MUMBAI DEVELOPMENT PLAN (2014-2034)

Gender and Transport

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Engendering Transport

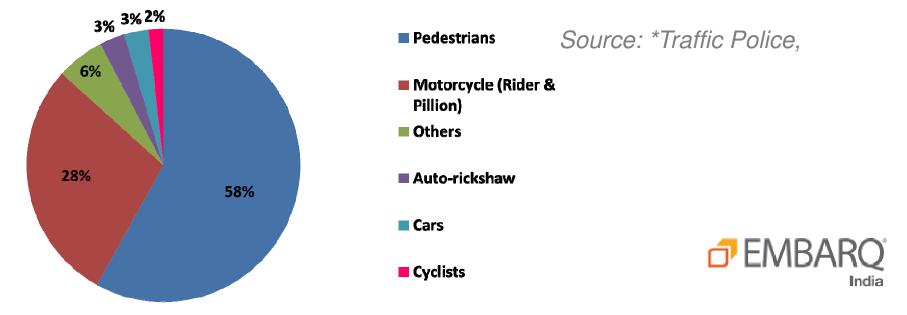
- > Travel patterns are gendered and vary across income, age
- > Trip chaining- combining multiple trips
- > More walking, cycle less
 - Difference in cycle use largely explained by women's higher concern for safe riding environments and their inferior access to personal means of transport*
 - Women's access to basic non-motorized means of transport such as carts or load-carrying bicycles is often restricted, resulting in frequent strain injuries, neck and back pain due to excessive head loading. Access to carts and bicycles thus becomes the key challenge.**
- > More public transport trips, especially buses
- > More trips during off-peak hours, more non-work trips (30%)***
- Strong gender dimension to the 'shelter-transport-livelihood link'****



Source: *Srinivasa, 2008 ** Deike, Peters *** World Bank, 2011 ****Wilson, 1987

Preparatory Studies

- > 51% of all trips are by walking; yet these are the most vulnerable. 58% of all fatalities are pedestrians*
- > Walking + public transport trips = ~88%
- > 60% of last mile connectivity trips are on foot
- > 80% of trips are within 15 minutes



Comments on Preparatory Studies

- > Gendered perspective of transport and accessibility is missing
- > Strong focus on vehicular congestion, no mention of the percentage of NMT infrastructure as part of total road space
- Strategy for improving quality of NMT access at city-level and planning sector level is missing
- Women are disproportionately affected by poor quality NMT and public transport infrastructure

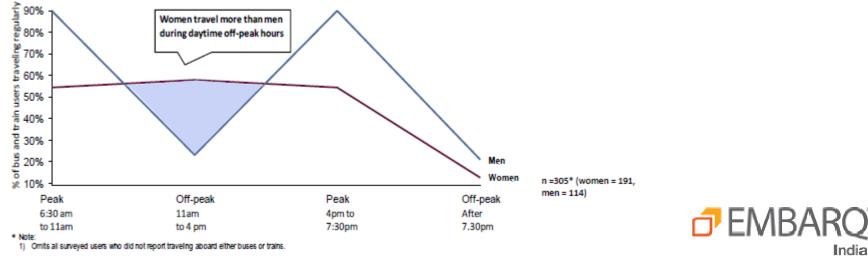


Public Transport



Public Transport

- Gender audits of existing and proposed public transport infrastructure and experience
- Re-evaluate fares and operations to make public transport more flexible and affordable for women (especially buses)
- Late evenings: Buses can halt in-between stops to drop women closer to their destination
- Women feel unsafe when boarding / alighting, lack of public toilets



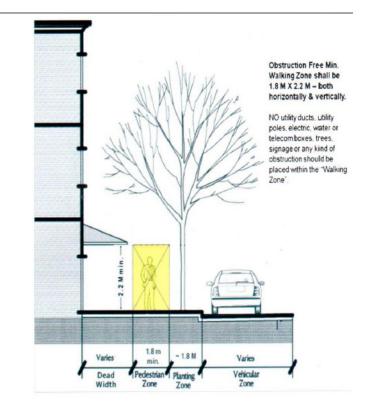
Source: World Bank, 2011

Walking and Cycling



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- Design streets to improve walking and encourage cycling modal shares
- Footpaths to include dead zone, uninterrupted walking zone and multi-utility zone
- Improvement of any street should ensure that minimum footpath widths are as per IRC 103:2012 – Guidelines for Pedestrian Facilities, subject to a level of service approach



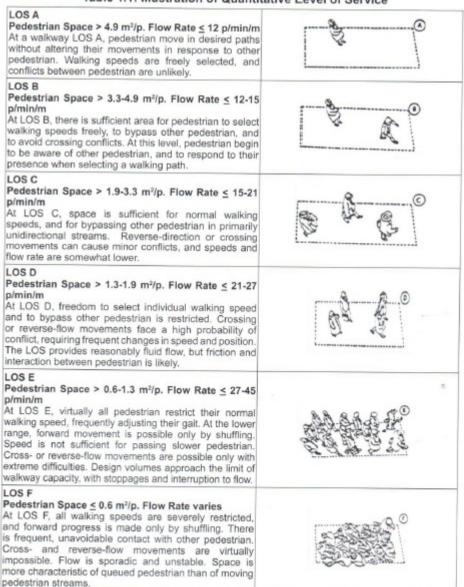


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- Footpaths to ensure a Level of Service B
- > Street Design Guidelines
 - Only street sections are insufficient
 - Include guidelines for supporting walking and cycling infrastructure: Street lighting, vending, seating, garbage bins, bus stops and shelters, signage and pedestrian wayfinding, on-street parking
- Improve access to cycles and load carrying NMT for women

Table 1.1: Illustration of Quantitative Level of Service

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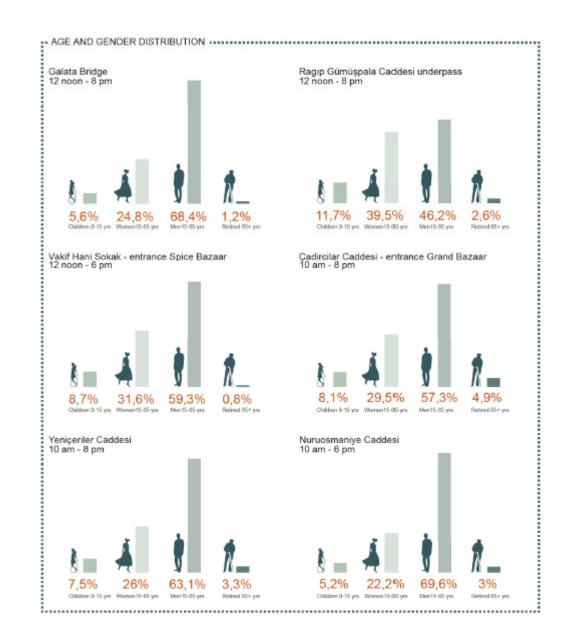




Spatial maps to audit neighbourhoods, streets and public spaces to evaluate how safe, comfortable and convenient they are for women







Source: EMBARQ Turkey



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- Regulations to embody principles of "Violence Prevention Through Environmental Design"
 - Encourage "street eyes": Mixed uses, porous building edges and planning for street vendors
 - Promote walkable, cycling friendly neighbourhoods by limiting block sizes, providing direct, shortest NMT routes and reserving land for pedestrian public right of ways
 - Clearly identify DO's and DONT's





- Land allocation for decentralized amenity clusters within walking distance
 - Public toilets, drinking water, reading rooms, day-care centres
- Land allocation of day-care / creches within 5 minutes walking distance
- Land allocation for pre-primary and primary schools within 15 minutes walking distance
- Primary health care facilities within 15 minutes walking distance



> Public Toilets

- In bus terminals, public buildings and public open spaces
- > Accessible within 15 minutes walking distance
- Special attention to areas along high NMT volumes, especially NMT only and priority streets
- Clearly visible and accessible from public streets of atleast 12m width
- Accessible to all
- Sufficient seats for women, include toilet seats for dependents
- > Additional space for child-care
- Do community toilets meet household needs like washing areas, if proposed in informal settlements? **Description**

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> Public Reading Rooms / Vachnalayas

- Land allocated within 5 minutes walking distance of informal settlements
- Special attention to areas along high NMT volumes, especially NMT only and priority streets
- They should be accessible from public streets and porous to the street
- Allocate space for women / girls, directly accessible from public streets
- > Police Chowkies and field offices
 - Consultation with Police to identify land allocation and requirements
 - Estimate space requirements for women constables and provide dedicated area

Summing up

- Development Plan needs create a set of guidelines under a larger strategy of "Violence Prevention through Environmental Design"
- Disaggregate existing data and information to understand women's experience and needs
- Conduct spatial gender audits of public transport infrastructure, streets and public open spaces
- > Conduct spatial gender audits of planning sectors
- > Approvals of public transport improvements/projects, street and public space design improvements subject to implementation of recommendations of spatial gender audits
- Approvals for redevelopment projects subject to implementation of these guidelines



Thank You

