Vehicle Fuel Economy Standards and Feebate System

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What is ICCT?

 ICCT is an independent non-profit research organization that provides technical support on transport efficiency and emission policies in major auto markets



Top 15 Car and Truck Markets by Sales in 2013



1 Motivation of reducing vehicle fuel consumption



Vehicles make up more than 20% of greenhouse gas emissions ...



Notes:

Global anthropogenic CO₂ emissions in 2010 based on IPCC (2014).

Transport CO2 emissions in 2010 estimated by ICCT (2014) include the full fuel lifecycle, including direct emissions from combustion & upstream emissions from extraction, refining, & distribution of fuels.



Integrated vehicle efficiency policy portfolio

Performance standards, economic signals, and technological innovation complement each other.



2 Fuel efficiency standards



U.S. fuel economy/GHG standards





Technology innovation continues to lower projected costs of compliance with 2025 standards

- Costs of compliance with 2025 standards (vs. 2015) have decreased dramatically
 - 2012 rulemaking: \$1800
 - EPA assessment (PD-2016): \$1300
 - ICCT assessment (2017): \$886



- Consumer payback period is shortened
 - EPA: 5 years due to lower oil price forecasts
 - ICCT assessment: 3 years



Consumer acceptance of energy efficiency technologies demonstrated by best selling cars



Source: https://www.theicct.org/publications/how-things-work-omega-modeling-case-study-based-2018-toyota-camry

Status of passenger car fuel economy standards, normalized to U.S. CAFE



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2017 Global update: Light-duty vehicle greenhouse gas and fuel economy standards

https://www.theicct.org/publications/2017-global-update-LDV-GHG-FE-standards

Heavy-duty vehicle GHG and fuel economy standards Five nations: US, Canada, Japan, China and India



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The standards are expected to run until 2030.

Fuel efficiency fiscal policies



Fuel consumption-based feebate program

- Feebates = fee + rebate
 - Higher fuel consumption vehicles receive rebates
 - Lower fuel consumption vehicles pay fees



The design of the feebate function matters

Tax-optimized vehicles





Link to the report: Optimizing to the last digit: how taxes influence vehicle CO2 emission level http://www.theicct.org/sites/default/files/publications/Tax_Step_Analysis_201510.pdf

Gradually optimized system



US: fuel economy related tax and incentive

- Gas guzzler tax
 - Passenger cars (only)
 - Tax for a model type having fuel economy below certain thresholds: 22.5 mpg
 - Very few cars fall below the taxable level of 22.5 combined city/hwy mpg (10.5 l/100km)
- Incentive for electric vehicles
 - Federal subsidy- a one-time bonus, depending on the battery capacity of the vehicle (2,500 USD - 7,500 USD)
 - State level incentives- fiscal, non-fiscal



Electric vehicle could be cost-competitive to conventional vehicles





Slowik et al (2016). Evolution of incentives to sustain the transition to a global electric vehicle fleet. <u>http://www.theicct.org/evolution-incentives-electric-transition</u>

Final thoughts

- Fuel economy standards are one of the most cost effective and politically attractive energy reduction measures
 - US 2025 standards and onward
- Emerging markets are considering adopting fiscal measures such as feebates (which are easier to development and implement), especially in the context of vehicle electrification



4 Back up slides



Real world emissions are an issue that needs to be addressed





Implementation of vehicle fuel economy labeling scheme

