

Bold choices for an attractive and liveable Amsterdam

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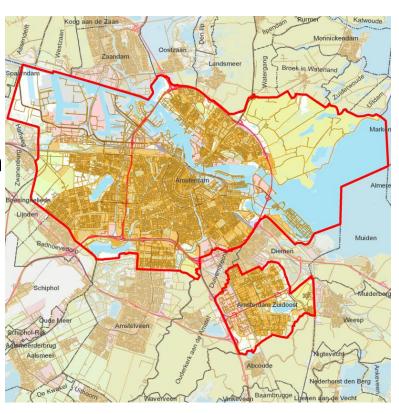
- ➤ About Amsterdam and the region
- Recent trends and developments
- Amsterdam, the cycling capital
- ➤ The major policy issues of this moment



City of Amsterdam

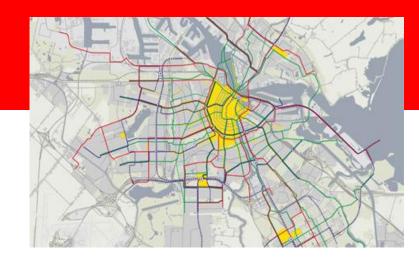
- Capital of the Netherlands
- City charter in 1306
- 800.000 inhabitants
- 2.2 million inhabitants in Metropolitan Region Amsterdam
- Mayor: Eberhard van der Laan







City of Amsterdam



- Owner of local infrastructure & public space
- For example: 1821 bridges





- Local policies on mobility, spatial planning, economy
- Local taxes, parking revenues, development







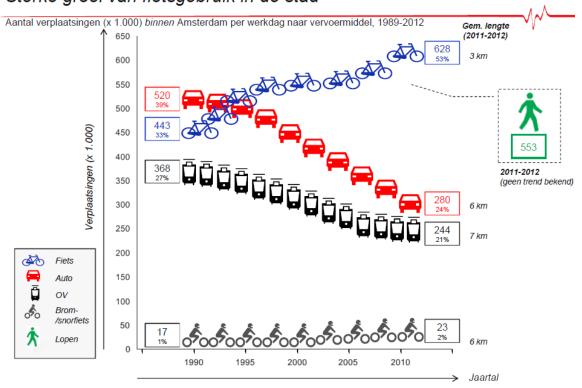
More inhabitants, visitors, workspaces





Increasing popularity of bike-use







Amsterdam, the cycling capital ...



- The bicycle is a daily means of transport: work, school, shopping, leisure, etc.
- 2.2 million kms by bike in Amsterdam daily
- Majority of cyclists: 18-60 years, well educated and higher incomes
- 625.000 trips every day
- 90% of the roads/streets in Amsterdam are 'bicycle-friendly' routes (30 km/hr)
- 500 kms bicycle lanes, separated from other traffic
- Cyclists men women: 50/50%
- Cycling culture



Cycling important for Amsterdam

- Cycling is essential to keep the city accessible
- Cycling is fast and cheap
- Cycling contributes to a better quality of life
- Cycling is healthy
- Cycling takes up little space







Amsterdams mobility policy essential for successfull bicycle policy

- Policy for cars, public transport and bicycles
- Bicycle policy contains different areas that all contribute to the success of the Amsterdams bicycle policy.





The composition of the Amsterdams bicycle policy

- Road safety
- Bicycle infrastructure
- Bicycle parking
- Education









- Bicycle lanes separated from other traffic
- Old bridge for cyclists and pedestrians



 Special waiting area for cyclists in front of cars preventing blind spot

Bicycle infrastructure



Bicycle in the metro



Cyclists on the ferry



Bicycle parking



Bicycles locked at bridge railings





Bicycle parking



Bicycle parking facilities
before residences and shops





Bicycle parking



 Bicycle garage with 3 floors and 3.000 parking spaces at Central Station



Parking at train station



Traffic education

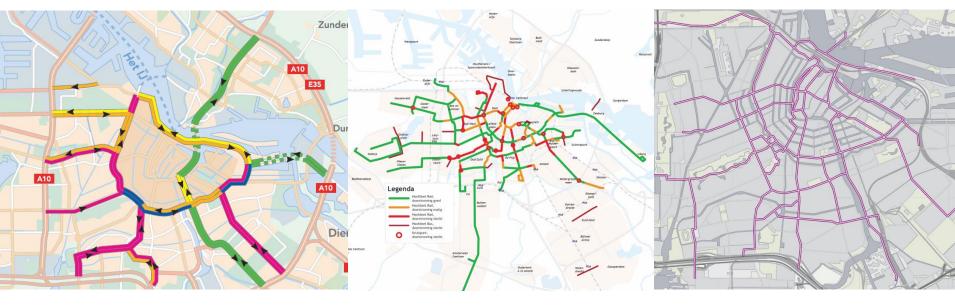


Bicycle exams for children





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Car: 15 km/u

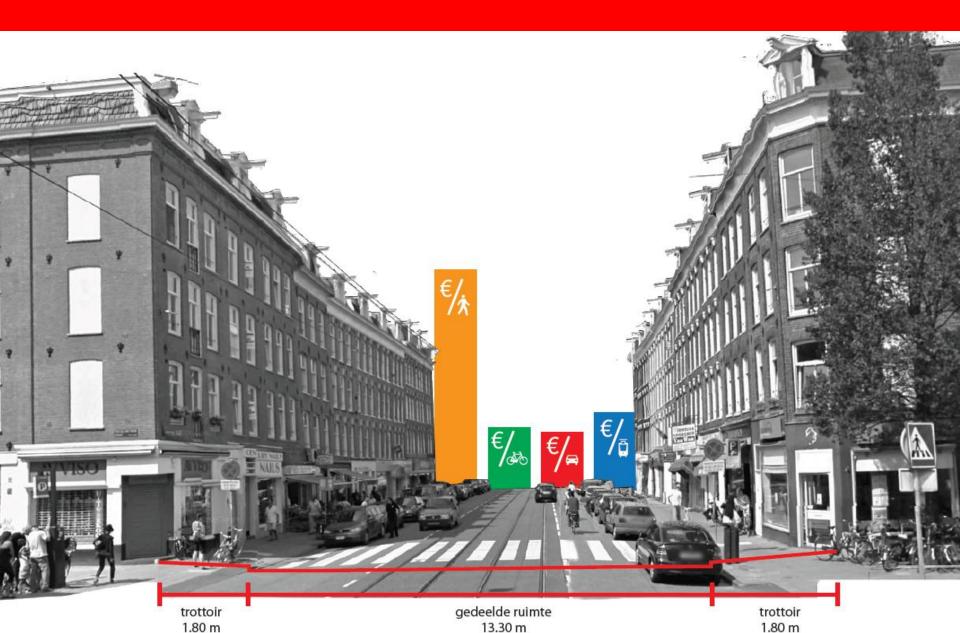
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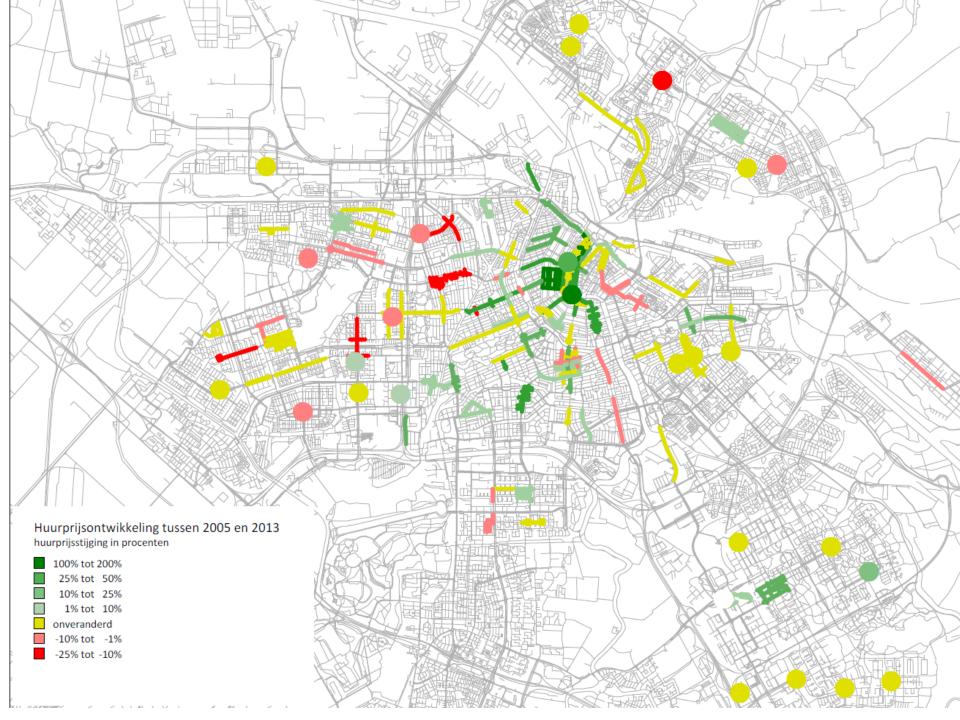
Tram: 15 km/u

Lijn 26 26 km/u Lijn 1 en 17: 17 km/u 12 km/u Lijn 4: Overige lijnen 14-16 km/u Bike: 15 km/u

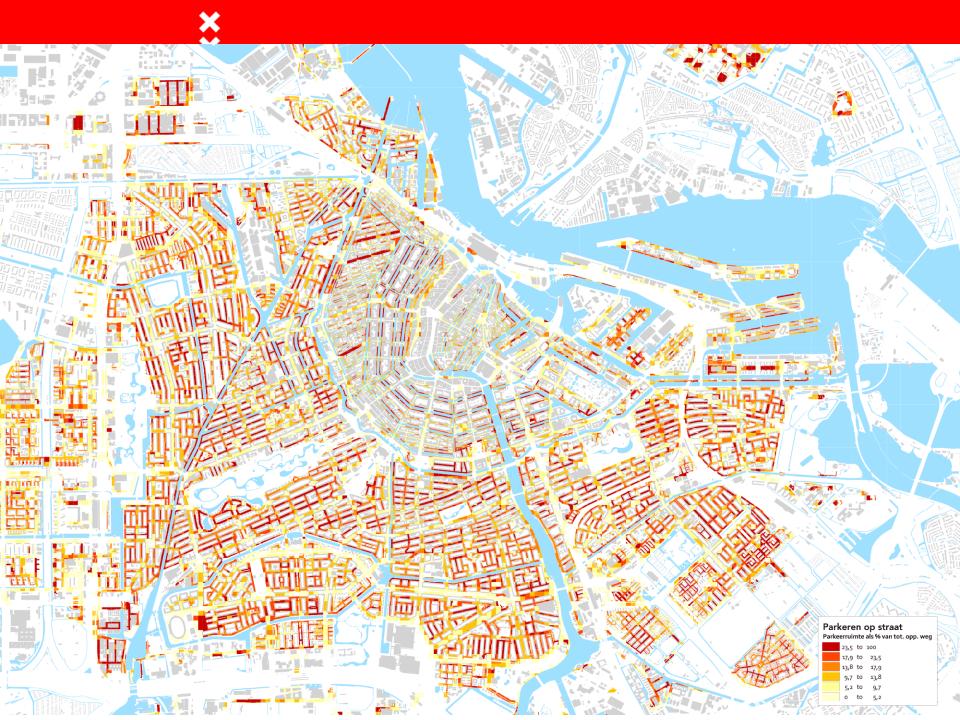


Expenditures by mode of transports











From long parking on small streets ..





... to new parking lots in garages



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Car parking

Places with lots of functions and limited space:

- Making better use of existing garages and building new garages
- Improving alternatives
- Traffic calmed areas in economic valuable locations

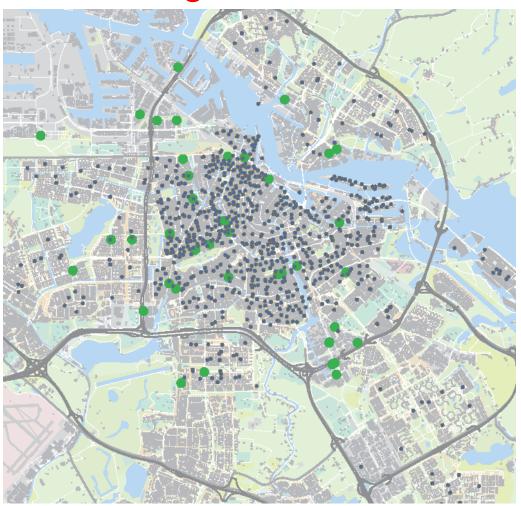








Car sharing





Biking as a solution

- Developing bicycle parkingspots near major stations
- Setting up a maximum parking time
- Improving bicycle network
- Clear marked routes for cyclists





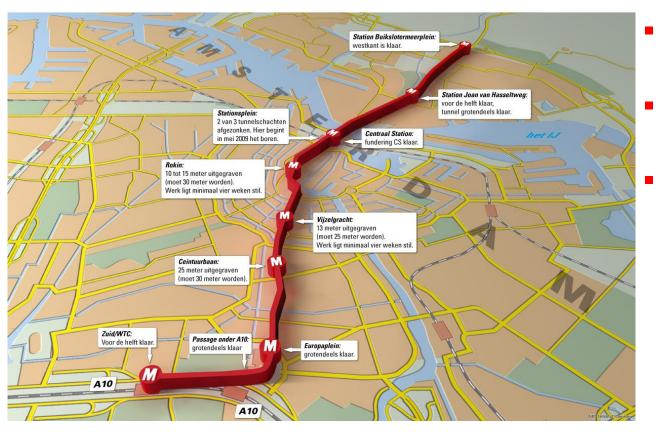




Main issues and measures



Projects: North-South subway line



Ready: 2017

Total costs: € 3.1 billion

 This new subway line gives Amsterdam the opportunity to optimalize total network of public transport



Projects: "The Red Carpet"

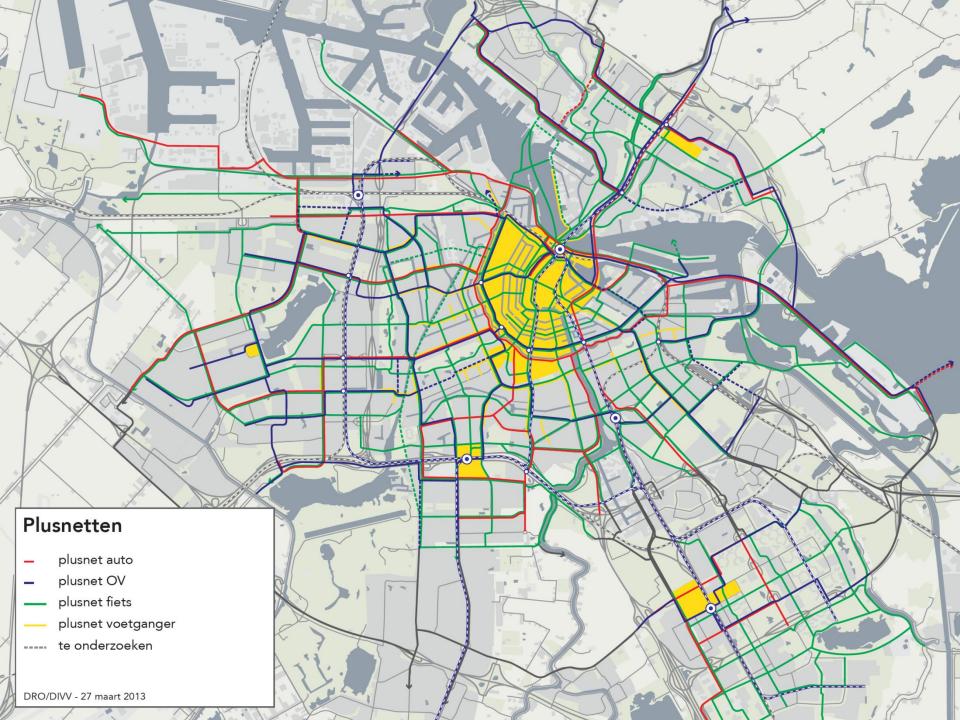


Ready: 2017

Total costs: € 75 million

Total reconstruction of road

 More space for pedestrians, cyclists and public transport





ICT and mobility















Questions and discussion