# REGION FORWARD ECONOMIC COMPETITIVENESS INDICATORS UPDATE AND REPORT

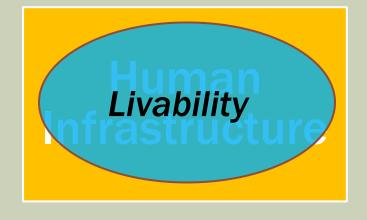


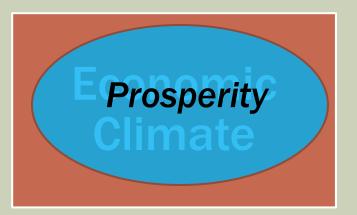
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### FOUR PILLARS OF COMPETITIVENESS









### **BUILDING UPON REGION FORWARD**

- Region Forward 2.0
  - Relevant
  - Substantive
  - Interactive
  - Direction Setting
- Economy Forward
- Place + Opportunity
- Regional Transportation
   Priorities Plan
- Housing Security Study
- 2015 Infrastructure Report

- + Related Work by RF Partners:
- Brookings Institution
- George Mason
   University, Center for
   Regional Analysis
- Urban Land Institute
- Washington Regional Grant Makers
- Urban Institute

### REGION FORWARD COALITION ECONOMIC COMPETITIVENESS

**January**: Dr. Stephen Fuller, GMU: From Company Town to Global Business Center

- Decline in Federal government as economic driver
- Need to focus on exports, STEM and education at all levels

April: Ken Ulman, University of Maryland: Fearless Ideas - A Great University Town

- Culture of Innovation
- Startup Shell incubators for students

Dr. Terry Clower, GMU: Improving the Region's Global Competitiveness

- "Global fluency": the level of global understanding, competence, practice, and reach that a metro area exhibits in an increasingly interconnected world economy
- An agenda for Global Fluency in metropolitan Washington

### REGION FORWARD COALITION ECONOMIC COMPETITIVENESS

**July:** Dr. Courtney Silverthorn: Federal Lab Consortium for Tech Transfer (FLC)

- What is the role and changing relationship of the federal government in fostering innovation through the FLC?
- Technology Transfer (T<sup>2</sup>) Impacts in patents, licenses and income

#### **September:** Bob Sweeney: Washington 2024 Olympic Bid Chair

- Leveraging existing infrastructure, supporting planned transportation improvements
- Bipartisanship and regional unity
- Impact of negative perception of Washington

## STATE OF THE REGION: ASSESSING THE ECONOMIC COMPETITIVENESS OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

- I. Introduction: Why Focus on Economic Competitiveness?
- II. What makes a region economically competitive?
- III. Economic Climate Assessment
- IV. Built Infrastructure Assessment
- V. Human Infrastructure Assessment
- VI. Quality of Life Assessment
- VII. Opportunities to strengthen our regional economic competitiveness

### METRICS ANALYZED IN THE REPORT

- Economic Climate & Innovation (Prosperity):
  - Annual job growth
  - Growth in wages and Gross Regional Product (GRP)
  - Federal employment and procurement
  - Total employment
  - Core industry sectors
  - Patents issued
  - Academic and federal research tech transfer
  - SBIR + STTR funding
  - Venture capital
  - Fortune 500 presence
  - Philanthropy

### METRICS ANALYZED IN THE REPORT

- Built Infrastructure (Accessibility):
  - Housing and job distribution in Activity Centers
  - Affordable housing region-wide
  - Affordable housing in Activity Centers
  - Commercial development, housing and job growth in Activity
     Centers
  - Housing and Transportation (H+T) costs in Activity Centers
  - Job accessibility by transit
  - Mode choice
  - Transportation infrastructure

### METRICS ANALYZED IN THE REPORT

#### **■ Human Infrastructure**:

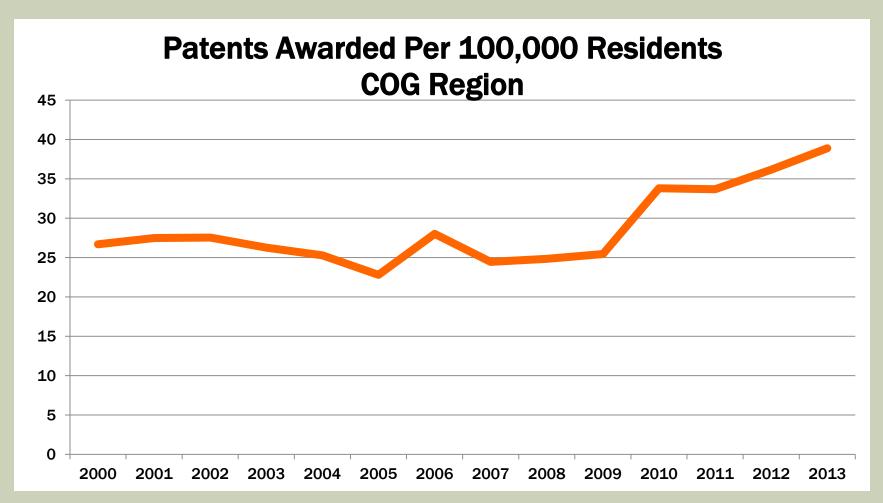
- High school graduation rate
- Educational attainment
- Labor force participation rate
- Job skill levels

#### Quality of Life (Livability & Sustainability):

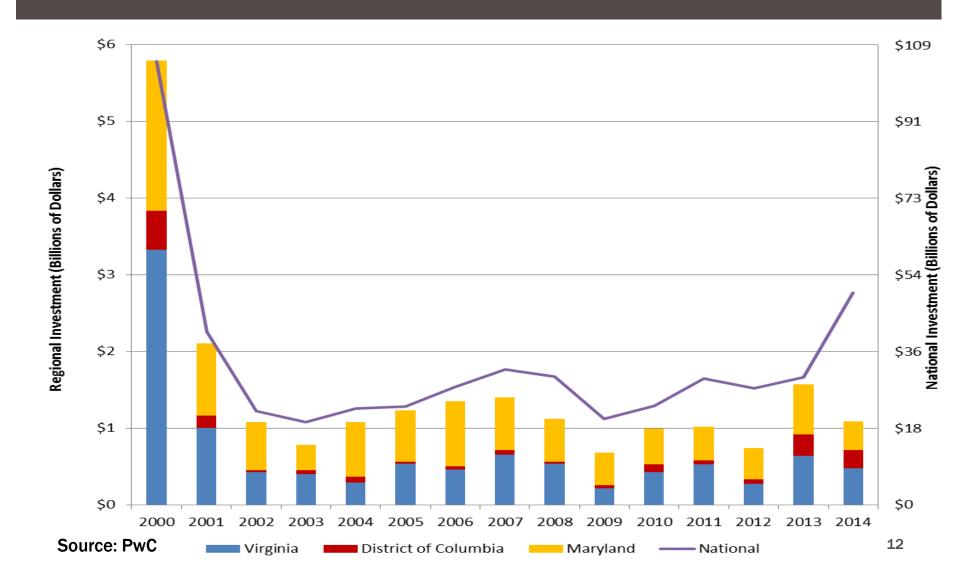
- Housing cost-burdened renters and owners
- Adult obesity
- Miles of bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure
- Poverty and concentrated poverty

### **INDICATORS SNAPSHOT**

### ECONOMIC CLIMATE & INNOVATION: PATENTS

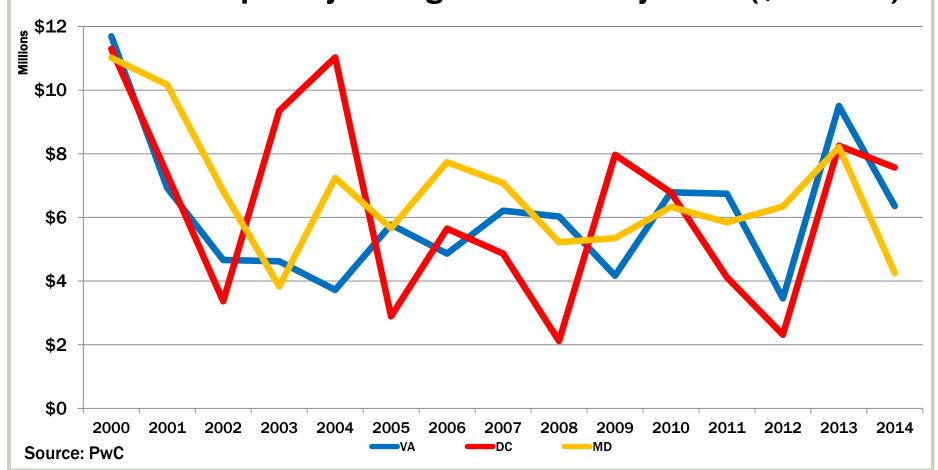


### ECONOMIC CLIMATE & INNOVATION: VENTURE CAPITAL



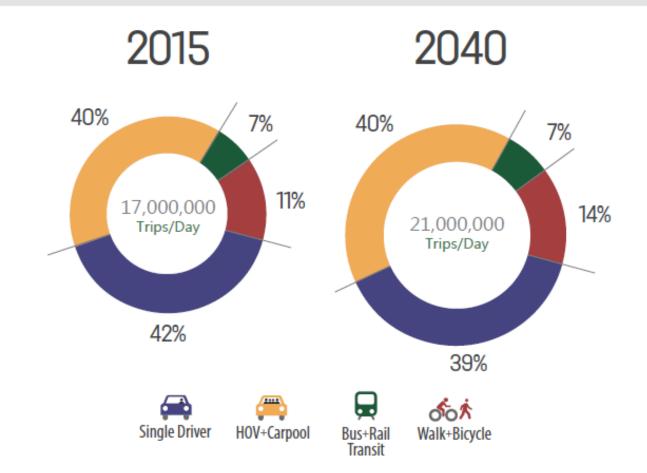
### ECONOMIC CLIMATE & INNOVATION: VENTURE CAPITAL

### **Venture Capital by Average Deal Value by State (\$ Millions)**



### BUILT INFRASTRUCTURE: MODE SHARE OF DAILY TRAVEL

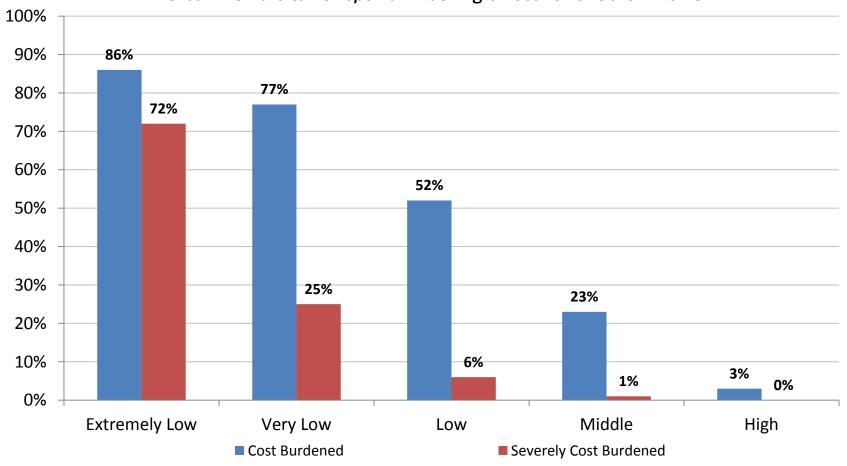
### **Daily Travel - Mode Share** (2015-2040)

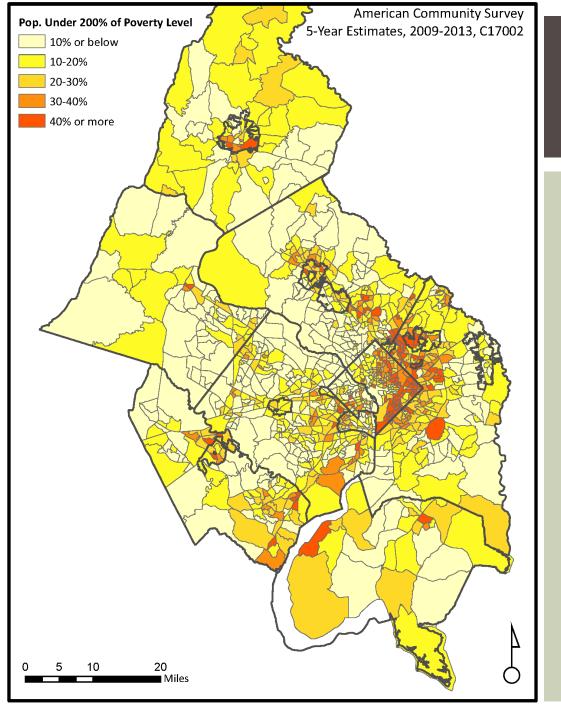


### QUALITY OF LIFE: COST-BURDENED HOUSEHOLDS

#### Cost Burdened Renter Households by Income Level, 2009-2011

Source: Housing Security in the Washington Region, Urban Institute & Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments





### QUALITY OF LIFE: CONCENTRATED POVERTY

### REQUEST FOR THE COALITION: "COMPETITIVENESS SNAPSHOTS"

#### **Examples of local/regional:**

- Companies
- Industries
- Initiatives
- Policies
- Partnerships



#### that highlight:

- Innovation
- Economic competitiveness
- Regional collaboration











#### **NEXT STEPS**

- November 12 COG Board review of report outline
- November / December final updates to data, draft of report
- January 13, 2016 COG Board receives final report