Urban & Metropolitan Transport Issues in Korea –
 Make Drivers Uncomfortable,
 Passengers Comfortable.

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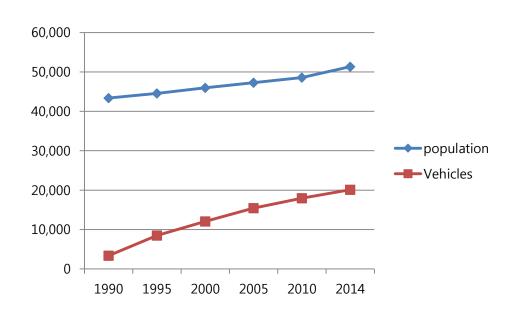
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Overall Trend

Population and Vehicle Growth Trends

	Population	Vehicles
1990	43,390	3,390
1995	44,554	8,470
2000	45,985	12,060
2005	47,279	15,436
2010	48,580	17,943
2014	51,328	20,120

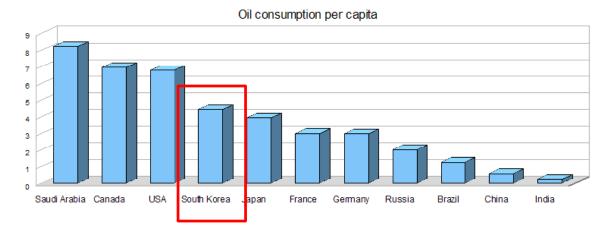


For the last 20 years, vehicle increase 137.5% while population increase 15.2%



Given Condition

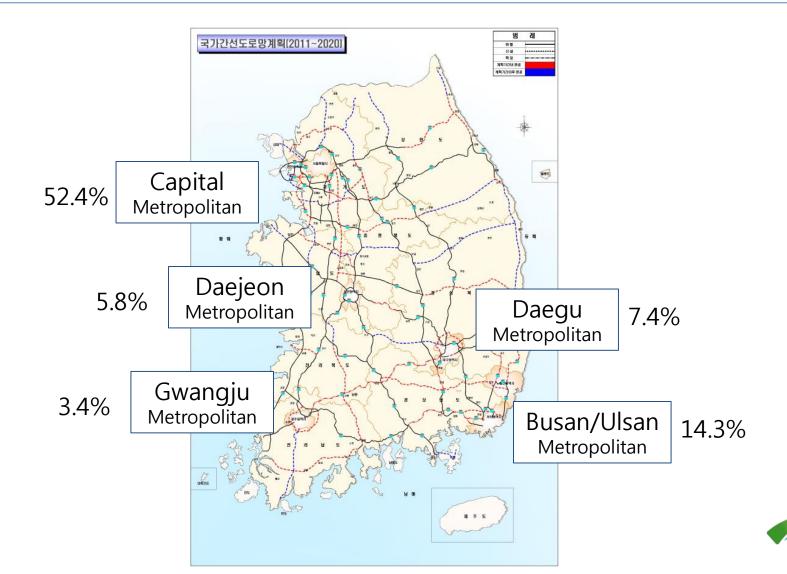
One of the top oil consumers per capita



 Investment for Infrastructures is not easy due to costly land price in metropolitan area and tight budget.



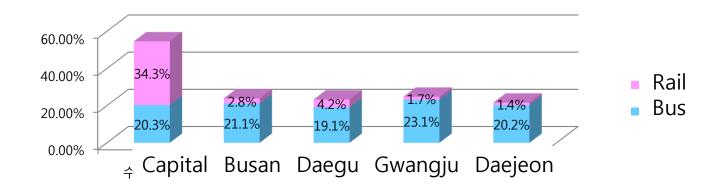
Five Metropolitan Areas, 83.4%



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Metropolitan Transport Demand

- As metropolitan areas expand, more and more people commute longer distance.
- In Capital metropolitan area, public transit share amounts to 54.6% due to well-developed rails.
- However, less than 25% share in other areas.





Capital Metropolitan Area

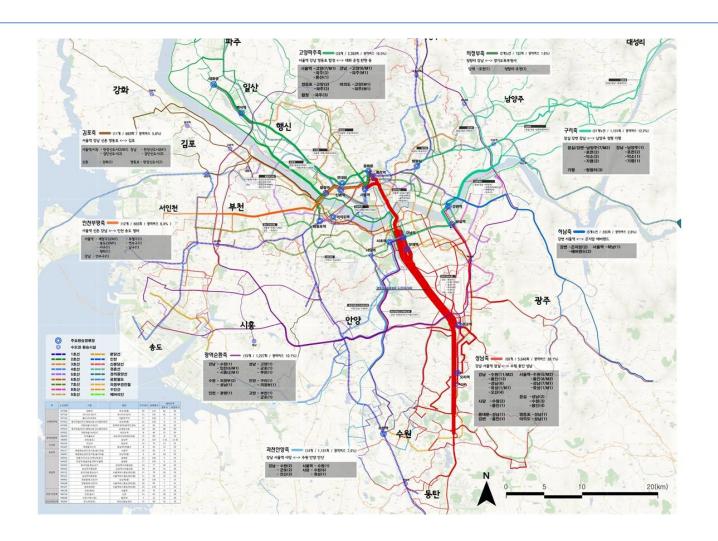


Three Regional Governments

- > Seoul
 - -605 km^2
 - 10,529 K people (41.1%)
 - 4,498 K employed (48.5%)
 - 3,008 K Vehicles
- > Incheon
 - $-1,041 \text{ km}^2$
 - 2,851 K people (11.1%)
 - 848 K employed (9.2%%)
 - 1,233 K Vehicles
- Gyeonggi-do
 - 10,170 km²
 - 12,240 K people (47.8%)
 - 3,920 K employed (42.3%)
 - 4,667 K Vehicles



Rails, BRTs, Buses in Capital Metropolitan Area





What MOLIT does ...

Based on Special Act on Metropolitan Regional Transport Management,

- sets up 20 year long-term basic plan on vision and strategy and 5 year mid-term implementation plan.
- provides grants related to Metropolitan Regional Transport Projects such as
 - Roads 50%, Rails 70%, Transfer Centers 30%, BRTs 50%,
 - Transit-only Street \$3million/km.

Also, manages laws and regulations related to

- Urban Transport: Traffic Demand Management such as Charges on Transport Generating Facilities, Congestion Charge, ...
- Public Transit: Transport Card,
- Parking Lot: Required # of parking lots for



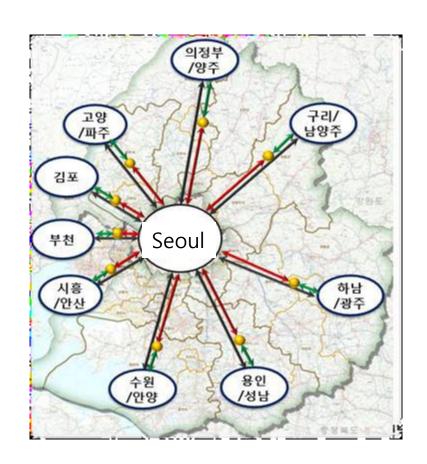
What regional governments do ...

- Seoul and Incheon are responsible for planning and implementing transport projects within their jurisdiction and managing urban transport.
- Gyeonggi-do has 27 cities and 5 counties which share the responsibilities of transport projects and management.
- Metropolitan Transport Association is organized to deal with Transport issues across the boundaries of jurisdictions.
- To tackle the challenge of metropolitan regional transport, cooperation is crucial.



Pending Issues at Hand

- 3.4 million people commute from Incheon/Gyeonggi-do to Seoul thru 9 transport axis.
- People drive cars (41.6%), take rails (24.1%) or buses (34.3%).
- Some regional buses take highways.
 (The law requires every passenger to wear a seatbelt on highway.)
- During rush hour, some buses are packed with passengers even standing at aisle.
- For safety, we have to resolve this to make all passengers seated.





We are currently implementing

- Rail Projects to divert bus passengers to rail.
- Straightening and simplifying bus routes to shorten travel time.
- Building regional transit transfer centers.
- Providing Bus Information (location, remaining seats, etc) thru mobile phone or Internet.
- Operating double deck buses at some routes to accommodate more passengers per travel.
- Establishing a Control Tower with authority.
- Rationalization of Public Transit Fare.



Traffic Demand Management in Seoul

Flex Time & Flex Place

Business Demand Control Traffic Generation

Charge

Promote Public **Transit**

Traffic Congestion Charge

Modal Split of Public Transit 63.0%

In spite of increasing number of vehicles, average speed is continuously improving.

> Road Diet Lane Reduction

Car Rest Day 1 day out of 5 Weekdays

> Parking Control Maximum Parking Standards Parking Pricing Regulate Illegal Parking

Promote Walk & Bicycle



Hurdles in TDM

- Promoting Public Transit raised modal split to 63%, but still occupancy of cars stands at 25.9%.
- 22% of Business participates in <u>Traffic Demand Control Program</u>.
- Rather low <u>Traffic Generation Charge</u> for business facilities is no burden. The Charge is to be gradually raised from \$0.35/m² to \$1/m² by 2020.
- Maximum Parking Standards are applied only to new buildings and therefore have limited effect. Some of the demand is transferred to other buildings.
- Parking Price is stagnant since 1996.
- 40% of cars are participating at <u>Car Rest Day Program</u> (1 day in 5 weekdays). But the number of cars are increasing faster.
- <u>Traffic Congestion Charge</u> is imposed at two main arteries. The low fare has limited effect.



Not Easy but We plan to

- Enforce strict parking policy:
 - Rationalize parking fare.
 - Strengthen max. parking standards.
 - Crack down on illegal parking with heavy penalty.
- Introduce area-based congestion charge and reform roads, routes, traffic signals for faster trip.
- Maximize the use of Information & Communication Technology for TDM.



To Make Public Transit Convenient

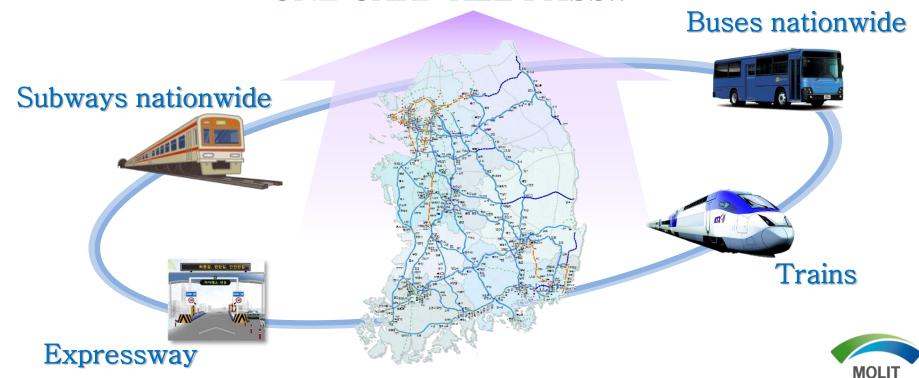
- Transport Card One Card All Pass (OCAP)
- Bus Information System
- Integrated Long-Distance Bus System
- TAGO (Transport Advice on Going Anywhere)
- Expansion of M-Bus Service and BRT
- Improvement of Public Transit Quality



Transport Card



ONE CARD ALL PASS!!



Bus Information System









TAGO





Bi-Modal Test-run at Sejong BRT





Transit-only Street





Long Way Ahead

- As far as urban and metropolitan transport concerns, Public Transit is the only solution.
- We have to make drivers uncomfortable and passengers comfortable.
- Challenge goes on.
- Let's work for better tomorrow.



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Thank you

