

### Impacts of the Ride-Sharing Economy

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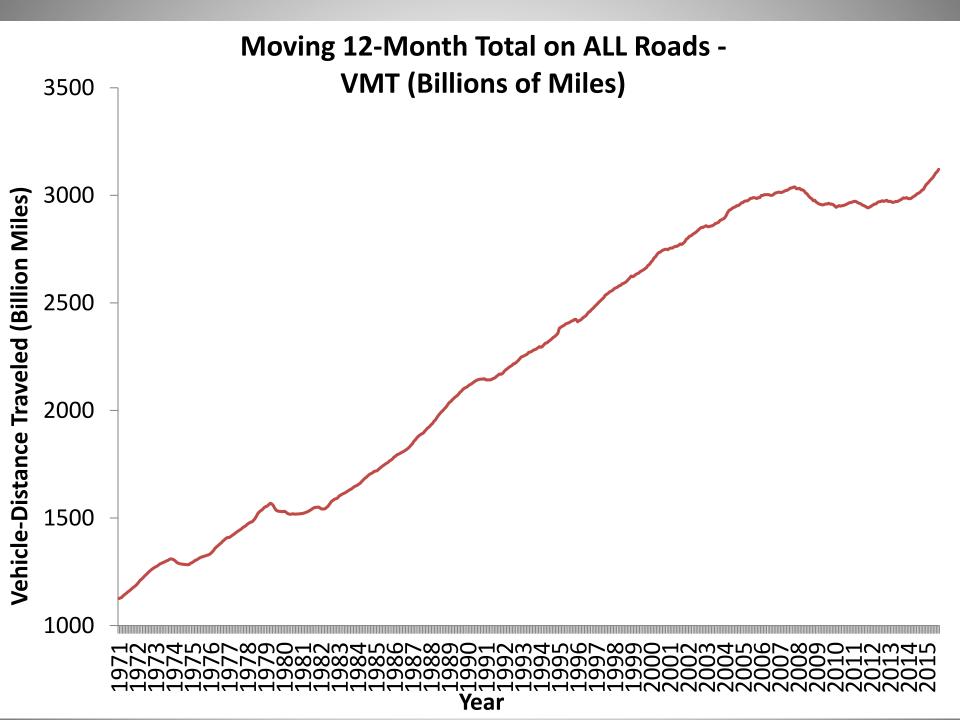


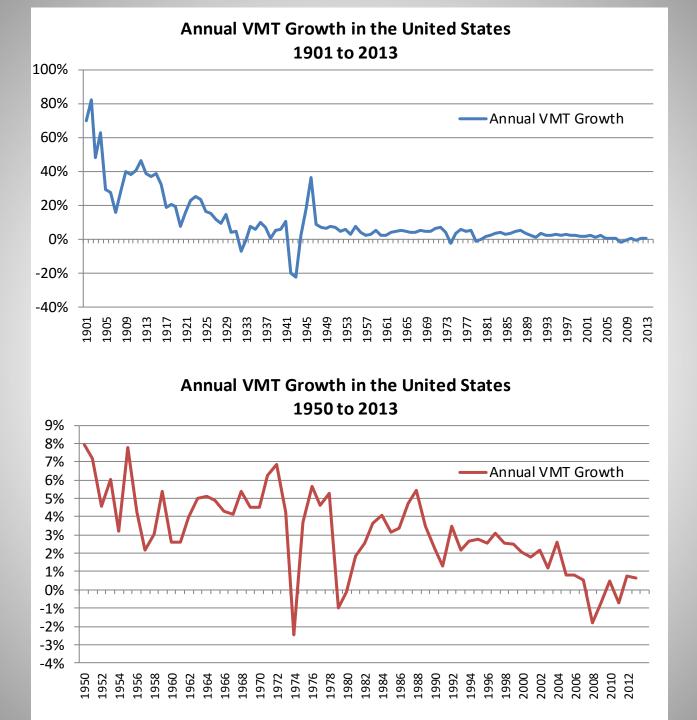


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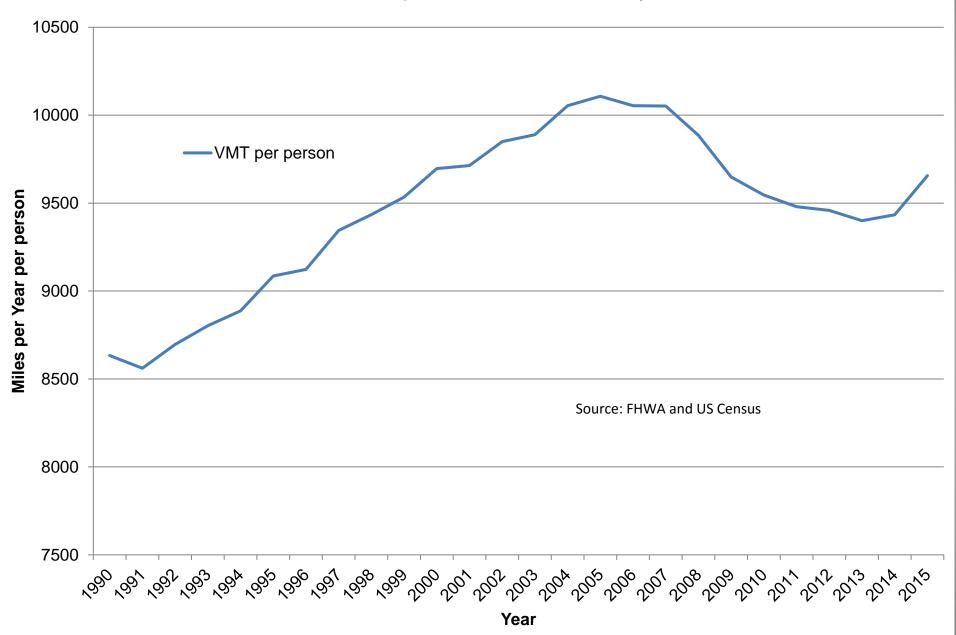
### **Macro Trends in Vehicle Miles Traveled**







#### Vehicle Miles Traveled per Person in the United States VMT and US Census Population Estimate for July of each Year



## Automation and VMT?

- Will automation **increase** or **decrease** VMT?
- Scenario for Increased VMT
  - Personal cars can errands or return home empty, not park at the destination.
  - They drive with 0 occupants, adding to congestion, which the owner does not experience.
- Scenario for Decreased VMT
  - Autonomous vehicles are shared, easily accessible.
  - People reduce personal vehicle ownership.
  - There are fewer cars, personal driving goes down.



## **Shared Mobility**



### **Shared Mobility Ecosystem**

#### Carsharing

- Roundtrip
- One-Way
- Personal Vehicle Sharing (PVS)
  - P2P Carsharing
  - Hybrid P2P-Traditional Carsharing Model
  - P2P Marketplace
  - Fractional Ownership

#### **Scooter Sharing**

#### **Alternative Transit Services**

- Shuttles
- Microtransit

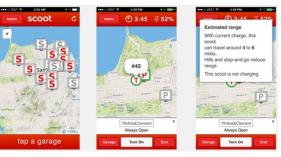
### Ridesharing

- Carpooling
- Vanpooling

#### Courier Network Services (CNSs)

- P2P Delivery Services
- Paired On-Demand Passenger Ride and Courier Services





#### Shaheen et al., 2015

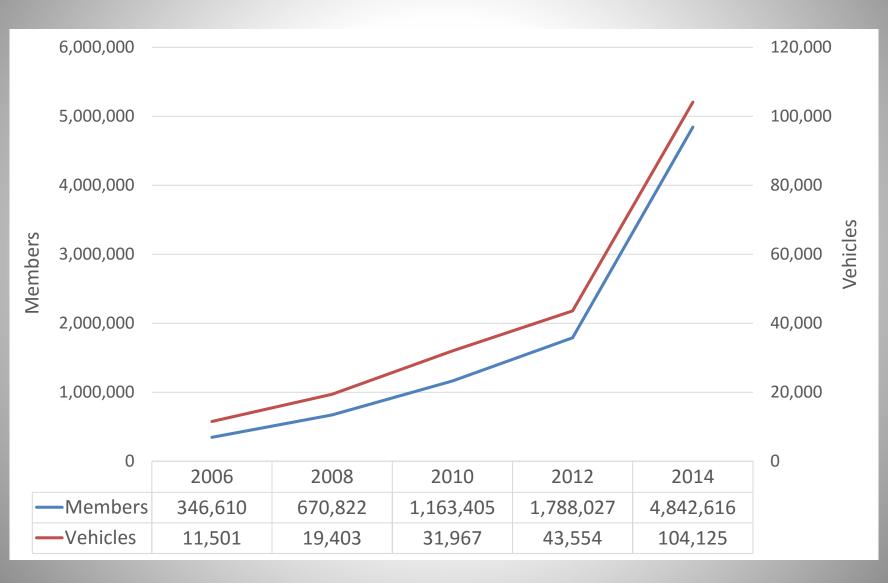
#### Bikesharing

- Public Bikesharing
- Closed Campus Bikesharing
- P2P Bikesharing

### **On-Demand Ride Services**

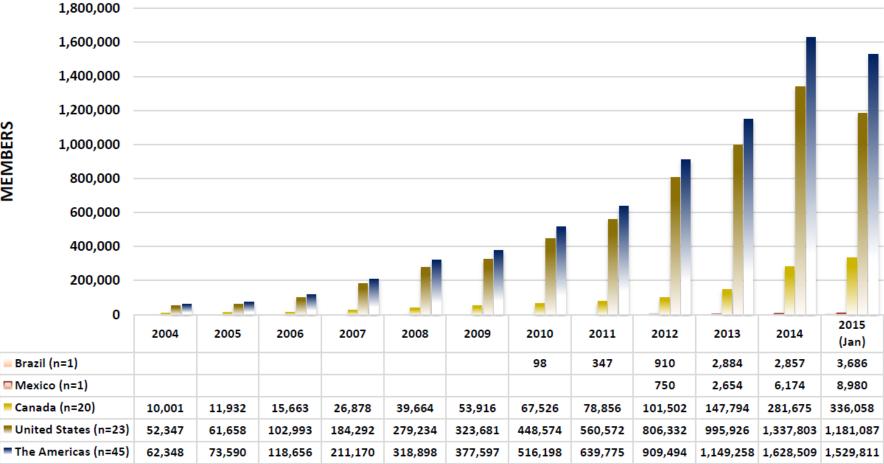
- Ridesourcing/TNCs
- Ridesplitting
- e-Hail

## **Growth of Worldwide Carsharing**



## **Carsharing Growth**

### Member Growth in the Americas\*



# MEMBERS

### Shaheen and Cohen, 2015

### CARSHARING IMPACTS



.58 - .84 metric Reduction of GHG emissions per year for one household (mean observed and full impact)

34% - 41% Reduction of GHG emissions per year for one household (mean observed and full impact)

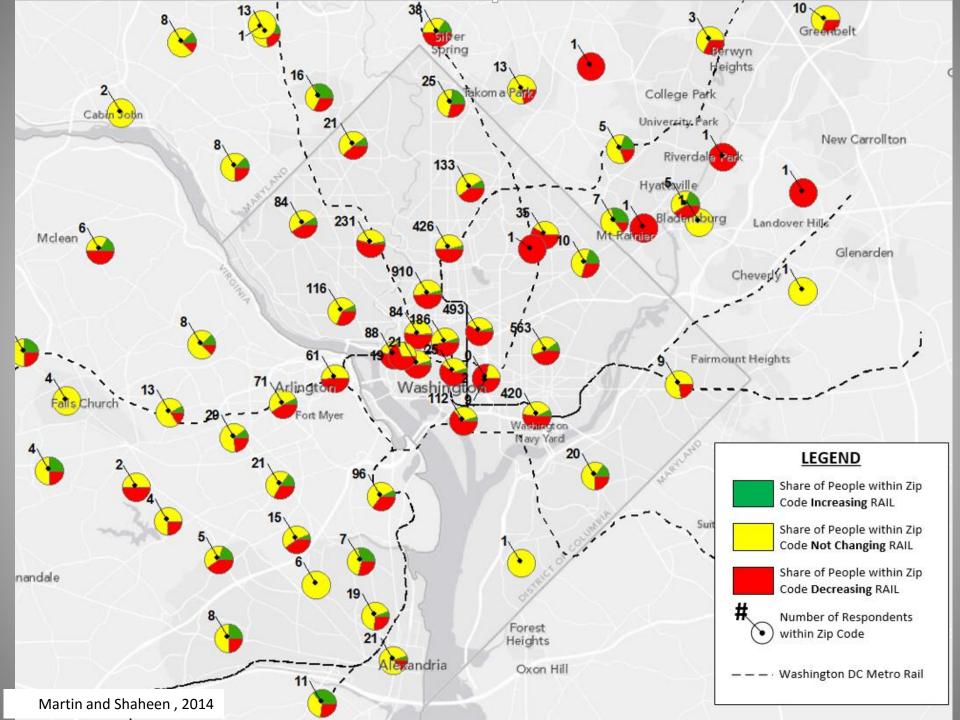
27% - 43% Reduction of VMT per year, considering vehicles sold and purchases postponed

More carsharing users increased their overall public transit and non-motorized modal use (including bus, rail, walking, bicycling, and carpooling) than decreased it.

- For every 5 members that use rail less, 4 use it more.
- For every 10 members that ride the bus less, 9 ride more.

\$154 - \$435 Monthly household savings per US member after joining carsharing

Shaheen et al., 2009



### **Traditional Ridesharing**

- Carpooling and Vanpooling: Travelers group into common trips by private auto/van.
- Differs from ridesourcing in that the primary motivation is collective cost savings.
- Long-term matching can still be challenging for carpooling and vanpooling.
- 662 ridematching services in the U.S. and Canada (24 span both countries).
- Traditional ridesharing most unequivocally reduces VMT.

Chan and Shaheen, 2011

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### **For-Hire Vehicle Access Models**

**Ridesourcing/TNCs:** Service that allows passengers to connect with and pay drivers who use their personal vehicles for trips facilitated through a mobile application

Street Hail: Hailed with a raised hand or by standing at a taxi stand or specified loading zone

E-Hail: Hailed by dispatching a for-hire driver using a smartphone application

## Some Ridesourcing/E-Hail: Market Trends

- Lyft: 150 cities; over 100,000 drivers (2015)
- Uber: 62 countries; 365 U.S. cities (2015); over 162,000 drivers in U.S. (early 2015)
- Flywheel: 6 cities, over 5,000 drivers
- Curb: 60 cities; 35,000 cabs
- Exact size unknown, but believed to be millions of users.

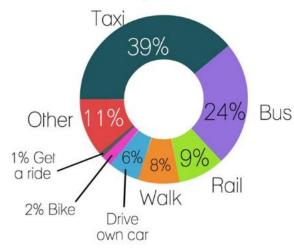


Said, 2015; Miller, 2015; Bloomberg, 2015; Uber, 2015; Townsend, 2015

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### RIDESOURCING IMPACTS

How would you have made this trip if Uber/Lyft/Sidecar were not available?



92% would still have made this trip 8% induced travel effect
33% would have taken public transit (bus or rail)
4% named transit station as origin/destination, suggesting some use ridesourcing to access transit
20% avoided driving after drinking
Rayle et al, 2014

- Ridesourcing impacts on VMT are <u>not known</u> are currently a subject of intensive study.
- Study underway of the GHG and vehicle impacts of Uber and Lyft in the United States.
- Ridesourcing likely increases driving, relative to carsharing.
  - Vehicles that used to wait for the user, now drive to it.
  - But it also brings scale and access of shared mobility to a wider region than carsharing has.

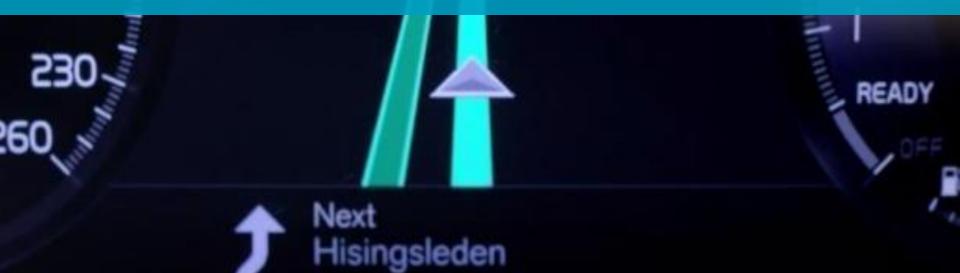


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### **Automated Vehicles**



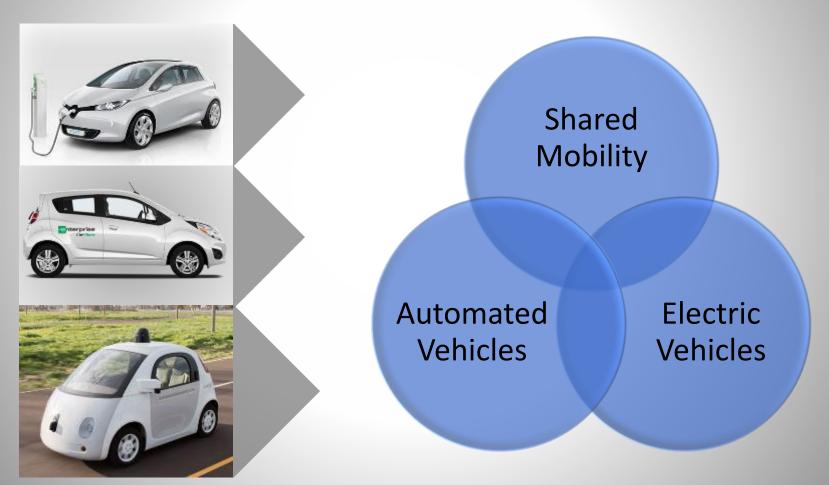
## **Benefits of Automated Vehicles**

- Increased safety
- More efficient road use
- Increased driver productivity
- Energy savings?
- Improved Dispatching
- Improved Ease of Parking
- Improved Ease of Refueling

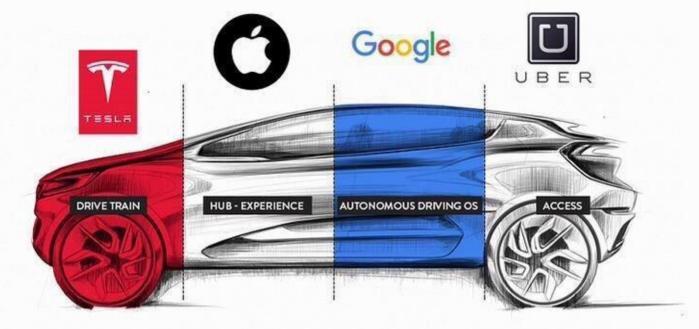


 Improved Mobility for populations unable to drive

## **Future: Confluence of Trends**



Shaheen, 2015



# THIS IS YOUR CAR IN 2020

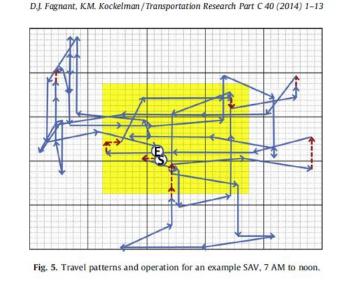
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## **Potential Synergies with Carsharing**

- AVs drive up to carsharing users, reducing access time.
- Self-parking, increase ease of use
- Self-fueling and self-recharging
- Decrease in operator insurance costs
- Provide easier first-and-last mile connections with major public transit corridors

## **Shared Mobility Services: Impacts**

- Fagnant and Kockelman (2014) developed trip generation and distribution model, using agent based simulation.
- They find that shared automated vehicles (SAVs) have potential to mitigate environmental impacts of private auto travel.
- They find that a SAV may replace up to 11 private vehicles.



### Fagnant and Kockelman (2014)

## **Blurring Lines: More Convergence**

Public Transit Services



Michael Galczynski, 2015

Car Ownership / P2P Carsharing

**Carsharing Services** 

Concept: Timothy Papandreou Illustration: Kathleen Phu and Audrey Koh

Bike Share

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Route

Book it

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**The Future** 

## **Concluding Remarks**



- Shared mobility is historically used by:
  - Well educated, younger, living in urban areas
- How to scale this to other populations & land uses (accessibility, families, paratransit)?
- Today, shared mobility systems draw from all modes of transportation. Major reductions in VMT are derived from reductions in vehicle ownership and resulting behavioral change.
- Automation offers great promise to scale shared mobility. Shared mobility in turn may be the path where automation is the most benevolent in terms of VMT and emissions.
- Data and further research is critical to understanding innovative services.

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