

Mobility and Climate Change

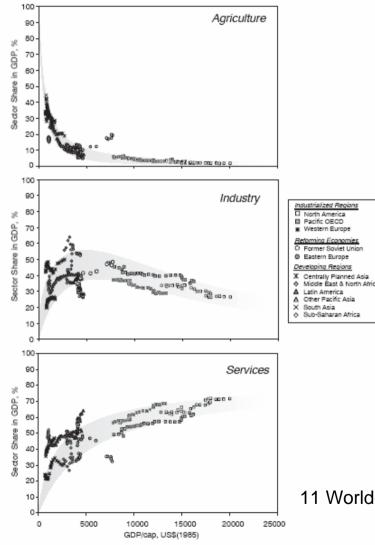
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Structural Change in the Economy ...



Sector shifts due to:

1. Different income elasticities for goods and services produced by each of the three sectors

2. Competitive advantage for each

of the sector's industries

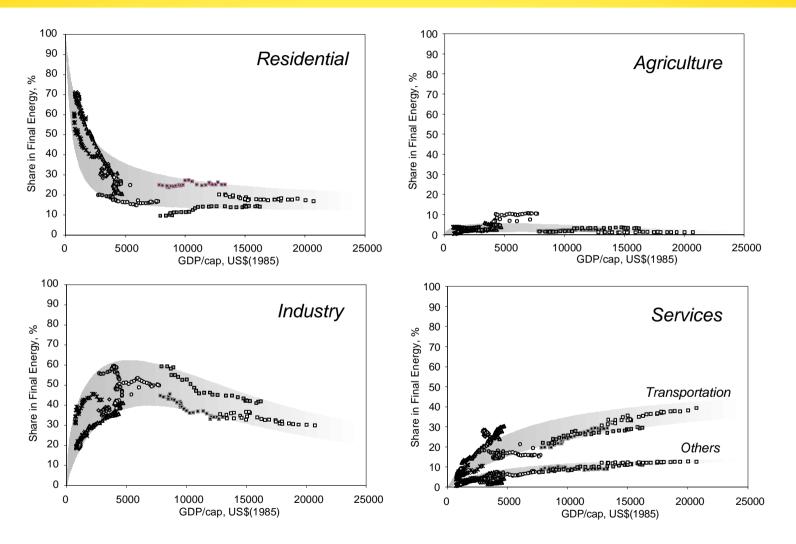
3. Changing needs of society

11 World-Regional Data series: 1971 - 1998





... and in the Energy System



Source: Schäfer A., 2005, Structural Change in Energy Use, Energy Policy, 33(4): 429-437.





Determinants of GHG Emissions

 Identity of Greenhouse Gas Emissions (GGE):

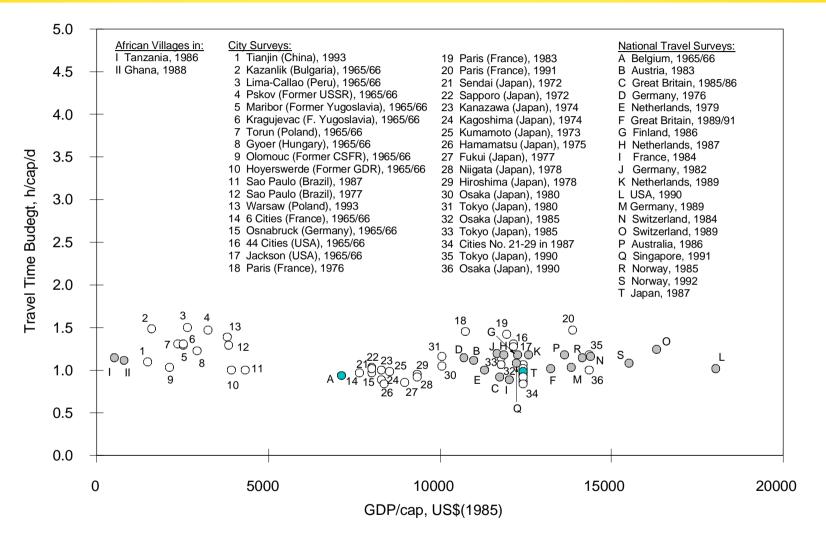
GGE = GGE/E * E/PKT * PKT

PKT: Passenger-km Traveled E/PKT: Energy Intensity GGE/E: GHG Intensity of Fuel



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Travel Time Budget

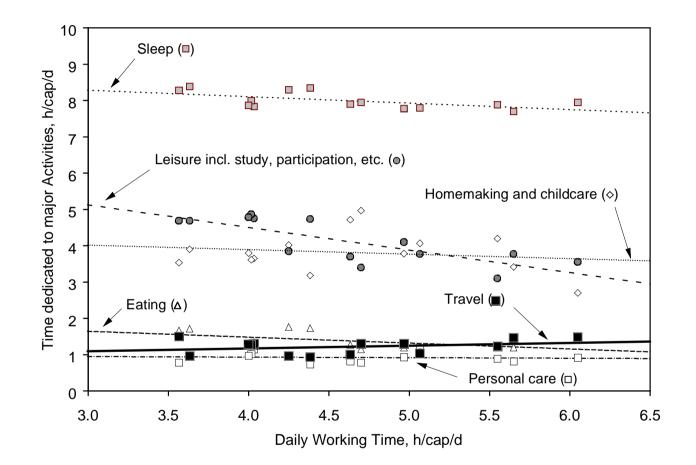


Source: Schäfer A. and D.G. Victor (2000) The Future Mobility of the World Population, Transportation Research A, 34(3): 171-205





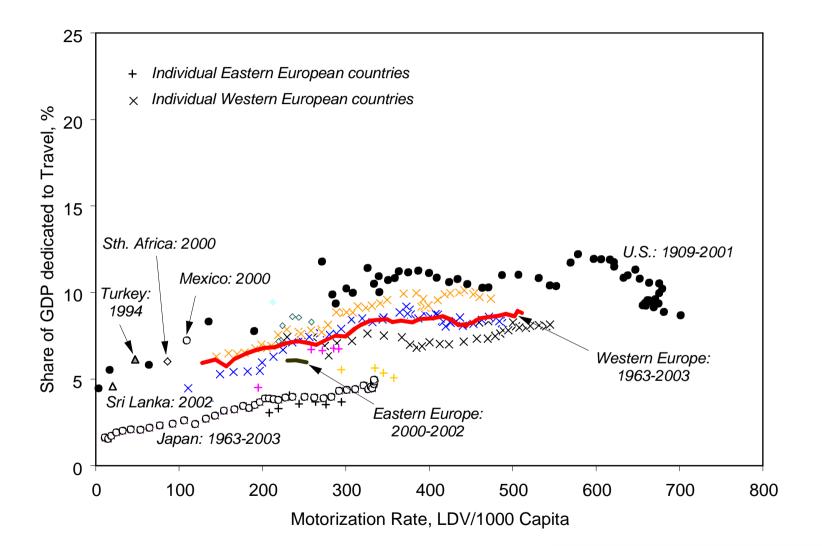
Travel Time Budget: Stability



Data source: Szalai et al. (1972), data from 11 countries, pop. between 18 and 65 years of age.

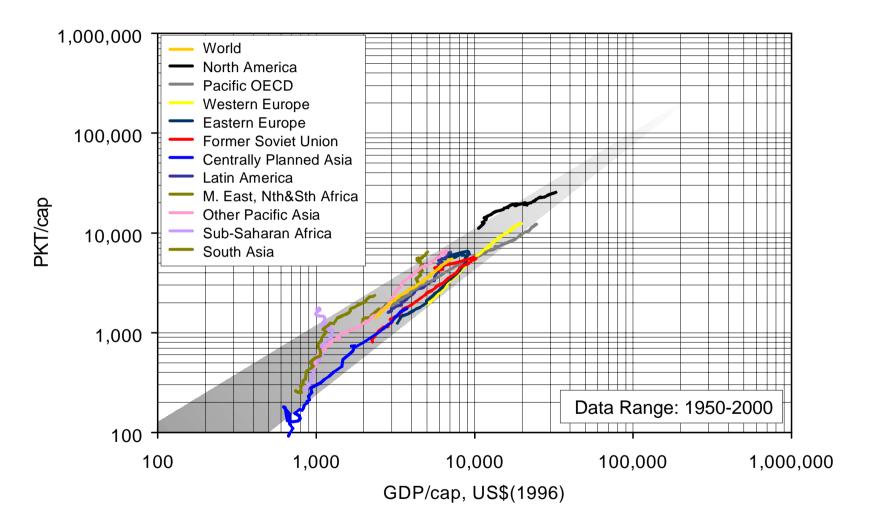


Travel Money Budget





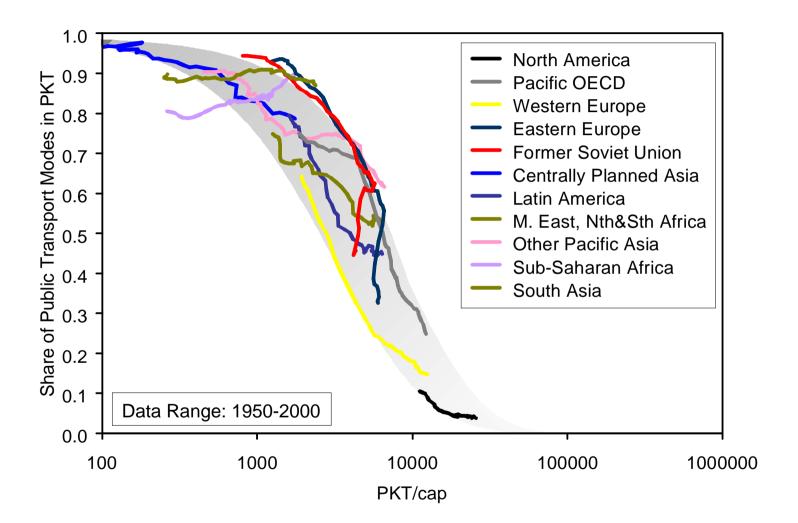
Global Mobility Trends



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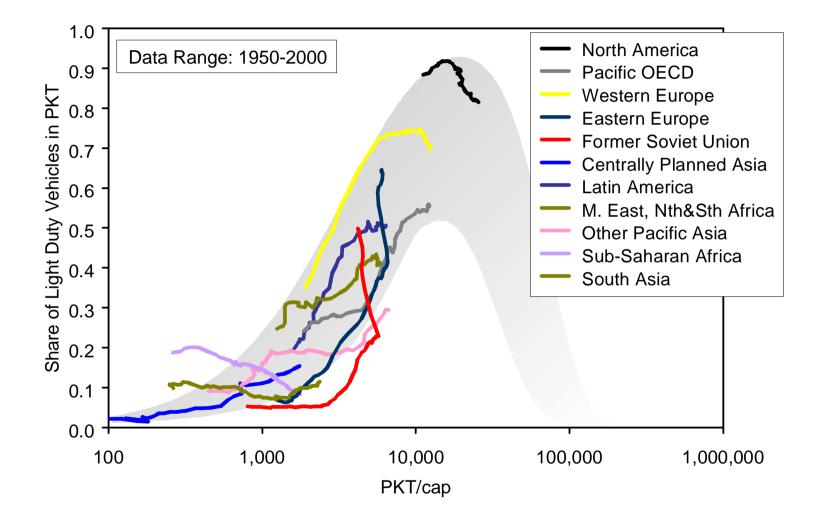
Declining Share of Public Transport



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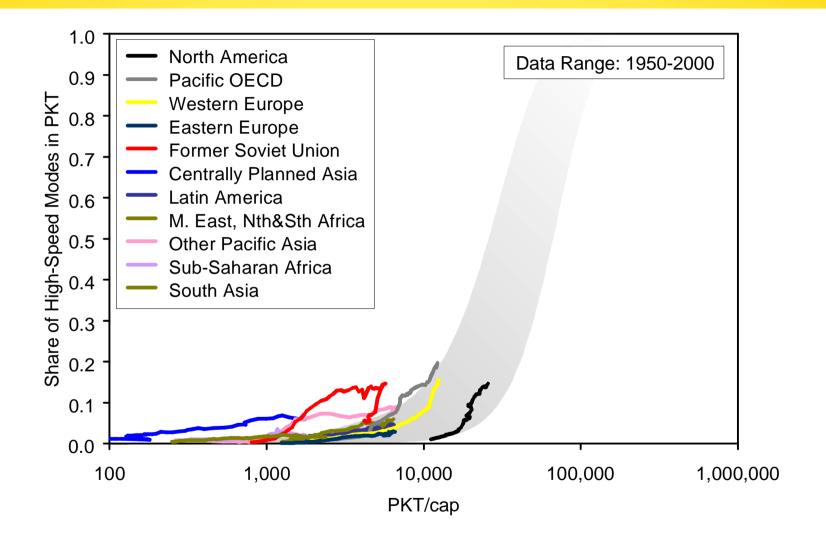
Changing relative Importance of the Automobile¹⁰



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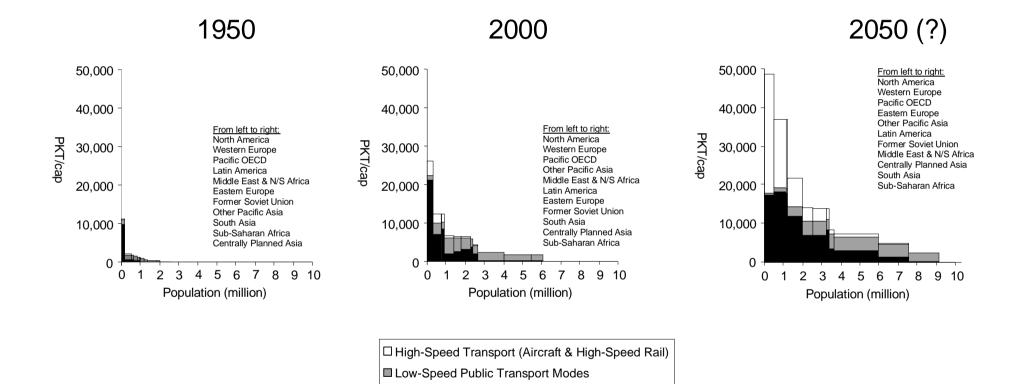
The Rise of High-Speed Transportation



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Evolution of Travel Demand: Past, Present, Future¹²



Light-Duty Vehicles

2050 travel demand > 3 X 2000 level at a roughly 3-fold GDP level



Determinants of GHG Emissions: E/PKT (1)

- Historical trend: initially increasing, then leveling off at roughly 2 MJ/pkm due to
 - Increasing forces: shift toward faster and more energy-intensive modes; shift toward larger and more powerful automobiles; declining automobile occupancy rates; etc.
 - Mitigating forces: strong fuel-efficiency improvements and increasing passenger load factors of aircraft; fuel efficiency improvements of light-duty vehicles within each size class



Determinants of GHG Emissions: E/PKT (2)

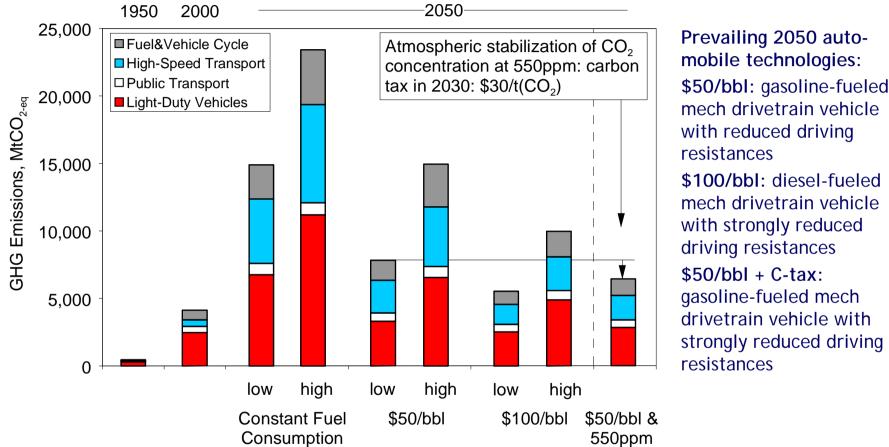
- Opportunities for reduction: significant (30-50%) over the next 20 years at current performance levels
 - Automobile/aircraft engines, others
 - Vehicle driving/flight resistances
- Challenges:
 - Extra costs of fuel-saving technology, consumer preferences, etc.
 - Thus policies required to push fuelsaving technologies into the market



- Historical trend: roughly constant (\approx 73 gCO₂/MJ for petroleum-based fuels)
- Opportunities for reduction: potentially significant but long-term
 - Current vs. second generation biofuels
 - Hydrogen and electricity
- Challenges for alternative fuels:
 - Energy density, convenience, costs, scale (amount and location of resources), environmental, etc.



World Passenger Mobility GHG Emissions



with strongly reduced driving resistances \$50/bbl + C-tax: gasoline-fueled mech drivetrain vehicle with strongly reduced driving

Projected low and high values differ by economic growth rate and thus PKT, mode share, and average E/PKT; and by the displacement of secondary bio-fuels for petroleum fuels. The travel demand underlying the low projections corresponds to the 2050 projection on slide 12



Some Conclusions

- Global travel demand likely to continue to grow strongly; demand growth coupled with a rising relative importance of faster modes
- Large opportunities exist for reducing GHG emissions; but they are more than offset by strong demand growth. Thus, world GHG emission will continue to grow even under stringent GHG mitigation policies
- Policies that focus on GHG mitigation cause technology to change but are unlikely to significantly impact growth in travel demand

