



Capital Area Regional Transit Coordination Committee

CAN Community Council: VMT Per Capita

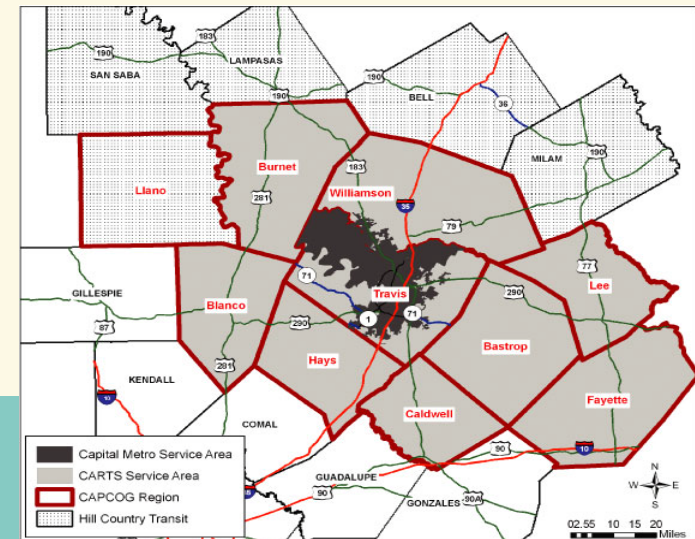
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Regional Transit Coordination Committee (RTCC)

Capital Area RTCC



- RTCC is an organization comprised of one of 24 COG boundaries, responding to legislation (HB3588)
- 25+ Agencies and Organizations--responsible for providing public transportation, providing health and human services or interested in coordination of transportation services
- Encompasses a 10-county area of Central Texas
- Serve as Issue Area Group



RTCC Vision and Mission

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- **VISION:**
To provide full mobility and access to healthcare, human services, employment, education, commerce, social, and community services for all persons in the region.
- **MISSION STATEMENT:**
To foster the development of a seamless public transportation system that achieves efficiencies, eliminates duplication, increases coordination, and addresses service gaps.



About VMT

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- Vehicle miles traveled is a way of measuring demand on the regional roadway system.
- VMT per capita divides total vehicle miles traveled by population.
- **In 2005:** An average of **25.53 miles** per person per day were driven on the region's roads. This equates to over **37 million miles** per day, and over **13 billion miles** per year.

VMT Per Capita (5 County MSA): Definition

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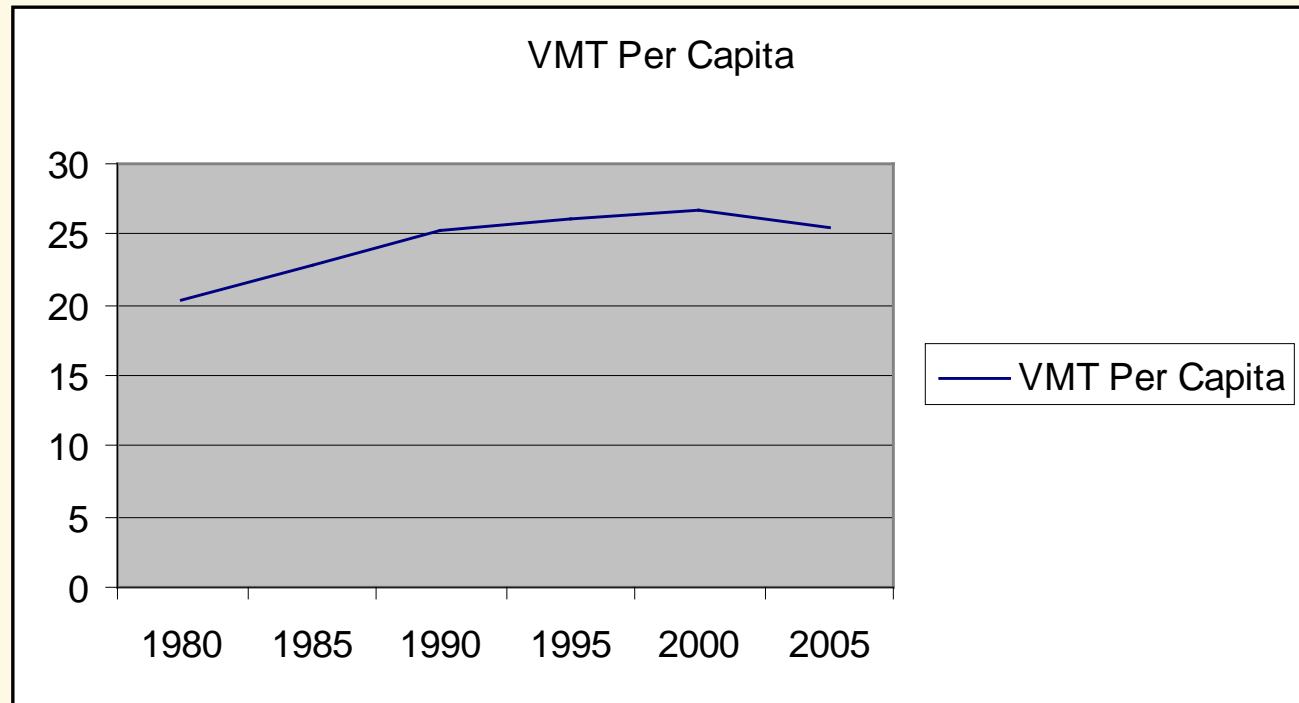
This isn't quite as bad as it sounds; "Vehicle Miles Traveled" includes:

- Work Trips
- Recreational Trips
- Delivery Trips
- Through Truck Freight
- Through Vehicle Traffic

VMT often tracks the economy.

VMT Per Capita: Long Term Trend (MSA)

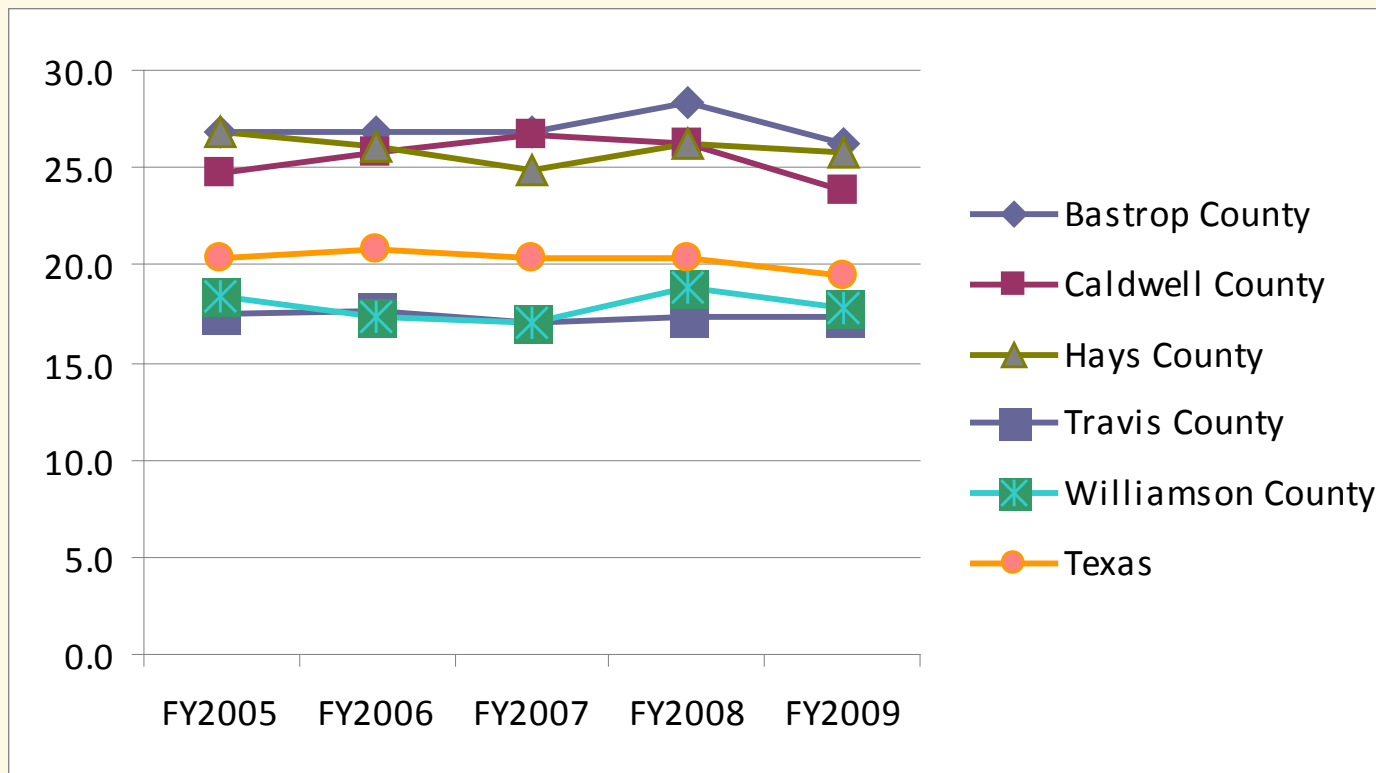
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Source: TxDOT DISCOS, All Roads

VMT Per Capita: Short Term Trend (By County)

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Source: TxDOT DISCOS, Reflects State System Only.

What Can Be Done to Decrease VMT

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- Increase Use of Public Transportation
- Shift Through Truck Freight to Rail
- Encourage Teleworking and Flexible Work Weeks
- Shorten Distance Between Origins and Destinations

How Can CAN Partners Help?

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- Site facilities with transit in mind
- Provide information and education about the regional family of transportation services to employees and clients
- Rethink free parking and provide economic incentives to use public transportation
- (Cities) Encourage development that puts land uses together, supports use of public transit

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