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# 2040 Demographic Forecasts and Implications for Transportation

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## Overview of Presentation

- MWCOG 2040 population and employment forecasts
- Demand for trip making in 2040
- Year 2040 CLRP transit ridership
- Year 2040 Initial Assessment of Measures of Effectiveness



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MWCOG Round 7.2A Forecasts

# 2040 POPULATION AND EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

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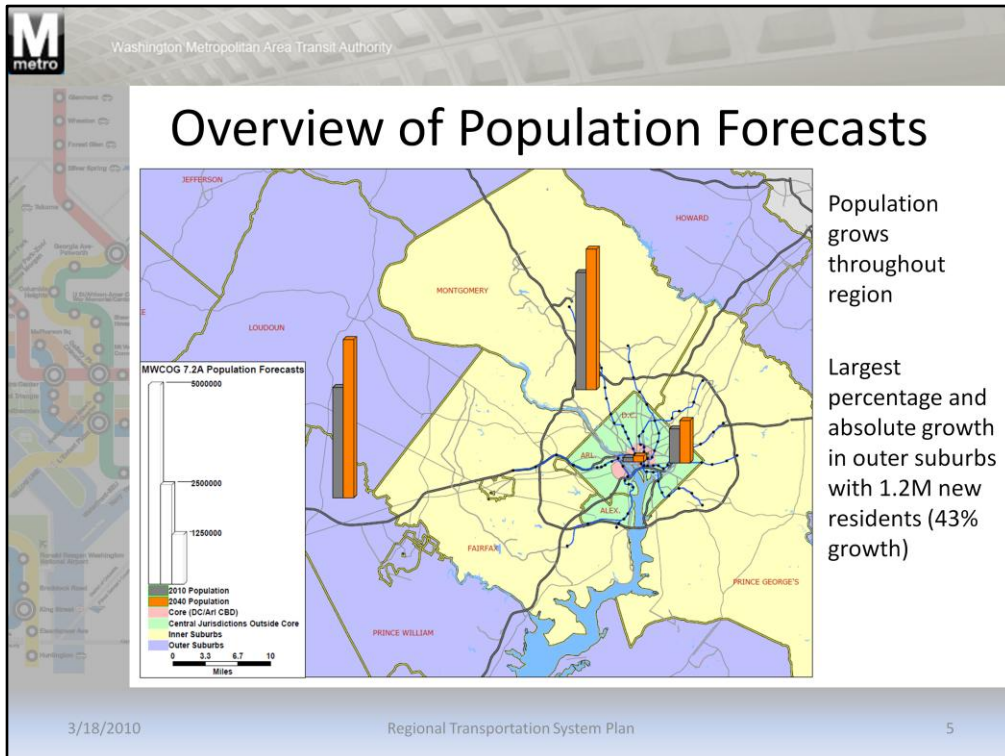
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## Population and Employment Forecasts

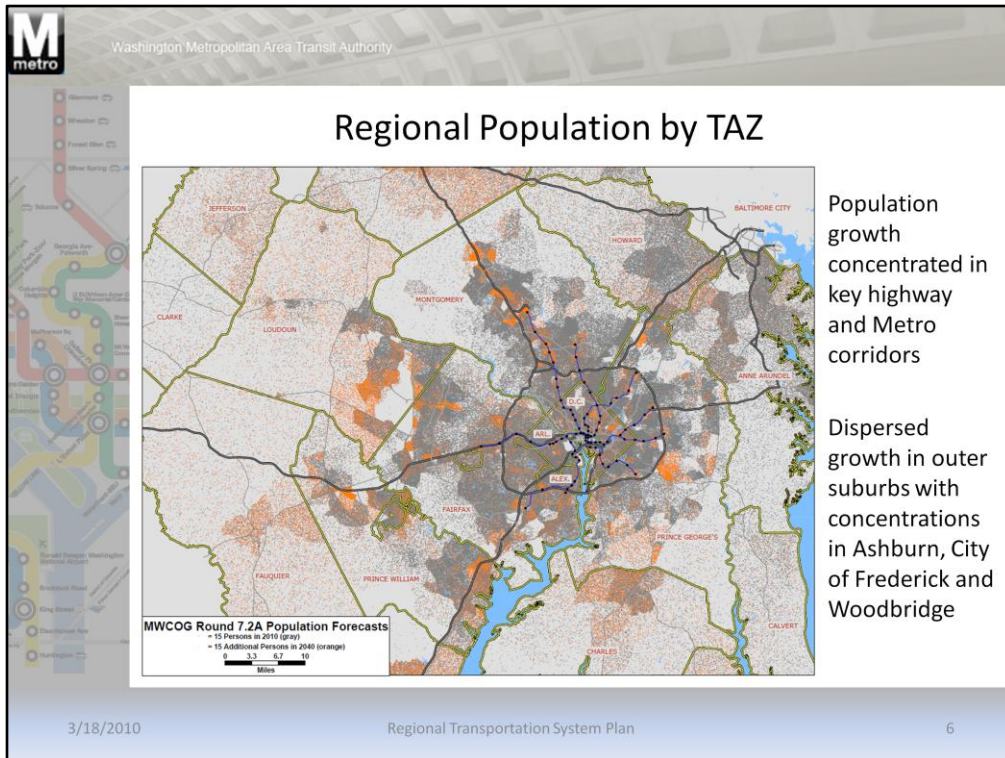
- MWCOG Round 7.2A for 2010 and 2040
  - 2010 to 2040 regional growth:
    - 31% population growth
    - 35% household growth
    - 39% employment growth
  - Different growth rates across region have implications for transportation

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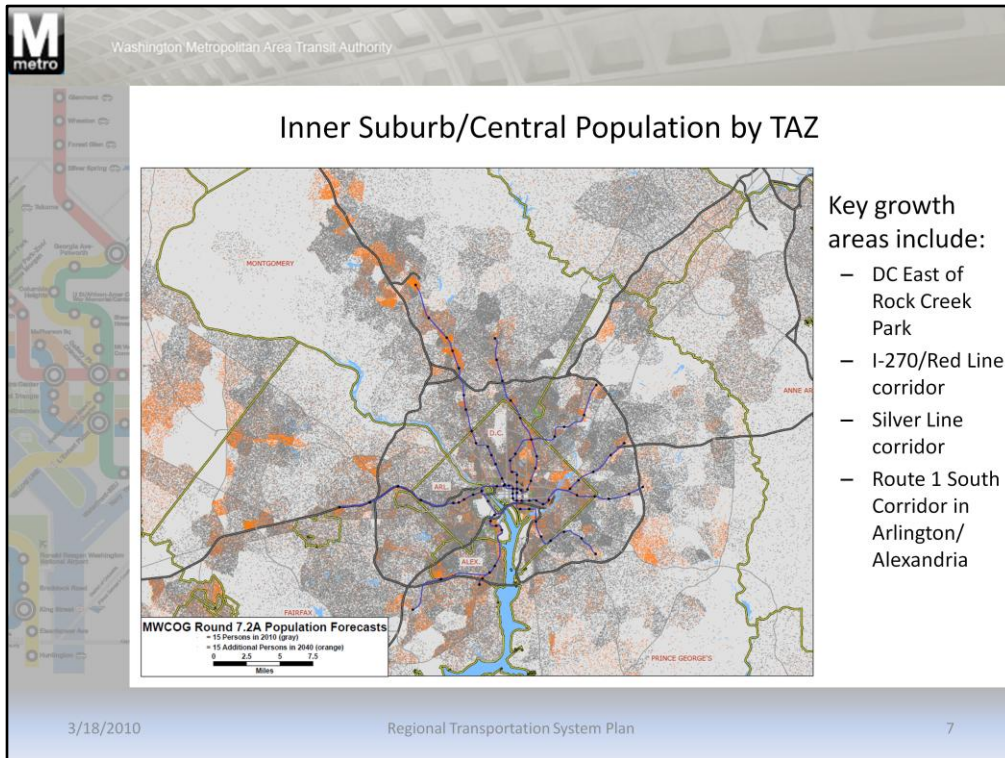
Using the MWCOG Round 7.2A cooperative land use model, we forecast the population and employment growth for the region between 2010 and 2040.



We see that a significant portion of the region's growth is occurring primarily in the outer suburbs in the year 2040.



High concentrations of population growth in the outer suburbs are occurring in cities like Ashburn, Frederick, and Woodbridge, Virginia. Additionally, population growth is considerably concentrated near highways and Metrorail Stations .



Inner suburbs are also forecast to increase in population around the Silver Line Corridor, Route 1 South in Arlington and Alexandria, Virginia and in the District East of Rock Creek Park.



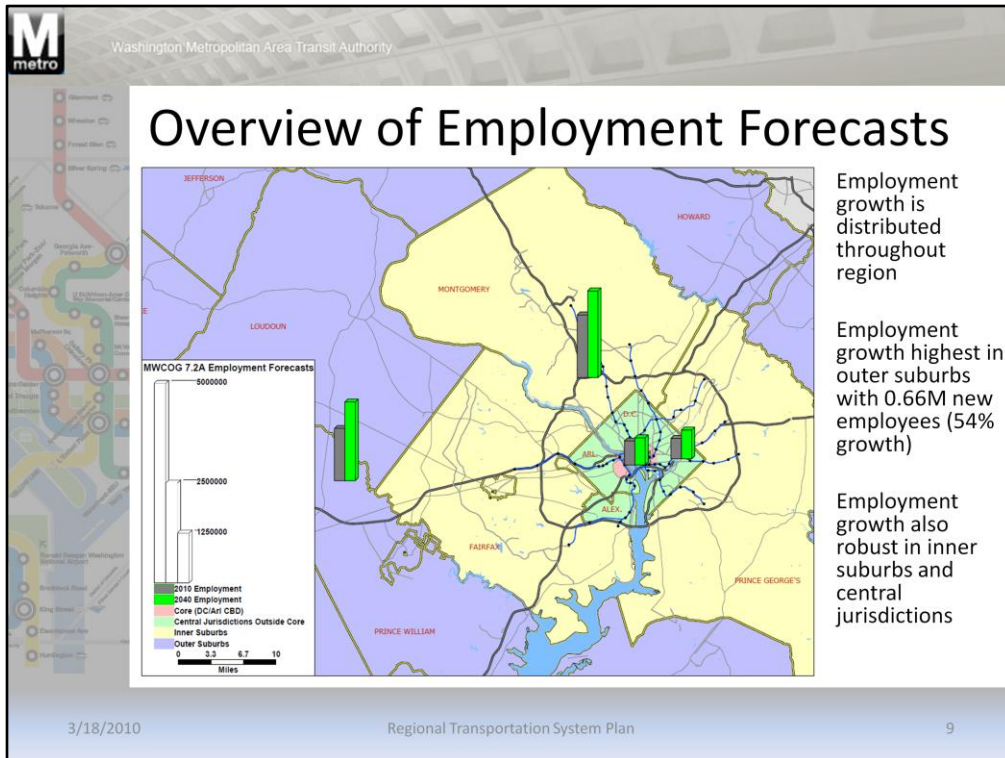
## Population Forecasts

Jurisdiction	Population			
	2010	2040	Growth	% Growth
Core (DC/Arl CBD)	108,000	149,000	41,000	38%
Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	856,000	1,067,000	211,000	25%
Inner Suburbs	2,932,000	3,520,000	588,000	20%
Outer Suburbs	2,769,000	3,968,000	1,199,000	43%
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,665,000</b>	<b>8,704,000</b>	<b>2,039,000</b>	<b>31%</b>

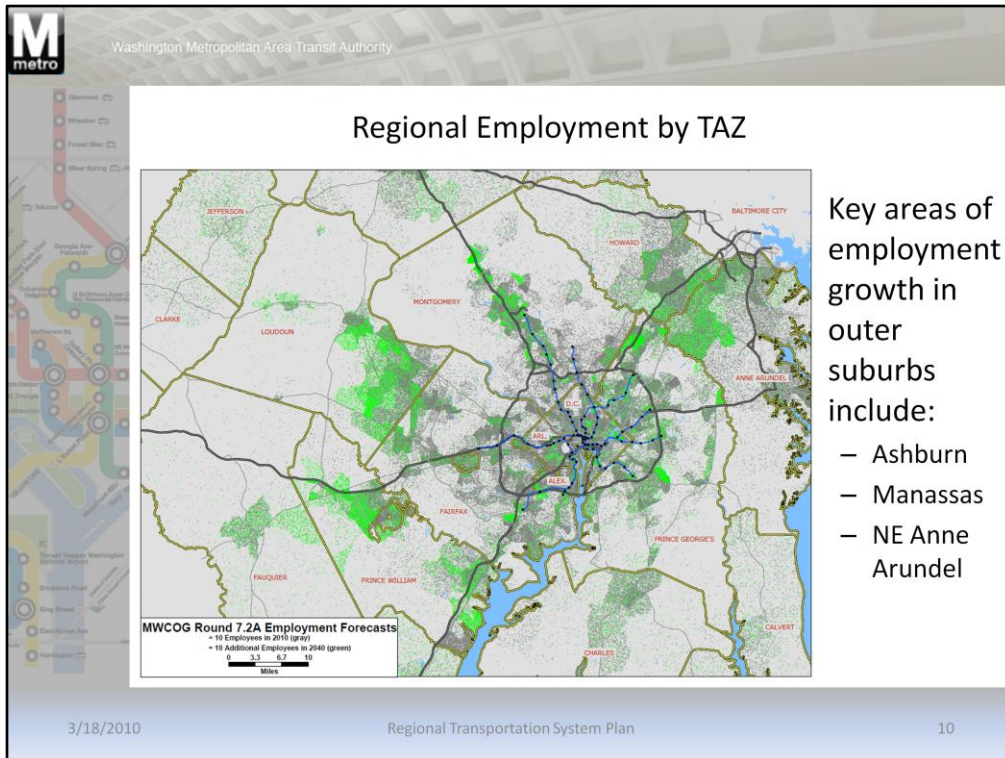
- Population growth shows elements of both concentration in central areas and dispersion throughout region:
  - Over half of the region's growth and fastest growth rates occur in the outer suburbs and are dispersed over a wide area
  - Over one-quarter of region's growth (but lowest growth rate) occurs in the inner suburbs with concentration in corridors
  - Core and central jurisdictions show strong growth rates in key corridors but the quantity of growth is smaller

Although population increases occur in the core and central jurisdictions and the inner suburbs, the outer suburbs will experience over half of the region's growth.

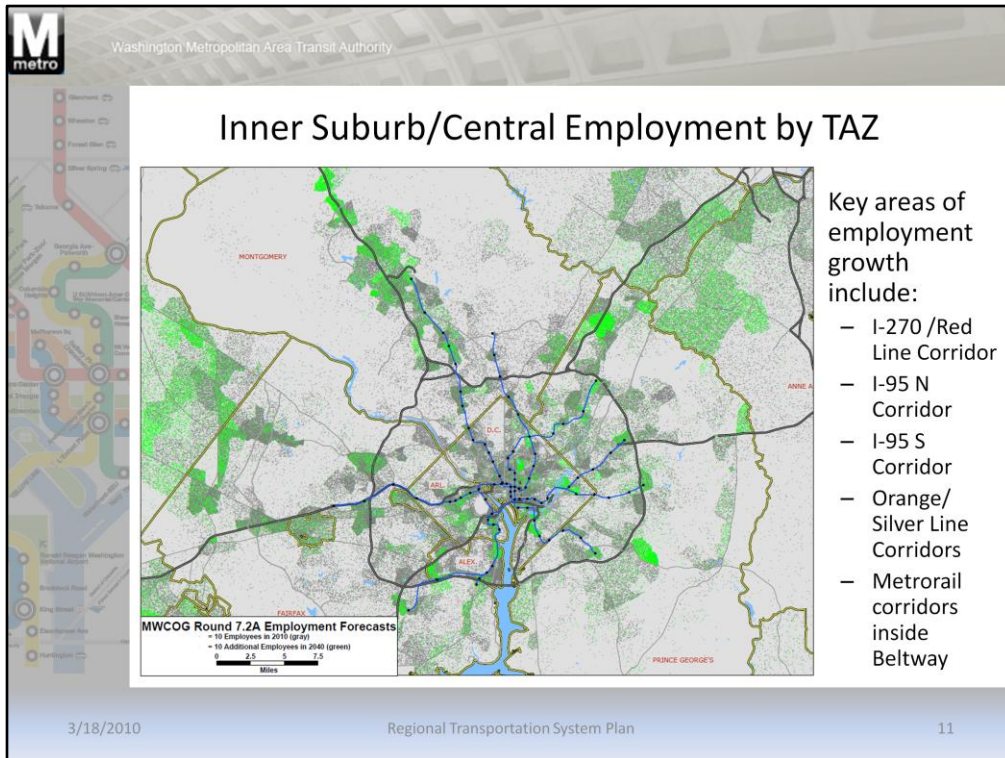




The region will experience a significant employment growth in 2040 with over half of it concentrated in the outer suburbs.



Employment areas in the outer suburbs of Ashburn and Manassas, Virginia and Anne Arundel County will be key job centers in 2040.



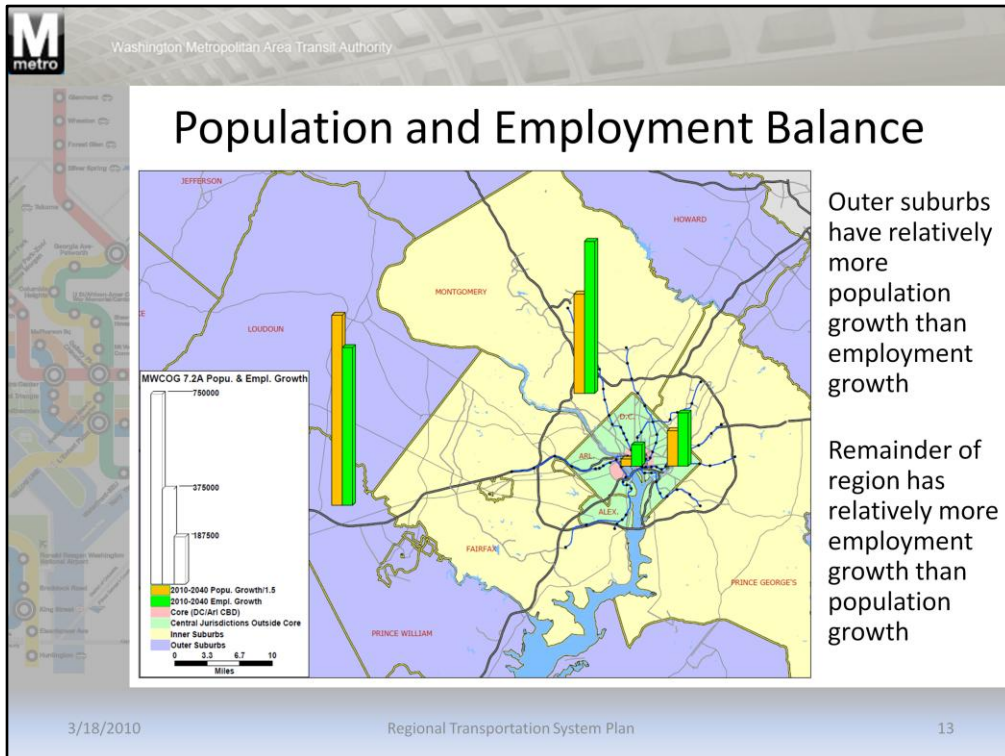
Metrorail corridors inside the beltway, along the Silver/Orange Lines and along major interstates will become major employment centers.

## Employment Forecasts

Jurisdiction	Employment			
	2010	2040	Growth	% Growth
Core (DC/ArI CBD)	600,000	684,000	84,000	14%
Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	512,000	721,000	209,000	41%
Inner Suburbs	1,574,000	2,174,000	600,000	38%
Outer Suburbs	1,307,000	1,971,000	664,000	51%
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,993,000</b>	<b>5,550,000</b>	<b>1,557,000</b>	<b>39%</b>

- Outer suburbs growing most rapidly and account for 43% of all job growth
- Inner suburbs also growing rapidly and account for 38% of all growth
- Traditional transit markets in the central jurisdictions and core are growing more slowly and account for 19% of all job growth

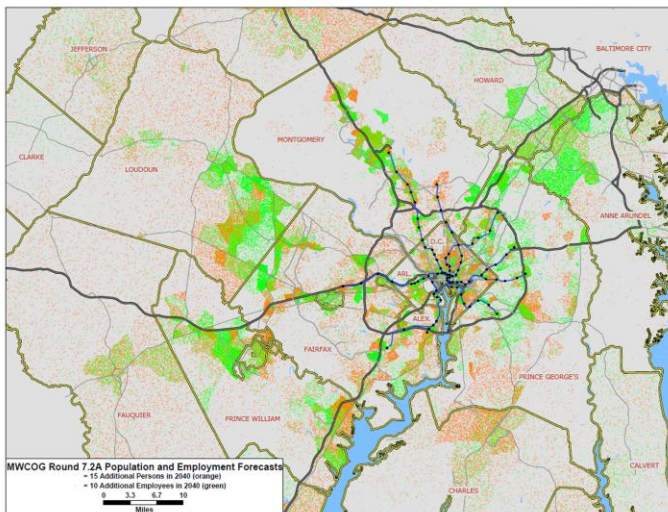
Traditional transit markets in the core will experience steady growth at a slower rate than the inner and outer suburbs.



The outer suburbs will experience more population growth while the remainder of the region will have more employment growth.



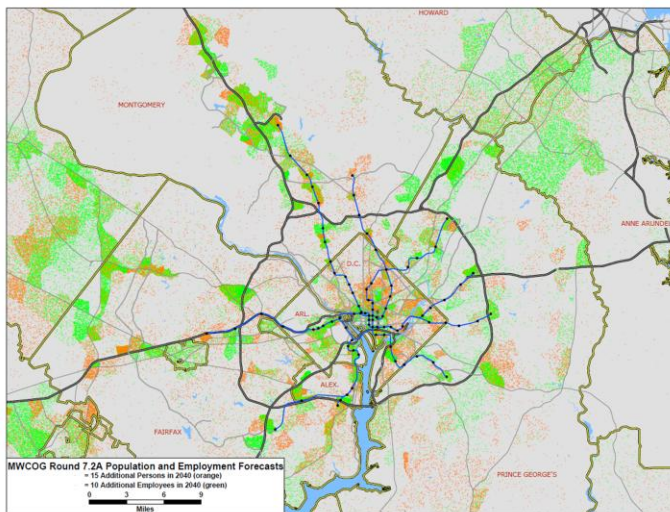
## Regional Balance of Population and Employment Growth



Population growth throughout outer suburbs

Employment concentrations in Ashburn, Manassas, I-95S and I-95N Corridors

## Inner Suburb/Central Balance of Population and Employment Growth



Strong population growth in DC East of Rock Creek Park and selected locations along Metrorail

Employment growth in DC Core, I-95N, I-270/ Red Line, Orange/Silver Lines, VA-28



## Balance of Population and Employment

Jurisdiction	Employment-Population* Balance			
	2010	2040	Growth	% Growth
Core (DC/Arl CBD)	528,000	585,000	57,000	11%
Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	-59,000	10,000	68,000	-117%
Inner Suburbs	-381,000	-173,000	208,000	-55%
Outer Suburbs	-539,000	-674,000	-135,000	25%
<b>Total</b>	<b>-450,000</b>	<b>-253,000</b>	<b>198,000</b>	<b>-44%</b>

\*Defined as Employment-(Population/1.5)

- Core growing moderately between 2010 and 2040 as a net *importer* of workers from other areas
- Balance in central jurisdictions will shift from being a net *exporter* workers in 2010 to being a net *importer* workers in 2040
- Inner suburbs will be a net *exporter* of workers in both 2010 and 2040 but this number will be much smaller in the future
- Outer suburbs will grow between 2010 and 2040 as a net *exporter* of workers



Demographics and the impact on travel demand

## YEAR 2040 TRIP-MAKING

## Implication of demographics on travel

- Demographic growth has a direct impact on travel patterns
- Strong demographic growth in suburban areas result in dramatic shifts in travel patterns over what is seen today

## Key Work Trip Travel Growth Areas

Markets	2008 to 2040	
	Growth in Weekday Home-Based Work Trips	Percent
Traditional Commute to Core	86,000	12%
Commute to Central Juris.	153,000	41%
Reverse Commute	62,000	35%
Central Circulation	76,000	39%
Suburb-Suburb	1,236,000	45%

- Traditional commute to core
  - growing at modest rate / direct impact on core capacity issues
- Commute to central jurisdictions
  - growing rapidly / may contribute to core capacity issues
- Reverse commute and central circulation
  - moderate to high growth
- Suburb-to-suburb
  - key growth market

# Impacts on Work Trip Travel Patterns

Summary of Home-Based Work (HBW) Weekday Person Trips by 4 Districts: Growth from 2008 to 2040

		Employment Location				
		Core	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	Inner Suburbs	Outer Suburbs	Total
Residence Location	Core (DC/Arl CBD)	6,000	8,000	6,000	1,000	21,000
	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	31,000	70,000	39,000	8,000	148,000
	Inner Suburbs	27,000	91,000	332,000	61,000	511,000
	Outer Suburbs	28,000	62,000	243,000	600,000	933,000
	Total	92,000	231,000	620,000	670,000	1,613,000

Summary of Home-Based Work (HBW) Weekday Person Trips by 4 Districts: % Growth from 2008 to 2040

		Employment Location				
		Core	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	Inner Suburbs	Outer Suburbs	Total
Residence Location	Core (DC/Arl CBD)	24%	50%	43%	33%	36%
	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	13%	41%	31%	50%	27%
	Inner Suburbs	7%	32%	30%	43%	26%
	Outer Suburbs	27%	71%	62%	54%	55%
	Total	12%	41%	37%	53%	38%

# Impacts on Non-Work Trip Travel Patterns

Summary of Non-Work Weekday Person Trips by 4 Districts: Growth from 2008 to 2040

		Attraction Location				
		Core	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	Inner Suburbs	Outer Suburbs	Total
Production Location	Core (DC/Arl CBD)	35,000	16,000	2,000	3,000	56,000
	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	71,000	331,000	83,000	8,000	493,000
	Inner Suburbs	-10,000	91,000	1,802,000	173,000	2,056,000
	Outer Suburbs	8,000	31,000	203,000	3,204,000	3,446,000
	Total	104,000	469,000	2,090,000	3,388,000	6,051,000

Summary of Non-Work Weekday Person Trips by 4 Districts: % Growth from 2008 to 2040

		Attraction Location				
		Core	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	Inner Suburbs	Outer Suburbs	Total
Production Location	Core (DC/Arl CBD)	23%	28%	13%	300%	25%
	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	17%	22%	12%	28%	19%
	Inner Suburbs	-4%	11%	23%	26%	21%
	Outer Suburbs	38%	42%	29%	46%	45%
	Total	12%	19%	23%	45%	30%

- Non-work trip making increases by 6.1M trips/day as compared to work trip growth of 1.6M trips/day
- Highest growth in outer suburbs, consistent with population forecasts

## Key Trends in Trip-Making for 2040


- Increased dispersion of travel patterns
- Moderate growth in traditional commutes to DC Core – a key Metro market
- Growth in travel within central jurisdictions – highlights the opportunities for circulators
- Highest growth in travel to suburban destinations – highlights the need for developing transit solutions for these areas





Year 2040 Base Case Analysis

# 2040 CONSTRAINED LONG-RANGE PLAN




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## 2040 Constrained Long Range Plan

- Base 2040 condition is based on MWCOG CLRP
- Impacts:
  - Highway travel times
  - Transit share
  - Transit trips
  - Transit ridership
  - Transit ridership vs. capacity

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The base case analysis for the RTSP 2040 utilizes the 2040 Constrained Long Range Plan (CLRP).



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## CLRP Transit Projects

- District of Columbia
  - Anacostia Streetcar Phase I
  - K Street Busway
- Maryland
  - Corridor Cities Transitway, Shady Grove to COMSAT
  - Purple Line, Bethesda to New Carrollton
  - University Boulevard Bus Enhancements
  - Veirs Mill Road Bus Enhancements
- Virginia
  - Cherry Hill VRE Station
  - Crystal City Potomac Yard Busway
  - Dulles Corridor Rapid Transit (to Loudoun County)
  - I-495 HOT Lane Transit Service
  - Potomac Yard Metrorail Station
  - Potomac Yard Transitway
  - Columbia Pike Streetcar

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The base case analysis includes all of the regional projects above which are in the 2040 CLRP.

# Modeled 2008 and 2040 Roadway Speeds

Summary of Average Daily Weekday Speed (MPH) by 4 Districts: 2008

		Attraction Location				
		Core	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	Inner Suburbs	Outer Suburbs	Region-wide
Production Location	Core (DC/Arl CBD)	18	19	25	33	22
	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	15	17	24	32	20
	Inner Suburbs	18	20	23	31	23
	Outer Suburbs	25	27	25	28	27
	Region-wide	19	21	24	28	24

Summary of Average Daily Weekday Speed (MPH) by 4 Districts: 2040

		Attraction Location				
		Core	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	Inner Suburbs	Outer Suburbs	Region-wide
Production Location	Core (DC/Arl CBD)	15	17	24	31	21
	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	14	16	22	30	19
	Inner Suburbs	17	18	21	27	21
	Outer Suburbs	22	23	22	23	22
	Region-wide	18	19	21	24	22

- Highway speeds decline across region between 2008 and 2040 as facilities become more congested

# Modeled 2008 and 2040 Roadway Speeds

Summary of Average Daily Weekday Speed (MPH) by 4 Districts: % Growth from 2008 to 2040

		Attraction Location				
		Core	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	Inner Suburbs	Outer Suburbs	Region-wide
Production Location	Core (DC/Arl CBD)	-12%	-11%	-6%	-6%	-4%
	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	-6%	-7%	-5%	-8%	-5%
	Inner Suburbs	-4%	-7%	-8%	-11%	-7%
	Outer Suburbs	-11%	-15%	-14%	-18%	-16%
	Region-wide	-5%	-7%	-10%	-17%	-11%

- Congestion increases most notable in outer suburbs to all destinations

# Modeled 2008 and 2040 Transit Shares

Summary of Weekday Transit Share by 4 Districts: 2008

		Attraction Location				
		Core	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	Inner Suburbs	Outer Suburbs	Region-wide
Production Location	Core (DC/Arl CBD)	27%	40%	43%	0%	31%
	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	78%	7%	5%	0%	16%
	Inner Suburbs	68%	7%	1%	0%	4%
	Outer Suburbs	39%	5%	0%	0%	1%
	Region-wide	63%	7%	1%	0%	4%

Summary of Weekday Transit Share by 4 Districts: 2040

		Attraction Location				
		Core	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	Inner Suburbs	Outer Suburbs	Region-wide
Production Location	Core (DC/Arl CBD)	30%	48%	50%	0%	35%
	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	82%	8%	7%	0%	17%
	Inner Suburbs	79%	9%	2%	0%	4%
	Outer Suburbs	54%	10%	1%	0%	1%
	Region-wide	70%	9%	2%	0%	4%

- Transit improvements coupled with increased roadway congestion result in substantial increases in transit shares in individual markets.
- Regional program of projects succeeds in holding transit share constant despite dispersion of population and employment

# Modeled 2008 and 2040 Transit Trips

Summary of Weekday Linked Transit Person Trips by 4 Districts: 2008

		Attraction Location			
		Core	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	Inner Suburbs	Outer Suburbs
Production Location	Core (DC/Arl CBD)	38,000	21,000	9,000	<500
	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	290,000	106,000	38,000	<500
	Inner Suburbs	267,000	73,000	109,000	<500
	Outer Suburbs	35,000	8,000	4,000	1,000
	Total	630,000	208,000	160,000	1,000

Summary of Weekday Linked Transit Person Trips by 4 Districts: 2040

		Attraction Location			
		Core	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	Inner Suburbs	Outer Suburbs
Production Location	Core (DC/Arl CBD)	50,000	32,000	13,000	<500
	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	345,000	158,000	56,000	<500
	Inner Suburbs	298,000	104,000	184,000	1,000
	Outer Suburbs	56,000	24,000	18,000	3,000
	Total	749,000	318,000	271,000	4,000

- Growth in trip making and transit share leads to strong growth in transit ridership throughout region



# Modeled 2008 and 2040 Transit Trips

Summary of Weekday Linked Transit Person Trips by 4 Districts: Growth from 2008 to 2040

		Attraction Location				Total
		Core	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	Inner Suburbs	Outer Suburbs	
Production Location	Core (DC/Arl CBD)	12,000	11,000	4,000	<500	27,000
	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	55,000	52,000	18,000	<500	125,000
	Inner Suburbs	31,000	31,000	75,000	1,000	138,000
	Outer Suburbs	21,000	16,000	14,000	2,000	53,000
	Total	119,000	110,000	111,000	3,000	343,000

Summary of Weekday Linked Transit Person Trips by 4 Districts: % Growth from 2008 to 2040

		Attraction Location				Total
		Core	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	Inner Suburbs	Outer Suburbs	
Production Location	Core (DC/Arl CBD)	32%	52%	44%	---	40%
	Central Jurisdictions Outside Core	19%	49%	47%	---	29%
	Inner Suburbs	12%	42%	69%	---	31%
	Outer Suburbs	60%	200%	350%	200%	110%
	Total	19%	53%	69%	300%	34%

- Regional transit trip making to grow by 34%
- Travel to core to grows by 19%
- Travel to non-core areas to grow even faster



Year 2040 Base Case Analysis

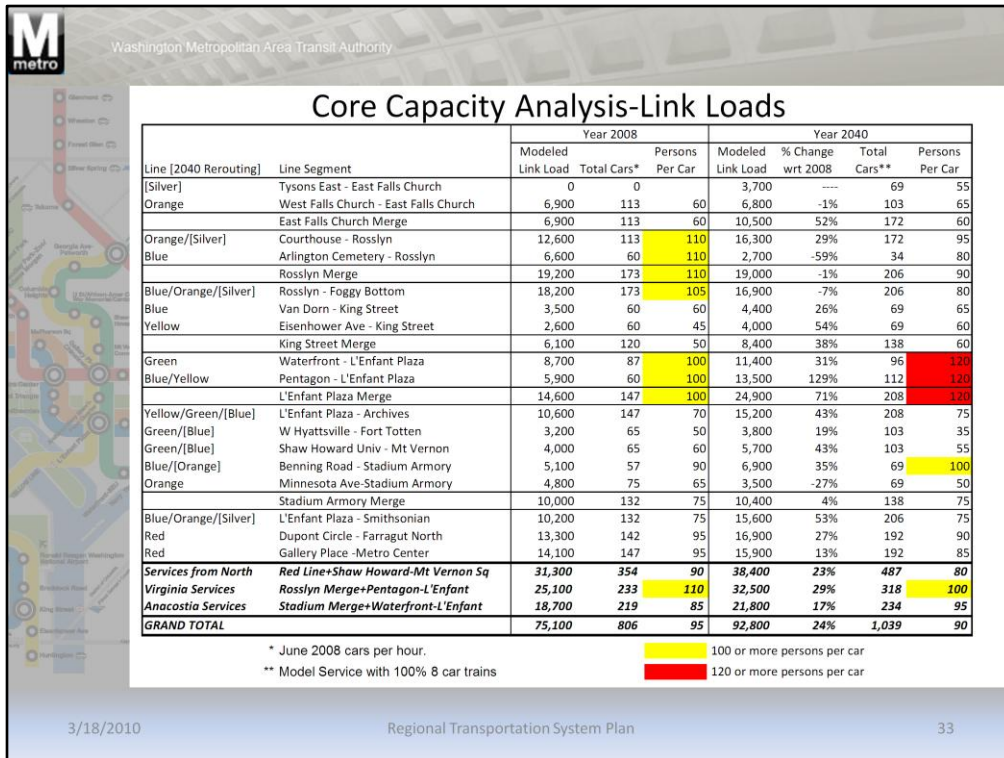
# YEAR 2040 TRANSIT RIDERSHIP

## Modeled 2008 and 2040 Transit Boardings

Ridership Summary by Operator	2008 Modeled Weekday Boardings	2040 Modeled Weekday Boardings	Growth % from 2008 to 2040
Metrorail	786,000	1,029,000	31%
Commuter Rail***	43,000	53,000	25%
Metrobus - District of Columbia	240,000	259,000	8%
Metrobus - Maryland	138,000	169,000	23%
Metrobus - Virginia	84,000	101,000	20%
New Premium Transit	0	54,000	--
Other Bus Operators	136,000	197,000	45%
<b>TOTAL TRANSIT BOARDINGS</b>	<b>1,426,000</b>	<b>1,861,000</b>	<b>31%</b>

\*\*\* 2008 Observed Commuter Rail boardings adjusted to exclude MARC trips from outside the modeling area.

- Boardings grow less rapidly than transit trips suggesting that new services provide more direct trips and reduce transferring

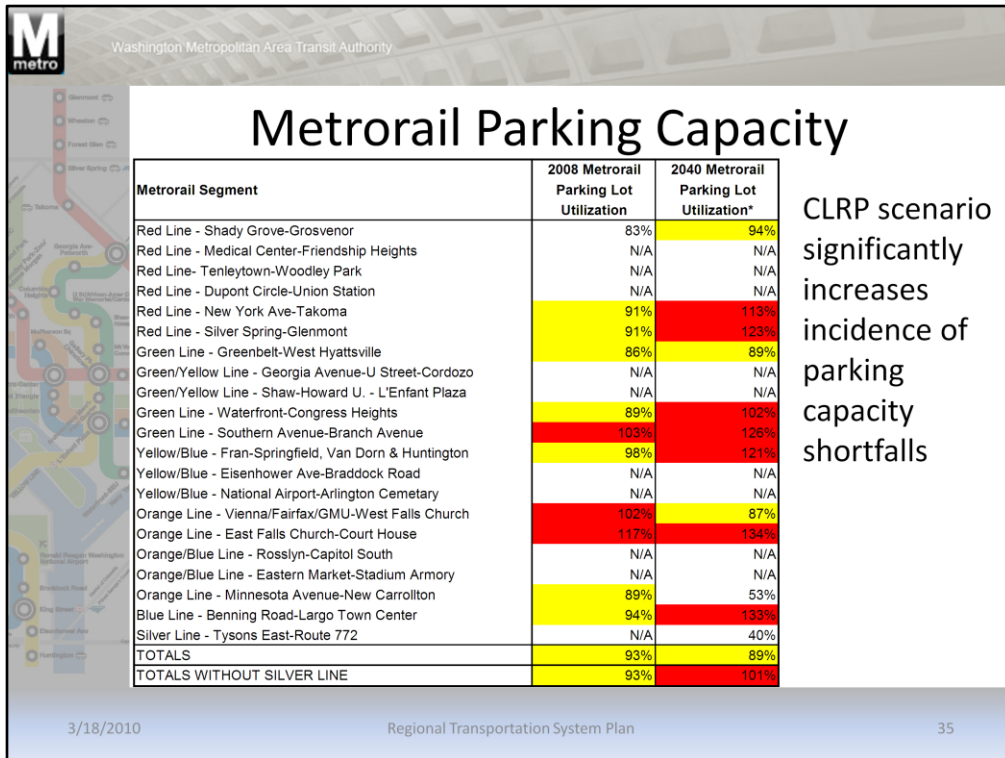


This graphic shows the change in the number of persons per car between 2008 and 2040. We will experience 120 or more persons per car on many of the Metrorail Lines by the year 2040.



## 2040 Core Capacity Analysis-Link Loads

- Transition to full 8 car trains (25% increase in capacity) allows Metrorail to keep up with demand on most lines
- Blue/Yellow merge will create capacity issues between Pentagon and L'Enfant
- Green Line growth and fewer peak trains lead to capacity problems



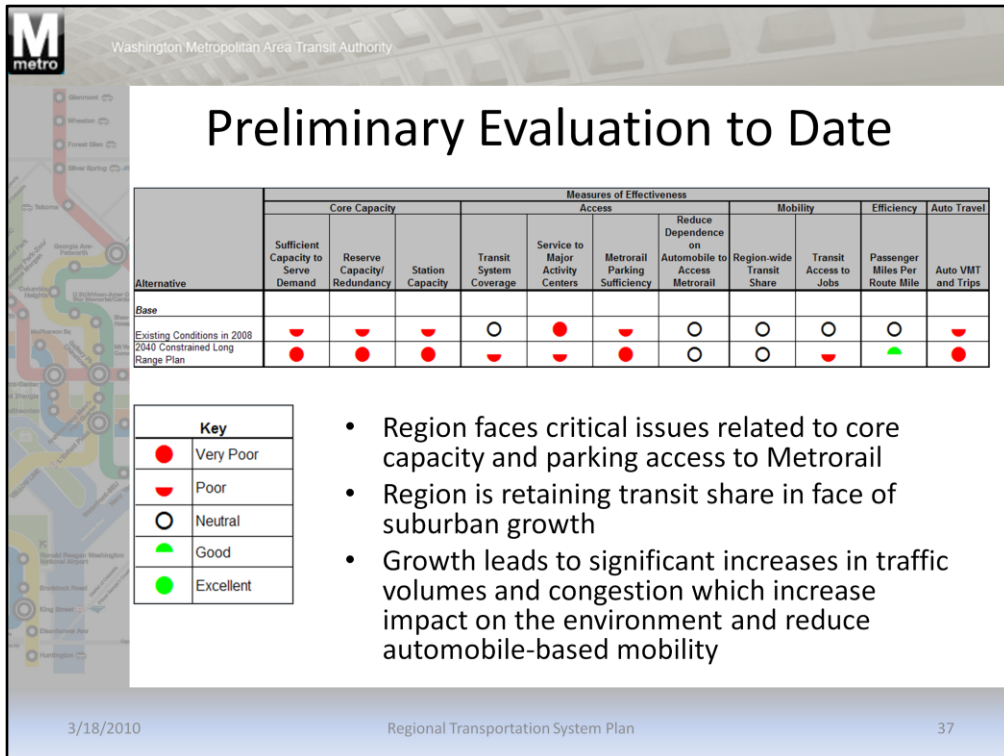
The increase in ridership by the year 2040 will also result in higher parking utilization at many Metrorail parking lots. One hundred percent utilization or higher is denoted by the red color and below 100% utilization is represented by the yellow color.



2008 and 2040 CLRP

# INITIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURES OF EFFECTIVENESS





From our preliminary analysis, we can see the Measures of Effectiveness (MOE's) of our existing conditions (2008) and the 2040 CLRP.