Making the Link Between Smart Growth and Jobs



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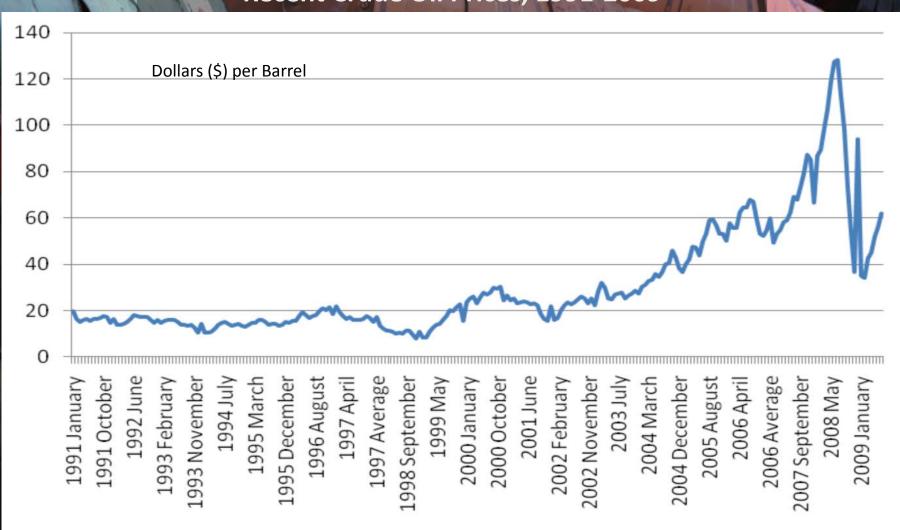
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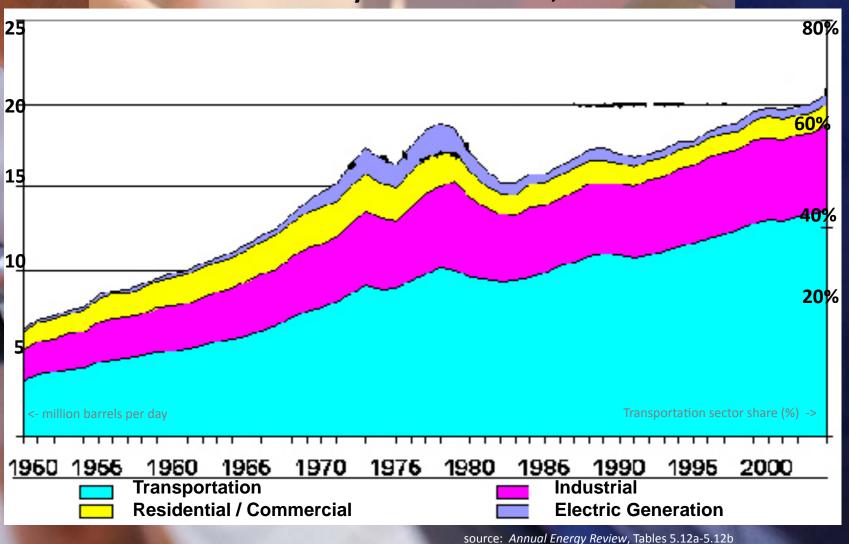
Oil prices are volatile...

— Recent Crude Oil Prices, 1991-2009 —

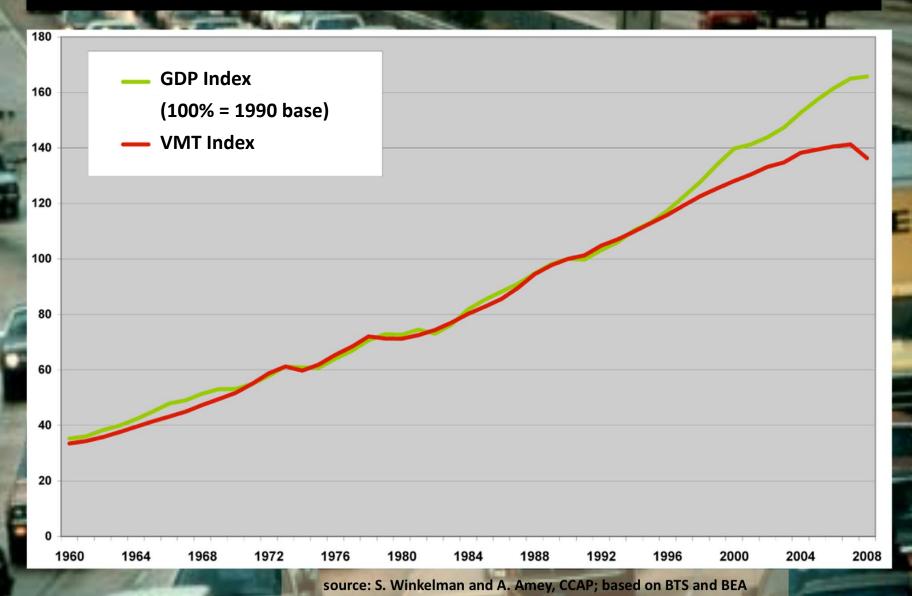


Where is all that oil going?

— U.S. Oil Demand by End-Use Sector, 1950-2004



GDP and VMT Nationwide, 1960-2008



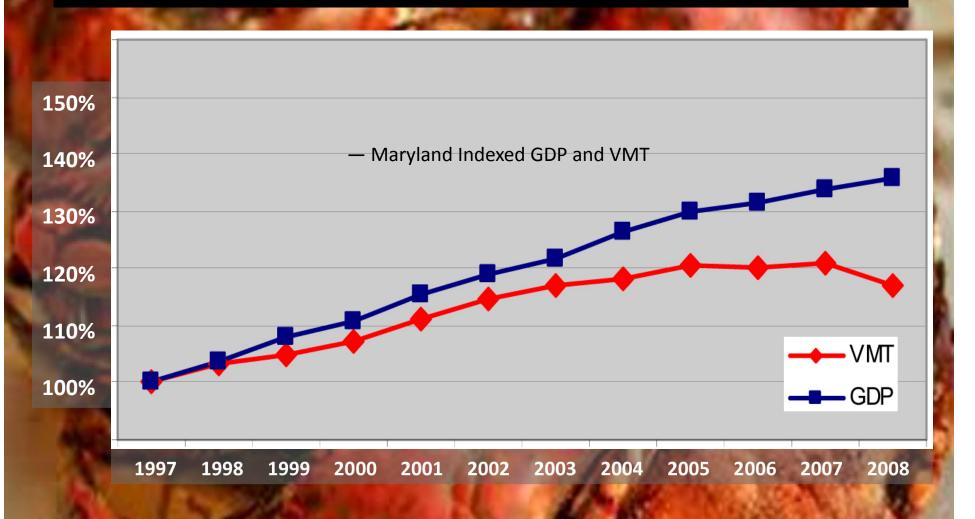
What is GDP?

The total value of all final goods and services produced within a nation in a particular year

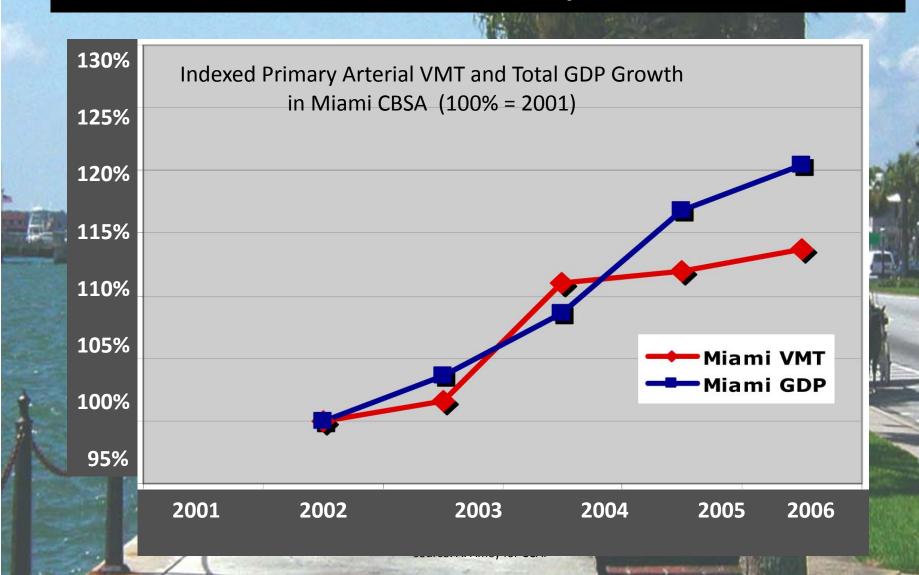
A measure of expendable income

A measure of jobs

Maryland GDP and VMT, 1997-2008



Miami GDP and VMT, 2001-2006





Why are people walking more?

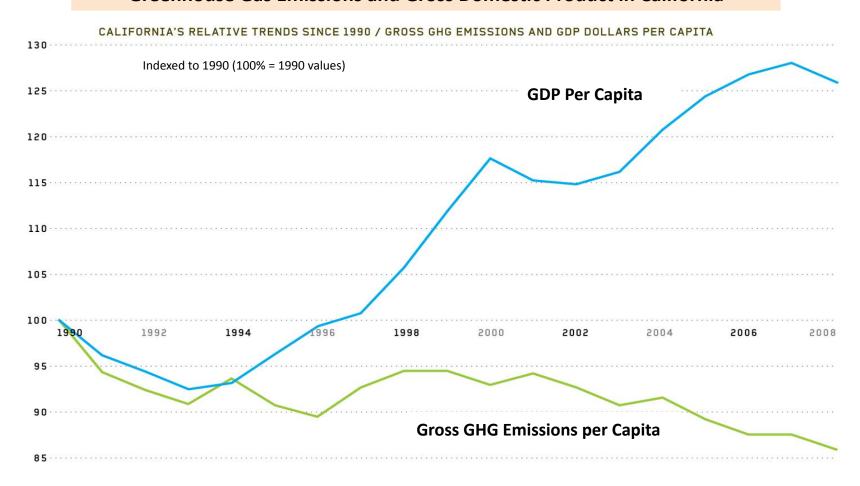


More bikes mean more money



Growing a greener economy

— Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Gross Domestic Product in California —



Next 10 California Green Innovation Index. Data source: California Air Resources Board, California Greenhouse Gas Inventory—by Sector and Activity; Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce; California Department of Finance; Collaborative Economics





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Where does the money go?



Most of the money that you pour into your car for gas leaves the local economy

Your job creates jobs!



For more information:

Local Government Commission www.lgc.org

GROWING WEALTHIER

Center for Clean Air Policy

www.growingwealthier.info