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Shared mobility opportunities And
challenges for European cities

Car sharing at a glance in Europe

An international perspective from the STARS project

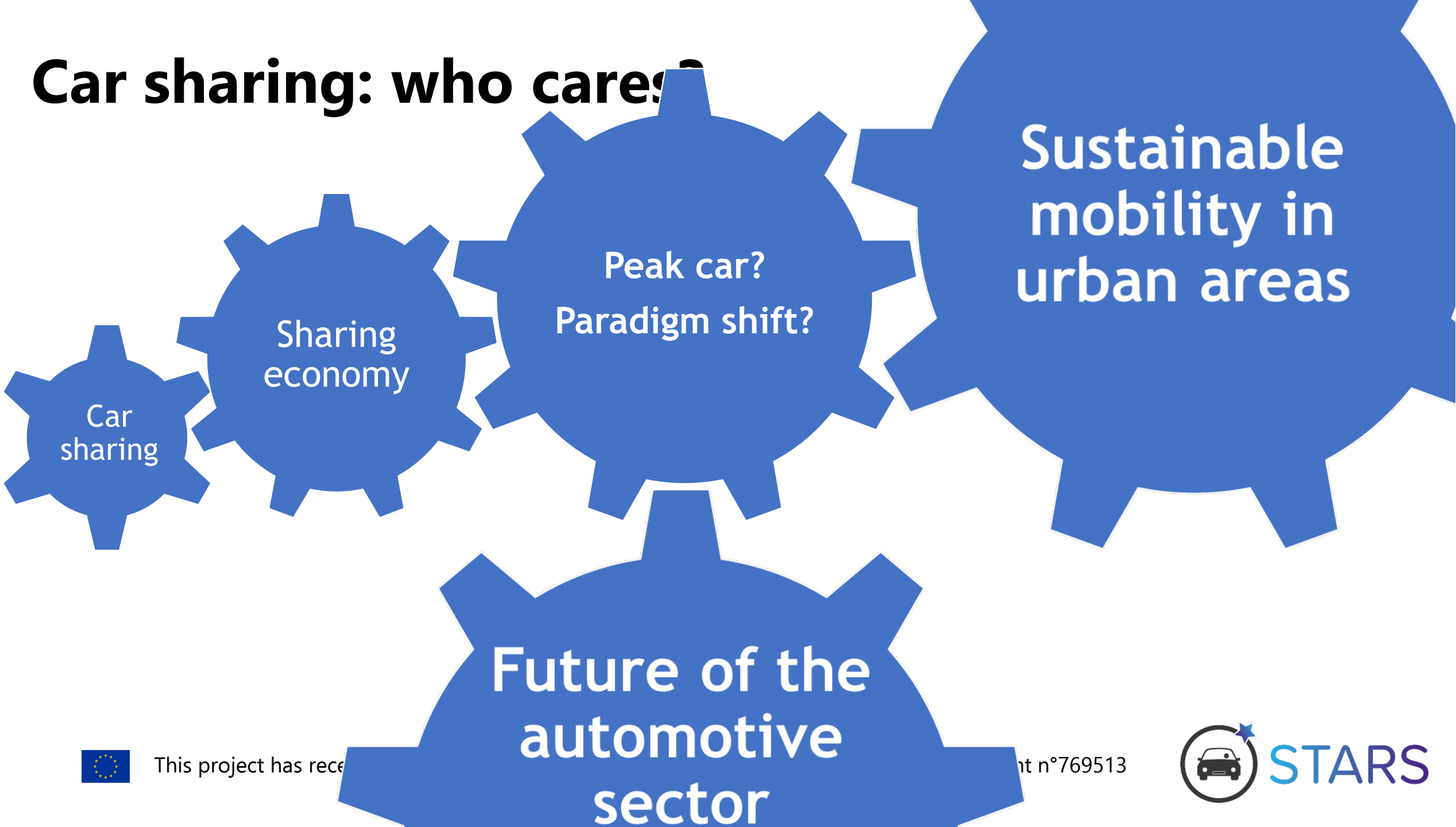
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Car sharing: who cares?



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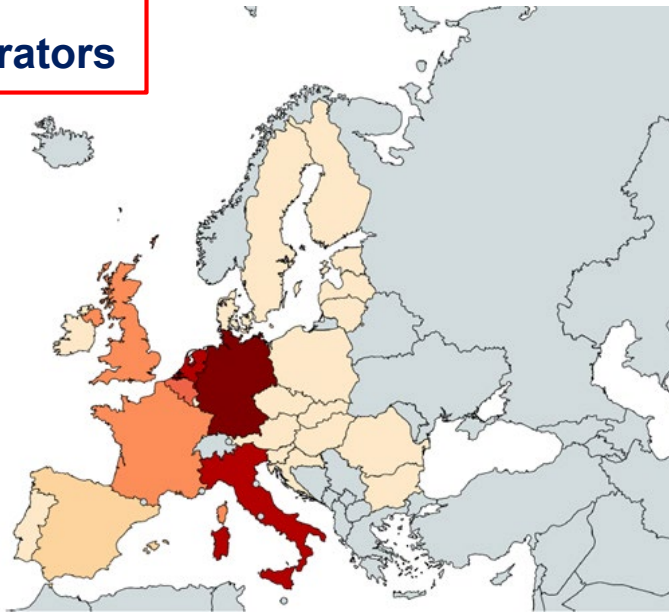
A two-level pan-European survey in 2017/18

Desktop research

Web research carried out by all partners

- ★ 25 countries
- ★ 185 operators

- 1-5 car sharing organisations
- 6-10 car sharing organisations
- 11-15 car sharing organisations
- 16-20 car sharing organisations
- 21-25 car sharing organisations
- >25 car sharing organisations



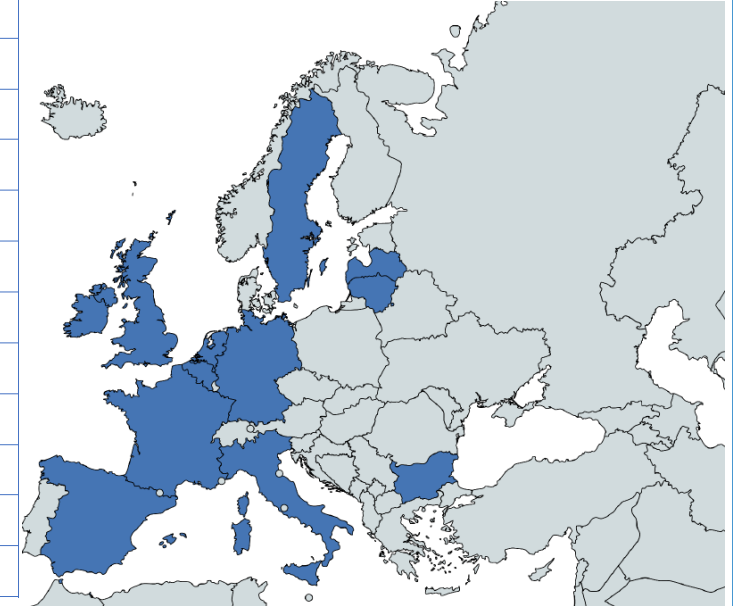
Seeking information such as operational characteristics, business model, shareholders, fleet consistency, pricing, reservation and opening technologies

In-depth research

Web survey to all car sharing organisations operating in selected cities

Country	City
Belgium	Antwerp, Brussels, Ghent
Bulgaria	Sofia
France	Paris
Germany	Berlin, Bremen, Cologne, Mannheim
Ireland	Dublin
Italy	Milan, Rome, Turin
Latvia	Riga
Lithuania	Vilnius
Netherlands	Amsterdam
United Kingdom	London
Spain	Barcelona, Madrid
Sweden	Göteborg

- ★ 12 countries
- ★ 20 cities
- ★ 56 operators



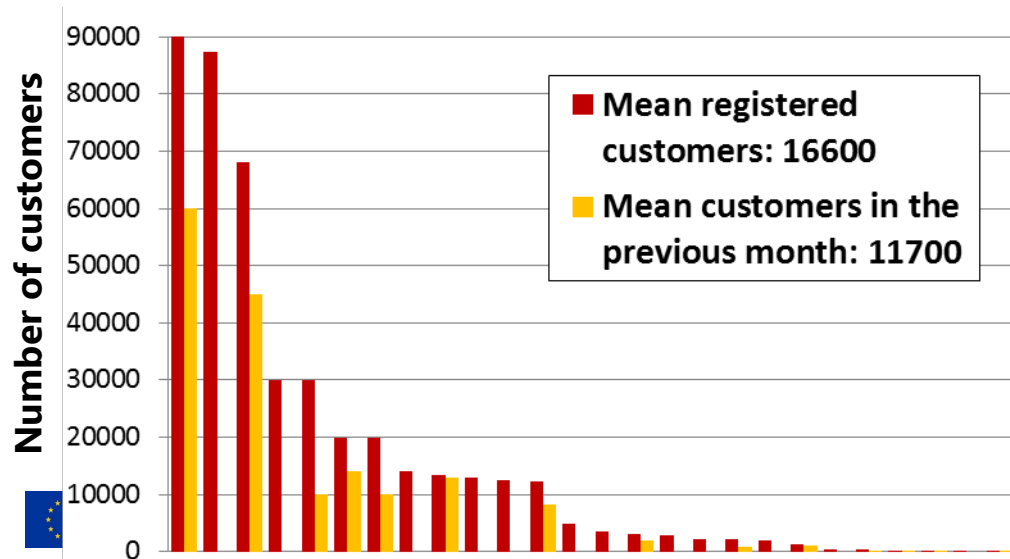
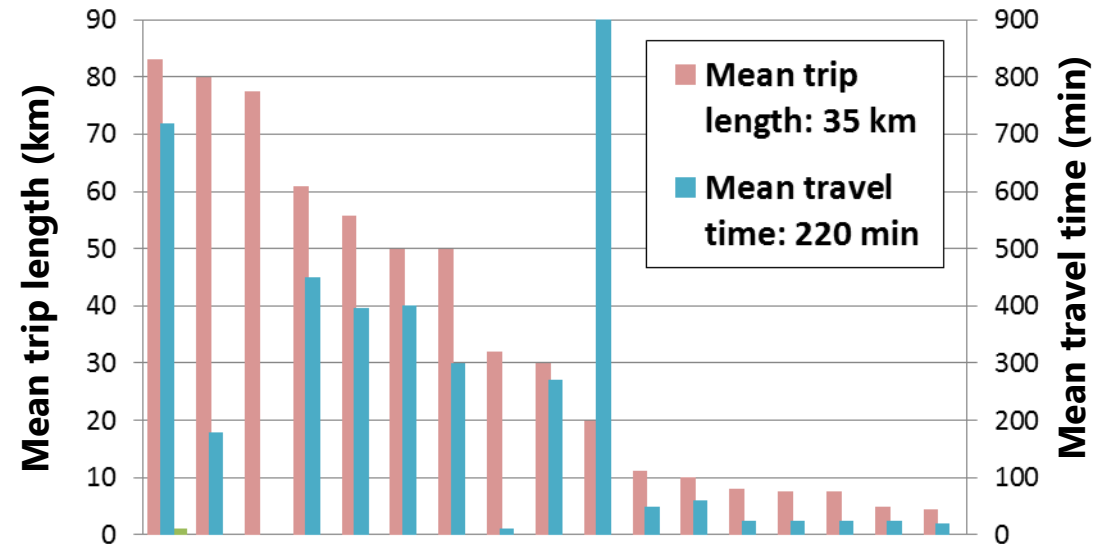
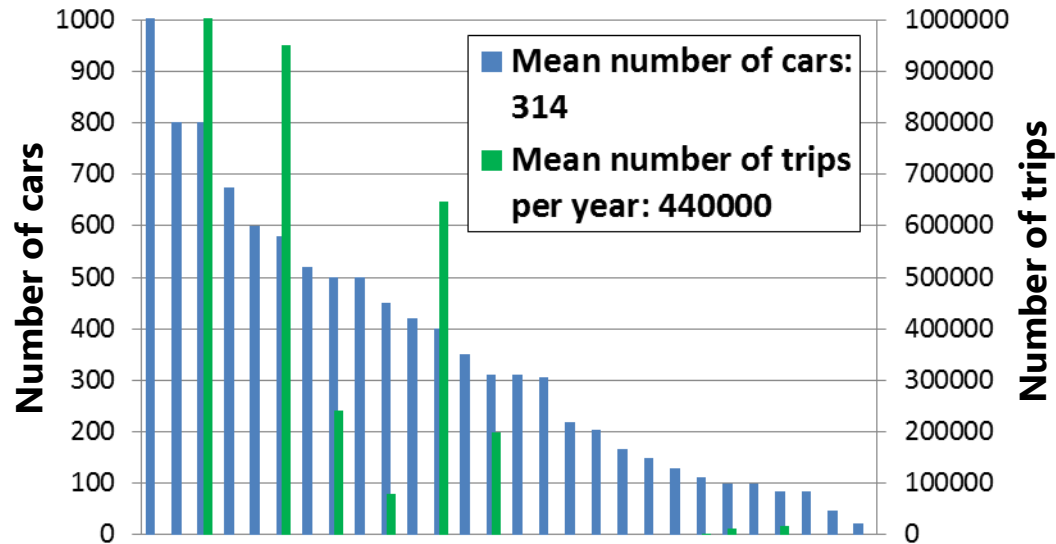
More specific information about each organisation, fleet composition, number of members, rental stats, future perspectives as well as other information collected in the desktop research



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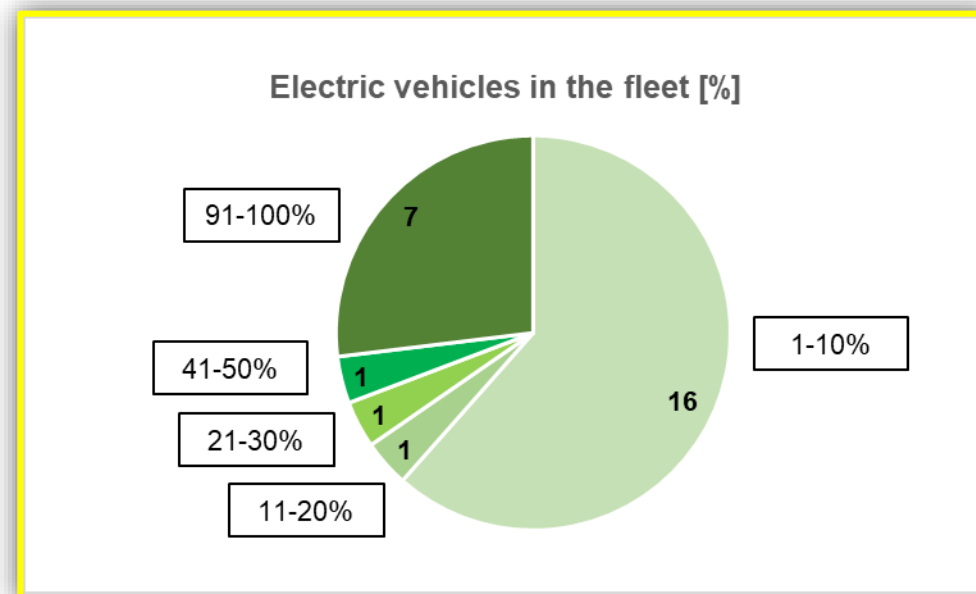
Car sharing at a glance: summary statistics



- ★ Number of annual trips per car: **1400**
- ★ Number of customers per car: **53**
- ★ Number of annual trips per customer: **26.4**
- ★ Ratio of active over registered customers: **70%**

Car sharing at glance: fleet composition

Engine technology	Number of operators adopting the technology	Frequency over the total sample
Petrol / gasoline	34	81%
Diesel	22	52%
LPG	2	5%
Hydrogen	0	-
Electric	26	62%
Hybrid	9	21%
Total sample	42	



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What summary statistics are hiding to us?



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Car sharing is not a univocal concept







- ★ **Operational characteristics:** roundtrip, free floating, stations, operational areas
- ★ **Juridical scheme of the operator:** corporation, company, association, cooperative; ownership can be public, private or mixed
- ★ **Business models:** for profit, no profit, fleet ownership scheme, competition versus cooperation with other transport services
- ★ **Dimensions:** fleet size and composition, number of registered customers, number of trips
- ★ **Rules for service use:** subscription process, reservation policies, vehicle opening technologies
- ★ **Pricing policies** for subscription and use of the service
- ★ ... and, last but not least, **local and environmental factors:** legal and regulatory framework, city policies, socioeconomic trends, cultural factors, performances of other transport modes...

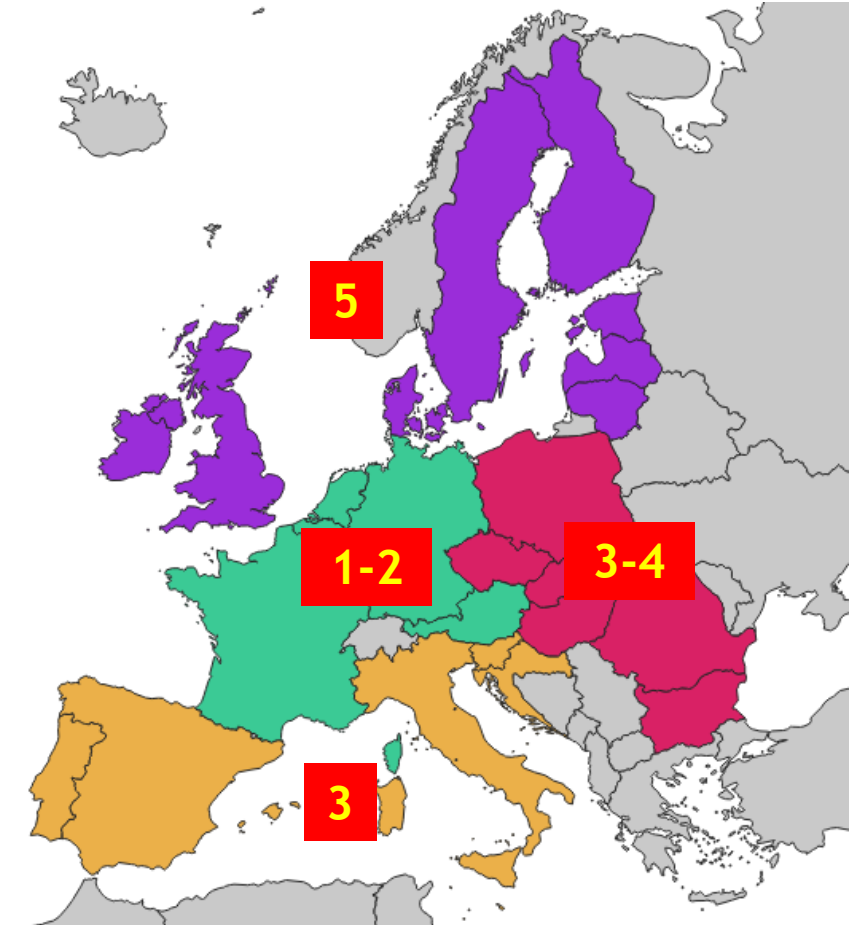


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Five different car sharing schemes

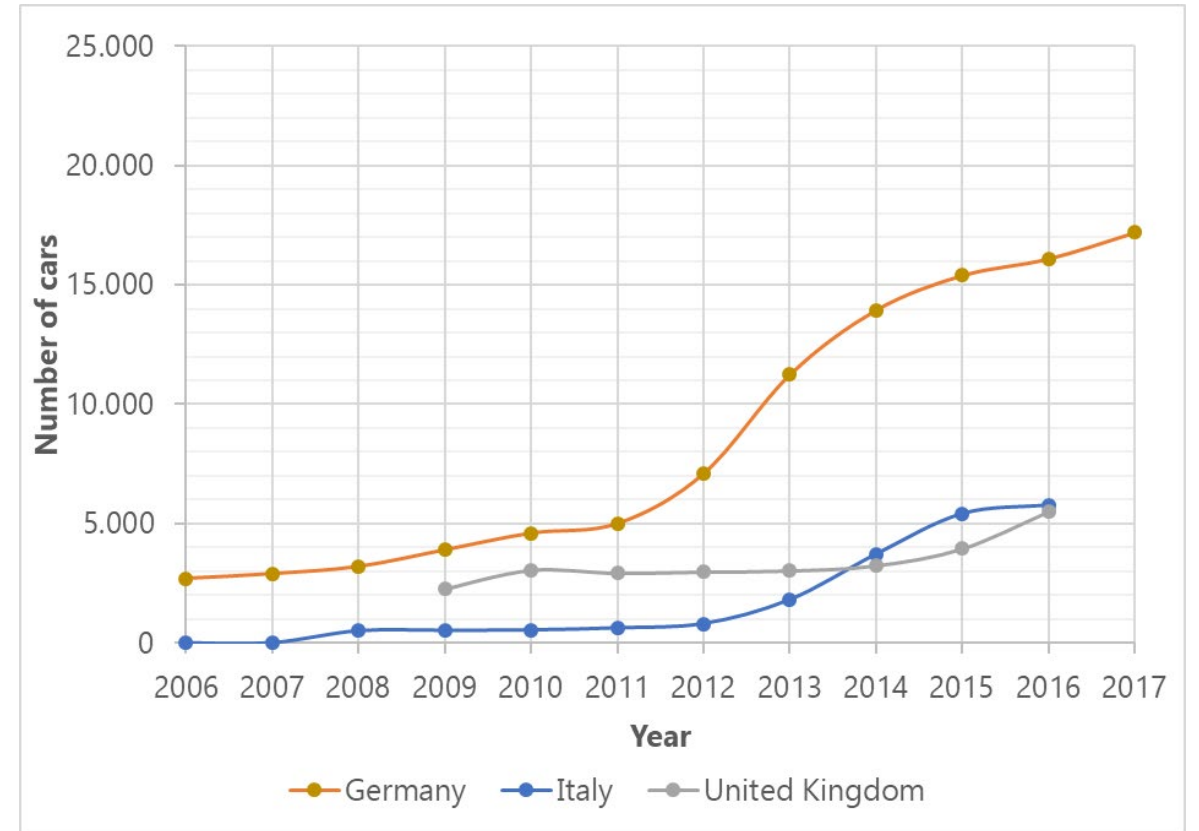
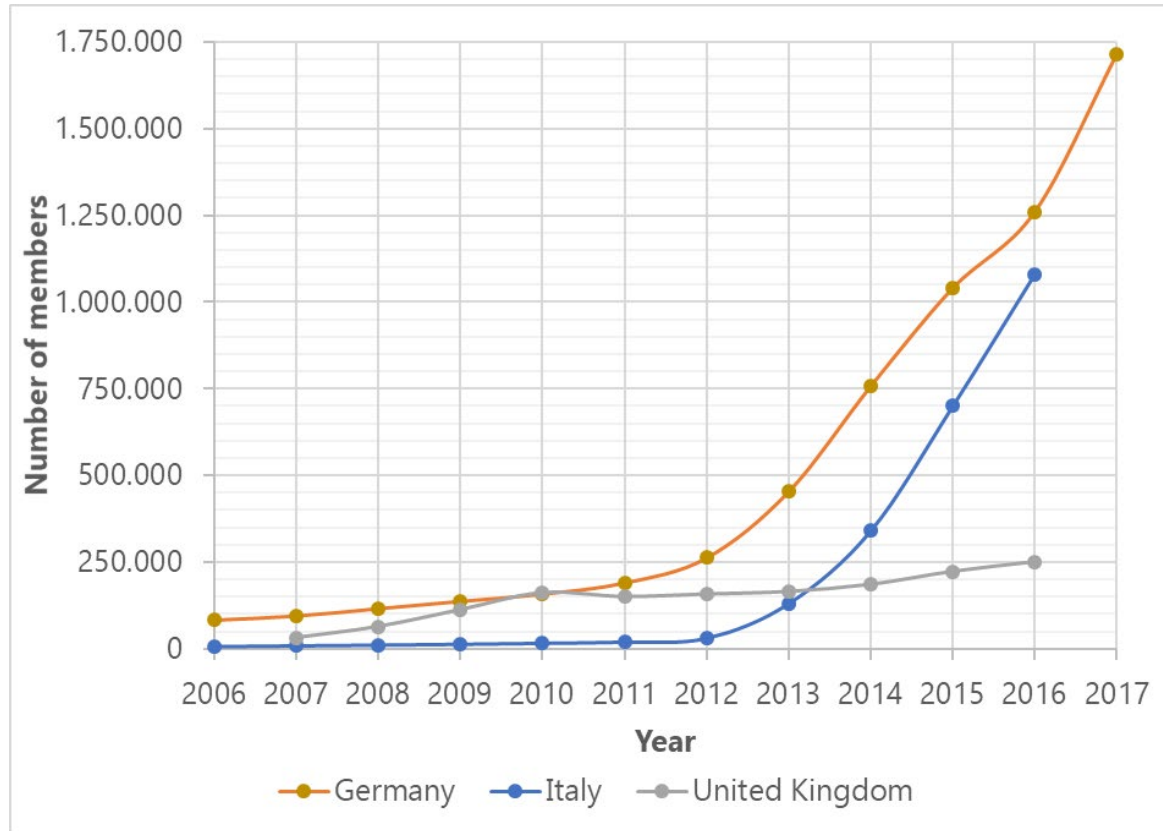
Category of car sharing		Business model		
		Car sharing providers with an own fleet	Peer-to-Peer car sharing	Car sharing among neighbours
Operational characteristics	Roundtrip station-based	 1 Roundtrip station-based		
	Roundtrip homezone-based	 2 Roundtrip homezone-based	  5 Peer-to-Peer car sharing	
	Free floating with an operational area	 3 Free floating with operational area		
	Free floating with pool stations	 4 Free floating with pool stations		



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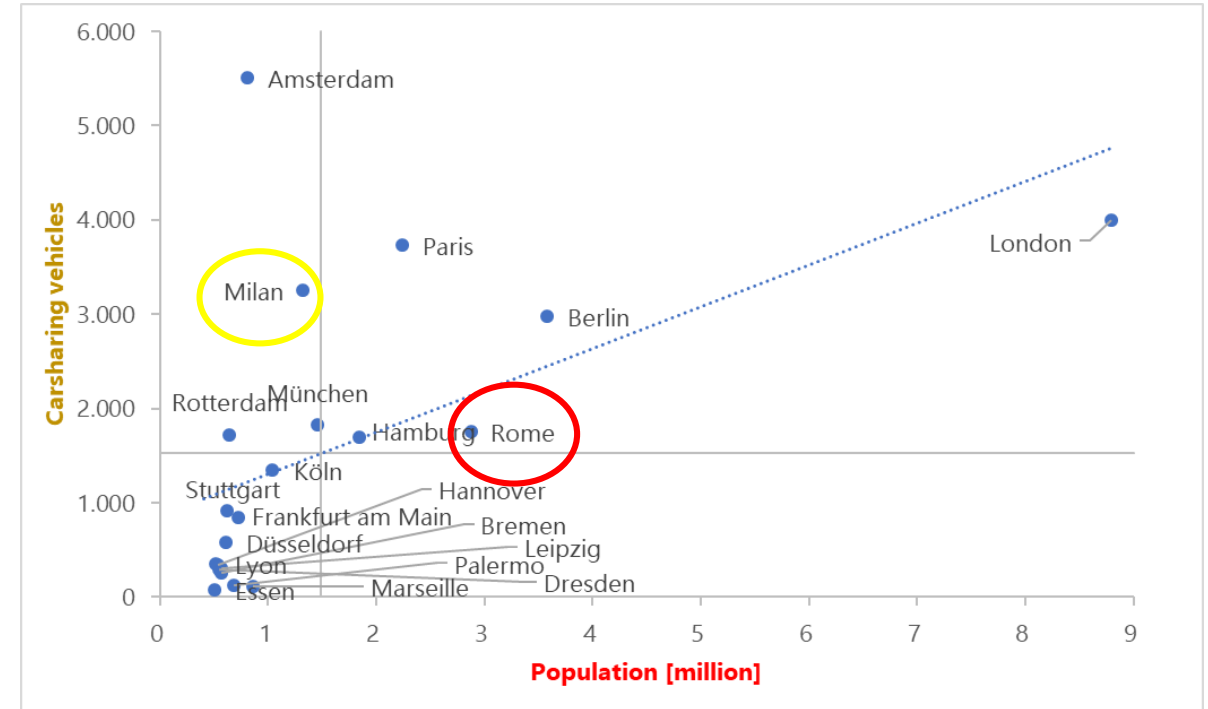
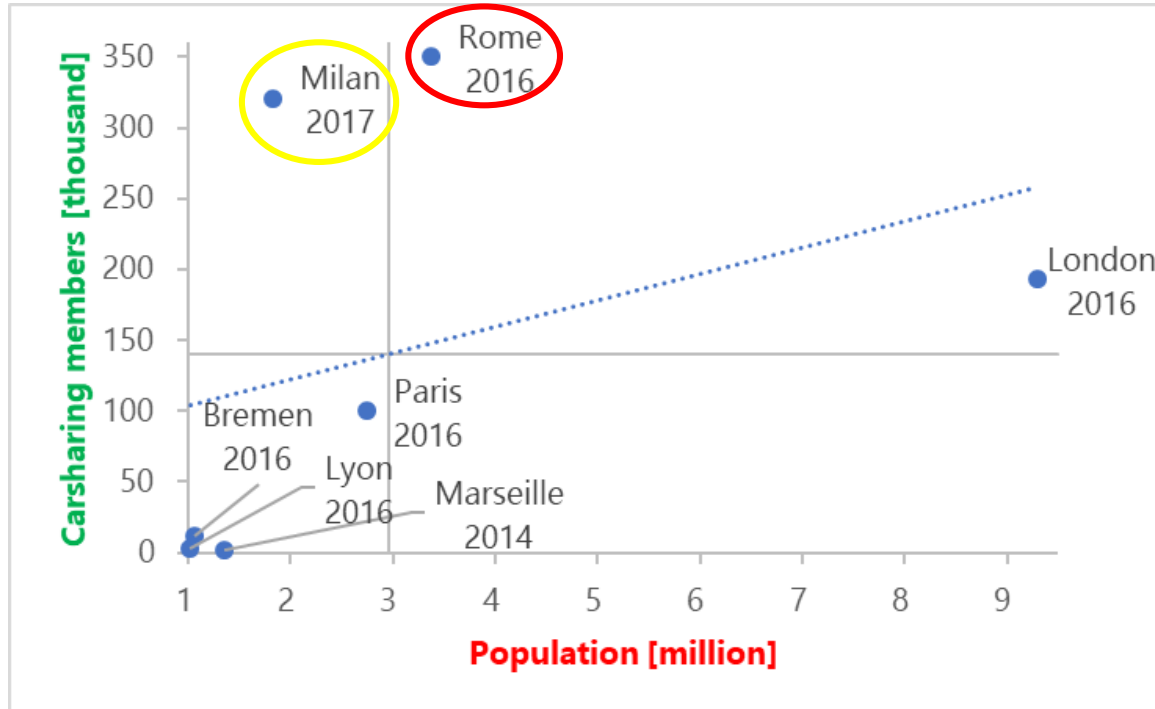
Differences among EU countries



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Differences among EU cities



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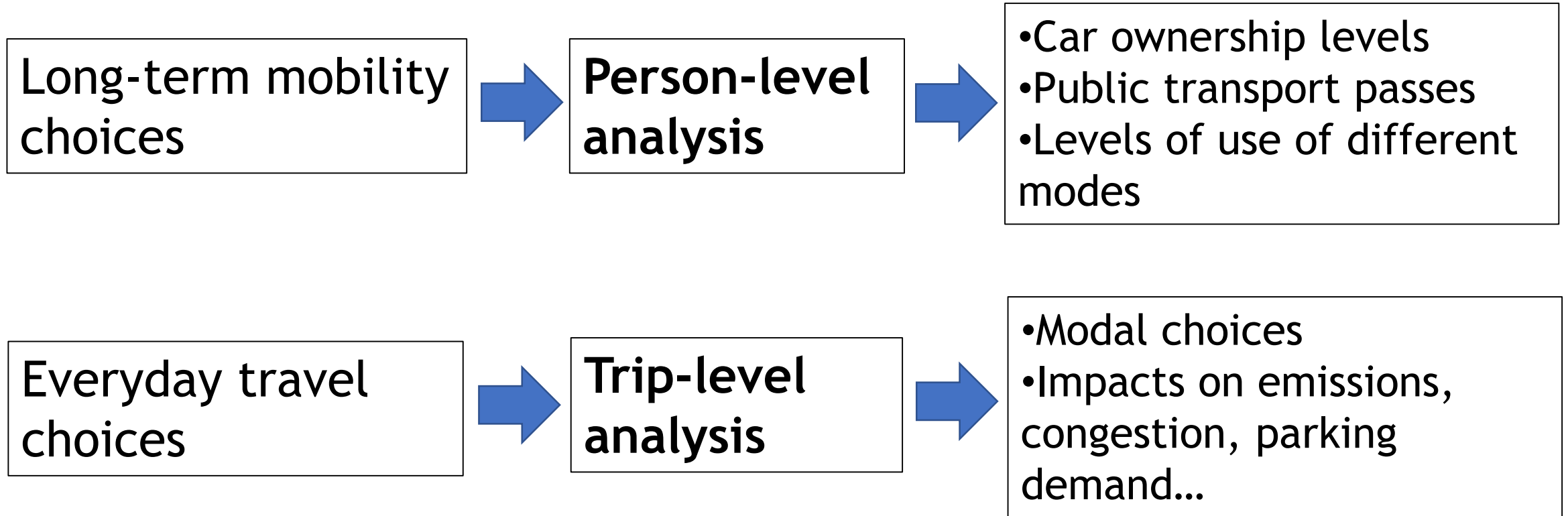
What are the impacts of car sharing?



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Long term and short term impacts



The future of car sharing from the operators' viewpoint

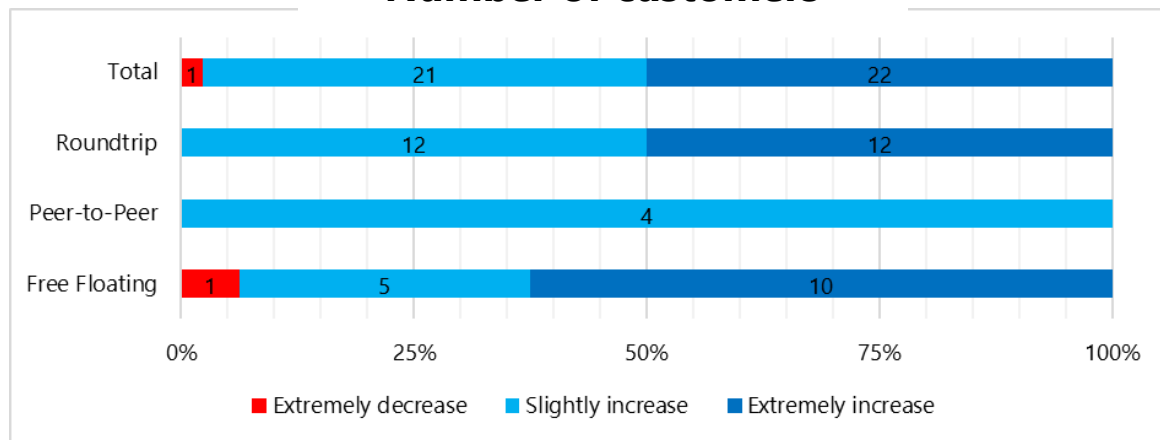


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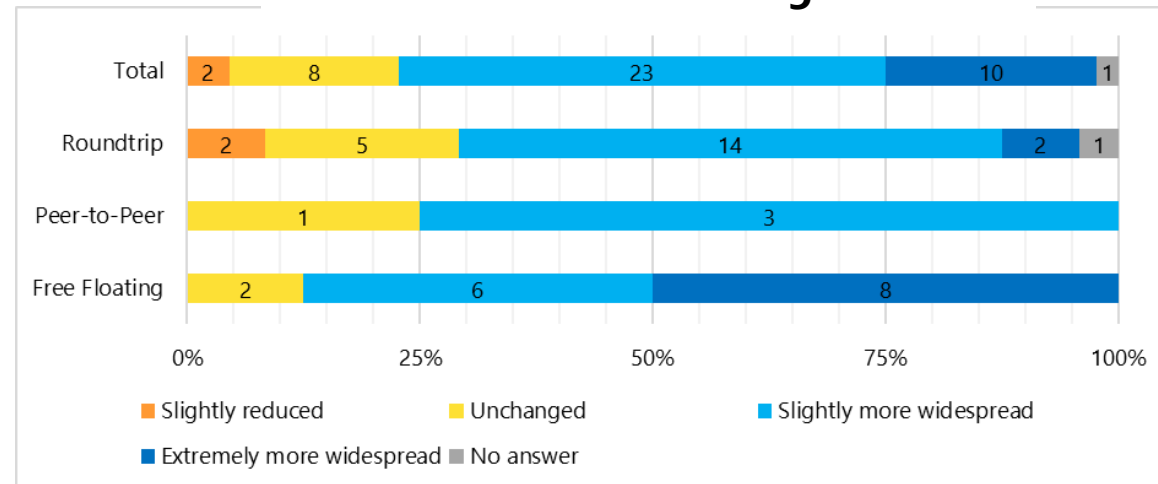


An outlook on the market trends

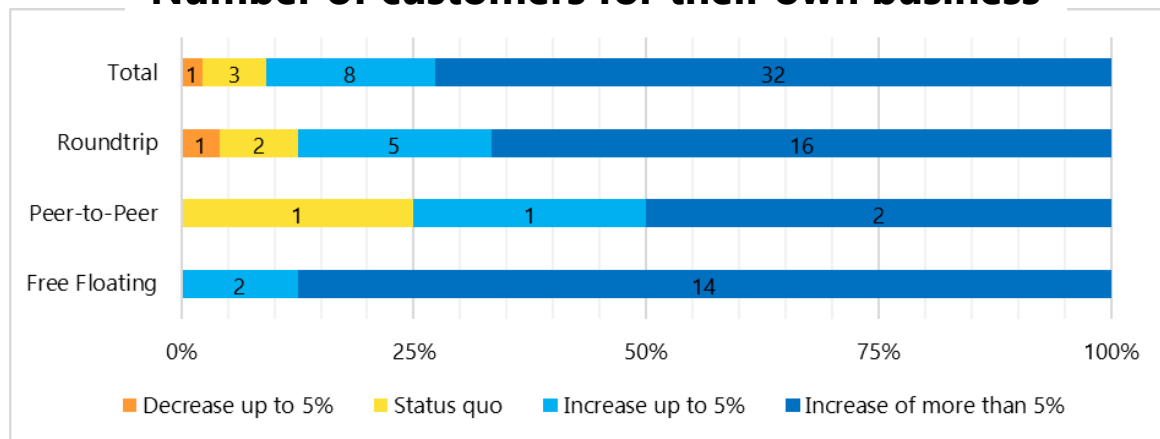
Number of customers



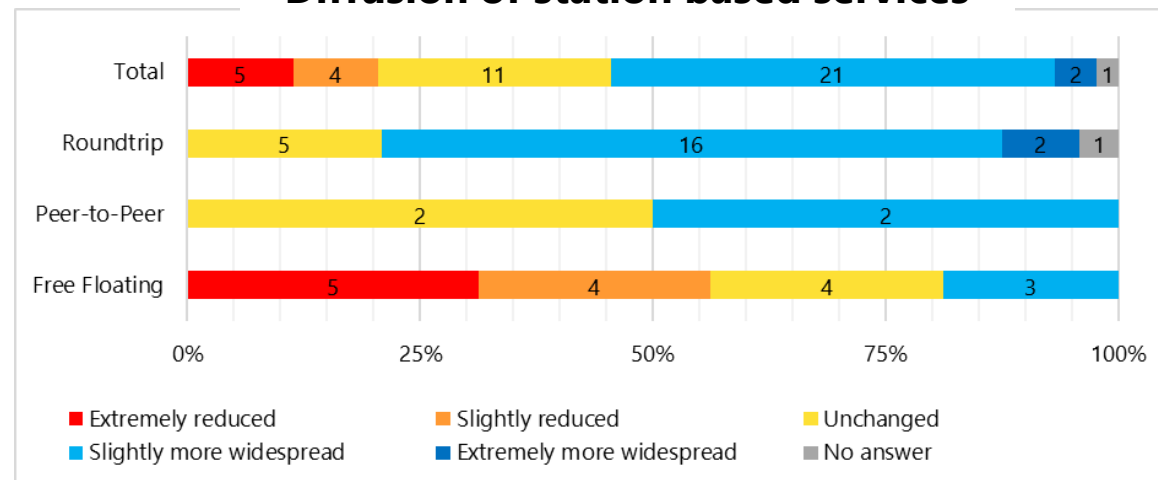
Diffusion of free floating services



Number of customers for their own business



Diffusion of station based services

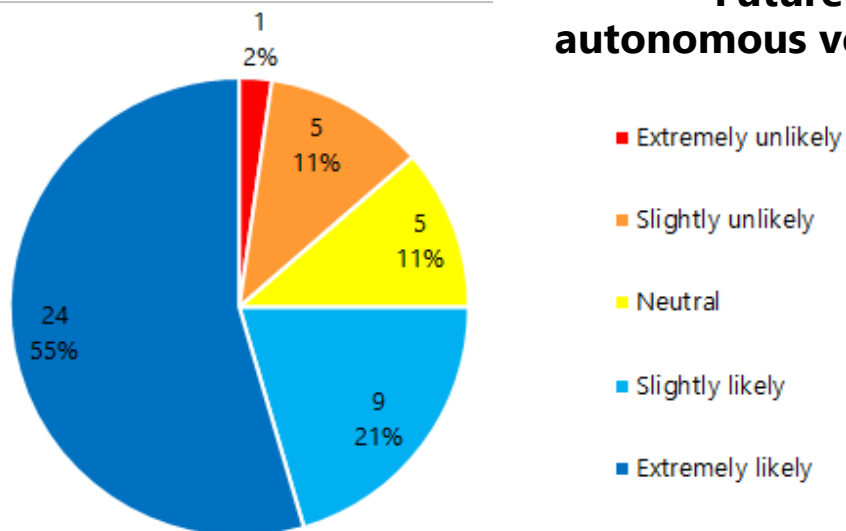


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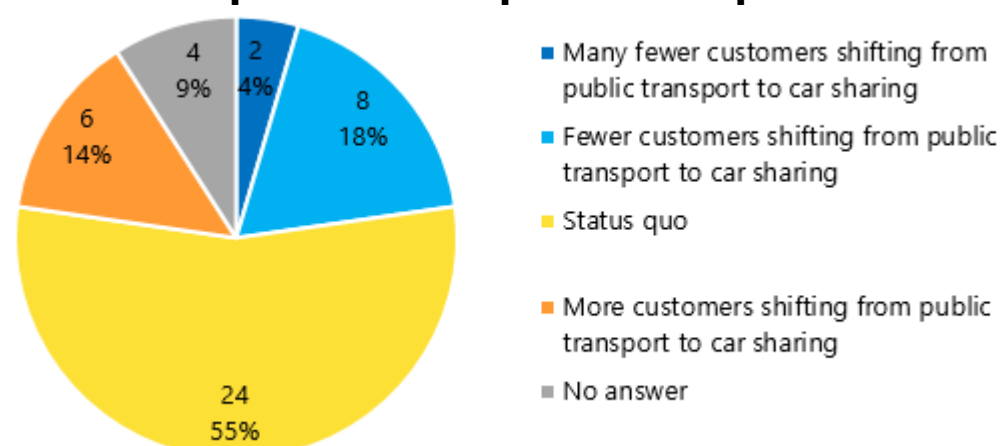


Tech innovation and competition with transit

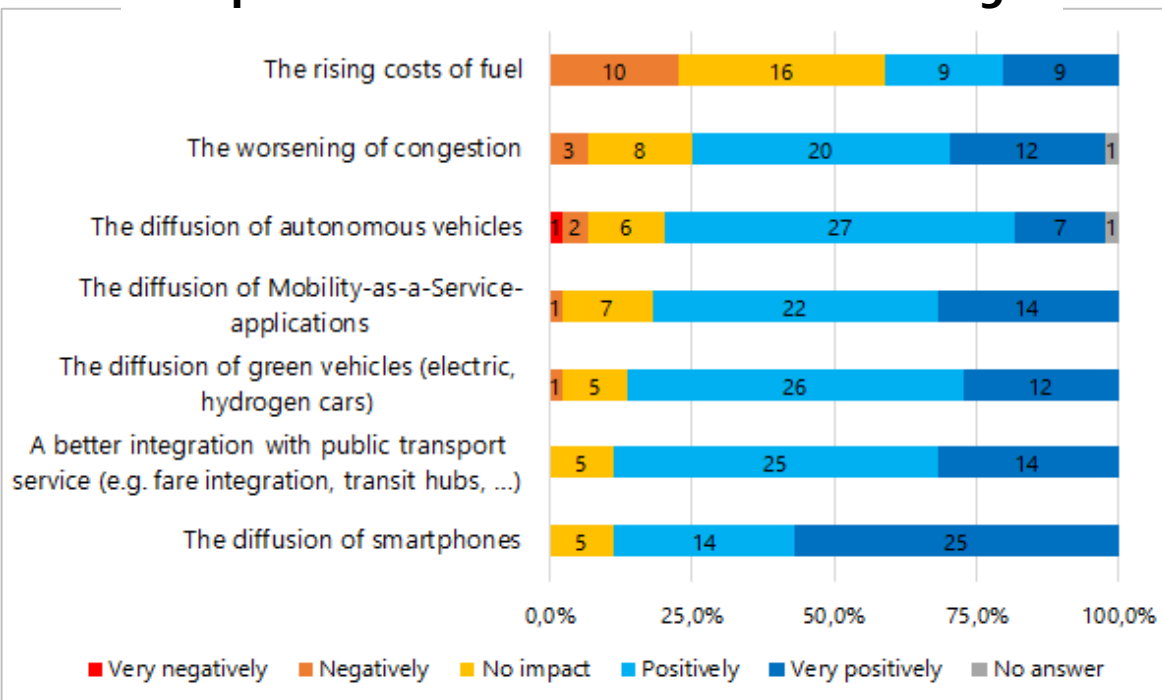
Future use of autonomous vehicles



Competition with public transport



Impact of different factors on car sharing



So... what?



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Conclusions from this introduction

1. **Uneven diffusion** of car sharing among countries and cities: local conditions matter!
2. **Growth potential** still good but it is unlikely that car sharing will become a massively used mode in current conditions (*numbers from the Italian case study*)
3. **Positive benefits** mainly from replacing private cars, or are there also short term benefits related to daily mobility choices? (*stay tuned for an answer...*)
4. **Different car sharing** schemes may have an appeal to different social groups and a different impact on car ownership and mobility choices:
 - a) *Free floating* is probably less beneficial regarding sharing impacts and modal substitution patterns BUT much more attractive to the «average driver» especially in car => **entry level in the car sharing world**
 - b) *Round trip* is more a niche for «pro-social» individuals BUT higher benefits for cities => an easy car rental scheme for discretionary trips out of the city that makes the **final push to get rid of cars**
 - c) *Peer to peer* even more emphasizing round trip characteristics



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Searching for the optimal “service mix”

Addiction to car ownership

Try out something new
and in fashion “on the
fly”, no obligation

*Free
floating
services*

... ready for the **BIG JUMP?**



Consolidate the use of
shared cars for short trips

Engage with different means
including public transport

Start planning to use car
sharing for longer trips

Realise that a personal car
is not so needed after all

*Station
based
services*

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STARS output



Entlastung Carsharing

Vergleichende Befragung Carsharing-Angebote

Stationsbasiertes Carsharing, Free Floater, Verkehrsverhalten

In den letzten Jahren sind einige Carsharing-Angebote entstanden, die sich von den traditionellen stationenbasierten Angeboten unterscheiden. Diese sind: Free Floater, bei dem die Fahrzeuge überall abgeholt und abgegeben werden können, und Free Floater mit Reservierung, bei dem die Fahrzeuge reserviert werden müssen, aber nicht an einer Station abgeholt werden müssen.

Willi Loose, Gunnar Nehrknecht

Verschiedene Studien haben die Vorteile von Carsharing für die Umwelt und die Wirtschaftlichkeit untersucht. Carsharing kann dazu beitragen, den Verkehr zu reduzieren und die Luftqualität zu verbessern. Außerdem kann Carsharing eine kostengünstige Alternative zum eigenen Auto sein.

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A multimodal perspective in the study of car sharing switching intentions

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ABSTRACT

The introduction of innovative mobility services such as car sharing leads to changes in users' travel habits, inducing a shift of travel demand from existing travel modes. An analysis of such changes should be performed to promote car sharing, managing travel demand effectively. Policies should be developed to induce the switch only from private modes, avoiding the shift from public transport and active modes. In order to reach this aim, data from a mobility survey carried out in Turin (Italy) were used to study choices. Decision Trees were adopted to complement the analysis following an econometric approach. A decision tree was estimated for each mode used by respondents in a specific trip, to identify trip attributes affecting the intention to switch to car sharing. Thus, threshold values of each variable that induce a shift are mode-specific, thus better informing policies aimed at maximizing the benefits of car sharing.

KEYWORDS

Shared preferences; travel surveys; travel demand; car sharing; SMOOT technique



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Car sharing in Europe

The growth of car sharing in a business as usual scenario



Introduction

After the introduction of car sharing, changes in travel habits of users are often reported (Clewlow 2016), both considering private and public transport modes. Potentially, car sharing has several advantages, including the reduction of car ownership (Becker, Curi, and Achermann 2018) and vehicle miles traveled (Martin and Shaheen 2016), which contribute to decrease carbon emissions and energy consumption (Martin and Shaheen 2016, 2011), the diffusion of electric vehicles (Spini et al. 2018) and an increase of the user's attitude to combine different travel means (Clewlow 2016). However, in order to take advantage of these positive aspects in a suitable and effective way, authorities have to carry out policies to promote car sharing, avoiding competition with existing sustainable modes (i.e. active modes and public transport) (Spini et al. 2018), but complementing them. Hence, policies should be targeted in order to shift travel demand from private modes to car sharing (Ceccato and Diana 2018). In order to reach this aim, this paper analyses factors affecting the choice to switch to car sharing, developing separate models for each currently adopted mode. In this way, the use of car sharing can be promoted or avoided by varying mode-specific factors.

Several authors identified variables affecting the choice to use car sharing, even if their effects varied according to the specific area of analysis. Concerning socio-economic variables of travelers, car sharing adopters tend to be young (Becker, Curi, and Achermann 2017a), with higher employment rate (Carrill, Gualfield, and Ahern 2017), more educated (Barghand and Dutschke 2019), living in households with higher income (Clewlow 2016) and fewer cars (Martin, Shaheen, and Lidicker 2017). Other authors also considered household size (Efthymiou, Antoniou, and Walldorf 2013) and composition (Kim, Razzouk, and Timmermans 2017), the number of owned bikes (Jachson et al. 2017), and spatial information, such as working location (Carrill, Gualfield, and Ahern 2017) and the presence of private parking near home (Ceccato and Diana 2018). Moreover, characteristics of a specific trip performed by car sharing were used: cost (Le Vine, Adamson, and Polak 2014), travel time and distance from the nearest vehicle (Becker, Curi, and Achermann 2017b), walking time to reach the car (Kim, Razzouk, and

Timmermans 2017), parking cost (Le Vine et al. 2014), cost (Achermann 2017b) and potential (Diana 2018). Finally, several travel habits, such as usage frequency (Timmermans 2017), public transport mode (Clewlow 2016), and non-automated awareness (Efthymiou 2017).

In this paper, we aim at studying the effect of a shift from a given mode to car sharing, compared to the absolute mode shift. To this end, we related to trip attributes were used and cost of car sharing trips, to manage them, in order to promote car sharing. In particular, interventions to reduce the cost of car sharing, for example, by giving free access to car sharing, can be implemented. Moreover, the walking time to reach the car can be reduced by providing a large number of parking spaces. Policy makers can also influence financial support (subsidies or tax breaks) (Louvot 2019). The related research shows that the extent to which car sharing induces a switch, on the one hand, is not consistent, since the effects are not consistent across different studies. On the other hand, the effects are not consistent across different studies. On the one hand, the effects are not consistent across different studies. On the other hand, the effects are not consistent across different studies.

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CAR SHARING IN EUROPE

How social, cultural and emotional factors influence users and non-users of car sharing



CONTEXT

Say, there is an urgent demand to reduce pollution in cities, especially by limiting the negative impacts of transportation on the environment (bad air quality, noise, reduced urban areas, traffic congestion...). Car sharing appears as a sustainable solution to tackle the rate change in urban areas.

The H2020 STARS project aims to analyse the car sharing market, measure the benefits of different services and compare their costs, as well as study user profiles and behaviour.

In October 2017, STARS brings together experts in the fields of transport engineering, environmental psychology, and industrial economics. Their work will serve as a basis to design and distribute a policy toolkit that will include guidelines and recommendations to implement the best car sharing services in Europe, maximising environmental and social benefits while making cities better and more affordable places to live in.

This factsheet presents the results of two reports produced by the STARS project: D 4.1 - "Influence of socioeconomic factors in the diffusion of car sharing" and D 4.2 - "Mobility surveys and mobility styles", and addresses "how social, cultural and emotional factors influence users and non-users of car sharing". The reports are based on studies conducted in countries (Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Spain, Sweden) by Autodelen, BCS, General Motors, ICLEI, Politecnico di Torino, and the University of Gothenburg.



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10 Recommendations to Help Policymakers Implement Car Sharing in Europe



Car sharing in Europe: a Multidimensional Classification & Inventory

As the results of the STARS Deliverable 2.1, the following five types of car sharing have been identified in Europe.

Strip station-based: bringing back a shared vehicle to the same location.

Strip homezone-based: bringing back a shared vehicle to the same neighbourhood.

Floating with pool stations: a shared vehicle can be returned at spots, but always in a dedicated car sharing hub/station.

Floating with an operational area: a shared vehicle can be left at any place in an operational area.

Peer-to-peer car sharing: shared vehicles among private drivers, either as community groups or peer-to-peer.



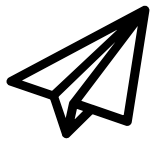
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