

Dear Marylander:

We need YOUR input and participation to help shape the 2040 Maryland Transportation Plan. The Maryland Transportation Plan, or MTP, establishes a 20-year vision for transportation in the State and provides policy direction through statewide multimodal goals and objectives. The MTP outlines the State's overarching transportation priorities and helps define transportation decision-making within the larger context. In turn, the MTP guides the development of the Consolidated Transportation Program (CTP), which identifies specific road, bridge, transit, aviation, port, pedestrian, and bikeway projects that will be funded over the six-year capital program.



The MTP is updated every 5 years through extensive consultation and coordination with state, regional, and local government stakeholders. It is also updated through outreach to Maryland's citizens, whose input and viewpoints are vital in shaping the MTP. For more information, visit the 2040 Maryland Transportation Plan website at [www.mdot.maryland.gov/MTP](http://www.mdot.maryland.gov/MTP).

Between November 2017 and January 2018, a survey was conducted as part of MDOT's public outreach effort to gather input for the 2040 Maryland Transportation Plan. At the end of the survey period we had well over 5,000 participants and thousands of comments regarding the future of Maryland's transportation. Participants were asked to rank their #1 transportation priority in the State, as well as types of strategies they want the Maryland Department of Transportation to focus on. The results of this survey will be available on the 2040 MTP website.

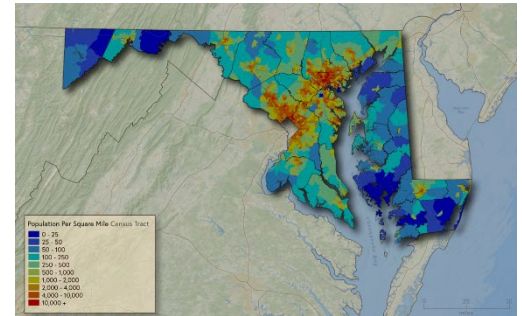
This invaluable feedback has been used to draft the goals and objectives for Maryland's Transportation Plan. These draft goals and objectives can be viewed by visiting the 2040 MTP website, where you can also **provide your own input through February 12, 2018**, as well as stay involved as we develop the Draft 2040 MTP. We would like to thank everyone who participated in the survey and gave their input on the transportation topics that were most important to them.

### Maryland's Transportation System

- Most of Maryland's freight movement is by truck.
- Much of Maryland's truck demand is in Central Maryland – Maryland carried \$410 billion in freight (air, rail, truck, and water) in 2016.
- Maryland congestion costs users \$2.167 billion annually.
- BWI passenger numbers are increasing over the long term (2000 – 2016).
- Maryland transit ridership is slightly down (2008 – 2016) – 225,000,000 in FY 2016 with a total average weekday ridership of 369,215 (local bus, subway, MARC train, and light rail).
- MVA transactions are increasing after a drop during the recession.
- Maryland has 452 electric charging stations and 1,147 charging outlets.

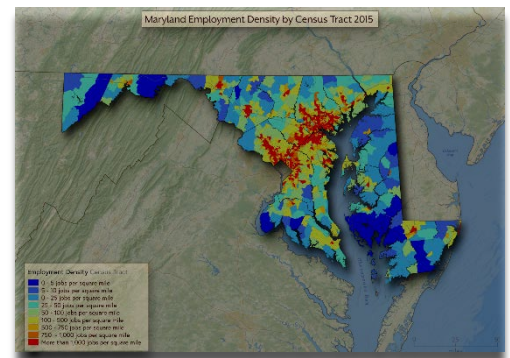
### Maryland's Population (See Population Density Map, right)

- Population is densest in Central Maryland.
- Marylanders are getting older and make up a higher percentage of the population in non-urban areas.
- Outside of Baltimore City, the highest poverty rates are concentrated in Western Maryland and Eastern Shore.
- Population growth projection is a 13.6% growth from 2016 to 2040.



### Maryland's Economy (see Employment Density Map, right)

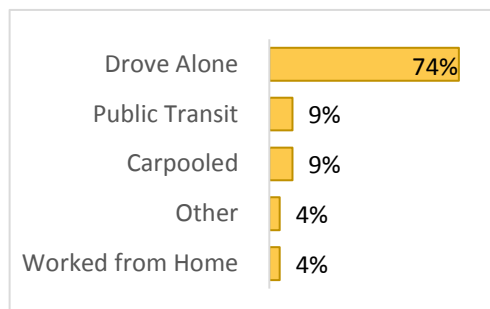
- Employment is concentrated in key locations in and near major cities and along transportation arteries.
- Maryland's economy is dominated by *services and government sectors*.



### Maryland's Travel Trends

- After decreasing during the recession, vehicle miles traveled (VMT) is growing again.
- Percentage of licensed Maryland drivers remained steady from 2010 – 2014.

### How Marylanders Commute



**MDOT Mission Statement:** The Maryland Department of Transportation is a customer-driven leader that delivers safe, sustainable, intelligent, and exceptional transportation solutions in order to connect our customers to life's opportunities.

**Ensure a Safe, Secure, and Resilient Transportation System** – Enhance the safety and security of Maryland's multimodal transportation system and provide a transportation system that is resilient to natural or man-made hazards.

- Reduce the number of lives lost and injuries sustained on Maryland's transportation system.
- Provide for the secure movement of people, goods, and data.
- Provide a resilient multimodal system by anticipating and planning for changing conditions, and hazards whether natural or man-made.
- Improve roadway clearance times and facilitate efficient and coordinated responses to emergency and disaster events throughout the transportation system.

**Maintain a High Standard and Modernize Maryland's Multimodal Transportation System** – Preserve, maintain, and modernize the State's existing transportation infrastructure and assets.

- Preserve and maintain State-owned or funded roadways, bridges, public transit, rail, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, ports, airports and other facilities in a state of good repair.
- Strategically modernize infrastructure through new and innovative technology, enhanced partnerships, design standards, and practices to facilitate the movement of people and goods.
- Use asset management to optimize public investment and ensure the sustainability of the transportation infrastructure.

**Improve the Quality and Efficiency of the Transportation System to Enhance the Customer Experience** – Increase the use of technologies and operational improvements to enhance transportation services and communication to satisfy our customers.

- Increase the efficiency of transportation services through partnerships, advanced technologies, and operational enhancements to improve service delivery methods.
- Enhance customer satisfaction with transportation services across all modes of transportation.
- Minimize travel delays and improve predictability of travel times on Maryland's transportation system.
- Apply enhanced technologies to improve communications with transportation system users and to relay real time travel information.

**Provide Better Transportation Choices and Connections** – Improve transportation connections to support alternative transportation options for the movement of people and goods.

- Enhance, through statewide, regional and local coordination, transportation networks to improve mobility and accessibility.
- Increase and enhance multimodal connections to improve movement of people and goods within and between activity centers.
- Inform and educate customers on transportation options and benefits.

**Facilitate Economic Opportunity and Reduce Congestion in Maryland through Strategic System Expansion** - Invest in and pursue opportunities to promote system improvements that support economic development, reduce congestion, and improve the movement of people and goods.

- Pursue capital improvements to the transportation system that will improve access to jobs and tourism, and leverage economic growth opportunities.
- Improve the movement of goods within and through Maryland by investing in intermodal connections and improvements to reduce freight bottlenecks.
- Strategically invest in expansion and operational improvements to reduce congestion along the multimodal transportation system.

**Ensure Environmental Protection and Sensitivity** – Deliver sustainable transportation infrastructure improvements that protect and reduce impacts to Maryland’s natural, historic, and cultural resources.

- Support broader efforts to improve the health of the Chesapeake Bay, protect wildlife, conserve energy and address the need for climate resilient transportation infrastructure.
- Employ resource protection and conservation practices in project development, construction, operations, and maintenance of transportation assets.
- Implement transportation initiatives to reduce or mitigate harmful emissions and improve air quality.
- Enhance the performance of the transportation system while protecting and enhancing the natural, historic and cultural environment through avoidance, minimization and mitigation of adverse impacts.

**Promote Fiscal Responsibility** – Ensure responsible investment and management of taxpayer resources to add value and deliver quality transportation improvements through performance based decision-making and innovative funding mechanisms and partnerships.

- Accelerate project completion through improved and efficient use of alternative project delivery methods and strategic partnerships.
- Provide transportation services and solutions that maximize value.
- Ensure a consistent revenue stream and ample financing opportunities.