

Tree of Life		
Director: Terrence Malick	Setting: Texas	Time: 1950s

Transportation	Number of Scenes	Score
A single person driving an automobile	3	- 3
Multiple people riding in one automobile	3	- 1.5
Non-automotive transportation (walking, bicycling)	9	+ 9
Transportation Messages		
Pro-car message	Kids shown playing on a red truck; oldest son shown sitting behind the steering wheel pretending to drive.	- 2
Negative portrayals of/comments on non-automotive transportation		0
Negative portrayal of /comments on automobile transportation	Back seats of police cars are for criminals; a car can be used to kill someone (as teenage Jack considers doing to his father). A sped-up visual through car windows suggests the hectic dislocation of modern life.	+ 4
Positive portrayals of /comments on alternative transportation	Neighborhood streets are for children to play in and adults to walk in, an extension of living space with virtually no cars passing through.	+ 2
	OVERALL SCORE	8.5