

# TRANSPORT AND SOCIETY

Being socially and geographically mobile is generally seen as one of the central aspects of women's wellbeing. Alongside health, education and political participation, mobility is indispensable in order for women to reach goals such as agency and freedom. Building on new philosophical underpinnings of 'mobility', whereby society is seen to be framed by the convergence of various mobilities, this volume focuses on the intersection of mobility, social justice and gender.

The authors reflect on five highly interdependent mobilities that form and reform social life: the origin, divisions and implication of physical travel for work, leisure, family life, migration and escape; physical movement of goods and their gendered impacts; the gendered content of imagined travel through televisual images; virtual travel via the Internet; and communicative travel through person-to-person messages via letters, telephone, fax and mobile phone. They argue that, though constraints in accessibility can produce restricted mobility, the range of factors constraining women's mobility goes well beyond transport, covering an entire range of social, cultural, religious, economic, ethnic, and political factors and processes.

*Gendered Mobilities provides the missing gender dimension to the growing literature on mobilities. Its wide perspectives (social, technological and geographical), makes this collection a must for a contemporary understanding of mobilities, even beyond its focus on gender. The intriguing discussions presented in various chapters will surely yield additional studies in the future.*

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*This collection presents a wide-ranging set of papers delineating through novel theories and new research the gendering of mobilities in both 'north' and 'south'. This excellent volume will become a key text in the emerging mobilities turn.*

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