

Electric Vehicles in the DC Metro Region

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About Atlas Public Policy

- DC-based policy tech firm started in 2015
- Mission: equip businesses and policymakers to make strategic, informed decisions through the greater use of technology that interprets publicly available information

Atlas Key Focus Areas

- Access: Collect and disseminate publicly available information for free.
- Interpret: Develop open-source apps to spur insights and conduct analyses.
- **Empower**: Strengthen policymakers, businesses, and non-profits' ability to meet emerging challenges and identify and seize opportunities.

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Cities Take the Lead with Electric Vehicles

- Many factors affect electric vehicle viability in a regional market
 - States have taken various approaches to advancing EVs
 - States serve as experimental laboratories to identify what's working
- State and local policy, available technology, and market conditions are constantly evolving
 - Defining "what's working?" requires analysis of local and time-based data to identify trends and glean insights





Must Identify & Evaluate Factors Driving EV Market

- Must drill down from national level and understand regional markets
- State and local policies and activities are greatest drivers of EV adoption
 - All leading markets have supportive policies and programs
- Many additional factors create EV adoption opportunities and barriers
 - Supportive policies do not guarantee success
 - Intrastate market success can vary greatly



Source: Analysis of data from hybridcars.com & U.S. Energy Information Administration



Regional Factors Drive EV Market Success





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- DC metro region charging network
 - Level 2 dominated by ChargePoint
 - DC fast charging dominated by EVgo
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EVs in the DMV: Drilling Down to DC

- Filtering to show only DC reveals EV sales surge in 2016
 - Follows record sales at national level
 - Data unavailable for final month of Q3



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EVs in the DMV: Drilling Down to DC

- Very little DC fast charging stations
 - Makes all-electric ownership more difficult for garage orphans





EVs Can Also Benefit All Electricity Ratepayers

- California public utility commission concluded state achieves net economic benefits with greater EV adoption
 - EV owners monthly bills more than offset costs to serve incremental load and put downward pressure on rates
- Grid-specific research needed to evaluate societal benefits for other regions





Potential Role of Electric Utilities in EV Charging Infrastructure



Source: CMK Consulting



Shared-Use Mobility Programs using EVs

- <u>Evercar</u> rented EVs to drivers of ridehailing services such as Uber and Lyft in Los Angeles and San Francisco (ended in October 2016)
- <u>BlueIndy</u> carsharing service gives users access to a fleet of EVs and charging stations in Indianapolis
- <u>WaiveCar</u> in Los Angeles focuses on underserved communities, connecting users with ad-supported EVs that users can drive for free

Shared-Use Mobility

- Complements local public transit
- Ride-hailing: The user is a passenger in a hired vehicle, primarily for one-way trips.
- Carsharing: The user has access to a fleet of vehicles to drive for a one-way trip and/or roundtrip.

10 businesses worldwide have EVfocused carsharing programs (5 are exclusive EV programs)



E-Mobility Program Development Process

Conduct Market Potential Assessment

- Near-term feasibility
- Environmental performance
- Cost Effectiveness
- Local Economic Impact

Explore E-Mobility Concepts



 Case study on concept Develop E-Mobility Program(s)

- Barriers addressed
- Role of government and private sector
- Metrics for program evaluation



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