



7. Toolkit:

Policy instruments available to improve the fuel economy of cars

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What is fuel economy?



Fuel economy: the relationship between the fuel used and distance travelled by a vehicle



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Important relationship:

About 2.4 kg of CO₂ emitted per litre of gasoline burned, 2.6 for diesel.

- For gasoline vehicles, 8 L/100 km = 189 g/km CO2 emissions, 7 L/100 km = 165 L/100km, etc.
- It's a fixed relationship.
 So the only way to cut CO₂ emissions is to burn less fuel (you can't capture it at the tailpipe).

If you improve vehicle fuel economy, you:

- Save fuel
- Reduce costs
- Cut CO₂ emissions
- Don't help air quality very much (though complex and important topic)





Fuel economy improvements can be achieved through:

- Technical changes to vehicles
- Changing the types of vehicles bought
- Improving vehicle maintenance
- Changing the way vehicles are driven (ecodriving)
- Reducing traffic congestion

Fuel economy improvement to vehicles should be part of a broader strategy:

- Traffic management
- City and regional planning
- Promotion of public transit
- And many others...(avoid-shift)



 The average 2015 car, at 15-25% efficiency, has many energy losses – and many efficiency opportunities



Sources: Lutsey, 2012; Kromer and Heywood, 2007; U.S. EPA (http://www.fueleconomy.gov/feg/atv.shtml)

Types of Air Pollutants



Air quality pollutants affect human health

- NOx
- Non-methane hydrocarbons
- Particulate matter (PM)
- carbon monoxide
- Toxic emissions (e.g. benzene)
- Heavy metals

- Methane
- Black carbon

• N₂0

Air pollutants affect the climate

• CO₂

Fuel quality / tailpipe controls

Fuel economy improvement



	2020	2030	2050
New Cars	30% reduction* in L/100km compared to 2005	50% average improvement globally	50% + globally
	Engines, drive- trains, weight, aerodynamics.	Hybridisation of most models.	Significant contributions from Plug-in vehicles
Total fleet	20% reduction	35% reduction	50by50
	With lag time for stock turnover; includes eco-driving, maintenance		



Table 1 • Global fuel economy developments, 2005-15

			2005	200)8	201	0	2012	20	14	2015	2030
	average fuel economy (Lge/100 km)		8.8	8.2	2	7.8		7.6	7	.4	7.3	
average	appual improvement rate (% per vear)		-2	.3%	-2.8	%	-1.6	% -1	3%	-0	.5%	
		annuar miprovement rate (% per year)				-	1.8%		_			
	average fuel econ	omy (Lge/100 km)	8.5	8.	5	8.4		8.2	8	.0	7.9	
NON-UECD	annual improvement rate (% per year)		-0	0.1%	-0.3	%	-1.4	% -1	2%	-1	.6%	
average			-0.8%									
Global average	average fuel economy (Lge/100 km)		8.8	8.3	3	8.1		7.8	7	.6	7.6	4.4
	annual improvement rate (% per year)		-1	8%	-1.6	%	-1.3	% -1	.3%	-1	.1%	
			-1.5%									
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GFEI target	required annual	2005 base year					-4	2.0/0				
	(% per year)	2015 base year										
											-	3.7%

Fuel economy trends and market size





- Significant fuel economy improvement if policies are in place
- Size shift vs. technology evolution moderates Non-OECD improvement
- Growth of markets with worse fuel economy affects global trend



Even ICE LDVs still have tremendous potential:

ICE potential, through hybridization and light-weighting (NRC, 2013)



FIGURE 2.1 Historical and projected light-duty vehicle fuel economy. NOTE: All data is new fleet only using unadjusted test values, not in-use fuel consumption.

What can the GFEI targets achieve?



Meeting GFEI targets can stabilize global light-vehicle CO_2 emissions, despite more than a doubling of vehicle fleet.



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- II. Fuel pricing
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 - CO₂ tax will help diversify fuels as well as encourage fuel economy

III. Fuel Economy Standards

- Typically corporate average standards
- Typically either vehicle mass or size based
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IV. Vehicle purchase taxes

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Fuel Economy Standards

 Global fuel economy standards for passenger cars (left) and light trucks (right), normalized to NEDC



* Note that Japan has already met its 2020 statutory target as of 2013





Key elements to consider when introducing fuel economy standards

- 1. Regulated metric
- 2. Form of target curve + underlying attribute
- 3. Target timeframe/limit value

1. Regulated metric



Country or Region	Target Year	Regulated metric	Unadjusted Fleet Target/Measure	Form of target curve	Test Cycle
EU	2015 2021	CO ₂	130 gCO ₂ /km 95 gCO ₂ /km	Weight-based	NEDC
China	2015 2020	Fuel consumption	6.9 L/100km 5 L/100km	Weight-class based	NEDC
U.S.	2016 2025	Fuel economy/ GHG	36.2 mpg or 225 gCO ₂ /mi 56.2 mpg or 143 gCO ₂ /mi	Footprint-based	U.S. combined
Canada	2016 2025	GHG	217 gCO ₂ /mi N/A	Footprint-based	U.S. combined
Japan	2015 2020	Fuel economy	16.8 km/L 20.3 km/L	Weight-class based	JC08
Brazil	2017	Fuel consumption	1.82 MJ/km	Weight-based	U.S. combined
India	2017 2022	CO ₂	130 g/km 113 g/km	Weight-based	NEDC for low- powered vehicle
South Korea	2015 2020	Fuel economy/GHG	17 km/L or 140 gCO ₂ /km 24 km/L or 97 gCO ₂ /km	Weight-based	U.S. combined
Mexico	2016	Fuel economy/GHG	39.3 mpg or 140 g/km	Footprint-based.	U.S. combined
Saudi Arabia	2020	Fuel economy	17 km/L	Footprint-based	U.S. combined

2. Form of target curve and underlying attribute



Country/ Region	Attribute		Form				
	Weight	Footprint	Class	Continuous	Bins		
European Union#	X			Х			
United States		Х	Х	Х			
Japan	X				Х		
China	X		Х		Х		
Canada		х	Х	Х			
South Korea*	X			х			
Mexico		Х	Х	Х			
India	X			Х			

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Vehicle footprint (m²)

US fuel economy standard curves

3. Target timeframe / limit value



European Standards: CO₂ Emissions of Selected Vehicle Models by Technology (2013)



3. Target timeframe / limit value





China standards curves

Baseline analysis



Basic specifications: engine size, curb weight, footprint... Utility: power, max speed...

Fuel consumption, CO₂ emissions...

Technology adoption: fuel type, transmission, air intake...

Segment	Mini	Small	Lower medium	Medium	Large
Market share	6%	15%	32%	10%	4%
Representative model	Chery QQ3	BYD F3	Hyundai Elantra	Honda Accord	Audi A6
Diesel share	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
Cylinder	3.5	3.9	4.0	4.1	5.0
Displacement [L]	1.1	1.4	1.6	2.0	2.4
Power [kW]	50	71	84	112	141
Auto. transmission share	17%	26%	44%	67%	89%
Curb weight [kg]	918	1080	1258	1464	1684
CO ₂ [g/km] (NEDC)	150	157	173	199	211

China 2010 passenger car data

Technology feasibility



Top runner (e.g. Japan)

Best available technology

Technology forcing

• Emerging off-the-shelf technology now; advanced technology later



Emission rates are test-cycle (not adjusted real world);

See CARB, 2010. http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/levprog/leviii/meetings/111610/ghg_11_10.pdf

Cost curve







Net cost: Investment cost Net benefit: Lifetime fuel cost saving Environmental benefit (climate change) Oil security

investment - NPV (lifetime fuel cost savings)

CO₂-abatement costs =

lifetime CO2-reduction

 CO_2 abatement of of 2015 EU regulation evaluation is: -101 EUR/t CO_2

Regulation evaluation: estimates vs. reality







- Fuel economy improvement is very cost effective; using social discount rates the GFEI targets are cost effective
- Strong fuel economy improvements will save enormous amounts of energy, CO₂ and fuel costs over the next 35 years
- Fuel economy could get us half way to a low carbon LDV system, but we will likely need PEVs and other solutions to get the rest of the way, especially after 2030.
- Enacting and progressively strengthening strong policies around the world will be the key



Fiscal policy type	Characteristics
Fuel taxes, CO2 taxes	Set by fuel type; paid upon refueling
VMT taxes	Typically paid at annual registration; could be CO2-adjusted
Road pricing	Paid by km of driving or when passing a cordon line
Vehicle purchase taxes/feebates	Paid at time of purchase; can be differentiated by fuel economy or CO2



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- Send consumers appropriate price signals to purchase fuel-efficient and low carbon vehicles
- Support fuel efficiency and emission regulatory targets
 - Regulatory standards set the minimum requirement and need to be strengthened overtime
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Feebate = Fee + Rebate

- Market-based policy that shifts consumer purchases (and potentially manufacturer production) by encouraging GHG reductions by placing a fee on higher-emitting vehicles and providing a rebate to lower-emitting vehicles
- Based on fuel economy or CO2 differential between vehicles
- Could also take into account vehicle attributes like size or weight

How to design a feebate system







• Base fiscal charges directly on vehicle fuel consumption levels, instead of vehicle physical attribute, avoid fixed charges.

Mandatory labeling for fuel consumption is an enabler.

- Apply the incentive widely across fleet, instead of limiting to a portion of the fleet.
- Provide continuous incentive on every fuel consumption or fuel consumption level.
- Targeted incentive programs should also be linked to fuel consumption.

A targeted incentive program refers to incentive provided to vehicles with special features (such as a certain fuel type, or vehicles equipped with certain technologies).

Important to have a continuous slope, no steps







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The French feebate schedule over time



The fees have risen and the rebates declined...



The French feebate system led to drop in CO₂ emissions



- 2001–2007 avg. reduction new vehicle $CO_2 = 1$ g/km per year
- 2008: emissions drop 9 g/km and 2009 by 7 g/km, The Ministry of Transport attributes this to introduction of the bonus/malus system



Source: Les véhicules particuliers en France (Ademe), March 2011



Standards	Feebates		
"Guarantee" a minimum level of fuel economy	Do not guarantee level		
No incentive to go beyond minimum	On-going incentive		
Must be regularly updated to maintain pressure	Must be regularly updated to meet revenue targets		
No cap on costs	Provide a cap on cost		
Could ban some vehicles	Wouldn't ban any vehicles		
No clear price signals	Clear price signals to consumers and producers		





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