Choices for Stewardship: Background Books – Facts, Trends, & Issues

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# Introduction

The Commission's work is grounded in what was learned through extensive reading of articles and reports, public input both written and from five Listening Sessions, expert presentations, and the knowledge, experience and expertise of the Commission members themselves. The Commission cast a wide net for information so as not to limit its thinking on the disruptive forces facing Massachusetts' transportation network and on the potential approaches that will best enable the Commonwealth to be ready for them. Early on, the Commission determined that the creation of Background Books (collectively presented here as Volume II of this report) on the five key topics charted by the Governor would be an effective way to capture, provide and present this wealth of information. The Commission believes that this work will be a valuable resource for other states as they consider ways to prepare themselves for the changes that they are sure to face in the future.

# **DEMOGRAPHICS AND LAND USE**

# Why do demographics and land use matter?

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# **Summary**

1. The makeup of Massachusetts' population is changing due to immigration and aging.

- Massachusetts has seen declining births, net negative domestic migration, and increases in international migration.
- In the short term, international immigrants in the U.S. have lower auto usage, though this effect diminishes depending on where they live.
- While international migration has grown, Massachusetts' current population remains the biggest factor for future population growth, with decreased mortality rates and a large aging Baby Boomer generation resulting in an older overall population.
- Americans are living longer (increased lifespan) but are in poorer health (over half of the increase is spent living with a disability).
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- Massachusetts has developed the Governor's Council to Address Aging in Massachusetts to promote healthy aging in the state. The Council released blueprint recommendations focusing on mobility in suburban and rural areas and the "last 50 feet" of transportation.

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- Millennial inclination for non-ownership (e.g., Uber, rental housing) may be due to affordability issues rather than preference.
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- Driving alone is the most common means of transportation to work in Massachusetts as a State and Suffolk County, specifically.
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- Americans making less than \$14,000 per year spend on average 28 percent of their annual income on transportation.
- In the U.S., Lyft is filling transportation gaps in low-income areas; those living in low-income areas made more Lyft trips per person compared to middle-income and high-income communities.
- However, personal vehicle ownership is the most important factor for determining ride-hailing use.
- <u>A Los Angeles study confirmed what other studies have shown: race still plays a factor in ride-hailing services, as African American riders</u> are subjected to longer wait times.

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#### **Components of Population Change in Massachusetts 2000-2017<sup>1</sup>**

ST-2000-7; CO-EST2010-ALLDATA; and NST-EST2017-ALLDATA, U.S. Census Bureau Population Division

<sup>1.</sup> University of Massachusetts (UMass) Donahue Institute. (2018). Long-Term Population Projections for Massachusetts Regions and Municipalities: Method Overview, Recent Updates, and the Components of Change in Massachusetts. <a href="https://www.mass.gov/doc/long-term-population-projections-umass-donahue-may-2-2018">https://www.mass.gov/doc/long-term-population-projections-umass-donahue-may-2-2018</a>

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# Massachusetts Population by Age Group: 2015-2040<sup>1</sup>

# MAPC Region Population by Age Group: 2015-2040<sup>1</sup>



\*Rates of births, deaths, and immigration stay constant. Potential disruptors (e.g., technology, policies, land use) not taken into account.

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- 3. Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM). (2018). Number of Older Americans at Work Has Grown 35 Percent. <a href="https://www.shrm.org/resourcesandtools/hr-topics/employee-relations/pages/older-workers-aspx">https://www.shrm.org/resourcesandtools/hr-topics/employee-relations/pages/older-workers-aspx</a>
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- 5. Executive Office of Health and Human Services: Governor's Council to Address Aging (2018). *Initial Blueprint Recommendations*. https://www.mass.gov/files/documents/2018/04/10/Council%20to%20Address%20Aging%20in%20Massachusetts%20Initial%20Blueprint%20Recommendations-April-2018.pdf

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#### Financial Statistics about U.S. Adults, by Generation<sup>2</sup>

Based on profiles created from Epsilon data assets, including its cooperative database Abacus,<sup>®</sup> compiled file TotalSource Plus, and proprietary self-reported database Shopper's Voice.<sup>®</sup>

|                         | Median Income | Median Net<br>Worth | Average spend<br>per household<br>per month | Credit Card Usage | Homeowner | Average Length<br>of Residence |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------------------|---|-------------------|-----------|--------------------------------|
| Millennials<br>(15-35)  | \$25,759      | \$21,620            | \$508                                       | 25%               | 28%       | 4.25 years                     |
| Gen Xers<br>(35-50)     | \$63,832      | \$171,212           | \$709                                       | 63%               | 66%       | 10.8 years                     |
| Baby Boomers<br>(50-70) | \$55,928      | \$332,944           | \$765                                       | 76%               | 79%       | 16.3 years                     |
| Silents<br>(70+)        | \$41,538      | \$360,448           | \$675                                       | 79%               | 77%       | 16.4 years                     |
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#### March 2017

MarketingCharts.com | Data Sources: Epsilon

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### Millennial and Gen X Voters Edged Out Older Generations in 2016 Vote<sup>1</sup>

Reported votes cast in presidential elections, in millions



Source: Pew Research Center tabulations of the 1980-2016 Current Population Survey November Supplements.



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### A Generational Breakdown of the Current Congress<sup>2</sup>



\*Includes two Independent senators, who caucus with Democrats

#### Generational Shifts Since 1993



Source: CQ Members data Ryan Kelly/Roll Call

1. Pew Research Center. (2017). Millennials and Gen Xers outvoted Boomers and Older Generations in 2016 Election. http://www.pewresearch.org/facttank/2017/07/31/millennials-and-gen-xers-outvoted-boomers-and-older-generations-in-2016-election/

2. Roll Call. (2017). Senior Class: Members of Congress Getting Older. https://www.rollcall.com/news/politics/seniority-rules-members-getting-older

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#### Percent of U.S. Adults Who Own Cellphones and Smartphones<sup>1</sup>

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2. American City & Country. (2017). *Millennials in Transit*. <u>http://americancityandcounty.com/public-transit/millennials-transit</u>

4. Time. (2015). Millennials Will Outgrow the Sharing Economy. http://time.com/money/3957652/sharing-economy-millennials/

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# **Population Change by Municipality, Massachusetts 2000 - 2010**<sup>1</sup>

# **Annual Population Growth Rates by Community Type, Massachusetts 1970 - 2015<sup>1</sup>**





Source: U.S. Census, Decennial Census and Population Estimates

<sup>1.</sup> MAPC. (2018). Demographics and land use factors affecting future transportation demand. https://www.mass.gov/doc/demographics-and-land-use-factors-affecting-future-transportationdemand-mapc-may-2-2018

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# Annual Growth Rates for Urban and Suburban Counties: 2000-2017\*1



\*Counties in metropolitan areas over 500,000 using Brookings classification system.

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3. CityLab. (2018). Density's Next Frontier: The Suburbs. https://www.citylab.com/equity/2018/02/densitys-next-frontier-the-suburbs/552065/

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# **Development Profiles for Bike-Friendly Communities**<sup>1</sup>



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# Home Price Premiums for Increases in Walk Score from 60 to 80<sup>1</sup>

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# Impacts of the Driverless Car on Real Estate<sup>1</sup>

Parking Typologies - Project Footprint Reduction



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### **Population in TOD Districts<sup>3</sup>** Status Quo Scenario vs. Optimal Buildout

### **Jobs in TOD Districts<sup>3</sup>** Status Quo Scenario vs. Optimal Buildout





#### Source: RKG Associates and Hodge Economic Consulting

1. Wired. (2017). TO SEE THE FUTURE OF CITIES, WATCH THE CURB. YES, THE CURB. https://www.wired.com/story/city-planning-curbs/

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# Number of Gateway City Residents Commuting to Boston by Mode<sup>1</sup>

### Growth in Population and Jobs in TOD Areas with Optimal Buildout<sup>1</sup> 13 Gateway Cities





Source: RKG Associates and MassINC calculation

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# Massachusetts Biggest Job Growth in Raw Numbers: 2014-2024<sup>2</sup>

|  | Registered Nurses                     |       | +128  | B21  |        |        |
|--|---------------------------------------|-------|-------|------|--------|--------|
|  | Home Health Aides                     |       | +8538 |      |        |        |
|  | Personal Care Aides                   |       | +8306 |      |        |        |
|  | Food Service Workers                  | +517  | 2     |      |        |        |
|  | Retail Salespeople                    | +4546 |       |      |        |        |
|  | Nursing Assistants                    | +4178 |       |      |        |        |
| <ul> <li>↔ Healthcare Practitioners and Technical</li> <li>↔ Healthcare Support</li> <li>↔ Personal Care and Service</li> <li>↔ Food Preparation and Serving</li> </ul>  | Software Developers, Applications     | +4055 |       |      |        |        |
|  | Management Analysts                   | +3758 |       |      |        |        |
|  | Restaurant Cooks                      | +3456 |       |      |        |        |
| Sales and Related     Computer and Mathematical  | Customer Service Reps                 | +3444 |       |      |        |        |
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|  | Medical Secretaries                   | +3072 |       |      |        |        |
|  | Accountants/Auditors                  | +3069 |       |      |        |        |
|  | Computer Systems Analysts             | +2898 |       |      |        |        |
|  | Market Research Analysts              | +2790 |       |      |        |        |
|  | Software Developers, Systems Software | +2747 |       |      |        |        |
|  | Teacher Assistants                    | +2625 |       |      |        |        |
|  | Medical Assistants                    | +2411 |       |      |        |        |
|  | Preschool Teachers                    | +2405 |       |      |        |        |
|  | Janitors/Building Cleaners            | +2382 |       |      |        |        |
|  | 0                                     | 2500  | 5000  | 7500 | 10,000 | 12,500 |

\*Some job title labels have been edited for clarity.

Source: Massachusetts Office of Labor and Workforce Development

<sup>1.1</sup> Million for Work Flexibility (1MFWF). (2017). *The State of Telecommuting in the U.S. in 2017*. <u>https://www.workflexibility.org/state-of-telecommuting-us-2017/</u>2.WBUR. (2017). *What The Data Tell Us About The Future Of Work In Mass*. <u>http://www.wbur.org/bostonomix/2017/10/30/future-jobs-data-massachusetts</u>

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# **Portion of Income Spent on Basic Needs**<sup>1</sup>



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- However, personal vehicle ownership is the most important factor for determining ride-hailing use.<sup>1</sup>
- <u>A Los Angeles study confirmed what other studies have shown: race still plays a factor in ride-hailing services, as African American riders are subjected to longer wait times.</u><sup>1</sup>



# **Comparison of Lyft Trips Across Income Groups<sup>1</sup>**

 $\Leftrightarrow$  Neighborhood with 10 percent zero car households  $\Leftrightarrow$  Neighborhoods where all residents own vehicles

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# TRANSIT, ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION, AND MOBILITY SERVICES

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- 2. Active transportation and micro-mobility are becoming more prevalent.
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- Uber is adding bike-sharing, car-sharing, transit start-ups, and, more recently, scooters in an effort to expand mobility options.
- While micro-transit start-ups have not always panned out, they may have a place as part of a bigger system like MaaS.

#### 5. New trends and technology will affect congestion, as will attitudes towards ride and vehicle sharing.

- Many studies find TNCs are contributing to congestion.
- TNCs look to reduce car ownership, but their use may reduce congestion only if rides are shared, and "deadhead" miles may increase congestion.
- Consumers interested in vehicle subscription services still see personal vehicles as their primary mode of transportation.
- The potential for MaaS to reduce congestion is predicated on it minimizing the reliance on private vehicles for transportation. It needs to incorporate public transit and shared rides.
- Automated Vehicles (AVs) will play a large role in the adoption of TNCs and MaaS, with predictions of up to 80 percent of miles in urban areas being completed by shared AVs.
- Despite the fact that ridesharing is common feature in many predictions for the future, carpooling in the U.S. has been declining in recent years.
- Uber contends that the complexity of carpooling is a major reason it is not more prevalent; services like Uberpool and Lyftline will reduce complexity and have seen significant ridership increases since their launch...
- ...however, other analysis in the U.S. indicates that most ridepool users are actually drawn away from transit and active transportation modes rather than single occupant trips.
- Some cities, such as Portland, are rolling out new approaches to allocating street spaces to reduce congestion Portland's effort calls for removing parking spaces in the congested downtown to increase the land area set aside for bus and bike lands from 4 to 6 percent and increase total people-carrying capacity of downtown street by an average of 60 percent.

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- Automation will make TNCs and MaaS more cost-efficient and improve adoption, though public transit will still be the least expensive option for users.
- New mobility options are prompting parking professionals to view themselves as "transportation mobility professionals" who figure out how best to use current parking facilities given new trends and technology.
- These technologies and innovations are not solely for private transportation, but can improve and reshape public transit as well.
- A rural Ontario town of 36,000 provided 26,700 transit trips in eight months, and saved hundreds of thousands of dollars by partnering with Uber, instead of adding fixed bus routes.
- The MBTA is running a pilot program with Uber and Lyft to offer on-demand transit service to RIDE customers at a subsidized rate, which helps provide more rides and lower costs.

#### 7. Density impacts, but does not define, transit options.

- Seven dwelling units per acre is the average density required to support basic 30-minute bus service, yet increasing density without planning or funding will not improve the quality of public transit.
- The private sector has consistently increased its funding for Transportation Management Associations (TMAs) in Massachusetts municipalities to increase transportation options.
- In U.S. suburban and rural areas, people improvise to fill transit system gaps, such as carpools that pick up from bus stations or other fixed points (aka "slugging") and vanpools.
- In Massachusetts, rural areas have limited usage of TNCs, as usage is concentrated in Greater Boston.
- RTAs provide some coverage, but the majority of rural communities do not have access to public transit.
- While some predict that rural riders will be late adopters of MaaS...
- ...the start-up Liberty Mobility Now is looking to fill transit gaps in rural areas in the U.S.
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#### Ridership Reported to National Transit Database by Mode since CharlieCard Implementation<sup>1</sup>



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**Daily Trip Distances**<sup>1</sup>

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### Functional Zones in a Town or Village Center Mixed-Use Environment<sup>4</sup>

### How Americans Would Allocate Transportation Funding<sup>1</sup>

81% support "allocation of the dollars toward the expansion and improvement of public transportation, sidewalks, and bike paths in your community." (Margin of error = 3%)

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- 4. MassDOT. (2018). Municipal Resource Guide for Walkability <a href="https://www.mass.gov/files/documents/2018/09/17/MunicipalResourcesGuideForWalkability">https://www.mass.gov/files/documents/2018/09/17/MunicipalResourcesGuideForWalkability</a> 2018-08-24.pdf

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Sources: Populus Groundtruth; Clewlow & Mishra, 2017; Clewlow, 2016

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- 2. Populus. (2018). The Micro-Mobility Revolution. https://medium.com/populus-ai/the-micro-mobility-revolution-95e396db3754

<sup>3.</sup> Axios. (2018). GM and Ford push into 2-wheeled transportation. <u>https://www.axios.com/gm-ford-going-beyond-cars-with-scooters-and-bikes-6c625bd5-35b1-4b4e-a4f5-fea3d1988a28.html</u>

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### Adoption and Utilization of Ride-Hailing<sup>2</sup>

### Three Periods of a TNC Transaction<sup>3</sup>



1. American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA). (2018). Transportation Network Companies. https://www.aamva.org/about-aamva/

2. Institute of Transportation Studies, University of California, Davis. (2017). *Disruptive Transportation: The Adoption, Utilization, and Impacts of Ride-Hailing in the United States*. <u>https://itspubs.ucdavis.edu/wp-content/themes/ucdavis/pubs/download\_pdf.php?id=2752</u>

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### Average Household Vehicles by Frequently Used Mode (weekly)<sup>1</sup>

1.TRB. (2018). Who's Riding TNCs and What Does It Mean for Public Agencies? http://onlinepubs.trb.org/onlinepubs/webinars/180515.pdf

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### **Ride-Hailing Adoption Rates by Demographic and Geography**<sup>2</sup>



### **Demographics for TNC Users**<sup>1</sup>

|                           | MARTA  |               | NJT     |               | WMATA   | BART <sup>17</sup> |               |
|---------------------------|--------|---------------|---------|---------------|---------|--------------------|---------------|
|                           | Users  | Non-<br>users | Users   | Non-<br>users | Overall | Users              | Non-<br>users |
| Male (%)                  | 54     | 53            | 51      | 46            | 50      | 49                 | 5             |
| Mean age (yrs.)           | 31     | 38            | 36      | 43            | 41      |                    | 3.7           |
| Mean income (\$)          | 35,900 | 30,200        | 104,000 | 77,000        | 125,900 |                    | 12            |
| Ethnicity: Hispanic (%)   | 10     | 6             | 16      | 18            | 6       | 16                 | 14            |
| Race: White (%)           | 24     | 13            | 57      | 52            | 73      | 58                 | 54            |
| Race: Black (%)           | 71     | 87            | 12      | 21            | 15      | 9                  | 1.            |
| Race: Asian/Pac. Isl. (%) | 4      | 0             | 15      | 9             | 8       | 27                 | 20            |
| Race: Mixed (%)           |        |               | 6       | 6             | 4       | 8                  |               |
| Race: Other (%)           | 4      | 0             | 10      | 12            | 2       | 5                  |               |
| Has disability (%)        |        |               |         |               | 3       | 4                  | 1             |
| Has smartphone (%)        | 94     | 85            |         |               |         | 98                 | 8             |

MARTA = Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority

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### Overall Travel Mode Share of Ride-Hailing Trips Concluding in Greater Boston Region Municipalities<sup>3</sup>



- 2. MAPC. (2018). Share of Choices: Further Evidence of the ride-hailing effect in Metro Boston and Massachusetts. https://www.mapc.org/farechoices/
- 3. Department of Public Utilities Transportation Network Company Division. (2018). *Rideshare in Massachusetts*. http://massgis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=f7efe80f5d3b49b6b7fc8d2d65469efa

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### TNC Ridership by Time of Week in Select Cities<sup>2</sup>



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### **Reasons for Using Ride-Hailing Services Instead of Driving Oneself<sup>1</sup>**

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### **Revenue of Ride-Hailing Trip Fees for Massachusetts Communities**<sup>2</sup>

| Community     | Trips Started | Fees     |  |
|---------------|---------------|----------|--|
| Lawrence      | 350,752       | \$35,075 |  |
| Salem         | 296,482       | \$29,648 |  |
| Methuen       | 104,578       | \$10,457 |  |
| Haverhill     | 104,076       | \$10,407 |  |
| Peabody       | 177,346       | \$17,734 |  |
| Danvers       | 87,187        | \$8,718  |  |
| Beverly       | 121,950       | \$12,195 |  |
| Andover       | 85,159        | \$8,515  |  |
| North Andover | 55,409        | \$5,540  |  |
| Swampscott    | 51,522        | \$5,152  |  |
| Marblehead    | 43,184        | \$4,318  |  |
| Newburyport   | 26,196        | \$2,619  |  |
| Middleton     | 11,809        | \$1,180  |  |

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2. Eagle Tribune (North Andover, MA). (2018). Massachusetts cities, towns make thousands from ride-hailing fees. http://www.eagletribune.com/news/merrimack\_valley/massachusetts-cities-towns-make-thousands-from-ride-hailing-fees/article\_c73f7e5e-8057-11e8-b64b-dfe1e0c5140c.html

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### Logan Air Passenger Ground Access Mode Share Estimates, Combined Pick-Ups and Drop-Offs<sup>1</sup>



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<sup>2.</sup> ITProPortal. (2018). Does Mobility as a Service hold the answer to the future of transport? <u>https://www.itproportal.com/features/does-mobility-as-a-service-hold-the-answer-to-the-future-of-transport/</u>

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### Functions of MaaS Operator<sup>1</sup>



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### Distribution of Trips by Time of Day for Jump (Electric Bike-share) and Uber<sup>1</sup>



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### Potential for MaaS in Different Geographical Scope<sup>3</sup>

| Cities                 | <ul> <li>Objectives: reduce the use of private cars (causing problems related to congestion, parking and emissions and air quality)</li> <li>Based on: existing public transport, extended with rental and shared cars and bikes etc</li> </ul>  |
|------------------------|--|
| Suburban<br>areas      | <ul> <li>Objectives: No need for a second car, first mile &amp; last mile accessibility</li> <li>Based on: park &amp; ride services, on-demand transport and other services connecting suburban to city transport services</li> </ul>  |
| Rural areas            | <ul> <li>Objectives: increase efficiency, maintain sufficient service level, improve accessibility</li> <li>Based on: demand-reposonsive transport, taxis, buses and connections to long-haul transport, car-pooling: parcel deliveries, library services, grocery &amp; medicine distribution as add-on services</li> </ul> |
| Long-haul<br>transport | <ul> <li>Objectives: offer easy all-in-one packages</li> <li>Based on: long-haul transport services (incl. aviation), ride-sharing: accommodation, event tickets as add-ons</li> </ul>   |

<sup>1.</sup> Mass Transit. (2018). Transit Trends for 2018 and Beyond. https://www.masstransitmag.com/blog/12389128/transit-trends-for-2018-and-beyond

<sup>2.</sup> Deloitte Review. (2017). The rise of mobility as a service. https://www2.deloitte.com/content/dam/Deloitte/nl/Documents/consumer-business/deloitte-nl-cb-ths-rise-of-mobility-as-aservice.pdf

<sup>3.</sup> MaaS Alliance. (2017). Guidelines & Recommendations to create the foundations for a thriving MaaS Ecosystem. <u>https://maas-alliance.eu/wp-content/uploads/sites/7/2017/09/MaaS-WhitePaper final 040917-2.pdf</u>

- Uber is adding bike-sharing, car-sharing, transit start-ups, and, more recently, scooters in an effort to expand mobility options.<sup>2</sup>
- While micro-transit start-ups have not always panned out, they may have a place as part of a bigger system like MaaS.<sup>3</sup>



https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2018-07-09/uber-will-rent-scooters-through-its-app-in-partnership-with-lime

<sup>1.</sup> CityLab. (2018). Uber Pivots to On-Demand Everything. https://www.citylab.com/transportation/2018/04/uber-pivots-to-on-demand-everything/557528/

<sup>2.</sup> Bloomberg. (2018). Uber Is Building Its Own Scooter to Compete in Frenzy. <u>https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2018-08-30/uber-embraces-bikes-scooters-as-the-future-of-urban-transport</u>

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- Many studies find TNCs are already contributing to congestion.<sup>1</sup>
- TNCs look to reduce car ownership, but their use may reduce congestion only if rides are shared, and "deadhead" miles may increase congestion.<sup>2</sup>
- Consumers interested in vehicle subscription services still see personal vehicles as their primary mode of transportation.<sup>3</sup>



### Passenger Hailing a Ride from a TNC<sup>4</sup>

- 1. Chicago Tribune. (2018). Studies are increasingly clear: Uber and Lyft congest cities. http://www.chicagotribune.com/bluesky/technology/ct-uber-lyft-congestion-20180225-story.html
- 2. Government Technology. (2018). Uber, Lyft and Other Mobility Options are Shaking Up Parking. <u>http://www.govtech.com/fs/Uber-Lyft-and-Other-Mobility-Options-Shaking-Up-</u> Parking.html
  - 3. IBM Institute for Business Value. (2016). A new relationship–people and cars: How consumers around the world want cars to fit their lives. <a href="https://www-01.ibm.com/common/ssi/cgi-bin/ssialias?subtype=XB&infotype=PM&htmlfid=GBE03718USEN&attachment=GBE03718USEN.PDF">https://www-01.ibm.com/common/ssi/cgi-bin/ssialias?subtype=XB&infotype=PM&htmlfid=GBE03718USEN&attachment=GBE03718USEN.PDF</a>
  - 4. Culture Map Austin. (2017). New ride-hailing service arrives in Austin but it's not like Uber. http://austin.culturemap.com/news/innovation/06-01-17-new-ride-hailing-servicepickup-test-capital-metro/

- The potential of MaaS to reduce congestion is predicated on it minimizing the reliance on private vehicles for transportation. It needs to incorporate public transit and shared rides.<sup>1</sup>
- Automated Vehicles (AVs) will play a large role in the adoption of TNCs and MaaS, with predictions of up to 80 percent of miles in Urban areas being completed by shared AVs.<sup>2</sup>

### People Miles Driven, by Future State<sup>2</sup>

As the population grows and new population segments gain access to mobility, miles driven will likely increase by up to 35%, with shared mobility accounting for the vast majority of them



1. ITProPortal. (2018). Does Mobility as a Service hold the answer to the future of transport? <u>https://www.itproportal.com/features/does-mobility-as-a-service-hold-the-answer-to-the-future-of-transport/</u>

2. Deloitte Review. (2018). Gearing for change: Preparing for transformation in the automotive ecosystem. <u>https://www2.deloitte.com/insights/us/en/focus/future-of-mobility/future-of-mobility/future-of-mobility-transformation-in-automotive-ecosystem.html</u>

- Despite the fact that ridesharing is common feature in many predictions for the future, carpooling in the U.S. has been declining in recent years.<sup>1</sup>
- Uber contends that the complexity of carpooling is a major reason it is not more prevalent; services like Uberpool and Lyftline will reduce complexity and have seen significant ridership increases since their launch...<sup>2</sup>
- ...however, other analysis in the U.S. indicates that most ridepool users are actually drawn away from transit and active transportation modes rather than single occupant trips.<sup>3</sup>



### U.S. Trend for Carpooling and Driving Alone<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1.</sup> Planetizen. (2018). The Decline of Carpooling—Can App-Based Carpooling Reverse the Trend? <u>https://www.planetizen.com/node/74522/decline-carpooling%E2%80%94can-app-based-carpooling-reverse-trend</u>

<sup>2.</sup> Uber Newsroom. (2016). Slugs on Earth Day. https://www.uber.com/newsroom/earth-day-16

<sup>3.</sup> Washington Post (2018). Services like UberPool are making traffic worse, study says. <u>https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/dr-gridlock/wp/2018/07/25/a-new-study-says-services-like-uberpool-are-making-traffic-worse/?utm\_term=.98d7ac55b380</u>

 Some cities, such as Portland, are rolling out new approaches to allocating street spaces to reduce congestion – Portland's effort calls for removing parking spaces in the congested downtown to increase the land area set aside for bus and bike lands from 4 to 6 percent and increase total people-carrying capacity of downtown street by an average of 60 percent.<sup>1</sup>



### Increasing Street Capacity without Adding Cars<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1.</sup> Streets Blog. (2018). Portland Will Grow — But Without Adding Cars. https://usa.streetsblog.org/2018/11/16/how-portland-plans-to-grow-its-downtown-without-adding-cars/

## 6. These new transportation options potentially play a big role in improving mobility.

- <u>Automation will make TNCs and MaaS more cost-efficient and improve adoption, though public transit will still be the least expensive option for users</u>.<sup>1</sup>
- New mobility options are prompting parking professionals to view themselves as "transportation mobility professionals" who figure out how best to use current parking facilities given new trends and technology.<sup>2</sup>

### Automation Decreases Cost of Shared Rides, However Transit Still Costs Less<sup>1</sup> 2030 – United States



<sup>1.</sup>Institute of Transportation Studies, University of California, Davis. (2017). *Three Revolutions in Urban Transportation*. <u>https://steps.ucdavis.edu/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/STEPS\_ITDP-3R-Report-5-10-2017-2.pdf</u>

<sup>2.</sup>Government Technology. (2018). Uber, Lyft and Other Mobility Options are Shaking Up Parking. <u>http://www.govtech.com/fs/Uber-Lyft-and-Other-Mobility-Options-Shaking-Up-</u> Parking.html

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- These technologies and innovations are not solely for private transportation, but can improve and reshape public transit as well.<sup>1</sup>
- A rural Ontario town of 36,000 provided 26,700 transit trips in eight months and saved hundreds of thousands of dollars by partnering with Uber, instead of adding fixed bus routes.<sup>2</sup>
- The MBTA is running a pilot program with Uber and Lyft to offer on-demand transit service to RIDE customers at a subsidized rate<sup>3</sup> which helps provide more rides and lower costs.<sup>4</sup>



# **Benefits of MBTA's On-demand Pilot<sup>4</sup>**

- 1. The Verge. (2018). We can't forget about mass transit when we talk about the 'future of transportation.' <u>https://www.theverge.com/2018/5/12/17346014/future-of-transportation-public-buses-pedestrians-jetpack</u>
- 2. Toronto Star. (2018). Small Ontario town's Uber partnership could signal shift for Canadian public transit. <u>https://www.thestar.com/news/gta/2018/04/12/small-ontario-towns-uber-partnership-could-signal-shift-for-canadian-public-transit.html</u>
- 3. MBTA. (2018). On-Demand Paratransit Pilot Program. https://www.mbta.com/accessibility/the-ride/on-demand-pilot
- MBTA. (2018). The RIDE On-Demand Paratransit Pilot Review of Results and Discussion of Future Plan. <u>https://cdn.mbta.com/sites/default/files/fmcb-meeting-docs/2018/february/2018-02-26-fmcb-ride-pilot-revised.pdf</u>

• Seven dwelling units per acre is the average density required to support basic 30-minute bus service,<sup>1</sup> yet increasing density without planning or funding will not improve the quality of public transit.<sup>2</sup>

# Urban Density versus Transit Use in the Los Angeles Region, 1990<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1.</sup> Reconnecting America. (2018). *Featured Topic: Transit Supportive Density*. <u>http://www.reconnectingamerica.org/resource-center/transit-supportive-density/</u>2. Public Transport Users Association (PTUA). (2018). *Myth: Viable public transport requires high population densities*. <u>https://www.ptua.org.au/myths/density/</u>

• <u>The private sector has consistently increased its funding for Transportation Management Associations (TMAs) in Massachusetts municipalities to increase transportation options.</u><sup>1</sup>



Since 2009, MassCommute TMAs have received a combination of public (MassDOT) and private (membership dues) funds.

### Government support has triggered even more private sector investment in transportation, yielding continually growing public benefits.

\$2,900,000 in public funding has been leveraged into \$75,850,826 in private sector investment since 2009.



2006 17,637 tons CO2 Emissions Reduced 37,794,911 Vehicle Miles Reduced 429 Education/Outreach Events 2014 42,000 tons

CO2 Emissions Reduced

109,923,335 Vehicle Miles Reduced

1007 Education/Outreach Events

<sup>1. &</sup>quot;MassCommute. (2015). MassCommute TMAs: Successful Public-Private Partnerships for a Better Massachusetts, Decade at a Glance 2005-2015. http://static1.1.sqspcdn.com/static/f/1287395/26336065/1435090885643/MassCommute+TMA+Trends+Brochure.2015.pdf"

- In U.S. suburban and rural areas, people improvise to fill transit system gaps, such as carpools that pick up from bus stations or other fixed points (aka "slugging") and vanpools.<sup>1</sup>
- In Massachusetts, rural areas have limited usage of TNCs, as usage is concentrated in Greater Boston.<sup>2</sup>
- RTAs provide some coverage, but the majority of rural communities do not have access to public transit.<sup>3</sup>



### **TNC Ridership Is Low in Rural Areas<sup>2</sup>**



### RTA Service Areas and Bus Routes (shown in red)<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1.</sup> Mobility Lab. (2018). Non-car modes already play a huge role in suburban and rural life. <u>https://mobilitylab.org/2018/05/18/non-car-modes-already-play-a-huge-role-in-suburban-and-rural-life/</u>

<sup>2.</sup> MassGIS. (2017). TNC Trip Origins. http://massgis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=f7efe80f5d3b49b6b7fc8d2d65469efa

<sup>3.</sup> MassDOT Office of Transportation Planning. (2018). Map of RTA Service Areas and Bus Routes.

- While some predict that rural riders will be late adopters of MaaS...1
- ...the start-up Liberty Mobility Now is looking to fill transit gaps in rural areas in the U.S.<sup>2</sup>
- Nationwide, transit ridership is increasing proportionally faster in rural areas than urban areas, despite decreasing population.<sup>3</sup>



# National Ridership and Population Trends<sup>3</sup>

1. RethinkX (Seba). (2017). Rethinking Transportation 2020-2030. <u>https://www.rethinkx.com/transportation/</u>

<sup>2.</sup> NPR. (2017). *Ride Hailing In Rural America: Like Uber With A Neighborly Feel.* <u>https://www.npr.org/sections/alltechconsidered/2017/04/17/524339669/ride-hailing-in-rural-america-like-uber-with-a-neighborly-feel</u>

<sup>3.</sup> American Public Transportation Association (APTA). (2017). *Public Transportation's Impact on Rural and Small Towns: A Vital Mobility Link.* https://www.apta.com/resources/reportsandpublications/Documents/APTA-Rural-Transit-2017.pdf

# **CONNECTED AND AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES**

# Why do Connected and Autonomous Vehicles (C/AVs) matter?

- 1. <u>Connected and Autonomous Vehicles (C/AVs) are beginning to impact the transportation market</u>.
- 2. <u>C/AVs have the potential to increase the safety of travelers...</u>
- 3. <u>...affect roadway capacity...</u>
- 4. ...and change how, where, and when people will travel.
- 5. <u>Automation and connectivity will impact modes of transportation beyond the passenger vehicle...</u>
- 6. ...and can dramatically impact urban form.
- 7. <u>C/AVs will be a source of massive amounts of data; how that data is handled and shared is an important question.</u>

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# **Summary**

### 1. Connected and autonomous vehicles (C/AVs) are beginning to impact the transportation market.

- Connected vehicle technology will enable vehicles, roads and other infrastructure, and our smartphones to all communicate and share vital transportation information through advanced wireless communication technology.
- The 'autonomy' of vehicles describes the level of self-driving automation enabled by the vehicle's technology.
- Forty two states have passed or are considering AV legislation.
- At the same time, many automakers are making substantial investments in developing C/AVs.
- Even after fully autonomous vehicles are the norm in showrooms, there will be a long lag until most vehicles on the road are autonomous because fleet turnover is decreasing; as evidenced by the increasing average age of vehicles on the road.
- By 2040, we could see anywhere from 20 to 75 percent of vehicles at level 4 automation.
- In the future, AVs could make up 87 percent of ride-hailed trips, which is a mode that is rapidly increasing its share in the Boston area.
- However, all vehicles do not contribute equally to total miles driven; it is possible the percentage of trips completed by AVs will be much higher than the percentage of vehicles that are autonomous.

#### 2. C/AVs have the potential to increase the safety of travelers...

- Over 90 percent of all crashes are caused by human error.
- While driver-assist features, such as automatic emergency breaking, has been shown to reduce crashes....
- ...fully autonomous test vehicles were not demonstrably safer than manually driven vehicles, though there was significant difference in accident type (primarily being rear-ended by other drivers).<sup>1</sup>
  - Determining safety can be very difficult due lack of data, statistical uncertainties, types of accidents considered, and unreported accidents.<sup>2</sup>
- Broadcasting Signal Phasing and Timing (SPaT) to vehicles, even without automation, can save thousands of lives.<sup>3</sup>

### 3. ...affect roadway capacity...

- Broadcasting SPaT to vehicles could reduce arterial delays by 20 percent.
- Highway capacity could increase by more than 100 percent per lane when utilized solely by connected and autonomous vehicles.
- Highway capacity could be further increased due to the added precision of autonomous vehicles, which would allow for narrower lanes. However, narrow residential lanes that require coordination for two-way traffic could pose an issue.
- <u>A mixed fleet of autonomous and human drivers will have an uncertain impact on road capacity</u>.
  - <u>Smoother driving could improve traffic flow by reducing phantom jams or...</u>
- ...a mixed fleet of automated and human drivers could increase congestion (decrease roadway capacity).

#### 4. ...and change how, where, and when people will travel.

- People will travel longer distances in an AV because they can do other things in the vehicle besides drive.
- If C/AVs reduce congestion, additional travel may be generated by drivers who were forgoing or adjusting travel to avoid congestion.
- AVs will also provide mobility by allowing travel by those currently unable to drive, such as the young, the elderly, and those with disabilities.
  - However, depending on technology and mapping requirements, these benefits may arrive later to rural communities.
- AVs that are driving without passengers or driving farther away to park will add more miles traveled to the transportation system...
- ...but that added travel will not necessarily increase congestion. Yet, it could replace short transit trips in downtown Boston, increasing congestion and travel times by 5.5 percent.
- Reduced parking needs could result in new developable land, which would attract or generate trips.

#### 5. Automation and connectivity will impact modes of transportation beyond the personal passenger vehicle...

- AVs are likely to arrive in fleet applications before private ownership due to the profit potential and stricter control on when, where, and how they are used.
- <u>Ride-hailing companies are particularly interested in AVs because drivers are a major cost.</u>
- <u>Similarly, autonomous buses could offer an opportunity for increased service and more on demand routes</u>.
- The trucking industry may also see massive benefits from automated driving<sup>4</sup>, including drastically increased trips which are currently limited by the supply of drivers.
- Delivery vehicles could occupy sidewalks and bike lanes.

#### 6. ...and can dramatically impact urban form.

- Current road systems are built for human drivers.
- Narrower lanes and increased lane capacities could provide road space to alternate transportation modes, new green space, or new <u>development.</u>
- Parking priorities could also shift, freeing up a great deal of high value land. In Boston, AVs could obviate the need for roughly half as many parking spots on streets and in garages.
- Instead of parking lots, drop off zones may become a priority.

#### 7. C/AVs will be a source of massive amounts of data; how that data is handled and shared is an important question.

- <u>C/AVs will generate a tremendous amount of data, ranging from road conditions to video images of surrounding landscape and travelers.</u> Some of that data will need to be shared in real time.
- Some of the data will be useful for analytics and improving the system, if agencies are equipped to process it.
- The data may provide a new revenue source for vehicle manufacturers, roadway operators, and third party companies.
- However, the infrastructure required for these services may not be economically attractive for rural areas.
- All of the data will come with many privacy and security concerns.
  - <u>Some companies are already beginning to address customer concerns about their data.</u>
- <u>Connectivity is not a single issue, as different types of connectivity have different needs and benefits.</u>
  - <u>Vehicle-to-vehicle (V2V) can improve flow and reduce crashes.</u>
  - Vehicle-to-infrastructure (V2I) can share road hazard and traffic control information.
  - <u>Vehicle-to-everything (V2X) or vehicle-to-network (V2N) can provide other services and conveniences.</u>

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# Visualization of connected vehicle communication<sup>1</sup>



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Forty two states have passed or are considering AV legislation.<sup>1,2</sup>

# States with AVs Enacted Legislation and Executive Orders<sup>2</sup>



<sup>1.</sup>Brookings Institute. (2018). Charts of the week: Autonomous vehicles, mobile money, and biases in online courses. <a href="https://www.brookings.edu/blog/brookings-now/2018/05/04/charts-of-the-week-autonomous-vehicles-mobile-money-and-biases-in-online-courses/">https://www.brookings.edu/blog/brookings-now/2018/05/04/charts-of-the-week-autonomous-vehicles-mobile-money-and-biases-in-online-courses/</a>

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• At the same time, many automakers are making substantial investments in developing C/AVs.<sup>1</sup>

# Navigant Research Automated Driving Systems Leaderboard, 2017<sup>1</sup>



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For predictions of when AVs will be in show rooms, see "The Self-Driving Car Timeline – Predictions from the Top 11 Global Automakers"<sup>1</sup>

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#### AV Levels of Automation<sup>4</sup>



Image Source: MarketWatch research, SAE International

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#### Projected Share of VMT by New Mobility Options<sup>1</sup>

#### Annual Mileage over Vehicle Life-Span (2006)<sup>2</sup>



<sup>2018</sup> BP Energy Outlook

1. Market Watch. (2018). Self-driving cars could slash Uber, Lyft prices by 50%, BP chief economist says. <u>https://www.marketwatch.com/story/self-driving-cars-could-slash-uber-lyft-prices-by-50-bp-chief-economist-says-2018-02-21</u>

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#### **Reason for the Critical Pre-Crash Event<sup>3</sup>**

(This is not always the primary or sole cause of the event, but rather the final event that occurred before the accident)

#### Breakdown of Reasons for Driver Error in the Critical Pre-Crash Event<sup>3</sup>



3. Data from: National Motor Vehicle Crash Causation Survey NHTSA. (2008). *Human error as a cause of vehicle crashes*. https://crashstats.nhtsa.dot.gov/Api/Public/ViewPublication/811059\

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#### Comparison of AV Accident Rates Across All Companies in California for September 2014 to March 2017 (Shows AVs nearly 10 times as likely to be in accident)<sup>1</sup>

| Type of Vehicle | Total number of Accidents | Total Miles Travelled | Accident Frequency | Miles per Accident |
|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| AV              | 26                        | 1,088,453             | 2.38e-5            | 42,017             |
| Conventional    | 6,296,000                 | 3.148 trillions       | 2.0e-6             | 500,000            |

https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0184952.t004

#### Comparison of Accident Rates from SHRP 2 Data Set, Accounting for Unreported Accidents to Google's AV Accident Rate through October 2015 (Shows AVs Less Than Half as Likely to be in an Accident)<sup>2</sup>



#### Comparison of Type of Damage Sustained by the Vehicle (Rear-End Damage Higher for AV)<sup>1</sup>



1.PLOS One. (2017). Examining accident reports involving autonomous vehicles in California. <u>https://journals.plos.org/plosone/article?id=10.1371/journal.pone.0184952#pone-0184952-g004</u> 2.Virginia Tech Transportation Institute. (2016). Automated Vehicle Crash Rate Comparison Using Naturalistic Data.

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- Smoother driving could improve traffic flow by reducing phantom jams or...<sup>3</sup>
- ...a mixed fleet of automated and human drivers could increase congestion (decrease roadway capacity).<sup>4</sup>



Image Source: Wired. (2018). IT TAKES A SINGLE AUTONOMOUS CAR TO PREVENT PHANTOM TRAFFIC JAMS. https://www.wired.com/story/one-autonomous-car-prevent-traffic-jams/?mbid=synd\_digg

<sup>1.</sup> Urban Science. (2018). Developing Policy for Urban Autonomous Vehicles: Impact on Congestion. http://www.mdpi.com/2413-8851/2/2/33/pdf

<sup>2.</sup> Transportation Research Record. (2018). Transportation Planning for Connected Autonomous Vehicles: How It All Fits Together. http://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/0361198118756632

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https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/530091/impacts-of-connected-and-autonomous-vehicles-on-traffic-flow-summaryreport.pdf

#### 4. ...and change how, where, and when people will travel.

- People will travel longer distances in an AV because they can do other things in the vehicle besides drive.<sup>1</sup>
- If C/AVs reduce congestion, additional travel may be generated by drivers who were forgoing or adjusting travel to avoid congestion.<sup>2</sup>



http://www3.weforum.org/docs/WEF\_Reshaping\_Urban\_Mobility\_with\_Autonomous\_Vehicles\_2018.pdf

German Aerospace Center, Institute of Transport Research. (2017). Estimation of value of time for autonomous driving using revealed and stated preference method. <u>https://www.researchgate.net/publication/320373854</u> Estimation of value of time for autonomous driving using revealed and stated preference method 2.Fehr and Peers. (2018). Effects of Next-Generation Vehicles on Travel Demand and Highway Capacity. <u>http://www.fehrandpeers.com/autonomous-vehicles/</u> 3.World Economic Forum. (2018). Reshaping Urban Mobility with Autonomous Vehicles Lessons from the City of Boston.

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- AVs will also provide mobility by allowing travel by those currently unable to drive such as the young, the elderly and those with disabilities.<sup>1</sup>
  - However, depending on technology and mapping requirements, these benefits may arrive later to rural communities.<sup>2</sup>
- AVs that are driving without passengers or driving farther away to park will add more miles traveled to the transportation system...<sup>3</sup>
- ...but that added travel will not necessarily increase congestion. <sup>4</sup> Yet, it could replace short transit trips in downtown Boston, increasing congestion and travel times by 5.5 percent.<sup>5</sup>
- Reduced parking needs could result in new developable land which would attract or generate trips. <sup>6</sup>



#### **Potential Impacts of AVs<sup>6</sup>**

1. Huffington Post. (2017). Self-Driving Cars: Transforming Mobility For The Elderly And People With Disabilities. <u>https://www.huffingtonpost.com/jules-polonetsky/selfdriving-cars-transfor\_b\_12545726.html</u>

- 2. MIT CSAIL. (2018). Autonomous Vehicle Navigation In Rural Environments Without Detailed Prior Maps (MIT). https://toyota.csail.mit.edu/sites/default/files/documents/papers/ICRA2018 AutonomousVehicleNavigationRuralEnvironment.pdf
- 3. Mobility Lab. (2017). Cities will need to fight zero-occupant miles with "TDM for autonomous vehicles." https://mobilitylab.org/2017/05/30/tdm-for-autonomous-vehicles/
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- 5. World Economic Forum. (2018). Reshaping Urban Mobility with Autonomous Vehicles: Lessons from the City of Boston. http://www3.weforum.org/docs/WEF Reshaping Urban Mobility with Autonomous Vehicles 2018.pdf
- 6.John Burns Real Estate Consulting. (2017). 8 Big Housing Changes Thanks to Driverless Cars. <u>https://www.realestateconsulting.com/8-big-housing-changes-thanks-driverless-cars/?utm\_content=61726555&utm\_medium=social&utm\_source=linkedin</u>
- 7. Atelier parisien d'urbanisme. (2018). Impacts and potential benefits of autonomous vehicles: From an international context to Grand Paris. https://www.apur.org/sites/default/files/documents/publication/etudes/impacts\_potential\_benefits\_autonomous\_vehicles.pdf

### 5. Automation and connectivity will impact modes of transportation beyond the personal passenger vehicle...

- AVs are likely to arrive in fleet applications before private ownership due to the profit potential and stricter control on when, where, and how they are used.<sup>1</sup>
- Ride-hailing companies are particularly interested in AVs because drivers are a major cost.<sup>2</sup>
- Similarly, autonomous buses could offer an opportunity for increased service and more on demand routes.<sup>3</sup>
- The trucking industry may also see massive benefits from automated driving,<sup>4</sup> including drastically increased trips which are currently limited by the supply of drivers.<sup>5</sup>
- Delivery vehicles could occupy sidewalks and bike lanes.<sup>6</sup>

#### **Example of On-Demand Transit in France<sup>3</sup>**



- 1. The Economist. (2018). Autonomous vehicles are just around the corner. https://www.economist.com/special-report/2018/03/01/autonomous-vehicles-are-just-around-the-corner
- 2.Market Watch. (2018). Self-driving cars could slash Uber, Lyft prices by 50%, BP chief economist says. <u>https://www.marketwatch.com/story/self-driving-cars-could-slash-uber-lyft-prices-by-50-bp-chief-economist-says-2018-02-21</u>
- 3.TechCrunch. (2017). Delphi and Transdev to develop global on-demand driverless transportation. <u>https://techcrunch.com/2017/06/07/delphi-and-transdev-to-develop-global-on-demand-driverless-transportation/</u>
- 4.CDL Career Now. (2017). Autonomous Trucking And The Trucking Industry. https://www.cdlcareernow.com/articles/the-truth-about-autonomous-trucking
- 5.NPR. (2018). Trucking Industry Struggles With Growing Driver Shortage. https://www.npr.org/2018/01/09/576752327/trucking-industry-struggles-with-growing-driver-shortage
- 6.PEW Charitable Trusts. (2016). *Delivery Robots Are Showing Up on City Sidewalks*. <u>https://www.pewtrusts.org/en/research-and-analysis/blogs/stateline/2016/12/07/delivery-robots-are-showing-up-on-city-sidewalks</u>

#### 6. ...and can dramatically impact urban form.

- Current road systems are built for human drivers.
- Narrower lanes and increased lane capacities could provide road space to alternate transportation modes, new green space, or new development.<sup>1</sup>

#### What a Street Looks like Today Compared to What it Might Look Like When Less Space is Needed for Vehicles<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1.</sup> Public Square. (2018). Street design implications of autonomous vehicles. https://www.cnu.org/publicsquare/2018/03/12/street-design-implications-autonomous-vehicles

#### 6. ...and can dramatically impact urban form.

- Parking priorities could also shift, freeing up a great deal of high value land.<sup>1</sup> In Boston, AVs could obviate the need for roughly half as many parking spots on streets and in garages.<sup>2</sup>
- Instead of parking lots, drop off zones may become a priority.<sup>3</sup> •

#### Comparison of Parking Spaces Available in Conventional Lots and AV Only lots<sup>1</sup>





1. Transportation Research Part B: Methodological. (2017). Designing Parking Facilities for Autonomous Vehicles. https://www.researchgate.net/publication/318350739 Designing Parking Facilities for Autonomous Vehicles

2. World Economic Forum. (2018). Reshaping Urban Mobility with Autonomous Vehicles: Lessons from the City of Boston. http://www3.weforum.org/docs/WEF Reshaping Urban Mobility with Autonomous Vehicles 2018.pdf

Autonomous vehicle car-parks

<sup>3.</sup> Forbes. (2018). The End Of Parking Lots As We Know Them: Designing For A Driverless Future. https://www.forbes.com/sites/alanohnsman/2018/05/18/end-of-parking-lot-autonomouscars/#23b5069a7244

• C/AVs will generate a tremendous amount of data, ranging from road conditions to video images of surrounding landscape and travelers. Some of that data will need to be shared in real time.<sup>1</sup>

#### Autonomous Car Data vs. Human Data<sup>3</sup>

In 2020, the average autonomous car may process 4,000 gigabytes of data per day, while the average internet user will process 1.5 gigabytes. That means...



<sup>1.</sup> Network World. (2016). Just one autonomous car will use 4,000 GB of data/day. https://www.networkworld.com/article/3147892/internet/one-autonomous-car-will-use-4000-gb-ofdataday.html

<sup>2.</sup> Future of Privacy Forum. (2017). *Infographic: Data and the Connected Car – Version 1.0*. <u>https://fpf.org/2017/06/29/infographic-data-connected-car-version-1-0/</u> 3. Mashable. (2016). *Autonomous cars will make your data plan look tiny*. <u>https://mashable.com/2016/08/17/intel-autonomous-car-data/#n8gQcGFULggM</u>

- Some of that data will need to be shared in real time.<sup>1</sup>
- Some of the data will be useful for analytics and improving the system, if agencies are equipped to process it.<sup>2</sup>
- The data may provide a new revenue source for vehicle manufacturers, roadway operators, and third party companies.<sup>3</sup>
- However, the infrastructure required for these services may not be economically attractive for rural areas<sup>4</sup>



#### **Big Data for the Automobile Ecosystem<sup>5</sup>**

1.VIODI. (2017). DSRC or 5G? http://viodi.com/2017/07/07/dsrc-or-5g/

2.Xerox. (2018). *City analytics: Ten ways data can improve your city planning, traffic flow, public transportation and parking efficiency.* https://www.xerox.com/downloads/services/ebook/city\_analytics.pdf

3. Boston Consulting Group. (2017). Connected Vehicles and the Road to Revenue. https://www.bcg.com/en-us/publications/2017/connected-vehicles-road-revenue.aspx

4.IEEE CTN (2015). Is anyone out there? 5G, rural coverage and the next 1 billion. https://www.comsoc.org/ctn/anyone-out-there-5g-rural-coverage-and-next-1-billio

5. Business Mobility as a Service (2017). One for the road — big data & the automobile industry. <u>https://www.businessmaas.com/connected-car/self-driving/one-road%E2%80%8A-%E2%80%8Abig-data-automobile-industry/</u>

- All of the data will come with many privacy and security concerns.<sup>1</sup>
  - Some companies are already beginning to address customer concerns about their data.<sup>2</sup>

#### In-Car Communication Technologies<sup>2</sup>



### The automakers of the Auto Alliance commit to:

- Provide customers with clear, meaningful information about types of information collected and how it is used.
- 2. Provide ways for customers to manage their data.
- Obtain affirmative consent before using geolocation, biometric, or driver behavior information for marketing and before sharing such information with unaffiliated third parties for their own use.

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<sup>1.</sup> Taylor Wessing. (2017). *Cybersecurity in CAVs.* <u>https://www.taylorwessing.com/download/article-cybersecurity-in-CAVs.html</u> 2. Auto Alliance. (2018). *About Automotive Privacy.* <u>https://autoalliance.org/connected-cars/automotive-privacy/</u>

- <u>Connectivity is not a single issue, as different types of connectivity have different needs and benefits.</u><sup>1</sup>
  - Vehicle-to-vehicle (V2V) can improve flow and reduce crashes <sup>2</sup>
  - Vehicle-to-infrastructure (V2I) can share road hazard and traffic control information.<sup>3</sup>

#### **Examples of Vehicle-to-Infrastructure Communication Provided through Roadside Equipment<sup>3</sup>**



Source: GAO analysis of Department of Transportation documents. | GAO-15-775

1. USDOT – Intelligent Transportation Systems Joint Program Office. (2018). Connected Vehicle Basics. https://www.its.dot.gov/cv\_basics/cv\_basics\_20qs.htm

FleetAnswers. (2014). Vehicle to vehicle technology - More than just safety applications. <a href="http://www.fleetanswers.com/content/vehicle-vehicle-technology-more-just-safety-applications">http://www.fleetanswers.com/content/vehicle-vehicle-technology-more-just-safety-applications</a>

 United States Government Accountability Office. (2015). INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS: Vehicle-to-Infrastructure Technologies Expected to Offer Benefits, but Deployment Challenges Exist. <a href="https://www.gao.gov/assets/680/672548.pdf">https://www.fleetanswers.com/content/vehicle-vehicle-technology-more-just-safety-applications</a>

- Connectivity is not a single issue, as different types of connectivity have different needs and benefits.<sup>1</sup>
  - <u>Vehicle-to-everything (V2X) or vehicle-to-network (V2N) can provide other services and conveniences.</u><sup>2</sup>



(V2I)

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### **CLIMATE CHANGE AND RESILIENCE**

### Why does climate change matter?

- 1. <u>Climate change leads to higher temperatures, sea level rise, flooding, and more extreme weather</u> <u>events...</u>
- 2. <u>...affecting the performance of transportation systems and damaging infrastructure.</u>
- 3. <u>Transportation is a leading producer of greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs).</u>
- 4. <u>Massachusetts has aggressive goals in place to mitigate the effects of and adapt to climate change.</u>
- 5. <u>Making infrastructure resilient to climate change will be a complex and ongoing effort.</u>

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### **Summary**

#### 1. Climate change leads to higher temperatures, sea level rise, flooding, and more extreme weather events...

- <u>Globally, average temperatures in 2017 were 1.62°F warmer than the 1951 to 1980 mean.</u>
- Increasing the global rate of CO<sub>2</sub> reductions may limit warming to 1.5°C by 2100, while no reduction could push warming to 2°C.
- Temperatures in the Northeastern U.S. are projected to rise higher, faster than the rest of the country and the globe. By 2035, projections for this region are 3.6°F (2°C) warmer on average than during the preindustrial era.
- While climate-related risks for global warming of 1.5°C are higher than at present, it is significantly better than a warming of 2°C.
- There are predicted to be as many as 29 days over 90 degrees by 2040 in Massachusetts (there were only 11 in 1990) and more in urban areas.
- Heat waves are associated with thousands of deaths in developed countries.
- Increasing GHG levels will exacerbate the risk of coastal flooding in the Commonwealth.
- Since 1991, Boston has experienced 21 events that triggered federal or state disaster declarations.
- Weather events causing over a billion dollars in damage are increasing nationally.
- Nuisance flooding will also become an increasing problem for coastal areas.
  - Massachusetts experienced 57 flood days from 2005 to 2014 of which 72 percent can be attributed to climate change.

#### 2. ...affecting the performance of transportation systems and damaging infrastructure.

- Bad weather accounts for 15 percent of all roadway congestion nationally.
- Transit agencies cancel trips, and service gets delayed due to freezing rain or icy road conditions.
- New York City's subway hit an all-time low for on time service in January 2018, which was largely attributable to bad weather.
- Estimates suggest anywhere from 25 percent to 69 percent of delay in the National Airspace System is caused by weather.
- Sea level rise could have a mixed impact on shipping:
  - It could increase the availability of shipping lanes and allow heavier vehicles through some channels,
  - The world's biggest shipping firm is testing a route through the Russian Artic, and
  - <u>It could cause more debris and sediment to build up in shipping lanes and reduce the clearance under bridges.</u>
- <u>Heat can degrade all modes of transportation by:</u>
  - Damaging pavement that cars and buses use to get around,
  - Warping rail lines on which trains operate,
  - <u>Reducing the lift available to planes, sometimes even forcing airport closures</u>, and
  - <u>Discouraging active transportation modes.</u>

• Warmer winters could lead to more winter precipitation falling as rain instead of snow, which can increase flooding and runoff, cause more damaging freeze thaw cycles, and result in icier conditions.

#### 3. Transportation is a leading producer of greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs).

- Transportation is the largest producer of GHG emissions among all sectors in the U.S., accounting for 28.5 percent of total production.
- In 2015, transportation accounted for almost 40 percent of GHG emissions in Massachusetts.
- <u>Almost half of transportation GHG emissions in Massachusetts are from passenger vehicles</u>.

#### 4. Massachusetts has aggressive goals in place to mitigate the effects of and adapt to climate change.

- In 2008, through the passage of the Global Warming Solutions Act, Massachusetts committed to reduce its GHG emissions by 80 percent below 1990 baseline levels by 2050.
- <u>Massachusetts has several ongoing vulnerability assessments, including a focus on the transportation sector.</u>
- <u>Massachusetts is establishing an integrated climate change strategy for the Commonwealth through the implementation of Executive</u> <u>Order 569, which was issued in 2017 and had major elements codified in 2018</u>.
- The Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) is a cap-and-trade program covering CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from larger power plants in some Mid-Atlantic and North-Eastern states. The RGGI program issues a limited number of tradable allowances that permit the emission of one ton of CO2 from a power plant covered by the program.
- Massachusetts is incorporating climate considerations into other planning processes, including the freight plan.

#### 5. Making infrastructure resilient to climate change will be a complex and ongoing effort.

- <u>Sea level rise, coupled with storm surge, will continue to increase the risk of major coastal impacts on transportation infrastructure, including both temporary and permanent flooding of airports, ports and harbors, roads, rail lines, tunnels, and bridges.</u>
- Interconnectedness can lead to cascading failures, even in systems that are not directly affected by a storm or extreme weather event, such as healthcare systems or hospitals impacted because of a lack of electricity or clean water.
- Telecommunications providers in Boston share critical infrastructure networks to provide service, meaning there is little redundancy; a single critical failure could eliminate all forms of communication except radio in a flood or disaster.
- Thirteen of the 47 largest U.S. airports have at least one runway within 12 feet of sea level (though Boston is not among these), and many are within the projected 50-year coastal storm surge.

• Globally, average temperatures in 2017 were 1.62°F warmer than the 1951 to 1980 mean.<sup>1</sup>

# Clobal temperature anomalies from 1880 to 2017 953-1953

#### **Global Temperature Change 1880 to 2017<sup>1</sup>**



<sup>1.</sup> NASA. (2017). Graphic: Global warming from 1880 to 2017. https://climate.nasa.gov/climate\_resources/139/graphic-global-warming-from-1880-to-2017/

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#### **Global Warming Forecasts Relative to 1850 - 1900<sup>1</sup>**

<sup>1.</sup> Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (2018). Special Report on Global Warming of 1.5 °C (SR15). http://www.ipcc.ch/report/sr15/

Dupigny-Giroux, L.A., E.L. Mecray, M.D. Lemcke-Stampone, G.A. Hodgkins, E.E. Lentz, K.E. Mills, E.D. Lane, R. Miller, D.Y. Hollinger, W.D. Solecki, G.A. Wellenius, P.E. Sheffield, A.B. MacDonald, and C. Caldwell (2018). Northeast. In Impacts, Risks, and Adaptation in the United States: Fourth National Climate Assessment, Volume II [Reidmiller, D.R., C.W. Avery, D.R. Easterling, K.E. Kunkel, K.L.M. Lewis, T.K. Maycock, and B.C. Stewart (eds.)]. U.S. Global Change Research Program, Washington, DC, USA. doi: 10.7930/NCA4.2018.CH18. https://nca2018.globalchange.gov/chapter/18/

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#### Five Primary Reasons for Concern About Global Warming and their Severity for Different Amounts of Warming

Five Reasons For Concern (RFCs) illustrate the impacts and risks of different levels of global warming for people, economies and ecosystems across sectors and regions.



#### Impacts and risks associated with the Reasons for Concern (RFCs)

Purple indicates very high risks of severe impacts/risks and the presence of significant irreversibility or the persistence of climate-related hazards. combined with limited ability to adapt due to the nature of the hazard or impacts/risks. Red indicates severe and widespread impacts/risks. Yellow indicates that impacts/risks are detectable and attributable to climate change with at least medium confidence. White indicates that no impacts are detectable and attributable to climate change.

- Unique and threatened systems include coral reefs, the Arctic, mountain glaciers, and biodiversity hotspots.
- Extreme weather events include heat waves, heavy rain, drought and associated wildfires, and coastal flooding.
- Distribution of impacts means risks that disproportionately affect particular groups due to uneven distribution of physical climate change hazards, exposure or vulnerability.
- Global aggregate impacts include global monetary damage, global scale degradation and loss of ecosystems and biodiversity.
- Large-scale singular events include disintegration of the Greenland and Antarctic ice sheets.

<sup>1.</sup> Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (2018). Special Report on Global Warming of 1.5 °C (SR15). http://www.ipcc.ch/report/sr15/

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Annual Days with Maximum Temperature Above 90°F in Massachusetts<sup>1</sup>



Source: Climate Special Report, 2017; NOAA NCEI nClimDiv; NOAA Ocean Service



Source: Northeast Climate Adaptation Science Center

2. National Academies Press. (2016). Attribution of Particular Types of Extreme Events. https://www.nap.edu/read/21852/chapter/6#113

<sup>\*</sup>Baseline represents historical average from 1971-2000. Upper values from high emissions scenario. Lower values from low emissions scenario.

<sup>1.</sup> Resilient MA. (2018). Climate Data Grapher. http://www.resilientma.org/datagrapher/?c=Temp/state/maxt/ANN/MA/

Increasing GHG levels will exacerbate the risk of coastal flooding in the Commonwealth.<sup>1,2</sup>

#### NEW HAMPSHIRE MIDDLESEX ATLANTIC OCEAN BRISTO RHODE ISLAND Data Source: MassGIS 2017 Legend FEMA, 2017 Inland Zones Other Zones D: Possible But Undetermined Hazard A & AE: 1% Annual Chance of Flooding X. 0.2% Annual Chance of Flooding Area Not Included X, Reduced Flood Risk due to Levee Digital Flood Data Unavailable X, 1% Drainage Area < 1 Sq. Mi. Counties Coastal Zones Municipalities VE: High Risk Coastal Area Surrounding States A & AE: 1% Annual Chance of Flooding X, 0.2% Annual Chance of Flooding

FEMA Flood Hazard Areas in Coastal Region<sup>2</sup> 2018 Massachusetts Hazard Mitigation and Climate Adaptation Plan

- 1. Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Bureau of Environmental Health. (2017). *Massachusetts Statewide Flood Zone Map.* http://resilientma.org/resources/resource::1649/massachusetts-statewide-flood-zone-map
- 2. Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs. (2018). *Massachusetts State Hazard Mitigation and Climate Adaptation Plan*. <u>https://www.mass.gov/service-details/massachusetts-integrated-state-hazard-mitigation-and-climate-adaptation-plan</u>

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**Boston Harbor Flood Risk Model: Coastal Flood Exceedance Probabilities**<sup>1</sup> This map shows the likelihood that a location will be flooded by 2 or more inches of water in any given year (assuming a high sea level rise scenario for 2030)



1. Commonwealth of Massachusetts. (2017). Climate Change Resiliency. https://www.mass.gov/info-details/climate-change-resiliency

- Since 1991, Boston has experienced 21 events that triggered federal or state disaster declarations.<sup>1</sup>
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#### **1980-2018 Year-to-Date U.S. Billion-Dollar Disaster Event Frequency (CPI-Adjusted)** Event statistics are added according to the date on which they ended.<sup>2</sup>

2. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Information. (2018). Billion-Dollar Weather and Climate Disasters: Overview. https://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/billions/

Statistics valid as of October 9, 2018.

<sup>1.</sup> City of Boston. (2016). Climate Ready Boston. https://www.boston.gov/sites/default/files/20161207\_climate\_ready\_boston\_digital2.pdf

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#### **Trend: Days of Coastal Flooding Increasing<sup>2</sup>**

1. Climate Central. (2016). Sea Level Rise Upping Ante On 'Sunny Day' Floods. <u>http://www.climatecentral.org/news/climate-change-increases-sunny-day-floods-20784</u>

<sup>2.</sup> State at Risk. (2016). Massachusetts Coastal Flooding. http://statesatrisk.org/massachusetts/coastal-flooding

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<sup>1.</sup> FHWA. (2017). Traffic Congestion and Reliability: Trends and Advanced Strategies for Congestion Mitigation. <u>https://ops.fhwa.dot.gov/congestion\_report/chapter3.htm</u> Data based on 2004 studies by Oak Ridge National Labs and Texas Transportation Institute

<sup>2.</sup> Pioneer Valley Transit Authority. (2015). Winter Weather Travel Guide. <u>http://www.pvta.com/weatherTravel.php</u>

<sup>3.</sup> New York Times. (2018). New York Subway's On-Time Performance Hits New Low. https://www.nytimes.com/2018/03/19/nyregion/new-york-subways-on-time-performance-hits-new-low.html

• Estimates suggest anywhere from 25 percent<sup>1</sup> to 69 percent of delay in the National Airspace System is caused by weather.<sup>2</sup>

#### Weather's Share of Delayed Flights – National<sup>1</sup> (December 2017-May 2018)



### Causes of Air Traffic Delay in the National Airspace System<sup>2</sup>



<sup>1.</sup> Bureau of Transportation Statistics. (2018). *Airline On-Time Statistics and Delay Causes*. <u>https://www.transtats.bts.gov/OT\_Delay/ot\_delaycause1.asp?display=chart&pn=1</u>

<sup>2.</sup> Federal Aviation Administration. (2017). FAQ: Weather Delay. https://www.faa.gov/nextgen/programs/weather/faq/

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#### World's Biggest Shipping Firm to Test Russian Arctic Route<sup>3</sup>



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A.P. Moller-Maersk said it will send a cargo vessel through the Russian Arctic as a result of melting sea ice.

**By Jan M. Olsen** ASSOCIATED PRESS **August 23, 2018** COPENHAGEN — Danish shipping group A.P. Moller-Maersk said Thursday it will send a cargo vessel through the Russian Arctic for the first time as a result of melting sea ice. Janina von Spalding, spokeswoman for the world's biggest shipping company, said the new ice class container vessel, Venta Maersk, would embark on trial journey in the Arctic route over Russia next month.

3. AP News. (2018). World's biggest shipping firm to test Russian Arctic route. https://www.apnews.com/4d7bb220356e408db4613e8e0e9d8e25

<sup>1.</sup> EPA. (2017). Climate Impacts on Transportation. https://19january2017snapshot.epa.gov/climate-impacts/climate-impacts-transportation .html

<sup>2.</sup> Air Sea Containers. (2017). How Global Warming Is Affecting Shipping Routes. http://www.airseacontainers.com/blog/how-global-warming-is-affecting-shipping-routes/

- Sea level rise could have a mixed impact on shipping.<sup>1</sup>
  - It could cause more debris and sediment to build up in shipping lanes and reduce the clearance under bridges.<sup>2</sup>



#### Maritime Transport Risk Analysis for Climate Change<sup>3</sup>

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- <u>Heat can degrade all modes of transportation by:</u><sup>1</sup>
  - Damaging pavement that cars and buses use to get around, <sup>2</sup>

#### Summary of Climate-Induced Pavement Deterioration and Consequences<sup>2</sup>



| Climate Change Hazard | Asphalt   | Rigid   | Modular   |  |  |
|-----------------------|---|---|---|--|--|
| Excess water          | <ul> <li>Binder stripping, particularly at asphalt layer<br/>interfaces</li> <li>Surface scouring</li> <li>Hydroplaning in water-filled ruts</li> <li>Accelerated polishing of surfacing</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Water passing through cracks and joints</li> <li>Surface damage during paving</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Erosion of jointing and bedding sands,<br/>resulting in the loss of structural<br/>support, rutting, spalling, cracking,<br/>movement of modules, and formation<br/>of trips.</li> </ul>   |  |  |
|                       | Weakening of subbase or subgrade materials in foundations   |   |   |  |  |
| Soil moisture deficit | Subsidence     Cracking   |   |   |  |  |
| High temperatures     | <ul> <li>Increased rutting</li> <li>Fatting, resulting in reduced skid resistance</li> <li>Binder softening, resulting in a loss of surface integrity</li> <li>More rapid age hardening of binder, resulting in increased cracking</li> <li>Contribution to heat island effect</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Warping of concrete</li> <li>Large seasonal joint movements</li> <li>Compression failures at joints, in badly constructed or poorly maintained roads</li> <li>Workability and curing problems with the concrete mixture</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Expansion leading to cracking and<br/>spalling at interfaces and possible<br/>blow-up with large slabs</li> <li>Bedding settlement creating warping<br/>and trips</li> <li>Continuous expansion and contraction<br/>causing cracking</li> <li>NB: Effects are greater in larger slabs</li> </ul> |  |  |

<sup>1.</sup> Better Institutions. (2013). Extreme Temperatures are Affecting Every Mode of Transportation. <u>http://www.betterinstitutions.com/blog/2013/07/extreme-temperatures-are-affecting</u>

<sup>2.</sup> TRL. (2008). The effects of climate change on highway pavements and how to minimize them: Technical report. <u>https://trl.co.uk/sites/default/files/PPR184\_secure.pdf</u> 105

- <u>Heat can degrade all modes of transportation by:</u><sup>1</sup>
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#### Probability of Rail Line Buckling Across Different Temperatures<sup>2</sup>



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<sup>2.</sup> Transport Policy. (2017). Impacts of climate change on operation of the US rail network. <u>https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0967070X16308198</u>

- <u>Heat can degrade all modes of transportation by:</u><sup>1</sup>
  - <u>Reducing the lift available to planes, sometimes even forcing airport closures, and<sup>2</sup></u>
  - <u>Discouraging active transportation modes.</u><sup>3</sup>
- Warmer winters could lead to more winter precipitation falling as rain instead of snow, which can increase flooding and run-off, cause more damaging freeze-thaw cycles, and result in icier conditions.<sup>4</sup>

#### **Temperature Impacts Lift Available to Planes<sup>2</sup>**

## Cold temperature = more air, more lift



### Hot temperature = less air, less lift



3. Transport Reviews. (2013). Impact of Everyday Weather on Individual Daily Travel Behaviours in Perspective: A Literature Review. https://www.researchgate.net/publication/262900761\_Impact\_of\_Everyday\_Weather\_on\_Individual\_Daily\_Travel\_Behaviours\_in\_Perspective\_A\_Literature\_Review

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<sup>2.</sup> The Conversation. (2017). *How hot weather – and climate change – affect airline flights*. <u>https://theconversation.com/how-hot-weather-and-climate-change-affect-airline-flights-80795</u>

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#### 3. Transportation is a leading producer of greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs).

• Transportation is the largest producer of GHG emissions among all sectors in the U.S., accounting for 28.5 percent of total production.<sup>1</sup>



#### Total U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions by Economic Sector, 2016<sup>1</sup>

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (2018). Inventory of U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks: 1990-2016

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Massachusetts and U.S. GHG Emissions



**Massachusetts GHG Emissions**, **Business-As-Usual (BAU)**<sup>1</sup>

Source: MassDEP (2018). Massachusetts Annual Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory: 1990 through 2015

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#### Massachusetts GHG Emissions from Fuel Combustion (by Sector)<sup>1</sup>

#### Massachusetts Gross GHG Emissions<sup>1</sup>



1. Commonwealth of Massachusetts. (2015). MA GHG Emission Trends. https://www.mass.gov/service-details/ma-ghg-emission-trends

<u>Almost half of transportation GHG emissions in Massachusetts are from passenger vehicles</u>.<sup>1</sup>



#### Massachusetts CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from Mobile Sources (MTCO<sub>2</sub>E)<sup>1</sup>

## $\begin{array}{c} \text{CO}_2 \text{ Emissions Comparison for Different Transportation} \\ \text{Modes}^1 \end{array}$



<sup>1.</sup> MassDOT. (2018). Decarbonizing Transportation: Challenges and Opportunities. <u>https://www.mass.gov/doc/decarbonizing-transportation-challenges-and-opportunities-stephanie-pollack-june-15-2018</u>

# 4. Massachusetts has aggressive goals in place to mitigate the effects of and adapt to climate change.

- In 2008, through the passage of the Global Warming Solutions Act, Massachusetts committed to reduce its GHG emissions by 80 percent below 1990 baseline levels by 2050.<sup>1</sup>
- Massachusetts has several ongoing vulnerability assessments, including a focus on the transportation sector.<sup>2</sup>
- <u>Massachusetts is establishing an integrated climate change strategy for the Commonwealth through the implementation of Executive Order</u> 569, which was issued in 2017 and had major elements codified in 2018.<sup>3,4</sup>
- <u>The Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) is a cap-and-trade program covering CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions from larger power plants in some Mid-Atlantic and North-Eastern states. The RGGI program issues a limited number of tradable allowances that permit the emission of one ton of CO2 from a power plant covered by the program.<sup>5</sup>
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<sup>3.</sup> Commonwealth of Massachusetts. (2018). MassDOT Statewide Climate Change Adaptation Plan. https://www.mass.gov/massdot-statewide-climate-change-adaptation-plan

<sup>4.</sup> Commonwealth of Massachusetts. (2018). Governor Baker Signs Legislation Directing \$2.4 Billion to Climate Change Adaptation, Environmental Protection, and Community Investments. <u>https://www.mass.gov/news/governor-baker-signs-legislation-directing-24-billion-to-climate-change-adaptation</u>

<sup>5.</sup> Analysis Group (2018). The Economic Impacts of the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative on Nine Northeast and Mid-Atlantic States: Review of RGGI's Third Three-Year

<sup>6.</sup> Compliance Period (2015-2017). http://www.analysisgroup.com/uploadedfiles/content/insights/publishing/analysis\_group\_rggi\_report\_april\_2018.pdf

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#### The MassDOT Freight Plan Considers Climate Change<sup>1</sup>



**CLIMATE CHANGE** 



Drivers of **CLIMATE** 







#### 5. Making infrastructure resilient to climate change will be a complex and ongoing effort.

- Sea level rise, coupled with storm surge, will continue to increase the risk of major coastal impacts on transportation infrastructure, including both temporary and permanent flooding of airports, ports and harbors, roads, rail lines, tunnels, and bridges.<sup>1</sup>
- Interconnectedness can lead to cascading failures, even in systems that are not directly affected by a storm or extreme weather event, such as healthcare systems or hospitals impacted because of a lack of electricity or clean water.<sup>2</sup>



#### Our Daily Lives Depend on a Complex, Interconnected System<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1.</sup> U.S. Global Change Research Program. (2014). Infrastructure. <u>https://nca2014.globalchange.gov/highlights/report-findings/infrastructure</u>]

<sup>2.</sup> Scientific America. (2014). Infrastructure Threatened by Climate Change Poses a National Crisis. <u>https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/infrastructure-threatened-by-climate-change-poses-a-national-crisis/</u>

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- Telecommunications providers in Boston share critical infrastructure networks to provide service, meaning there is little redundancy; a single critical failure could eliminate all forms of communication except radio in a flood or disaster.<sup>1</sup>
- Thirteen of the 47 largest U.S. airports have at least one runway within 12 feet of sea level (though Boston is not among these), and many are within the projected 50-year coastal storm surge.<sup>2</sup>



#### Lack of Communication Redundancy is an Identified Concern<sup>1</sup>

City of Boston. (2016). Climate Ready Boston. <u>https://www.boston.gov/sites/default/files/20161207\_climate\_ready\_boston\_digital2.pdf</u>
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## **TRANSPORTATION ELECTRIFICATION**

# Why does transportation electrification matter?

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- 2. ...but adoption projections have been steadily increasing...
- 3. <u>...propelled by cheaper batteries and lower maintenance costs</u>.
- 4. <u>EVs will help lower emissions</u>.
- 5. <u>EVs will affect the grid</u>.
- 6. <u>EVs require infrastructure (i.e. charging points)</u>.
- 7. <u>EVs will likely impact transportation revenue</u>.
- 8. <u>Battery EVs (BEVs) are not the only EVs</u>.
- 9. <u>Massachusetts has EV initiatives in place</u>.
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- In 2017, only 12,000 of 2.37 million registered vehicles in Massachusetts were EVs,
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- Energy stakeholders have consistently increased their forecasts of EV adoption over time.
- Without any major policy changes to incent electrification, Massachusetts' Department of Energy Resources' comprehensive energy planning process assumes that two-thirds of new vehicles will be electric by 2030.<sup>2</sup>

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- National Grid published a report on the Pathway to the 2050 emissions target of 80 percent reduction over 1990 levels. It finds that achieving the 2030 target of 40 percent emissions reductions requires all passenger and light truck vehicle sales be electric by no later than 2028.
- Achieving the 2050 targets requires complete electrification of light duty vehicles by 2050.
- In terms of emissions impact on global warming, an EV in New England is equivalent to achieving 103 MPG in a gasoline vehicle due to cleaner energy sources for electricity.
- In Massachusetts, annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from internal combustion engine (ICE) vehicles (tailpipe emissions) are 3.27 times higher compared to EVs (emissions from electrical power source).
- It takes less than two years of use for the reduced emissions from driving an EV to make up for higher emissions for manufacturing EVs (some shorter-range EVs make this up within six months).
- Advances in manufacturing EVs and increased use of cleaner energy lowers lifecycle emissions of EVs compared to ICE vehicles.

#### 5. EVs will affect the grid.

- On average nationally, introducing an EV to a neighborhood is roughly the same as adding another house in terms of energy consumption.
- In Massachusetts, EVs will add to electric load, but overall annual electric demand is predicted to continue to fall due to strong efficiency programs and growth of distributed generation.
- In the U.S., current grid capacity is not an obstacle, but "the last mile" distribution is a challenge (i.e. the local distribution grid may not be able to handle spikes in demand).
- In Massachusetts, the electric grid can likely support light-duty vehicle charging, but growth in EV buses and other heavy-duty vehicles may require costly transmission and distribution system upgrades.
- To handle spikes, smart charging shifts charging times to align with periods of surplus, thus distributing power in the most efficient way possible.
- While scheduled charging may reduce infrastructure upgrades and provide cost savings, it also increases the risk of physical damage to the electric grid due to malicious or inadvertent charging controls.
- Another technology, vehicle-to-grid (V2G), adds the ability to discharge energy from an EV back to the grid, which helps balance the grid and creates new revenue streams to consumers.

#### 5. EVs will affect the grid (continued).

- A utility provider in California has introduced rates based on time of day to incentivize EV charging during non-peak hours.
- Technology like the Microgrid deployed by Schneider Electric at its Boston One Campus (BOC) HQ will help charge EVs during grid failure.
- Some have expressed concerns about not being able to charge EVs during a power failure, but the same problems occur with ICEs, as service stations are often ill-equipped to maintain critical function during a loss of power.

#### 6. EVs require infrastructure (i.e. charging points).

- <u>Electric charging points are becoming more prolific, but are still relatively rare compared to other fueling options.</u>
- Massachusetts is among the top ten states in the U.S. in terms of the number of charging stations (540 stations) and outlets (1,485 outlets).
- There are 18,068 charging stations with 48,715 outlets in the U.S.
- The U.S. will need 600,000 outlets to satisfy future demand, excluding residential outlets.
- The first 350 kWh fast-charging station in the U.S., which will allow future EVs to add 200 miles of range in 10 minutes, was installed in Chicopee, Massachusetts in May 2018.
- However, wireless charging pads for parked vehicles may alter the need for charging stations/outlets.
- The technology exists to provide wireless charging while driving, but deployment would require significant infrastructure investments.

#### 7. EVs will likely impact transportation revenue.

- Annual gas tax revenue (all federal and state sources) would fall by 14 percent (\$10 billion dollars) if EVs grew to 60 percent of U.S. new car sales by 2030.
- MassDOT is looking into the advisability and feasibility of options for offsetting projected gas tax revenue loss due to EVs.
  - <u>17 states have imposed annual road user fees on EVs, ranging from \$50 to \$300.</u>
  - Most fees currently imposed on EVs are less than what ICE vehicles generate in gas taxes...
  - ...but EV owners pay more in state taxes due to higher sales prices of EVs.
  - Some studies have recommended delaying imposing road user fees on EVs to avoid interfering with initial adoption rates.

#### 8. Battery EVs (BEVs) are not the only EVs.

- <u>Battery EVs (BEVs) use lithium-ion batteries that recharge through electric charge points.</u>
- <u>Hydrogen cars, or fuel cell electric vehicles (FCEVs), are EVs with small batteries that are continuously charged from a hydrogen fuel</u> <u>cell using a process that results in water as the only byproduct (i.e. it is essentially a zero-emission vehicle and that can have much</u> <u>smaller batteries or longer ranges than lithium ion battery EVs).</u>
- Current FCEVs are 25 percent to 70 percent less efficient than BEVs, cost more to fill up than ICE vehicles, and are several years behind BEVs in terms of innovation.
- FCEVs could be cost-competitive with BEVs for over 70 percent of the light-duty vehicle market (LDV) by 2030, with FCEVs offering notable cost advantages for larger vehicles and longer distances.
- Toyota plans to expand sales of hydrogen-powered vehicles, looking to mass produce its FCEV sedan, launch a fuel-cell-powered bus, and test a fuel-cell-powered commercial truck.

#### 9. Massachusetts has EV initiatives in place.

- <u>Massachusetts has initiatives in place to encourage EV adoption, including a goal of having 300,000 EVs on the road by 2025.</u>
- <u>To encourage EV adoption, Massachusetts' MOR-EV Program offers a \$2,500 rebate on EVs.</u>
- <u>The Massachusetts Electric Vehicle Incentive Program (MassEVIP) helps employers acquire EV charging stations.</u>
- <u>Eversource</u> and <u>National Grid</u> have both been approved for programs to install charging infrastructure throughout Massachusetts, two of the largest utility initiatives outside of California.
- Transit authorities in Massachusetts are planning to pilot the use of electric buses throughout the state.

#### 10. U.S. has significantly less electrified rail than the rest of the world.

- One-third of railroad tracks worldwide are electrified, but less than 1 percent of U.S. railroad tracks are electrified.
- Rail accounts for 2 percent of GHG emissions from the U.S. transportation sector.
- If rail was electrified, the added efficiency could draw additional freight from trucks to trains.
- <u>Electric locomotive engines and maintenance are significantly cheaper than their diesel equivalents on the global market.</u>
- However, the infrastructure needed to transition to a nationally electrified freight rail system in the U.S. is a major barrier.
- MBTA's Rail Vision study is examining a wide variety of topics, including the possible electrification of some sections of the commuter rail network.

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#### Evolution of the Global Electric Car Stock: Battery Electric Vehicles (BEV) and Plugin Hybrid Electric Vehicles (PHEV) 2010-2016<sup>1</sup>



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#### Share of Global EV Market in 2030 by Country<sup>1</sup>

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#### Summary of EV Sales by State for States with Highest Sales<sup>3</sup>

| State         | \$<br>EV Sales<br>2016 | EV Sales<br>2017 🗘 | % YOY<br>Increase | 2017 EV<br>Market Share<br>W/in State |
|---------------|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|
| California    | 73,854                 | 94,873             | 28.50%            | 5.02%                                 |
| New York      | 6,043                  | 10,090             | 67.00%            | 1.03%                                 |
| Washington    | 5,363                  | 7,068              | 31.80%            | 2.51%                                 |
| Florida       | 6,255                  | 6,573              | 5.10%             | 0.52%                                 |
| Texas         | 4,510                  | 5,419              | 20.20%            | 0.39%                                 |
| New Jersey    | 3,980                  | 5,033              | 26.50%            | 0.91%                                 |
| Massachusetts | 2,905                  | 4,632              | 59.40%            | 1.35%                                 |
| Colorado      | 2,711                  | 4,156              | 53.30%            | 1.57%                                 |
| Oregon        | 3,486                  | 3,988              | 14.40%            | 2.36%                                 |

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#### How Electric Vehicle Fleet Size Forecasts Have Changed Over Time<sup>1</sup>



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#### **Electric Vehicle Battery Cost: Trend and Projections**<sup>1</sup>

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#### Timing of Average Cost Parity Between Battery Electric vs Diesel Trucks<sup>1</sup>



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#### Transportation and Electricity CO2 Emissions Massachussetts<sup>1</sup>

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• In terms of emissions impact on global warming, an EV in New England is equivalent to achieving 103 MPG in a gasoline vehicle due to cleaner energy source for electricity.<sup>1</sup>



Electric Vehicle Global Warming Pollution Ratings and Gasoline Vehicle Equivalents By Electricity Grid Region<sup>1</sup>

NOTE: The MPG (miles per gallon) value

listed for each region is the combined city/highway fuel economy rating of a

gasoline vehicle that would have global

EV. Regional global warming emissions

in the EPA's eGRID 2014 database (the

gasoline and electricity fuel production

were sold in 2018.

emissions. The 73 MPG U.S. average is a

sales-weighted average based on where EVs

warming emissions equivalent to driving an

ratings are based on 2014 power plant data

most recent version). Comparisons include

<sup>1.</sup> Union of Concerned Scientists. (2017). New Numbers Are In and EVs Are Cleaner Than Ever. https://blog.ucsusa.org/dave-reichmuth/new-numbers-are-in-and-evs-arecleaner-than-ever

• In Massachusetts, annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from internal combustion engine (ICE) vehicles (tailpipe emissions) are 3.27 times higher compared to EVs (emissions from electrical power source).<sup>1</sup>

#### State Averages for Massachusetts – Annual Emissions per Vehicle.<sup>1</sup>



1.U.S. Dept of Energy - Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy (EERE). (2018). *Emissions from Hybrid and Plug-In Electric Vehicles*. <u>https://www.afdc.energy.gov/vehicles/electric\_emissions.php</u>

- It takes less than two years of use for the reduced emissions from driving an EV to make up for higher emissions for manufacturing EVs (some shorter-range EVs make this up within six months).<sup>1</sup>
- Advances in manufacturing EVs and increased use of cleaner energy lowers lifecycle emissions of EVs compared to ICE vehicles.<sup>1</sup>

Life Cycle Global Warming Emissions from the Manufacturing and Operations of Gasoline and Battery-Electric Vehicles<sup>1</sup>

#### Life Cycle Global Warming Emissions for a Midsize BEV for Three Different Electricity Grid Mixes<sup>1</sup>





- On average nationally, introducing an EV to a neighborhood is roughly the same as adding another house in terms of energy consumption.<sup>1</sup>
- In Massachusetts, EVs will add to electric load, but overall annual electric demand is predicted to continue to fall due to strong efficiency programs and growth of distributed generation.<sup>2</sup>



#### **Electricity Load Forecast for ISO New England<sup>2</sup>**

**High EV Growth Street Test.** ISO assumed 2.5 million Plugin Hybrid Electric Vehicles (PHEVs) in 2025 and modelled an August month of charging at night that year. The addition significantly adds to night loads, but does not contribute to peak events.

<sup>1.</sup> FleetCarma. (2017). The Impact Of Growing Electric Vehicle Adoption On Electric Utility Grids. <u>https://www.fleetcarma.com/impact-growing-electric-vehicle-adoption-electric-utility-grids/</u>

<sup>2.</sup> Commonwealth of Massachusetts. (2018). Beneficial Electrification Issues - Future of Transportation Commission. <u>https://www.mass.gov/doc/beneficial-electrification-issues-eea-september-2018</u>

- In the U.S., current grid capacity is not an obstacle, but "the last mile" distribution is a challenge (i.e. the local distribution grid may not be able to handle spikes in demand).<sup>1</sup>
- In Massachusetts, the electric grid can likely support light-duty vehicle charging, but growth in EV buses and other heavy-duty vehicles may require costly transmission and distribution system upgrades.<sup>2</sup>
- <u>To handle spikes, smart charging shifts charging times to align with periods of surplus, thus distributing power in the most efficient</u> way possible.<sup>3</sup>

#### Massachusetts Real Time Electric Load EVs Adopted – No Charging Controls Sunny Winter Day<sup>2</sup>



Uncontrolled: Charge on arrival Exacerbate peaks, significant cost

#### Massachusetts Real Time Electric Load EVs Adopted – With Charging Controls Sunny Winter Day<sup>2</sup>



Controlled: Coordinate with grid demand Flatten grid load and save money

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- 2. Commonwealth of Massachusetts. (2018). Beneficial Electrification Issues Future of Transportation Commission. <u>https://www.mass.gov/doc/beneficial-electrification-issues-eea-september-2018</u>
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- While scheduled charging may reduce infrastructure upgrades and provide cost savings, it also increases the risk of physical damage to the electric grid due to malicious or inadvertent charging controls.<sup>1</sup>
- Another technology, vehicle-to-grid (V2G), adds the ability to discharge energy from an EV back to the grid, which helps balance the grid and creates new revenue streams to consumers.<sup>2</sup>
- A utility provider in California has introduced rates based on time of day to incentivize EV charging during non-peak hours.<sup>3</sup>

#### Preferred Electric Vehicle Charging Times Based on Electricity Cost<sup>3</sup>



NOTE: Weekends and holidays only include Peak (3-7 p.m.) and Off-Peak (all other hours) periods.

<sup>1.</sup> Commonwealth of Massachusetts. (2018). Beneficial Electrification Issues - Future of Transportation Commission. <u>https://www.mass.gov/doc/beneficial-electrification-issues-eea-september-2018</u>

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<sup>3.</sup>PG&E. (2018). Electric Vehicle (EV) rate plans. https://www.pge.com/en\_US/residential/rate-plans/rate-plan-options/electric-vehicle-base-plan/electric-vehicle-baseplan.page?WT.mc\_id=Vanity\_pevrates

- Technology like the Microgrid deployed by Schneider Electric at its Boston One Campus (BOC) HQ will help charge EVs during grid failure.<sup>1</sup>
- Some have expressed concerns about not being able to charge EVs during a power failure, but the same problems occur with ICEs, as service stations are often ill-equipped to maintain critical function during a loss of power.<sup>2</sup>

#### Schneider Electric's BOC Microgrid.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1.</sup>Schneider Electric. (2017). Schneider Electric Unveils Advanced Microgrid at Boston One Campus HQ. <u>https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/schneider-electric-unveils-advanced-microgrid-at-boston-one-campus-hq-300436051.html</u>

<sup>2.</sup> Massachusetts Clean Energy Center. (2017). Request for Proposals – Resilient Service Stations Challenge. <u>http://www.masscec.com/request-proposals-resilient-stations-challenge</u>

• Electric charging points are becoming more prolific, but are still relatively rare compared to other fueling options.<sup>1</sup>

#### **U.S. Alternative Fueling Stations by Fuel Type.**<sup>1</sup>



#### 6. EVs require infrastructure (i.e. charging points).

- Massachusetts is among the top ten states in the U.S. in terms of the number of charging stations (540 stations) and outlets (1,485 outlets).<sup>1</sup>
- There are 18,068 charging stations with 48,715 outlets in the U.S.<sup>1</sup>
- The U.S. will need 600,000 outlets to satisfy future demand, excluding residential outlets.<sup>2</sup>

## Charging Station Locations in the U.S.<sup>1</sup>



 Alternative Fuels Data Center (AFDC). (2018). *Electric Vehicle Charging Station Locations*. <u>ttps://www.afdc.energy.gov/fuels/electricity\_locations.html#/analyze?fuel=ELEC</u>
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#### 6. EVs require infrastructure (i.e. charging points).

- The first 350 kWh fast-charging station in the U.S., which will allow future EVs to add 200 miles of range in 10 minutes, was installed in Chicopee, Massachusetts in May 2018.<sup>1</sup>
- However, wireless charging pads for parked vehicles may alter the need for charging stations/outlets.<sup>2</sup>
- <u>The technology exists to provide wireless charging while driving, but deployment would require significant infrastructure</u> <u>investments.<sup>3</sup></u>



#### Visualization of Wireless Induction Charging.<sup>4</sup>

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#### 7. EVs will likely impact transportation revenue.

- Annual gas tax revenue (federal and state) would fall by 14 percent (\$10 billion dollars) if EVs grew to 60 percent of U.S. new car sales by 2030.<sup>1</sup>
- <u>MassDOT is looking into the advisability and feasibility of options for offsetting projected gas tax revenue loss due to EVs<sup>2</sup></u>
  - <u>17 states have imposed annual road user fees on EVs, ranging from \$50 to \$300<sup>1</sup></u>
  - Most fees currently imposed on EVs are less than what ICE vehicles generate in gas taxes...<sup>2</sup>
  - ...but EV owners pay more in state taxes due to higher sales prices of EVs.<sup>2</sup>
  - Some studies have recommended delaying imposing road user fees on EVs to avoid interfering with initial adoption rates<sup>2</sup>

#### Annual State Fees for EV Owners as of September 2015.<sup>1</sup>



EV = All Electric Vehicle

PHEV = Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicle

PEV = Plug-in Electric Vehicle (includes both EV and PHEV)

HEV = Hybrid Electric Vehicle (no plug)

1. Institute for Energy Research (IER). (2017). Gas Tax Revenues Will Plummet With Large Increase in Electric Vehicles. https://www.instituteforenergyresearch.org/uncategorized/gas-tax-revenues-will-plummet-large-increase-electric-vehicles/

2. MassDOT. (2017). *Electric Vehicle: Impacts on Transportation Infrastructure — A Review of Other States*. http://www.umasstransportationcenter.org/umtc/Publications1.asp • Battery EVs (BEVs) use lithium-ion batteries that recharge through electric charge points.<sup>1</sup>

## **Global Lithium-Ion Battery Sales**<sup>1</sup>

Pack-level sale estimates by product type



Note: EVs refers to cars and buses

#### 8. Battery EVs (BEVs) are not the only EVs.

- <u>Hydrogen cars, or fuel cell electric vehicles (FCEVs), are EVs with small batteries that are continuously charged from a hydrogen fuel cell using a process that results in water as the only by-product (i.e. it is essentially a zero-emission vehicle and that can have much smaller batteries or longer ranges than lithium-ion battery EVs).<sup>1</sup></u>
- <u>Current FCEVs are 25 percent to 70 percent less efficient than BEVs, cost more to fill up than ICE vehicles, and are several years behind BEVs in terms of innovation.<sup>1</sup></u>

Available Energy (which effects the vehicle's range) per Pound of Weight for Hydrogen Fuel Cells Compared to Standard Lithium Ion Batteries<sup>1</sup>



1. Clean Technica. (2018). Hydrogen Fuel Cell & Battery Electric Vehicles — Technology Rundown. <a href="https://cleantechnica.com/2018/08/11/hydrogen-fuel-cell-battery-electric-vehicles-technology-rundown/">https://cleantechnica.com/2018/08/11/hydrogen-fuel-cell-battery-electric-vehicles-technology-rundown/</a>

#### 8. Battery EVs (BEVs) are not the only EVs.

- FCEVs could be cost-competitive with BEVs for over 70 percent of the light-duty vehicle market (LDV) by 2030, with FCEVs offering notable cost advantages for larger vehicles and longer distances.<sup>1</sup>
- Toyota plans to expand sales of hydrogen-powered vehicles, mass produce its FCEV sedan, launch a fuel-cell-powered bus, and test a fuel-cell-powered commercial truck.<sup>2</sup>



#### Fraction of LDV Market that is Competitive for FCEVs vs. BEVs by Year and Number of Inconvenience Days<sup>1</sup>

1. Green Car Congress. (2018). DOE analysis suggests rapid convergence of FCEV and BEV TCOs; FCEVs less expensive for majority of LDV fleet by 2040; mass compounding. http://www.greencarcongress.com/2018/01/20180114-doe.html

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#### 9. Massachusetts has EV initiatives in place.

- Massachusetts has initiatives in place to encourage EV adoption, including a goal of having 300,000 EVs on the road by 2025.<sup>1</sup>
- To encourage EV adoption, Massachusetts' MOR-EV Program offers a \$2,500 rebate on EVs.<sup>2</sup>
- <u>The Massachusetts Electric Vehicle Incentive Program (MassEVIP) helps employers acquire EV charging stations.<sup>3</sup></u>
- Eversource<sup>4</sup> and <u>National Grid<sup>5</sup></u> have both been approved for programs to install charging infrastructure throughout Massachusetts, two of the largest utility initiatives outside of California.
- Transit authorities in Massachusetts are planning to pilot the use of electric buses throughout the state.<sup>6,7</sup>

#### Massachusetts Electric Vehicle Incentive Program (MassEVIP) assisted the City of New Bedford.<sup>3</sup>





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#### **10.** U.S. has significantly less electrified rail than the rest of the world.

- One-third of railroad tracks worldwide are electrified, but less than 1 percent of U.S. railroad tracks are electrified.<sup>1</sup>
- Rail accounts for 2 percent of GHG emissions from the U.S. transportation sector<sup>2</sup>
- If rail was electrified, the added efficiency could draw additional freight from trucks to trains.<sup>2</sup>
- Electric locomotive engines and maintenance are significantly cheaper than their diesel equivalents on the global market.<sup>3</sup>
- However, the infrastructure needed to transition to a nationally electrified freight rail system in the U.S. is a major barrier.<sup>1</sup>
- MBTA's Rail Vision study is examining a wide variety of topics, including the possible electrification of some sections of the commuter rail network.<sup>3</sup>

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Source: https://www.mbta.com/projects/rail-vision

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