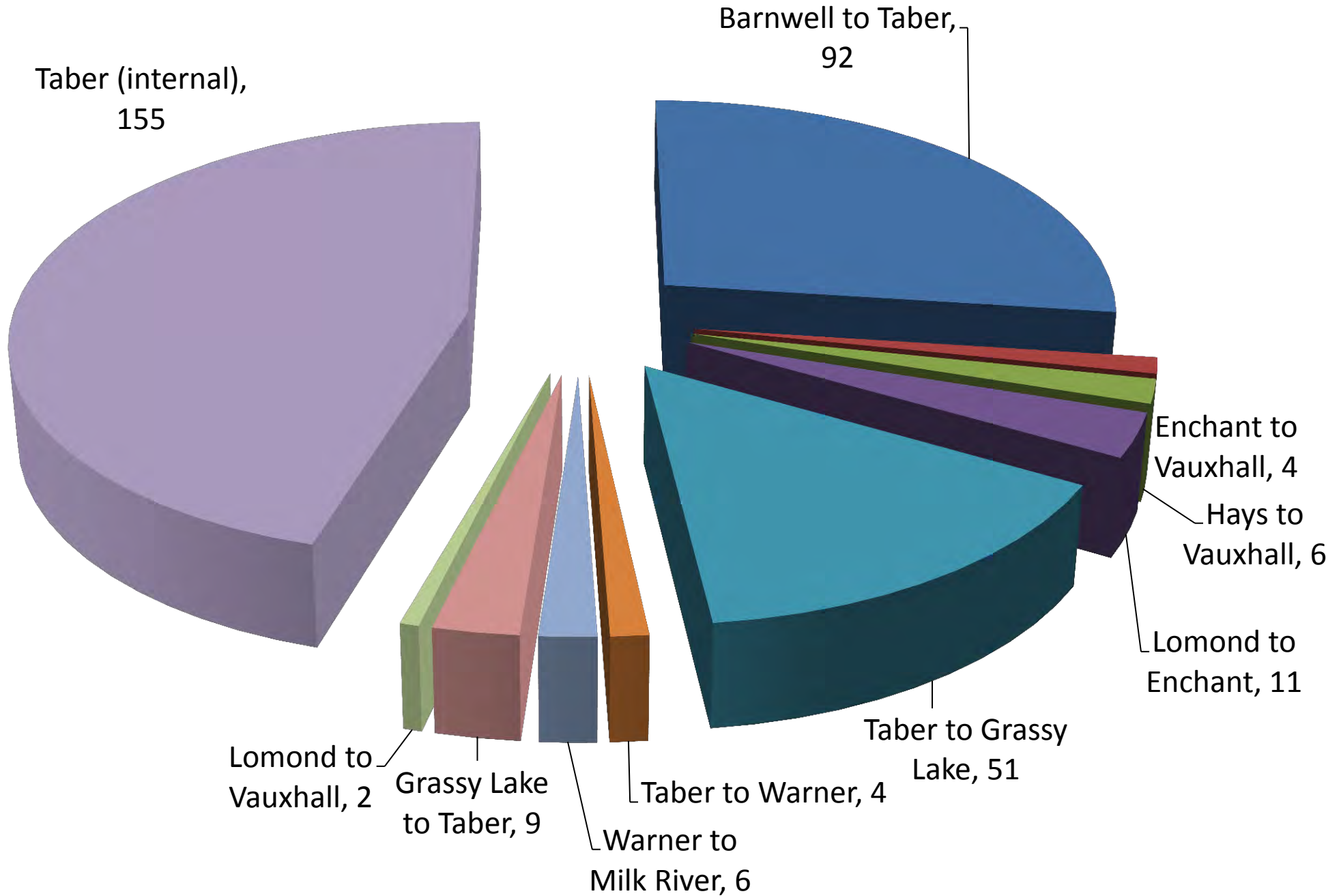
Number of Buses



Horizon: Bussed Students



Out of Attendance Boundary by Community



Attendance (out of Boundary)

■ Leaving ■ Coming

