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## **FOREWORD**

The Middle East and North Africa region is experiencing, more than ever before, a significant transformation in public transport and urban mobility, driven by substantial investments and innovative projects. From Dubai's fully automated metro system—now expanding its bus fleet with alternative fuel buses and pioneering air taxi technology, pushing the boundaries of urban transport even further—to Oman's plans for the Muscat Metro and the rollout of several electric bus projects, the newly launched \$22.5 billion Riyadh Metro in Saudi Arabia, Qatar's state-of-the-art Doha metro, home to the world's largest e-bus deport and Lusail tramway, as well as micromobility options like e-scooters and shared bikes rapidly gaining popularity as convenient and sustainable first- and last-mile solutions, the region is embracing innovation to address rapid urbanisation and the growing demand for sustainable mobility. Abu Dhabi is advancing with initiatives such as the trial of the Automated Rapid Transit system and the implementation of the Green Bus Program, further enhancing its efforts in moving towards a more accessible and sustainable urban environment. Bahrain's metro project, with 29 kilometers of elevated tracks and 20 stations, and Iraq's metro plans in Baghdad are also emerging as transformative projects. Meanwhile, Algeria, Morocco, and Tunisia are witnessing a further development of their urban mobility landscape with new BRT systems, tramway expansions, suburban rail network, and light rail transport projects, which are already reshaping the way people move around their cities.

In this dynamic context, this new edition of the MENA Transport Report, like its predecessors, aims to provide a comprehensive look at the progress and trends shaping the region's mobility landscape. Over the years, this report has established itself as the premier reference for public transport professionals in the MENA region, as well as for those with a keen interest in the region, offering actionable insights for policymakers, urban and mobility planners, and industry stakeholders.

This edition broadens its scope, covering public transport systems in 40 cities across 14 MENA countries. It also provides a deeper benchmarking analysis and tailored recommendations aimed at helping cities moving toward sustainable, efficient and more accessible public transport systems.

The successful completion of this report would have not been possible without the dedication and expertise of our UITP CTE MENA team. Their commitment to thorough research, meticulous data analysis, and thoughtful synthesis of insights has been invaluable in shaping this publication.

As in past editions, this report is made possible by the invaluable contributions of UITP's trusted members, whose expertise and on-the-ground knowledge ensure the reliability of the data and the comprehensiveness of the analysis. Their role remains essential in supporting the region's efforts to improve mobility and advance sustainable transport solutions.

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## **INTRODUCTION**

In 2007, for the first time in human history, the global urban and rural populations reached parity. Since then, urbanisation has continued at an accelerating pace, reshaping economies, societies, and mobility patterns worldwide. According to United Nations forecasts, by 2030, 60% of the world's population will be living in cities. However, this urban growth is not evenly distributed. While high-income countries continue to urbanise at a slower rate, low- and middle-income countries are witnessing the fastest expansion, leading to profound shifts in the global urban landscape.

In 1950, over half of the world's urban population (53%) was concentrated in Europe (38%) and North America (15%). But as the balance of urbanisation shifts, these regions are expected to account for just 9% and 6% of the world's urban population by 2050, respectively. The remaining 85% of the world's urban inhabitants will be concentrated elsewhere, notably in Asia, Sub-Saharan, and the Middle East and North Africa (MENA). These regions are already experiencing rapid population growth, increased urban density, and rising demand for mobility solutions that need to keep pace with expanding cities.

Across the world, regardless of geography, mobility is a fundamental human need. Cities are not static entities; they evolve continuously, shaped by economic, social, and environmental forces. The most successful cities are those that anticipate growth, plan ahead, and integrate mobility into their urban development strategies. When transport systems are well-designed, they enhance economic vitality, social cohesion, and environmental sustainability. Conversely, poorly planned transport infrastructure can lead to congestion, pollution, economic inefficiencies, and reduced quality of life.

This report aims to bring clarity to the state of urban mobility in the MENA region, offering a comprehensive assessment of current trends, challenges, and opportunities. While it does not seek to fully deconstruct the complex interactions between urbanisation, other dynamics of the city and transport systems, it provides a structured analysis of where the region stands today in terms of public transport and urban mobility and how it is evolving.

The report is divided into three key sections. The first section presents a **benchmarking analysis** of key public transport indicators, providing a broad comparison of mobility metrics across different countries. It examines public transport affordability, identifies patterns shaping urban mobility, and introduces a cluster-based benchmarking approach to compare cities with similar population sizes and economic conditions. This section concludes with actionable recommendations designed to help policymakers develop sustainable and efficient transport strategies.

The second section provides a **regional overview through thematic maps**, offering insights into digitalisation, shared and on-demand public transport, and decarbonisation efforts. These maps serve as a visual reference for understanding ongoing shifts in mobility systems and include a detailed look at ongoing and planned public transport projects across the region.

The final section takes a deep dive into **individual countries** and cities, outlining major urban mobility strategies, key transport authorities, and existing and future public transport projects. By exploring the specific initiatives shaping urban mobility in different contexts, this section offers a granular understanding of how cities across MENA are adapting to rapid urbanisation and the increasing demand for efficient mobility solutions through targeted strategies and key public transport projects.

This report aims to serve as a reference point for policymakers, transport planners, and industry stakeholders navigating the evolving public transport landscape in the MENA region. As cities grow and mobility demands rise, the need for well-planned, sustainable, and efficient transport systems has never been more critical. The decisions made today will shape the future of urban mobility in the region for decades to come—and it all begins with data.

## BENCHMARKING METHODOLOGY

## To support evidence-based decision-making in the public transport and urban mobility sector, we conducted a comprehensive and a cluster-specific benchmarking exercises to assess the performance and capacity of various transport systems.

Our objective was to benchmark key performance metrics that capture the current state of public transport systems across multiple cities within the MENA region and internationally. The research and analysis were conducted in six structured stages to ensure data precision and comprehensive insights. While the final stage focuses on analysing the benchmarking results, presenting key facts, and generating actionable insights, the preceding five stages were essential in building the necessary foundation for the analysis. Each of these preliminary stages contributed to ensuring the accuracy, consistency, and relevance of the data used for comparison.

#### 1. Identification of the cities and segmentation:

While we initially set a target of conducting a broad comparison across all cities for which data was available, we introduced an additional layer of granularity by identifying cities with similar characteristics to enhance the relevance of the analysis.

The objective, ultimately, was to provide a comprehensive understanding of the relative strengths and gaps in public transport systems across comparable cities, facilitating the identification of opportunities for optimisation and policy alignment to improve service efficiency, affordability, and accessibility within the sector.

To achieve this, we segmented the cities for which we had data based on two primary criteria: population size and economic development level. This structured comparison helps ensure that cities are not only evaluated comprehensively but also in ways that consider their unique population demands and economic constraints. However, given the data limitations on how to measure the economic development of regional cities— specifically the lack of GRP per capita or regional infrastructure quality for some cities—we adopted the World Bank's income categories for the countries hosting these cities, which is calculated based on each country's GNI per capita. This provided a consistent and practical framework for classification, enabling broad yet reliable comparisons across cities while maintaining meaningful segmentation.

#### 2. Data collection and validation:

In this phase, after identifying the key metrics essential for the report, considering both data availability and the specific objectives of our broader MENA region data collection initiative, we collected a significant volume of data from public transport authorities and operators across the MENA region. Additionally, we supplemented our dataset with information from previous regional reports, global UITP reports (mainly the UITP Global Urban Mobility Indicators 2022) and international sources, ensuring that the global cities used for comparison were well-documented. To guarantee the reliability and consistency of our findings, we conducted thorough cross-referencing across multiple sources. This step was crucial in identifying and addressing any discrepancies that emerged during data collection, ensuring that our dataset was comprehensive and reliable.

#### 3. Selection of the metrics:

From an initial extensive list of indicators gathered through member inputs and desktop research, we narrowed the scope to 12 objective metrics for the benchmarking exercise. The metrics selected for this analysis include key public transport indicators such as fleet size, network length, ridership and minimum fares, while also incorporating additional factors that shape urban mobility and policy decisions, such as car ownership rates, the share of population with convenient access to public transport, per capita CO2 emissions from transport, the percentage of people supporting policies to tackle climate change and global and regional sales share of new zero-emission buses, based on thorough desktop research from reliable and official sources. By integrating and cross-referencing these diverse data points-such as exploring the potential correlation between car ownership rates and the level of access to public transport or examining the relationship between per capita CO2 emissions from transport and the percentage of people supporting climate policies — the analysis aims to identify meaningful patterns and provide valuable insights. This approach allows for a nuanced understanding of how public transport systems and broader mobility factors interact, both within the MENA region and outside of it, helping decision-makers make informed policy choices when it comes to optimising public transport systems and enhancing urban mobility strategies in their cities.

#### 4. Metric standardisation and normalisation:

With the 12 metrics identified, we performed data normalisation to ensure fair comparisons across cities with varying characteristics. This included transforming raw data into standardised formats, such as fleet size per million inhabitants, ridership per capita, or fares as a percentage of the minimum wage. Normalisation allowed us to adjust for differences in population size and economic conditions enabling meaningful and equitable comparisons between cities. For example, when comparing the percentage of a monthly public transport pass cost, we adjusted the fares in the local currency using the Purchasing Power Parity conversion factor (private consumption) from the World Bank. This adjustment accounts for differences in price levels across countries, providing a more accurate reflection of affordability. By applying PPP adjustments, we aimed to mitigate the impact of exchange rate fluctuation and varying cost of living, allowing for a consistent and meaningful analysis of public transport affordability on a global scale.

#### 5. Comparative analysis:

In addition to the broad benchmarking, we performed cluster-specific analysis, in which we grouped the cities based on shared characteristics such as population size and economic development level, using the main key metrics, which are the fleet size, the network length and the ridership. By analysing cities within these defined groups, we were able to assess how each city performs relative to its peers based on the normalised metrics. This granular approach ensured that the findings were relevant and reflective of the local conditions and challenges faced by each cluster.

#### 6. Identification of patterns and insights:

In this final stage, we analysed the whole benchmarking results to identify patterns, variations, and trends across the different metrics, focusing on how cities performed under comparable economic and demographic conditions. This analysis provided valuable insights into the relative strengths and gaps within the public transport systems under review. Based on the findings, we developed a set of key facts and actionable insights tailored to the MENA cities.

To assist stakeholders in prioritising efforts, we classified these insights into three priority levels: high, medium, and low. This classification allows transport authorities and operators to focus resources on the most critical areas. High-priority insights highlight urgent challenges or significant opportunities requiring immediate attention, while medium-priority areas indicate essential but less pressing improvements. Low-priority items suggest areas to monitor for potential future development. This structured approach ensures that public transport stakeholders can address challenges efficiently, positioning them to build more accessible, resilient, and sustainable urban mobility systems.

## **WHAT'S NEW?**

Key Change	Why?	Data / Outcome
A further normalised data	To ensure fair comparisons across cities with vaying population sizes and economic conditions.	Comparable metris (e.g., ridership per capita, fleet per million inhabitants, etc.) and Purchasing Power Parity adjustments for public transport fares.
Introduction of cluster-specific benchmarking	To increase relevance by grouping cities with similar economic and demographic characteristics for more relevant and reflective insights.	Identification of unique challenges/ opportunities within each cluster.
Introduction of additional metrics that shape urban mobility and policy decision	To further capture the full complexity of urban mobility and the factors influencing its application.	A more comprehensive understanding of transport ecosystem leading to targeted improvements and better policy decisions.
Development of analysis and insights	To offer actionable recommendations by translating data patterns into strategic actions.	Prioritised areas for improvement (e.g., transport efficiency, urban mobility integration, investments in energy-efficient networks/infrastructure, etc.)

## **BROAD BENCHMARKING:**

## **KEY METRICS OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT SUPPLY**

## There are 4 key metrics used to assess the performance of $84^*$ cities over the world.

Our broad benchmarking framework assesses public transport performance across cities worldwide using four key metrics: fleet size, network length, ridership and fares. These metrics are applied across multiple transport modes, including buses, metro, tram/LRT, and BRT systems. To enable meaningful cross-city comparisons, the data is normalised, ensuring a fair evaluation of transport systems operating under varying urban contexts.



## **PUBLIC TRANSPORT FLEET SIZE**

This metric measures the number of vehicles available per million inhabitants, reflecting the capacity to serve the population effectively.



## **PUBLIC TRANSPORT NETWORK LENGTH**

This metric is expressed as kilometers per million inhabitants, and evaluates how well the transport system covers the urban area.



## **PUBLIC TRANSPORT RIDERSHIP**

The ridership is normalised per capita, serves as a key indicator of system utilisation; reflecting factors such as service quality, reliability, and public adoption.



## **PUBLIC TRANSPORT MINIMUM FARES**

This metric is evaluated as a Purchasing Power Parityconverted minimum fare for different public transport modes to asses their cost comparability across cities with varying economic conditions.

\* 84 cities across MENA and internationally were assessed in both the broad and the cluster-specific benchmarking.

#### Notes:

- Population and public transport data may correspond to slightly different years.
- For regional cities, population values are sourced from various official references, which can be found in each city's chapter. For international cities, all population values are derived from the UN World Urbanization Prospects, 2018 Revision.



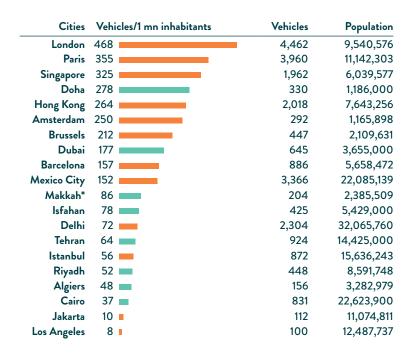
## Metro Fleet Size

Cairo Metro was first launched in 1987, making it the first metro system in both Africa and the MENA region. Since then, Tehran, Dubai, Algiers, Isfahan, Doha, and

Dubai, Algiers, Isfahan, Doha, and Riyadh have launched their metro systems. More cities are currently in the process of constructing metro systems, such as Jeddah in Saudi Arabia and Baghdad in Iraq,

aiming to enhance urban mobility

and support sustainable transport in the region.



Cities	Vehicles/1 mn inhabitants	Vehicles	Population
Amsterdam	195	227	1,165,898
Brussels	188	395	2,109,631
Lusail	140	28	200,000
Oslo	80	86	1,071,062
Hong Kong	42	324	7,643,256
Sidi Bel Abbes	42	30	713,377
Constantine	40	51	1,291,579
Rabat-Sale-Temara	34	66	1,959,000
Ouargla	33	23	708,463
Toronto	32	204	6,312,974
Los Angeles	27	337	12,487,737
Mostaganem	27	25	922,405
Paris	25	273	11,142,303
Oran	22	46	2,118,603
Doha	19 📉	22	1,186,000
Casablanca	16 🔳	124	7,700,000
Sydney	14 💻	72	5,056,571
Setif	14 🔳	26	1,866,845
Istanbul	13 💻	205	15,636,243
Algiers	12 🔳	41	3,282,979
Tunis	12 🔳	35	2,900,000
Barcelona	7	41	5,658,472
Alexandria	6 ■	35	5,523,511
London	4	35	9,540,576
Dubai	3 ■	11	3,655,000
Beijing	2	50	21,333,331
Mexico City	11	24	22,085,139

## Tramway/LRT Fleet Size



Nearly 80% of tramway networks in the MENA region have been launched within the last decade, and some of these systems operate larger fleets than older tramways outside the region. This reflects significant investments in public transport as a key solution to addressing the challenges of a growing urban population, traffic congestion, and climate constraints.

<sup>\*</sup>The metro line in Makkah operates only during Hajj (pilgrimage) season.



### **BRT Fleet Size**



Jakarta's BRT (TransJakarta), first BRT in Southeast Asia launched in 2004, remains the longest BRT system in the world with its nearly 1500 vehicles over a 244-kilometer system. Tehran's BRT system scores as the largest in the region in terms of fleet size. Amman's value with its relatively new BRT indicates significant investments and efforts to improve urban mobility amid population growth and improve connectivity. Despite being a newer system, Amman's BRT shows promising progress, placing it on par with more established systems such as Johannesburg, Istanbul and Mexico City.

Cities	Vehicles/1 mn inhabitants	Vehicles	Population
Jakarta	132	1,461	11,074,811
Tehran	85	1,225	14,425,000
Cape Town	73	350	4,800,954
Johannesburg	46	277	6,065,354
Mexico City	46	1,020	22,085,139
Istanbul	45	696	15,636,243
Amman	30	147	4,834,500
Beijing	18	393	21,333,331
Casablanca	5	40	7,700,000
Montreal	5 🔳	20	4,276,526
Paris	5 🔳	60	11,142,303

**Vehicles** 

**Population** 

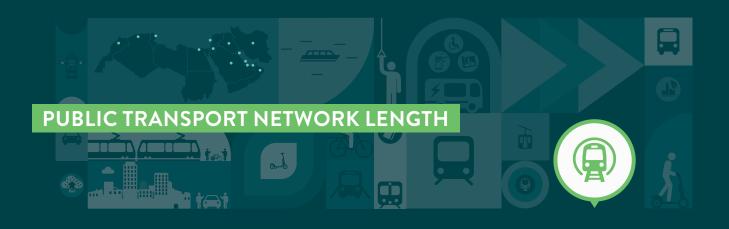
Cities Vehicles/1 mn inhabitants

Beirut	1,705	2,2	200	1,291,280
Oran	1,571	3	316	2,118,603
Beijing	1,537	32,	783	21,333,331
Hong Kong	1,201	9	,179	7,643,256
Doha	969	1,	143	1,186,000
London	922	8,	795	9,540,576
Singapore	904		462	6,039,577
Oslo	797		853	1,071,062
Paris	735	8,	185	11,142,303
Dubai	655	2,	391	3,655,000
Isfahan	470	2,5	548	5,429,000
Barcelona	469	2,	652	5,658,472
Tehran	420	6,0	)50	14,425,000
Istanbul	417	6,	,512	15,636,243
Brussels	409		360	2,109,631
Cairo	368	8:	333	22,623,900
Toronto	327	2,	061	6,312,974
Jakarta	267	2,9	954	11,074,811
Abu Dhabi	206		780	3,789,860
Amsterdam	191		222	1,165,898
Kuwait	187	_	557	2,989,000
Los Angeles	172	2,	144	12,487,737
Makkah	168		100	2,385,509
Tunis	151	<b>=</b>	439	2,900,000
Rabat-Sale-Temara	149	<b>—</b>	350	2,350,071
Agadir	141	-	201	1,430,000
Riyadh	98	<b>.</b>	342	8,591,748
Ajman	96	-	55	573,886
Casablanca	91	<b>=</b> 7	700	7,700,000
Baghdad	83	<b>=</b>	667	8,000,000
Muscat	81		117	1,455,671
Constantine	78	•	100	1,290,000
Taif	64	•	58	913,347
Dammam	62	•	85	1,386,166
Mexico City*	62	1,3	360	22,085,139
Sharjah	61	•	110	1,800,000
Qassim	55		73	1,336,179
Marrakesh	51	•	250	4,900,000
Jazan	34		47	1,404,997
Amman	28	I control of the cont	136	4,834,500
Ras Al Khaimah	26		10	394,000
Jeddah	22		81	3,712,917
Salalah	22		9	417,891
Madinah	21	I .	30	1,411,599

### **Bus Fleet Size**



The bus fleet chart highlights a significant disparity among MENA cities. While some cities have very large fleets, others have relatively smaller ones. From a broader perspective on public transport systems, two key factors emerge: either these cities rely on different public transport modes, or they are experiencing rapid urban population growth that is outpacing the development of their public transport systems.



## Metro Network Length



Tehran and Riyadh have the longest metro networks in the region, with an almost comparable number of kilometers per million inhabitants. However, due to Doha's relatively smaller population, it has the highest number of kilometers per million inhabitants, reflecting significant investment in public transport infrastructure and a proactive approach to planning for future urban population growth.

Cities	Km/1 mn Population	Network Length	Population
Doha	64	76	1,186,000
London	46	443	9,540,576
Singapore	41	250	6,039,577
Amsterdam	36	42	1,165,898
Hong Kong	26	201.8	7,643,256
Barcelona	25	144	5,658,472
Dubai	25	89.6	3,655,000
Riyadh	20	176	8,591,748
Brussels	19	40	2,109,631
Paris	19	209	11,142,303
Tehran	18	263	14,425,000
Delhi	11	367	32,065,760
Mexico City	10	226	22,085,139
Istanbul	9 📉	143	15,636,243
Makkah	8 📉	18	2,385,509
Algiers	6 🔳	18.8	3,282,979
Cairo	4	100	22,623,900
Isafahan	4	20.2	5,429,000
Jakarta	2	21.5	11,074,811
Los Angeles	2	26	12,487,737

## Tramway/LRT Network Length



Of the 80% of tramway networks in the MENA region that began operations within the past decade, the vast majority are located in North Africa, particularly in Algeria, which now has systems in seven cities, and Morocco, where Casablanca recently added two new lines, extending its network to 72 kilometers. Lusail, with its 19-kilometer network, stands out due to its small population and ambitious urban planning. The city's tramway network reflects a forward-looking vision to enhance urban mobility and prepare for its growing urban population, while significant investments in major economic, educational, and leisure infrastructures are being made in the city.

#### Cities Km/1 mn Population Network Length **Population** Lusail 95 19 200,000 100 1,165,898 Amsterdam 86 149 2,109,631 Brussels Oslo 43 1,071,062 61 2,900,000 **Tunis** Sidi Bel Abbes 13.7 713,377 Mostaganem 14.2 922,405 Constantine 18.3 1,291,579 Ouargla 9.6 708,463 Rabat-Sale-Temara 27 1,959,000 Toronto 87 6,312,974 Doha 13.5 1,186,000 Los Angeles 139 12,487,737 11,142,303 **Paris** 113 18.7 2,118,603 Oran Casablanca 7,700,000 72 Setif 1,866,845 15.2 **Algiers** 23.2 3,282,979 Hong Kong 52 7,643,256 Alexandria 32 5,523,511 Barcelona 29 5,658,472 Sydney 5 25 5,056,571 Dubai 10.6 3,655,000 3 Istanbul 15,636,243 3 41 9,540,576 London 3 28 Mexico City 1 13 22,085,139 Beijing 1 21 21,333,331



## **BRT Network Length**

Cities	Km/1 mn Population	Network Length	Population
Jakarta	20	216.10	11,074,811
Amman	18	85.20	4,834,500
Cape Town	14	67	4,800,954
Tehran	12	179.37	14,425,000
Johannesburg	10	59	6,065,354
Mexico City	10	216	22,085,139
Beijing	4	79	21,333,331
Casablanca	3	25	7,700,000
Istanbul	3	52	15,636,243
Montreal	3	11	4,276,526
Paris	3	34.70	11,142,303



While Jakarta holds the title for the longest BRT system in the world, Amman, from the MENA region, has a nearly comparable network length per million inhabitants. This reflects significant efforts to enhance urban mobility and address the challenges of population growth and congestion through efficient public transport planning.

Cities like Amman, with its unique topography characterised by hilly terrain and steep elevations, often lean toward BRT systems as a practical and cost-effective solution. BRT systems compensate for the lack of heavier, more expensive alternatives such as metro systems, offering flexibility and accessibility in challenging urban landscapes.



## Metro Ridership



Cities	Annual Ridership per Capita	Ridership	Population	Year
Hong Kong	175	1,334,591,000	7,643,256	2022
Singapore	139	840,700,000	6,039,577	2022
London	124	1,182,304,300	9,540,576	2022
Paris	120	1,339,300,000	11,142,303	2022
Amsterdam	72	84,300,000	1,165,898	2022
Barcelona	72	407,680,000	5,658,472	2022
Brussels	61	129,200,000	2,109,631	2022
Dubai	60	221,000,000	3,655,000	2022
Tehran	52	748,000,000	14,425,000	2019
Mexico City	47	1,030,200,000	22,085,139	2022
Delhi	46	1,490,000,000	32,065,760	2022
Doha*	45	53,432,992	1,186,000	2022
Cairo**	40	897,000,000	22,623,900	2017&2022
Istanbul	35	544,392,266	15,636,243	2022
Algiers	14 📉	46,000,000	3,282,979	2020
Jakarta	2 🔳	20,461,313	11,074,811	2022
Los Angeles	2	25,767,716	12,487,737	2022

Cities Annual Ridership per Capita Ridership **Population** Year Amsterdam 79,000,000 1,165,898 2022 400,000,000 708,463 2023 Ouargla 106,000,000 2,109,631 2022 **Brussels** 1,071,062 Oslo 42,000,000 2022 Sidi Bel Abbes 21,900,000 713,377 2020 **Paris** 292,910,000 11,142,303 2022 Hong Kong 23 174,273,000 7,643,256 2022 68,942,000 3,282,979 2020 **Algiers** 21 Rabat-Sale-Temara 37,320,000 1,959,000 2022 Alexandria 79,000,000 5,523,511 2020 2,717,961 200,000 2022 Lusail Istanbul 207,639,114 15,636,243 2022 2022 **Tunis** 13 36,800,000 2,900,000 Constantine 2020 8,000,000 1,291,579 Casablanca 49,460,000 7,700,000 2022 Barcelona 26,729,778 5,658,472 2022 Sydney 25,672,598 5,056,571 2022 Oran 10,700,000 2,118,603 2020 Toronto 26,155,471 6,312,974 2022 Los Angeles 31,533,279 12,487,737 2022 Setif 5,500,000 1,866,845 2020 London 2 22,150,835 9,540,576 2022 Dubai 7,250,000 3,655,000 2022 Mexico City 23,743,100 22,085,139 2022

The ridership charts for different modes reveal that MENA cities with the highest per capita ridership in metro systems tend to have the lowest values in tramway ridership, particularly in cities where both modes coexist. Conversely, cities with relatively high per capita ridership in tramways are often those without metro systems, highlighting their reliance on tramways as a primary mode of urban transport. The chart also shows the impact of hosting big events, such as the World Cup 2022 in Qatar, on public transport ridership. Efficient public transport networks are an essential component of a smooth and seamless management large-scale events. Similarly, such events can not only drive temporary spikes in ridership but also influence long-term travel behaviour and shape future infrastructure planning.

## Tramway/LRT Ridership



Note: Makkah Metro has been excluded in all benchmarking related to metro ridership as it operates only during Hajj (pilgrimage) season. | Casablanca ridership includes only T1 and T2 lines. T3 and T4 lines were launched in 2024.

<sup>\*</sup>The 2022 metro ridership for Doha includes 17.4 million ridership during FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022. Lusail values might have also been affected by the same event.
\*\*Values for the metro ridership in Cairo include ridership for line 1 and 2 in 2017 and line 3 in 2022.



## **Bus Ridership**



Cities	Annual Ridership per Capita	Ridership	Population	Year
Singapore	209	1,263,265,000	6,039,577	2022
Hong Kong	204	1,560,727,000	7,643,256	2022
London	182	1,737,600,000	9,540,576	2022
Oslo	148	159,000,000	1,071,062	2022
Paris	103	1,148,000,000	11,142,303	2022
Beijing	81	1,725,580,000	21,333,331	2022
Barcelona	62	350,900,000	5,658,472	2022
Istanbul	59	924,078,480	15,636,243	2022
Sfax	49	49,000,000	1,000,000	2019
Brussels	48	101,800,000	2,109,631	2022
Dubai	43.50	159,000,000	3,655,000	2023
Makkah	36.85	87,924,770	2,385,509	2023
Amsterdam	35	40,700,000	1,165,898	2022
Agadir	33.56	48,000,000	1,430,000	2023
Rabat-Sale-Temara	33.14	77,900,000	2,350,071	2023
Tunis	30	85,600,000	2,900,000	2022
Toronto	27	170,853,254	6,312,974	2022
Abu Dhabi	21.21	80,400,000	3,789,860	2023
Los Angeles	18 🖿	223,276,000	12,487,737	2022
Alexandria	13.76	76,000,000	5,523,511	2020
Casablanca	12.60	97,000,000	7,700,000	2023
Marrakesh	11.22	55,000,000	4,900,000	2023
Jakarta	7	74,776,500	11,074,811	2022
Mexico City	5.85 ■	129,200,000	22,085,139	2022
Isfahan	3	16,384,000	5,429,000	2019
Doha*	2.50	2,952,576	1,186,000	2023
Amman	1.44	6,977,344	4,834,500	2023
_ Jeddah	1.30	4,842,954	3,712,917	2023
Dammam	1.10	1,540,869	1,386,166	2023
Tehran	0.90	12,982,000	14,425,000	2019
Madinah	0.77	1,092,339	1,411,599	2023
Kuwait	0.60	1,700,000	2,989,000	2023
Muscat	0.23	334,848	1,455,671	2023
Qassim	0.22	297,641	1,336,179	2024
Ajman	0.21	126,116	573,886	2023
Sharjah	0.18	333,556	1,800,000	2023
Jazan	0.17	247,529	1,404,997	2024
Taif	0.17	156,280	913,347	2023
Riyadh**	0.14	1,245,547	8,591,748	2023
Salalah	0.12	51,100	417,891	2023
Ras Al Khaimah	0.09	37,668	394,000	2023

Bus ridership per capita appears to play a supportive role to other modes when available. However, similar to the insights drawn from the "Bus Fleet" chart, the ridership chart underscores the critical importance of scaling up bus fleets to meet the demands of urban population growth in several MENA cities, regardless of the presence of other modes such as metro or tramway.





Cities	Annual Ridership per Capita	Ridership	Population	Year
Mexico City	21	473,044,928	22,085,139	2022
Istanbul	19	290,000,000	15,636,243	2022
Jakarta	6	70,223,500	11,074,811	2022
Cape Town	4	18,368,671	4,800,954	2022
Johannesburg	2 🔳	10,752,768	6,065,354	2022
Amman	1 🔳	4,941,253	4,834,500	2022

Amman's BRT ridership increased from 4,941,253 in 2022 to 10,983,657 in 2023 and reached 18,583,761 in 2024 after the operation of Amman-Zarqa line started. The threefold increase in ridership within two years reflects the city's rapid population growth and its efforts to enhance urban mobility, which have driven more commuters to rely on BRT as a primary mode of transport.

<sup>\*</sup> Doha's bus ridership includes only urban, suburban buses and electric buses. The value doesn't include Metrolink bus service.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Riyadh's Bus Ridership includes BRT.



In this section, the minimum fares for all public transport modes have been Purchasing Power Parity-adjusted using the latest PPP conversion factor for private consumption from the World Bank. This adjustment ensures a more accurate comparison of fare affordability across countries by accounting for variations in purchasing power.

## Metro Min. Fare



Cities Min. Fare (PPP-adjusted USD) Min. Fare		Min. Fare (local currency) PPP Co	Min. Fare (local currency) PPP Conversion Factor	
Riyadh	2.10	SAR 4	1.90	
Algiers	1.19	DZD 50	41.82	
Dubai	1.15	AED 3	2.60	
Cairo	0.89	EGP 5	5.58	
Doha	0.71	QAR 2	2.80	

## Tramway/LRT Min. Fare



Cities	Min. Fare (PPP-adjusted USD)	Min. Fare (local currency) P	PPP Conversion Factor
Casablanca	1.94	MAD 8	4.12
Rabat-Sale-Temara	1.45	MAD 6	4.12
Dubai	1.15	AED 3	2.60
Alexandria	0.98	EGP 5.50	5.58
Algiers	0.95	DZD 40	41.82
Constantine	0.95	DZD 40	41.82
Mostaganem	0.95	DZD 40	41.82
Oran	0.95	DZD 40	41.82
Setif	0.95	DZD 40	41.82
Sidi Bel Abbes	0.95	DZD 40	41.82
Lusail	0.71	QAR 2	2.80
Ouargla	0.71	DZD 30	41.82
Tunis	0.54	TND 0.50	0.92

## Bus Min. Fare



Cities	Min. Fare (PPP-adjusted USD)	Min. Fare (local currency) F	PPP Conversion Factor
Ras Al Khaimah	3.07	AED 8	2.60
Makkah	2.10	SAR 4	1.90
Riyadh	1.97	SAR 3.75	1.90
Madinah	1.81	SAR 3.45	1.90
Jeddah	1.81	SAR 3.45	1.90
Dammam	1.81	SAR 3.45	1.90
Jazan	1.81	SAR 3.45	1.90
Qassim	1.81	SAR 3.45	1.90
Taif	1.81	SAR 3.45	1.90
Kuwait	1.66	KWD 0.30	0.18
Amman	1.21	JOD 0.39	0.32
Rabat-Sale-Temara	1.21	MAD 5	4.12
Casablanca	1.21	MAD 5	4.12
Dubai	1.15	AED 3	2.60
Cairo	1.07	EGP 6	5.58
Sharjah	0.77	AED 2	2.60
Ajman	0.77	AED 2	2.60
Abu Dhabi	0.77	AED 2	2.60
Marrakesh	0.73	MAD 3	4.12
Doha	0.71	QAR 2	2.80
Agadir	0.6	MAD 2.50	4.12
Tunis	0.54	TND 0.50	0.92
Oran	0.48	DZD 20	41.82
Alexandria	0.44	EGP 2.50	5.58
Sfax	0.27	TND 0.25	0.92
Salalah	0.001	OMR 0.0003	0.19
Muscat	0.001	OMR 0.0003	0.19

## BRT Min. Fare



Cities	Min. Fare (PPP-adjusted USD) Min. Fare (local currency) PPP Con	
Montreal	3.12	CAD 3.75 1.20
Paris	2.71	EUR 1.90 0.70
Istanbul	1.96	TRY 14.32 7.30
Casablanca	1.94	MAD 8 4.12
Amman	1.71	JOD 0.55 0.32
Johannesburg	1.11	ZAR 8.50 7.60
Cape Town	0.90	ZAR 6.90 7.60
Jakarta	0.68	IDR 3,500 5,143.40
Mexico City	0.55	MXN 6 10.80
Beijing	0.13	RMB 0.50 3.60
Tehran	0.11	IRR 10,000 88593.20
Isfahan	0.09 ■	IRR 8,000 88593.20

## PUBLIC TRANSPORT AFFORDABILITY

In this section, we aimed to assess public transport affordability in the region. To ensure a comprehensive evaluation, we conducted the assessment across three different layers:

- 1. Benchmarking Monthly Pass Costs We compared the cheapest available monthly public transport pass (excluding special categories such as discounts for the elderly and youth) across different cities in the region and internationally. To facilitate meaningful comparisons, fares were adjusted using the latest PPP conversion factor for private consumption from the World Bank. Additionally, we have provided the local currency price of the monthly pass for reference.
- **2.Income Ratio Comparison** Next, we calculated the ratio of the monthly pass cost to the average monthly income in the countries hosting the benchmarked cities. The income data was sourced from reliable and official sources.
- 3.Income-Level Analysis Given the MENA region's economic diversity, we introduced an additional layer of granularity to better capture variations in affordability according the countries' income group. A scatter chart illustrates the percentage of the monthly public transport pass cost relative to the average monthly salary across

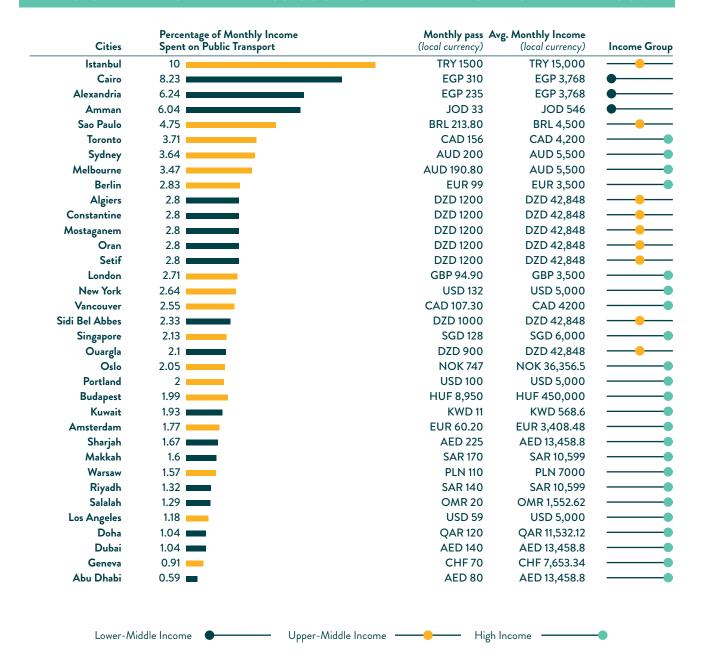
different income categories. This visualisation helps identify affordability trends and disparities across cities by analysing key statistical markers:

- The first quartile (Q1) represents cities where public transport is relatively more affordable, indicating that for the lowest 25% of the dataset, the ratio of the public transport monthly pass cost to the average monthly salary is lower than in the rest of the sample.
- The median (Q2) serves as a central reference point, showing the midpoint affordability level—half of the cities in the dataset have a lower transport cost burden, while the other half experience a higher cost relative to income.
- The third quartile (Q3) captures cities where monthly public transport pass costs take up a significantly larger portion of income, highlighting affordability challenges and potential financial burdens on commuters.

## MINIMUM PUBLIC TRANSPORT MONTHLY PASS COSTS

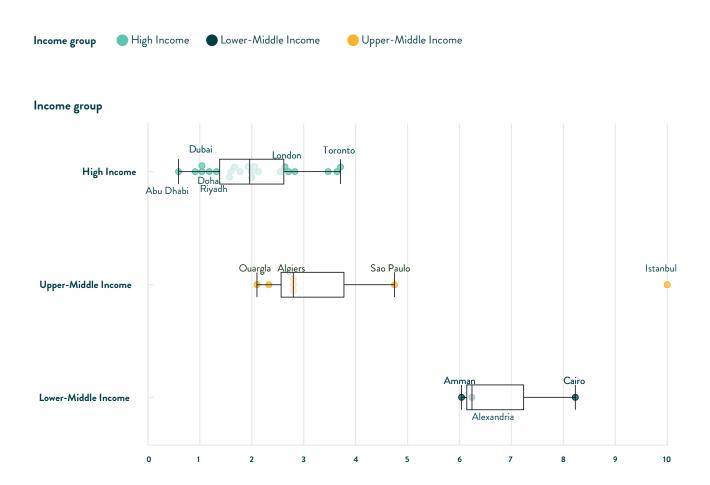
Cities	Monthly Pass (PPP-adjusted USD)	Monthly pass (local currency)	PPP Conversion Factor
Istanbul	205.48	TRY 1,500	7.30
Berlin	141.43	EUR 99	0.70
London	135.57	GBP 94.90	0.70
Sydney	133.33	AUD 200	1.50
New York	132	USD 132	1
Toronto	130	CAD 156	1.20
Singapore	128	SGD 128	1
Melbourne	127.2	AUD 190.80	1.50
Salalah	105.26	OMR 20	0.19
Amman	103.13	JOD 33	0.32
Portland	100	USD 100	1
Makkah	89.47	SAR 170	1.90
Vancouver	89.42	CAD 107.30	1.20
Sharjah	86.54	AED 225	2.60
Sao Paulo	85.52	BRL 213.80	2.50
Oslo	77.81	NOK 747	9.60
Amsterdam	75.25	EUR 60.20	0.80
Riyadh	73.68	SAR 140	1.90
Geneva	63.64	CHF 70	1.10
Kuwait	61.11	KWD 11	0.18
Los Angeles	59	USD 59	1
Cairo	55.56	EGP 310	5.58
Warsaw	55	PLN 110	2
Dubai	53.85	AED 140	2.60
Budapest	46.13	HUF 8,950	194
Doha	42.86	QAR 120	2.80
Alexandria	42.11	EGP 235	5.58
Abu Dhabi	30.77	AED 80	2.60
Algiers	28.69	DZD 1200	41.82
Constantine	28.69	DZD 1200	41.82
Mostaganem	28.69	DZD 1200	41.82
Oran	28.69	DZD 1200	41.82
Setif	28.69	DZD 1200	41.82
Sidi Bel Abbes	23.91	DZD 1200	41.82
Ouargla 	21.52	DZD 900	41.82

## RATIO OF THE MONTHLY PASS COST TO THE AVERAGE MONTHLY INCOME



In the MENA cities benchmarked in this chart, a noticeable pattern arises. Cities in lower-middle-income countries have the highest ratio of monthly public transport pass cost to the average monthly income, indicating a greater financial burden on commuters. This suggests that public transport fares in these countries may not be proportionally adjusted to income levels, potentially due to limited government subsidies or high operational costs. In contrast, cities in high-income countries tend to have lower percentages, reflecting stronger public transport funding mechanisms, subsidies, or higher wages that enhance affordability. Upper-middle-income countries generally fall in between, with affordability varying based on fare policies, government intervention, and economic conditions. This pattern highlights the critical role of policy and investment in shaping transport affordability, with lower-income countries potentially facing barriers to mobility and economic inclusion due to high fare burdens.

### PUBLIC TRANSPORT AFFORDABILITY BY INCOME LEVELS



Ratio of monthly pass cost to the avg. monthly income (%)

This scatter chart clearly illustrates that the higher a country's income, the more affordable its public transport. In the region, cities from high-income countries generally perform well in terms of affordability of their public transport systems. Specifically, Abu Dhabi, Dubai, Doha, and Riyadh fall below the first quartile, indicating that their public transport is among the most affordable relative to income. Meanwhile, Makkah and Sharjah sit within the first quartile, still ranking among the more affordable options. Kuwait, positioned at the median, represents the midpoint of affordability, where public transport costs take up a moderate share of income. When compared to international cities such as Berlin, Melbourne, and Toronto, high-income countries in the region show strong performance.

Upper middle-income countries also exhibit relatively affordable public transport, with their cities distributed across the first quartile, below the first quartile, or around the median. Some of these cities even have affordability levels comparable to the third quartile of high-income countries, highlighting a competitive positioning in terms of public transport affordability.

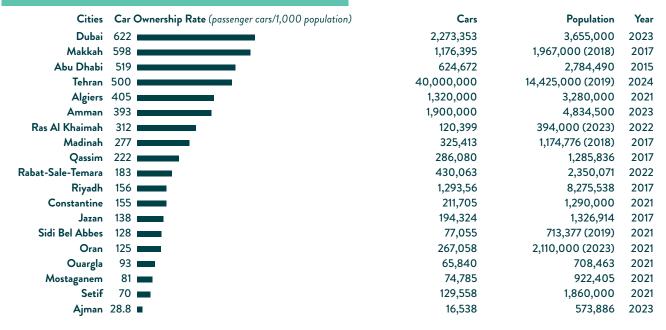
In contrast, lower middle-income countries struggle with affordability, as their public transport costs represent a significantly higher proportion of income. Among them, Cairo stands out with the highest ratio, indicating the relatively most expensive public transport ratio in the region's dataset. This disparity shows the financial burden of public transport in lower middle-income countries compared to higher-income counterparts.

## EXPANDING THE LENS: ADDITIONAL METRICS SHAPING URBAN MOBILITY AND POLICY

## **CAR OWNERSHIP RATES** (NATIONAL-LEVEL)



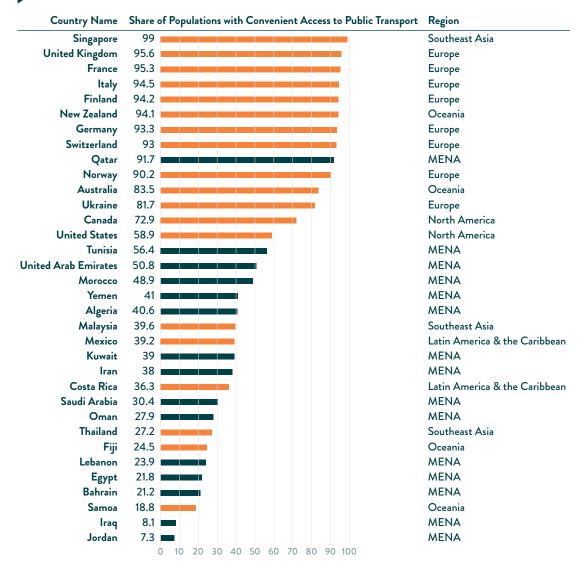
## **CAR OWNERSHIP RATES (CITY-LEVEL)**



## SHARE OF POPULATIONS WITH CONVENIENT ACCESS TO

## **PUBLIC TRANSPORT: GLOBAL AND MENA PERSPECTIVES**

### Share of Populations with Convenient Access to Public Transport, 2022







Average MENA share of people with convenient access to public transport



36.46%



### Share of Populations with Convenient Access to Public Transport per Income Category, 2022



The data indicates that, in most regions, higher income levels correlate with greater population access to public transport, highlighting a two-way impact. In wealthier cities/countries, higher income enables substantial investments in public transport infrastructure. At the same time, convenient access to public transport allows people to reach jobs and services more easily, boosting economic participation and contributing to the overall vitality of the city or country. This synergy suggests that well-developed transport systems not only benefit from strong economic conditions but also play a crucial role in sustaining and enhancing economic growth.

This graphic shows that, in the MENA region, high income is not the sole driver of public transport accessibility. Vision, strategies, and policies play a crucial role in ensuring that a larger share of the population has access to public transport.

There are notable disparities even within the same income group, with some cities achieving widespread coverage, while others struggle with limited access to public transport services. Additionally, rapidly growing cities may face infrastructure gaps, where expansion efforts lag behind population growth, further limiting accessibility.

These variations suggest that factors such as integrated urban planning, strategic investment in transport infrastructure, network integration, first-mile/last-mile connectivity and policies tailored to each city's demographic, economic and geographic context significantly influence public transport accessibility. Cities that are able to prioritise well-designed transport policies and multimodal integration tend to provide better coverage and accessibility, regardless of their income level.

Note: Access to public transport is considered convenient when an officially recognised stop is accessible within a walking distance along the street network of 500 meters from a reference point such as a home, school, workplace, market, etc. to a low-capacity public transport system (e.g. bus, Bus Rapid Transit) and/or 1 km to a high-capacity system (e.g. rail, metro, ferry). Some of the values are from 2020, as it is the most recent available data when 2022 figures are not available.

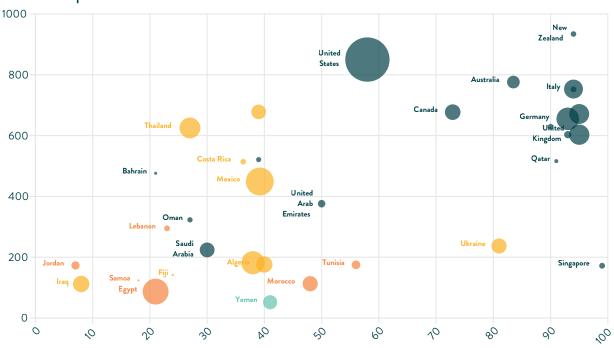
Source: SDG Indicators Database, United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (2023) – Processed by Our World in Data, then by UITP CTE MENA.

## THE IMPACT OF CAR OWNERSHIP

## ON PUBLIC TRANSPORT ACCESSIBILITY



#### Number of cars per 1000 inhabitants



Share of Populations with Convenient Access to Public Transport

This chart illustrates the relationship between car ownership rates (measured as the number of cars per 1,000 inhabitants) and the share of the population with convenient access to public transport, with bubble sizes representing country populations. The distribution of data points highlights distinct regional and policy-driven variations in transport systems, urban planning, and mobility preferences.

Singapore stands out as a clear outlier, exhibiting nearly 100% access to public transport alongside a relatively low car ownership rate. This trend is largely attributable to highly effective government policies that prioritise public transport over private vehicle use. The government has implemented strict vehicle ownership regulations, including high vehicle registration fees, electronic road pricing, and a vehicle quota system, making car ownership prohibitively expensive and encouraging reliance on a well-developed, integrated public transport network. Additionally, Singapore's relatively small land area and population size allow for a highly efficient and dense public transport system, making it easier to provide comprehensive coverage compared to larger, more dispersed countries.

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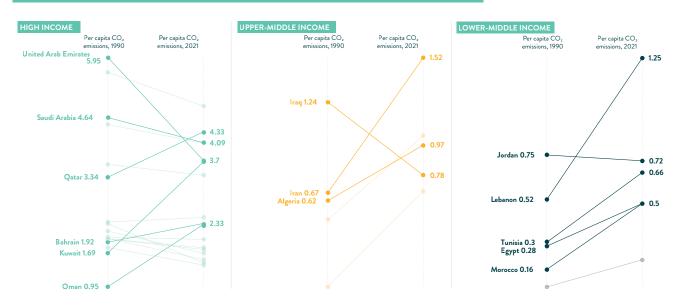
In contrast, the United States follows a significantly different pattern, with a high car ownership rate, moderate access to public transport, and the largest population size relative to the other countries in the chart. This reflects the historically car-centric urban development model in the U.S., where suburban expansion, highway investments, and land-use policies have favored private vehicle use over public transport development. As a result, many people own cars out of necessity rather than choice, and while public transport is available in major cities, it remains less comprehensive and convenient in sprawling, lower-density regions.

Looking at the MENA region, countries generally exhibit moderate car ownership rates along with moderate access to public transport. This positioning suggests a fertile environment for expanding public transport infrastructure to meet the needs of growing urban populations. Many cities in the region are undergoing rapid urbanisation and economic development, creating both challenges and opportunities for sustainable transport growth. While some cities have well-established metro and bus networks, others still rely heavily on private cars and informal transport systems due to gaps in public transport infrastructure. Expanding public transport networks could enhance accessibility, reduce congestion, and promote environmental sustainability in these rapidly developing urban centers.

## TRANSPORT CO, EMISSIONS PER CAPITA

Country	Per Capita CO <sub>2</sub> Emissions, 1990	Per Capita Co₂ Emissions, 2021	Relative Change
Qatar	3.34 t	4.33 t	+30%
United Arab Emirates	5.95 t	3.70 t	-38%
Bahrain	1.92 t	2.33 t	+21%
Kuwait	1.69 t	3.68 t	+118%
Saudi Arabia	4.64 t	4.09 t	-12%
Oman	0.95 t	2.31 t	+143%
Australia	3.62 t	3.38 t	-7%
United States	5.63 t	4.89 t	-13%
Canada	4.49 t	4.08 t	-9%
China	0.08 t	0.68 t	+733%
Germany	1.99 t	1.76 t	-12%
Iran	0.67 t	1.52 t	+126%
Belgium	2.03 t	1.98 t	-2%
Norway	2.36 t	2.46 t	+4%
Netherlands	1.80 t	1.42 t	-21%
Turkey	0.50 t	1.03 t	+108%
United Kingdom	2.00 t	1.54 t	-23%
France	1.99 t	1.80 t	-9%
Switzerland	2.16 t	1.68 t	-22%
Iraq	1.24 t	0.78 t	-37%
Algeria	0.62 t	0.97 t	+55%
Sweden	2.32 t	1.47 t	-37%
Tunisia	0.30 t	0.66 t	+121%
Egypt	0.28 t	0.50 t	+80%
Jordan	0.75 t	0.72 t	-5%
India	0.07 t	0.21 t	+180%
Morocco	0.16 t	0.50 t	+216%
Lebanon	0.52 t	1.25 t	+141%

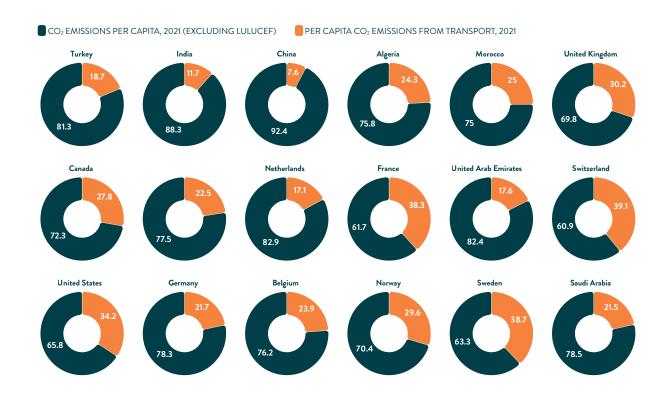
## TRANSPORT CO, EMISSIONS PER CAPITA, 1990, 2021



Note: Emissions are measured in tonnes per person. International aviation and shipping emissions are not included.

Sources: Climate Watch (2024); Population based on various sources (2024) – with major processing by Our World in Data

## CARBON FOOTPRINT OF TRANSPORT: ITS SHARE IN GLOBAL EMISSIONS



- CO2 emissions per capita, 2021 (excluding LULUCEF): World Bank Per capita CO2 emissions from transport, 2021: Climate Watch (2024); Population based on various sources (2024) with major processing by Our World in Data

## SHARE OF PEOPLE SUPPORTING POLITICAL

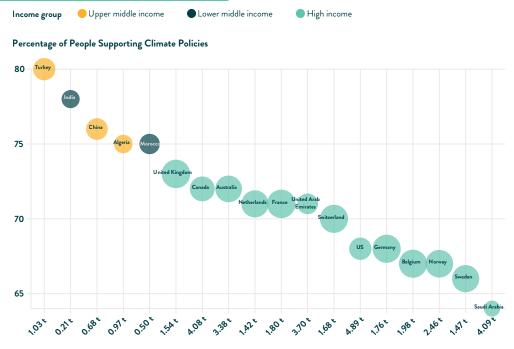
## ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE

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64%	66%	67%	67%	68%	68%	70%	71%	71%	71%	72%	72%	73%	75%	75%	76%	78%	80%
Saudi Arabia	Sweden	Norway	Belgium	Germany	United States	Switzerland	nited Arab Emirates	France	Netherlands	Australia	Canada	United Kingdom	Morocco	Algeria	China	India	Turkey

Note: Support was measured on a scale from 0 to 100 across nine interventions, including carbon taxes on fossil fuels, expanding public transport, more renewable energy, more electric car chargers, taxes on airlines, investments in green jobs and businesses, laws to keep waterways clean, protecting forests, and increasing taxes on carbon-intensive foods.

## CLIMATE POLICY SUPPORT AND TRANSPORT EMISSIONS

## EXPLORING THE RELATIONSHIP



Per capita Co2 emissions from transport, 2021

The bubble chart illustrates an inverse relationship between per capita CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from transport and public support for climate policies. As emissions from transport increase, the proportion of people supporting climate policies decreases. Meanwhile, the size of the bubbles, which represents the percentage of people with convenient access to public transport, does not show a clear pattern in relation to the other two variables.

One possible explanation for this trend is the economic and lifestyle dependence on high-emission transport. In countries or regions with high per capita CO2 emissions from transport, people are likely more dependent on private vehicles, which often correlates with car-friendly infrastructure, suburban expansion, and lower investment in sustainable mobility options. The high reliance on personal vehicles makes individuals more resistant to climate policies that could increase fuel taxes, impose car restrictions, or promote alternative transport solutions that may inconvenience them.

Another important factor is the perceived cost of climate policies. Climate policies often involve higher fuel prices, congestion charges, or incentives for public transport and active mobility, which may be seen as a financial burden by populations accustomed to cheap and convenient private transport. In high-emission regions, opposition to climate policies may stem from concerns that these measures will negatively impact household budgets, economic stability, or job security in industries tied to fossil fuels.

In contrast, regions with lower transport emissions may have a greater environmental consciousness due to more direct exposure to the benefits of public transport, urban sustainability measures, and lower car dependency.

The lack of a clear correlation between public transport access and climate policy support suggests that simply having access to public transport does not necessarily translate into a pro-climate mindset. This may indicate that cultural, economic, and political attitudes play a stronger role in shaping climate policy opinions than the availability of alternative transport options. People may have convenient access to public transport but still prefer private vehicles due to personal preferences, economic factors, or infrastructural limitations.

Note: Support was measured on a scale from 0 to 100 across nine interventions, including carbon taxes on fossil fuels, expanding public transport, more renewable energy, more electric car chargers, taxes on airlines, investments in green jobs and businesses, laws to keep waterways clean, protecting forests, and increasing taxes on carbon-intensive foods. In this chart, the size of the bubbles represent the share of population with convenient access to public transport.

Emissions are measured in tonnes per person. International aviation and shipping emissions are not included.

Access to public transport is considered convenient when an officially recognised stop is accessible within a walking distance along the street network of 500 meters from a reference point such as a home, school, workplace, market, etc. to a low-capacity public transport system (e.g. bus, Bus Rapid Transit) and/or 1 km to a high-capacity system (e.g.rail, metro, ferry). Some of the values are from 2020, as it is the most recent available data when 2022 figures are not available.

- · Share of people supporting political action on climate change: Vlasceanu et al. (2024). Addressing climate change with behavioral science: A global intervention
- Share of Populations with Convenient Access to Public Transport in MENA, 2022: SDG Indicators Database, United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (2023) Processed by Our World in Data, then by UITP CTE MENA.

## **GLOBAL SALES SHARE OF NEW ZERO-EMISSION BUSES, 2022-2023**

	2022	2023
Africa	0.0%	0.0%
Australia	0.0%	1.5%
Brazil	1.7%	0.5%
Canada	6.3%	22.6%
Chile	10.1%	38.7%
China	31.4%	41.5%
Colombia	9.1%	4.7%
Eu	12.3%	13.3%
India	2.1%	2.5%
Indonesia	1.1%	0.8%
Japan	0.6%	1.5%
Mexico	0.0%	4.7%
Middle East	1.7%	1.1%
New Zealand	6.0%	5.1%
South Korea	0.3%	1.1%
Thailand	3.5%	2.9%
United Kingdom	7.1%	17.1%
United States	2.0%	2.8%
Vietnam	0.0%	0.0%
Other Asean	0.0%	0.0%
Other Europe	1.2%	2.1%
Other Asia Pacific	0.4%	0.4%
Other Latin America	0.2%	0.0%
Global	5.4%	4.1%

Unlike China and Europe, where EV infrastructure is expanding rapidly, Middle Eastern cities are still in the early stages of building charging networks for electric buses. The lack of a widespread charging infrastructure makes it difficult for cities to scale up electric bus fleets efficiently. While policy frameworks and investment trends indicate a growing commitment to electrification, large-scale deployment remains in progress.

Several Gulf countries, particularly the UAE, Saudi Arabia, Oman, and Qatar, have announced ambitious plans for electric and hydrogen-powered transport as part of their sustainability and net-zero strategies. Dubai, for example, has launched multiple pilot projects for battery-electric buses, while Saudi Arabia's Vision 2030 includes major investments in sustainable mobility solutions, including electric and hydrogen buses. Abu Dhabi has also made significant progresses in green public transport with its Green Bus Program, which aims to integrate electric and hydrogen-powered buses into the emirate's public transport system.

#### Notes:

- · Sales shares include only BEVs and FCEVs. Shaded cells highlight higher sales shares
- The ZEV sales share for buses in China in 2023 only considers medium- and heavy-duty buses. Global shares include light buses for China in 2023, which were not included in the 2022 China data.

Similarly, Qatar has taken significant steps toward electrification, with Doha integrating electric buses into its public transport network. Qatar's Ministry of Transport has outlined plans to transition its public bus fleet to full electrification by 2030, supported by an expanding charging infrastructure and investments in smart mobility. Oman is also advancing its transition toward sustainable public transport, in which it has introduced the first electric bus as part of its broader strategy to decarbonise urban mobility.

However, some of these initiatives are still in the scaling phase and have yet to make a substantial impact on overall zero-emission bus sales across the region. The climate and operational conditions in the Middle East present additional challenges. Extreme heat and long travel distances can impact battery performance, reducing efficiency and increasing cooling system demands. While battery-electric buses (BEBs) remain a key focus, hydrogen fuel cell electric buses (FCEBs) are also being explored as a viable long-term alternative due to their faster refueling times and better resilience to extreme weather conditions. Yet, hydrogen adoption is still in its early phases, with infrastructure and supply chain development being critical barriers.

Despite recent fluctuations in electric bus adoption rates, there are significant opportunities for growth in the Middle East. The current pace of deployment does not indicate a lack of commitment but rather reflects a strategic approach, as governments and transport authorities carefully evaluate the most suitable electrification pathways.

# CLUSTER-SPECIFIC BENCHMARKING MEASURING KEY PUBLIC TRANSPORT ICITIES INDICATORS ACROSS COMPARABLE CITIES

## SEGMENTATION OF THE STUDIED CITIES

	Small Cities (<500k)	Medium Cities (500k-2m)	Larges Cities (>2m)
Cities as part of high-income countries	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
Cities as part of upper middle-income countries	Group 4	Group 5	Group 6
Cities as part of lower middle-income countries	Group 7	Group 8	Group 9

	Small Cities (<500k)	Medium Cities (500k-2m)	Larges Cities (>2m)
Cities as part of high-income countries	Ras Al Khaimah, Lusail, Salalah	Bahrain, Madinah, Dammam, Doha, Qassim, Taif, Jazan, Muscat, Ajman, Sharjah, Amsterdam, Budapest, Copenhagen, Geneva, Oslo, Prague, Stockholm, Vienna, Warsaw	Jeddah, Makkah, Riyadh, Kuwait, Abu Dhabi, Dubai, Barcelona, Berlin, Brussels, Chicago, Lisbon, London, Los Angeles, Madrid, Melbourne, Milan, Montreal, New York, Paris, Portland, Santiago, Singapore, Syndey, Taipei, Toronto, Vancouver
Cities as part of upper middle-income countries	Group 4	Constantine, Ouargla, Mostaganem, Setif, Sidi Bel Abbes	Algiers, Oran, Tehran, Isfahan, Baghdad, Beijing, Buenos Aires, Cape Town, Hong Kong, Istanbul, Jakarta, Johannesburg, Medellin, Mexico City, Rio De Janeiro, Sao Paolo
Cities as part of lower middle-income countries	Group 7	Agadir, Sfax, Beirut	Tunis, Cairo, Alexandria, New Administrative Capital, Amman, Casablanca, Marrakesh, Rabat, Bengaluru, Delhi

#### Note:

The cluster-specific benchmarking has been conducted based on the availability of data in the selected cities. Some cities may be represented in one key metric but not in another, depending on data availability. Benchmarking charts have been included only for transport modes that exist in MENA cities.

## **URBAN TRANSPORT IN PERSPECTIVE: ANALYSIS ACROSS**

## **ACROSS THE FOUR DIFFERENT CLUSTERS**

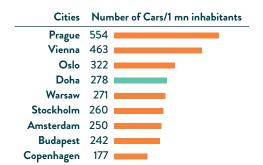
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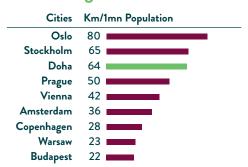
## Medium cities (500k-2M) as part of high-income countries

Metro and B	us	ΔD	_	_
	<b>—</b>			
Cities	Metro	Tramway	Bus	BRT
Bahrain	-	-	<b>⊘</b>	-
Madinah	-	-		-
Dammam	-	-	lacksquare	-
Doha		-	lacksquare	-
Qassim	-	-	lacksquare	-
Taif	-	-	$\bigcirc$	-
Jazan	-	-	lacksquare	-
Muscat	-	-	$\bigcirc$	-
Ajman	-	-	lacksquare	-
Sharjah	-	-	lacksquare	-
Amsterdam	lacksquare	lacksquare	lacksquare	-
Budapest		lacksquare	lacksquare	-
Copenhagen	lacksquare	-	lacksquare	-
Geneva	-	lacksquare	$\bigcirc$	-
Oslo	lacksquare	lacksquare	lacksquare	-
Prague		lacksquare	$\bigcirc$	-
Stockholm	lacktriangle	lacksquare	lacksquare	-
Vienna		<b>⊘</b>	lacksquare	-
Warsaw	lacktriangle	lacksquare	<b>⊘</b>	-

## **Metro Fleet**



## Metro Length



# Metro Ridership

Cities	Annual Ridership Per Capita	Year
Prague	257	2022
Vienna	178	2022
Stockholm	169	2022
Budapest	157	2022
Oslo	94	2022
Warsaw	90	2022
Copenhagen	79	2022
Amsterdam	72	2022
Doha	45	2022

Among the benchmarked cities, only Doha from the region is included for metro benchmarking, and it performs well in terms of metro fleet size and network length. However, its metro ridership levels remain relatively low (despite the increase in ridership due to FIFA World Cup in the same year) indicating untapped potential for increasing public transport usage. Doha also has the largest bus fleet among regional cities, with a fleet size per million inhabitants that surpasses Oslo internationally, despite having a nearly comparable population size. However, despite this strong infrastructure, ridership per capita remains low, suggesting that factors beyond fleet size—such as service quality, accessibility, integration, and public perception—may be limiting transport adoption.

#### **Bus Fleet**

#### Cities Bus Fleet/1 mn inhabitants Stockholm1,291 1,009 Warsaw 969 Doha 949 Copenhagen 929 Prague Oslo 797 **Budapest** 542 Vienna 223 Amsterdam 191 96 Ajman Muscat 81 Taif 64 62 Dammam 61 Sharjah 55 Qassim 34 Jazan Madinah 21

# **Bus Ridership**

Cities	Ridership Per Capita	Year
Budapest	323	2022
Warsaw	225	2022
Copenhagen	180	2022
Prague	179	2022
Stockholm	156	2022
Oslo	148	2022
Vienna	78	2022
Amsterdam	35 📉	2022
Doha	2.5	2023
Dammam	1.1	2023
Madinah	0.77	2023
Muscat	0.23	2023
Qassim	0.22	2024
Ajman	0.21	2023
Sharjah	0.18	2023
Jazan	0.17	2024
Taif	0.17	2023

Other cities in the region could benefit greatly not only from expanding their bus fleets but also from enhancing accessibility, service reliability, and overall network integration to encourage greater public transport use. Additionally, raising public awareness and incentivising a shift from private cars to public transport will be crucial in improving ridership and making urban mobility more sustainable. Well-planned investments in first- and last-mile connectivity, fare policies, and service frequency improvements could play a key role in bridging the gap between infrastructure availability and actual usage.

# CLUSTER 2



# Large cities (>2M) as part of high-income countries

# Metro, Tram and Bus

Cities	Metro	Tramway	Bus	BRT
Jeddah	-	-	<b>Ø</b>	-
Makkah	lacksquare	-		-
Riyadh		-		-
Kuwait	-	-		-
Abu Dhabi	-	-		-
Dubai	<b>②</b>	<b>②</b>		-
Barcelona		lacksquare		-
Berlin	<b>⊘</b>	<b>②</b>	<b>②</b>	-
Brussels		<b>②</b>		-
Chicago	<b>②</b>	-	<b>②</b>	-
Lisbon		<b>②</b>		-
London	<b>⊘</b>	<b>Ø</b>	<b>Ø</b>	-
Los Angeles		lacksquare	<b>Ø</b>	lacksquare
Madrid	<b>⊘</b>	<b>②</b>	<b>②</b>	-
Melbourne	-	lacksquare		-
Milan	<b>②</b>	<b>②</b>	<b>②</b>	-
Montreal		-		lacksquare
New York	<b>Ø</b>	<b>Ø</b>	<b>Ø</b>	<b>②</b>
Paris		<b>②</b>		lacksquare
Portland	-	<b>Ø</b>	<b>Ø</b>	<b>②</b>
Santiago		-	<b>②</b>	•
Singapore	<b>⊘</b>	-	<b>②</b>	-
Syndey		<b>②</b>	<b>②</b>	-
Taipei		<b>Ø</b>	<b>Ø</b>	<b>②</b>
Toronto		<b>Ø</b>	<b>Ø</b>	-
Vancouver	<b>~</b>	-	•	-

# Metro Fleet



# Metro Length

Cities	Km/1mn Population
Taipei	73
London	46
Madrid	44
Singapore	41
Berlin	41
Milan	32
Vancouver	30
Barcelona	25
Dubai	25
New York	23
Riyadh	20
Santiago	20
Brussels	19
Paris	19
Chicago	19
Montreal	17
Lisbon	15
Toronto	12
Makkah	8 🔳
Sydney	7 🔳
Los Angeles	2

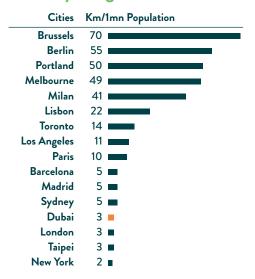
# Metro Ridership

Cities	Annual Ridership Per Capita	Year
Taipei	214	2022
Singapore	139	2022
Berlin	138	2022
London	124	2022
Paris	120	2022
Milan	90	2022
Madrid	85	2022
Santiago	79	2022
Barcelona	72	2022
Brussels	61	2022
Dubai	60	2022
Montreal	57	2022
New York	56	2022
Lisbon	46	2022
Vancouver	44	2022
Toronto	37	2022
Chicago	12 🔳	2022
Sydney	3 ■	2022
Los Angeles	2 •	2022

# **Tramway Fleet**

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Cities	Vehic	cles/1 mn inhabitants
Brussels	187	
Milan	157	
Berlin	107	
Melbourne	100	
Portland	74	
Toronto	32	
Los Angeles	27	
Paris	25	
Lisbon	24	
Sydney	14	•
Barcelona	7	
Madrid	5	
Taipei	5	
London	4	
New York	4	
Dubai	3	

# Tramway Length



#### **Bus Fleet**

Cities	Bus	Fleet/1 Mn Inhabitants
Beijing	1,537	
Taipei	1,313	
Santiago	1,018	
London	922	
Singapore	904	
Vancouver	786	
Paris	735	
Montreal	662	
Dubai	655	
Madrid	620	
Lisbon	494	
Barcelona	469	
Brussels	409	
Milan	396	
Toronto	327	
Portland	316	
New York	306	
Abu Dhabi	206	_
Chicago	202	_
Kuwait	187	
Los Angeles	172	_
Makkah	168	
Riyadh	98	
Jeddah	22	

# Tramway Ridership

Cities	Annual Ridership Per Capita	Year
Brussels	51	2022
Berlin	50	2022
Paris	26	2022
Melbourne	24	2022
Milan	24	2022
Portland	10	2022
Barcelona	5 🖿	2022
Lisbon	5 🚾	2022
Sydney	5 🚾	2022
Toronto	4 🔳	2022
Los Angeles	3	2022
Dubai	2	2022
London	2 ■	2022
Madrid	2 ■	2022
New York	1 ■	2022
Taipei	1 ■	2022

# **Bus Ridership**

Cities	Ridership Per C	Capita	Year
Vancouver	225		2022
Singapore	209		2022
London	182		2022
Taipei	125		2022
Paris	103		2022
Madrid	90		2022
Lisbon	87		2022
Beijing	81		2022
Santiago	72		2022
Barcelona	62		2022
Brussels	48		2022
Dubai	43.50		2022
Milan	39		2022
Makkah	36.85		2023
Sydney	34		2022
New York	31		2022
Toronto	27		2022
Abu Dhabi	21.21		2023
Los Angeles	18 🖿		2022
Chicago	17 🖿		2022
Melbourne	17 🖿		2022
Portland	17 🖿		2022
Montreal	5 ■		2022
Jeddah	1.30		2023
Kuwait	0.60		2023
Riyadh	0.14		2023

In this cluster, large MENA cities in high-income countries demonstrate relatively strong metro and tramway infrastructure in terms of network length. However, both fleet size and ridership remain below potential, suggesting room for improvement in service frequency, network expansion, and passenger demand stimulation. Increasing fleet capacity could help improve system efficiency and accommodate higher passenger volumes, making public transport a more attractive alternative to private vehicles.

In the bus sector, there is a noticeable disparity between regional cities within this cluster. While some cities have well-developed and integrated bus networks, others lag behind. Many cities in the region should consider expanding their bus fleets and improving network integration, particularly by enhancing connections between buses, metro, and tramway systems at key urban and transport hubs. Strengthening these multimodal links could not only increase bus ridership but also drive higher metro and tramway usage by improving accessibility and convenience for commuters. Strategic investments in bus priority measures, seamless and integrated ticketing as well as service reliability could further support a modal shift towards public transport.

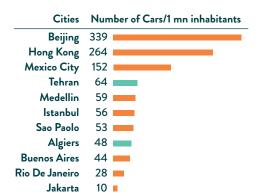
# CLUSTER 3

# Large cities (>2M) as part of upper-middle income countries

# Metro, Tram, Bus and BRT

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Cities	Metro	Tramway	Bus	BRT
Algiers	lacksquare	lacksquare	lacksquare	-
Oran	-	lacksquare	lacksquare	-
Tehran	lacksquare	-	lacksquare	
Isfahan	lacksquare	-	$\bigcirc$	
Baghdad	-	-	lacksquare	-
Beijing	<b>Ø</b>	<b>©</b>	$\bigcirc$	
Buenos Aires	<b>Ø</b>	lacksquare	lacksquare	
Cape Town	-	-	$\bigcirc$	
Hong Kong	<b>Ø</b>	lacksquare		-
Istanbul	<b>②</b>	<b>⊘</b>	lacksquare	
Jakarta	<b>Ø</b>	-	lacksquare	
Johannesburg	-	-	$\bigcirc$	
Medellin	<b>Ø</b>	lacksquare	lacksquare	
Mexico City	<b>Ø</b>	<b>⊘</b>	lacksquare	
Rio De Janeiro	<b>Ø</b>	lacksquare	<b>②</b>	
Sao Paolo	<b>Ø</b>	-	lacksquare	

#### Metro Fleet



# Metro Ridership

Cities	Annual Ridership Per Capita	Year
Hong Kong	175	2022
Beijing	58	2022
Medellin	53	2022
Tehran	52	2019
Sao Paolo	49	2022
Mexico City	47	2022
Istanbul	35	2022
Algiers	14 🚾	2020
<b>Buenos Aires</b>	14 🖿	2022
Rio De Janeiro	12 🔳	2022
Jakarta	2 ■	2022

# Metro Length

Cities	Km/1mn Population
Beijing	34
Hong Kong	26
Tehran	18
Mexico City	10
Istanbul	9
Medellin	8
Algiers	6
Sao Paolo	5
<b>Buenos Aires</b>	4
Rio De Janeiro	4
Jakarta	2 -

# **Tramway Fleet**

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Cities	Vehicles/1 mn inhabitants	
Hong Kong	42	
Oran	22	
Istanbul	13	
Algiers	12	
Medellin	3 💻	
Beijing	2	
Rio De Janeiro	2	
Mexico City	1	
Buenos Aires	1 1	

# Tramway Length

# Cities Km/1mn Population Oran 9 Algiers 7 Hong Kong 7 Istanbul 3 Rio De Janeiro 2 Mexico City 1 Beijing 1 Medellin 1 Buenos Aires 0

# Tramway Ridership

Cities	Annual Ridership Per Capita	Year
Hong Kong	23	2022
Algiers	21	2020
Istanbul	13	2022
Oran	5	2020
Medellin	2 🚾	2022
Mexico City	1 🔳	2022
Rio De Janeiro	1 🔳	2022
Beijing	0.3 ■	2021
Buenos Aires	0.1 ■	2022

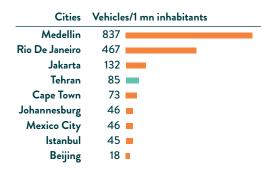
#### **Bus Fleet**

Cities	Bus Fleet/1 mn inhabitants	
Oran	1,571	
Beijing	1,537	
Hong Kong	1,201	
<b>Buenos Aires</b>	1,193	
Medellin	837	
Sao Paolo	750	
Isfahan	470	
Rio De Janeiro	467	
Tehran	420	
Istanbul	417	
Jakarta	267	
Cape Town	240	
Baghdad	83	
Johannesburg	63 ■	
Mexico City	62	

# **Bus Ridership**

Cities	Ridership Per Capita	Year
Hong Kong	204	2022
Sao Paolo	140	2022
Beijing	81	2022
<b>Buenos Aires</b>	67	2022
Istanbul	59	2022
Medellin	51	2022
Rio De Janeiro	45	2022
Cape Town	12 🔳	2022
Jakarta	7 ■	2022
Mexico City	6 ■	2022
Isfahan	3 🔳	2019
Baghdad	2 🔳	
Tehran	1 🔳	2019
Johannesburg	1 ■	2022

#### **BRT Fleet**



# **BRT Length**



Excluding megacities (cities with a population of 10 million or more, such as Mexico City and Beijing), the cities in this cluster are performing relatively well compared to their peers. Their public transport infrastructure is generally well-developed, but opportunities for improvement remain, particularly in fleet expansion and network connectivity.

To enhance public transport efficiency and accessibility, these cities could benefit from expanding fleets across all modes and ensuring better integration with major urban and transport hubs. Strengthening these connections would improve service coverage, reduce transfer times, and encourage higher ridership. Additionally, leveraging bus and BRT networks as complementary modes could significantly enhance multimodality, making public transport more seamless and attractive for daily commuters. Prioritising network efficiency, service frequency, and accessibility could further optimise urban mobility and drive greater public transport adoption.

# CLUSTER 4



# Large cities (>2M) as part of lower-middle income countries

# Metro, Tram, Bus and BRT

	<b>—</b>			
Cities	Metro	Tramway	Bus	BRT
Tunis	-	lacksquare	lacksquare	-
Cairo		-	lacksquare	-
Alexandria	-	lacksquare	$\bigcirc$	-
Amman	-	-	$\bigcirc$	
Casablanca	-	lacksquare	lacksquare	
Marrakesh	-	-	<b>②</b>	-
Rabat	-	lacksquare	$\bigcirc$	-
Bengaluru		-	$\bigcirc$	-
Delhi	lacksquare	-	<b>Ø</b>	-

# Metro Fleet

Cities	Number of Cars/1 mn inhabitants
Delhi	72
Cairo	37
Bengaluru	23

# Metro Length

Cities	Km/1mn Population
Delhi	11
Cairo	4
Bengaluru	4

# Metro Ridership

Cities	Annual Ridership Per Capita	Year
Delhi	46	2022
Cairo	40	2022
Bengaluru	13	2022

# **Tramway Fleet**

Cities	Vehicles/1 mn inhabitants		
Rabat-Sale-Temara	34		
Casablanca	16		
Tunis	12		
Alexandria	6		

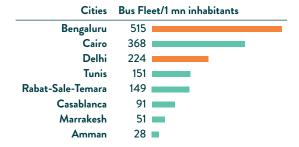
# Tramway Length

Cities	Km/1mn Population
Tunis	21
Rabat-Sale-Temara	14
Casablanca	9
Alexandria	6

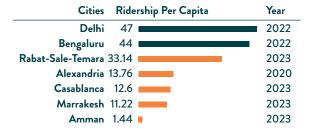
# Tramway Ridership

Cities	Annual Ridership Per Capita	Year
Rabat-Sale-Temara	19	2022
Alexandria	14	2020
Tunis	13	2022
Casablanca	6	2022

# **Bus Fleet**



# **Bus Ridership**



#### **BRT Fleet**

Cities	Vehicles/1 mn inhabitants	
Amman	30	
Casablanca	5	

#### **BRT Length**

Cities	Km/1mn Population
Amman	15
Casablanca	3

In this final cluster, the number of benchmarked cities is smaller compared to the previous clusters. However, the available data highlights significant progress in certain cities, particularly in expanding metro and tram networks and introducing new modes such as Bus Rapid Transit, as seen in Amman, to support overall urban mobility. These developments indicate a strong commitment to improving public transport infrastructure, but further efforts are needed to increase accessibility and ridership across different transport modes.

To maximise the impact of these investments, cities in this cluster could benefit from applying the same level of commitment to expanding and integrating other transport modes, such as bus services, shared mobility solutions, and first-mile/last-mile connectivity. Strengthening multimodal integration and ensuring seamless connections between metro, tram, BRT, and bus networks would enhance urban mobility, encourage greater public transport usage, and reduce dependency on private cars. Additionally, targeted policies to improve service reliability, affordability, and public awareness could further boost ridership and ensure long-term sustainability.

# FROM INSIGHTS TO ACTION:

# STRATEGIC RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SUSTAINABLE MOBILITY

Urban centers are the engines of economic growth, concentrating goods, services, and opportunities that create and sustain both prosperity and innovation. As cities expand, providing efficient and equitable access to these resources has become not merely a logistical challenge but a fundamental prerequisite for economic resilience, social inclusion, and environmental sustainability. However, the pathway in achieving sustainable and accessible urban mobility is neither uniform nor straightforward. In the MENA region, cities and countries vary widely in income levels, population sizes, geographic distribution, and topographical conditions, making a one-size-fits-all approach impractical. Recognising this diversity, we have developed a set of policy recommendations aimed at guiding national and city-level policymakers in navigating the complex transition toward sustainable urban transport. These recommendations are rooted in insights gathered through extensive research and analysis conducted for this report, ensuring they are both contextually relevant and actionable.

Given that urban mobility is deeply embedded in a complex and evolving economic, social and environmental ecosystem, we have structured our recommendations around three core dimensions: the people, the city, and the environment. To further enhance their applicability, each recommendation has been assigned a priority level; low, medium, or high. However, while these recommendations are all important, the priority levels offer a broad perspective on what is most pressing across the region. Also, it is essential to recognise that each city and country faces its own distinct challenges and priorities. Policymakers are encouraged to determine how these recommendations align with their own strategic priorities, institutional capacities, and urban development trajectories allowing potential solutions to be both actionable and contextually relevant.



#### People

Implement targeted subsidies and integration to enhance affordabilit especially for lower income populations.	Improve first-and-last-mile connectivity by expanding micro-mobility options (e-scooters, bike sharing), feeder bus services and bus-on-demand in both urban and suburban areas.
Launch awareness campaigns to sl mobility behaviours toward public transport and sustainable modes.	Engage local communities in transport planning through surveys to ensure services align with actual mobility needs.



#### City

Promote transit-oriented development by integrating urban planning with transport expansion projects. Mixed-use developments will reduce travel distances and create walkable, accessible urban centers.

Expand and modernise existing metro, tramway and bus networks to accommodate growing urban populations, increase public transport adoption and reduce congestion.

Prioritise cost-effective and rapidly deployable transport solutions such as BRT systems to strengthen intermodal connectivity and link undeserved areas to key urban amenities, particularly in economically constrained cities.

Develop pedestrian-friendly infrastructure and cycling lanes to promote non-motorised transport, particularly in dense urban areas.

In highly congested cities, introduce congestion pricing and low emission zones to curb traffic and reduce pollution.

Establish an effective and accountable governance framework with well-equipped institutions, skilled human resources, and strategic public-private partnerships to catalyse urban development and accelerate decarbonisation efforts.



#### **Environment**

Accelerate the adoption of low or zeroemission buses to reduce transport sector emissions. Integrate urban green corridors inside the city, tree-lined streets, and shaded pedestrian pathways to improve air quality and urban cooling.

Implement stricter emissions standards and electrification incentives to reduce urban air pollution.

Enable a better use of public financial resources by shifting them towards the decarbonisation of public transport and the improvement of the existing fleets for a major short and long term return on investment.

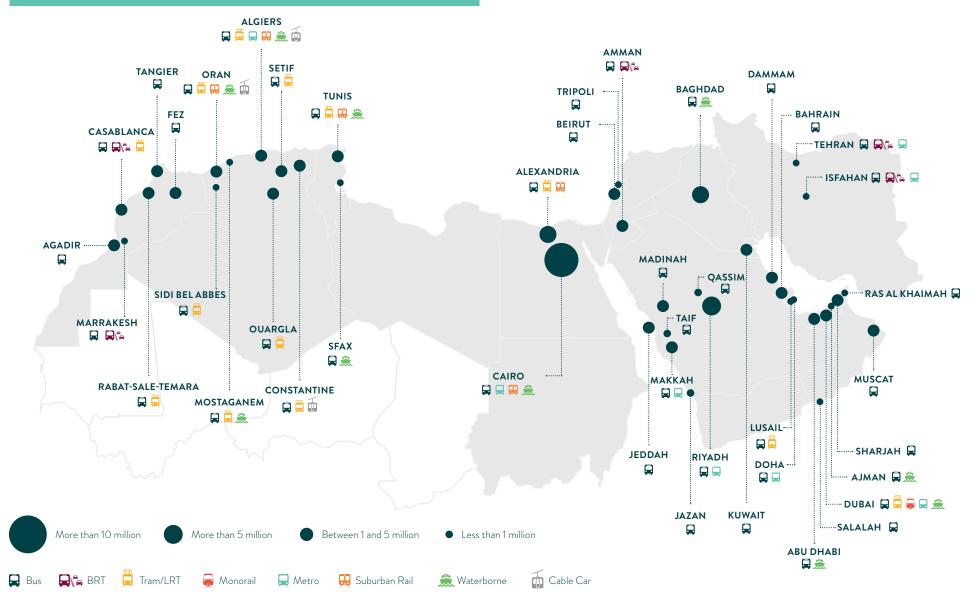
Cities in the region would greatly benefit from a well-structured and interoperable data collection policy that enhances environmental sustainability by integrating key sectors such as public transport, energy and infrastructure.

Leveraging technology effectively to enhance data utilisation, improve environmental analysis, and strengthen forecasting capabilities, which will enable a more informed decision-making for sustainable development and resource management.

# REGIONAL OVERVIEW MAPS

# **OVERVIEW MAP**

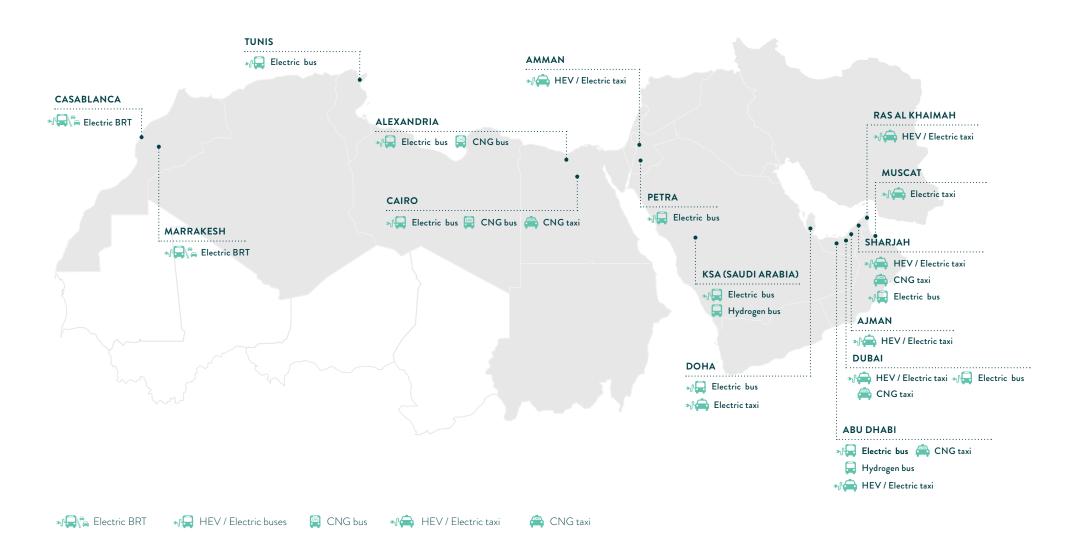
# PUBLIC TRANSPORT MODES IN MENA CITIES



#### **DIGITALISATION OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT** KUWAIT CityBus **E-ticketing & Trip Planners** CityBusKW - Bus **AMMAN** Vision City Bus - Bus + BRT **TANGIER** Metro El Djazayer - Metro Nision City Bus - Bus + BRT DAMMAM Dzair Transport - Metro + Bus Ikhlas - Bus Alsa - Bus Eastern Region Bus - Bus CONSTANTINE Region Bus - Bus **QASSIM RABAT-SALE-TEMARA** Cirta Pay - Bus Qassim Bus - Bus: Irtiyah - Tram Cirta - Bus **BEIRUT** Ikhlas - Bus Qassim Bus - Bus **BAHRAIN** Rabat - Tram Mobile Rabat - Tram BusMap, YallaBus - Bus Go Card - Bus Mobi4U Alsa - Bus Reproductive Planner - Bus CAIRO **RAS AL KHAIMAH** Mwasalati - Bus Metro Card - Metro Sagr Card - Bus **RIYADH** Mwasalat Misr - Bus (Mwasalat Misr buses only) Sayr by RAKTA - Bus Mobility Cairo - Metro (Line 3 only) SAPTCO smart card - Bus SHARJAH Darb smart card - Metro (upcoming) Sayer Card - Bus MARRAKESH Rivadh Bus - Bus RTA Sharjah - Bus MADINAH Ikhlas - Bus TAIF MUSCAT SAPTCO smart card - Bus Alsa - Bus Taif Bus - Bus Bus smart card - Bus Sayir - Mwasalat Bus - Bus Taif Bus - Bus 🤾 MadinaBus - Bus Mwasalat Bus - Bus **JAZAN** CASABLANCA **AJMAN JEDDAH** Jazan Bus - Bus PMT Alsa - Bus Masaar - Bus SAPTCO smart card - Bus Casatramway - Tram + BRT 🔍 Jazan Bus - Bus Ajman BOD - Bus on Demand SAPTCO App - Bus Alsa - Bus CasaTramway - Tram MAKKAH Casabusway- BRT Nol - Bus, Tram, Metro SAPTCO smart card - Bus Shail - Bus, Tram, Metro Makkah Bus Yamam - Bus Lusail Travel Card - Tramway Dubai Bus on Demand App - Bus On Demand **AGADIR** Makkah Bus - Bus Qatar Rail - Tramway 🤶 City Link Dubai, DrivenBus, Fluxx Daily – Bus On Demand Ikhlas - Bus DOHA **ABU DHABI** Mobi4U - Bus Karwa smart card - Bus Hafilat Smart Card- Bus Doha Metro & Lusail Travel Card - Metro Rabu Dhabi Link - On Demand Bus 🤶 Karwa Journey Planner/Qatar Rail - Bus Q Darbi - Bus E-Ticketing (Smart Card) Rip Planner (App) Qatar Rail - Metro **SALALAH** 🔤 Savir – Mwasalat Bus - Bus Mwasalat Bus - Bus

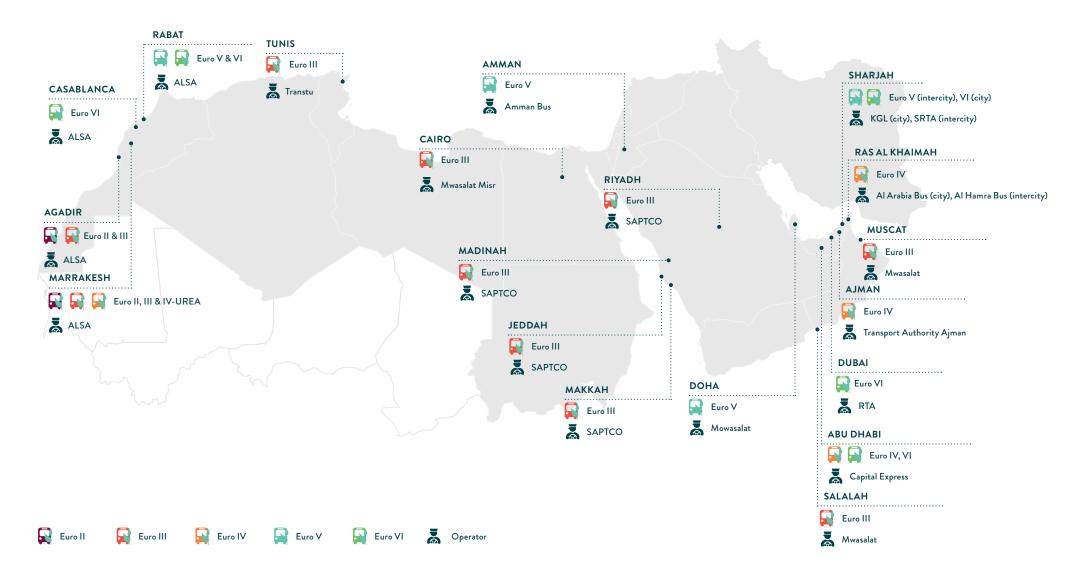
# **DECARBONISATION OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT**

# Alternative Fuels & E-Mobility

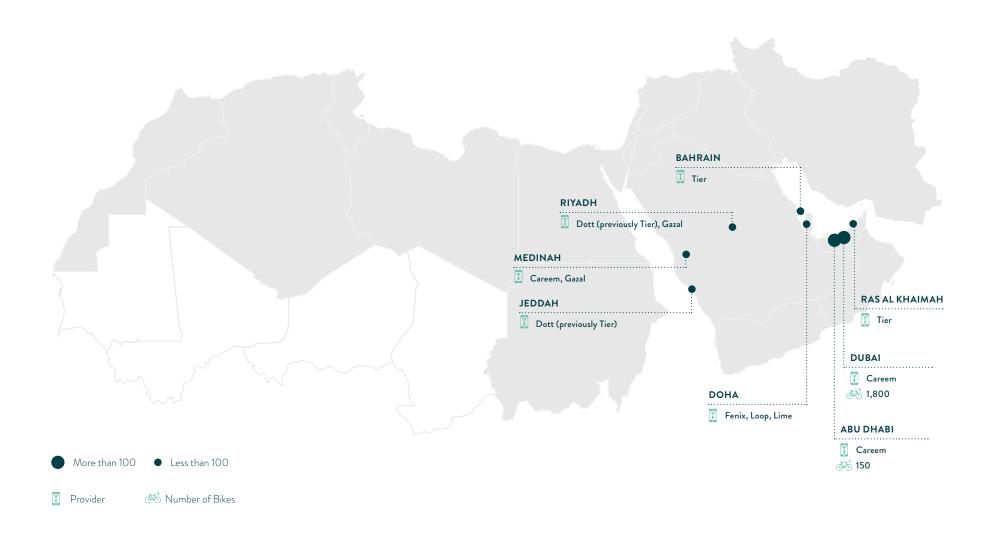


# **DECARBONISATION OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT**

# **Bus Emission Standards**



# **Electric Bike-Sharing**

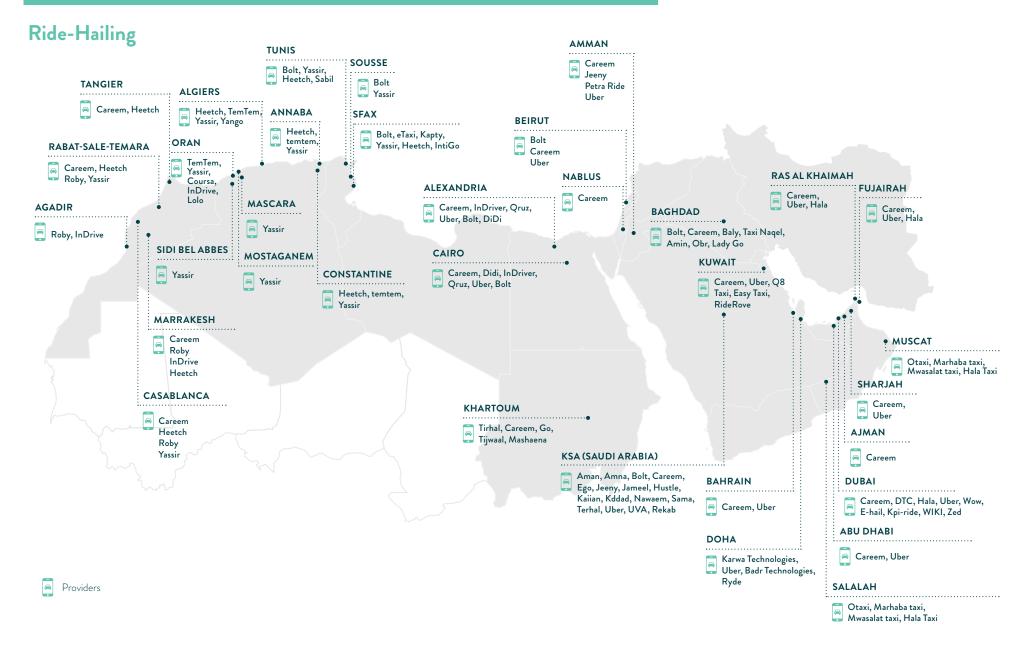


# **Electric Scooter-Sharing**

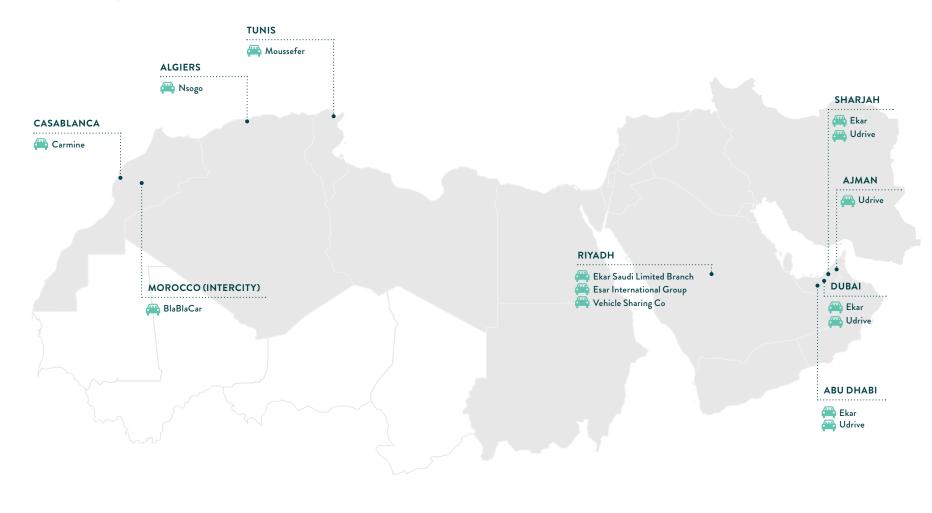


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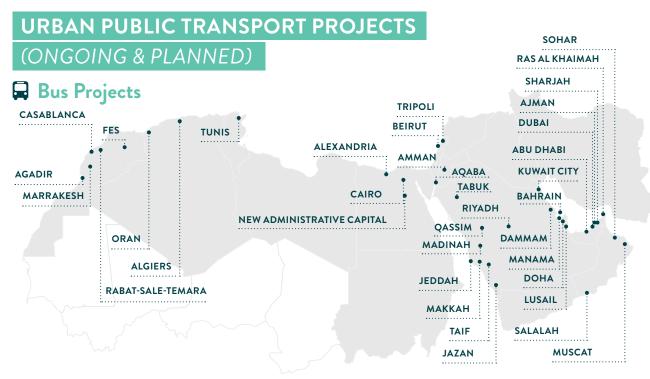




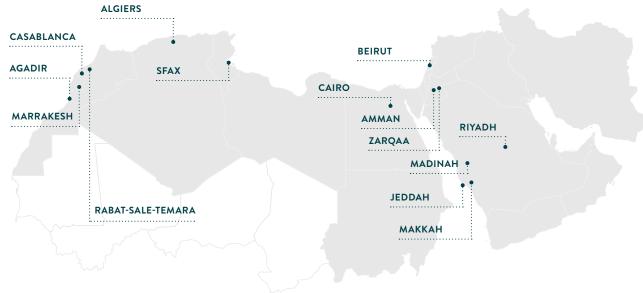
# Car-Sharing



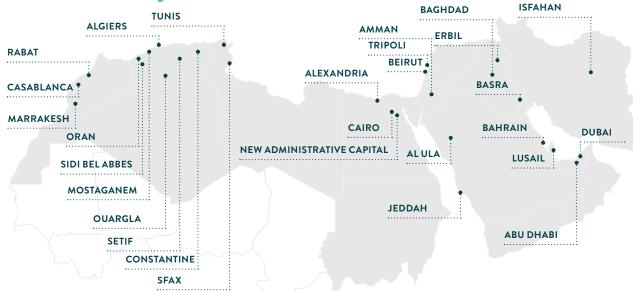
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# BRT Projects



# Tram & LRT Projects



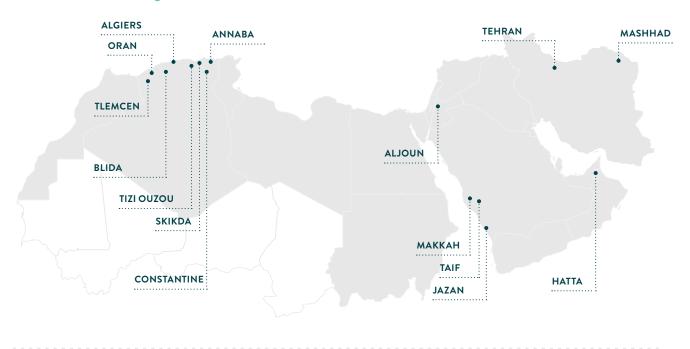
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# Monorail Projects



# Cable Car Projects



# Waterborne Transport Projects



# MENA COUNTRY & CITY PROFILES

# **ALGERIA**







**45 mn** (2023) Population<sup>1</sup>



49.9% (2023)

Female population (% of the total population)<sup>1</sup>



**75.27%** (2023) Urban Population<sup>1</sup> (% of total population)



**2.16%** (2023) Annual Urban Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



0.1% (2021)

Renewable Energy Consumption (% of the total final energy consumption)<sup>1</sup>



**USD 17,026.96** (2023) GDP pC (PPP; current int'l USD)<sup>1</sup>



**41.82** (2023)

PPP Conversion Factor, private consumption (LCU per International \$)¹



**Upper-middle-income** (2024) Income Group<sup>1</sup>

# PRIVATE CAR OWNERSHIP



**8,720,015** (2021) Passenger Cars<sup>2</sup>



**197** (2021) Car Ownership Rate<sup>3</sup> (Registered Vehicles per 1,000 people)

# **STRATEGIES**

# Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Development Plan (2015–2030)

Developed by: Algerian Ministry of Energy

Timeline: 2015-2030

#### **Objectives:**

- Install 22,000 MW of renewable energy capacity, focusing on solar photovoltaic (13.5 GW), wind power (5 GW), and other renewable sources such as biomass and geothermal.
- Reduce dependency on natural gas for electricity production by integrating renewables into the energy grid.
- Enhance the use of cleaner energy technologies to support economic development while reducing greenhouse gas emissions.
- Provide reliable electricity access to remote and underserved areas using off-grid renewable energy systems.

#### Targets:

- Achieve 20% of electricity generation from renewable energy sources by 2030.
- Contribute to the reduction of 9 GW of electricity demand through energy efficiency measures by 2030.

#### Sonatrach's 2030 Vision

**Developed by:** Sonatrach (State-owned oil and gas company)

Timeline: Until 2030

#### **Objectives:**

- Deploy 1.3 GW of solar power at Sonatrach's oil and gas facilities to power operations and reduce reliance on fossil fuels.
- Achieve a significant reduction in greenhouse gas emissions through energy efficiency improvements and renewable energy adoption.
- Position Sonatrach as a leader in the energy transition by integrating renewables into traditional energy operations.

#### Targets:

- Install 1.3 GW of solar photovoltaic capacity by 2030 at Sonatrach facilities
- Achieve compliance with international environmental standards for carbon reduction in oil and gas operations.



#### **National Energy Transition Plan**

Developed by: Algerian Ministry of Energy

Timeline: Ongoing

#### **Objectives:**

- Achieve at least 30% of electricity generation from renewable energy by 2030.
- Establish a capacity of 25 GW for hydrogen production by 2050.
- Reduce energy consumption by 10% annually in key sectors such as transport, housing, and industry.
- Reduce Algeria's carbon footprint and contribute to global climate change mitigation efforts.

#### Targets:

- Achieve 30% of the energy mix from renewable energy by 2030.
- Reduce CO2 emissions by at least 40% by 2050 through combined efforts in renewables, hydrogen, and energy efficiency.

#### Algeria Renewable Energy Program (AREP)

**Developed by:** Algerian Government, supported by African Development Bank

Timeline: 2015–2030

# **Objectives:**

- Harness Algeria's abundant solar energy resources to establish large-scale photovoltaic projects.
- Create a conducive environment for private sector participation in renewable energy development.
- Diversify energy resources to reduce reliance on hydrocarbons and ensure long-term energy security.
- Develop a domestic renewable energy industry, including manufacturing of solar panels and wind turbines.

#### National Strategy for Hydrogen Development

**Developed by:** Algerian Government

Timeline: Published in 2024, ongoing.

#### **Objectives:**

- Leverage Algeria's renewable energy resources (solar and wind) to produce hydrogen, with a focus on green hydrogen for export and domestic use.
- Build hydrogen production facilities and storage infrastructure to support large-scale production and distribution.
- Position Algeria as a key supplier of hydrogen to European and international markets.
- Promote research and development in hydrogen production technologies and their applications.

#### Targets:

- Produce 4 GW of green hydrogen by 2030.
- Develop hydrogen export agreements with key partners in Europe.
- Increase hydrogen-related research collaborations with international organisations.

# National Plan for Territorial Development 2030 (SNAT 2030)

**Developed by:** Ministry of Public Works and Transport (MTPT)

Timeline: 2010-2030

#### **Objectives:**

- Reduce disparities between regions by promoting equitable access to infrastructure and services.
- Enhance urban mobility and reduce congestion through improved public transport systems.
- Integrate environmental considerations into infrastructure projects to promote sustainability.
- Implement programs to break the isolation of border areas and integrate them into the national economy.

#### Transport Infrastructure Modernisation Program

**Developed by:** Ministry of Public Works and Transport (MTPT)

Timeline: Ongoing

#### Objectives:

- Develop and maintain a modern road network to improve connectivity across the country.
- Construct and expand motorways to facilitate efficient transport and reduce travel times.
- Upgrade and expand the railway network to support both passenger and freight transport.
- Modernise ports and airports to boost trade and improve international connectivity.

#### **Urban Mobility Improvement Initiatives**

**Developed by:** Ministry of Public Works and Transport (MTPT)

Timeline: Ongoing

#### **Objectives:**

- Expand and enhance public transport systems, including buses, trams, and metros, to reduce urban congestion.
- Promote the use of environmentally friendly transport options to reduce carbon emissions.
- Implement intelligent traffic management solutions to improve traffic flow and safety in urban areas.

# **AUTHORITIES**

#### Ministry of Public Works and Transport (MTPT)

The MTPT is the primary authority overseeing Algeria's transport infrastructure and public transport systems. It develops and implements national policies for road, rail, maritime, and air transport while managing large-scale infrastructure projects such as motorways, railways, and metro systems. The ministry is also tasked with promoting sustainable mobility and addressing the country's growing transport needs.

# Ministry of Housing, Urban Planning, and the City (MHUV)

The MHUV is responsible for urban planning and housing development in Algeria. It formulates and enforces policies for urban expansion, focusing on sustainable city development and reducing regional disparities. The ministry also collaborates with other entities to ensure urban mobility systems align with broader territorial development goals.

#### Ministry of Environment and Renewable Energies

This ministry supports environmentally friendly and sustainable public transport systems in Algeria. It promotes renewable energy integration into transport projects, such as electric and hydrogen vehicles, and works on reducing the carbon footprint of urban mobility systems.

#### Ministry of Energy and Mining

The Ministry of Energy and Mining focuses on the energy needs of Algeria's transport sector. It develops infrastructure for alternative energy-powered vehicles, such as electric and hydrogen systems, and supports energy efficiency in public transport operations. The ministry also promotes innovation in energy technologies to align with sustainability goals.

# National Agency for Studies and Monitoring of Railway Investments (ANESRIF)

ANESRIF specialises in the expansion and modernisation of Algeria's railway network. It supervises railway construction projects, ensuring connectivity to remote regions and enhancing freight and passenger rail services. The agency plays a crucial role in supporting Algeria's shift toward sustainable transport solutions.

#### National Agency for Territorial Development (ANDT)

The ANDT leads Algeria's territorial planning efforts, focusing on balanced regional development and sustainable land use. It coordinates local and regional projects, ensuring urban planning and infrastructure align with national development priorities. The agency works to bridge gaps between urban and rural areas.

#### Enterprise Metro d'Alger (EMA)

The Enterprise Metro d'Alger (EMA) was established in 1984 as a public entity under the supervision of the Ministry of Transport. Initially, EMA was responsible for the planning, construction, operation, and maintenance of guided transport systems in Algeria, including metros, tramways, and cable transport. In 2021, a significant restructuring of responsibilities took place. From that date, EMA's role shifted exclusively to overseeing studies, planning, and the execution of guided transport projects (metros, tramways, and cable transport systems). It no longer handles the operation and maintenance of these systems. Furthermore, EMA's supervisory body changed from the Ministry of Transport to the Ministry of Public Works and Basic Infrastructure, reflecting its revised focus on infrastructure development.

#### Directorates of Transport in Wilayas (DTWs)

DTWs in Algeria are regional bodies under the Ministry of Public Works and Transport (MTPT) responsible for managing transport systems and implementing national policies at the local level. They oversee public transport operations, regulate infrastructure development, and coordinate urban mobility initiatives, including bus networks and tramways. DTWs also manage permits, enforce transport safety standards, and collaborate with local governments and national agencies to align projects with territorial and economic development goals. These directorates play a vital role in enhancing regional connectivity and supporting sustainable urban mobility.

#### Algerian Transport Safety Agency (ASRT)

ASRT ensures the safety of Algeria's transport systems across all modes, including road, rail, and air. It conducts inspections, audits, and awareness campaigns to reduce accidents and enhance transport safety. ASRT's work supports the country's broader goals for sustainable and secure mobility.

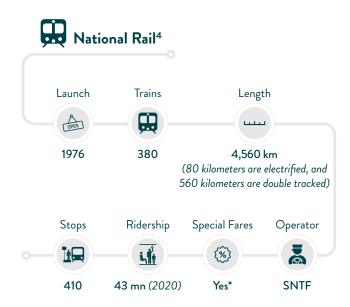
#### Wilayas Authorities (Municipalities)

Regional authorities, or Wilayas, play a significant role in implementing transport and mobility projects within their jurisdictions. They approve and supervise infrastructure projects, collaborate with municipalities, and ensure alignment with national strategies. Wilayas are critical for addressing localised mobility needs.

#### The Land Passenger Transport Group (TRANSTEV)

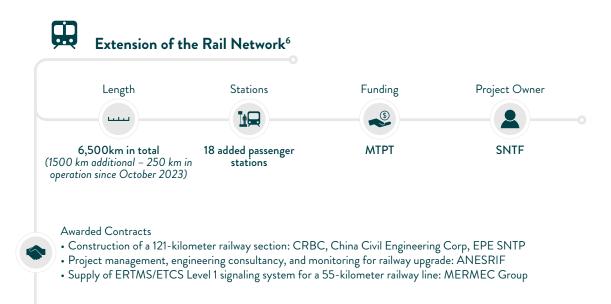
TRANSTEV is an Algerian public transport group established in February 2016. It includes several subsidiaries operating across various public transport modes, with SETRAM as one of its key subsidiaries, which manages tramway operations in multiple cities in Algeria.

# **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**





# **NATIONAL PROJECTS**



Source: 4SNTF, 2020 data | 5MENA Transport Report 2021 | 6SNTF

# ALGERIA / ALGIERS



▶ Algiers Metro

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**3.28 mn** (2021) Population<sup>1</sup>



**4,057** (2021) Population Density¹ (people per km²)



**809.22** (2021) Area (km²)<sup>1</sup>



**1.33mn** (2021) Registered Private Cars<sup>2</sup>



**405** (2021) Car Ownership rate<sup>3</sup> (Passenger cars/1,000 population)

# **STRATEGIES**

# Strategic Development Plan of Algiers (Plan Stratégique de Développement d'Alger)

**Developed by:** Wilaya of Algiers in collaboration with national authorities and international consultants.

**Timeline:** Launched in 2009; implementation phases extend until 2029.

#### **Objectives:**

- Revitalise historic centers, including the Casbah, and redevelop the waterfront to enhance Algiers' cultural and aesthetic appeal.
- Expand and modernise transport networks to improve mobility and reduce congestion.
- Restore ecological balance by rehabilitating natural sites, such as Oued El Harrach, and creating green spaces for sustainability.
- Diversify the economy by reducing reliance on hydrocarbons and positioning Algiers as a gateway to Algeria and a globally integrated city.

#### Implementation Phases and Progress:

#### 1. 2009-2014:

- Focus: Urban beautification and infrastructure upgrades.
- Progress:
  - Initiated revitalisation of historic centers, including the Casbah.
  - Began redevelopment of the waterfront.
  - Launched infrastructure projects to expand and modernise transport networks.

#### 2. 2015-2019:

- **Focus:** Continued infrastructure projects and preparation for international events.
- Progress:
  - Advanced construction of a new deep-water port to boost economic activities and international trade.
  - Prepared the city to host regional and international events, enhancing its regional prominence.

#### 3. 2020-2024:

- Focus: Bay of Algiers development and urban expansion.
- Progress:
  - Ongoing transformation of the Bay of Algiers into a vibrant waterfront area.
  - Continued urban development towards the eastern parts of the city to accommodate population growth.

#### 4. 2025-2029:

- Focus: Establishing Algiers as a "world city."
- Planned Progress:
  - Finalise the development of the bay and eastern urban extensions.
  - Position Algiers as a globally integrated, competitive, and sustainable metropolis.

# **AUTHORITIES**

#### Wilaya of Algiers

The Wilaya of Algiers serves as the central administrative authority for urban development and mobility within the capital. It is responsible for planning and coordinating public transport projects, ensuring alignment with national strategies. The Wilaya works closely with ministries, transport operators, and local municipalities to oversee the implementation of infrastructure projects, urban mobility initiatives, and public transport services. It plays a pivotal role in integrating sustainable practices into urban mobility and addressing the growing transport needs of Algiers' population. By promoting collaboration among stakeholders, the Wilaya of Algiers strives to create an efficient, accessible, and sustainable transport system.

#### Algerian Transport Safety Agency (ASRT)

The Algerian Transport Safety Agency (ASRT) is a critical body tasked with ensuring the safety and security of all transport modes across the country, including urban mobility systems in Algiers. ASRT conducts inspections, audits, and risk assessments to maintain high safety standards for public transport infrastructure and operations. It also organises awareness campaigns to promote road safety and accident prevention among commuters and operators. In Algiers, ASRT

plays an essential role in enhancing passenger confidence by enforcing safety regulations and overseeing compliance across metro, tramway, bus, and suburban rail services.

# Algiers Organising Authority for Urban Transport (AOTU-A)

The Algiers Organising Authority for Urban Transport (AOTU-A) is a specialised entity dedicated to managing and planning urban transport systems in the capital. Its primary role is to ensure the effective integration of different transport modes, including buses, metro, tramways, and cable cars, to create a cohesive urban mobility network. AOTU-A works closely with public transport operators, the Wilaya of Algiers, and the Ministry of Transport to develop strategies that improve service quality, reduce congestion, and promote sustainable mobility. The authority also monitors transport performance, identifies areas for improvement, and ensures that urban transport projects align with the broader development goals of Algiers.

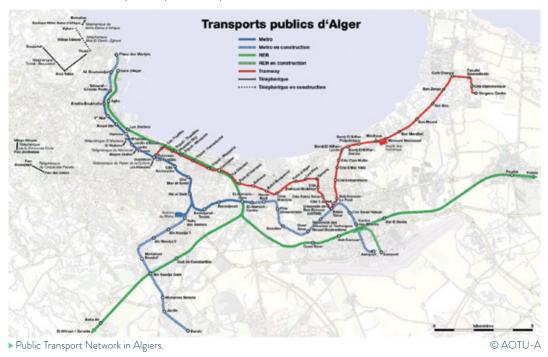
#### Entreprise of Urban and Suburban Transport (ETUSA)

ETUSA is a state-owned company that is responsible for providing urban and suburban public transport services in the Algiers metropolitan area.

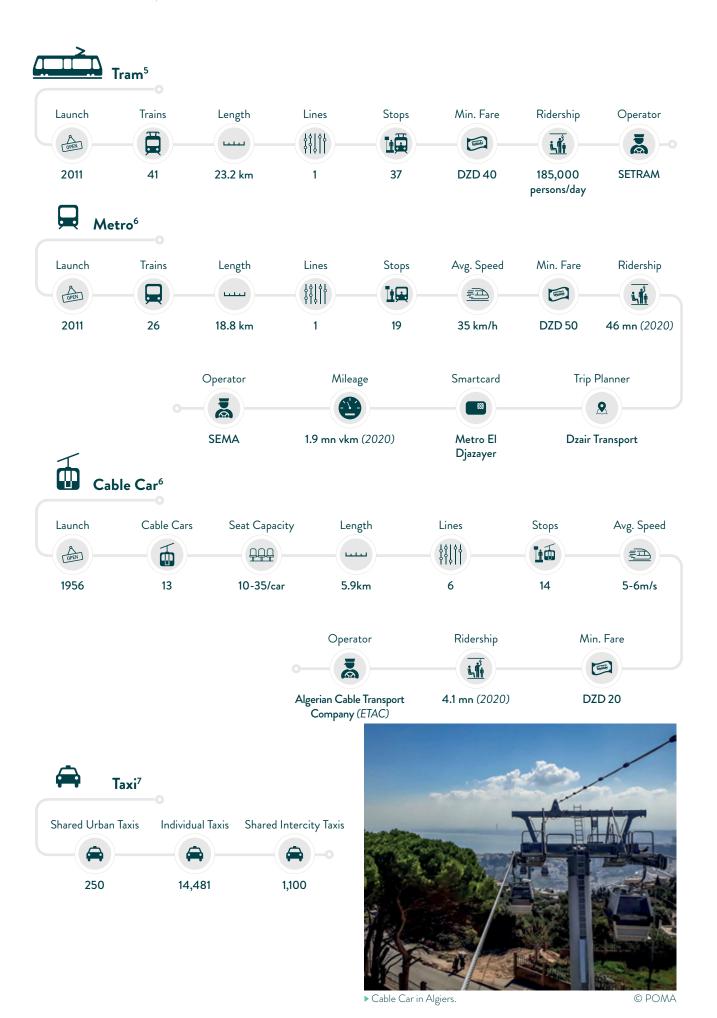
# **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**



Aside from ETUSA, there are 3,000 private bus operators in the city with 6,000 buses



Source: ⁴AOTU-A, 2017 data





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# **URBAN PROJECTS**



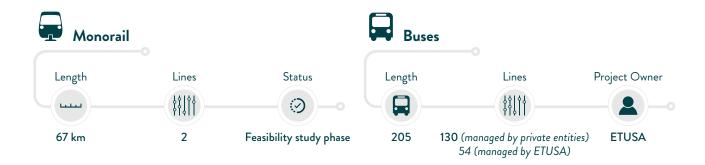






- The civil engineering works were carried out by the Algerian-German consortium GDC, comprising DYWIDAG, COSIDER, and TREVI.
- The civil engineering contract was awarded to COSIDER TP.
- · The construction was entrusted to the public construction group Cosider, with an estimated cost of 170 billion dinars.





Source: 8MoT and MTR21

# ALGERIA / ORAN



▶ Tramway in Oran.

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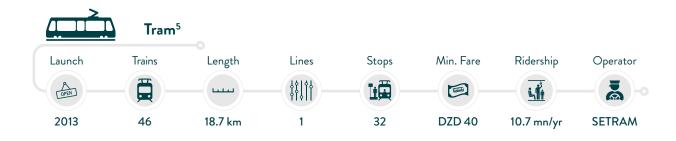


**125** (2021) Car Ownership rate<sup>2</sup> (Passenger cars/1,000 population)

Registered Private Cars<sup>3</sup>

# **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**



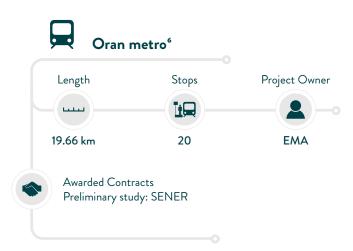






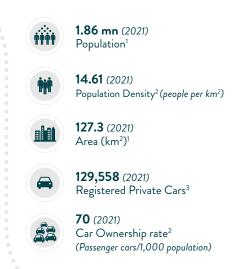
# **URBAN PROJECTS**



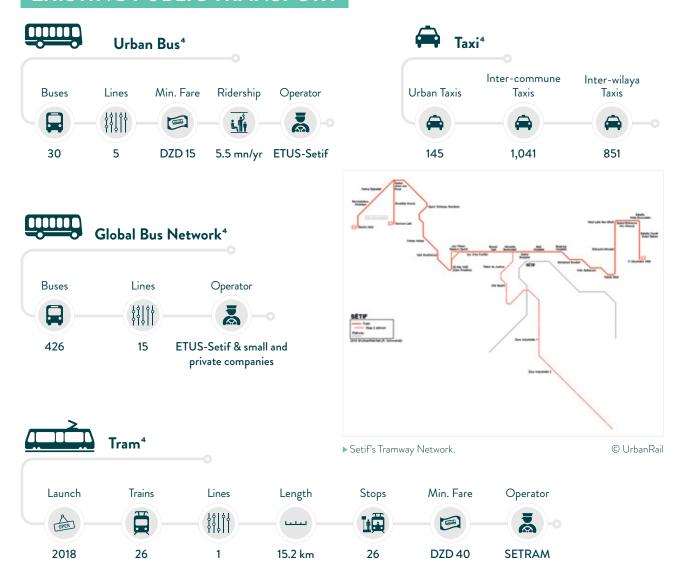


# ALGERIA / SETIF





# **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**



# ALGERIA / CONSTANTINE



▶ Tramway in Constantine

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**1.29 mn** (2021) Population<sup>1</sup>



**590** (2021) Population Density<sup>2</sup> (people per km<sup>2</sup>)



**2,187** (2021) Area (km²)<sup>1</sup>

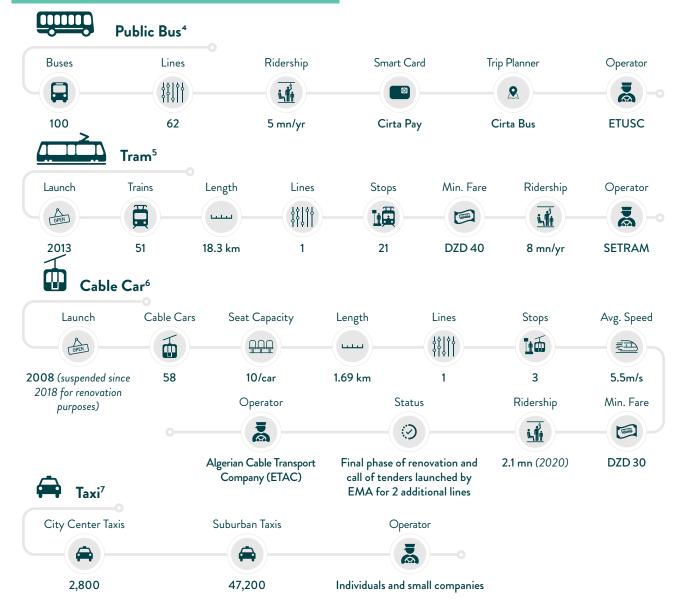


**211,705** (2021) Registered Private Cars<sup>3</sup>



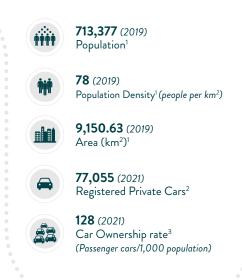
**155** (2021) Car Ownership rate<sup>2</sup> (Passenger cars/1,000 population)

## **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**

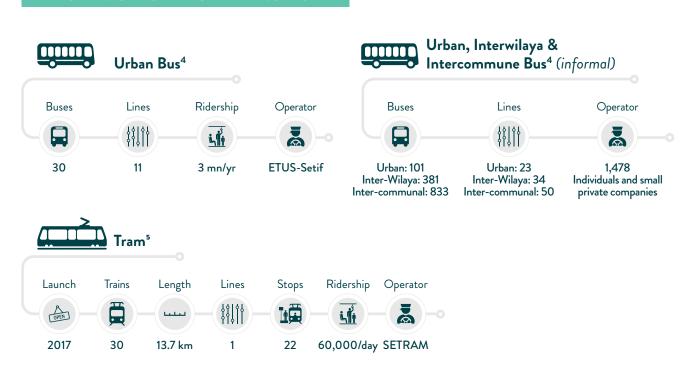


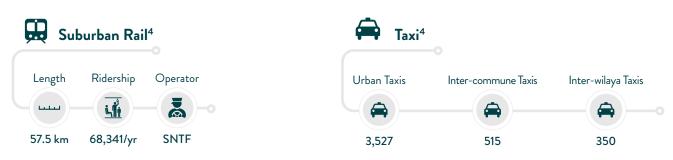
# ALGERIA / SIDI BEL ABBES





### **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**





# ALGERIA / MOSTAGANEM



▶ Tramway in Mostaganem.

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**922,405** (2021) Population<sup>1</sup>



**407** (2021) Population Density¹ (people per km²)



**2,269** (2021) Area (km²)¹



**74,785** (2021) Registered Private Cars<sup>2</sup>



**81** (2021) Car Ownership rate<sup>3</sup> (Passenger cars/1,000 population)

# **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**



Urban, inter-communal, rural and inter-wilaya Buses<sup>4</sup>







▶ Tramway Network in Mostaganem.

© Tramway Mostaganem





Source: <sup>4</sup>SETRAM, 2023 Data.

# ALGERIA / OUARGLA



▶ Tramway in Sidi Bel Abbes

© SETRAM



**708,463** (2021) Population<sup>1</sup>



**4.34** (2021) Population Density<sup>2</sup> (people per km<sup>2</sup>)



**163,233** (2021) Area (km²)¹



**65,840** (2021) Registered Private Cars<sup>3</sup>



**93** (2021) Car Ownership rate<sup>2</sup> (Passenger cars/1,000 population)

## **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**





# **BAHRAIN**







**1,588,670** (2024) Population<sup>1</sup>



**90%** (2023) Urban Population<sup>2</sup> (% of the total population)



38% (2023)

Female population (% of the total population)<sup>1</sup>



1,979.11 (2022)

Population Density<sup>1</sup> (people per km<sup>2</sup> of land area)



**787.68** (2023) Area (km²)¹



**3.4%** (2023) Annual Population Growth<sup>2</sup>



**USD 63,497.6** (2023) GDP pC, PPP (current USD)<sup>2</sup>



**-0.4%** (2023) Annual GDP per capita growth (%)<sup>2</sup>



**0.19** (2023)
PPP Conversion Factor, private consumption (LCU per International \$)<sup>2</sup>



High Income Income Group<sup>2</sup>

### PRIVATE CAR OWNERSHIP



**575,294** (2023) Passenger Cars<sup>1</sup>



**363.2** (2023) Car Ownership Rate<sup>3</sup> (passenger cars/1,000 persons)

## **STRATEGY**

#### Kingdom's Economic Vision

Developed by: Economic Development Board

Timeline: 2008 - 2030

Vision: Sustainable environment and infrastructure

#### Mobility-Related Objectives:

- Allocating investments toward technologies aimed at lowering carbon emissions, reducing environmental pollution, and advancing the adoption of sustainable energy sources.
- Enhancing urban transit systems by creating high-quality infrastructure
  that ensures sustainability, competitiveness, and equity. The Government
  of Bahrain is dedicated to delivering a public transport network that is
  accessible, affordable, reliable, safe, and environmentally sustainable,
  ultimately enhancing the quality of life for all citizens and residents.
- Implementing the Strategic Projects Plan, which includes the development
  of the Bahrain Metro to improve connectivity and reduce traffic
  congestion, upgrades to the bus transport network, and the promotion of
  active transport through dedicated cycling and pedestrian pathways.
- Supporting regional mobility and economic integration through projects such as the King Hamad Causeway and the integration of intelligent transport systems.

## **AUTHORITIES**

#### Ministry of Transportation and Telecommunications (MTT)

The MTT is responsible for managing and developing transportation and telecommunication regulations that link the Kingdom of Bahrain with regionally and globally to serve the citizens and residents and the economy growth as well as regulating and monitoring all transport modes in the Kingdom.

#### **General Directorate of Traffic**

It is responsible to issue commercial and private licenses for vehicles and drivers, inspect and register vehicles, as well as regulating and enforcing the traffic laws and issuing violations related to it.

#### Urban Planning and Development Authority

The authority is responsible for the comprehensive land planning and urban development which includes infrastructure and transport planning.

#### Ministry of Works (MOW)

As Bahrain's construction arm, MOW manages infrastructure development, including the planning, design, construction, and maintenance of the public road network. The ministry focuses on strategic infrastructure planning, incorporating sustainability and urban integration to support mobility and connectivity. Its efforts include maintaining existing infrastructure and upgrading it to meet evolving demands, ensuring safe and efficient transport for the Kingdom's residents.

## **NATIONAL PROJECTS**







▶ Intercity Bus Network in Bahrain<sup>6</sup>

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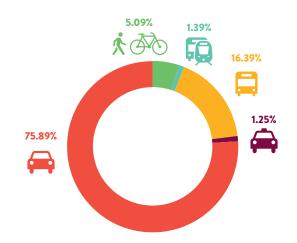
# **BAHRAIN\***



▶BPTC Bus¹ © MTT

## MODAL SPLIT

All trips; 2018<sup>1</sup>



•Walking & Cycling • Public Transport • Private buses (school/company)
• Taxi • Private Car

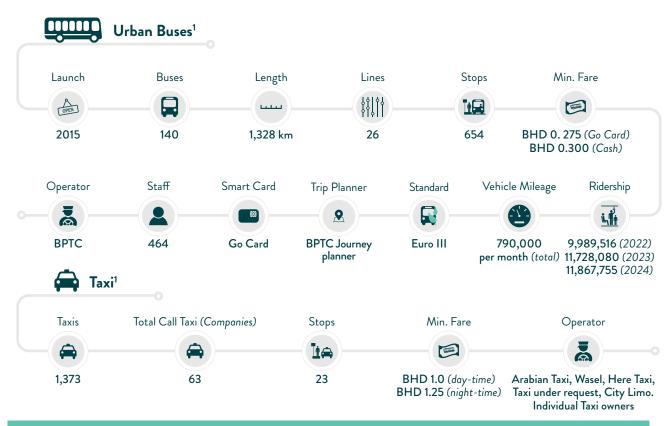


▶ The planned Bahrain transport network map¹

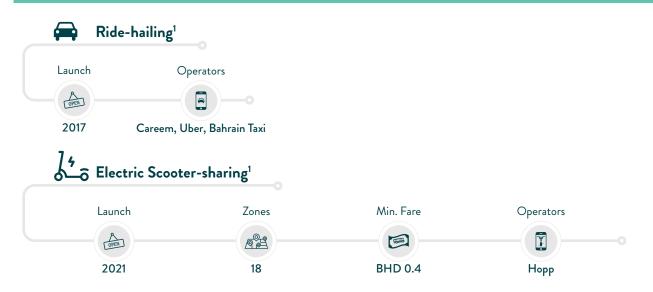
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<sup>\*</sup>In light of considering Bahrain a city state in this report,Bahrain's national and urban chapter data are the same

## **URBAN PUBLIC TRANSPORT**



### SHARED AND ON-DEMAND PUBLIC TRANSPORT SOLUTIONS



### **URBAN PROJECTS**



## **EGYPT**







**112,716,598** (2023)

Population<sup>1</sup>



**49.4%** (2023)

Female population (% of the total population)<sup>1</sup>



1.54% (2023)

Annual Urban Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



113 (2022)

Population Density<sup>1</sup> (people per km<sup>2</sup> of land area)



24.6 % (2023)

Population in urban agglomerations of more than 1 million (% of the total population)<sup>1</sup>



**3.8%** (2023)

Annual GDP growth (%)1



2.2% (2023)

Annual GDP per capita growth (%)<sup>1</sup>



**6.1%** (2021)

Renewable Energy Consumption (% of the total final energy consumption)<sup>1</sup>



USD 18,524.6 (2023)

GDP pC (PPP; current int'l USD)<sup>1</sup>



**5.58** (2023)

PPP Conversion Factor, private consumption (*LCU per International* \$)<sup>t</sup>



Lower-middle income

Income Group¹

## PRIVATE CAR OWNERSHIP



**8,412,673** (2016) Passenger Cars<sup>2</sup>



**83** (2017) Car Ownership Rate<sup>3</sup> (Registered Vehicles per 1,000 people)

### **STRATEGIES**

Sustainable Development Strategy: Egypt Vision 2030

Developed by: Ministry of Planning and Administrative Reform

Timeline: 2015-2030

**Vision:** A balanced spatial development management of land and resources to accommodate the population and improve the quality of their lives (the urban development pillar).

**Objective:** Increasing the capacity and improving the quality of public transport in cities.

**Target:** Raise the national public transport ridership from 1.9% in 2015 to 30% in 2020 and finally to 50% in 2050.

#### The National Agenda for Sustainable Development

**Developed by:** Ministry of Planning and Economic Development

**Timeline:** 2025 - 2030

**Vision:** Egypt's Vision 2030 embraces a set of "Guiding Principles" that serve as the framework connecting six strategic goals. These principles are Human-Centered Development, Equity and Accessibility, Resilience and Adaptation, and Sustainability.

**Objective:** Establish safe and sustainable transport systems to improve the quality of life for individuals and enhance the efficiency of transport services for all users (the well-developed infrastructure strategic goal).

## **AUTHORITIES**

#### Ministry of Transport (MoT)

It is the key governmental authority responsible for overseeing and regulating Egypt's land and sea transport sectors. The MoT is tasked with developing and implementing transport policies, infrastructure projects, and initiatives that ensure the efficiency, safety, and sustainability of transport systems nationwide. The ministry's scope covers urban and intercity transport, maritime operations, and port management, with its affiliated authorities working in specialised domains such as public transport, railway networks, and metro systems.

#### National Authority for Tunnels (NAT)

Under the jurisdiction of MoT, NAT, which was established in 1983, is responsible for the implementation of underground metro projects in Egypt. NAT plays a pivotal role in advancing the country's urban transport infrastructure. The organisation is responsible for planning, constructing, and commissioning metro lines and their extensions. NAT's responsibilities have expanded to include light rail transit and monorail projects as part of Egypt's ambitious urban development plans aimed at alleviating congestion and improving mobility.

#### Land Transport Regulatory Authority (LTRA)

Was established in 2019 to act as the primary regulatory body for all domestic and international land transport operations in Egypt. Reporting to the MoT, the LTRA's responsibilities include issuing licenses, ensuring compliance with safety standards, and regulating passenger and freight transport activities. The LTRA also oversees cross-border transport agreements and plays a critical role in the modernisation of transport services, promoting competitiveness and coordination among operators while ensuring that land transport services meet national and international regulatory benchmarks.

#### General Organization for Physical Planning (GOPP)

GOPP is the governmental authority responsible for the planning and development of urban sustainability in the cities and governorates of Egypt. The organisation plays a crucial role in spatial planning, land use allocation, and transport network integration within urban development projects. GOPP's focus on urban sustainability aligns with Egypt's broader goals for smart cities and eco-friendly public transport systems.

#### New Urban Communities Authority (NUCA)

Established in 1979 to oversee the developments in the new cities and urban communities that make up Cairo (Greater) today, including access to transport. The authority's role is central to Egypt's strategy of reducing population density in older cities like Cairo by creating attractive, well-served urban communities.

#### Governorates (Cairo, Giza, Qalyobeya and Alexandria)

The three governorates of Cairo, Giza and Qalyobeya form the executive arm of MoT within Cairo (Greater). Similarly, the Governorate of Alexandria is responsible for implementing urban transport projects in Alexandria. Governorates are also responsible for adapting national transport policies to local contexts, ensuring alignment with regional development plans and the urban growth dynamics of their respective areas.

### **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**



### NATIONAL PROJECTS



Construction

Consortium



▶ High-speed rail project – first line (Ain Al Sokhna – Alexandria – Marsa Matruh) network.

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(EUR 35 million)

# EGYPT / CAIRO (GREATER)



Mwasalat Misr Bus

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**26,054,128** (2024) Population<sup>1</sup>



**12,715** (2023) Population Density<sup>1</sup> (people per km²)



**2,500,000** (2015) Registered Private Cars<sup>2</sup>



106 (2015) Car Ownership rate<sup>2</sup> (Passenger cars/1,000 population)

## **STRATEGIES**

#### Greater Cairo Urban Transport Master Plan (GCUTMP)

Developed by: National Authority for Tunnels (NAT)

Timeline: 2050

**Objectives:** The Greater Cairo Urban Transport Master Plan represents a long-term vision to transform the transport landscape of Cairo and its metropolitan area into a cohesive, efficient, and sustainable urban mobility system by 2050. It aims to establish an integrated urban transport system, including metro, suburban railway, and expressways.

#### 6th of October Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan (SUMP)

**Developed by:** Transport for Cairo (TfC) for the New Urban Communities Authority (NUCA)

**Support:** Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES)

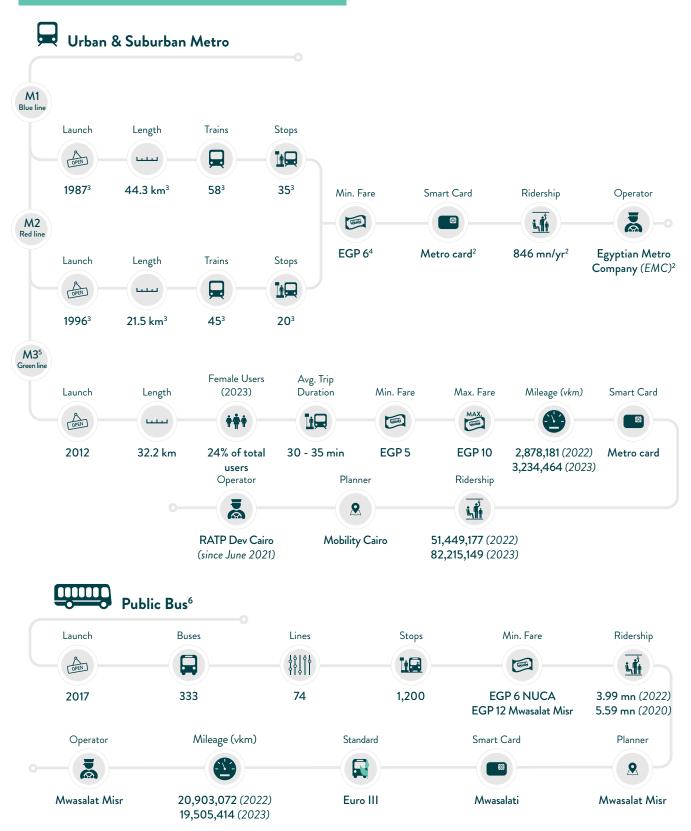
**Objectives:** The SUMP for 6th of October City is a targeted initiative aimed at improving transport systems within one of Cairo's major satellite cities. This plan emphasises public transport enhancement, accessibility improvements, and sustainable practices to support the city's rapid urbanisation.

## **AUTHORITY**

#### The Cairo Transport Authority (CTA)

The CTA is a prominent entity operating under the governance of the Cairo Governorate in Egypt. It holds the mandate to oversee, license, and regulate a wide array of public transport services within the city of Cairo. As the primary transport authority, the CTA ensures an integrated and efficient mobility network for residents and visitors.

## **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**



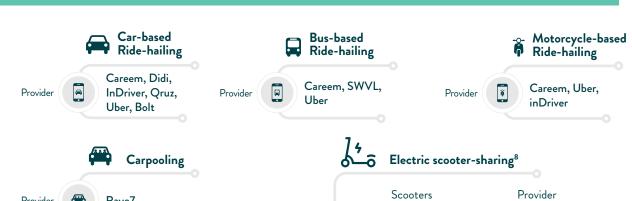


▶ Current metro and Mwasalat Misr bus network

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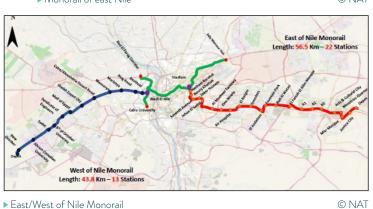
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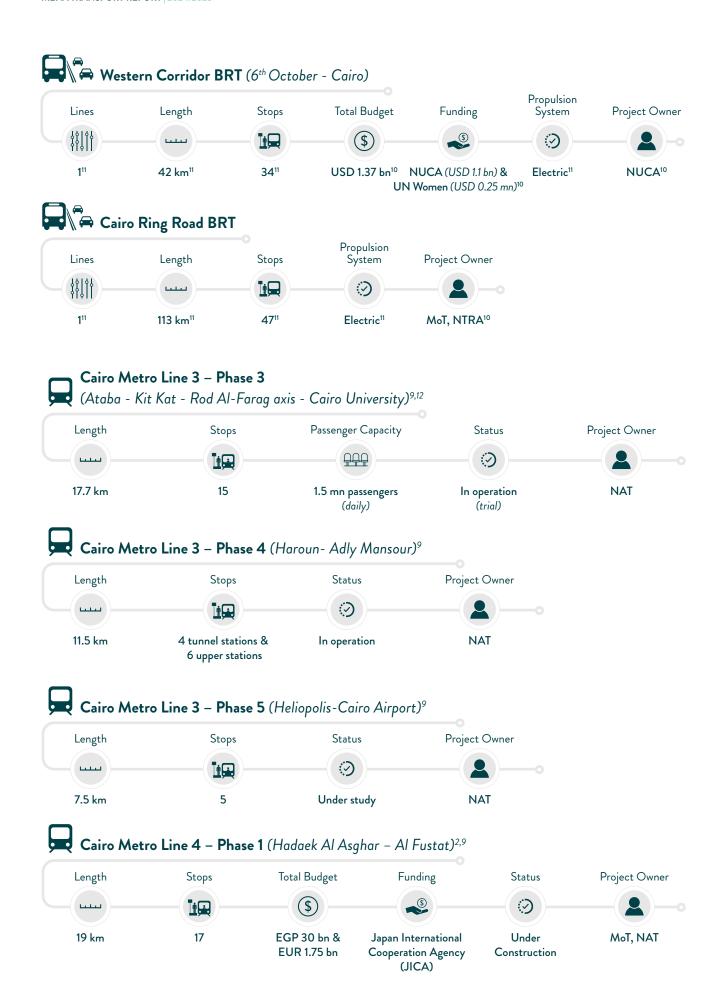








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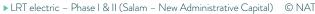




#### EGYPT /

## **NEW ADMINISTRATIVE CAPITAL**

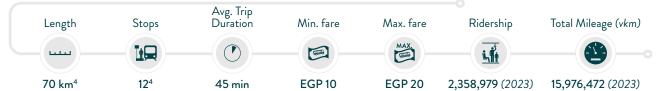






## **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**





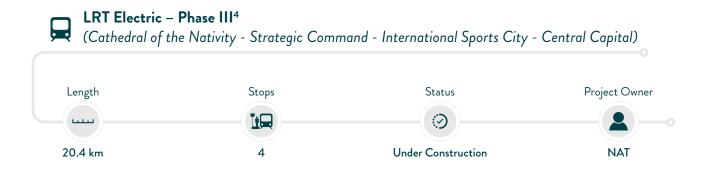
## **URBAN PROJECTS**







 $\blacktriangleright$  LRT electric – Phase I & II (Salam – New Administrative Capital) map  $\,\,$  © NAT









► LRT electric – Phase III & IV

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# EGYPT / ALEXANDRIA



▶ Battery electric buses in Alexandria, 2023

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**5,523,511** (2023) Population<sup>1</sup>



**3,000** inh./km² (2020/2021) Density²



**365,000** (2015) Passenger Cars<sup>1</sup>



**73** (2015)

Car Ownership rate<sup>3</sup>
(Passenger cars/1,000 population)

## **STRATEGY**

#### Strategic Urban Plan 2032 (SUP Alex 2032)

**Developed by:** General Organisation for Physical Planning (GOPP) and Ministry of Housing, Utilities & Urban Development

Timeline: 2014 - 2032

**Vision:** Improved quality of life & environmental quality through improving the quality of transport services and the image of the city.

**Objective:** Develop and modernise public transport in the city. The plan aims to transition Alexandria toward ecofriendly practices, such as electrification of buses and the upgrade of tram systems, reducing the environmental impact of urban mobility.

**Target:** Rehabilitation and expansion of the El Raml tramway. Expansion plans include extending the tram network to underserved areas, enhancing connectivity, and integrating it with other public transport modes, such as buses and future transport systems.



▶ Planned Alexandria public transport network²

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### **AUTHORITY**

#### Alexandria Passenger Transport Authority (APTA)

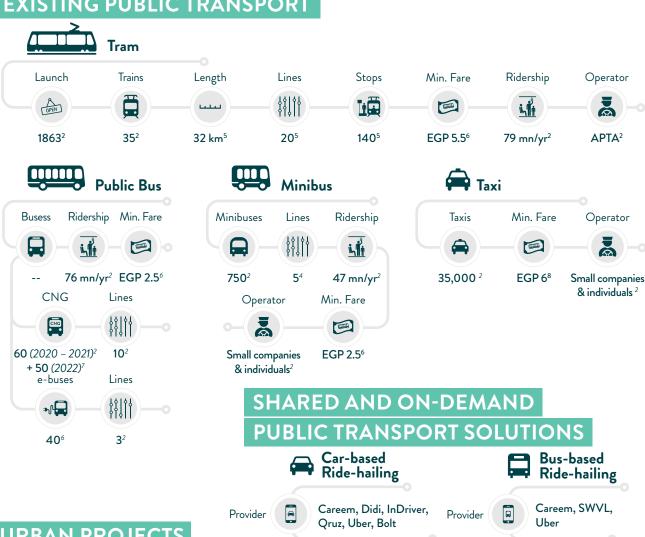
The APTA is the principal governmental agency overseeing the planning, operation, and management of public transport services within the Alexandria governorate, Egypt's second-largest city and a key urban hub on the Mediterranean coast. Established to address the mobility needs of the city's growing population and economic activities, APTA plays a pivotal role in ensuring efficient, accessible, and sustainable public transport solutions.



▶ Bakous Tram Line in Alexandria⁴

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## **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**

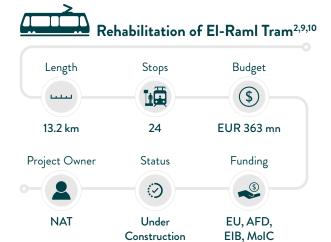


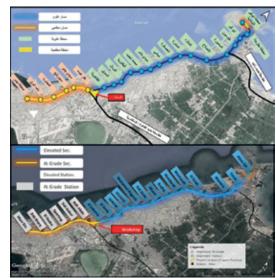
## **URBAN PROJECTS**



(Upgrading/electrifying Alexandria - Abu Qir railway to metro line)







# **IRAN**







90,608,707 (2023)

Population<sup>1</sup>



1.2% (2023)

Annual Population Growth (%)1



1,745,150 (2022)

Area<sup>1</sup> (km<sup>2</sup>)



**55.2** (2022)

Population Density<sup>1</sup> (people per km<sup>2</sup> of land area)



77.3% (2023)

Urban Population<sup>1</sup> (% of the total population)



1.8% (2023)

Annual Urban Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



**22,749,121** (2023)

Population in urban agglomerations of more than 1 million (% of the total population)<sup>1</sup>



**USD 17,659.9** (2023) GDP pC (PPP; current int'l USD)<sup>1</sup>



**88,593.2** (2023)

PPP Conversion Factor, private consumption (LCU per International \$)¹



Upper-middle income

Income Group¹

### PRIVATE CAR OWNERSHIP



**36,323,701** (2020) Passenger Cars<sup>2</sup>



**54%** of urban households **36%** of rural households (2020) Car Ownership Rate<sup>2</sup>(%)\* (Registered Vehicles per 1,000 people)

### **STRATEGIES**

#### National Urban Policy Programme (NUPP)

**Developed by:** UN-Habitat and Ministry of Roads and Urban Development

Timeline: Initiated in 2017

#### **Objectives:**

- Develop an integrated framework for managing urbanisation challenges in Iran.
- Promote balanced urban development by addressing spatial inequalities across cities.
- Support the development of smart cities using modern technologies to enhance urban management.
- Strengthen urban governance systems to improve decision-making processes.
- Encourage sustainable urban growth through policies that prioritise environmental preservation, public transport, and resource efficiency.

# United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (UNSDCF)

**Developed by:** Iranian Government and the United Nations

**Timeline:** 2023-2027

#### **Objectives:**

- Build socio-economic resilience by addressing vulnerabilities and reducing poverty.
- Improve public health systems to ensure equitable access to healthcare for all citizens.
- Enhance disaster risk reduction and management systems to mitigate the impact of natural and human-induced disasters.
- Promote environmental sustainability by supporting renewable energy adoption and reducing pollution levels.
- Address socio-economic disparities to create an inclusive and equitable society.

Source: <sup>1</sup>World Bank | <sup>2</sup>Iran Statistics Center

# National Urban Policy and Smart City Strategy Document

**Developed by:** UN-Habitat and Iranian Government

Timeline: Ongoing under NUPP

#### **Objectives:**

- Establish urban governance structures that are transparent, participatory, and effective.
- Promote spatial sustainability by optimising land use and promoting sustainable urban planning practices.
- Ensure financial sustainability by creating diversified funding mechanisms for urban projects.
- Strengthen economic sustainability by promoting innovation, entrepreneurship, and job creation in urban areas.
- Enhance social sustainability by improving access to affordable housing, public services, and cultural amenities.
- Support environmental sustainability by adopting green building practices and expanding urban green spaces.

# Municipalities and Village Administrations Organisation (IMO)

Operating under the Ministry of Interior, the IMO is responsible for the affairs of all municipalities across the country, including planning and budgeting for city and village local authorities.

#### Municipalities

Local municipalities are directly involved in urban development and public transport within their respective cities. They manage city planning, zoning regulations, and the operation of public transport systems such as buses and metros. For instance, the Tehran Municipality oversees the Tehran Metro and bus services, ensuring the city's public transport needs are met.

#### Urban Rail Transport Company of Iran (URTC)

A national entity involved in the development of urban rail transport systems across various metropolitan areas. URTC collaborates with local authorities to implement metro and light rail projects.

## **AUTHORITIES**

#### Ministry of Roads and Urban Development (MoRUD)

This ministry oversees the development and regulation of the country's transport infrastructure, including roads, railroads, shipping lanes, and airways. It also sets policies for the housing sector and the construction industry.

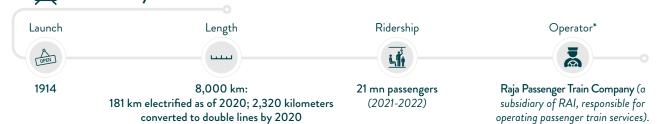
EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT



▶ Tehran-Qom-Esfahan High-Speed Railway.

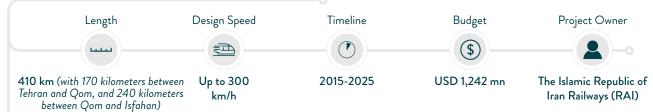
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### **URBAN PROJECTS**

# Tehran-Qom-Isfahan High-Speed Rail





Project Consortium

Led by the China Railway Engineering Corporation

Source: <sup>3</sup>Tehran Times | <sup>4</sup>Ghom (Interior Ministry Qom Province Government)

<sup>\*</sup>The rail network is owned by The Islamic Republic of Iran Railways (RAI), also known as Iran Railways. It is a state-owned entity under the supervision of the Ministry of Roads and Urban Development (MoRUD).

# IRAN / TEHRAN (Province)



► Metro in Tehran.

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**14,425,000** (2019) Population<sup>1</sup>



**18,814** (2019) Area (km²)



**766** (2019) Density<sup>2</sup> (people per (km²)



**40 mn** (2024) Passenger Cars<sup>3</sup>



**500** (2024) Car Ownership rate<sup>3</sup> (Passenger cars/1,000 population)

### **STRATEGIES**

#### Smart Tehran Programme (STP)

Developed by: Tehran Municipality

**Timeline:** Initiated in 2018; ongoing with phases STP 1.0 (2019–2021) and STP 2.0 (2022–2025)

#### **Objectives:**

- Promote inclusive, integrated, and sustainable urban development.
- Leverage smart technology to improve urban services and citizen engagement.
- Implement initiatives like MyTehran (a comprehensive city services app), BAHAM (a platform for urban service integration), and Green Travel (promoting sustainable transport modes).

#### Tehran Rail Master Plan

**Developed by:** Tehran Urban & Suburban Railway Company (TUSRC)

**Timeline:** Updated in 2018; plans extending to 2040

#### **Objectives:**

- Expand the metro network to 11 lines, enhancing public transport coverage.
- Integrate various modes of public transport for seamless mobility.
- Promote sustainable urban transport solutions.

#### Tehran Cycling Development Document

Developed by: Tehran Municipality

Timeline: Established in 2018

#### **Objectives:**

- Promote cycling as a viable and sustainable mode of urban transport.
- Develop necessary infrastructure to support and encourage cycling.
- Enhance safety and accessibility for cyclists.

#### Tehran Pedestrian Master Plan

Developed by: Tehran Municipality

Timeline: Established in 2012

#### **Objectives:**

- Enhance pedestrian infrastructure to improve walkability.
- · Ensure safety and accessibility for pedestrians.
- · Promote walking as a sustainable mode of urban mobility.

#### Tehran Municipality Third Development Plan

Developed by: Tehran Municipality

Timeline: Established in 2018

#### Objectives:

- Guide the city's development with a focus on sustainability.
- Address urban challenges including transport, housing, and environmental concerns.
- Implement policies for integrated urban development.

## **AUTHORITIES**

#### **Tehran Municipality**

The Tehran Municipality is the primary authority overseeing urban development, public transport, and mobility solutions in the city. It manages large-scale projects like the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system and cycling infrastructure, aiming to improve mobility and sustainability across Tehran.

# Tehran Urban and Suburban Railway Company (TUSRC)

TUSRC operates the Tehran Metro, one of the most extensive urban rail systems in the region. It is responsible for constructing and managing metro lines, ensuring their integration with other public transport modes, and expanding coverage to serve Tehran's growing population.

#### Tehran Traffic and Transport Organisation (TCTO)

The TCTO regulates and manages Tehran's traffic and transport systems. It focuses on implementing policies to reduce congestion, improve public transport efficiency, and promote smart mobility solutions like integrated ticketing and traffic monitoring systems.

#### Tehran Taxi Organisation

The Tehran Taxi Organisation supervises the city's taxi services, ensuring reliable and regulated operations. It oversees licensing, fleet management, and the integration of digital platforms for taxi hailing, improving accessibility and convenience for passengers.

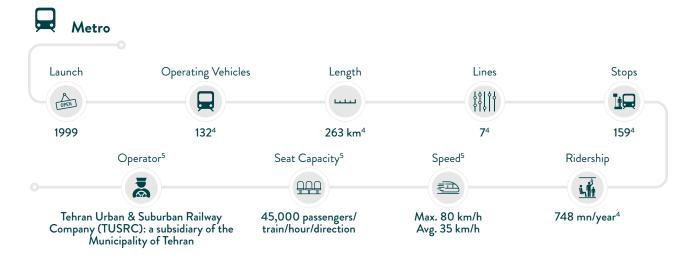
#### Tehran Bus Company

The Tehran Bus Company operates the city's extensive bus network, including standard services and BRT lines. It is committed to enhancing public transport by upgrading fleets with eco-friendly buses and expanding service coverage to meet passenger demand.

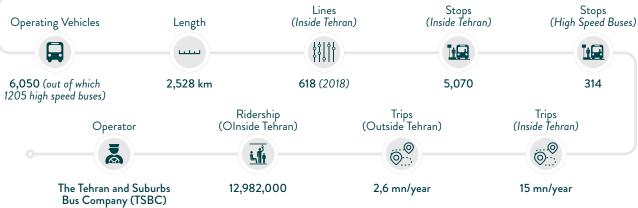
#### Tehran Smart Mobility Office

As part of the Tehran Municipality, the Smart Mobility Office drives the adoption of innovative mobility solutions. It supports initiatives like bike-sharing, electric vehicles, and smart apps to improve route planning, ticketing, and the overall commuting experience in Tehran.

### **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**



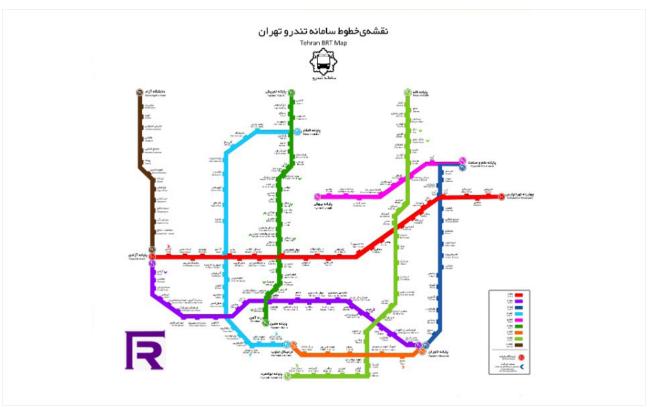








Company (TSBC)



▶ BRT Lines in Tehran

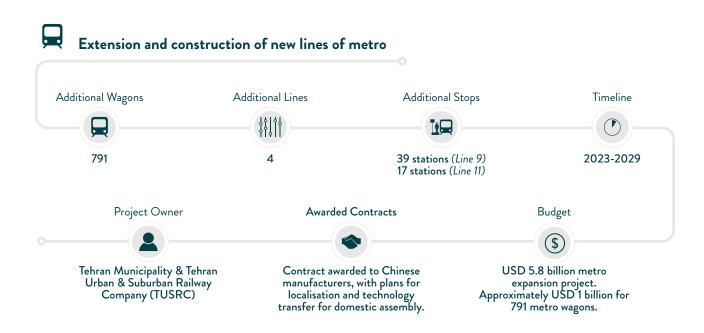
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### **URBAN PROJECTS**



# IRAN / ISFAHAN (Province)



▶ Isfahan Metro.

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**5,429,000** (2024) Population<sup>1</sup>



**107,029** (2024) Area (km²)



**51** (2024) Density<sup>2</sup> (people per (km²)

## **STRATEGIES**

#### **Smart City Program**

Developed by: Isfahan Municipality

**Timeline:** Initiated in 2019; ongoing implementation.

#### **Objectives:**

- Implement digital platforms to improve decision-making, public participation, and transparency in governance.
- Use smart technologies for better delivery of utilities such as water, electricity, and waste management.
- Reduce resource consumption and environmental impact through the integration of smart energy and eco-friendly solutions.
- Introduce intelligent transport systems (ITS), real-time traffic management, and app-based public transport services.
- Promote innovation and attract investments in technology and urban solutions sectors.
- Ensure that residents have access to modern amenities, safer environments, and efficient communication systems.

#### Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Project

**Developed by:** Isfahan Municipality **Timeline:** Launched in January 2024

#### **Objectives:**

- Focus on mixed-use developments around transport hubs to reduce commute times and promote accessibility.
- Provide high-quality, efficient, and reliable transport options to shift people from private vehicles to public transport.
- Promote compact urban development to conserve land and minimise infrastructure costs.
- · Design pedestrian-friendly areas and dedicated cycling

lanes near transport nodes to enhance last-mile connectivity.

- Develop transport hubs as economic activity centers, encouraging local businesses and job creation.
- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution by minimising car dependency and encouraging eco-friendly mobility.

#### Comprehensive Urban Development Plan

Developed by: Isfahan Municipality

**Timeline:** Created in 2020; provides guidelines for future development.

#### **Objectives:**

- Plan for balanced urban expansion to meet the needs of a growing population while preserving historical and cultural heritage.
- Develop modern infrastructure for transport, housing, utilities, and public services.
- Provide affordable housing solutions, including highdensity residential areas near public transport nodes.
- Expand and integrate public transport networks, reduce congestion, and improve accessibility.
- Implement green urban design principles, conserve natural resources, and promote urban forestry and clean energy solutions.
- Develop urban areas resilient to economic, social, and environmental challenges, including disaster risk management.
- Ensure equitable access to public spaces, services, and economic opportunities for all citizens.
- Leverage urban development to attract investments and enhance the city's economic competitiveness.

## **AUTHORITIES**

#### Municipality of Isfahan

This local government body is responsible for urban planning, infrastructure development, and the provision of public services within the city. It oversees various organisations dedicated to specific aspects of urban management, including transport and traffic.

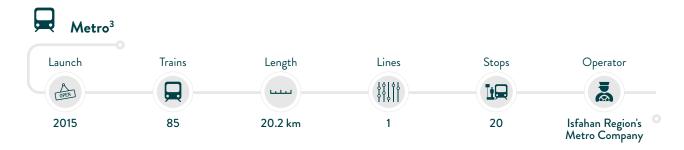
#### Isfahan Urban and Suburban Railway Organisation

Operating under the municipality, this organisation manages the development and operation of the Isfahan Metro system, aiming to enhance urban mobility through efficient public transit solutions.

#### Isfahan and Suburbs Bus Company

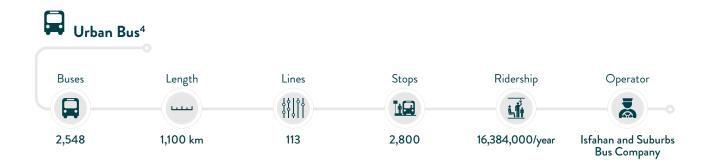
Under the municipality's jurisdiction, this company operates public transport buses within Isfahan and surrounding areas, providing essential public transport services to residents and visitors.

## **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**

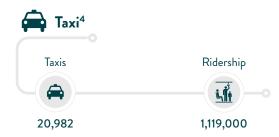




▶ Isfahan Metro Network. © UrbanRail.Net







## SHARED AND ON-DEMAND PUBLIC TRANSPORT SOLUTIONS



## **URBAN PROJECTS**











45,074,049 (2023)

Population<sup>1</sup>



72% (2023) Urban Population<sup>1</sup> (% of total population)



2.3% (2023) Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



101.5 (2022)

Population Density<sup>1</sup> (people per km<sup>2</sup> of land area)



**2.6%** (2023)

Annual Urban Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



**-5.1%** (2023)

Annual GDP per capita growth (%)1



USD 14,107.3 (2023) GDP pC (PPP; current int'l USD)1



**560.9** (2023)

PPP Conversion Factor, private consumption (LCU per International \$)



Upper-middle income

Income Group¹

### PRIVATE CAR OWNERSHIP



**154** (2017) Car Ownership Rate<sup>2</sup> (passenger cars/1,000 persons)

### **STRATEGIES**

Iraq Vision 2030

Developed by: Ministry of Planning (MoP), Iraq

Timeline: 2019-2030

#### **Objectives:**

- · Address rapid urbanisation and environmental concerns.
- Foster economic diversification and reduce unemployment.
- Improve governance and public service delivery.
- Enhance sustainable development practices across manpower, society, and the environment.

#### National Development Plan (NDP) 2024-2028

Developed by: Ministry of Planning (MoP), Iraq

Timeline: 2024-2028

#### **Objectives:**

- Strengthen economic resilience and diversify the economy.
- Enhance social inclusivity and reduce poverty.
- · Improve infrastructure, including public transport and urban mobility systems.
- Promote environmental sustainability and address climate challenges.

#### National Strategy for Environmental Protection and Improvement (2024-2030)

Developed by: Ministry of Environment, in collaboration with international partners, including UNDP.

Timeline: 2024-2030

#### **Objectives:**

- Mitigate environmental challenges such as pollution and resource depletion.
- Integrate sustainable practices into all sectors of development.
- Enhance Iraq's resilience to climate change.
- Promote green technologies and renewable energy initiatives.

### **AUTHORITIES**

#### Ministry of Transport (MoT)

The Ministry of Transport (MoT) oversees Iraq's transport infrastructure, including public transit systems, railways, ports, and aviation. It plays a crucial role in planning and implementing projects that enhance connectivity and mobility across the country. Key initiatives include developing urban transport systems such as metro and bus networks, improving railway services, and modernising airports and seaports. The MoT aims to support economic growth and sustainability by aligning transport strategies with Iraq's broader development goals.

#### Ministry of Planning (MoP)

The Ministry of Planning (MoP) is responsible for Iraq's economic, social, and urban development planning. It formulates national strategies, conducts research, and oversees major infrastructure and urban development projects. The MoP focuses on sustainable growth, ensuring effective land use, zoning, and regional planning. Through collaboration with various stakeholders, the ministry works to integrate urban mobility and public transport solutions into Iraq's long-term development framework.



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### NATIONAL PUBLIC TRANSPORT



## **NATIONAL PROJECTS**





## **URBAN PROJECTS**







# IRAQ / BAGHDAD



▶ Public Transport in Baghdad.

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# 8 mn (2017) Population¹ 8,444 inh./km² (2013) Density² 900 Area (km²)³

# **STRATEGY**

# Baghdad Comprehensive City Development Plan 2030

**Developed by:** The plan was formulated with the assistance of international consultants, including Khatib & Alami, under a World Bank-financed contract.

**Timeline:** The plan was initiated in 2010 and is set to guide the city's development up to the year 2030.

### **Objectives:**

- Manage and direct the growth of Baghdad through a multi-center model, promoting balanced development across different city areas.
- Develop quality mass transport systems, including the relocation of industrial areas from the city center to the outskirts, thereby improving traffic flow and reducing congestion.
- Address housing shortages by planning new residential areas and improving existing ones.
- Upgrade overloaded infrastructure and transport services, ensuring they meet the current and future needs of the population.
- Integrate environmental aspects into urban planning, promoting sustainable development practices.

# **AUTHORITIES**

### **Baghdad Governorate**

The Baghdad Governorate is the administrative region encompassing Iraq's capital city and its surrounding areas. As part of Iraq's federal system, it is responsible for overseeing a wide range of governance and administrative functions, including security, public services, education, health, and regional infrastructure. Headed by the governor, it plays a critical role in coordinating development efforts across both urban and rural parts of the governorate. While it supports transport initiatives, its focus extends to broader governance issues that impact the entire region, ensuring that services are effectively delivered to Baghdad's diverse population.

### Amanat Baghdad (Baghdad Municipality)

Amanat Baghdad, also known as the Baghdad Municipality, is the urban authority tasked with managing and maintaining the infrastructure and public services within the city of Baghdad. Led by the Mayor of Baghdad, Amanat Baghdad is responsible for urban planning, public works, road maintenance, water supply, sanitation, parks, and other municipal services that sustain the daily life of Baghdad's residents. With a focus on improving urban living conditions, the municipality plays a vital role in shaping the city's growth and development, including initiatives related to public transport, urban mobility, and beautification efforts.

# **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**



Source: Ministry of Planning  $|^{2}$ Arab Urban Development Institute  $|^{3}$ Calculated according to the population provided by Arab Urban Development Institute in the same year (2013), which was 7,6 mn.

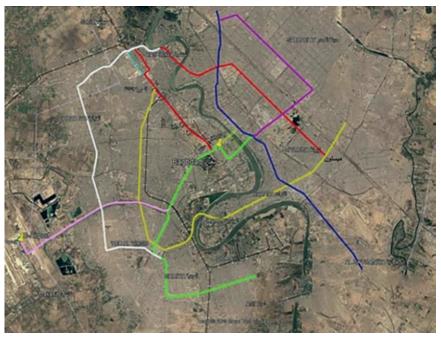


# SHARED AND ON-DEMAND PUBLIC TRANSPORT SOLUTIONS



# **URBAN PROJECTS**





▶ Baghdad Planned Metro Lines.

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# **JORDAN**





**11.34 million** (2023) Population<sup>1</sup>



48.23% (2023)

Female population (% of the total population)<sup>1</sup>



91.71% (2023)

Urban Population<sup>2</sup> (% of the total population)



1.90% (2023)

Annual Urban Population Growth<sup>2</sup>



125.55 (2021)

Population density (people per sq.km of land area)<sup>1</sup>



**88,793.5** (2023)

Area (km²)²



90.30 (2023)





**11.5%** (2021)

Renewable Energy Consumption (% of the total final energy consumption)<sup>1</sup>



**2.62%** (2023)

Annual GDP growth (%)1



**2.15%** (2023)

Annual GDP per capita growth (%)1



USD 10,451.91 (2023)

GDP pC (PPP; current int'l USD)1



0.32 (2023)

PPP Conversion Factor, private consumption (*LCU per International* \$)



Lower-middle income

Income Group<sup>1</sup>

# PRIVATE CAR OWNERSHIP



**1,067,740** (2023) **1,263,996** (2022) Passenger Cars<sup>3</sup>



**92.72** (2023); **111.84** (2022) Car Ownership Rate<sup>3</sup> (passenger cars/1,000 persons)

# STRATEGY

# Jordan Long Term National Transport Strategy & Action Plan

Developed by: Ministry of Transport (MoT)

Timeline: 2014-2030

# Objectives:

- Raise the proportion of commuters using public transport from 13% in 2010 to 25% by 2025.
- Launch ZEVs and establish 3,000 charging stations, both on-grid and off-grid, powered by renewable energy sources.
- Achieve reductions in all transport-related emissions, including CO2, CO, PMx, and NOx, measured in tons per day.
- Lower overall fuel consumption levels in the transport sector, measured in tons per day.
- Minimise vehicle kilometers traveled at the national level and in densely
  populated areas, categorised by vehicle type (e.g., cars, heavy goods
  vehicles, light goods vehicles) and measured in 1,000 vkm/day.
- Develop and operationalise the Bus Rapid Transit network and national railway system.
- Integrate energy efficiency standards as a key criterion when procuring transport modes.

### Master Plan for Public Transport of Passengers

**Developed by:** Land Transport Regulatory Committee (LTRC)

**Timeline:** 2014-2030

**Objective:** Develop a comprehensive and efficient passenger transport system that prioritises integration across various modes of transport, ensuring seamless connectivity for users. This system emphasises safety and reliability, offering a secure and dependable experience for all passengers.

### Targets:

- Implementing a fare structure that is fair and encourages public transport use.
- Establishing policies to subsidise fares, making public transport more affordable, especially for students, individuals with special needs, and the elderly.

- Designing a comprehensive public transport network across governorates, identifying optimal routes and service types to improve accessibility and connectivity.
- Developing and upgrading loading and unloading terminals to enhance operational efficiency and service quality.
- Establishing effective contracting methods with public transport service providers to ensure high-quality and reliable services.
- Introducing systems to provide passengers with real-time information, improving user experience and satisfaction.

# **AUTHORITIES**

# Ministry of Transport (MoT)

The ministry is a governmental body responsible for developing and implementing policies to enhance the country's transport sector, encompassing land, maritime, and air transport. Established in 1965, the ministry's mission is to elevate service levels across all transport modes, contribute to environmental protection, and improve public safety through legislative development and collaboration with both local and international stakeholders.

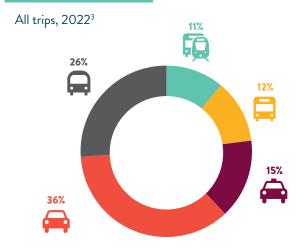
### Ministry of Public Works and Housing (MoPWH)

It is a governmental body responsible for developing, implementing, and maintaining the nation's infrastructure, including road networks and public buildings. Established in 1923 as the "Al Naf'a Department," it has evolved to play a pivotal role in connecting cities, villages, and economic areas through a distinguished network of roads and construction projects.

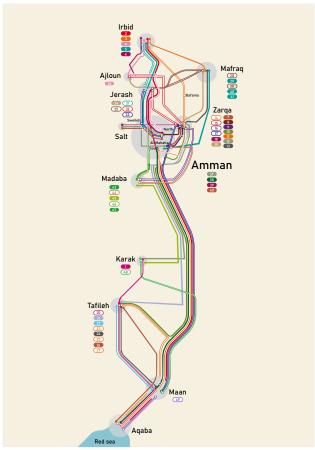
# Land Transport Regulatory Committee (LTRC)

The LTRC is responsible for regulating and overseeing land transport services, including passenger and freight transport, as well as railways. Established in 2010, the LTRC aims to enhance the efficiency and safety of land transport, encourage investment in the sector, and ensure services meet economic and social development goals.

# **MODAL SPLIT**

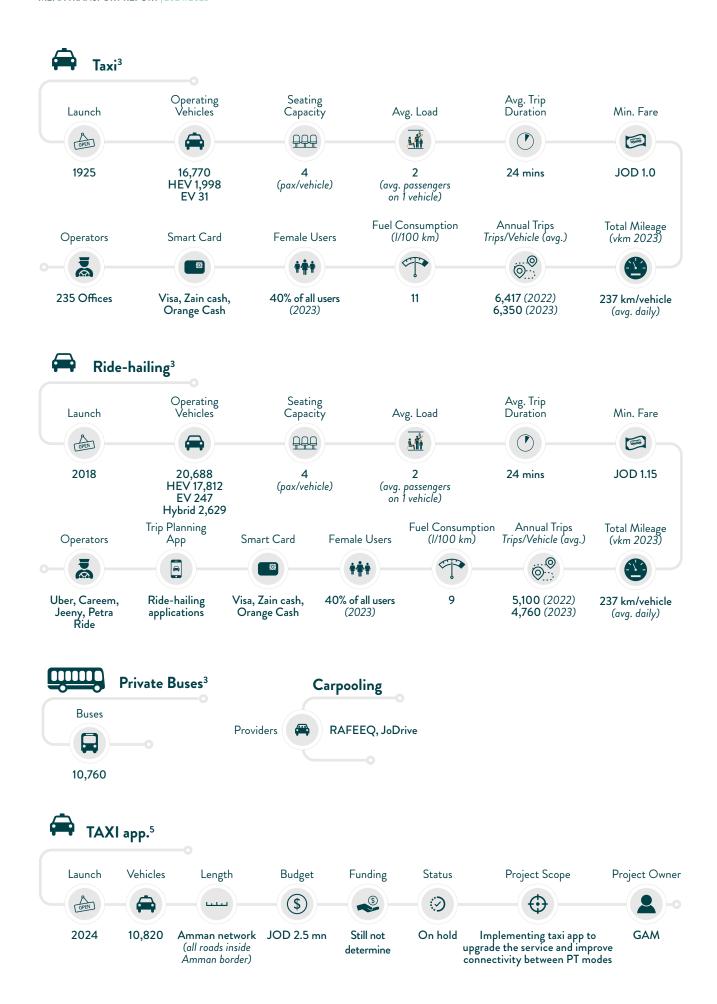


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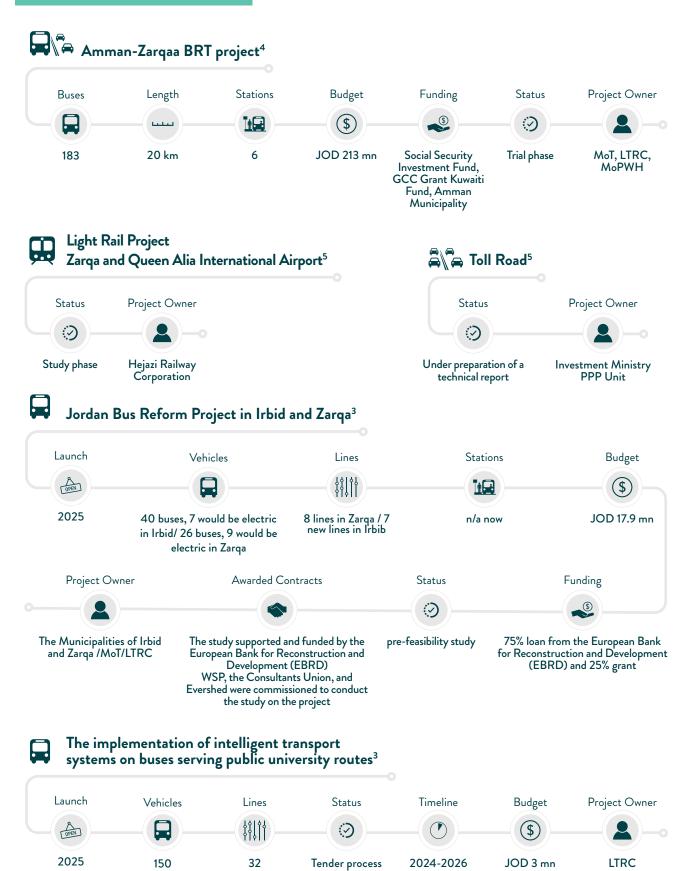


# NATIONAL PUBLIC TRANSPORT





# **NATIONAL PROJECTS**



# JORDAN / AMMAN



▶BRT in Amman

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# **STRATEGY**

### Transport & Mobility Master Plan for Amman

**Developed by:** Greater Amman Municipality (GAM)

**Timeline:** 2010 – 2025

**Vision:** An integrated, accessible, affordable, safe, sustainable and environmentally friendly transport system.

### **Objectives**

- Enhance the overall mobility of people and goods.
- Promote safety for all transport users while improving the pedestrian environment.
- Reduce dependency on private vehicles and encourage the use of alternative transport modes.
- Increase citizens' accessibility to goods and services by providing a comprehensive and affordable public transport system.
- Alleviate congestion and its impact on the road network.
- Manage energy consumption and reduce emissions of pollutants and greenhouse gases linked to transport.
- Ensure transport contributes positively to Amman's sustainable and continuous economic growth.
- Enhance the overall quality of life within Greater Amman.
- Boost the share of public transport trips to 40% by 2025.

### Amman Climate Plan: A Vision for 2050 Amman

Developed by: Greater Amman Municipality (GAM)

Timeline: 2050

**Vision:** By 2050, Amman envisions leveraging its unique diversity and natural resources to foster economic growth, urban livability, equity, and health for all residents. The city aspires to preserve its strong traditions while enhancing



**4,834,500** (2023) Population<sup>1</sup>



**97.21%** (2023) Urban Population¹ (% of the total population)



2.2% (2023) Annual Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



**637.9** (2023) Urban Density<sup>1</sup>



**758** (2023) Area (km²)¹



**1,900,000** (2023) Registered Private Cars<sup>2</sup>



**393** (2023) Car Ownership rate<sup>2</sup> (Passenger cars/1,000 population)

municipal services, creating a more prosperous, safe, inclusive, and environmentally sustainable urban environment. Amman will prioritise sustainable transport, energy-efficient buildings, open and green public spaces, clean and abundant water resources, and effective waste minimisation, shaping a thriving and resilient city for future generations.

# **AUTHORITIES**

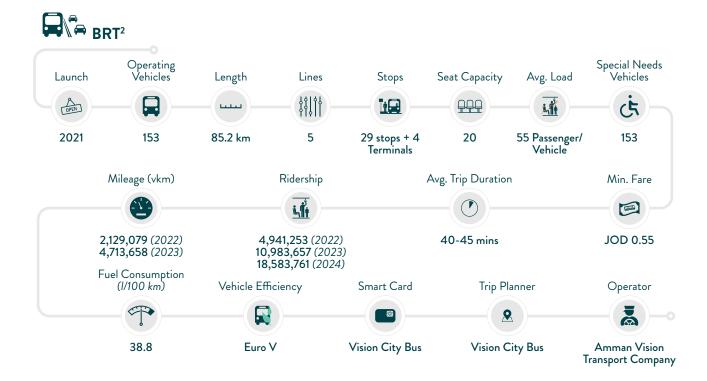
# Greater Amman Municipality (GAM)

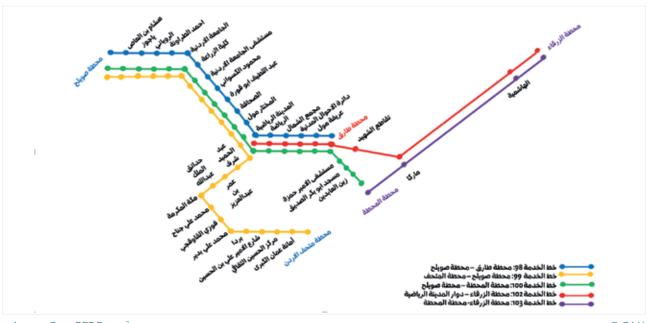
The Greater Amman Municipality (GAM) is the governing body responsible for providing public and municipal services to the residents of Amman, Jordan's capital city. Established in 1909, GAM has evolved to manage an area of approximately 800 square kilometers, serving a population exceeding 4 million people.

### Amman Modern Vision for Transport Company

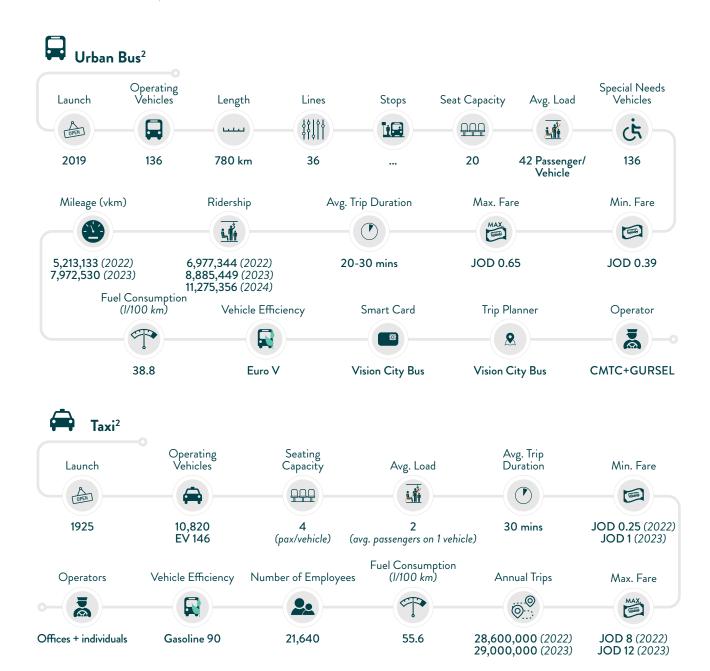
A newly established agency under the GAM, this entity is tasked with overseeing the procurement of buses and managing the tendering process for their operations. The agency aims to modernise and enhance public transport in Amman by introducing efficient and reliable bus services, contributing to the city's broader vision of sustainable urban mobility. It plays a strategic role in ensuring the alignment of transport services with Amman's growth and development objectives.

# **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**





▶ Amman-Zarqa BRT Routes² © GAM

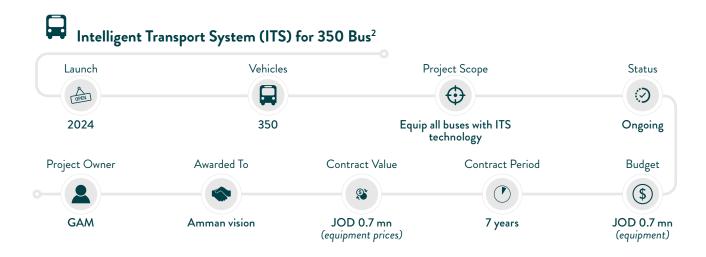






# **URBAN PROJECTS**





# KUWAIT





**4,310,108** (2023) Population<sup>1</sup>



**39.39 %** (2023)

Female population (% of the total population)<sup>1</sup>



0.96% (2023)

Annual Urban Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



238.50 (2021)

Population Density<sup>1</sup> (people per km<sup>2</sup> of land area)



**76.5 %** (2023)

Population in urban agglomerations of more than 1 million (% of the total population)<sup>1</sup>



0.10 % (2021)

Renewable Energy Consumption (% of the total final energy consumption)<sup>1</sup>



**6.13%** (2022) **-2.23%** (2023)

Annual GDP growth (%)1



**-3.17%** (2023)

Annual GDP per capita growth (%)1



USD 56,386.29 (2023)

GDP pC (PPP; current int'l USD)1



0.18 (2023)

PPP Conversion Factor, private consumption (LCU per International \$)<sup>1</sup>



High Income

Income Group<sup>1</sup>

# PRIVATE CAR OWNERSHIP



**2,001,940** (2016) Passenger Cars<sup>2</sup>



**500** (2016) Car Ownership Rate<sup>3</sup> (passenger cars/1,000 persons)

# **STRATEGY**

**New Kuwait Vision** 

Developed by: Council of Ministers

Timeline: 2035

Objective:

Kuwait aims to transform itself into a world-class financial and commercial hub, driven by the private sector's leadership in economic activities. This vision emphasises fostering competitiveness and enhancing productivity, underpinned by strong and sustainable public institutions. While achieving this transformation, Kuwait seeks to preserve its deep-rooted values and national identity, ensuring balanced economic and human development. This ambitious goal will be supported by robust infrastructure, a sound legal framework, and an enabling business environment, creating the foundation for sustained progress and global integration.

# **AUTHORITIES**

### Ministry of Communications (MOC)

The MoC is a government entity responsible for managing and regulating key aspects of the nation's transport and communication infrastructure. Its scope of responsibilities extends to road and marine transport, making it a vital institution for Kuwait's economic and social development.

### Environment Public Authority (EPA)

EPA is Kuwait's principal governmental body dedicated to environmental protection and regulation. It operates as an autonomous entity with its own budget, reporting directly to the Council of Ministers. Its mandate encompasses the development and implementation of national environmental policies, strategies, and action plans aimed at safeguarding natural resources and promoting sustainable development.

# Public Authority for Roads and Transport (PART)

PART was established to manage all aspects of transport, including the development of various transport systems, traffic facilitation, and the formulation of both short- and long-term solutions to improve transport infrastructure and related services.

# Kuwait Authority for Partnership Projects (KAPP)

Previously known as the Partnerships Technical Bureau (PTB), KAPP conducts surveys and feasibility studies to

identify potential developmental projects in Kuwait. It also facilitates their implementation through the establishment of public-private partnerships (PPPs).

### Municipality of Kuwait

The Municipality of Kuwait is responsible for urban and health development, including city planning, beautification, and ensuring residents' welfare through housing and road management.

# **KUWAIT\***

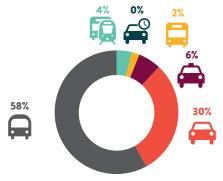


▶ Urban Bus in Kuwait

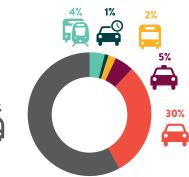
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# **MODAL SPLIT**

All trips, 20224



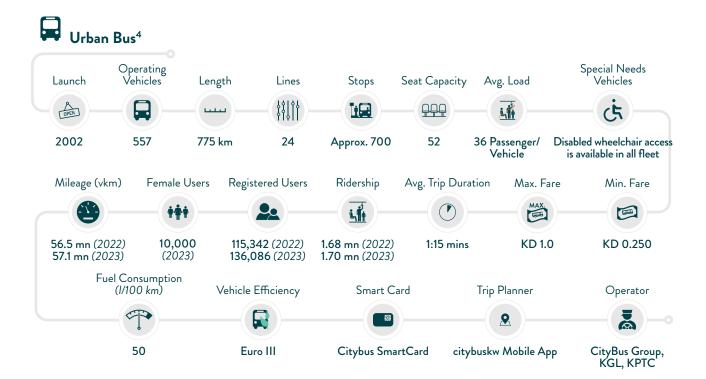
All trips, 20234



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<sup>\*</sup>In light of considering Kuwait a city state in this report, Kuwait's national and urban chapter data are the same Source:  $^4$ CityBus Group

# **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**



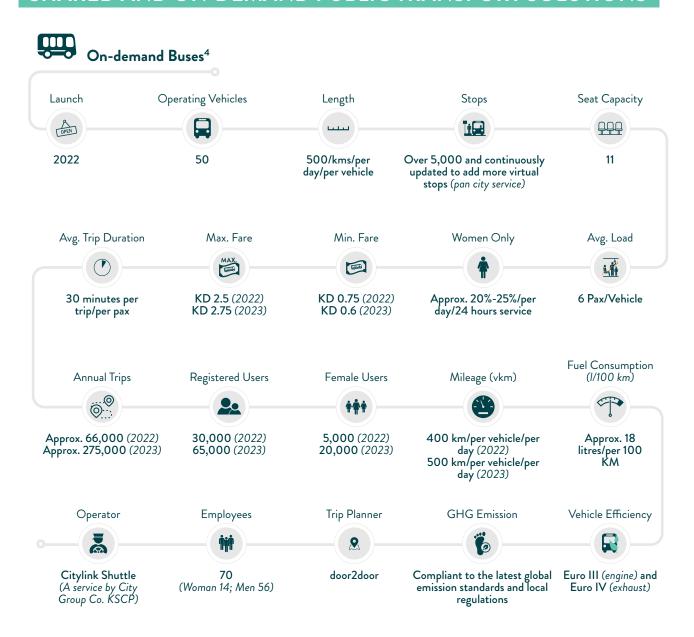


► KPTC Intercity Bus Network © KPTC



Source: <sup>4</sup>CityBus Group | <sup>5</sup>Statista

# SHARED AND ON-DEMAND PUBLIC TRANSPORT SOLUTIONS





# **LEBANON**







**5,773,493** (2023) Population<sup>1</sup>



**10,450** (2022) Area<sup>1</sup> (km<sup>2</sup>)



**0.5%** (2023) Annual Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



**561.5** (2022)

Population Density<sup>1</sup> (people per km<sup>2</sup> of land area)



2,421,354 (2023)

Population in urban agglomerations of more than 1 million (% of the total population)<sup>1</sup>



**89.4%** (2023)

Urban Population (% of the total population)<sup>1</sup>



0.7% (2023)

Annual Urban Population Growth (%)<sup>1</sup>



**-1.1%** (2022)

Annual GDP per capita growth (%)1



USD 12,292.8 (2022)

GDP pC (PPP; current int'l USD)1



**12,033.8** (2022)

PPP Conversion Factor, private consumption (LCU per International \$)¹



Lower-middle income (2023) Income Group¹

# PRIVATE CAR OWNERSHIP



**295** (2017) Car Ownership Rate<sup>2</sup> (Registered Vehicles per 1,000 people)

# **STRATEGIES**

# Lebanon Sustainable Low-Emission Transport Systems

**Developed by:** United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) with funding from the Global Environment Facility (GEF).

**Timeline:** Project approved in December 2021; implementation period is 60 months.

### **Objectives:**

- Promote sustainable transport through electric mobility.
- Improve the quality of public transport services.
- · Develop a national e-mobility strategy.
- Implement demonstrations of electric buses and green fleet management.
- · Enhance walking and cycling accessibility in urban areas.
- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the transport sector.

# National Urban Policy (NUP) Programme

Developed by: UN-Habitat Lebanon..

Timeline: Initiated in 2021; ongoing development.

# **Objectives:**

- Develop a comprehensive National Urban Policy for Lebanon.
- · Integrate housing and transport sectors into urban planning.
- Promote sustainable and inclusive urban development.
- Address challenges in housing and transport through policy recommendations.
- Enhance resilience of cities to crises, including the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

# **AUTHORITIES**

# Ministry of Public Works and Transport (MPWT):

The MPWT oversees Lebanon's transport and urban planning sectors, playing a pivotal role in shaping the country's infrastructure. It is responsible for developing and implementing policies for land, maritime, and air transport, as well as managing the construction and maintenance of public roads and government buildings. Through its Directorate General of Urban Planning

(DGUP), the ministry supervises urban planning, zoning regulations, and land use policies across the country. The MPWT also collaborates with other national and international bodies to improve urban mobility and address challenges in the public transport sector.

### Council for Development and Reconstruction (CDR)

(The CDR is an independent public institution established in 1977 under the authority of the Council of Ministers. It plays a central role in Lebanon's reconstruction and development efforts, particularly in post-conflict recovery and infrastructure rehabilitation. The CDR is responsible for planning, financing, and implementing national development projects, including transport, urban development, and utilities. It coordinates with international donors and funding agencies, ensuring the execution of strategic initiatives to enhance public services and promote economic growth. The CDR's expertise spans all project phases, from feasibility studies to execution and maintenance, making it a cornerstone of Lebanon's development strategy.

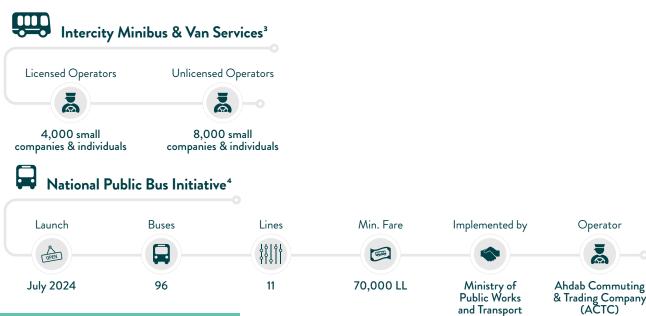
# Office des Chemins de Fer et des Transports en Commun (OCFTC)

Also known as the Railway and Public Transport Authority, OCFTC is a government entity responsible for operating public transport services in Lebanon. Currently, it manages bus services in and around Beirut and owns the country's railway infrastructure, although train services are not operational.

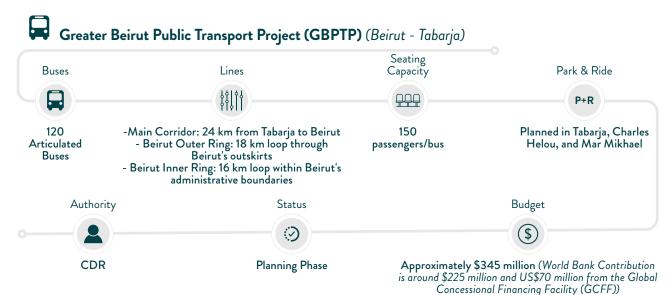
### Council for Development and Reconstruction (CDR)

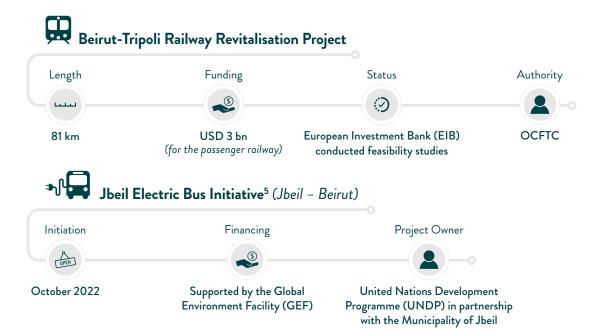
Established in 1977, CDR is an independent public entity under the authority of the Council of Ministers. It is the key institution responsible for reconstruction projects nationwide, including infrastructure development and urban planning. CDR engages in all phases of project implementation, from planning and feasibility analysis to execution and maintenance of public facilities.

# **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**



# **NATIONAL PROJECTS**





# LEBANON / BEIRUT



▶ Buses in Beirut by ACTC

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# STRATEGY

### Greater Beirut Public Transport Project (GBPTP)

**Developed by:** World Bank in collaboration with the Lebanese Ministry of Public Works and Transport.

**Timeline:** Approved in March 2018; implementation is ongoing.

### **Objectives:**

- Establish Lebanon's first modern public transport system in decades.
- Alleviate severe traffic congestion in Greater Beirut.
- Create employment opportunities for thousands of unskilled Lebanese and Syrian workers.
- Promote private sector involvement in infrastructure development.
- Enhance mobility for women, youth, and persons with disabilities.
- · Reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve air quality.



# AUTHORITY

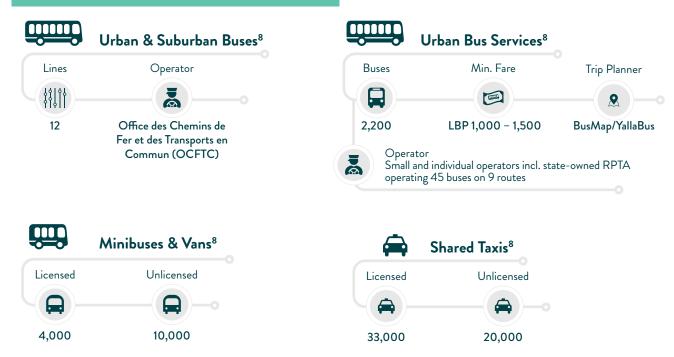
### **Beirut Municipality**

The municipality of Beirut is responsible for local governance and urban planning within the city. Key roles include:

(Passenger cars/1,000 population)

- · Regulating public spaces, roads, and parking.
- Collaborating with the Directorate General of Urban Planning (DGUP) on zoning and land use.
- Managing local-level urban mobility initiatives, such as parking regulations and traffic management.

# **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**



# SHARED AND ON-DEMAND PUBLIC TRANSPORT SOLUTIONS



Total: US\$295 million

- US\$225 million loan from the World Bank

- US\$70 million from the Global Concessional Financing Facility (GCFF)

BRT: 42.7 km

**BRT: 120** 

Feeder: 250

CDR, RPTA

# **MOROCCO**







**37,840,044** (2023)

Population<sup>1</sup>



49.68 % (2023)

Female population (% of the total population)<sup>1</sup>



64.90 % (2023)

Urban Population<sup>1</sup> (% of the total population)



**1.8%** (2023)

Annual Urban Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



22.34 % (2023)

Population in urban agglomerations of more than 1 million (% of the total population)<sup>1</sup>



10.9 % (2021)

Renewable Energy Consumption (% of the total final energy consumption)<sup>1</sup>



0.21% (2021)

Annual GDP per capita growth (%)1



USD 9,842.9 (2023)

GDP pC (PPP; current int'l USD)<sup>1</sup>



4.12 (2023)

PPP Conversion Factor, private consumption (LCU per International \$)¹



Lower-middle income (2023)

Income Group<sup>1</sup>

# PRIVATE CAR OWNERSHIP



**4,120.233** (2020) Passenger Cars<sup>2</sup>



112 (2016) Car Ownership Rate<sup>3</sup> (passenger cars/1,000 persons)

# **STRATEGIES**

# **Urban Transport Modernisation Plan**

Developed by: Ministry of Interior

Timeline: 2024 - 2029

### **Objectives:**

- Equip 32 cities with a total of 3,500 new urban transport buses to enhance public transport services.
- Allocate a budget of approximately 10 billion dirhams (around 1 billion USD) for the procurement of buses, establishment of maintenance centers, bus warehouses, and stops.
- Prioritise locally manufactured buses to support domestic industry.
- Improve urban transport infrastructure, including ticketing systems and stations, to meet sustainability goals.

### National Urban Mobility Strategy 2040

**Developed by:** Ministry of Interior

Timeline: 2024 - 2040

### **Objectives:**

- Establish a clear and coherent vision for sustainable urban mobility across Moroccan cities.
- Develop a realistic action plan addressing governance, financing, and implementation mechanisms for urban mobility projects.
- Integrate mobility considerations into broader sustainable development initiatives.
- Organise and plan urban mobility to contribute to sustainable development.
- Maintain and redeploy government funding to support urban mobility improvements.

### Marocco Rail Plan

Budget: MAD 375 bn

Developed by: Office National des Chemins de Fer (ONCF)

Timeline: Up to 2040

**Objective:** Long-term master plan for the development of the national rail network.

# Targets:

- Connect 87% of the population to the rail network (up from the current 51%).
- Serve 43 Moroccan cities (an increase from the current 23 cities).
- Connect 12 ports to the rail network (up from the current 6).
- Link 15 international airports to the rail network (up from the current 1).

# Energy Efficiency in Transport (Program of the Climate Change Polity)

**Developed by:** Moroccan Agency for Energy Efficiency (AMEE)

Timeline: 2015-2030

# **Objectives:**

- Reduce energy consumption by 35% by 2030.
- Achieve 55% of possible energy savings in 2030 within the National Strategy for Energy Efficiency from the transport sector.
- Promote multimodal transport in large urban areas.

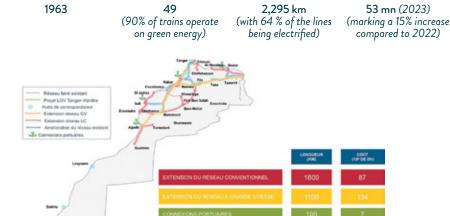
### Targets:

OPEN

- Reduce 6.5 million tonnes of CO₂ equivalent by 2030.
- Decrease energy intensity in the transport sector by approximately 2% per year on average.

# NATIONAL PUBLIC TRANSPORT

# National Rail<sup>4</sup> Launch Trains



Length

► Current and planned rail network<sup>4</sup>

Source: 4ONCF

# **AUTHORITIES**

# Ministry of Equipment and Transport

The Ministry of Equipment and Transport manages the transport sector, only intercity transport. Its responsibilities include:

Overseeing interurban and international road transport, managed by the National Transport Board (ONT), Highways National Company (ADM), and private operators.

Managing rail transport through the National Railway Corporation (ONCF).

### Ministry of Interior(Mol)

Through the General Directorate of Territorial Collectivities (DGCT) and the Urban Mobility and Transport Division (DDUT), the Mol supervises and supports urban transport activities in cities.

In 2014, the Mol and the Ministry of Economy and Finance established a special fund for transport reforms (FART) to finance initial investments, loans to districts, and cover operational deficits during the first three years of operation.

### Ministry of Urban Planning

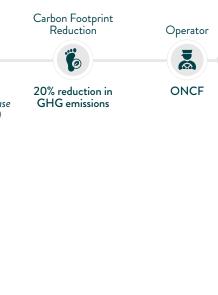
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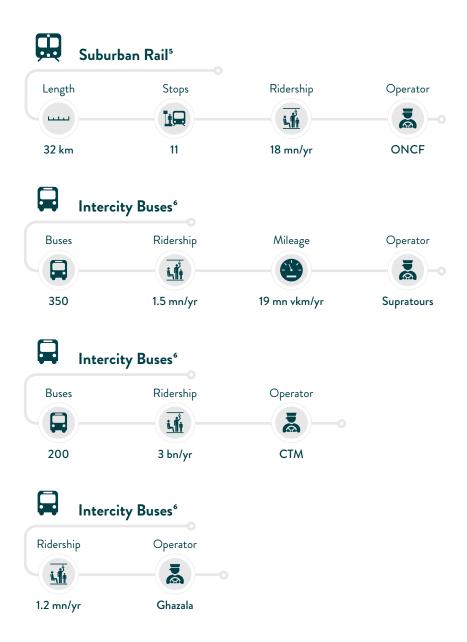
Responsible for regulating land use in urban areas.

### Municipalities & Metropolitan Agglomerations (Wilayas)

The Wilayas manage public urban transport services, maintain infrastructure, approve implementation plans, set fares, and cover deficits for dedicated transport operations. Municipalities collaborate with local development companies (SDL) to deliver these services.

Local Development Companies (SDLs) are delegated project owners for a range of urban mobility development, management, and implementation projects, including tramway networks, BRT systems, and buses. They are established in cities with major transport infrastructure projects. Their board of directors oversees strategic management and consists of representatives from the state, the regional council, the municipal council of the city, and major institutions.





# **NATIONAL PROJECTS**



# MOROCCO / RABAT-SALE-TEMARA



▶ Tramway in Rabat

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# STRATEGIES

# Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan (PMUD) 2021-2035 for the Agglomeration of Rabat-Salé-Skhirat-Témara

**Developed by:** Rabat-Salé Tramway Company (STRS), under the supervision of the Etablissement de Coopération Intercommunale (ECI) "Al Assima".

Timeline: 2021-2035

### **Objectives:**

- Promote eco-friendly transport modes to minimise pollution and reliance on private vehicles.
- Implement measures to enhance safety for pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists.
- Develop intelligent traffic management systems to optimise vehicle flow and reduce congestion.
- Address issues in mass transit, school transport, and goods transport through innovative solutions.
- Ensure efficient integration of various transport modes for both people and goods.
- Provide a financial guideline to assist decision-makers in prioritising and executing projects effectively.

### Rabat Smart and Sustainable City Initiative

**Developed by:** Municipality of Rabat, in collaboration with Metropolis and international partners.

**Timeline:** 2016–2030 (part of broader national sustainable development goals).

# **Objectives:**

- Enhance public transport through smart technology.
- Increase accessibility to public services using digital platforms.
- Promote environmentally sustainable solutions for urban mobility.
- Encourage participatory approaches in urban planning and transport decisions.



**2,350,071** (2022) Population<sup>1</sup>



**94.21%** (2022) Urban Population¹ (% of the total population)



**1.2%** (2022) Annual Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



**1,158** (2022) Urban Density<sup>1</sup> (inhabitants/km²)



**1,912** (2022) Area (km²)¹



**183** (2022) Car Ownership rate<sup>2</sup> (Passenger cars/1,000 population)

# Green Spaces Expansion and Urban Biodiversity Strategy

**Developed by:** Rabat Municipal Council and Policy Center for the New South.

**Timeline:** 2010–2030 (aligned with Rabat's recognition as a UNESCO World Heritage Site).

### Objectives:

- Integrate green infrastructure into urban mobility plans.
- Promote cycling and walking through eco-friendly corridors.
- Reduce urban heat and improve air quality by expanding green spaces.
- Develop sustainable, low-emission public transport networks.

### Rabat Urban Development Project

**Developed by:** World Bank, in partnership with Rabat's local and regional authorities.

Timeline: 2014-2024

### **Objectives:**

- Improve urban mobility and connectivity for underserved communities.
- Enhance public transport facilities, including tram and bus networks.
- Focus on low-carbon transport options to mitigate environmental impact.
- Develop inclusive urban planning frameworks prioritising sustainable development.

# **AUTHORITIES**

### Agglomeration Group of Rabat-Salé-Témara "Al Assima"

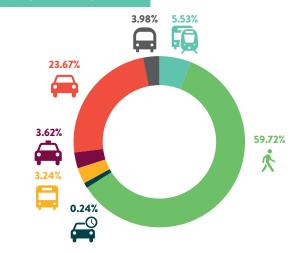
Greater Rabat's municipalities created the Groupement Al Assima as a pilot initiative in 2011 as a transport authority designed to be a means of unifying the visions of the different urban municipalities (Rabat, Salé, Skhirat and Temara).

# Bouregreg Valley Development Agency (AAVB)

The Bouregreg Agency is the public authority in charge of developing studies and managing infrastructure and public work projects within the Bouregreg Valley, which connects Rabat Salé and Temara.

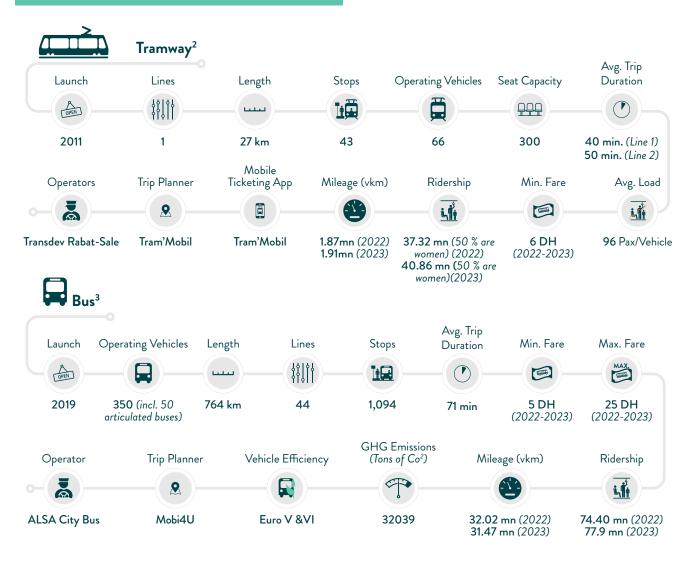
Rabat Region Mobilité (RRM) is the Local Development Company in charge of mobility in Rabat-Salé-Temara and its purpose is "the development, implementation and management of all activities related to urban public transport, as well as all complementary public service activities, of a commercial or industrial nature, necessary for users or likely to contribute to better management of urban mobility in the territorial jurisdiction of the communities and/or the group of shareholder communities, or to promote the use of public transport.

# MODAL SPLIT<sup>2</sup>



• Public Transport (public bus, tram, metro, marine) • Active Travel (walking, cycling) • Shared Mobility (e-hail, smart car rental, & Bus-On-Demand) • Private Buses (company/ school bus) • Taxi • Private Car • Informal Transport (taxis, buses, minibuses)

# **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**





# SHARED AND ON-DEMAND PUBLIC TRANSPORT SOLUTIONS



# **URBAN PROJECTS**



# MOROCCO / CASABLANCA



▶Tramway in Casablanca

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**4,2 mn** (2014) **7.7 mn** (projected 2024) Population<sup>1</sup>



**73.52%** (2014) Urban Population¹ (% of the total population)



**34,000** (2014) Urban Density<sup>1</sup> (inhabitants/km²)



**786** (2022) Area (km²)¹

# **STRATEGIES**

# Casablanca Smart City 2024 Initiative

Developed by: City of Casablanca

Timeline: Launched in June 2024 - Ongoing

**Objective:** Shape sustainable urban development through a digital transition.

### Targets:

- Enhance urban infrastructure and services using technology.
- Implement pilot projects to improve urban mobility and sustainability.
- Create new job opportunities linked to digital and green transitions.

### Membership in C40 Cities Network

Developed by: C40 Cities and City of Casablanca

Timeline: Joined in December 2024 - Ongoing

**Objective:** Promote urgent and equitable climate action through sustainable urban planning and transport.

### Targets:

- Expand sustainable transport systems, including tramway lines and high-efficiency buses.
- Restore public spaces through revegetation and rehabilitation.
- Utilise wastewater reuse to sustain urban green areas.

### Casablanca Finance City's Green and Sustainable

# Finance Strategy

Developed by: Casablanca Finance City

**Timeline:** Part of the development strategy to 2025

**Objective:** Support Africa's transition to a low-carbon economy by investing in green projects.

### Targets:

- Invest in renewable energy, sustainable infrastructure, and mobility projects.
- Promote urban planning aligned with sustainability goals.

# **AUTHORITIES**

### Casa Transports

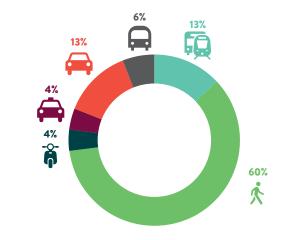
Created in 2009, is a Local Development Company (SDL) established to oversee the development and expansion of Casablanca's public transport network. Owned by a combination of state shareholders, including the Ministries of the Interior and Finance, local authorities such as the Region, Prefecture, and Urban Commune of Casablanca, and major institutions like Fonds Hassan II, CDG, BCP, and ONCF, Casa Transports plays a central role in planning, funding, and implementing key urban mobility projects. Its responsibilities include managing the development of tramway lines, Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) systems, and other public transport initiatives critical to Casablanca's sustainable urban growth.

### The Office National des Chemins de Fer (ONCF)

Established in 1963, is Morocco's national railway operator and a key public authority contributing to urban and regional mobility in Casablanca. While its primary focus is on intercity and national rail networks, ONCF manages the Al Bidaoui commuter rail system, which serves Casablanca by connecting major transit hubs such as Casa-Port, Casa-Voyageurs, and Mohammed V International Airport. This integration enhances connectivity and complements the city's broader urban mobility strategy, making ONCF an essential player in facilitating efficient transport within the Casablanca metropolitan area.

Intercommunal Cooperation Establishment (ECI) "Al Baida" / Intercommunal Cooperation Establishment (ECI) "Al Baida" and the bus operator concluded, on Thursday, October 31, 2019 at the Headquarters of the Wilaya of the Casablanca-Settat Region, the contract for delegated management of urban collective transport by bus in the territory of the 18 municipalities of Greater Casablanca.

# **MODAL SPLIT**<sup>4</sup>



• Public Transport (public bus, tram, metro, marine) • Active Travel (walking) • Private Motor (Bikes or 2-wheelers) • Taxi • Private Car • Informal Transport (taxis, buses, minibuses)

# **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**





▶ Tramway and BRT Network in Casablanca

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# MOROCCO / AGADIR (GREATER)







**1.43 mn** (2024) Population<sup>1</sup>



**92.3** % (2024) Urban Population¹ (% of the total population)



**574** (2024) Urban Density<sup>2</sup> (inhabitants/km²)



**2,297** (2024) Area (km²)¹

# **STRATEGIES**

# Greater Agadir Urban Mobility Plan (PDU)

Developed by: Agglomeration Group of Greater Agadir

**Timeline:** 2020–2024 (Extended to 2029)

# **Objectives:**

- Implement 2 BRT lines (15.5 km for the first line).
- Construct 140 km of new city ring roads and structuring axes.
- Equip 50 km of rural tracks.
- Upgrade and equip 10 taxi stations.
- Develop bike lanes along the two banks of Oued Souss.
- Create 190 km of pedestrian routes.
- Increase the public transport share from 10.2% to 12.7%.
- Reduce annual road fatalities by 31%.
- Decrease transport emissions to below 12%.

# Agadir 2022–2027 Municipal Action Plan

Developed by: Agadir Municipality

Timeline: 2022-2027

### **Objectives:**

- Strengthen urban infrastructure, including roads, lighting, and green spaces.
- Enhance multimodal mobility systems (public transport, walking, cycling).
- Modernise infrastructure for efficient, sustainable urban movement.
- Position Agadir as a modern and livable metropolis.

### Voluntary Local Review (VLR) of Agadir

**Developed by:** Agadir Municipality, supported by the United Nations.

**Timeline:** Published in 2023, ongoing as part of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

# **Objectives:**

- Position Agadir as an inclusive, smart, sustainable, and resilient city.
- Align urban planning with Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
- Enhance natural resource use, urban governance, and innovation.

# **AUTHORITIES**

### Grand Agadir Mobilité (SDL Grand Agadir Mobilité)

Established in 2019 with a capital of MAD 8 million, SDL Grand Agadir Mobilité is a specialised entity responsible for implementing key projects in the Urban Mobility Plan. Its responsibilities include developing the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system, conducting mobility studies, and managing urban transport service contracts. It acts as the operational arm for transport infrastructure modernisation and sustainable mobility initiatives.

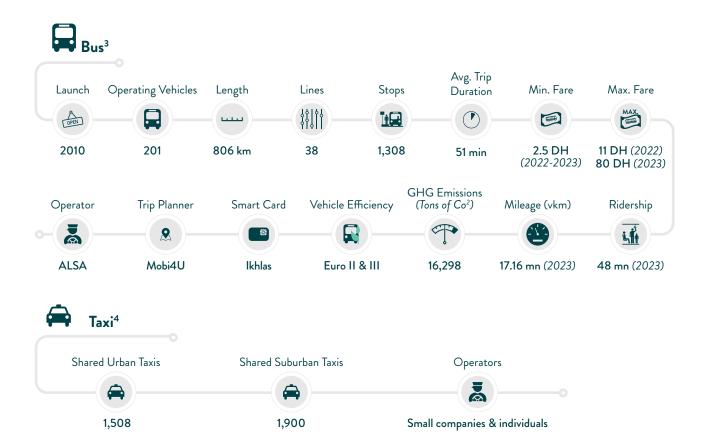
# Greater Agadir Municipal Grouping (Groupement Urbain du Grand Agadir)

The Greater Agadir Municipal Grouping is a collaborative body comprising the nine municipalities that form Greater Agadir, including Agadir, Inezgane, Ait Melloul, and others. This grouping coordinates urban mobility and infrastructure projects across the metropolitan area, ensuring alignment with regional development goals. It plays a crucial role in the strategic planning and implementation of the Urban Mobility Plan (PDU).

# Regional Council of Souss-Massa

The Regional Council oversees regional development, including urban mobility and public transport. It collaborates with local and national stakeholders to secure funding and develop policies that align with broader economic and environmental objectives. The council also plays a role in integrating urban mobility into the region's strategic plans.

# **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**



# **URBAN PROJECTS**



# MOROCCO / MARRAKESH-SAFI





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**4.9 mn** (2024) Population<sup>1</sup>



**46%** (2024) Urban Population¹ (% of the total population)



**125** (2024) Urban Density<sup>2</sup> (inhabitants/km²)



**39,167** (2024) Region Area (km²)¹

# **STRATEGIES**

# 2009 Urban Mobility Plan (2009-2030)

**Initiated by:** State, Ministry of the Interior, Wilaya of the Marrakesh-Tensift-Al Haouz region.

Timeline: 2009-2030.

**Targets:** Construct four transport axes on dedicated sites (BRT) and a ring road.

**Progress:** The plan has been integrated into the broader Master Plan of Urban Development of the Grand Marrakesh, implemented between 2017 and 2021. This master plan aimed to address infrastructural constraints and make strategic choices for the city's development over the next 30 years.

### Marrakesh-Safi Regional Development Plan (2017–2021)

Developed by: Marrakesh-Safi region.

Timeline: 2017-2021

# Mobility-related Objectives:

- Reduce the environmental impact of urban mobility and improve public transport in complementarity with taxis.
- Increase public transport usage from 4% in 2014 to 9% in 2020 at the Marrakesh city level.

# Marrakesh-Safi Regional Development Plan (2022–2027)

Developed by: Marrakesh-Safi Regional Council.

Timeline: 2022-2027

**Budget:** Over 12 billion MAD allocated for 67 projects across four main domains.

### Strategic Orientations:

• Enhance social and territorial cohesion.

- Improve living conditions and the environment in urban and rural areas.
- Promote quality urban planning for modern, inclusive, balanced, and sustainable cities.
- Strengthen the region's attractiveness and competitiveness.

**Mobility-related Objective:** The plan includes projects aimed at improving connectivity between different poles and with other regions, as well as enhancing public mobility infrastructure.

# **AUTHORITIES**

# Wilaya of the Marrakesh-Safi Region

The Wilaya serves as the representative of the central government in the Marrakesh-Safi region. It oversees the strategic planning and coordination of public transport and urban mobility initiatives. The Wilaya plays a key role in implementing major projects such as the Urban Mobility Plan (PDU) and the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system, ensuring they align with national policies and regional priorities.

### Municipal Council of Marrakesh

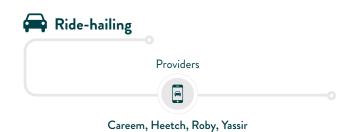
The Municipal Council is the primary governing body responsible for managing public transport and urban mobility within the city. It oversees the development and maintenance of local transport infrastructure, including bus stops, pedestrian routes, and bike lanes. The council is also tasked with improving urban mobility through innovative and sustainable solutions tailored to the city's needs.

**Bus City Motajadida** is the local development company in charge of delivering a clean urban transport system -Safi. Among its projects carried out: the development of preliminary studies of BRT lines.

# **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**



# SHARED AND ON-DEMAND PUBLIC TRANSPORT SOLUTIONS



# **OMAN**





**4,644,384** (2023) Population<sup>1</sup>



**39.3%** (2023) Female population (% of the total population)<sup>1</sup>



**95.2%** (2023) Urban Population¹ (% of the total population)



**1.48%** (2023) Urban Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



**35.5%** (2023)

Population in urban agglomerations of more than 1 million (% of the total population)<sup>1</sup>



14.61 (2021)

Population density (people per sq.km of land area)<sup>1</sup>



**1.3%** (2023)

Annual GDP growth (%)1



**-0.19%** (2023)

Annual GDP per capita growth (%)<sup>1</sup>



**USD 44,421.19** (2023) GDP pC (*PPP*; current int'l USD)<sup>1</sup>



0.19 (2023)

PPP Conversion Factor, private consumption (LCU per International \$)¹



**High income** (2023) Income Group<sup>1</sup>

# PRIVATE CAR OWNERSHIP



**1,370,913** (2016) Passenger Cars<sup>2</sup>



**312** (2016) Car Ownership Rate<sup>3</sup> (passenger cars/1,000 persons)



Oman Vision 2040

Developed by: Implementation Follow-up Unit

Timeline: 2021 - 2040

**Vision:** Oman Vision focuses on four pillars: People and Society, Economy and Development, Governance and Institutional Performance, and Sustainable Environment.

**Objective:** Diversified and easily accessible means of transport, integrated with sound and targeted urban planning and sustainable world-class infrastructure.

# Oman National Spatial Strategy (ONSS)

**Developed by:** Supreme Council for Planning (SCP)

Timeline: 2040

**Objective:** ONSS sets a direction for where and how investment in infrastructure and development should occur so that Oman becomes a better place to live, work and visit.

# **AUTHORITIES**

Ministry of Transport, Communications, and Information Technology Established through Royal Decrees in 2020, this ministry emerged from the merger of the Ministry of Technology and Communication with the Ministry of Transport. It oversees transport and logistics across road, rail, sea, and air, as well as the communications sector. The Ministry collaborates with various stakeholders to develop and implement strategic plans and projects.

# Ministry of Housing and Urban Planning

Formed through the consolidation of the Ministry of Housing and the Supreme Council for Planning under the Royal Decrees of 2020, this ministry is tasked with crafting strategies and policies to advance sustainable development across the Sultanate of Oman.

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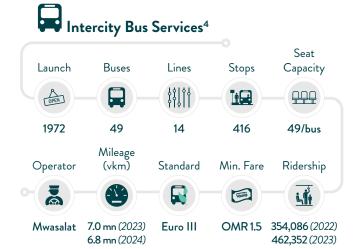
### Municipality of Muscat

Charged with executing development projects within the governorate, the Municipality operates under the guidance and approval of the Supreme Council for Planning and the Ministry of Transport and Communications. It also manages taxi, and microbus services and oversees road infrastructure within Muscat.

# **ASYAD** (previously Oman Logistics Group)

Functions as the central entity for consolidating government investments in the transport and logistics sectors, encompassing ports, free zones, rail, maritime, and land transport services. ASYAD includes all key operators in these domains, such as buses, taxis, ports, and Oman Rail.

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► Mwasalat's current intercity bus network<sup>4</sup>

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# OMAN / MUSCAT



► Electric Bus in Oman¹

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# **STRATEGY**

# Public Transport Master Plan (PTMP) - phase 1: Muscat

**Developed by:** MoTC **Timeline:** 2015-2040

**Vision:** The goal is to establish a sustainable, high-quality public transport system in Muscat that serves as a practical alternative to private vehicles. This initiative aims to decrease reliance on automobiles while enhancing accessibility, safety, the urban environment, and overall quality of life, with the objective of achieving a 25% public transport modal share by 2040.

# Mwasalat Long Term Bus Transport Master Plan (BTMP)

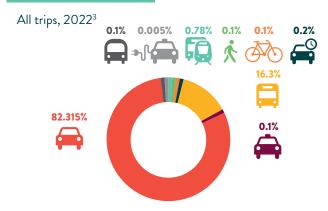
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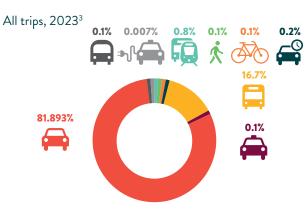
**Timeline:** 2016 – 2025 (3 phases)

**Objective:** As part of Oman's BTMP, Mwasalat seeks to expand and enhance the bus transport network in Muscat. This includes strengthening existing routes by improving service frequency and introducing express options, as well as launching new urban bus services.

**Targets:** By 2025, the plan aims to increase urban bus network coverage in Muscat so that up to 50% of the population resides within 500 meters of a bus stop, and up to 70% lives within 800 meters.

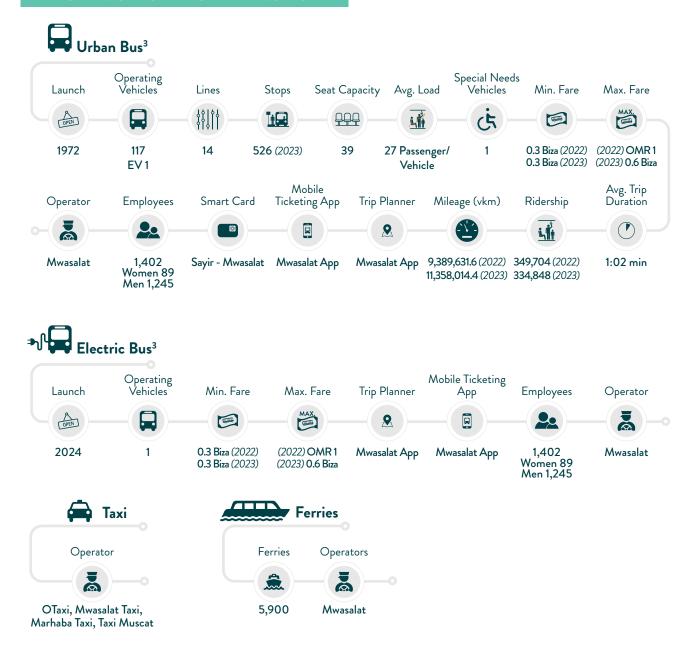
# **MODAL SPLIT**





- $\bullet \ \mathsf{Public} \ \mathsf{Transport} \ (\mathsf{public} \ \mathsf{bus}, \mathsf{tram}, \mathsf{metro}, \mathsf{marine}) \bullet \mathsf{Active} \ \mathsf{Travel} \ (\mathsf{walking}, \mathsf{cycling}) \\$
- Shared micromobility (Bike sharing, e-scooter sharing) Shared Mobility (e-hail, smart car rental, & Bus-On-Demand) Private Buses (company/ school bus)
- Taxi Private Car Informal Transport (taxis, buses, minibuses) Emerging and miscellaneous (EVs, AVs, eVTOLs...)

## **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**



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## OMAN / SALALAH



► Salalah Bus¹

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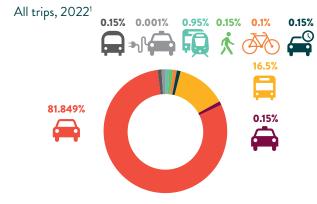
## **AUTHORITY**

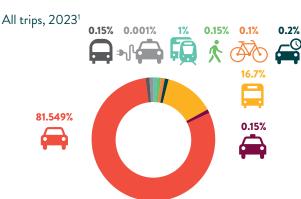
#### **Dhofar Municipality**

The Dhofar Municipality oversees the development and maintenance of infrastructure and public services in Salalah, the capital of Dhofar Governorate. It manages critical projects, including road networks, water supply, wastewater systems, and urban beautification, while ensuring environmental conservation and sustainable urban growth.

Key responsibilities include waste management, maintenance of public spaces, and the preservation of Salalah's natural landscape. The municipality also focuses on urban planning, developing housing, parks, and community facilities to enhance livability and support population growth. Through these efforts, Dhofar Municipality ensures Salalah remains a clean, connected, and sustainable city, balancing development with its cultural and environmental heritage.

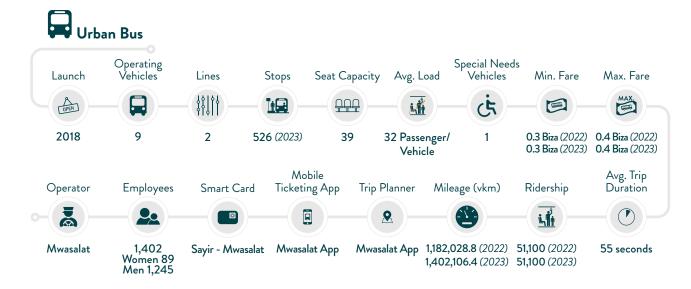
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## **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**





# **QATAR**





**2,716,391** (2023) Population<sup>1</sup>



**99%** (2023) Urban Population¹ (% of total population)



**27.68%** (2023)
Female population (% of the total population)<sup>1</sup>



11,636.8 Area<sup>1</sup> (km<sup>2</sup>)<sup>2</sup>



**0.79%** (2023) Annual Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



**233.43** (2023) Population density (people per km²)<sup>3</sup>



**4.21%** (2022) Annual GDP growth (%)<sup>1</sup>



**3.94%** (2022) Annual GDP per capita growth (%)<sup>1</sup>



**USD 121,124.66** (2022) GDP pC (PPP; current int'l USD)<sup>1</sup>



**2.8** (2023)
PPP Conversion Factor, private consumption (*LCU per International* \$)<sup>1</sup>



**High income** (2023) Income Group<sup>1</sup>

### PRIVATE CAR OWNERSHIP



**1,330,487** (2016) Passenger Cars⁴



**512** (2016) Car Ownership Rate<sup>5</sup> (passenger cars/1,000 persons)

## **STRATEGIES**

#### Qatar National Master Plan (QNMP)

The QNMP aligns with Qatar National Vision 2030, serving as a comprehensive spatial planning framework for the nation at national, municipal, and local levels. It ensures the integration and effective implementation of all planning

Developed by: Ministry of Municipality and Environment

Timeline: 2030

**Vision:** To establish a role model for sustainable urban living and create the most livable towns and cities of the 21st century.

#### **Core Principles:**

- · Enhancing quality of life for all residents
- Promoting economic growth and diversification
- Upholding environmental values
- · Improving connectivity between people and places
- · Preserving cultural identity
- Encouraging ownership and collaboration in planning and implementation

#### Transportation Master Plan Qatar (TMPQ)

Developed by: Ministry of Transport

Timeline: 2050

**Vision:** Delivering safe, integrated and environment-friendly transport and mobility system that keeps pace with urban and population growths, improves social life, reinforces environmental sustainability, and supports economic growth to achieve national development requirements.

## **AUTHORITIES**

#### Ministry of Municipality (MM)

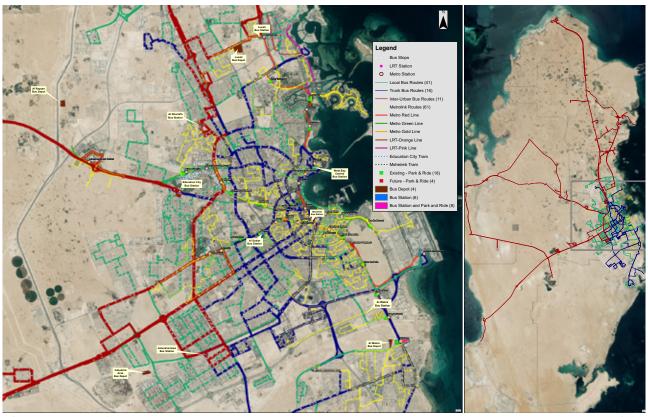
The MM plays a central role in urban planning and development in Qatar. Its responsibilities encompass the strategic oversight and execution of policies and projects related to urban growth, environmental conservation, and local infrastructure.

#### Ministry of Transport (MoT)

The Ministry of Transport in Qatar is responsible for overseeing and regulating the country's transport sector, ensuring it meets international standards and aligns with national development goals.

#### Public Works Authority (Ashghal)

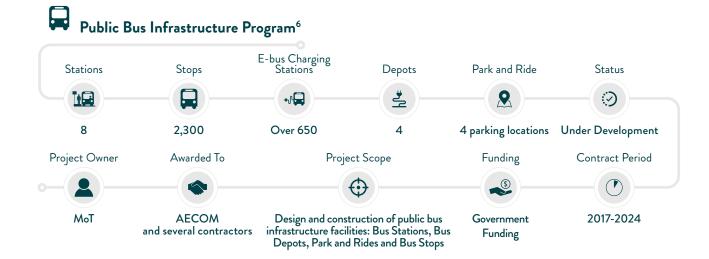
Established in 2004, the Public Works Authority, commonly known as Ashghal, is a specialised agency dedicated to the planning, design, and delivery of Qatar's infrastructure and public building projects.



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**1,186,000** (2020) Population<sup>1</sup>



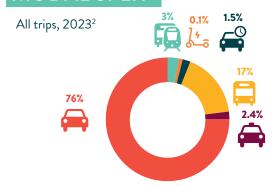
**203** Area (km²)



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Population Density (people /km² of Land Area)

## **MODAL SPLIT\***



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▶ Doha Metro Network

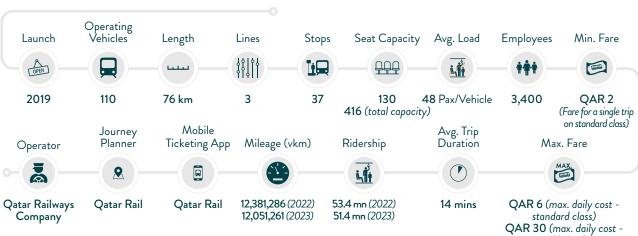
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### **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**



#### Doha Driverless Metro - Phase 12



Source: <sup>1</sup>National Planning Council | <sup>2</sup>MoT

\*Note: Pedestrians are not included in modal split. | The 2022 metro ridership includes 17.4 million ridership during FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022



Urban & Suburban Bus<sup>2</sup>

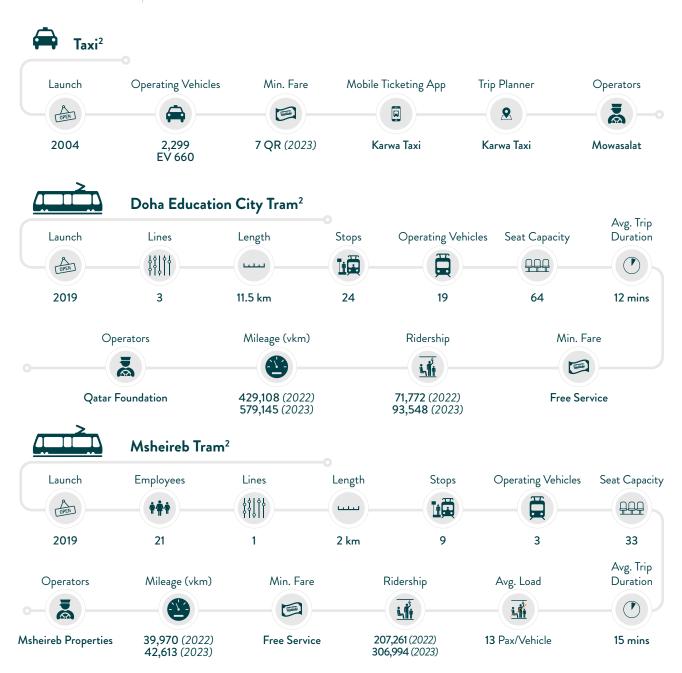








<sup>\*(</sup>Metrolink routes are free in conjunction with metro trips) Source: <sup>3</sup>Qatar Rail



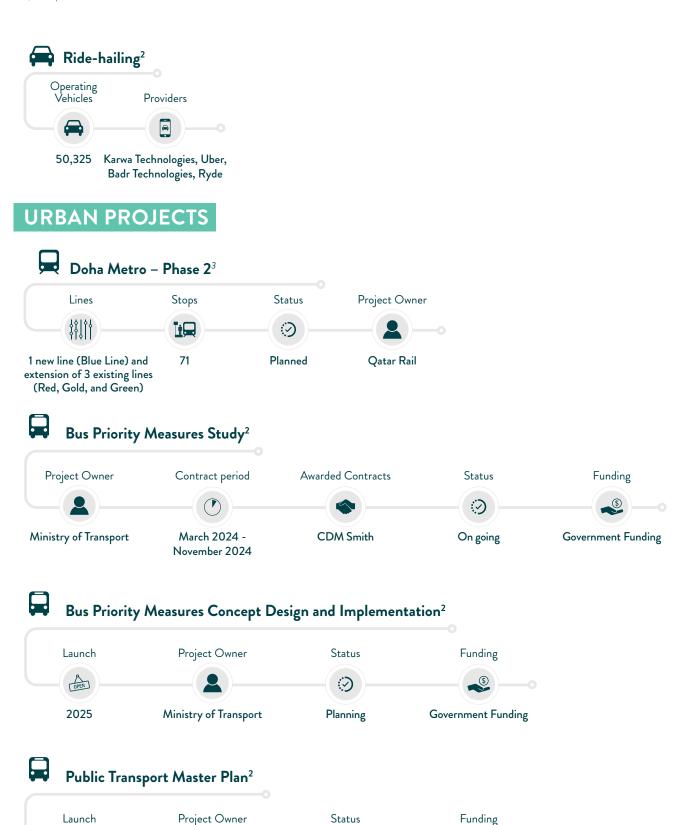
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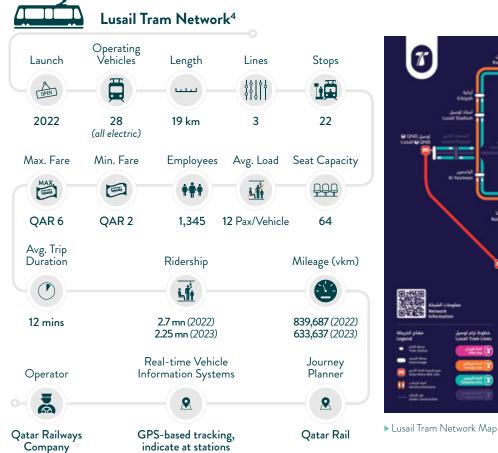
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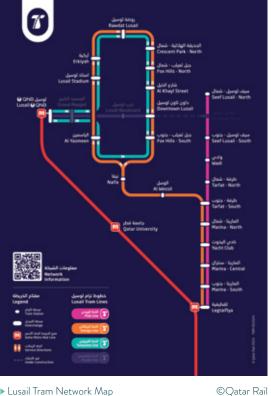
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## **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**





Source: <sup>1</sup>National Planning Council | <sup>2</sup>Calculated | <sup>3</sup>Qatari Diar | <sup>4</sup>MoT

\*Note: The 2022 tram ridership includes 800,000 ridership during FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022

## **URBAN PROJECTS**





## SAUDI ARABIA





**36,947,025** (2023)

Population<sup>1</sup>



**42.49%** (2023)

Female population (% of the total population)



**85%** (2023)

Urban Population<sup>1</sup> (% of the total population)



**1.72%** (2023)

Urban Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



**47.62%** (2023)

Population in urban agglomerations of more than 1 million (% of the total population)<sup>1</sup>



0.1% (2021)

Renewable Energy Consumption (% of the total final energy consumption)<sup>1</sup>



**-0,75%** (2023)

Annual GDP per capita growth (%)1



USD 54,991.72 (2023)

GDP pC (PPP; current int'l USD)1



1.90 (2023)

PPP Conversion Factor, private consumption (LCU per International \$)¹



High Income

Income Group<sup>1</sup>

## PRIVATE CAR OWNERSHIP



**6,895,799**(2016) Passenger Cars<sup>2</sup>



206 (2016)

Car Ownership Rate<sup>3</sup> (passenger cars/1,000 persons)

## **STRATEGIES**

Saudi Vision 2030

Developed by: Council of Economic and Development Affairs

**Timeline:** 2016-2030

**Vision:** Creating a vibrant society where all enjoy a high quality of life, healthy lifestyles, strong social infrastructure and an attractive living environment.

#### **Objectives:**

- Enhance the quality of life for all citizens by meeting their needs and requirements.
- Ensure the provision of high-quality services such as water, electricity, public transport, and roads.
- Raising the share of non-oil exports in non-oil GDP to 50%.
- Positioning the Kingdom within the top 15 economies worldwide.
- · Doubling overall domestic investment component.
- Increasing foreign direct investment (FDI) approximately twentyfold.

#### National Transport and Logistics Strategy (NTLS)

**Developed by:** Ministry of Transport and Logistic Services

Timeline: 2021-2030

**Vision:** In support of Saudi Vision 2030, the NTLS aims to transform Saudi Arabia into a global logistics hub connecting three continents while enhancing the quality, efficiency, and sustainability of all modes of transport – air, land, maritime, and rail.

#### **Objectives:**

- Expand the railway network by approximately 8,080 km, including projects like the 1,300 km Landbridge to connect the Arabian Gulf and Red Sea coasts, accommodating over 3 million passengers and transporting 50 million tons of freight annually.
- Enhance Saudi Arabia Railways (SAR) operations to transport 65 million passengers and 36 million tons of freight annually by 2025, with increased stations and lines to serve new areas.
- Develop and maintain the world's largest connected road network, spanning over 75,000 km, improving road quality and safety to position Saudi Arabia among the most advanced globally.
- Reduce road accident rates by over 50%, building on the recent 56% decline in accidents, 51% reduction in fatalities, and 30% drop in injuries.

- Lower fuel consumption by 25% in land transport through the implementation of smart solutions and adoption of global technologies for streamlined passenger and goods transport.
- Increase the share of public transport in urban trips to 15%, focusing on developing advanced public transport systems in major cities.
- Leverage transport apps like Uber and Careem to expand accessible and technology-driven transport options, particularly for women and underserved communities.

#### National Energy Efficiency Program (NEEP)

Developed by: Saudi Energy Efficiency Center

Timeline: 2012-2030

**Vision:** Promoting sustainability, preserving natural resources, and enhancing economic and social well-being through collaboration with local and international partners.

#### **Objectives:**

- Force vehicle suppliers to provide information on vehicles' fuel consumption.
- Create a national database and require governmental organisations to purchase fuel-efficient vehicles.
- Accelerate the replacement of old vehicles with more efficient models.
- Impose efficiency standards on fuel consumption for all new passenger vehicles and promote the adoption of energy-efficient technologies across industries.
- Study the possibility of establishing a reward and penalty system to encourage consumers to choose more efficient cars.

#### National Renewable Energy Program (NREP)

**Developed by:** Ministry of Energy

Timeline: 2017-2030

**Vision:** Maximise the potential of renewable energy in Saudi Arabia, diversify local energy sources, stimulate economic development, and ensure sustainable economic stability while advancing the renewable energy sector and fulfilling the Kingdom's commitments to reducing carbon emissions under Vision 2030.

#### **Objectives:**

- Diversify Saudi Arabia's national energy mix by increasing the share of gas and renewable energy sources to produce electricity.
- Attract investment by achieving globally competitive prices for generating wind and solar energy, supported by Saudi Arabia's natural capabilities and resources.
- Develop approximately 22 renewable energy projects, including 13 new projects with a combined capacity of 11.4 GW and an investment of SAR 34 billion, aiming to eliminate 20 million tons of carbon dioxide equivalent annually.
- Support the Kingdom's commitment to the circular carbon economy model by targeting a reduction of 278 million tons of carbon dioxide emissions per year by 2030.
- Launch a national geographical survey project by 2025 to establish 1,200 stations for gauging renewable energy resources across all provinces, focusing on solar photovoltaic and wind energy.

#### Program for the Transport of Working Women (Wusool)

**Developed by:** Human Resources Development Fund (HRDF), Saudi Arabia.

Timeline: 2017-2030

**Vision:** To empower women in the workforce by overcoming transport barriers through affordable, high-quality, and reliable transport services, enabling greater economic participation and stability. The program has benefited a total of 56,851 women across Saudi Arabia, advancing economic empowerment and supporting the Kingdom's Vision 2030 goals of increasing female workforce participation.

#### Targets and objectives:

- Subsidise 80% of transport costs for beneficiaries, with a monthly cap of SAR 1,100 for women earning SAR 8,000 or less.
- Provide access to ride-hailing services in most urban areas, ensuring convenience and reliability.
- Support beneficiaries for a maximum of 24 months.
- Enhance the economic participation of women by reducing mobility challenges.

**Implemented by:** HRDF in collaboration with licensed ride-hailing companies.

## **AUTHORITIES**

#### Ministry of Transport and Logistic Services (MoTLS)

Established in 1953, the MoTLS is responsible for overseeing various modes of transport, including road, maritime, air, rail, postal services, and logistics. The ministry aims to position Saudi Arabia as a global logistics hub by adopting modern transport systems and leveraging relevant technologies in the transport and logistics sector.

#### Transport General Authority (TGA)

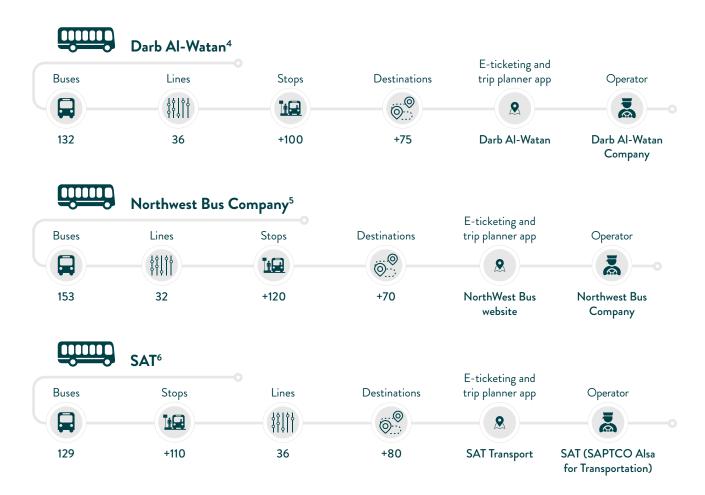
Founded in 2012 as the Public Transport Authority and later renamed in 2019, the TGA regulates the rail, sea, and land transport industries within the Kingdom. It issues licenses for transport activities, ensures service quality and safety, and holds memberships in international organisations such as the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) and the International Union of Railways (UIC). It also encourages investment in accordance with the economic and social development objectives in the Kingdom, in fulfillment of Vision 2030.

#### Roads General Authority (RGA)

Established on August 2, 2022, the RGA is a governmental organisation under the administrative affiliation of the Minister of Transport and Logistics. It legislates and regulates the road sector, ensuring compliance to enhance traffic safety and quality standards. The authority develops and standardises policies and implements innovative and sustainable solutions for road construction, operation, and maintenance.

### **NATIONAL-LEVEL PROJECTS**

### **INTERCITY BUS SERVICES**



### INTERCITY TRAIN SERVICES







<sup>\*</sup> The Saudi Railways Organization was formerly the major operator, however it was merged into the Saudi Railway Company in 2021. Today, Saudi Arabia Railways "SAR" is in charge of managing and operating all railways in the Kingdom.

## **INTER-CITY CAR-SHARING**



## SAUDI ARABIA / RIYADH



▶ Riyadh metro¹

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**8,591,748** (2022) Population<sup>2</sup>



**38%** (2010-2022) Population growth<sup>2</sup>



**5.1%** (2022) Annual Population Growth<sup>3</sup>



**+1,293,568** Registered Private Cars<sup>4</sup>



+156

Car Ownership rate<sup>5</sup>



7,100

Urban Density of Built up Area (person /km²)<sup>6</sup>



**1,297** Urban Area (km²)<sup>7</sup>

### **STRATEGY**

#### Riyadh Transport Strategy

**Developed by:** Royal Commission for Riyadh City (RCRC)

**Vision:** Develop a sustainable transport system that meets the city's needs and guides urban development through the expansion of road networks and transport facilities. This strategy focuses on creating a sustainable and efficient transport network to support Riyadh's urban development.

#### Targets and objectives:

- Prepare a comprehensive traffic management plan.
- · Establish transport investment mechanisms.
- Enhance connectivity and reduce traffic congestion.

**Implemented by:** RCRC, in collaboration with relevant municipal and national agencies.

#### Riyadh Sustainability Strategy

**Developed by:** Royal Commission for Riyadh City (RCRC)

**Vision:** Achieve environmental sustainability and improve the quality of life in Riyadh through efficient resource management and sustainable practices. This strategy underscores Riyadh's commitment to environmental sustainability and aligns with the broader goals of Saudi Arabia's Vision 2030.

#### Targets and objectives:

- Increase the adoption of public transport from 5% to 20% by 2030.
- · Reduce the number of daily car trips by one million,

- cutting approximately 1.5 million tons of greenhouse gas emissions annually.
- Invest SAR 30 billion (\$8 billion) to boost renewable energy sources, making the city's energy mix more sustainable.

**Implemented by:** RCRC, in partnership with environmental and energy agencies.

## **AUTHORITIES**

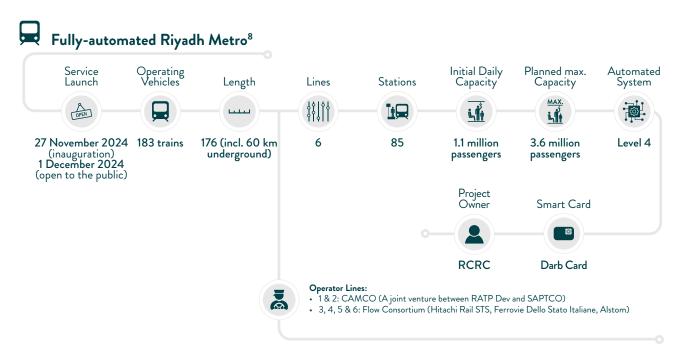
#### Royal Commission for Riyadh City (RCRC)

Established on June 20, 1974, the RCRC oversees Riyadh's strategic urban planning and development, including the implementation and operation of public transport systems such as the Riyadh Metro and Bus Network. It ensures that transport projects align with the city's strategic vision and goals under Vision 2030.

#### Riyadh Municipality

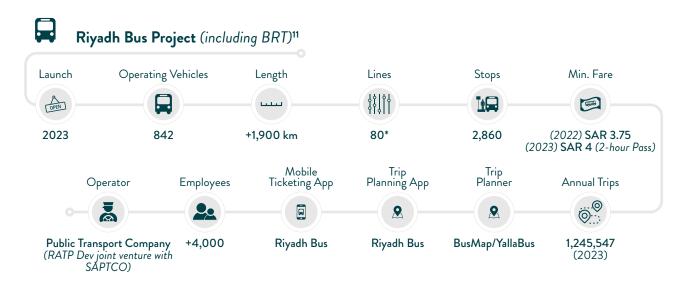
Established in 1937, Riyadh Municipality is responsible for integrating public transport with urban infrastructure. It focuses on ensuring accessibility, maintaining transport facilities, and supporting the operation of local transit services to improve residents' quality of life.

## **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**





▶ Riyadh Metro and Bus Network.9



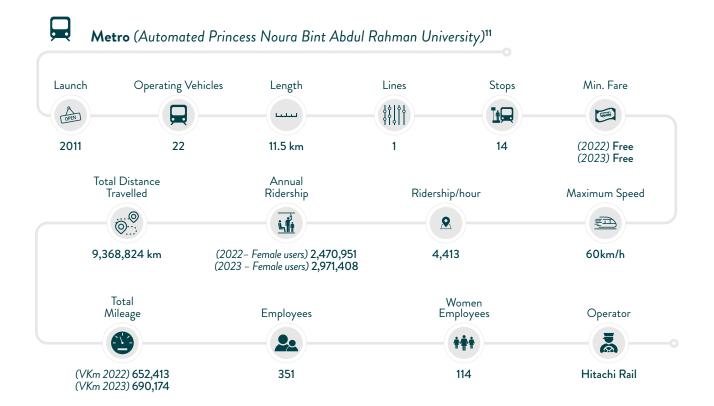
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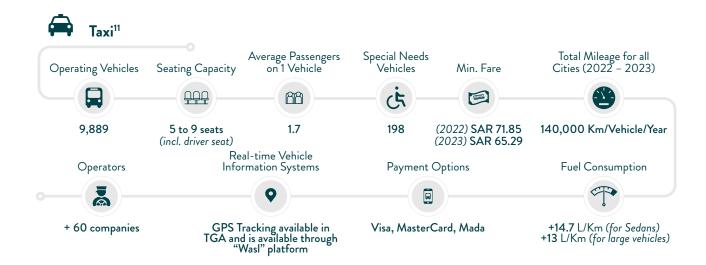
▶ Riyadh Public Transport Bus at Salahuddin Al Ayubi Station<sup>13</sup>



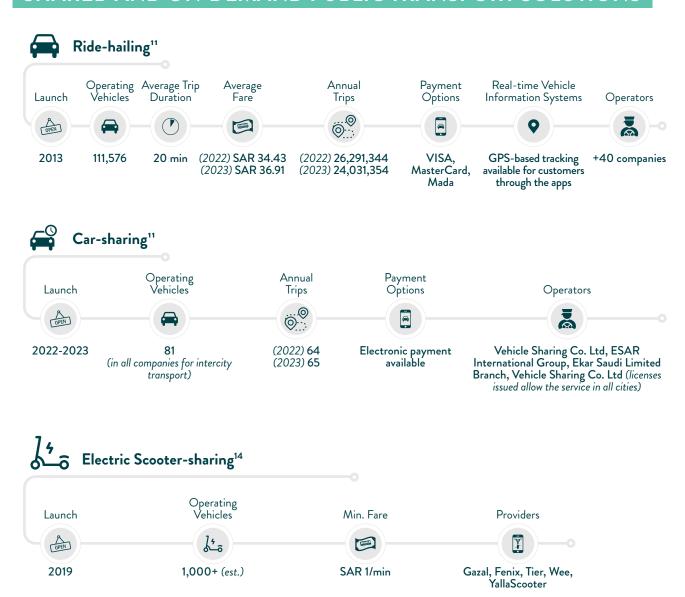
▶ The Princess Nora Bint Abdul Rahman University Driverless Women-only Metro<sup>13</sup>



Source: 11TGA | 12RCRC | 13TGA, 2024



## SHARED AND ON-DEMAND PUBLIC TRANSPORT SOLUTIONS



## SAUDI ARABIA / JEDDAH



▶ Internal Train at King Abdulaziz International Airport in Jeddah ©Alstom



**3,712,917** (2022) Population<sup>1</sup>



**4.5%** (2022) Annual Population Growth



**5,733**Urban Population Density (person /km²)²



**647.63** Urban Area (km²)³

### **STRATEGY**

#### The Jeddah Transportation Master Plan (JTMP)

The Jeddah Transportation Master Plan is a comprehensive initiative aimed at enhancing the city's mobility, environmental quality, and overall urban experience. The JTMP aligns with Saudi Arabia's Vision 2030, aiming to transform Jeddah into a sustainable and accessible urban center.

**Developed by:** Jeddah Municipality, in collaboration with international consultants and stakeholders.

**Vision:** To improve the quality of life and environmental standards by enhancing transport services and the city's overall image.

#### Targets:

- Encourage the use of public transport to decrease reliance on private vehicles.
- Develop urban zones that integrate residential, commercial, and recreational spaces.
- · Design pedestrian-friendly streets and neighborhoods.
- Offer diverse and accessible public transport modes, including metro lines, buses, trams, and marine transport.
- Facilitate convenient access to transport services for all residents.
- Implemented by: Metro Jeddah Company (MJC)

### **AUTHORITIES**

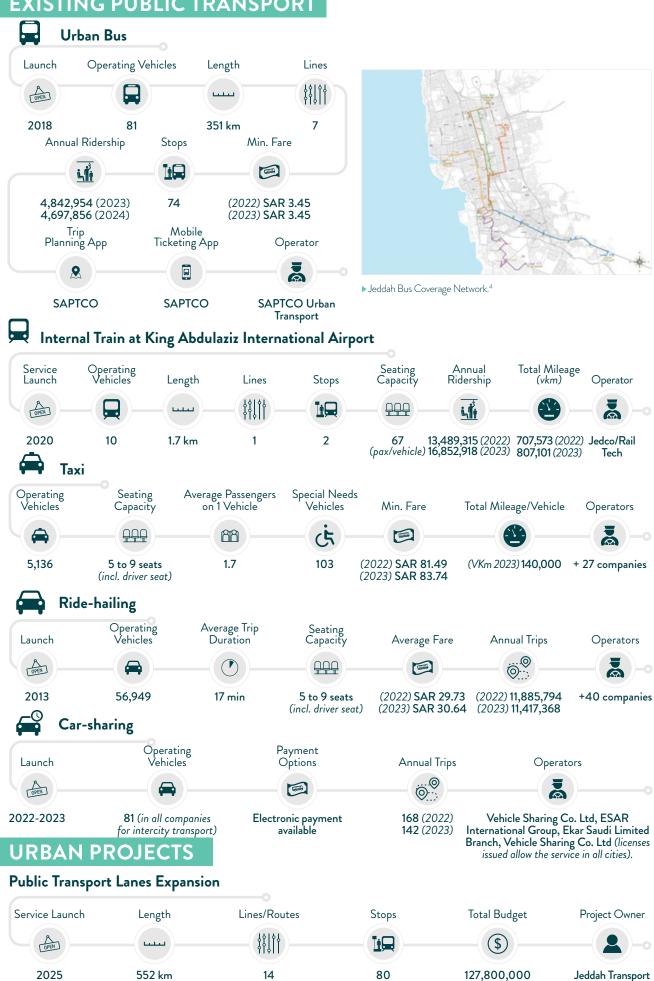
#### Jeddah Municipality

Jeddah Municipality is the principal authority responsible for urban planning, infrastructure, and transport in the city. It oversees the development and implementation of the Jeddah Transportation Master Plan (JTMP) and ensures alignment with Vision 2030. The municipality works closely with local and national stakeholders to enhance urban mobility and sustainability.

#### Metro Jeddah Company (MJC)

Established in 2013, Metro Jeddah Company (MJC) is tasked with implementing the Jeddah Public Transportation Program (JPTP). This includes metro lines, light rail transit, bus systems, and marine transport projects. MJC serves as the executing agency for Jeddah's transport initiatives, focusing on reducing car dependency and improving accessibility.

### ING PUBLIC TRANSPORT



Source: 4SAPTCO, 2024.

## SAUDI ARABIA / MADINAH



▶ First Electric Bus in Madinah¹

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**1,411,599** (2022) Population<sup>2</sup>



**4.1%** (2022) Annual Population Growth<sup>3</sup>



**2,396**Urban Population Density (person /km²)<sup>4</sup>



**589** Urban Area (km²)



**325,413** Registered Private Cars<sup>5</sup>



**277** Car Ownership rate<sup>6</sup>

### **STRATEGY**

#### Madinah Vision 2040

**Developed by:** Al Madinah Region Development Authority (MDA)

Timeline: 2040

**Objective:** Transform Madinah into a modern, sustainable city that meets the aspirations of residents and millions of pilgrims annually.

**Mobility Targets:** Provide advanced public transport within the city and connect Madinah to holy sites.

#### **Key Initiatives:**

#### Madinah Bus Rapid Transit (BRT):

- Establish high-capacity BRT corridors with up to 500 stations, covering 80-90% of the city by 2030.
- · Seamlessly integrate with other transport networks.

#### Madinah Bus Project:

- Operate modern buses with 116 stations covering major attractions and neighborhoods.
- Provide 16-hour daily service, ensuring accessibility for all users.

### **AUTHORITIES**

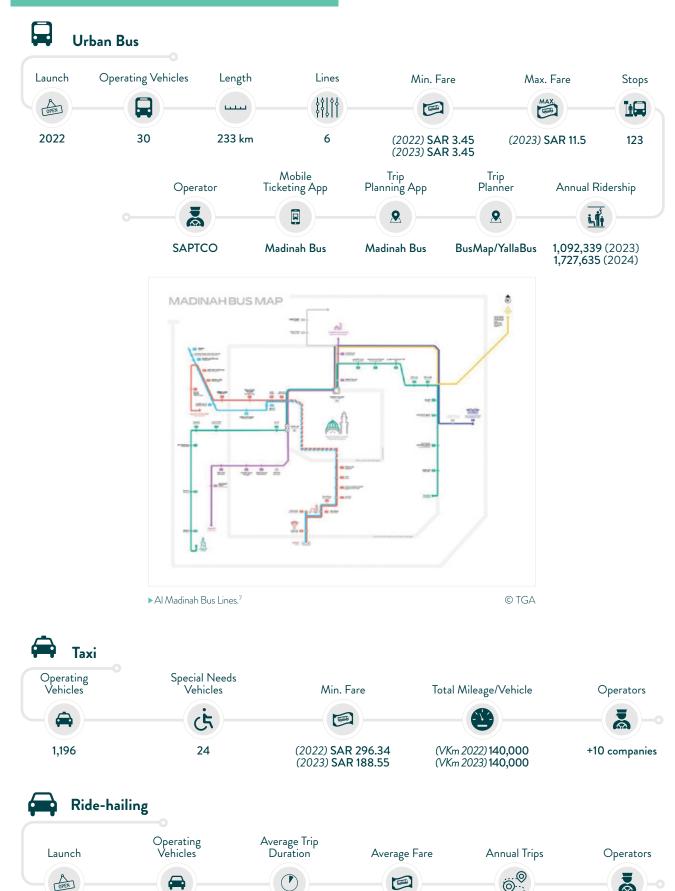
#### Al Madinah Region Development Authority (MDA)

MDA is the primary local authority responsible for planning and implementing Madinah's urban and transport strategies, including Madinah Vision 2040. It oversees major mobility projects like the Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) and public bus networks to enhance connectivity and sustainability in the city.

#### Madinah Municipality

The municipality manages infrastructure and public services within Madinah. It works closely with MDA to ensure transport projects align with the city's broader development goals, focusing on improving accessibility and urban mobility for residents and visitors.

## **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**



(2022) SAR 20.65 (2023) SAR 23.43 (2022) **3,726,912** (2023) **3,292,467** 

Source: 7TGA, 2024

2013

17,789

15 min

+40 companies

## SAUDI ARABIA / MAKKAH



► Makkah Bus¹ © TGA



**2,385,509** (2022) Population<sup>2</sup>



**4.3%** (2022) Annual Population Growth<sup>3</sup>



Urban Population Density (person /km²)<sup>4</sup>



**1,200** Urban Area (km²)



**1,176,395** Registered Private Cars<sup>5</sup>



598 Car Ownership rate<sup>6</sup>

### **STRATEGY**

#### Makkah City Strategy & Masterplan

**Developed by:** The Royal Commission for Makkah City and Holy Sites, in collaboration with international urban planning experts.

**Vision:** To transform Makkah into a modern, vibrant city that harmoniously blends its rich cultural and religious heritage with contemporary urban development, enhancing the quality of life for residents and visitors.

#### Targets and Objectives:

- Implement seven spatial guiding principles to direct urban growth and development.
- Revitalise the central area surrounding the Holy Mosque to accommodate increasing numbers of pilgrims and improve accessibility.
- Adopt a strategic urban growth scenario to manage expansion sustainably.
- Develop a long-term strategy outlining development goals and initiatives up to the year 2040.
- Create detailed strategies for various sectors and specific area plans to guide localised development.

#### Makkah Public Transport Programme (MPTP)

**Developed by:** The Royal Commission for Makkah City and Holy Sites, in coordination with the Makkah Mass Rail Transit Company and international consultants.

**Vision:** To develop an integrated, efficient, and sustainable public transport system that facilitates the movement of residents and pilgrims, reduces traffic congestion, and minimises environmental impact.

#### Targets and Objectives:

- Construct four metro lines covering approximately 180 kilometers, serving 88 stations to enhance urban mobility.
- Implement a bus system comprising Bus Rapid Transit, local buses, feeder services, and shuttle buses to ensure extensive coverage and connectivity.
- Align public transport services with the needs of Hajj and Umrah pilgrims, facilitating efficient and safe travel to holy
- Promote the use of environmentally friendly vehicles and technologies to reduce carbon emissions.

### **AUTHORITIES**

# Royal Commission for Makkah City and Holy Sites (RCMC)

The RCMC, established in 2018, oversees Makkah's development and the holy sites, ensuring strategic alignment with Vision 2030. Its goals include enhancing Hajj and Umrah experiences, improving quality of life, and attracting investments. Chaired by Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, it coordinates multi-sectoral efforts to position Makkah as a global innovation and spiritual hub.

#### Makkah Region Development Authority (MRDA)

Founded in 2000, the MRDA manages strategic planning and development across the Makkah Province. It focuses on urban renewal, infrastructure projects, and public transport systems, including metro and bus networks. The authority ensures cohesive regional growth, aligning its initiatives with national priorities and addressing the city's evolving needs.

Source:  $^{1}$ TGA  $|^{2}$ United Nations Statistics Division. Makkah City Proper.  $|^{3}$ General Authority for Statistics  $|^{4}$ Calculated based on urban population in 2022 and urban area.  $|^{5}$ Argaam  $|^{6}$ Calculated based on registered private cars in 2017 and Makka's population in 2018, which was 1,967,000 according to the UN City Prospects.

## **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**



## Al Mashaaer Al Mugaddassah Metro





▶ Al Mashaaer Al Mugaddassah Metro during Hajj season serving pilgrims.<sup>7</sup> © TGA







## SAUDI ARABIA / DAMMAM



► Eastern Region Bus.¹

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### **STRATEGY**

# Dammam Metropolitan Area (DMA) Urban Growth Strategy

**Developed by:** Eastern Province Municipality, in collaboration with the Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs and Housing.

**Vision:** To manage rapid urbanisation by integrating Dammam with neighboring cities Al Khobar and Dhahran, forming a cohesive metropolitan area that supports sustainable development.

#### Targets and Objectives:

- Coordinate urban expansion to prevent unplanned growth and urban sprawl.
- Enhance infrastructure and public services across the metropolitan area.
- Promote economic diversification and investment opportunities.

**Implemented by:** Eastern Province Municipality, with support from local municipalities and relevant stakeholders.

## **AUTHORITIES**

#### Eastern Province Municipality (EPM)

EPM is responsible for urban planning, infrastructure development, and municipal services in Dammam and the broader Eastern Province. It focuses on enhancing public amenities, maintaining city infrastructure, and ensuring sustainable urban growth.

#### Sharqia Development Authority (SDA)

Established in 2014, SDA oversees comprehensive development initiatives in the Eastern Province, including Dammam. It coordinates strategic planning, infrastructure projects, and economic development to promote sustainable growth and improve residents' quality of life.

## **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**



Source:  $^{1}$ SAPTCO,  $^{2}$ O24  $|^{2}$ United Nations Statistics Division. Dammam City Proper.  $|^{3}$ The urban footprint area does not including the whole Metropolitan area of Dhahran and Khobar. Sources: Saudi Census 2022, UN Habitat.

# SAUDI ARABIA / TAIF (Governorate)





▶ Taif Bus.¹

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#### **STRATEGY**

#### Taif Development Strategy

**Developed by:** Taif Development Authority (TDA)

**Vision:** To transform Taif into a sustainable and vibrant city by coordinating development efforts, stimulating investment, and improving residents' quality of life.

#### Targets and Objectives:

- Coordinate efforts across sectors to develop Taif's natural, tourist, traditional, educational, and historic landmarks.
- Stimulate investment in agriculture and rural tourism.
- Develop an integrated public transport network to improve connectivity, reduce traffic congestion, and support sustainable urban growth.
- Establish modern transport facilities, including main stations and bus stops, to facilitate efficient and reliable public transit.

**Implemented by:** Taif Development Authority, in collaboration with local municipalities and relevant stakeholders.

### **AUTHORITIES**

#### Taif Municipality

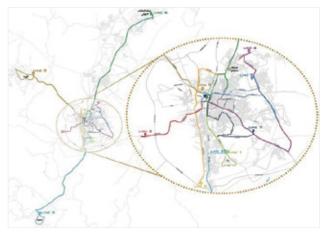
Taif Municipality oversees urban planning, infrastructure development, and public services within the city. It plays a key role in implementing urban development projects such as the New Taif City and Madinat Al-Wurood, focusing on sustainable growth and improving the quality of life for residents.

#### Taif Development Authority (TDA)

TDA is responsible for coordinating and supervising major development initiatives in Taif, including economic, urban, and infrastructural projects. The authority ensures that these projects align with local needs and contribute to Taif's strategic growth.

## **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**





▶ Taif Network Coverage.¹

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# SAUDI ARABIA / AL-QASSIM



► AI-Qassim Bus.¹

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### **STRATEGY**

#### Local and Detailed Plan for Buraidah City

**Developed by:** Al-Qassim Province Municipality, under the Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs and Housing.

**Vision:** To establish a collaborative framework among stakeholders for coordinated decision-making, aiming to support sustainable development in Buraidah with economic, social, and urban dimensions.

#### Targets and Objectives:

- Align planning studies across national, regional, local, and detailed levels.
- Strengthen the role of local and detailed planning in shortterm decision-making.
- Link urban development operations to the recommendations of local and detailed plans.
- Develop flexible executive policies addressing real needs and capabilities in urban development.
- Foster community involvement and familiarise government agencies and citizens with planning processes.

**Implemented by:** Al-Qassim Province Municipality, in coordination with sub-municipalities, relevant departments, the private sector, and civil society institutions.

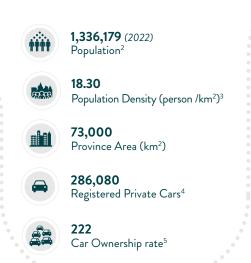
## **AUTHORITIES**

#### **Al-Qassim Municipality**

Responsible for urban planning, infrastructure development, and public services in the region. The municipality focuses on enhancing transport networks, beautifying public spaces, and providing high-quality services to residents in cities like Buraidah and Unaizah.

#### Al-Qassim Development Authority (QDA)

Oversees regional development projects, ensuring sustainable growth in alignment with local needs. QDA works closely with municipalities to implement infrastructure and mobility initiatives, contributing to improved connectivity across the region.



## **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**





► AI-Qassim Network Coverage.¹

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Source:  $^{1}$ GA, 2024  $^{1}$ Saudi Census 2022. Al-Qassim Governorate.  $^{1}$ Calculated based on the population and province area.  $^{1}$ Argaam  $^{1}$ Calculated based on the registered private cars in 2017 as well as the Governorate's population in the same year, which was 1,285,836.

# SAUDI ARABIA / **JAZAN**



▶Jazan Bus.¹

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### **STRATEGY**

#### **Jazan Territorial Strategy**

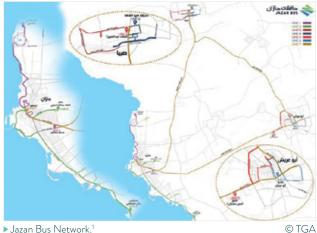
**Developed by:** The Development Authorities Support Center (DASC) and the Jazan Development Strategic Office (JSO), in collaboration with a consortium led by Setec, including Institut Paris Region and Beyond Group.

**Vision:** To organise sustainable urban development while improving transport systems across the region. This strategic initiative aligns with Saudi Arabia's Vision 2030, aiming to foster balanced and sustainable urban development in the Jazan region.

#### Targets and Objectives:

- · Organise the region's sustainable development by balancing population distribution and resource utilisation.
- · Anticipate and plan for the expansion of major cities within the region.
- · Develop strategies for key economic sectors, including agriculture, tourism, industry, and logistics.
- · Protect and preserve natural assets, addressing climate change challenges.

Implemented by: The Jazan Development Strategic Office (JSO), with support from local municipalities and relevant stakeholders.



▶ Jazan Bus Network.¹



### **AUTHORITIES**

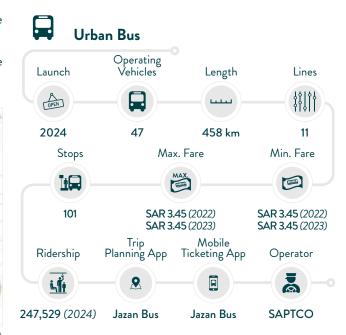
#### Jazan Municipality

Jazan Municipality is responsible for urban planning, infrastructure development, and the provision of municipal services within the city and its surrounding areas. It focuses on enhancing the urban environment, coordinating with government agencies to prepare structural plans, and delivering services to citizens and residents.

#### Jazan Development Strategic Office (JSO)

The JSO plays a pivotal role in formulating and implementing regional development strategies. It collaborates with entities like the Development Authorities Support Center (DASC) to create comprehensive regional and local plans, aiming for sustainable and balanced development across Jazan's governorates.

### **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**



Source: 'TGA, 2024 | 2Saudi Census 2022. Jazan Governorate. | 3Calculated based on the Governorate population and the land area of Jazan Governorate. 4Argaam | 5The car ownership rate is calculated based on the registered private cars in 2017 and the population of the Governorate in the same year, which was 1,326,914.

## **TUNISIA**





**12,458,223** (2023) Population<sup>1</sup>



50.67% (2023)

Female population (% of the total population)<sup>1</sup>



71% (2023)

Urban Population<sup>1</sup> (% of the total population)



1.1% (2023)

Urban Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



19.87% (2023)

Population in urban agglomerations of more than 1 million (% of the total population)<sup>1</sup>



**11.6%** (2021)

Renewable Energy Consumption (% of the total final energy consumption)<sup>1</sup>



**-0.6%** (2021)

Annual GDP per capita growth (%)1



USD 13,931.9 (2023)

GDP pC (PPP; current int'l USD)<sup>1</sup>



0.92 (2023)

PPP Conversion Factor, private consumption (LCU per International \$)¹



Lower-middle income (2023) Income Group<sup>1</sup>

### PRIVATE CAR OWNERSHIP



**2,015,601**(2016) Passenger Cars<sup>2</sup>



175 (2016) Car Ownership Rate<sup>3</sup> (passenger cars/1,000 persons)

## **STRATEGIES**

#### National Transport Master Plan (PDNT)

Developed by: Ministry of Equipment and Transport

Timeline: 2019-2040

#### Objective:

To consolidate and develop infrastructure, equipment, and services across the transport sector.

#### Targets:

- Implementation of 19 rail projects.
- Introduction of intelligent transport systems.

#### Tunisian National Urban Mobility Policy (PNMU)

Developed by: Ministry of Transport

Timeline: Approved in May 2020

#### **Objectives:**

- Reform and strengthen the governance system of urban mobility.
- Creation of new entities at the national level in the short term (2021–2022).
- Establishment of a long-term Sustainable Urban Master Plan.

#### Targets:

- Reform mobility governance at the local level by creating Metropolitan Authorities for Urban Mobility in large agglomerations.
- Establish Urban Mobility Departments within municipalities in smaller agglomerations.

# Energy Efficiency Improvement in the Sustainable Urban Mobility Sector

**Developed by:** Ministry of Transport, with support from international partners

**Timeline:** Initiated in 2020, Phase 1: 2023–2025, Phase 2: 2026–2030

#### **Objectives:**

- Enhance governance frameworks for urban mobility at national and local levels.
- Strengthen financial mechanisms within the urban mobility sector.
- Develop comprehensive urban mobility plans for major cities.
- Modernise public transport infrastructure and services.
- Promote the electrification of the vehicle fleet.
- Implement infrastructure improvements for traffic and pedestrian management.

#### Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan (SUMP)

**Developed by:** Ministry of Transport, with support from the European Union and other international partners.

**Timeline:** Adopted in 2020, with ongoing implementation as a framework for urban mobility improvements.

#### **Objectives:**

- Promote sustainable and high-quality transport within urban areas.
- Integrate various transport modes to improve connectivity and reduce environmental impact.
- Ensure participatory planning to meet the mobility needs of all users, including vulnerable groups.
- Implement monitoring and evaluation mechanisms to adapt and optimise urban mobility strategies.

## **AUTHORITIES**

#### Ministry of Transport (MoT)

The Ministry of Transport oversees Tunisia's land, maritime, and aviation sectors, managing regulations, fare systems, and policy development. It conducts research to improve efficiency and recently assumed responsibility for ferry services to Djerba, reflecting its expanding role in national transport.

#### Metropolitan Urban Mobility Authorities (AMMU)

AMMUs are regional bodies tasked with planning and managing urban transport. Pilot projects in Sfax and Tunis focus on improving urban mobility, with Sfax advancing sustainable transport solutions through the Active and Intelligent Mobility Project (MAIS).

#### The Tunisian National Railway Company (SNCFT)

SNCFT is a non-administrative public institution responsible for the management, operation and maintenance of the Tunisian railway network. It is also responsible for the development of this network through the extension of existing lines or the creation of new lines.

#### Regional transport companies (SRT)

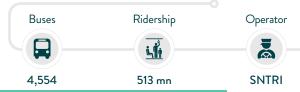
SRT are Tunisian public companies whose activity is to ensure the transport of passengers by bus in the regions of the country's different governorates.

### NATIONAL PUBLIC TRANSPORT

# National Rail Network



## Intercity Bus Services



### **NATIONAL PROJECTS**

## Railway Projects (Gabes - Port of Zarzis via Medenine)



Source: <sup>4</sup>Rail.CC

## TUNISIA / TUNIS (GREATER)



▶Tramway in Tunis

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**2.9 mn** (2024) Population<sup>1</sup>



**1,087** (2024) Urban Density<sup>2</sup> (inhabitants/km²)



**2,668** (2024) Area (km²)²

### **STRATEGY**

#### Strategic Development Framework for Tunis (SDVT)

**Developed by:** Municipal authorities of Tunis, in collaboration with regional stakeholders and international partners under the 'ASIMA Tunis' project.

**Timeline:** Initiated in 2017 as part of efforts to align with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

#### **Objectives:**

- Strengthen multi-level governance in Tunis by uniting stakeholders for integrated urban planning.
- Address sustainable urban development challenges, including housing, mobility, and environmental management.
- Align urban strategies with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
- Promote economic growth and social inclusion through coordinated urban policies.
- Invest in renewable energy, sustainable infrastructure, and mobility projects.
- Promote urban planning aligned with sustainability goals.

## **AUTHORITIES**

#### **Municipality of Tunis**

The Municipality of Tunis is the primary local governing body responsible for urban planning, infrastructure development, and municipal services within the city of Tunis. It oversees public spaces, road maintenance, and local mobility initiatives, working to enhance the quality of life for residents and ensure sustainable urban growth. The municipality also collaborates with regional and national authorities on large-scale urban development projects.

#### Urban Planning Agency of Greater Tunis (AUGT)

The Urban Planning Agency of Greater Tunis (AUGT) is tasked with coordinating urban development in the Greater Tunis area. It designs and implements master plans that guide land use, infrastructure development, and transport integration. AUGT plays a strategic role in aligning urban expansion with sustainable development goals, ensuring balanced growth across the metropolitan region.

#### Governorate of Tunis

The Governorate of Tunis is the regional administrative authority that supervises development projects and ensures their compliance with national policies within the capital. It acts as a bridge between municipal entities like the Municipality of Tunis and national authorities, facilitating coordination and the execution of key infrastructure and urban development initiatives.

# Metropolitan Urban Mobility Authority (NEW PROPOSED AUTHORITY)

The proposed Metropolitan Urban Mobility Authority aims to centralise and streamline the management of public transport and urban mobility in Greater Tunis. As envisioned in the National Urban Mobility Policy (PNMU), this authority would oversee the planning, coordination, and regulation of urban transport services to improve efficiency and integration across the region's transport systems.

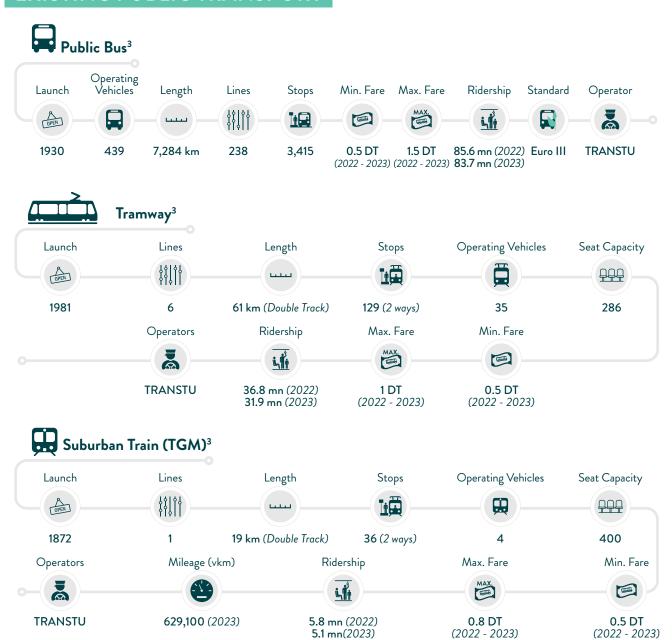
#### Tunis Transport Company (TRANSTU)

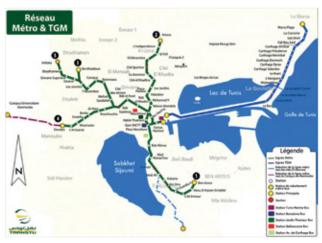
This company provides collective transport for passengers in the Greater Tunis region through the bus and tramway networks as well as the Northern Suburbs Railway Line (TGM).

#### The Tunis Rapid Rail Network Company (RFR)

RFR is designed to improve suburban transport in the Greater Tunis through reliable train services extending from the capital to surrounding suburbs while linking the network to different existing transport modes.

## **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**



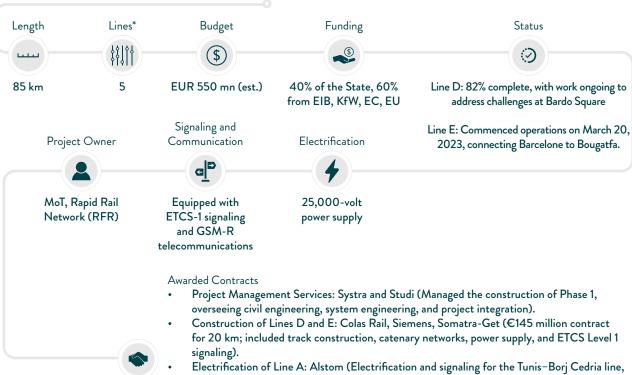


▶ Tramway and Suburban Rail (TGM) in Tunis © The Municipality of Tunis

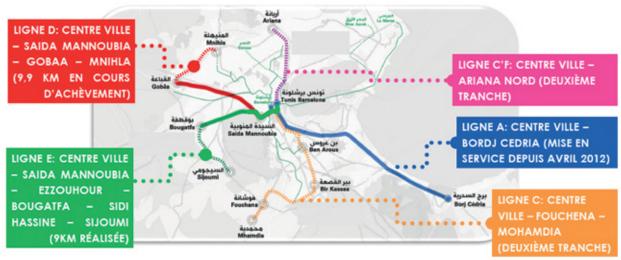
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## **URBAN PROJECT**

### Tunis Rapid Rail Network (RFR)4



- marking the first phase of the RFR network).
- Rolling Stock Supply: Hyundai Rotem (Contract worth TND 416 million (USD 135.6 million) for 28 four-car trains for the RFR network).
- Project Management Services: Systra and Studi (Comprehensive project management for the first phase of the RFR, including oversight of construction on lines with a common section from Tunis to Ezzit).
- Operations and Maintenance: Société Nationale des Chemins de Fer Tunisiens (SNCFT)



Map of the Five Lines of the Tunis Rapid Railway Network project

© RFR

## TUNISIA / **SFAX** (GREATER)



SORETRAS Bus in Sfax

© SORETRAS



### **STRATEGIES**

#### Greater Sfax Development Strategy 2030

**Developed by:** The strategy is developed by the Municipality of Sfax in collaboration with MedCities and other international and regional partners, supported by technical and financial assistance from the European Union.

Timeline: 2020-2030

#### Objective:

- Address the challenges of rapid urbanisation and guide sustainable urban development in the Greater Sfax region.
- Enhance the city's attractiveness as an economic and cultural hub in Tunisia.
- Improve the quality of life for residents by focusing on green infrastructure, public services, and community spaces.
- Promote participatory governance and involve local stakeholders in the planning process.
- Align the city's development goals with the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and regional sustainability frameworks.

#### Sfax Urban Mobility Investment Project

**Developed by:** Led by the Municipality of Sfax, this initiative involves a public-private partnership (PPP), with technical guidance from UNESCWA and financing support from national and international partners such as the Tunisian Ministry of Transport and local investors.

### **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**

Timeline: 2022-2030

#### **Objectives:**

- Develop a sustainable and efficient urban mobility network in Sfax to alleviate traffic congestion and improve accessibility.
- Establish a 70 km multimodal transport system, including Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) and other high-capacity modes. Promote energy efficiency and reduce greenhouse gas emissions in urban mobility systems.
- Enhance connectivity between Sfax and surrounding municipalities to support regional economic integration.
- Foster public awareness and encourage the use of sustainable transport modes such as public transport, walking, and cycling.

### **AUTHORITIES**

#### The Municipality of Sfax

This local government body serves as the local government authority responsible for managing the city of Sfax, Tunisia. It oversees urban planning, infrastructure development, public services, and cultural activities within the city. Sfax, known as Tunisia's "economic capital," is a major commercial and industrial hub located on the country's eastern coast.

#### Societe Regionale de Transport de Sfax (SORETRAS)

This regional public transport serving Sfax. It operates urban and interurban bus services, connecting the city with nearby towns and villages.

#### Sfax Metro Leger Societe (SMLS)

This company is responsible for developing the Sfax Light Metro project.



Source: ¹Municipality of Sfax | ²Calculated | ³SORETRAS | ⁴MoT, 2019 data





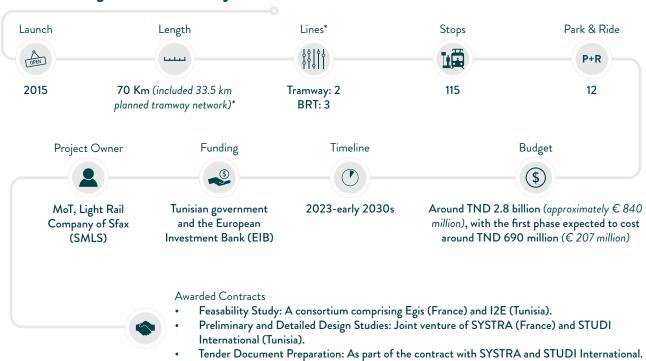
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# **URBAN PROJECT**



# Sfax Light Rail and Bus Projects



\*Tramway: T1: 22.8 km. T2: 10.7 km.

# **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES**





**9,516,871** (2023) Population<sup>1</sup>



**88%** (2023) Urban Population¹ (% of the total population)



30.82% (2023)

Female population (% of the total population)<sup>1</sup>



0.80% (2023)

Annual Population Growth (%)1



131.87 (2021)

Population Density<sup>1</sup> (people per km<sup>2</sup> of land area)



2.58% (2023)

Annual GDP per capita growth (%)1



3.40% (2023)

Annual GDP growth (%)1



1.00% (2021)

Renewable Energy Consumption (% of the total final energy consumption)<sup>1</sup>



**67.30%** (2023)

Population in urban agglomerations of more than 1 million (% of the total population)<sup>1</sup>



USD 83,902.67 (2023)

GDP pC (PPP; current int'l USD)<sup>1</sup>



2.6 (2023)

PPP Conversion Factor, private consumption (LCU per International \$)¹



High Income

Income Group<sup>1</sup>

# PRIVATE CAR OWNERSHIP



**3,391,125** (2016) Passenger Cars<sup>2</sup>



**376** (2017) Car Ownership Rate<sup>3</sup>(%)\* (Registered Vehicles per 1,000 people)

# **STRATEGIES**

#### **UAE Centennial 2071**

Developed by: UAE Cabinet

Timeline: 2020-2071

#### **Objective:**

Long-term plan aimed at making the UAE one of the best countries in the world.

#### **UAE Railway Programme**

Developed by: UAE Cabinet

Timeline: 2020-2071

#### **Objectives:**

- Enhance freight and passenger transport efficiency.
- Reduce carbon emissions and support the UAE's sustainability goals.
- Boost economic diversification and connectivity across the UAE and the GCC region.
- Provide more than 9,000 jobs in the railway and supporting sectors by 2030 and reduce 70 to 80 per cent of carbon emissions over the next 50 years.

#### **UAE Net Zero 2050 Strategy**

A comprehensive initiative to achieve net-zero emissions.

Timeline: 2050

#### **Objectives:**

- Create 200,000 job opportunities across the solar, battery and hydrogen sub-sectors.
- Contribute around 3 per cent to the national GDP.
- · Enhance export opportunities.

## **AUTHORITIES**

#### Federal Transport Authority - Land and Maritime (FTA)

The FTA regulates land, maritime and rail transport by proposing new policies and regulations, formulating and adopting legislations, and insuring their regional integration.

#### Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure

This ministry executes a comprehensive strategic plan designed to structure, advance, and boost the UAE's competitiveness across various sectors, including energy, mining, water resources, land and maritime transport, roads, utilities, housing, and construction. The strategy also emphasises sustainable investments, promoting partnerships, leveraging technology and advanced sciences, and adopting innovative global solutions to enhance the quality of life for society.

## **PROJECTS**

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350km/h Under tendering 30 min Etihad Rail

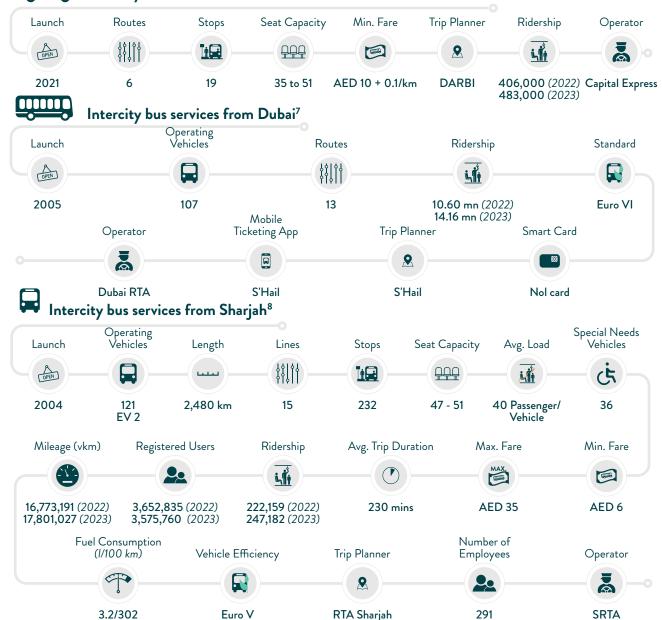
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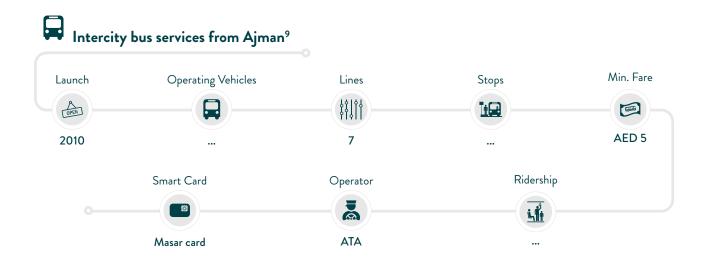
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(Abu Dhabi to Fujairah) to complete in 2030

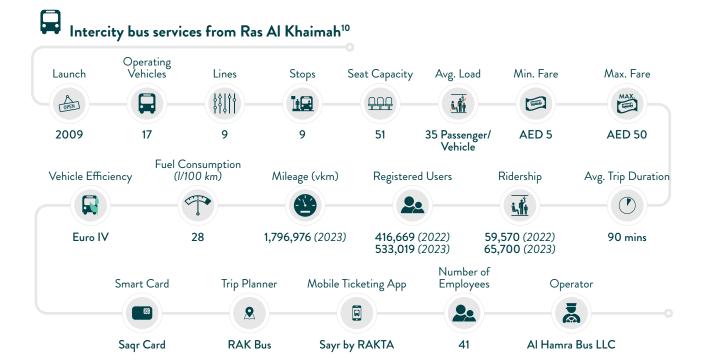
#### INTERCITY BUS SERVICES

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## Intercity bus services from Abu Dhabi to Al Ain and Al Dhafra<sup>6</sup>









# UAE / ABU DHABI



► Abu Dhabi's Green buses

© ITC (Abu Dhabi Mobility)

# Population<sup>1</sup> 56.27 (2023) Population Density<sup>2</sup> (people per km²) 67,340 km² (2023) Area<sup>1</sup>

3,789,860 (2023)





## **STRATEGIES**

#### Abu Dhabi 2030 Urban Structure Framework Plan

Developed by: Abu Dhabi Urban Planning Council (UPC)

Timeline: 2007 - 2030

#### Objective:

Aims to create a sustainable, world-class city with emphasis on economic, cultural, and environmental development. Connectivity: a multi-layered transport network to connect the downtown core with new growth nodes and the developed islands.

#### Surface Transport Master Plan (STMP)

**Developed by:** Department of Municipalities and Transport of Abu Dhabi

Timeline: 2017 - 2030

#### Vision:

A top-tier transport system designed to efficiently, safely, and reliably serve the needs of residents, visitors, and businesses while being both appealing and environmentally sustainable.

#### **Objective:**

Establish a world-class, sustainable transport network that aligns with Abu Dhabi's economic, social, cultural, and environmental objectives. It seeks to create a state-of-theart transport system that effectively caters to the needs of residents, visitors, and businesses, ensuring efficiency, safety, reliability, appeal, and environmental sustainability.

#### Target:

A comprehensive and integrated transport network encompassing regional rail, metro rail, and trams.

## **AUTHORITIES**

#### Department of Municipalities and Transport (DMT)

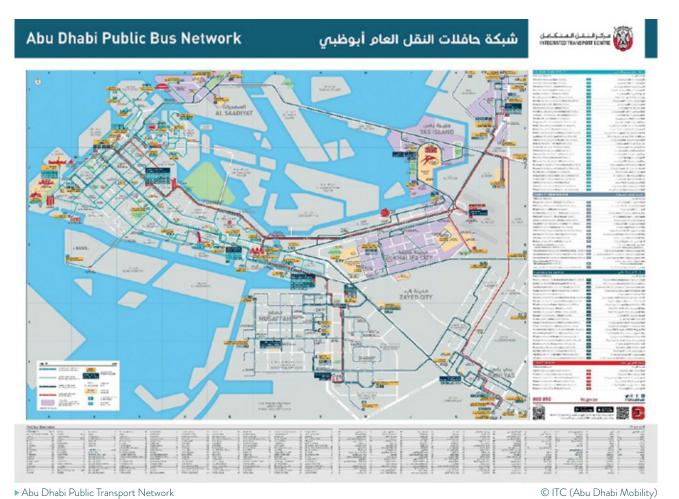
The DMT enhances quality of life through sustainable urban development, integrated transport, and superior municipal services. Guided by innovation and sustainability, it delivers world-class infrastructure to foster prosperity and community well-being.

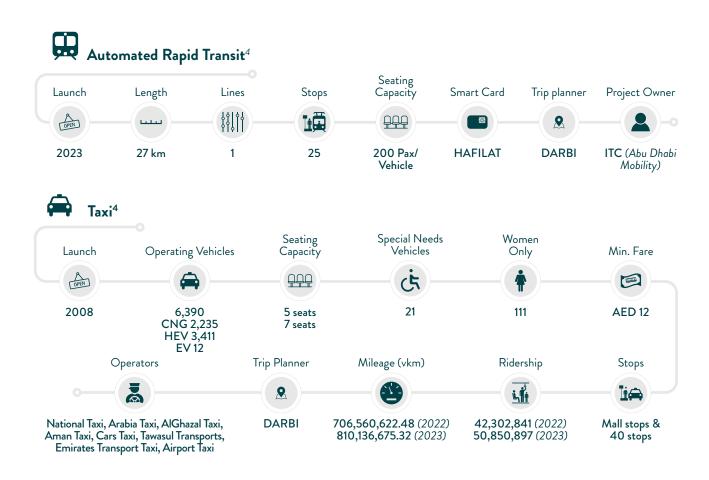
#### Integrated Transport Centre (ITC) – Abu Dhabi Mobility

The ITC was established in 2016 as an independent entity under the umbrella of the DMT. Its primary focus is on integrating and managing transport services in Abu Dhabi, with a strong emphasis on improving mobility and streamlining operations. Key responsibilities include taxi regulation and management, comprehensive mobility management, smart mobility solutions, and public transport integration.

# **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**





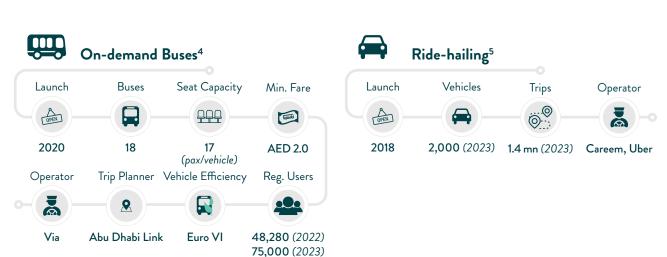






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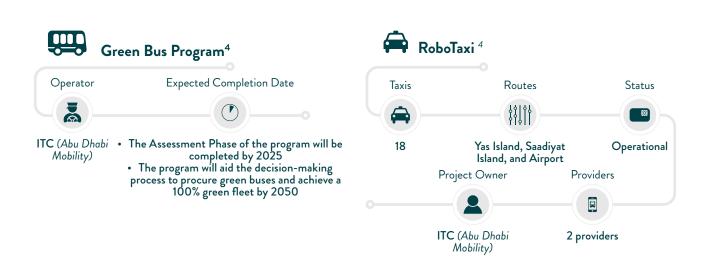


▶ Abu Dhabi Green Buses

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# UAE / DUBAI



▶ Dubai Metro © RTA



**3,655,000** (2023) Population<sup>1</sup>



**766** (2023)
Urban Density<sup>1</sup> (people per km<sup>2</sup> of land area)



**4,771.3 km²** (2023) Area<sup>1</sup>



**2,273,353** (2023) Registered Vehicles<sup>1</sup>



**622** (2023) Car Ownership rate<sup>1</sup> (Passenger cars/1,000 population)

## **STRATEGIES**

#### Dubai 2040 Urban Master Plan

Developed by: Dubai 2040 Urban Master Plan Higher

Committee

Timeline: 2021-2040

#### **Objectives:**

- Prioritise walkability, cycling, and active mobility to promote healthier lifestyles.
- Develop integrated neighborhoods with easy access to essential services such as healthcare, education, and public transport.
- Integrate public transport systems, including metro, buses, and shared mobility services.
- Develop infrastructure to support green and autonomous transport.

#### Dubai Autonomous Transportation Strategy 2030

Timeline: 2030

#### **Objective:**

This strategy aims to transform 25% of all transport journeys in Dubai into autonomous trips by 2030, enhancing efficiency, safety, and sustainability in mobility.

#### Dubai green mobility strategy 2030

Developed by: Dubai Supreme Council of Energy

Timeline: 2030

#### Objectives:

- Promote the adoption of electric vehicles and alternative fuels.
- Transition to zero-emission public transport (electric and hydrogen buses, metro).
- · Develop EV infrastructure, including charging stations.

## **AUTHORITIES**

#### Roads and Transport Authority (RTA)

The RTA is the primary authority responsible for planning, executing, and managing transport and traffic systems in Dubai. Its mandate covers road infrastructure, public transport systems, marine transport, and intelligent transport solutions. The RTA aims to ensure smooth mobility and sustainability through initiatives like the Dubai Metro, bus and taxi networks, Nol card systems, and smart transport technologies. Its strategic vision aligns with Dubai's growth as a smart city and global hub.

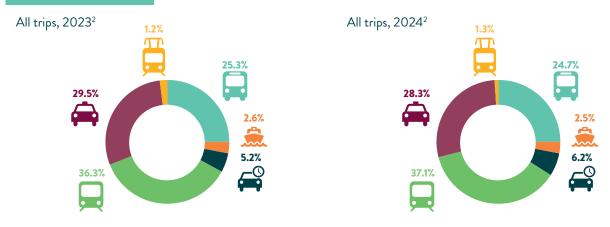
#### **Dubai Municipality**

It oversees urban planning, public services, and infrastructure development to support sustainable city growth. The municipality is instrumental in ensuring Dubai's high standards in urban livability, playing a pivotal role in city governance and development.

#### **Dubai Police**

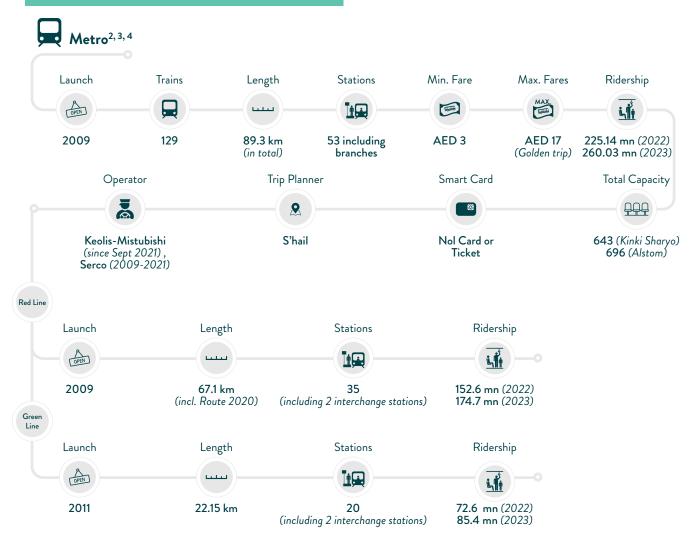
Dubai Police ensures the safety and security of Dubai's public transport system through patrolling, surveillance, and emergency response. They manage traffic around transport hubs, enforce traffic laws, and run awareness campaigns to educate the public on safety protocols.

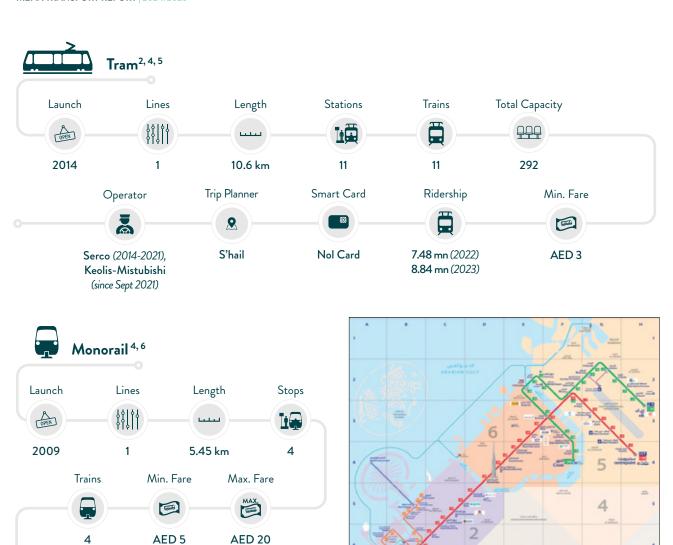
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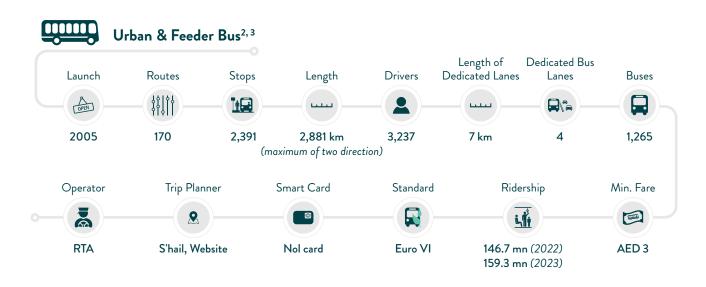


• Public buses (inc. intercity buses) • Marine • Shared Mobility (e-hail, smart car rental, & Bus-On-Demand) • Metro • Taxi • Tram

# **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**







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Dubai Rail Network Map. Year: 2024

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(single trip)

Seat Capacity

70/carriage & 232 standing

Ridership

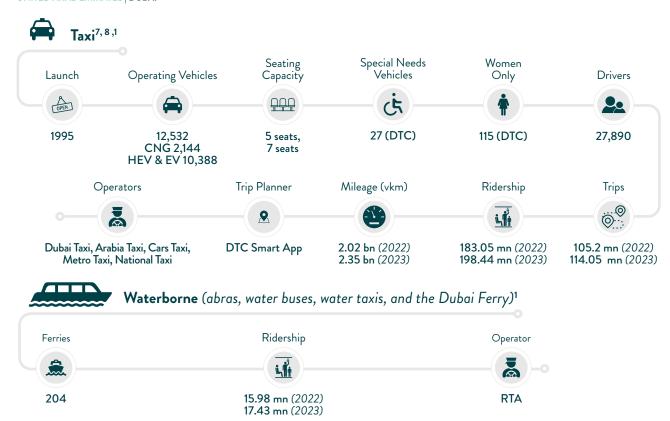
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1.1 mn/yr

(single trip)

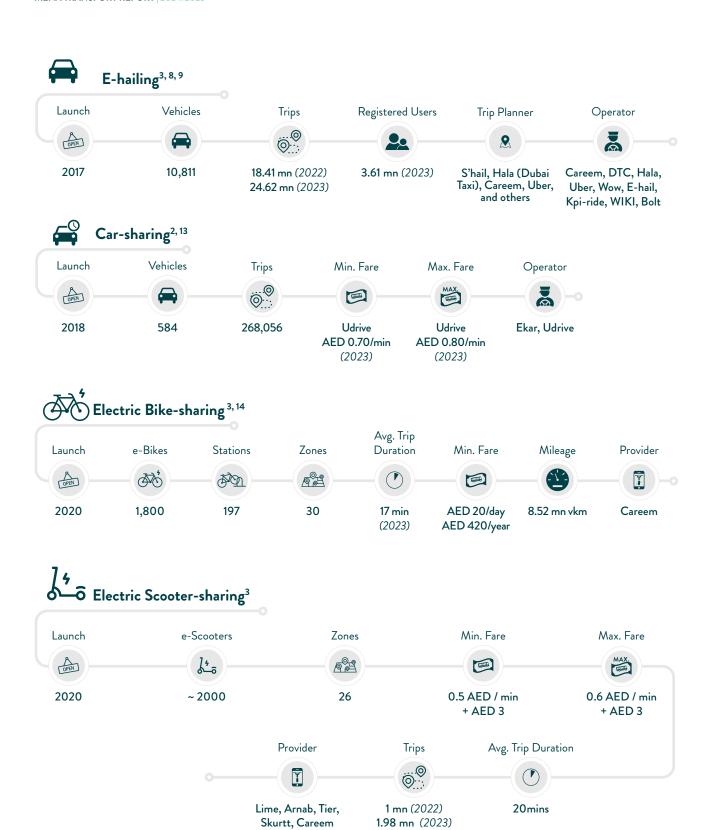
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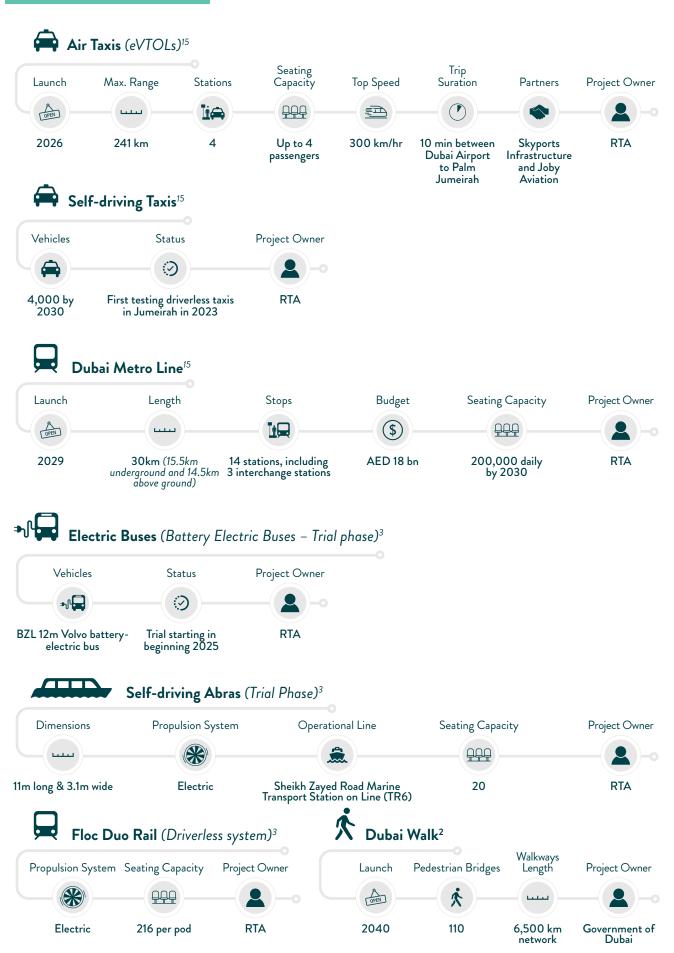


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## **URBAN PROJECTS**



# UAE / SHARJAH



▶ Urban buses in Sharjah

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**1,800,000** (2022) Population<sup>1</sup>



**2,590 km²** Area<sup>1</sup>



Passenger Cars



Car Ownership rate (Passenger cars/1,000 population)

## **STRATEGY**

#### Sharjah Transport Master Plan (STMP) 2040

**Developed by:** Sharjah Directorate of Town Planning & Survey and the Sharjah Roads and Transport Authority (SRTA)

Timeline: 2040

#### **Key features:**

- Strategic vision for 2040
- Focus on sustainable mobility
- · Comprehensive infrastructure development
- · Integrated urban and transport planning

## **AUTHORITIES**

#### Sharjah Urban Planning Council (SUPC)

It is a strategic planning authority focused on the sustainable development of Sharjah. Its primary role is to conceptualise and oversee service projects that enhance the quality of life for residents.

#### Sharjah Roads and Transport Authority (SRTA)

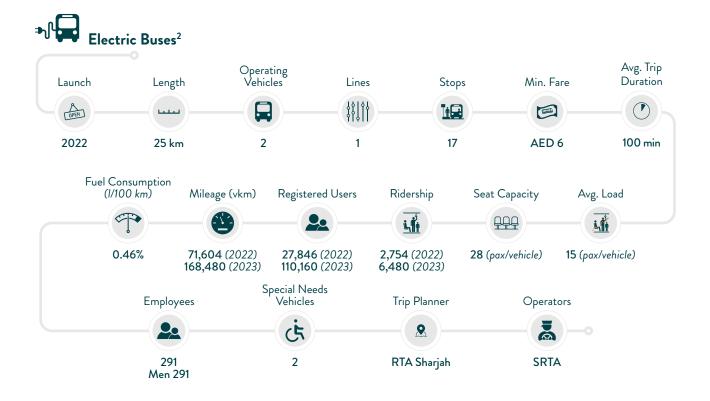
The SRTA is the principal body overseeing the management and development of road and transport infrastructure within Sharjah. Its core functions include public transport management, road infrastructure, regulation of private transport services, and marine transport services.

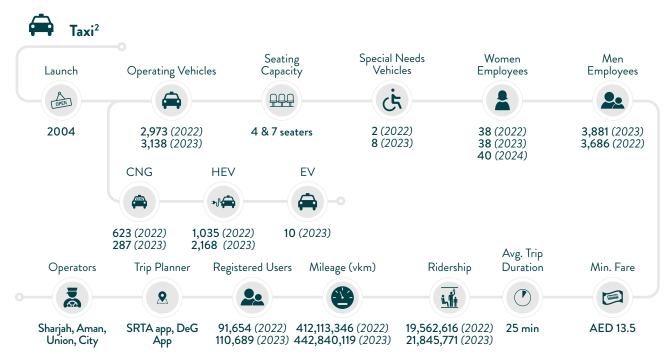
#### Sharjah Municipality - Department of Transport

The Department of Transport under Sharjah Municipality was established in 2005 and primarily focuses on managing public parking systems. Its responsibilities include public parking management, smart parking solutions, and enforcement of parking regulations.

# **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**





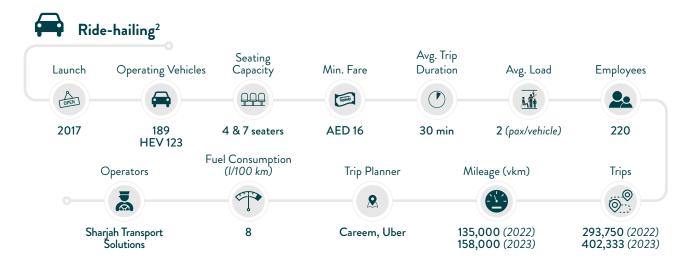




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## **URBAN PROJECTS**







# UAE / AJMAN



▶ Public Bus in Ajman

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**573,886** (2023) Population<sup>1</sup>



**2,245** (2023) Urban Density<sup>2</sup> (people per km²)



**255.61 km²** (2022) Area<sup>3</sup>



**16,538** (2023) Passenger Cars<sup>4</sup>



**28.81** (2023) Car Ownership rate<sup>2</sup> (Passenger cars/1,000 population)

## **STRATEGY**

#### Ajman Vision (2030)

**Developed by:** Ajman Executive Council (AEC), Ajman Department of Municipality and Planning (DMP), Ajman Transport Authority (ATA), and Ajman Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ACCI)

Timeline: 2030

#### Mobility-related objective:

Achieving integrated and sustainable transport: This will be achieved by improving the quality of the road infrastructure, improving the quality of the public transport network, and encouraging active transport by providing an environment conducive to walking and cycling.

## **AUTHORITIES**

#### Ajman Transport Authority (ATA)

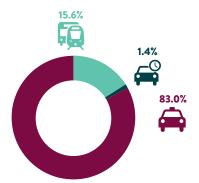
ATA is established in 2005, the Ajman Transport Authority (ATA), previously known as the Ajman Public Transport Corporation (APTC), is the government body responsible for regulating and providing transport and communication services in the Emirate of Ajman. ATA oversees public buses, taxis, and intercity transport, while ensuring compliance with safety and quality standards.

#### Ajman Department of Municipality and Planning (DMP)

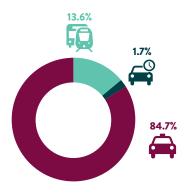
The DMP is a key government authority in the Emirate of Ajman responsible for overseeing urban planning, infrastructure development, environmental management, and municipal services. It plays a central role in shaping Ajman's urban landscape and aligning development projects with the emirate's strategic goals.

# **MODAL SPLIT**

All trips, 2022<sup>5</sup>



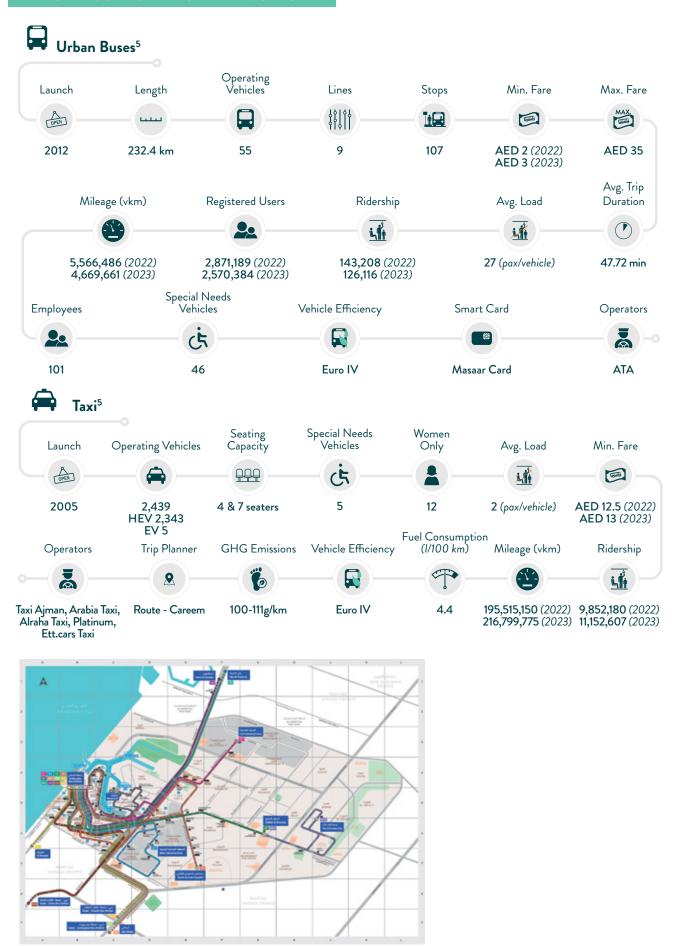
All trips, 2023<sup>5</sup>



<sup>•</sup> Public Transport (public bus, tram, metro, marine) • Shared Mobility (e-hail, smart car rental, & Bus-On-Demand) • Taxi

▶ Ajman Bus Network

# **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**



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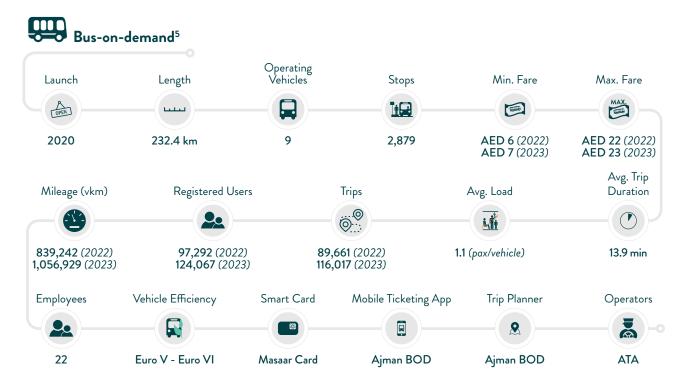


▶ Waterborne Abra Ajman

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▶ Bus On Demand Ajman

© Ajman Transport Authority



# **URBAN PROJECTS**



# UAE / RAS AL KHAIMAH



▶ Electric Taxis in RAK. Year: 2023

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**394,000** (2023) Population<sup>1</sup>



**1,684 km²** (2023) Area<sup>2</sup>



**234** (2023) Urban Density<sup>3</sup> (people per km²)



**95.9%** (2023) Urban Population¹ (% of the total population)



**3.4%** (2023) Annual Urban Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



**120,399** (2022) Passenger Cars<sup>1</sup>



**312** (2022)
Car Ownership rate<sup>1</sup>
(Passenger cars/1,000 population)

## **STRATEGY**

#### RAKTA Strategic Plan 2025-2028

Developed by: Ras Al Khaimah Transport Authority

Timeline: 2025-2028

RAKTA Mobility Master Plan 2023-2030

Developed by: Ras Al Khaimah Transport Authority

Timeline: 2023-2030

#### Strategy objectives and Goals:

**Goal 1 Safety and Accessibility:** Provide a comfortable and safe travel environment that is accessible to people of all ages and abilities.

**Goal 2 Equity:** Expand transport choices and geography to provide affordable and convenient choices for people to meet their daily needs.

**Goal 3 Health and Happiness:** Create a multimodal network fostering social cohesion through a strong sense of community and healthy travel habits.

**Goal 4 Environmental Stewardship:** Establish a resilient and climate-friendly transport network that minimises burdens on the natural and cultural environment.

**Goal 5 Efficiency and Reliability:** Develop a transport network that is dependable and maintainable.

**Goal 6 Economic Prosperity:** Support a strong economy through strategic transport investments while enhancing connectivity to RAK's unique assets.

**Goal 7 Technology:** Develop smart, innovative and forward-compatible transport solutions that leverage technological advances.

## **AUTHORITY**

#### Ras Al Khaimah Transport Authority (RAKTA)

The Ras Al Khaimah Transport Authority (RAKTA) is the government entity responsible for regulating, managing, and planning the transport sector in Ras Al Khaimah, UAE. It oversees various modes of transport, including public buses, taxis, limousines, maritime transport, and smart mobility solutions, while ensuring efficient mobility planning and infrastructure development.

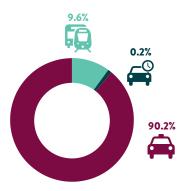
#### Key Responsibilities:

- Public Transport Management: Operates and supervises public buses, taxis, and other transport services.
- Mobility & Infrastructure Planning: Develops long-term mobility strategies and transport infrastructure to support economic growth and urban development.
- Smart Mobility & Digital Transformation: Implements Al-driven solutions, smart payment systems, and e-hailing services to enhance transport efficiency.
- Regulations & Licensing: Issues permits for transport businesses, drivers, and vehicles while enforcing transport regulations.
- Traffic Safety & Sustainability: Promotes road safety initiatives and environmentally friendly transport solutions.
- Future Mobility Trends: Focuses on autonomous vehicles, electric mobility, shared transport models, and sustainable transport innovations to align with global industry trends.
- Maritim Transport: Regulating marine transport including (Activities, Licensing, Infrastructure, and Water Craft Activities)

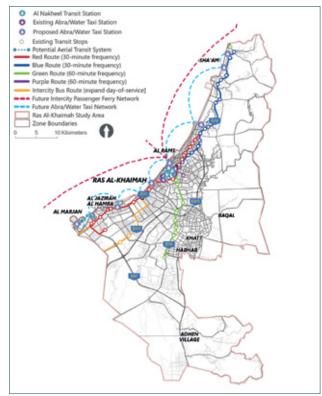
Vision & Goals: RAKTA aims to build a safe, smart, and sustainable transport system that enhances mobility, connectivity, and infrastructure in Ras Al Khaimah. It aligns with the emirate's broader economic and tourism goals by adopting cutting-edge transport technologies and future-oriented mobility solutions.

# **MODAL SPLIT**

All trips, 2023<sup>1</sup>



• Public Transport (public bus, tram, metro, marine) • Shared Mobility (e-hail, smart car rental, & Bus-On-Demand) • Taxi



▶ Ras Al Khaimah Public Transport Network

# **EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSPORT**





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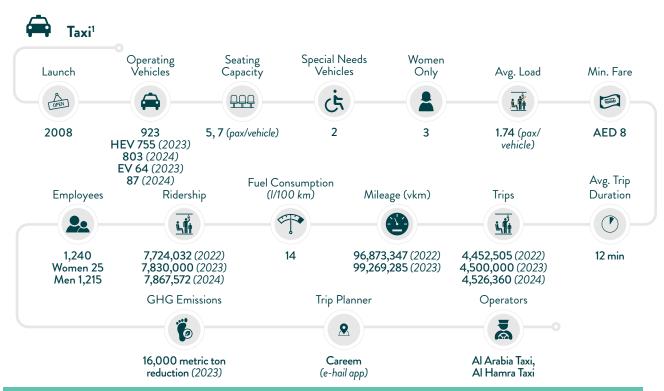
Ridership Registered Users

340 (2022)
299 (2023)
2,967 (2024)

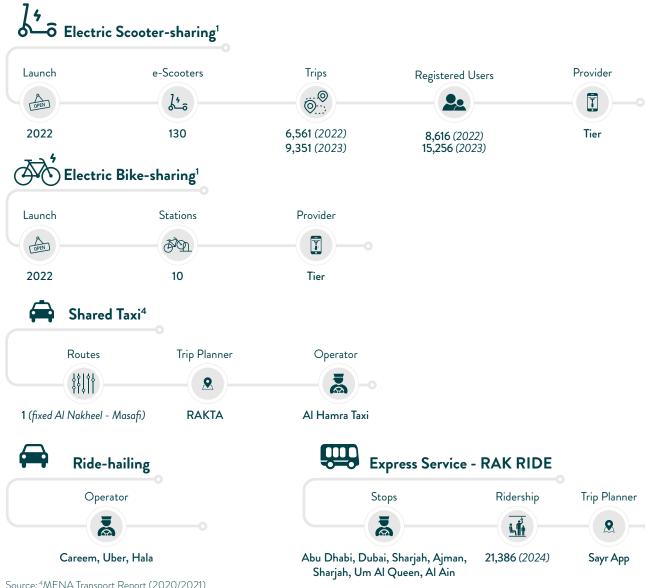
Waterborne¹

Registered Users

2,041 (2022)
1,797 (2023)



#### **PUBLIC** SHARED AND ON-DEMAND TRANSPORT SOLUTIONS



# **URBAN PROJECTS**



# Micromobility Infrastructure<sup>1</sup>









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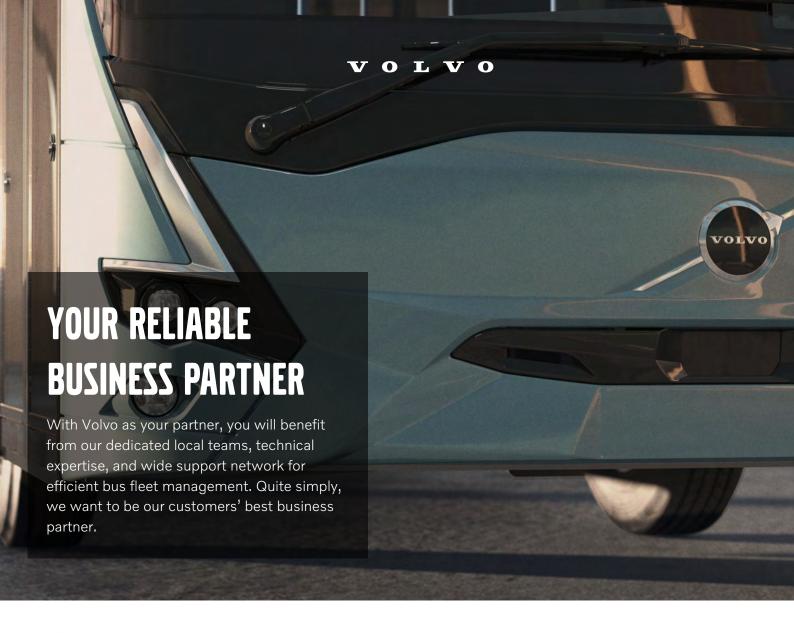
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# OTHER MENA COUNTRIES

# **LIBYA**





7,305,659 (2023) Population<sup>1</sup>



**1.1%** (2023) Annual Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



81.6% (2023) Urban Population<sup>1</sup> (% of total population)



**1.5%** (2023) Annual Urban Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



1,759,540 km<sup>2</sup> (2022) Surface Area<sup>1</sup>





Population Density<sup>1</sup> (people per km<sup>2</sup> of land area)



**1,183,292** (2023)

Population in urban agglomerations of more than 1 million<sup>1</sup>



8.9% (2023)

Annual GDP per capita growth (%)1



USD 13,848.8 (2023)

GDP pC (PPP; current int'l USD)1



**1.82** (2023)

PPP Conversion Factor, private consumption (LCU per International \$)¹



Upper-middle income (2023) Income Group<sup>1</sup>

PRIVATE CAR OWNERSHIP



**564** (2017) Car Ownership Rate<sup>2</sup>

(Registered Vehicles per 1,000 people)

# **PALESTINE**

(West Bank & Gaza)





5,165,775 (2023) Population<sup>1</sup>



2.4% (2023) Annual Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



77.6% (2023) Urban Population<sup>1</sup> (% of total population)



2.8% (2023) Annual Urban Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



**-7.6%** (2023)

Annual GDP per capita growth (%)1



USD 5,896.7 (2023) GDP pC (PPP; current int'l USD)1



0.53 (2023)

PPP Conversion Factor, private consumption (LCU per International \$)1



Lower-middle income (2023)

Income Group<sup>1</sup>





**59** (2017)

Car Ownership Rate<sup>2</sup> (Registered Vehicles per 1,000 people)

# **SUDAN**

# **SYRIA**

# YEMEN











50,042,791 (2023) Population<sup>1</sup>



23,594,623 (2023) Population<sup>1</sup>



39,390,799 (2023) Population<sup>1</sup>



1.1% (2023) Annual Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



4.9% (2023) Annual Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



3.0% (2023) Annual Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



**36.3%** (2023) Urban Population<sup>1</sup> (% of total population)



57.4% (2023) Urban Population<sup>1</sup> (% of total population)



39.8% (2023) Urban Population<sup>1</sup> (% of total population)



2.4% (2023) Annual Urban Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



**6.0%** (2023) Annual Urban Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



4.6% (2023) Annual Urban Population Growth<sup>1</sup>



1,878,000 km<sup>2</sup> (2022) Surface Area<sup>1</sup>



185,180 km<sup>2</sup> (2022) Surface Area1



527,970 km<sup>2</sup> (2022) Surface Area<sup>1</sup>



26.4 (2022) Population Density<sup>1</sup> (people per km<sup>2</sup> of land area)



**121.3** (2022) Population Density<sup>1</sup> (people per km<sup>2</sup> of land area)



**72.4** (2022) Population Density<sup>1</sup> (people per km<sup>2</sup> of land area)



**6,344,348** (2023) Population in urban agglomerations of more than 1 million



**6,231,225** (2023) Population in urban agglomerations of more than 1 million1



**3,292,497** (2023) Population in urban agglomerations of more than 1 million<sup>1</sup>



**-14.3%** (2023) Annual GDP per capita growth (%)1



**-3%** (2022) Annual GDP per capita growth (%)1



PPP Conversion Factor, private consumption (LCU per International \$)1



USD 2,740.4 (2023) GDP pC (PPP; current int'l USD)1



USD 4,772.5 (2022) GDP pC (PPP; current int'l USD)1



Low-income (2023) Income Group<sup>1</sup>

PRIVATE CAR OWNERSHIP



**224.3** (2022) PPP Conversion Factor, private consumption (LCU per International \$)¹



**506.86** (2021) PPP Conversion Factor, private consumption (LCU per International \$)1



14,880,000 (2017) Registered Vehicles<sup>5</sup>



Low-income (2023) Income Group<sup>1</sup>

PRIVATE CAR OWNERSHIP





# PRIVATE CAR OWNERSHIP



**450** (2017) Car Ownership Rate<sup>6</sup> (Registered Vehicles per 1,000 people)



1,252,740 (2016) Registered Vehicles<sup>3</sup>



**125** (2016) Car Ownership Rate<sup>2</sup> (Registered Vehicles per 1,000 people)



**30.36** (2016) Car Ownership Rate⁴ (Registered Vehicles per 1,000 people)

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