

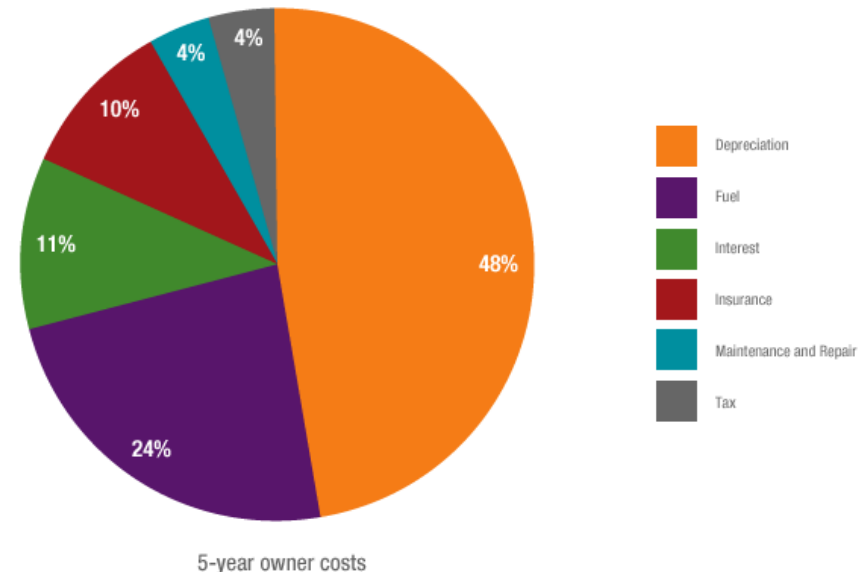
# Keeping Transportation Affordable



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# Affordability and Gasoline Costs

- According to Consumer Reports, about 24 percent of the costs of owning a vehicle over five years are due to overall fuel costs
- Gas prices most affected by world oil market
- Gas taxes have unclear effect (if any) on overall prices
- State and federal gas taxes combined are on average about \$215 per vehicle per year



# State Responses to High Gas Prices



- Relevant state policy actions include:
  - Price gouging laws
  - Requiring notice before price increases
  - Caps on gasoline prices
  - Gas tax caps, reductions or holidays
  - Gas tax credits

# Toll Credits



- In 2013, at least Indiana and New Jersey considered legislation that would provide an income tax credit for payment of specified tolls



# Affordability: Housing Near Transit

## Massachusetts

- Transit-Oriented Development Program
- Awarded \$50 million in grants





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**Access and Mobility Resources**

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