

Planning for Autonomous Vehicles

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Attempts at AVs Are Not New

















Goals for Today

- Primer on AVs
- Planning for AVs
- Work in Toronto
- How Cities and Regions Can Prepare

Elevate the discussion about why and how cities and regions should be **SHAPING** the development of AVs



When will we see public use of AVs on our roads?

- 0-2 Years
- 2-5 Years
- 5-10 Years
- 10-15 Years
- 15+ Years



NHTSA Levels of Automation

System Monitors Environment Human Driver Monitors Environment Driver Conditional Full Partial High Automation Assistance Automation Automation Automation Automation The combination The absence of any Systems that help Automated sys-Automated systems The true electronic assistive features drivers maintain of automatic speed tems that drive and that do everychauffeur: retains full vehicle control. speed or stay in and steering conmonitor the envithing—no human such as adaptive cruise control. lane but leave the trol-for example, ronment but rely backup requiredneeds no human driver in control. cruise control and on a human driver but only in limited backup and drives lane keeping. for backup. circumstances. in all conditions. Who steers. accelerates and decelerates Human driver Human driver System System System System and system Who monitors the driving environment Human driver Human driver Human driver System System System Who takes control when something goes wrong Human driver Human driver Human driver Human driver System System How much driving, overall, is assisted or All driving modes automated None Some driving Some driving Some driving Some driving modes modes modes modes





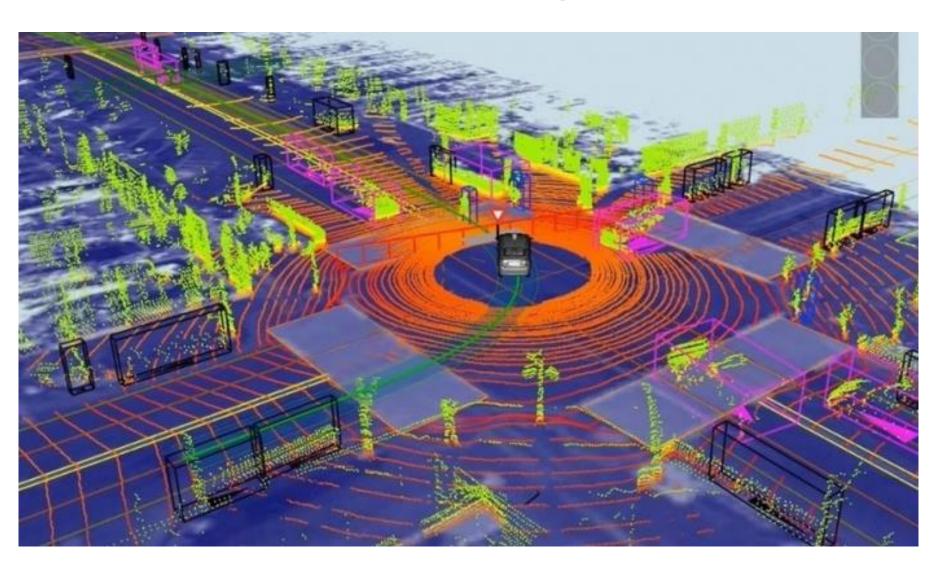








Self-contained "seeing"







The Promise of AVs

- Improved road safety
- Economic benefits of less lost productivity
- More equitable access for all
- Increased travel options
- Reduced stress of driving
- Reduced fuel consumption and emissions
- In the future, greater throughput, reducing congestion







Two Paths





Driven by Auto Industry
Incremental Moves in Functionalities
Mostly Privately Owned
Here Today



Shared Mobility Model (MaaS/TaaS/Robo-taxis)

Driven by Tech and TNCs

Jump to Fully Automated

Transportation-as-a-Service

A few (or many, many) years away





Complexities of AVs

Communications Systems

Technology

Data

Infrastructure

Standards

Ethics

Managing the Transition

Planning

Consumer Preference

Impact to Jobs

Privacy

Security

Liability

Enforcement

Safety

Regulation

Human Factors

Economics

Business Models



Complexities of AVs

Planning





Planning for AVs

- It's no longer "if", but "when"
- It will likely be very, very disruptive
- Over time, will likely transform mobility as we know it
- Will impact how we design, build and operate not only roads, but likely all aspects of our transportation system



Questions on Planning for AVs

- Will they increase or decrease trip-making?
- Will they increase or decrease the distance of trip-making?
- What will be their impact to transit?
- Will it be complementary or supplementary?
- Will we see more VMT or less VMT?
- Will we see more congestion or less congestion?
- Will they support or undermine land use polices?
- Will they impact locational choices of residents and employers?
- How will they impact the economy, industries and goods movement?





Key Unknowns

- Speed of Technological Advancement
- Economics
- Public Acceptance/Public Interest/Willingness
- Political Support
- Market for a Shared Model
 - Economics, Public Acceptance, Political Support



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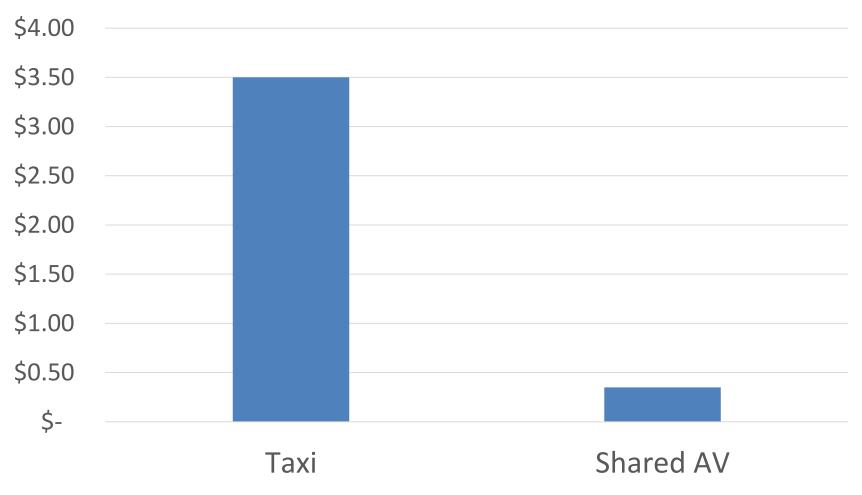
Speed of Technological Advancement

Manufacturer	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020-25	2025-30	2030-35	2035-40	2040+
Audi (III)	2		3		3+	4/5			
	2				4/5				
Ford				2	4/5				
HONDA	2				3				3-4
KIN					3		4/5		
Mercedes-Benz	2								
NISSAN	2		3		4/5				
TESLA	2		4/5						
VOLVO UBER	2	4/5							

Source: Mashable





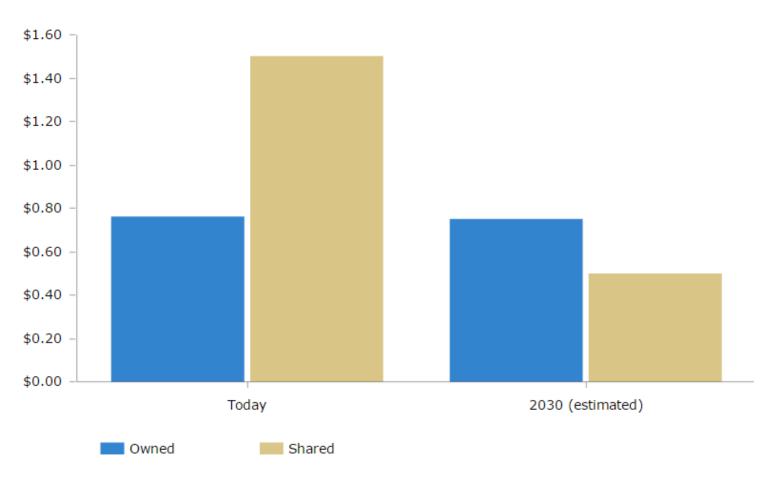


Source: ARK Investment Management





Cost per Mile: Shared vs. Owned

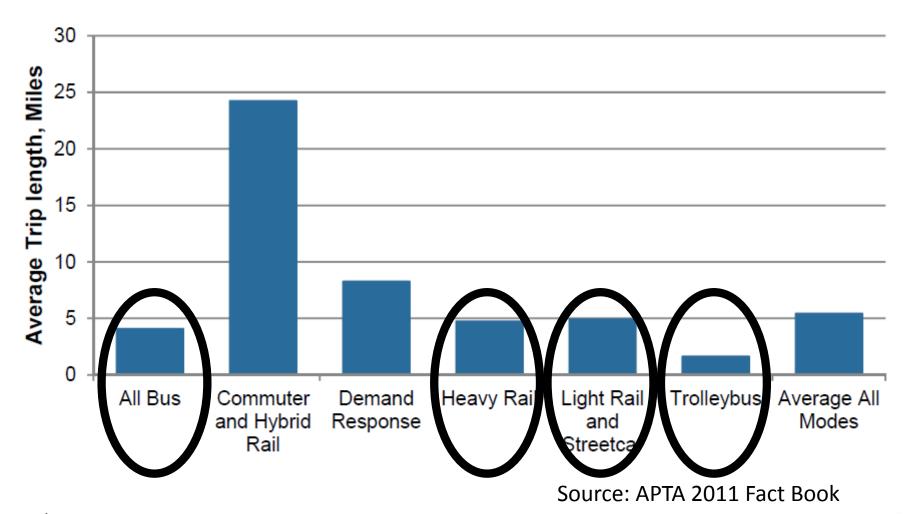


Source: Morgan Stanley (2016)



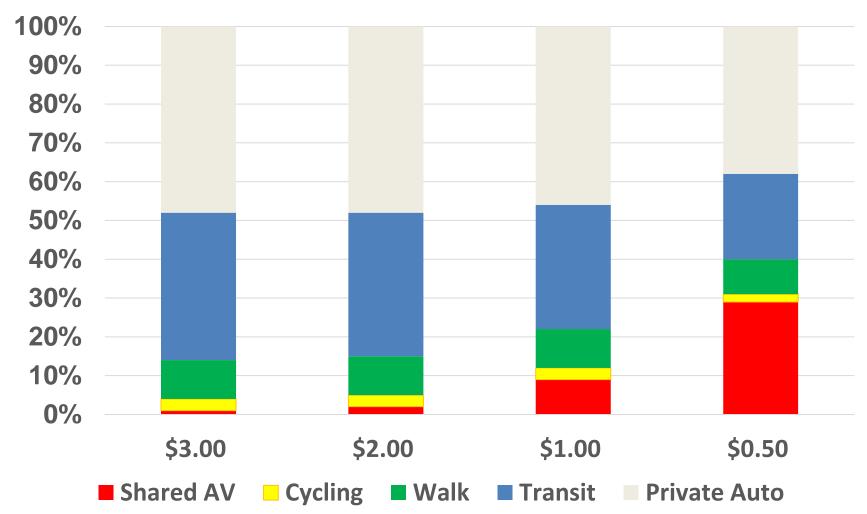


Figure 3: Average Unlinked Passenger Trip Length, 2011





Illustrative Mode Share at Various per Mile Prices



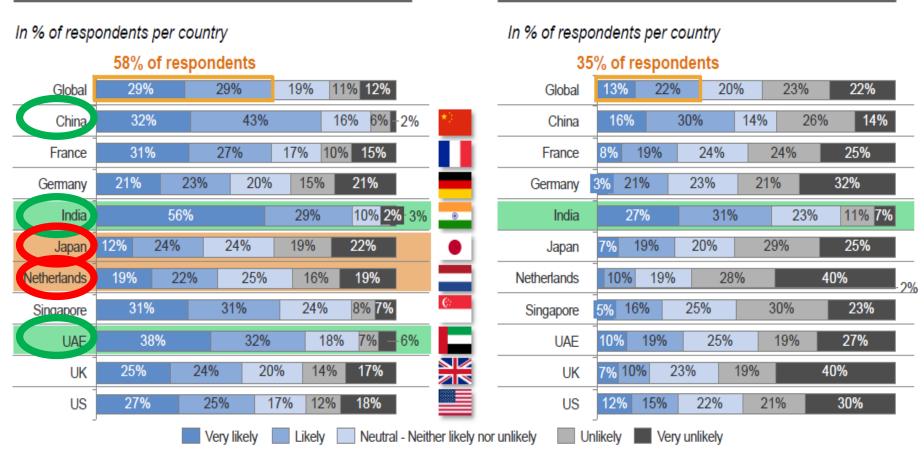




Public Acceptance – Trust of AVs

58% say they would take a ride in a fully self-driving car

... but only 35% of parents would let their children ride alone in one



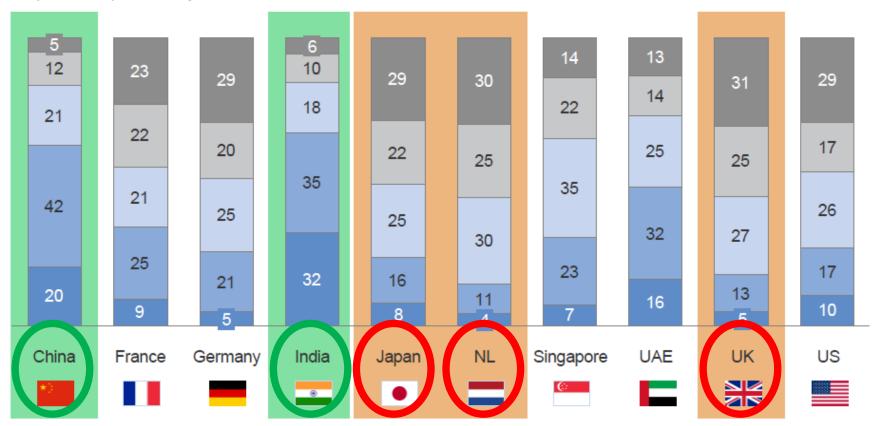






Public Acceptance – Shared Use

In % of respondents per country



Source: World Economic Forum/Boston Consulting Group, 2015.



Political Support

Helsinki "announced plans to transform its existing public transport network into a comprehensive, point-to-point "mobility on demand" system by 2025"

July 10, 2014 theguardian.com

L.A. Mayor Eric Garcetti:
We Will Be the First City to Do Autonomous Vehicles Right

September 29, 2014 citylab.com

Regulations Force Uber, Lyft out of Austin...

May 15, 2016 Cointelegraph.com





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Without a clear understanding of the future, how do we plan?





Toronto Experience

Driving Changes: Automated Vehicles in Toronto

Discussion paper

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Three Scenarios







Ownership Leads

Mixed

Shared Leads



Impacts of Private vs. Mixed vs. Shared

	Private	Mixed	Shared
Collisions	-	-	-
Congestion		?	
Vehicular Mobility			
Equitable Mobility	?		
Cost of Private/Semi-private Vehicular Travel	?	-	-
Carpooling	?		
Passenger Kilometers Travelled			
Vehicle Kilometers Travelled		?	
Fixed Route Transit Demand	•	-	•
Active Transportation	•	?	?
Trend of Intensification	•	?	?
Parking Demand	?		
Right-of-way allocated for vehicles	•	-	
Residential Building/Lot Size	?		
Impervious Areas	?	•	-

How is this Unfolding?

Discussions are happening primarily at the federal and state levels

- Economic development considerations have seemed to be a significant driver of the policy discussions
- Because of the potential "winner take all", stakes are high, companies are moving fast....

Goals of Cities and Regions

- Safety
- Accessibility
- Mobility
- Economic Opportunity
- Quality of Life
- High-Quality Natural and Built Form
- Environmental Sustainability
- Social Inclusion
- Financial Sustainability





Toronto's Draft Vision Statement

Toronto needs to harness the potential of AVs to help us create the City that we want.



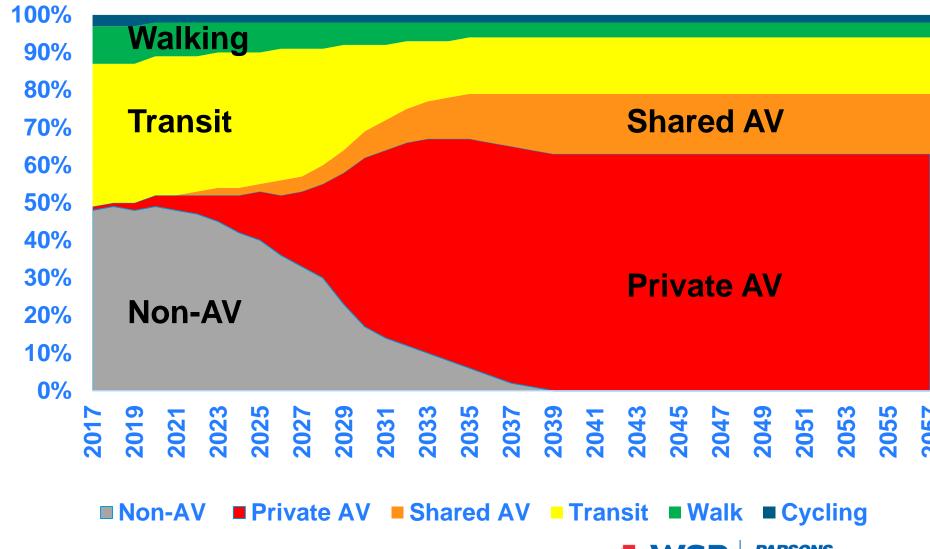


Toronto Transportation Services Work Plan

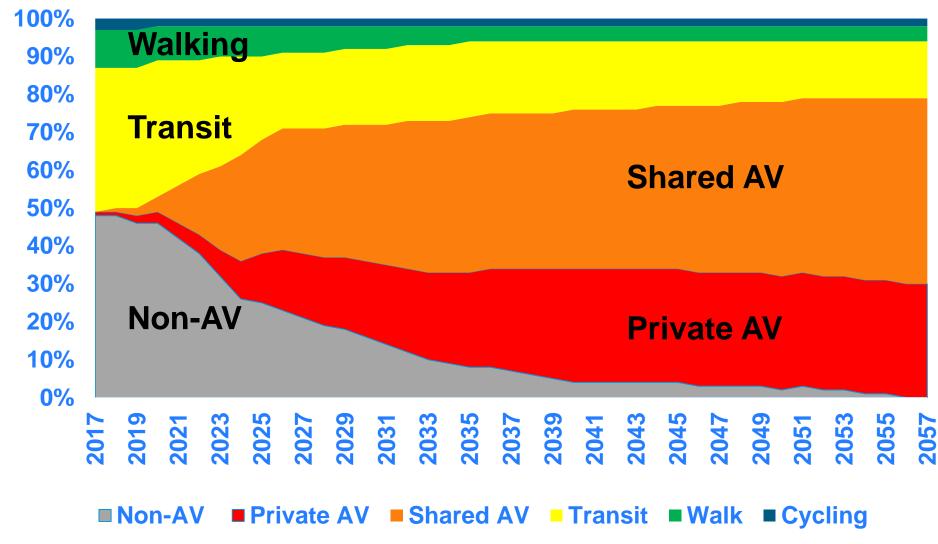




Scenarios – Private Leads



Scenarios – Shared Leads



Takeaways

- This is coming fast guide it or respond to it
- Cities and regions have a chance to shape this, but need to move
- While still many unknowns, we need to start factoring AVs into long-range planning
- Don't let the unknowns and complexities paralyze us



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Tesla Video

→ https://electrek.co/2016/11/18/tesla-self-driving-demonstration-video-real-time-tesla-vision/



Resources



http://smartdrivingcar.com/GreenLight-092316

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Revolution In Roadway Safety

September 2016, "Executive Summary...For DOT, the excitement around highly automated vehicles (HAVs) starts with safety. (p5)

...The development of advanced automated vehicle safety technologies, including fully selfdriving cars, may prove to be the greatest personal transportation revolution since the popularization of the personal automobile nearly a century ago. (p5)

...The benefits don't stop with safety. Innovations have the potential to transform personal

