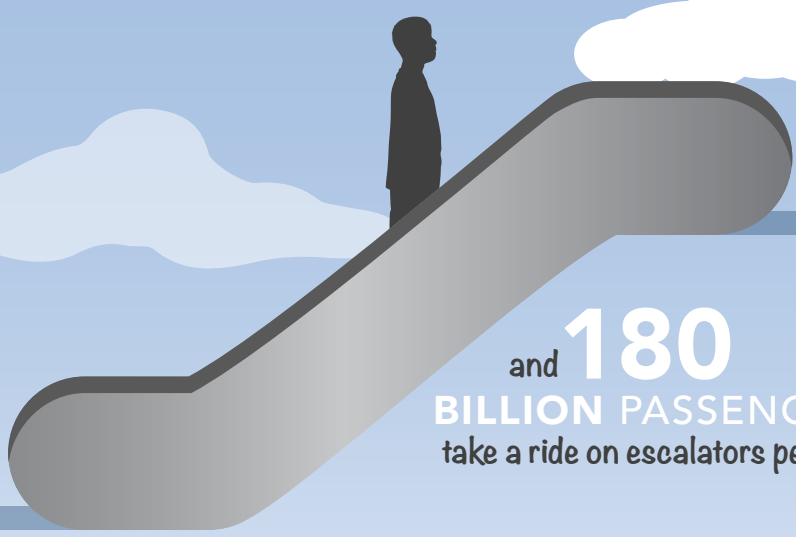
GOING UP?

Elevators and escalators safely move more people than any other form of transportation. See how they compare!

WE TRAVEL 2.825 BILLION MILES

IN ELEVATORS & ESCALATORS EACH YEAR IN THE U.S.[1†]

we take **103 BILLION** PASSENGER TRIPS per year on elevators[1]



and **180 BILLION** PASSENGERS take a ride on escalators per year[1]

THAT'S A TOTAL OF 283 BILLION PASSENGER TRIPS PER YEAR![1]

that's nearly 26x more than

RAIL[2] & AIR[3]... COMBINED!

or just over

¾ THE HIGHWAY TRIPS[4]

PER YEAR [371 BILLION]*

PERSON-TRIPS IN PRIVATE VEHICLES IN 2017[4]

SAFETY TIPS

ELEVATORS

- ✓ IF THE ELEVATOR STALLS, STAY CALM AND WAIT FOR HELP TO ARRIVE
- ✓ STAND CLEAR OF CLOSING DOORS
- ✓ WATCH YOUR STEP WHEN ENTERING

ESCALATORS

- ✗ NO STROLLERS, CARTS OR WHEELCHAIRS
- ✓ STAND CLEAR OF THE SIDES AND HOLD THE HANDRAIL
- ✗ NO CLIMBING, SITTING OR RIDING THE HANDRAIL

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† The total number of estimated passenger trips and distance data reflects typical travel conditions and was not adjusted for the COVID-19 pandemic. NEII acknowledges that during 2020 average travel would have been impacted by a variety of factors including adherence to CDC guidelines and a significant reduction in commuting.

1 National Elevator Industry, Inc. data based on typical travel patterns in North America

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