

EV Charging Infrastructure Analysis

January 2022

Outline

- What's all the fuss about?
- Better than gasoline
- Show me the money!
- Measure twice, cut once
- 30 x 30
- Heavy-duty electrification
- Challenges and opportunities remain

The U.S. Transportation Sector



Source: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Inventory of U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks: 1990–2015 (Washington, DC: U.S. Environmental Protect Agency, 2017), https://www.epa.gov/ghgemissions/inventory-us-greenhouse-gas-emissions-and-sinks-1990-2015.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (2021). Inventory of U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks: 1990-2019

Increasing Demand for EVs

2021: ~2m EVs in operation

Non-Tesla BEVs Tesla PHEVs



Source: DOE ANL, Green Car Reports

Vehicle Technology



BEV Sedan



BEV CUV/SUV



BEV Pickup



BEV Van



PHEV Sedan

PHEV CUV/SUV

PHEV Pickup

PHEV Van

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BRIEFING ROOM

FACT SHEET: The Bipartisan Infrastructure Deal Boosts Clean Energy Jobs, Strengthens Resilience, and Advances Environmental Justice

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IIJA White House Fact Sheet

- The Bipartisan Infrastructure Deal will invest **\$7.5 billion** to build out the first-ever national network of EV chargers in the United States.
- A critical element in the Biden-Harris Administration's plan to accelerate the adoption of EVs to address the climate crisis and support domestic manufacturing jobs.
- Provide funding for deployment of EV chargers along highway corridors to facilitate long-distance travel and within communities to provide convenient charging where people live, work, and shop.
- Funding will have a particular focus on **rural**, **disadvantaged**, **and hard-to-reach communities**.

Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act-\$7.5B Investment

- Sec. 11401 Grants for Charging and Fueling Infrastructure for Corridors and Communities
 \$2.5B for Alternative Fuels (EV, CNG, LNG, LPG, H2)
- National Electric Vehicle Formula Program
 \$5.0B for EV Corridors
- Joint DOT/DOE Deployment Support Program to provide tools & technical assistance to funding recipients

Better than Gasoline

- Goals of a national charging network
 - Convenient, Affordable, Reliable, Equitable
- What should this network look like?
 - Lots of perspectives
 - Gas station scenario
 - EV happy hour
 - Home dominant

Key Stakeholders

Current and Future EV drivers Understand and anticipate needs

Auto OEMs Stimulate EV adoption

EVSPs Support sustainable growth

Site Hosts Enable charging as an amenity

Electric Utilities Well-integrated with the grid

Charging Networks: Design Concepts

Coverage vs. Capacity



Establish coverage, then build capacity.



Terminology

Station = Charging Location Port = Can Charge One EV at a Time Connector = One or More per Port

Corridors vs. Communities



• Corridor needs are relatively small, but expensive and critical for adoption.

Home Charging is Foundational



- Today, most EVs do most of their charging at home.
- In the long-term, we expect the share of EVs without home charging to increase.

Charging Behavior Assumptions

- Traditional approach assumes a pyramid structure to charging behavior
 - Maximize use of charging at home/work and complement with public charging as necessary
 - Take advantage of long dwell time opportunities for inexpensive slow charging
 - Rely on expensive fast charging as necessary (long trips, emergencies, etc.)



Source: National Research Council. Overcoming barriers to deployment of plug-in electric vehicles. National Academies Press, 2015.

EVSE Terminology

https://afdc.energy.gov/fuels/ electricity infrastructure.html

1 Station Location



Charging Equipment

Charging equipment for PEVs is classified by the rate at which the batteries are charged. Charging times vary based on how depleted the battery is, how much energy it holds, the type of battery, and the type of charging equipment (e.g., charging level and power output). The charging time can range from less than 20 minutes to 20 hours or more, depending on these factors. Charging the growing number of PEVs in use requires a robust network of stations for both consumers and fleets.

For information on currently available charging infrastructure models, see the Electric Drive Transportation Association's GoElectricDrive website and Plug In America's Get Equipped resource, which include information on charging networks and service providers. When choosing equipment for a specific application, many factors, such as networking, payment capabilities, and operation and maintenance, should be considered.



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Electric Vehicle Charging Standards

Diagram	Standard	Maximum Output Power	Application Notes	
00	SAE J1772	19.2 kW AC	Used for Level 1 and Level 2 charging in North America. Commonly found on home, workplace, and public chargers.	
() 00	CCS-1	450 kW DC	Used for DC fast charging most vehicle models in North America. Generally installed at public chargers.	
oxo	CHAdeMO	400 kW DC	Used for DC fast charging select vehicles models in North America. Generally installed at public chargers.	
00	Tesla	22 kW AC 250 kW DC	Used for both AC and DC fast charging for Tesla models only.	
	J3068	166 kW AC 450 kW DC	Standard for both AC and DC charging utilizing the IEC 61851 'type 2' connector for North America three-phase charging	
	SAE J2954	22 kW light-duty 200 kW heavy duty	Wireless power transfer. Standard for MD/HD vehicles is under development.	
	SAE J3105	>1 MW	Automated connection device to charge MD/HD vehicles. Variants include pantograph up or down and pin-and-socket.	
	Chaoji	900 kW DC	Conductive charging for sub-MW charging of LD/MD/HD vehicles in Asia. Standard is under development.	
твр	CharlN MCS	4 MW	Conductive MW-level charging for MD/HD vehicles. Standard is under development.	

Table modified from "Assembly Bill 2127 Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Assessment (Staff Report), CEC 2021"

Existing US Deployment



EVSE Type	Stations	EVSE	
Public DCFC	4,105	8,048	
Tesla DCFC	1,068	10,554	
Total DCFC	5,173	18,602	
Public L2	34,267	70,828	
Tesla L2	4,439	14,686	
Total L2	38,706	85,514	
Total Overall	43,879	104,116	

- National Highway System
- FHWA Alt Fuel Corridor (EV Ready)
- Interstate System
- 4,105 Public DCFC Stations
- 1,068 Tesla Supercharger Stations*

* Superchargers typically support 150-250kW per port

DOE AFDC Station Locator (June 23, 2021)

Idaho: By the numbers

DC Fast Charging Stations

High Power (150kW) Fast Charging Stations

- ~2M LDVs
- ~1,000 gas stations
- ~6,000 PEVs
- ~100 public charging stations
- ~260 public charging ports



Source: DOE AFDC Station Locator (Jan 25, 2022)

U.S. Trends in EV Charging Infrastructure: How many stations are being installed and where?

Regression analysis was used to quantify the existing volume of infrastructure with respect to vehicle registration data.

Results indicate that L2 public charging is being installed at a rate of **40 ports per 1000 PEVs** and public DCFC charging is being installed at a rate of **5 ports per 1000 BEVs**.

Retail locations are the most common for public charging with **20-40% of public L2** installations and **60-70% of public DCFC** installations occurring at retail facilities.

Supply of infrastructure tends to lead demand for public charging





Demand-Based Network Design

- Low-cost installations are tempting in the shortterm, but not financially viable in the long-term
- Simulation study in Columbus, OH using data from the local electric utility (AEP)
- Priority should be placed on siting fast charging at locations with high potential utilization
- Such sites are likely to include urban cores, transit hubs, and airports



Credit: ANL, INL, NREL

Utilization is key and it's currently too low for profitability



* RMI study, DCFC Rate Design, 2019

** PWC, Electric vehicles and the charging infrastructure: a new mindset? 2021

Can Electric Car Charging Be A Business? Forbes



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- I cover robocar technology & previously worked on Google's car team.
- Charger station utilization data generally not available (company confidentiality concerns)
- Many networks at most public stations achieve only single digit utilization
- Electrify America average utilization on highways is less than 4%, or below 1 hour daily of EV charging!
- RMI* cites a utilization level of 30% before costs can be sufficiently amortized to realize profitability
- And yet, queuing is predicted to begin ~20% utilization rate** (or nearly 5 hours a day of charging)

Modern Fast Charging Stations can exceed \$1M CapEx

- Equipment costs relatively predictable, but installations are very site-specific
- Future trends
 - Manufacturing scale
 - Installation learning curve
 - Site scarcity

Charger Hardware	Unit cost per port	Installation cost per port
L2 commercial (7.2 kW)	low: \$1,600 mid: \$2,600 high: \$4,100	low: \$1,300 mid: \$2,800 high: \$4,800
DC 50 kW	low: \$22,000 mid: \$29,000 high: \$36,400	low: \$11,200 mid: \$24,000 high: \$39,800
DC 150 kW	low: \$63,700 mid: \$81,500 high: \$100,000	low: \$34,300 mid: \$67,800 high: \$131,100
DC 350 kW	low: \$112,000 mid: \$130,500 high: \$142,000	low: \$52,400 mid: \$93,400 high: \$135,500

Sources: NREL, RMI, BNEF, ICCT

Charging infrastructure "soft costs"

MAJOR COST COMPONENTS OF EV CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE Procurement and compliance costs can be seen and quantified. It's the invisible soft costs that can sink a project.



The costs of permitting delays, lengthy utility interconnections, compliance with a mosaic of regulations, and the reengineering of projects because they were based on incorrect information...were frequently cited as <u>more significant cost drivers than charging station</u> <u>hardware</u>. These irregular and unplanned circumstances can add significant costs due to design rework, construction delays...

Electrify America's Q2 2021 annual report to CARB cited:

CA permits should take 15 days by law but average 79 days
 Utility interconnect process takes 273 days whereas site
 construction only assumes 21 – 28 days!

EV charging can benefit from installation streamlining, just as solar did a decade ago; soft costs comprised 64% of total deployment cost.



* 2019 RMI study – Reducing EV Infrastructure Costs, Chris Nelder & Emily Rogers

Charging deployment is often slowed by local permitting processes that vary widely



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PREPARING OUR COMMUNITIES FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLES: FACILITATING DEPLOYMENT OF DC FAST CHARGERS

DCFC charging permitting problems

- Lack of knowledge or standardized process
- Subject to zoning and design reviews, even hearings oftentimes, when charging should be an accessory to the primary use of site
- EV charging parking doesn't count in minimum needed by zoning
- Permit desk visit or mail in process required
- AHJs lack DCFC expertise, don't have FAQs

According to EVSE providers, the permitting process for DCFC stations is lengthy and fraught with delays due to unfamiliarity with the technology, protracted zoning reviews, and undefined requirements for permitting DCFC...In some extreme instances, station developers have withdrawn permit applications and found new charging station sites in neighboring towns

Electric Vehicle Charging Station Permit Streamlining Fact Sheet



AB 1236 (Chiu, 2015) Requirements for Cities and Counties

Even California, with more charging sites than any other state and AB1236 (which requires local jurisdictions to issue an EVSE permit within 15 days unless a health or safety violation is imminent) has had slow permitting approvals that can take 6 – 12 months or more. Utility demand charges help balance grid supply, but load factor differences penalize DC fast charging



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High kw and kwh delivered over shorter time period, intermittently – demand charges cannot be avoided!



- Demand charges are a key tactic used by utilities to encourage consistent consumption and avoid peak power swings.
- Demand charges were initially developed for large and stable load consumers such as buildings and factories.

Demand charges translate into staggering kwh costs and cannot be passed on to drivers

EVgo Utility Bill

ENERGY STATEMENT

Details of Electric Charges 07/12/2019 - 08/12/2019 (32 billing days) Service For: 53102 DONNER PASS RD Service Agreement ID: Rate Schedule: A105 Medium General Demand-Metered Service 07/12/2019 - 08/12/2019 Customer Charge \$147.19 32 days @ \$4.59959 Demand Charge 42 240000 KW @ \$19 99000 844.38 Energy Charges 691 120000 kWh (0 \$0 17848 123.34 Energy Commission Tax 0.21 **Total Electric Charges** \$1,115.12

EVgo's monthly bill shows a kwh rate of 17.8 cents/kwh (compared with PG&E residential baseline rate of 11.9 cents) and a blended cost of \$1.61/kwh

Source: Electrify America and EVgo

Electrify America blended kwh gasoline equivalent costs

Actual 2020 Bill Example	State	Cost per kWh, \$*	Equivalent gas cost, \$/gal**
Brigham City	UT	\$8.55	\$60.83
Kentucky Utilities	KY	3.36	23.91
Duck River	TN	2.85	20.29
PSEG	NJ	2.55	18.16
Oregon Trail Coop	OR	2.19	15.61
Toledo Edison	ОН	2.04	14.50
Dominion	VA	2.02	14.35
Indianapolis P&L	IN	1.65	11.76

Several studies cite concerns with demand charges and recommend rate reform...



As an alternative to demand charge elimination, utilities can consider incentivized storage* on/offsite (charging site operator either funds storage to peak shave and to provide grid services on site or taps into larger utility scale storage – both at lower price premium than demand charges)

^{*} SMUD reference

Technology Solutions

Energy and demand charges as well as the technology recommendation vary geographically.

Technology solutions can be leveraged to reduce cost of electricity for stations that experience higher electricity costs:

- Energy storage (battery) can mitigate high **demand charges**
- Photovoltaic (PV) energy can mitigate high energy charges, even in areas with lower solar irradiance (e.g., Vermont)



EVI-X: Tools for Forward-Looking Analysis



NREL Charging Infrastructure Analysis Capabilities



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The EV Infrastructure Projection Tool

EVI-Pro

Simulation model to:

- Estimate charging demand from EVs
- Design supply of infrastructure

Informed by real-world data and integrated with models of vehicle adoption, mobility, station economics, and the grid

Originally developed through collaboration with the California Energy Commission and since applied at the city-, state-, and national-level







Travel Demand Daily Driving



- Detailed driving data necessary to anticipate EV energy use and opportunities for charging
- Charging at home and work provide the most promising opportunities
 - Frequent visits for long durations
- Use of travel survey data assumes future PEV use conforms to historical precedent
 - Alternate vehicle use scenarios can be tested using sensitivity analysis



*Other includes: General errands Buy services Exercise Recreational activities Health care visit Religious or other community activities Work-related meeting / trip Volunteer activities (not paid) Work from home (paid) Attend school as a student Change type of transportation Attend child care Attend adult care



Driving / Charging Simulations

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"There's No Place Like Home"

- As electric vehicle adoption progresses, residential charging access among electric vehicle owners is likely to decrease (as a %) and become more uncertain.
- Residential access among multi-family properties presents the greatest challenges.
- Single family homes may dominate the lightduty vehicle stock, however residential access at these properties is not a given.
- Many opportunities exist for improving residential access across all property types.
- Tradeoffs exist between residential and public infrastructure investments.



Recent EVSE Utilization Jan 2016 to March 2020

- EVSPs have provided NREL with event-level data from networked L2 and DCFC units across the U.S.
- Highly utilized DC stations currently serving more than 10 daily charge events

	U.S. (incl CA)	CA only
Station Count	3,036	1,151
Plug Count	6,372	3,524
Unique ZIP Codes	1,703	529
Individual Charge Events	~7.2M	~5.2M



EVI-Pro Lite

Charging Need Launched 2018



Load Profile Launched 2020

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EVI-Pro Lite

Charging Need

Objective: Make analytic capabilities of EVI-Pro model accessible to broad group of stakeholders for EVSE investment decisions.

Approach: Develop a simplified, web-based interface for EVI-Pro that gives users access to a limited number of critical input variables.

Significance & Impact

- EVI-Pro "unlocks" an unlimited number of scenarios for planners to explore regarding EV charging infrastructure requirements.
- Since its launch, 6,000 users have viewed 14,000 pages on the tool, spending almost 4 minutes per visit.



Waymo starts to open driverless ride-hailing service to the public

Kirsten Korosec @kirstenkorosec / 10:31 AM MDT • October 8, 2020





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"30 by 30"

Charging Infrastructure Supporting 30M Electric Vehicles by 2030

Brennan Borlaug, Dong-Yeon (D-Y) Lee, Matt Moniot, Fan Yang, Yanbo Ge, and Eric Wood





EVI-RoadTrip Charging Demand Simulation



2030 Typical daily road trips: 2,354,000

2030 Typical daily BEV road trips: 268,000 (about 1% of the BEV fleet)

EVI-X Modeling for Idaho (preliminary results)

<u>2025</u>

- **Total PEVs**: 20,231 (currently 5,980 in ID)
- **PHEV share of PEVs**: 37% (currently 41% in ID)
- **PEV share of veh regs**: 1.2% (currently 0.3% in ID; simulated 2025 U.S. share: 2.8%)
- Share of PEV owners w/ access to home charging: 98% (simulated 2025 U.S. avg.: 93%)
- Total 2025 EVSE Ports (work L2; public L2; public DCFC): 1,123 (354; 282; 487)
- Share of 2025 EVSE ports in Boise, ID: 39% (54% of PEVs located here)

<u>2030</u>

- **Total PEVs**: 149,825
- **PHEV share of PEVs**: 12% (simulated 2030 U.S. share: 10%)
- **PEV share of veh regs**: 7.8% (simulated 2030 U.S. share: 11.5%)
- Share of PEV owners w/ access to home charging: 91% (simulated 2025 U.S. avg.: 83%)
- Total 2030 EVSE Ports (work L2; public L2; public DCFC): 4,253 (2,398; 559; 1,296)
- Share of 2030 EVSE ports in Boise, ID: 48% (47% of PEVs located here)

Transit Bus Electrification

- Transit authorities have been early adopters of heavy-duty EVs
- High-VMT, fixed route operation tends to be ideal for electrification
- Allows fleets to take advantage of EV low operating costs
- Predictable schedule alleviate the need for fast charging



NREL-Hosted Event Supports Industry Development of Megawatt Charging System Connectors Oct. 12, 2020 f y = +7



Tesla Semi prototype spotted in Chicago, IL

Tesla is deploying the first Megacharger to charge its Tesla Semi electric truck

Fred Lambert - Oct. 12th 2021 2:05 pm PT 🔰 @FredericLambert



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US West Coast Scenario Analysis

- Simulations used to estimate future demand for heavy-duty charging
 - Includes mix of slow charging at overnight locations and fast charging along freight corridors
- Investment needed per port expected to far exceed that of light-duty vehicles
 - Potential for significant grid impacts at depots and travel centers





Reliability is Complicated and Must be Addressed

"This is about more than just up-time. Charging standards are such that compliant vehicles and infrastructure can still be inoperable. This is where Tesla has a real advantage. They control both sides of the handshake."



"Driver tolerance for inconvenience is very low. Even one negative experience waiting in line or finding a broken charger can sour the user experience."

"If someone struggles to charge and they can't - they blame us (auto OEM). Success rate of a customer plugging in at a public station today is abysmal. Auto OEMs cannot play this role long term."

Interoperability



- **Interoperability** refers to the ability to use a charging network membership at other networks' stations ("roaming"). Although every major charging network signaled interoperability intent before 2020, it is only enabled through two agreements which may become consolidated "soon".
- The benefit of interoperability is the reduced need for multiple plastic charging cards or charging apps (a frequent and longstanding complaint by EV drivers).
- Until such time interoperability becomes ubiquitous, other approaches such as credit card readers, like gas station, are likely needed.



Even the top DC fast charging networks need big quality improvements

"If EVs are to replace fossil-fuel vehicles, they need to be able to make long highway trips, which means that DC fast charging needs to be reliable, convenient, affordable and ubiquitous...[but] the user experience often leaves much to be desired..."

Category	Electrify America	EVgo	ChargePoint	EVconnect	
App & Website					
Website	58	48	48	3	
App Operation	110	105	95	105	
App Functionality	97	83	98	78	
Price & Payment	79	89	97	77	
Sub-Total	344	325	338	263	
Charging Location					
Environment	107	70	52	80	
Charging Station	126	116	113	118	
Service	62	61	65	47	
Access & Payment	52	38	36	58	
Sub-Total	347	285	266	303	
Total Score (Out of 100	0) 691	610	604	566	



Although Electrify America won this 202 test with 691 points/1000 (C-score?), key customer issues include:

- Relatively high prices
- Starting problems and interruptions
- No QR code scanning for station ID
- Short cables make it difficult to reach EV charging ports

•Site designs don't accommodate large vehicles

Source: Charged EV Magazine, Dec 2020

Site Design Best Practices

- Location, location, location
- Consider need for "future proofing"
- Anticipate technology evolution
- Use on-site storage/generation to mitigate operating costs
- Provide multiple, interoperable payment options
- Incentivize data sharing to help grow the network
- Emphasize importance of reliability

Neighborhood-Level Analysis: Refueling Infrastructure

Greater Chicago Area

Broader context: IL is one of the top 10 states that have the worst equity of refueling infrastructure and PEV adoption in terms of income and race.



Income and race maps are overlayed. If you see red areas, they are the ones with lowincome and/or (higher share of) people of color.



Gas station



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Decarbonization of the power sector means EVs keep getting greener as they age

Managed charging is an enabling technology to help the grid operate efficiently and lower the carbon intensity of EV charging



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Growing a Charging Network from the Ground Up



EV Analysis Takeaways

1 Data, Data, Data

- 2 Understand Coverage Needs
- **3** Bridge the "Valley of Death"
- 4 Evaluate the Potential for Residential Charging
- 5 Value of "Lite" Tools
- 6 Emerging Mobility Options (short term)
- 7 Role of Automation (long term)

Thanks! Questions?

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