

Car ownership has increased so rapidly over the past thirty years that many cities in the world are now "one big traffic jam".

How true do you think this statement is?

What measures can government take to discourage people from using their cars?

Nowadays many people have their own cars and ownership of the car has been growing over the past thirty years. In the years since then, many cities have become huge, bustling metropolises and as a result, traffic is the biggest problem they have encountered. Traffic jams in the cities would be solved as long as the people were discouraged from using their own cars by the government and it can be discussed in the following lines.

First of all, before any action, the government should develop public transportation which is the main solution for the traffic jams in the big cities. The public facilities should be accessible and useful for all individuals such as the elderly and disabled people. Also, public transportation should be expanded in whole parts of the cities and anyone has-should have access to at least one mode of transporting such as the bus, the metro ~~station-in-the~~ near ~~of~~ their living location. It is obvious, if proper public transportation is available, people will prefer it instead of getting stuck in the terrible traffic.

After public transportation, the government can focus on imposing taxes and also fuel pricing policies to combat the traffic problem. Charging more tax on the car ownership can make it more expensive. It normally causes the people will-to be less encouraged to buy their own car and using public transportation will become more economical. Also, an increase in the price of fuel generally has the same effect on the motivation of people to use their own car. In this case, the government can promote car-sharing, which is using only one car to convey some people at the same time, that can reduce the traffic problems and minimize/decrease private transport use/using of their own cars.

In conclusion, by growing the car ownership, traffic jams becomes ~~the-a~~ hideous problem in the big cities. It is on the government to enhance the public awareness of the advantages of public transportation instead of using their own cars. The government can encourage people not to use their own cars by some measures such as imposing tax on ~~the~~ car ownership, increase fuel price, development of public transportation and promote ~~people-to-share-their-cars~~ car pooling.