

Should governments spend more money on improving roads and highways, or should governments spend more money on improving public transportation (buses, trains, subways)? Why? Use specific reasons and details to develop your essay.

People hold varying opinions as to how the governmental monetary resources should be allocated for the transportation purposes. Whereas some argue that the greater proportion of budget should put on public transport, it seems to me that the road and highway improvement is more crucial.

On the one hand, there are several reasons why the public transport needs to be improved. Firstly, a greater number of citizens are using them. Owning and maintaining a personal car, ordinarily, involve a wide variety of extortionate costs such as gas, insurance, to name just a few. Considering these expenditures, far more people would rather commute to work and travel around with cheaper options like buses, tubes, or trains. Moreover, the traffic congestion in megacities, in which usually overrun by cars, has been a source of frustration for both city councils and residents. By developing a well-integrated and reliable public transport system, not only do more people feel satisfied, but also authorities would have less seemingly insurmountable consequences such as pollution to deal with.

On the other hand, it is even more important for the government not to overlook the central role of infrastructures like roads and highways. For many less populated rural cities, highways are considered the only option for both travelling to big cities and going around in their own cities. Furthermore, the majority of agriculture produces are either farmed or bred in these areas, and they need to be transferred to big cities on a daily basis. Clearly, the whole process would not smoothly operate, unless the government invests sufficient money in highways development. Last but not least, constant safety checks of the current roads is a matter of importance. The safer the roads became, the less accidents we would have; as a result, we would witness less human toll on roads.

In conclusion, although I understand the importance of a well-designed public transport system in big cities, I am holding on to the view that the roads and highways improvement would be of more benefit to the populace.