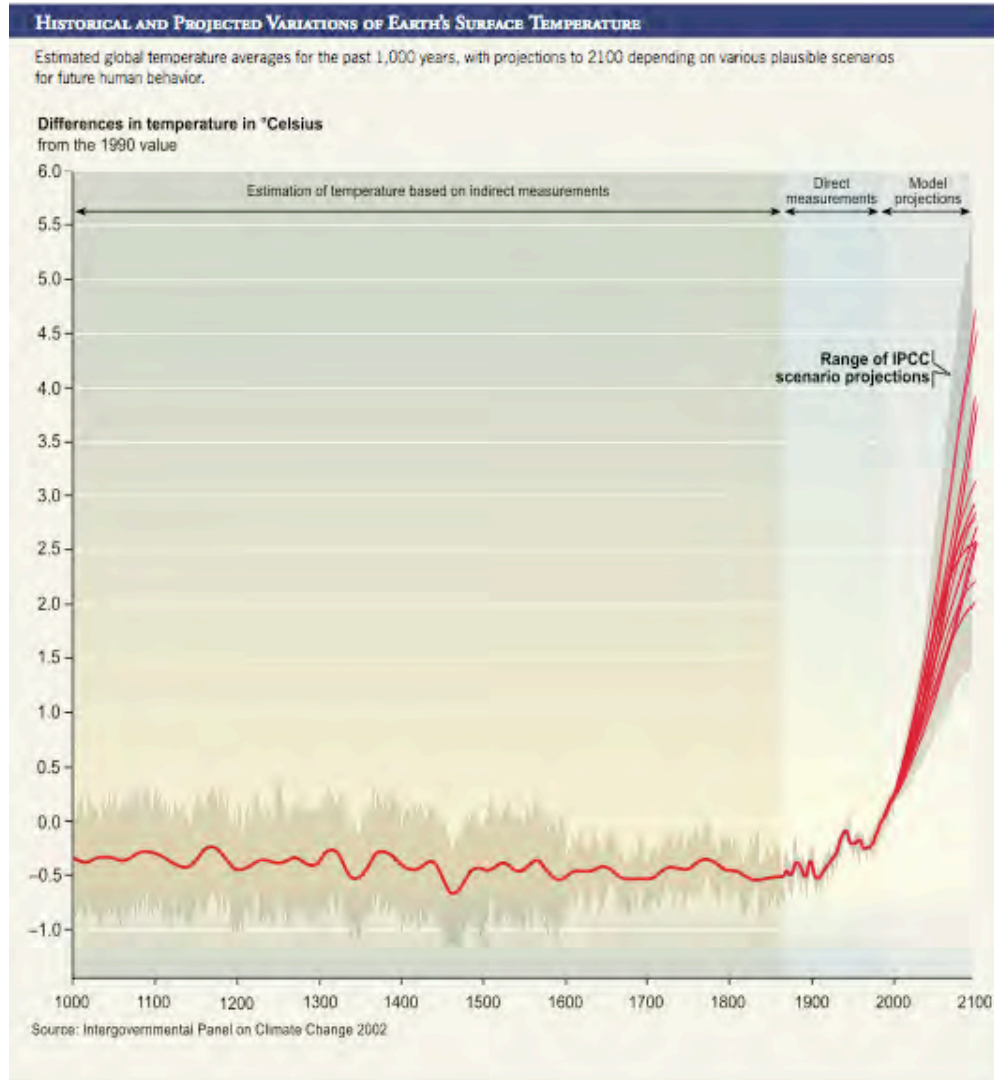


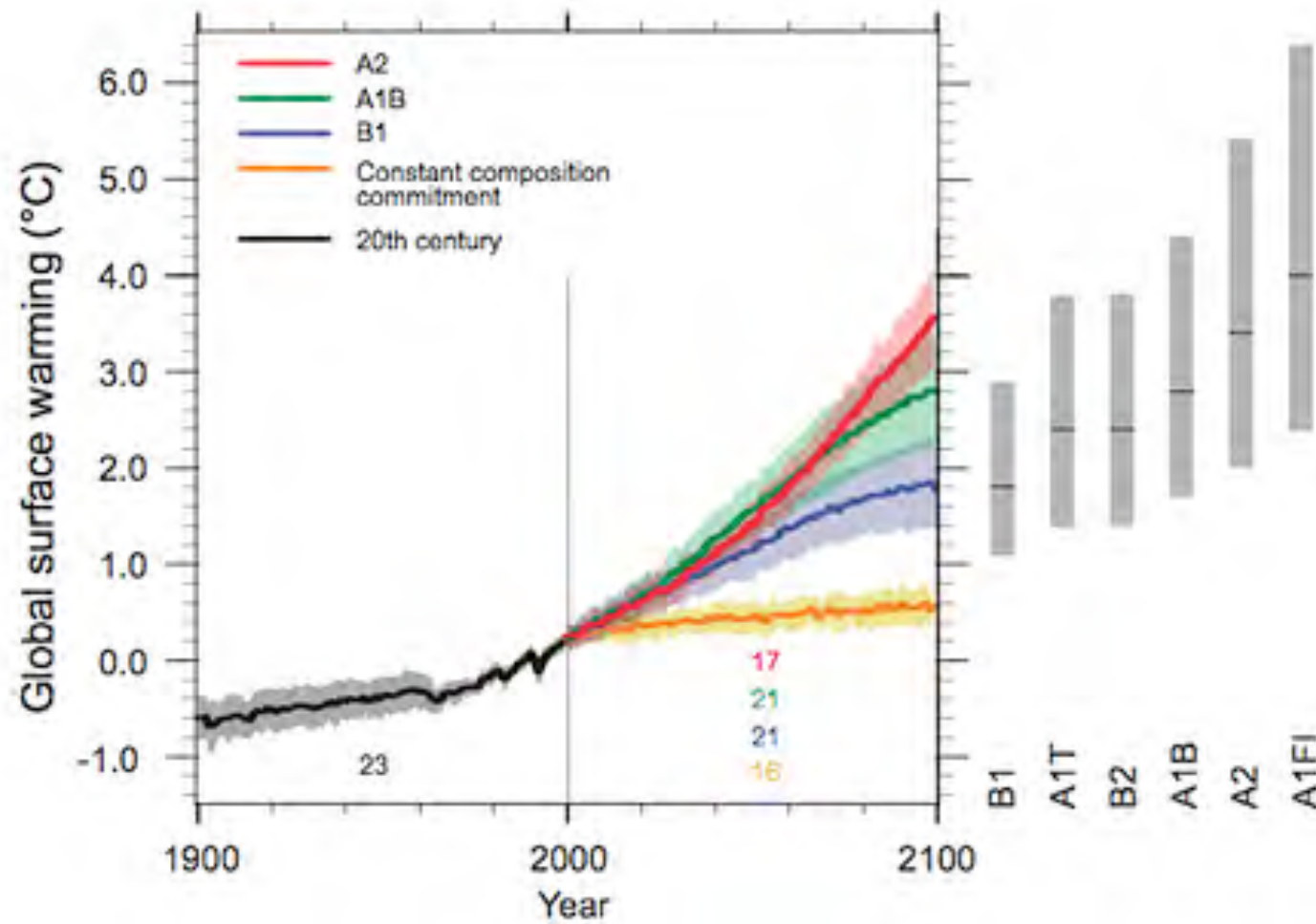
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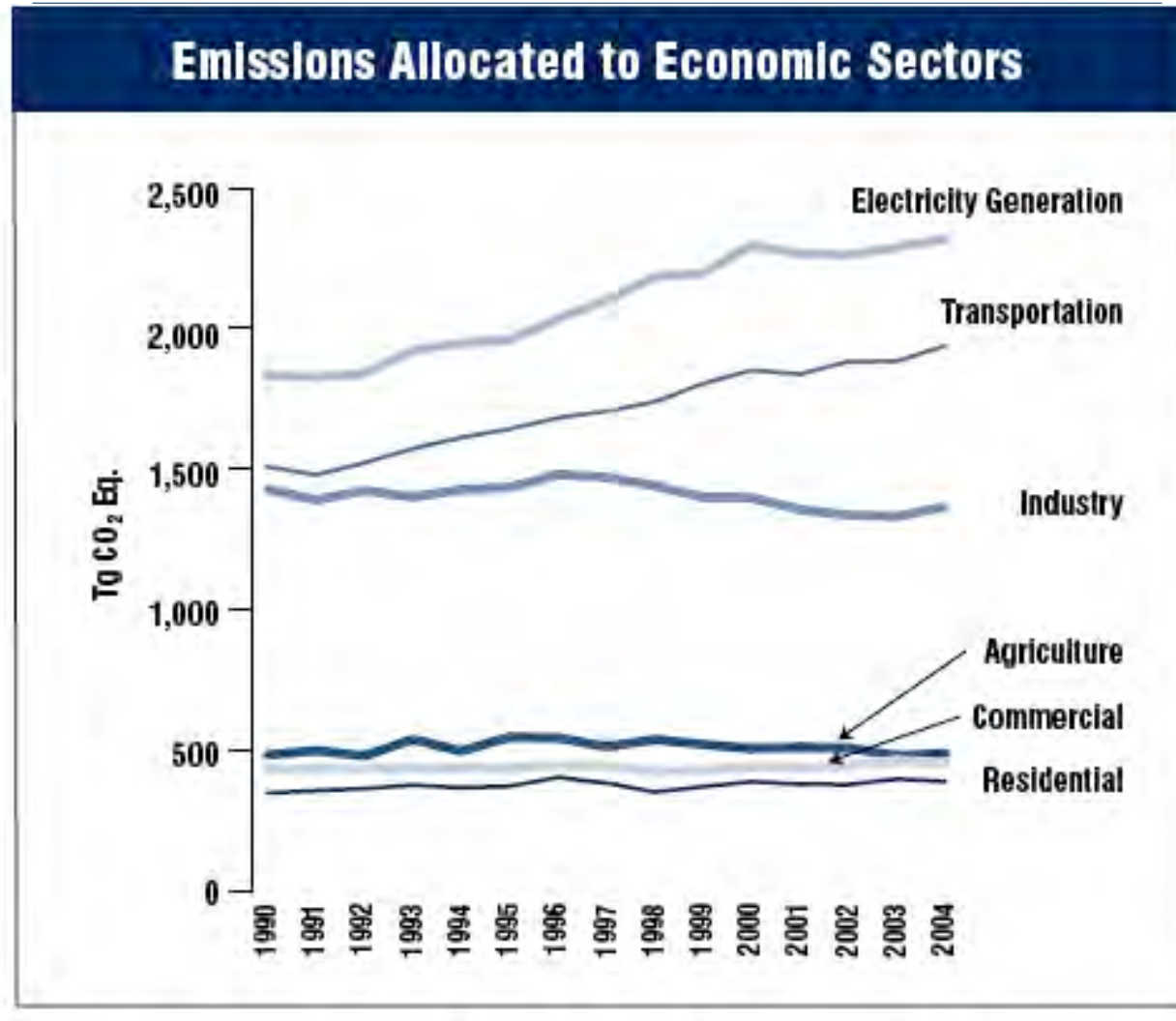
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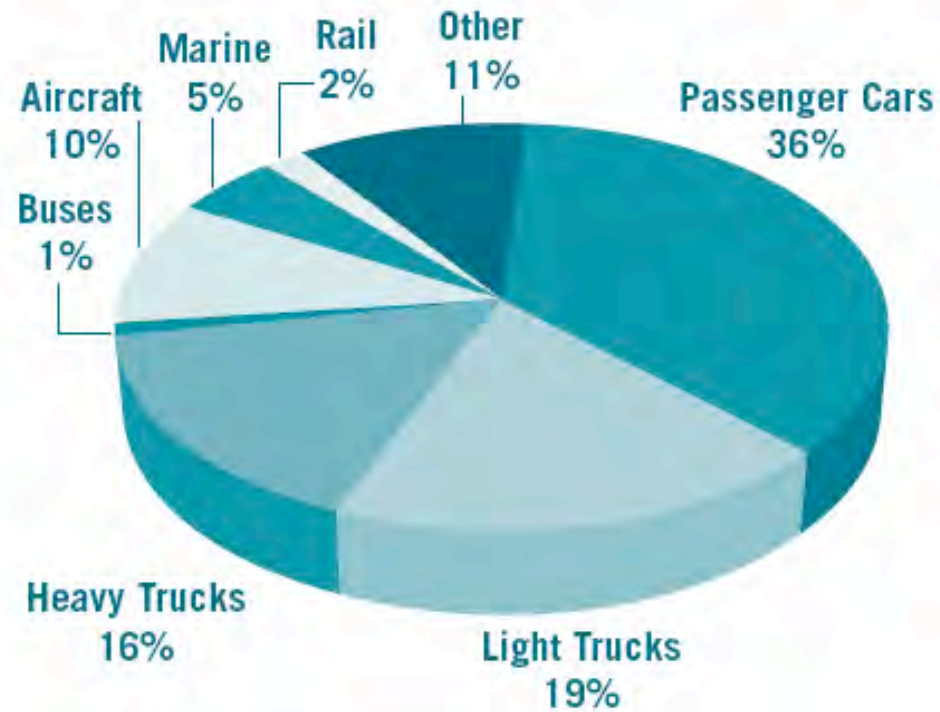
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Transport Modes

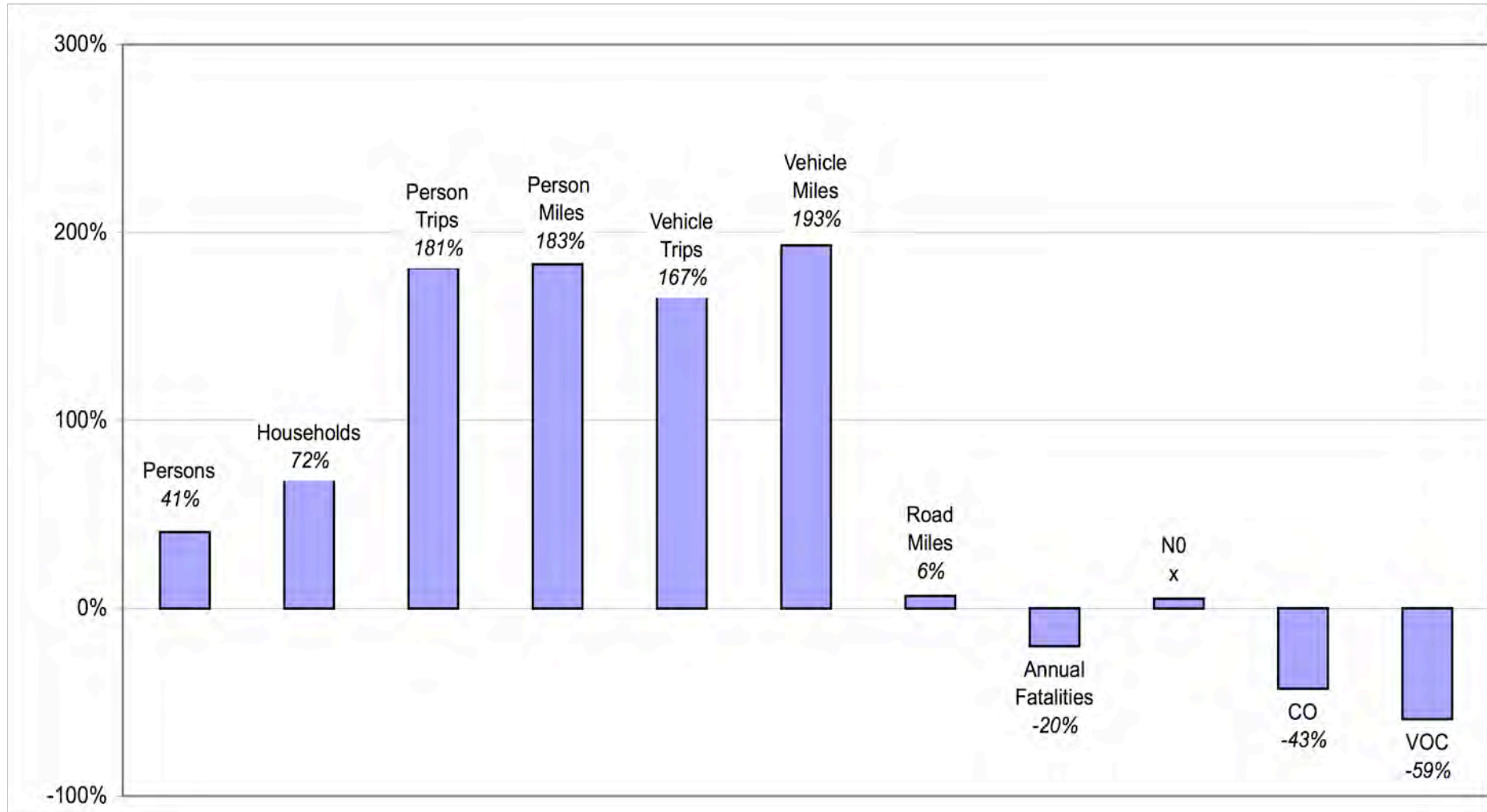
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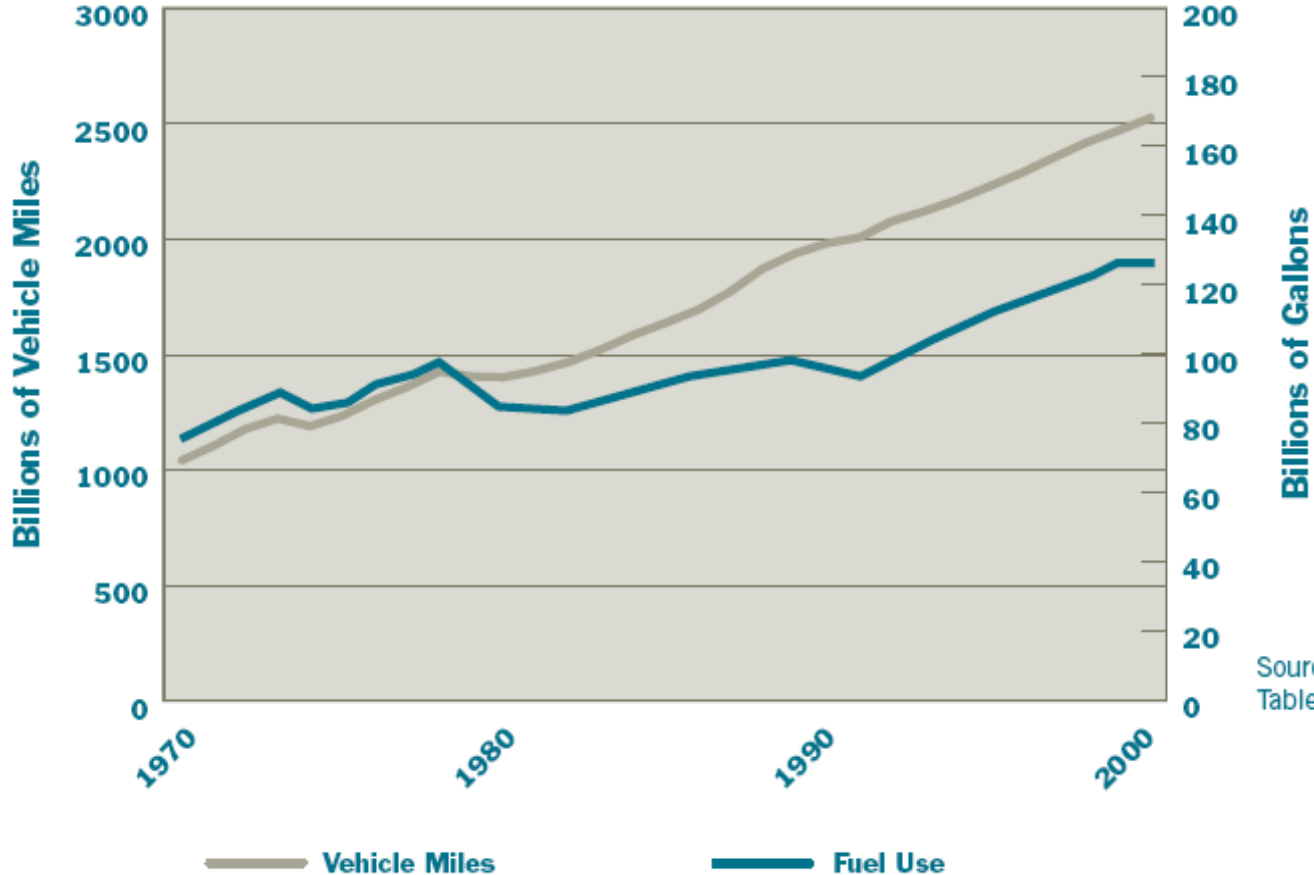
Person Trips & Miles Increase Faster Than Population



FHWA, Highway Statistics, change in travel from 1969-2001

Travel Offsets Fuel Economy Improvements

Passenger Car and Light Truck **Travel and Fuel Use**



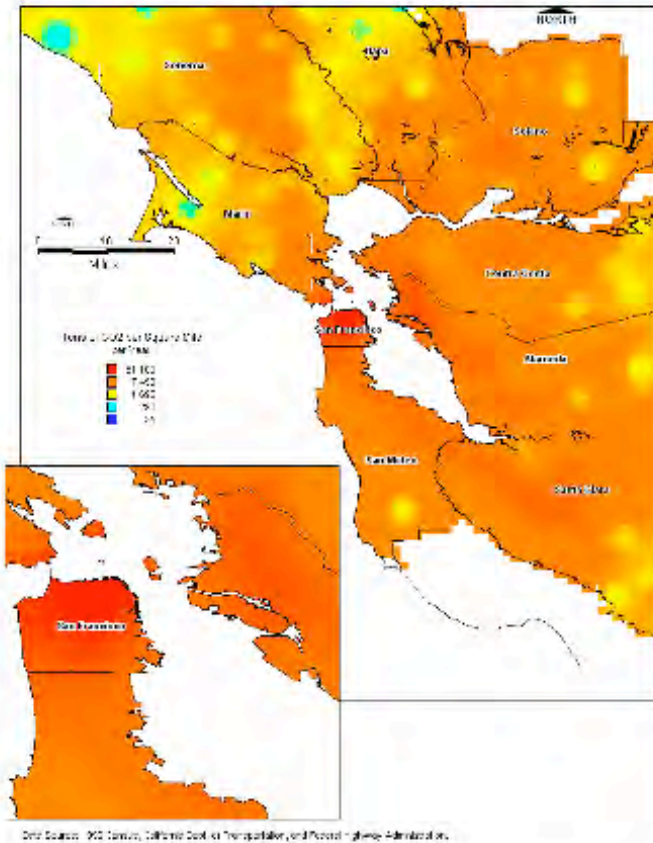
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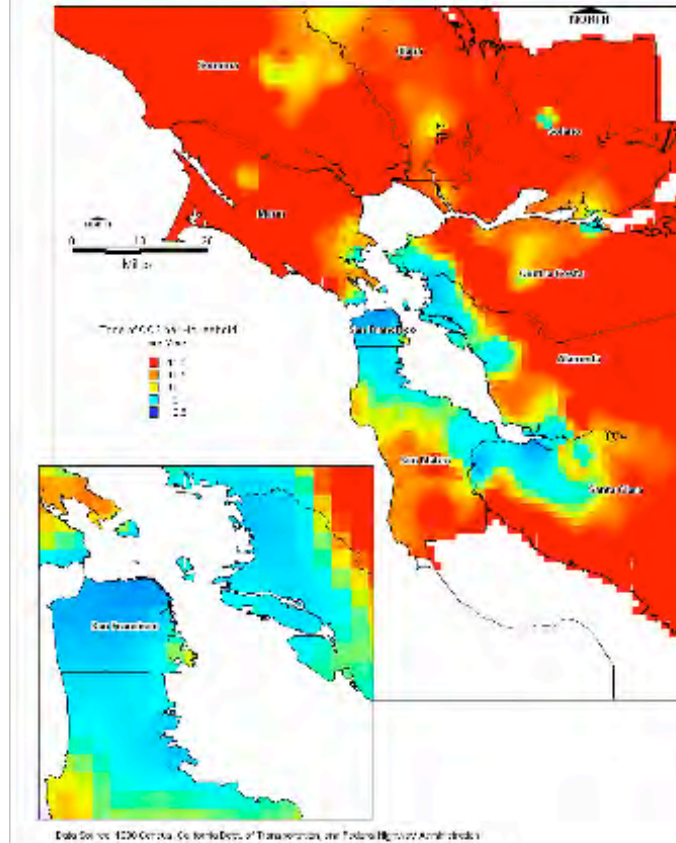
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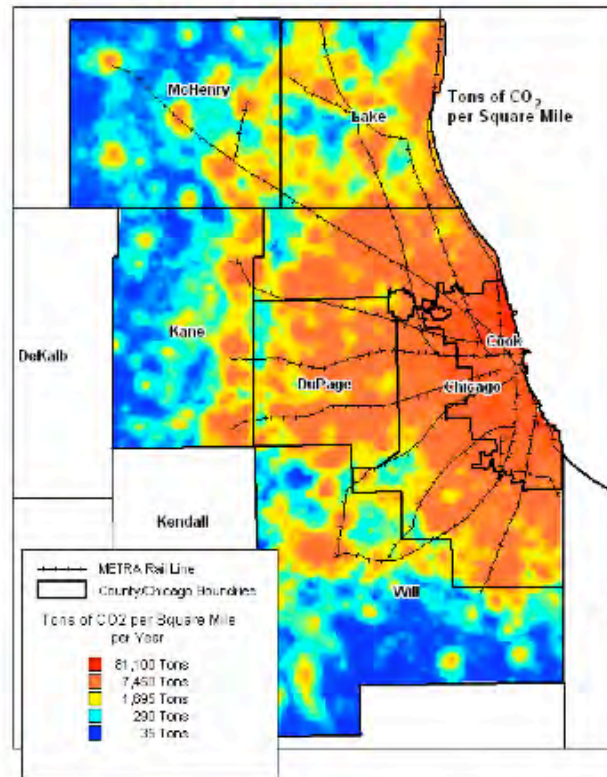


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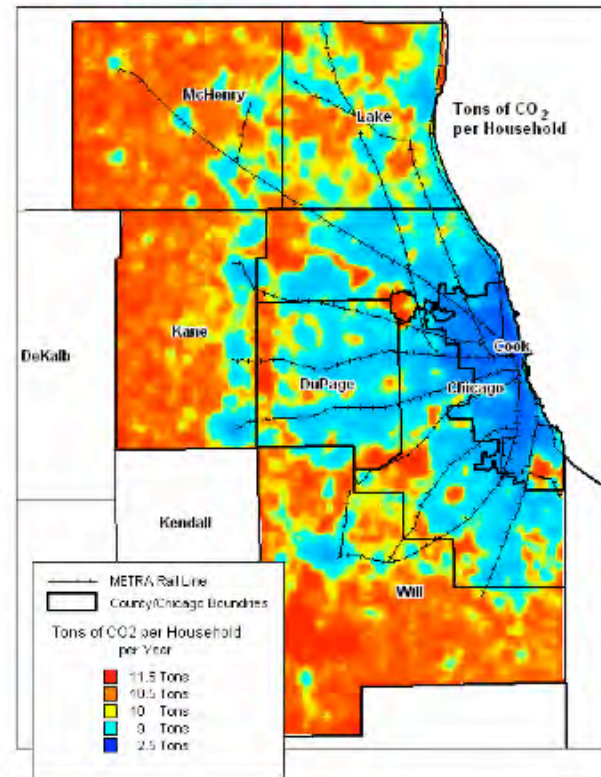
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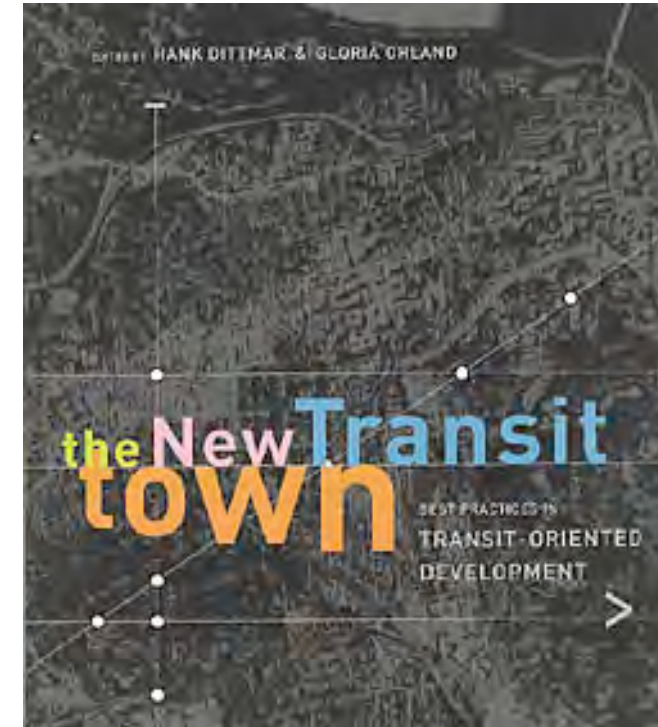
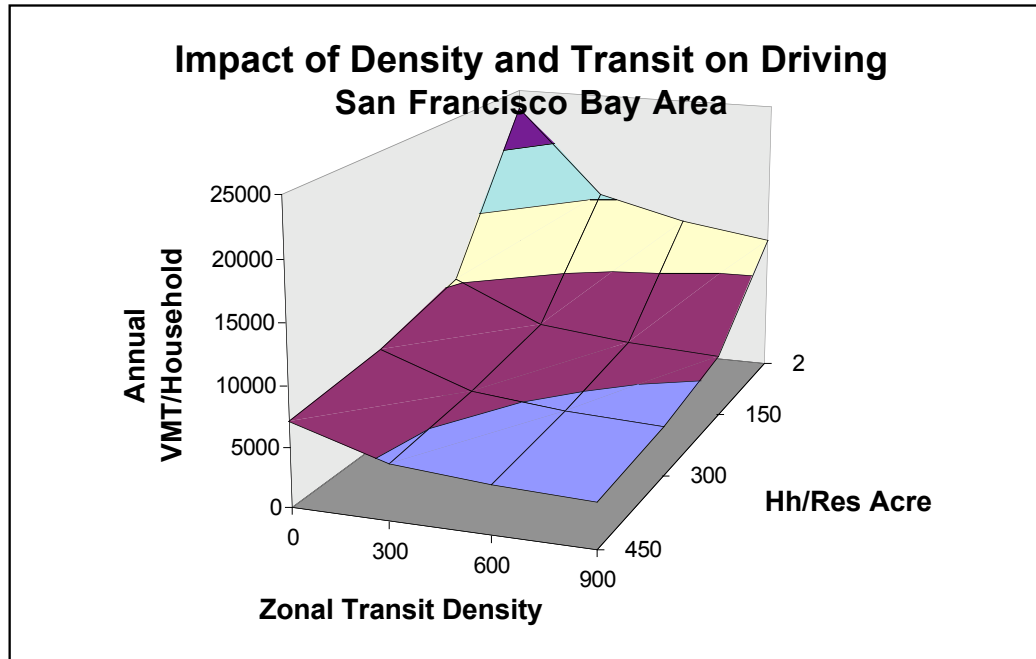


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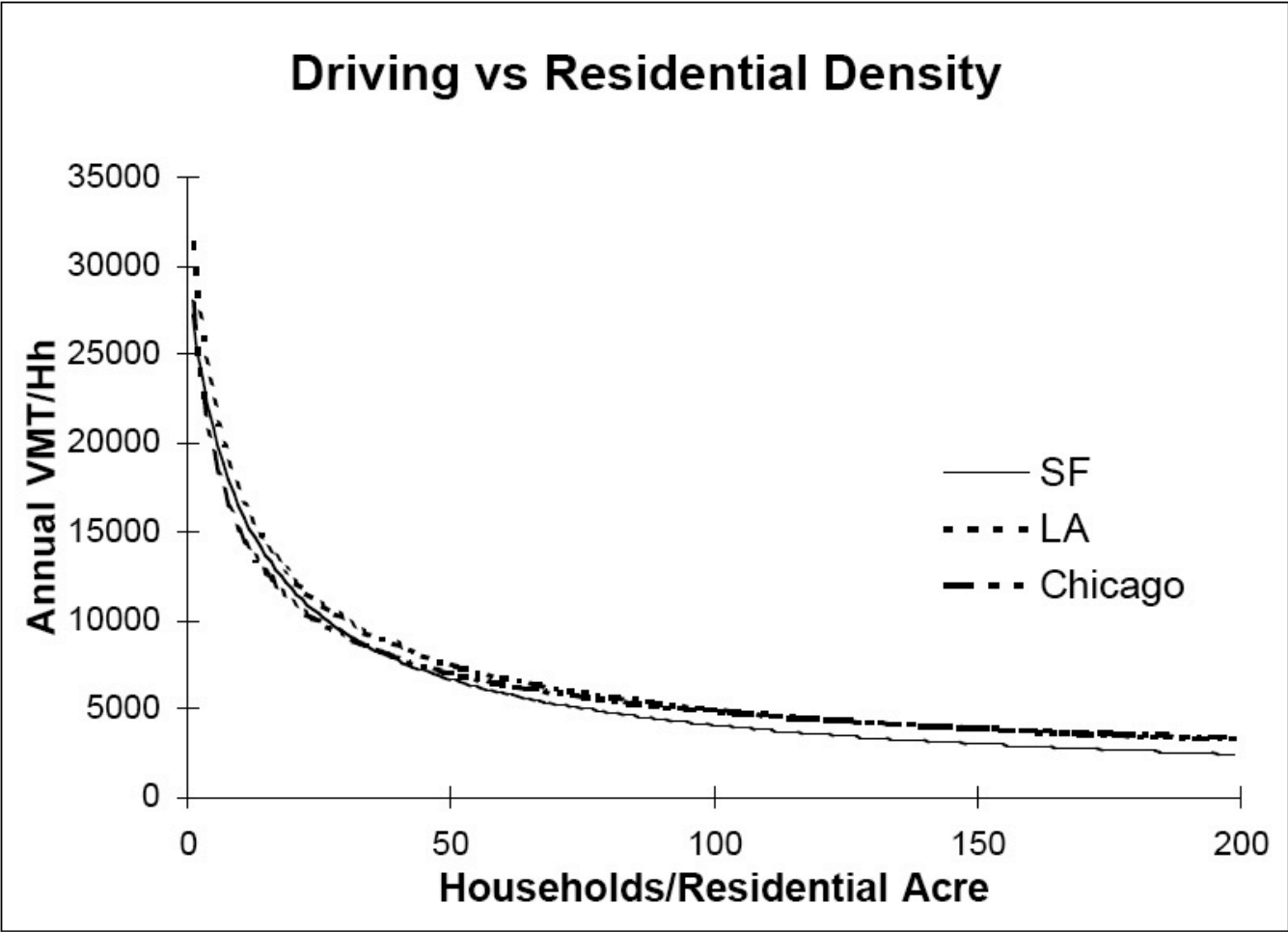
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Location Efficiency



- Urban design factors including residential density, transport access and pedestrian friendliness are positively correlated with reductions in driving, even after controlling for household size and income.
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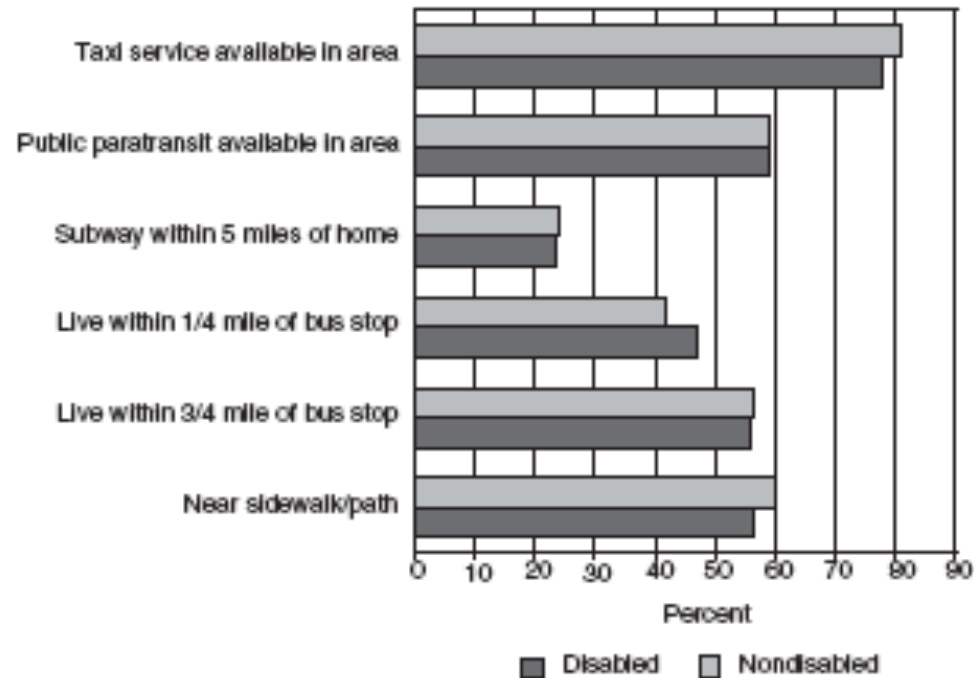
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Accessibility to Public Transport

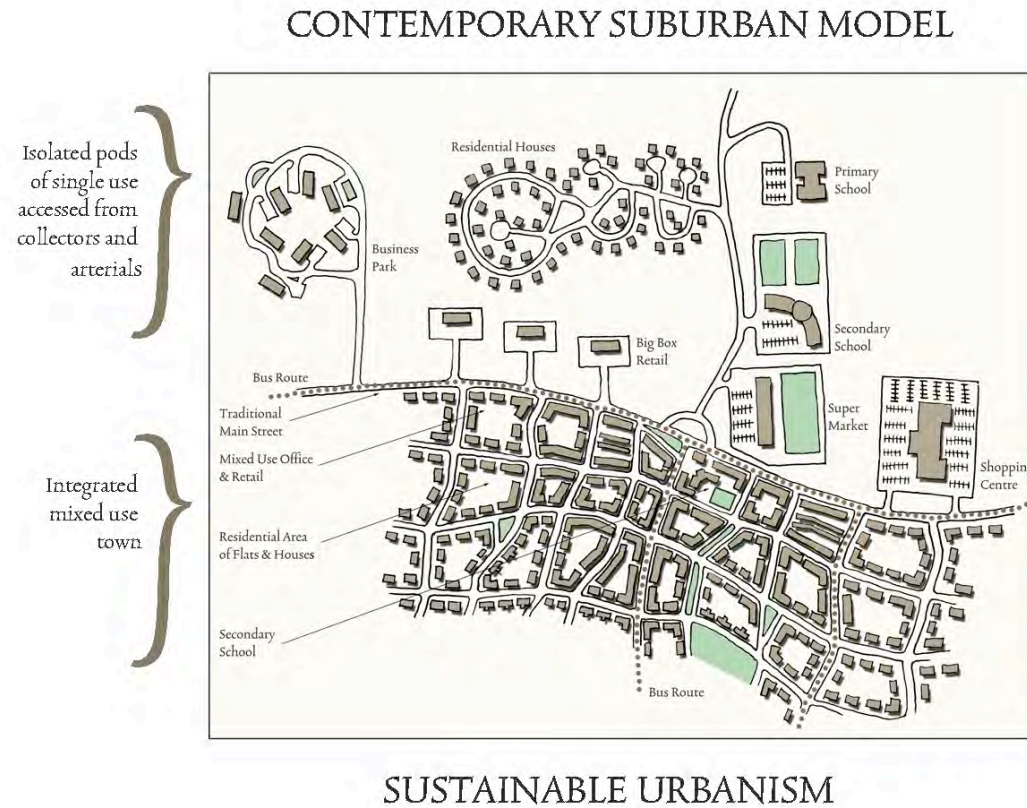
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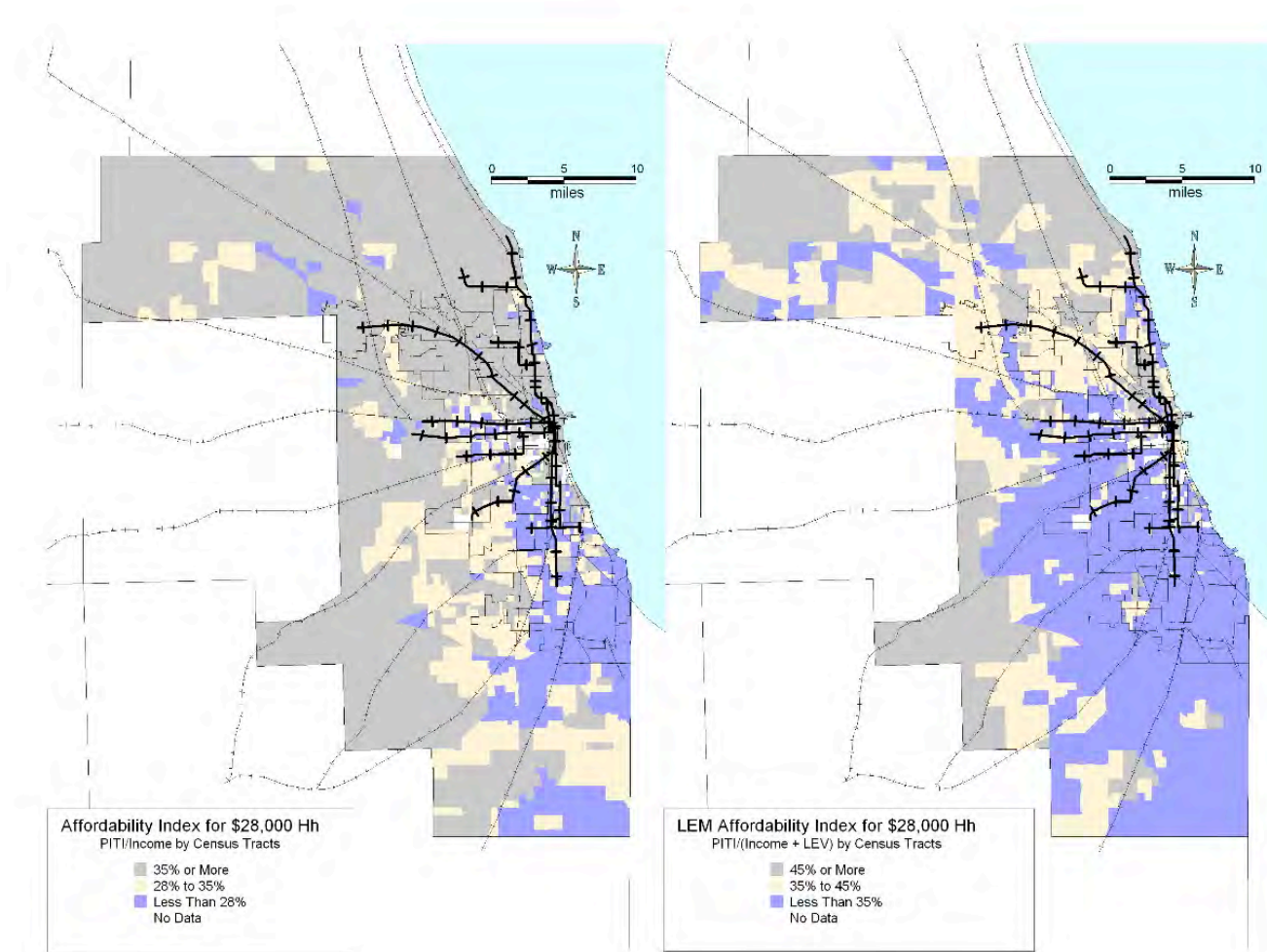
SOURCE: U.S. Department of Transportation, Bureau of Transportation Statistics, 2002 National Transportation Availability and Use Survey

Only about 40 percent of Americans live within 1/4 mile of a bus stop of any kind, and under a quarter live within 5 miles of rail. Only 60 percent live near a sidewalk or path.

Connectivity and Accessibility: Block Structure



Location Efficiency & Housing Affordability



Principles of Sustainable Urbanism



- Walkable neighbourhoods are the core of the sustainable city; daily needs within a 5 minute walk;
- A legible network of connected streets accommodates vehicles and pedestrians;
- Neighbourhoods are both mixed use and mixed income;
- Cities and towns are shaped by physically defined and accessible public spaces; and
- Urban places are framed by architecture that celebrates local history, climate, ecology, and building tradition and materials.

Stern Review: The Economics of Climate Change, Nov 2006

“The benefits of strong, early action on climate change outweigh the costs.”

“The evidence shows that ignoring climate change will eventually damage economic growth. Our actions over the coming few decades could create risks of major disruption to economic and social activity, later in this century and in the next, on a scale similar to those associated with the great wars and the economic depression of the first half of the 20th century. And it will be difficult or impossible to reverse these changes. Tackling climate change is the pro-growth strategy for the longer term, and it can be done in a way that does not cap the aspirations for growth of rich or poor countries. The earlier effective action is taken, the less costly it will be.”

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“Regulatory measures may be appropriate either instead of, or complementary to, tax or trading instruments, and can be more effective and efficient in a number of important circumstances, in particular to promote efficiency through strategic coordination of key markets, for example, by reducing long-run transport demand through integrated land-use planning and infrastructure development. . .

“Spatial and strategic planning can affect patterns of energy consumption. Higher-density urban environments, for example, typically consume less energy for transport and in buildings. In addition, land use controls such as restrictions on the availability and pricing of parking spaces, the use of pedestrian zones and parks, and land use zonal strategies (including congestion charging), have the potential to support integrated public transport to reduce the use of private motor vehicles.”