

Regional Transportation Plan Scenarios Introduction

**Board Work Session: December 4, 2024** 

## 2050 RTP Update - Major activities

	2024				2025				2026			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Scenario planning												
Financial planning												
Candidate projects												
AQ and GHG modeling												
Document development												
Public and stakeholder												
Adoption and finalization												





#### DRCOG's Approach









if" alternative futures

Relative
comparisons
between
scenarios and
baseline

Not rigorous evaluation of scenarios, nor choosing/ judging scenarios Choices & tradeoffs from individual scenarios

Provide
guidance and
direction for
plan
development



#### Scenario analysis

#### **Land Use Scenarios**

**2050 Base** 

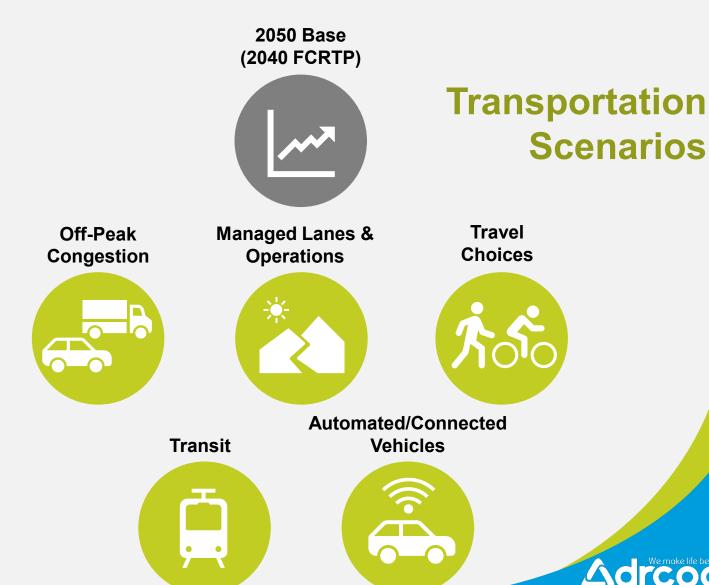


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**Centers** 







Scenario combinations summary











Managed Lanes & **Operations** 



Travel **Choices** 



**Transit** 



2050 Base

# Transportation Scenarios Metro Vision Targets – Daily VMT/Capita



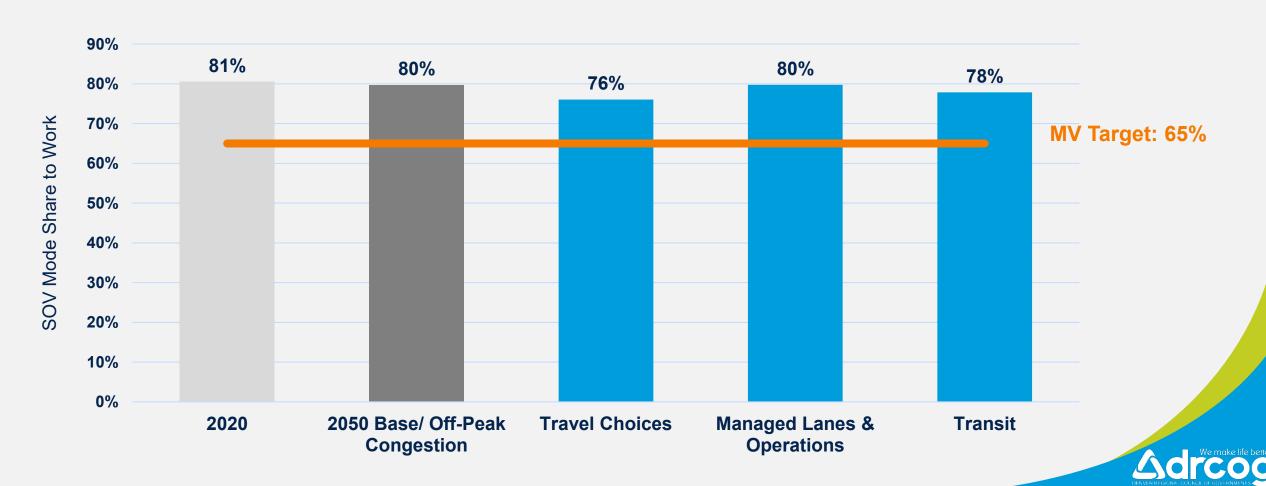
Reduce Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) per Capita



## Transportation Scenarios Metro Vision Targets – SOV



Reduce Single-Occupant Vehicle (SOV) Mode Share to Work



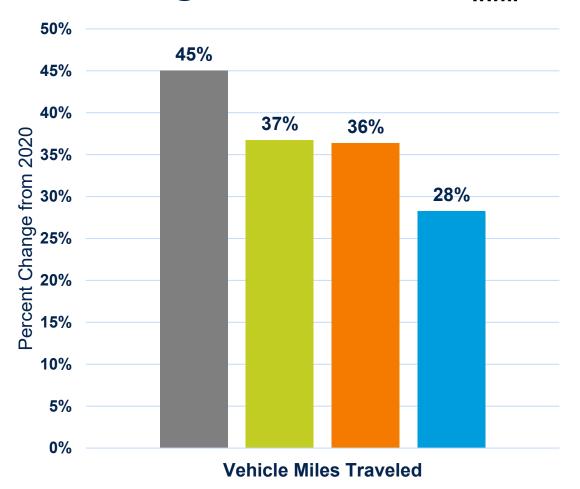
# Transportation Scenarios Metro Vision Targets – Delay/Capita



Minimize Increase of Daily Person Delay per Capita



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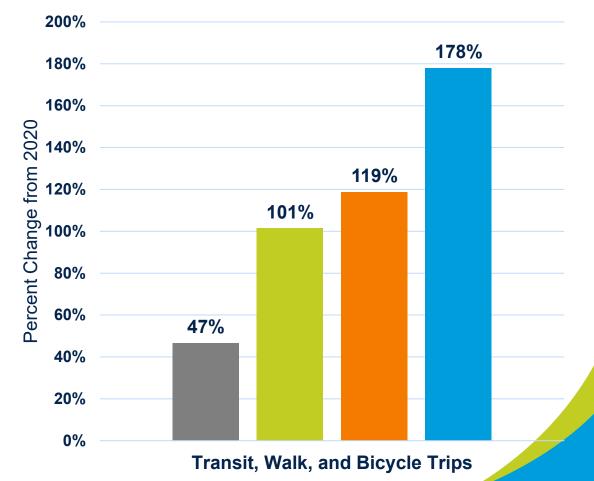






Travel Choices

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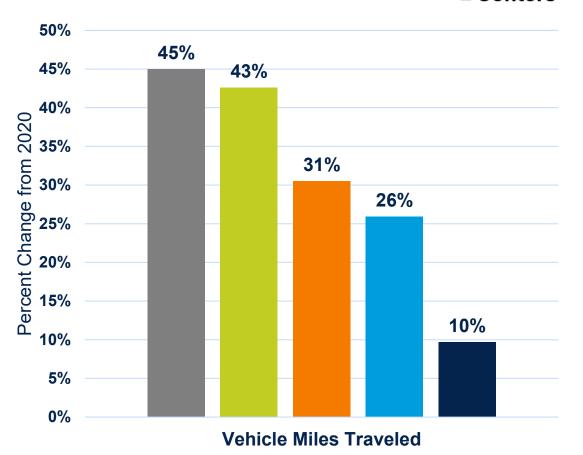
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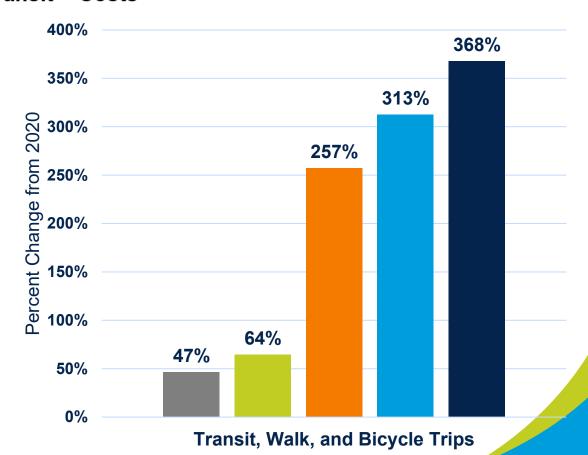
Centers

■ Centers + Transit

Transit











### Changing project types in the MVRTP



Air quality regionally significant roadway capacity projects



Air quality regionally significant rapid transit capacity projects



Arterial safety, Complete Streets retrofits, and regional Vision Zero improvements



Active transportation improvements (bicycle facilities, pedestrian facilities, trails)



Freight improvements (bridge reconstructions, overpasses/underpasses, new bridges)



**Corridor planning** – roadway and transit (generalized corridors/concepts)



### **Projects and programs**



Multimodal mobility

Multimodal capital projects

\$6.9 billion



Air quality

Transportation Improvement Program set-asides

\$375 million



**Regional transit** 

Regional bus rapid transit projects

Corridor transit planning projects and program

\$1.2 billion \$940 million



Safety

Arterial safety and Regional Vision Zero projects and program

\$548 million



**Active transportation** 

Active transportation program

\$970 million



Freight Freight program

\$220 million



Local projects

Locally funded projects

\$4.0 billion

Boulder Gilpin Adams Clear Creek Arapahoe Jefferson Douglas County Boundaries Miles 5 DRCOG Boundary



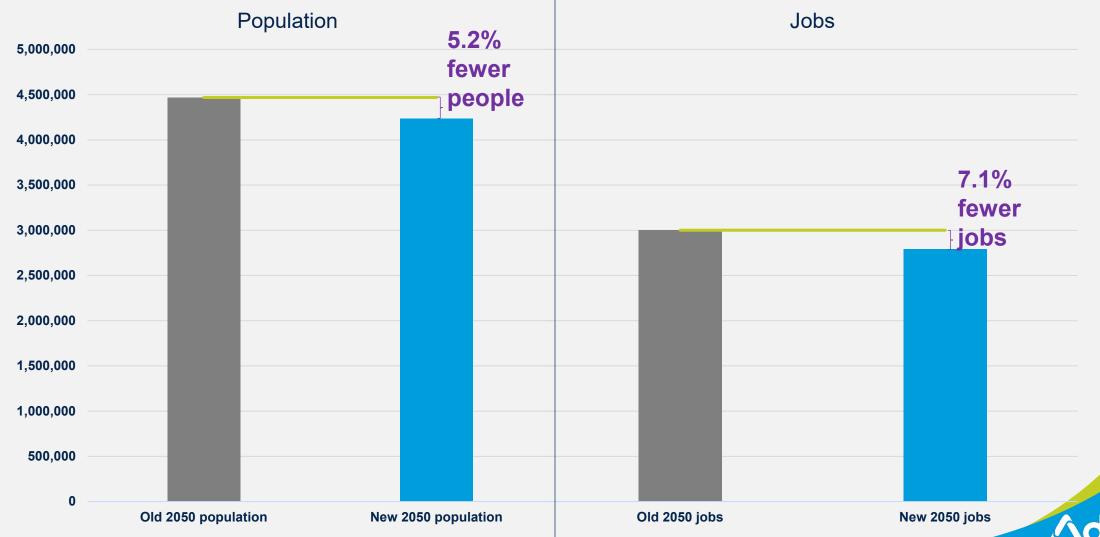


#### Changes since the last scenario planning

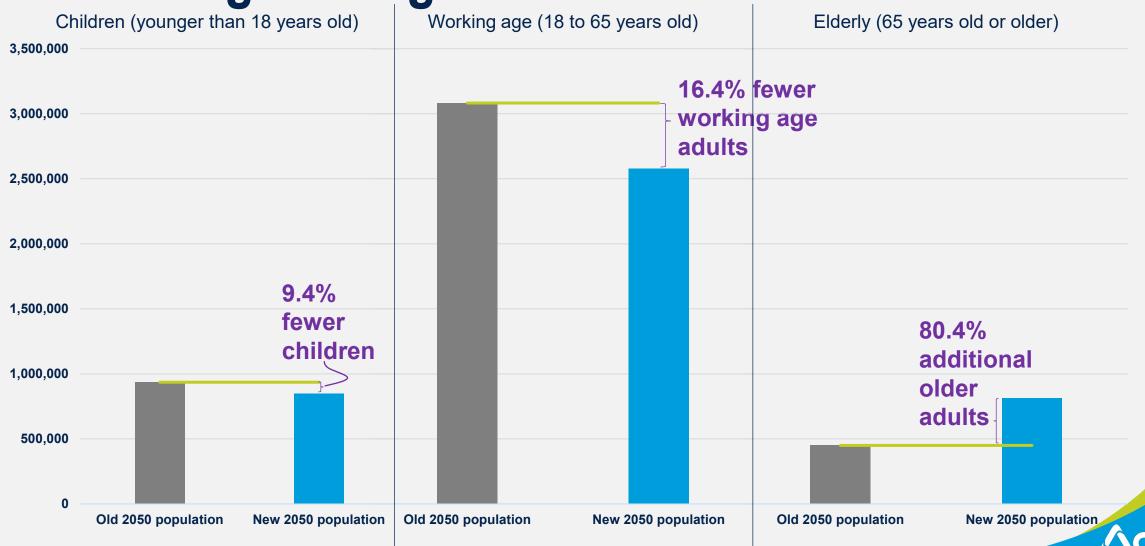
- Control totals from the state demographer's office reduce 2050 population by about 231,400 people compared to previous estimates.
- Updates were made to the land use portion of the model to better represent the region's population, including how it ages and makes choices.
- As a result of these modifications, key changes were observed in age, household income and number of workers per household.



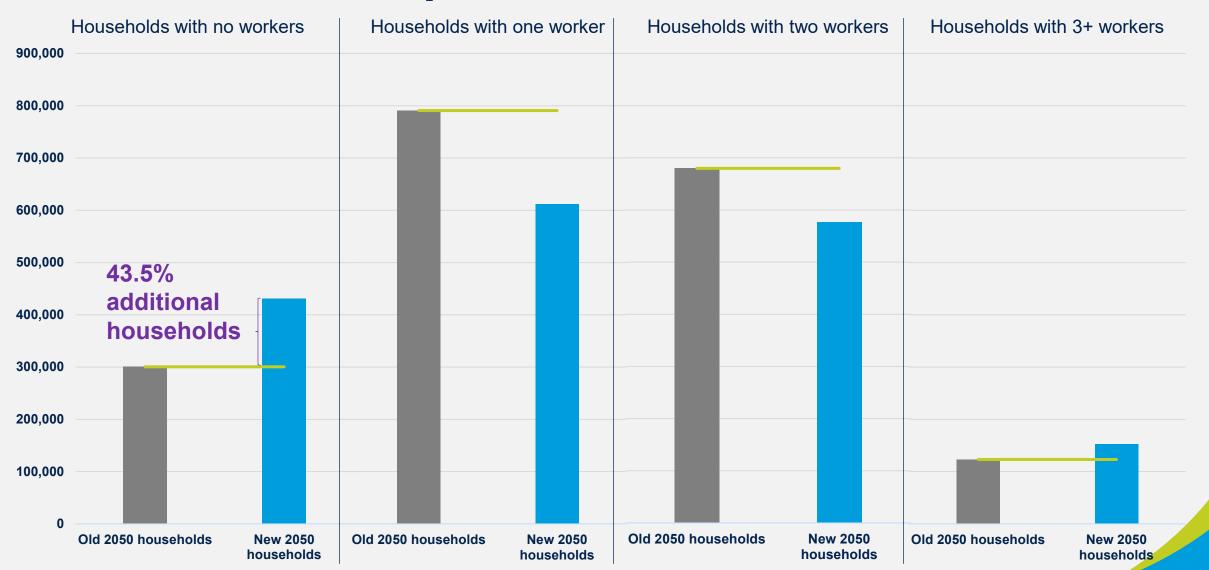
2050 population and employment changes



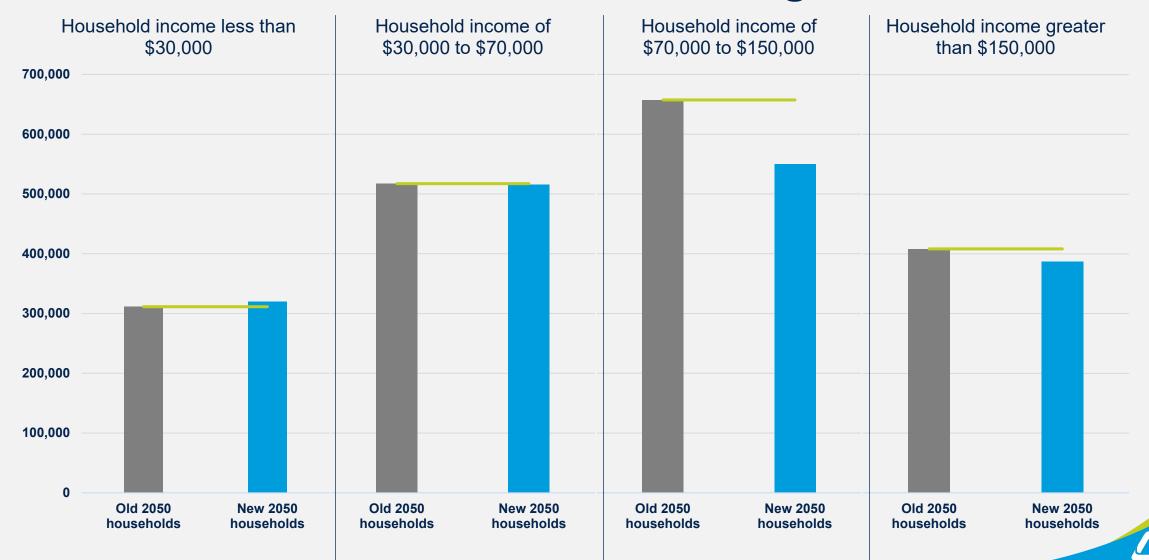
2050 age changes



### 2050 workers per household



#### 2050 household income changes (in 2024 dollars)



### Summary of population and employment changes

## Compared to the previous 2050 forecast, the region will see...

- 231,400 **fewer** residents.
- 212,200 **fewer** jobs.
- 130,600 additional households with no worker.

#### Age:

- 361,700 additional older adults.
- 505,400 **fewer** working age adults.
- 87,800 fewer children.

#### Income:

• 8,600 additional households below the poverty line.



#### **Transportation impacts**

#### Because of these changes, the new 2050 forecast shows...

- 7% **fewer person** trips across all modes.
- 5% fewer vehicle trips.
- 28% fewer transit trips.
- 14% fewer bicycle and pedestrian trips.

#### ...resulting in...

- 5% **fewer** vehicle miles traveled.
- A slight decrease to vehicle miles traveled per capita.
- 17% **fewer** vehicle hours of delay.



#### What this means for scenario planning

- Results may look slightly different the new 2050 baseline bears a smaller population and shows lower traffic congestion than before.
- The modeled population behaves differently than prior given its better real-world representation.
- As such, this scenario planning exercise is not directly comparable to the previous effort.





#### Menti poll

- 1. What demographic shifts are likely to have the most significant impact on transportation needs in our region?
- 2. What emerging economic trends could reshape transportation demand?
- 3. What technological advancements should we consider as potential game-changers for transportation?
- 4. What changes in land use patterns are expected to influence transportation needs & infrastructure?
- 5. What environmental changes could pose new challenges for transportation planning?
- 6. What potential disruptions or emergencies should we consider to foster resilience in our region?





#### **Next steps**

- Synthesize internal and external feedback.
- Begin defining potential scenarios.





# Thank you! Questions?

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