# Briefing on the Draft Update of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan for the National Capital

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#### **Overview**

- Previous Plans:
  - -2006
  - -2010
- Updates Every Four Years
- Advisory to the CLRP
  - Only bike and pedestrian projects
  - Not financially constrained
- 2014 Plan has the same structure and purpose as 2010 plan 6/27/2014

Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan for the National Capital Region



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National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

## The 2014 Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

- Identifies major bicycle and pedestrian projects the region wishes to carry out by 2040
  - Contains both funded and unfunded projects
- Incorporates goals and performance indicators for walking and bicycling from:
  - 1999 TPB Vision
  - 2010 COG Region Forward 2050 plan
- Identifies "best practices" likely to be effective in achieving those goals
- Discusses trends in policy, mode share, safety

#### 2014 Plan Outline

- Chapter 1: Planning context of federal, state, and local bicycle/pedestrian policies and plans
- Chapter 2: Demographic and geographic overview of bicycling and walking in the region
- Chapter 3: Pedestrian and Bicyclist Safety
- Chapter 4: Overview of existing facilities
- Chapter 5: Goals and Indicators
- Chapter 6: Best Practices
- Chapter 7: The 2040 Network

## Planning Context (Ch. 1)

**Changes since 2010** 

- RTPP (2014)
  - Adopts TPB Vision Goals
- MAP-21
  - Transportation Alternatives Program
- Complete Streets
  - Regional Policy
  - State and Local Policies
- TIP
  - B/P funding increased from 1% of total in FY 2010-2015 to 2% of total in FY 2013-2018
- Ped/Bike Access to Metrorail
  - Metrorail Expansion

## Walking and Bicycling Trends (Chapter 2)

- 2008-2012 Census ACS Data
  - New on-line mapping tools
  - Can see mode share at the census tract level
- 2013 Commuter Connections State of the Commute Survey
- 2012 Rail Passenger Survey
  - Pedestrian and Bicycle access to Metrorail

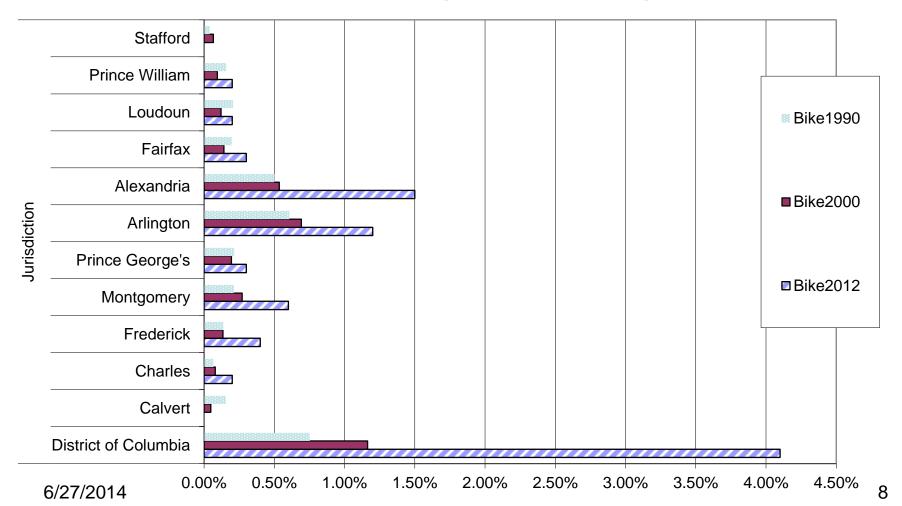
### **Ten Largest Metro Areas**

(Chapter 2)

|    | Table 2-2: % Bike to Work in the Ten Largest Metropolitan Areas (US Census) | 2000  | 2006-2008 | 2008-2012 |
|----|---|-------|-----------|-----------|
| 1  | San Francisco   | 1.12% | 1.4%      | 1.7%      |
| 2  | Los Angeles   | 0.63% | 0.7%      | 0.9%      |
| 3  | Boston  | 0.38% | 0.7%      | 0.9%      |
| 4  | Philadelphia  | 0.33% | 0.5%      | 0.6%      |
| 5  | Chicago   | 0.31% | 0.5%      | 0.6%      |
| 6  | Washington  | 0.30% | 0.5%      | 0.6%      |
| 7  | New York  | 0.30% | 0.4%      | 0.5%      |
| 8  | Houston   | 0.30% | 0.3%      | 0.3%      |
| 9  | Detroit   | 0.18% | 0.2%      | 0.2%      |
| 10 | DallasFort Worth  | 0.14% | 0.2%      | 0.2%      |
|    | United States   | 0.38% | 0.5%      | 0.6%      |

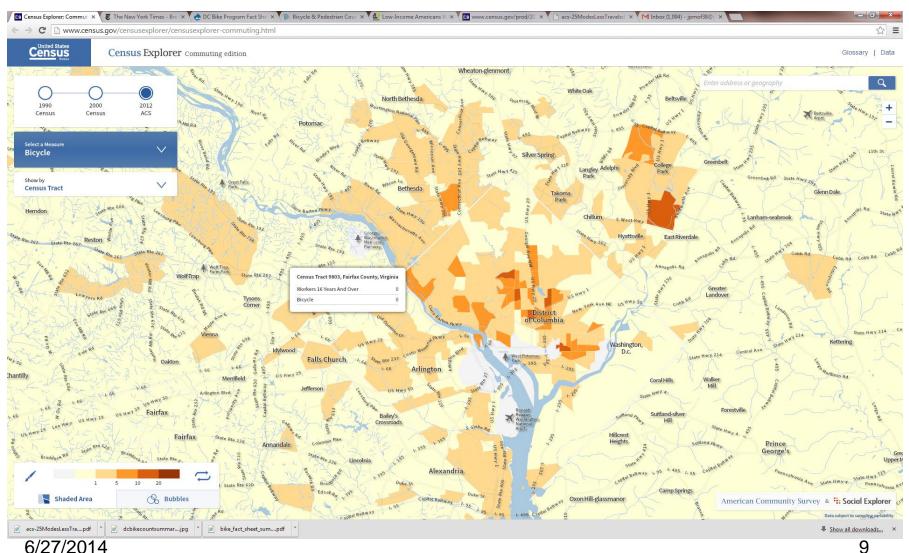
#### **Jurisdiction Mode Share**

**Chart 2-15: US Census - Percentage of Workers Biking to Work** 



## Bike to Work by Census Tract

http://www.census.gov/censusexplorer/censusexplorer-commuting.html



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#### **Metrorail Access**

| Table 2-8: Mode of Access to Metrorail - % of Daily Total | 2012 | 2007 | AM<br>Peak<br>- 2012 | AM<br>Peak<br>- 2007 |
|---|------|------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Bus   | 15.3 | 15.6 | 21.9                 | 22.2                 |
| Auto Driver   | 12.6 | 13.7 | 25.6                 | 29.3                 |
| Auto Passenger<br>(drop off)                              | 4.5  | 5.5  | 7.8                  | 9.3                  |
| Rode with someone who Parked                              | 0.5  | 0.6  | 0.9                  | 1                    |
| Bike  | 0.7  | 0.5  | 1.0                  | 0.7                  |
| Walk  | 62.2 | 62.1 | 37.3                 | 33.3                 |
| Commuter Rail   | 1.5  | 1.7  | 3.5                  | 3.8                  |
| Shuttle   | 2.5  | n/a  | 2.0                  | n/a                  |
| Taxi  | 0.2  | 0.2  | 0.1                  | 0.2                  |

MEDICAL CENTER BEFORE AND AFTER, REPLACING OLD RACKS





VIENNA STATION BEFORE AND AFTER, NEW ACCESS POINT





FRANCONIA - SPRINGFIELD BEFORE AND AFTER, NEW SIDEWALK TO IMPROVE SAFETY



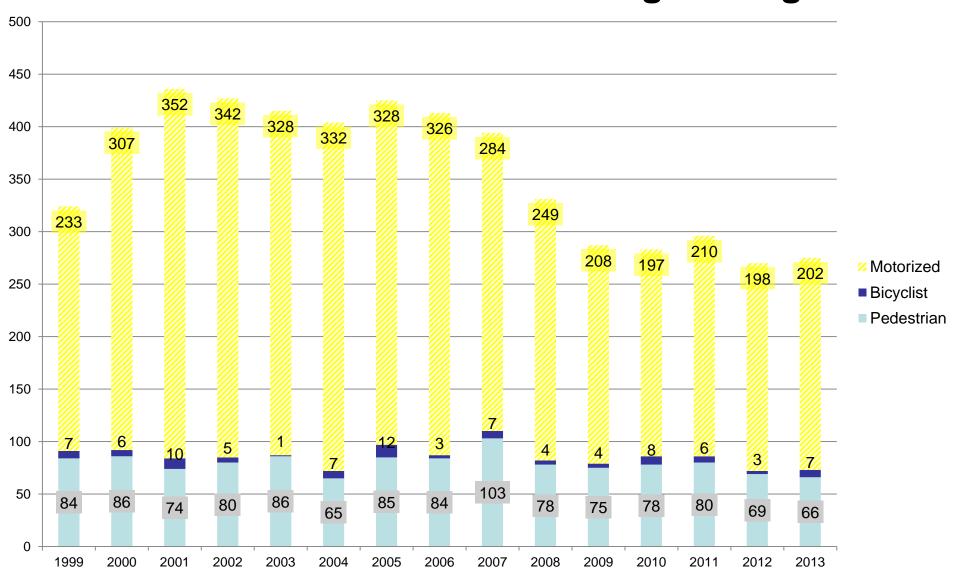


## Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety

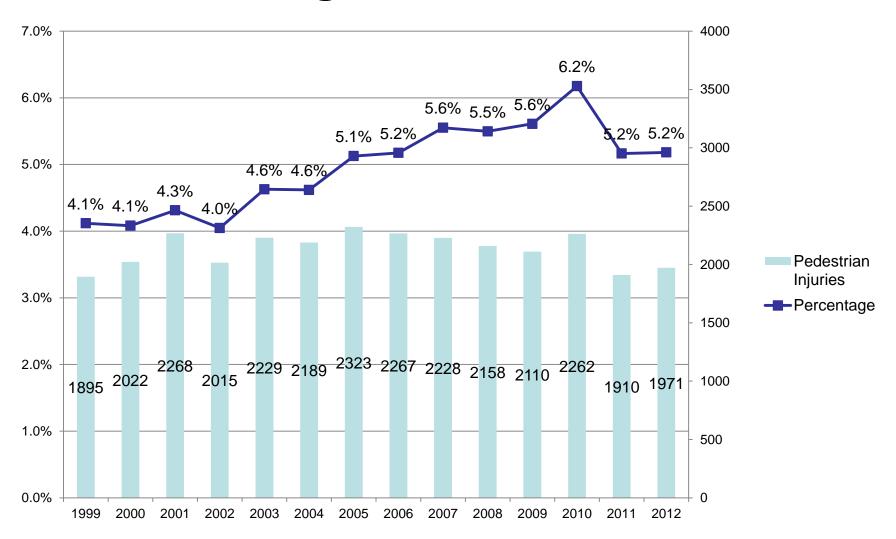
(Chapter 3)

- Pedestrian fatalities have increased nationally since 2009
  - The Washington MSA ranks 24<sup>th</sup> out of the 51 largest metro areas in terms of pedestrian fatalities per capita.
- Pedestrian and bicyclist fatalities account for more than ¼ of the region's traffic fatalities
  - That proportion has been rising as other types of fatalities have decreased

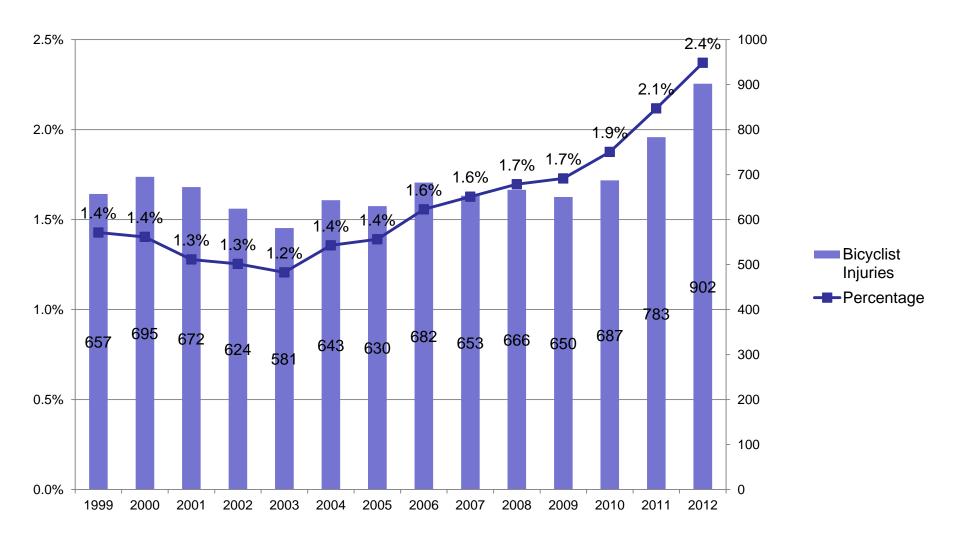
#### **Traffic Fatalities in the Washington Region**



## Pedestrian Injuries in the Washington Region, 1999-2012



## Bicyclist Injuries in the Washington Region, 1999-2012



#### **Chapter 4: Existing Conditions**

(Changes since 2010)

- Bike Lanes
  - Colored lanes
  - Buffered lanes
  - Now found outside DC,
     Arlington, & Alexandria
- Multi-Use Paths
- Cycle Tracks
- Bike Parking
  - Corrals
  - Bike Cages, "Bike 'N Ride"
- On line routing and mapping tools



### **Capital Bikeshare**

- Rapid Growth
  - Opened Fall 2010
  - 2500 bicycles at over 300 stations in DC, Arlington, Alexandria, & Montgomery
  - Over 45,000 annual members
  - 310,322 trips in May 2014
  - 114,107 trips in January2014
- Bikeshare coincided with rapid growth in bicycling



### **Chapter 5: Goals & Indicators**

- Drawn from Region Forward
- No Change Anticipated since 2010

## **Chapter 6: Best Practices**

- Some changes since 2010
  - More discussion of Complete Streets
  - NACTO Guides

### Chapter 7: The 2040 Network

- Will show the major bicycle and pedestrian projects in State and local plans in the Washington Region
  - No fiscal constraint
- Tasks:
  - Complete Bike/Ped Project Database
    - Track changes since 2010
    - Map selected projects
- Need input from DDOT, Fairfax, and Prince
   George's Counties

#### **Review Schedule**

- July 3rd: Complete Database Update
- July 9th: Post draft plan
- July 15<sup>th</sup>: Bicycle and Pedestrian
   Subcommittee Review
- Late August: Brief Plan Work Group
- September 5th: Brief TPB Tech
- September 16: Bike/Ped Subcommittee
   Approval
- September 17: TPB Information Item
- October: TPB Approval

#### **Follow-On Actions**

- Database Updates Every 2 years
  - Measure progress
  - Tool for generating lists of "ready to go" projects
- Progress Reports to TPB Every 2 years
  - Projects completed
  - Other indicators as data is available
- Plan Updates
  - Every 4 years
  - General information for bicycle and pedestrian planning in the region
  - Changes in best practices, goals