

Save Energy, Money, Time and be Comfortable

	TriMet System	Small Car
		
Energy Use:	41 Passenger-Miles per gallon (MPG) (rail) 29 Passenger-Miles per gallon (bus)	Less Energy: 58 Passenger-MPG (1 passenger) 29 Miles per gallon (driver only)
Pollution:	Pollution generally follows energy use. Diesel may be particularly polluting.	Less Pollution: Pollution generally follows energy use.
Cost:	\$127 / month / per passenger (whole system) (using only payroll tax subsidy, property tax subsidy and farebox. Actual cost is much higher when you include Federal & State subsidies)	Cheaper: \$114 per month/passenger (1.2 passenger average). Includes 5 year "bumper to bumper warranty 5 year roadside service and 10 year power train warranty
Speed:	Slow - stops every few blocks	Faster: about 1/2 the time of transit
Comfort:	Standing room only during rush hours Can smell fellow passengers Can hear their music Get panhandled Can pick up disease from closely packed passengers	Comfortably Seated Fresh air. Air-conditioner optional Listen to YOUR radio or CD Safe, hassle free Little chance to pick up disease
Freedom:	Limited to fixed destinations and times Little night service Must walk blocks to bus stop Difficult to pick up the kids, groceries on the way home	Go anywhere, anytime. Door to door Go anywhere, anytime. Door to door Go anywhere, anytime. Door to door Go anywhere, anytime. Door to door
Subsidies:	Your tax money pays over 80% of TriMet's budget You Subsidize \$100,000 dollar lawyers and the needy	NO SUBSIDIES - Cars contribute \$\$ to transit City should only subsidize the needy (see below)

Instead of spending \$600 million/year on TriMet:

- Encourage people to drive smaller cars with cash payments
- Buy a small car for those that can't afford one
- Provide Free Taxi service to those unable to drive.
- Let private enterprise fill whatever gaps are left.