Transition to Electric Cars: Importance of Charging Information

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Q1 Electric Vehicles (EVs) emerges as a Solution

KONA Electric Vehicle

KONA Gasoline Vehicle

	43.00~46.50 million won	Purchase price	18.95~24.25 million won	
	400km	Driving distance	640km	110
	204PS/150kW	Max. output	177PS/5,500Rpm	
Second AACH	40.3kgf⋅m/395N⋅m	Max. torque	27.0Kgm	Kond
	1,570,000won	Fuel cost/year*	160,000won	

*Annual driving distance: 13,724km/year , Ref: Ministry of Environment (ev.or.kr/portal/chargerfee?pMENUMST_ID=21629)



Source : Bloomberg, NEW ENERGY FINANCE

Q2 Jeju Island as a Living Lab





Source : www.sdistory.com

Carbon Free Island Jeju by 2030

Q3 Incentives for EVs in Jeju island

Incentives for EV owners (On Jeju Island as of 2015)

	Division		Description	Incentive for EV	Incentive Provider
	Individual consumption tax (a)	•	5% of vehicle factory price	Max. 2 million KRW reduction	National government
	Education tax (b)	•	30% of (a)	Max. 0.6 million KRW reduction	National government
Tax	Acquisition tax	•	7% of [vehicle factory price + (a) + (b)]	Max. 1.4 million KRW reduction	National government
incentives	Public bond	•	9~20% of [vehicle factory price + (a) + (b)]	Max. 0.2 million KRW reduction	National government
	Annual vehicle tax (c)	•	80~200 KRW/cc	Credit of 10 million KRW	National government
	Annual education tax	ual education tax · 30% o	30% of (c)	Charged 3 million KRW**	National government
	Public parking lot fee	•	5 thousand~10 thousand KRW per day	Exempt	Local government
	In-home charger installation fee	•	Supports for EV wall charger installation cost	Max. 6 million KRW reduction	National and Local government
Other	EV purchase subsidy	•	Supports up to 50% of the price difference between EVs and ICEVs	Max. 22 million KRW reduction	National and Local government
incentives	Battery warranty	•	Battery warranty period varies by automobile company	Max. 14 million km	Automobile company
	Refueling /Charge cost	•	A different rate is charged depending on the charging tim e and season of the year (e.g., light load in summer: 57.6 KRW/kwh, maximum load in winter: 190.8 KRW/kwh)	EV rate system	National government

* 1.1 thousand Korean won (KRW) is equivalent for 1 US dollar in 2017 ** The same amount of tax is charged regardless of the vehicle type

Q4 Promotion of Electric Vehicles

Increasing market share of EVs

Electric Vehicles in South Korea



Source : MOLIT Statistics

Electric Vehicles in Jeju Island



Source : Jeju EV Monthly Report

Q5 Range Anxiety Still Exists

Range Anxiety

Worry on the part of a person driving an EV that the battery will run out of power before the destination or a suitable charging point is reached

	Desired EV range (%)	Average miles driven per day (%)	Distance/range (km)
37.2	1.1	70.1	Less than 40km
	1.1	21.9	41 - 80km
	9.7	5.8	81 - 120km
Average miles dr	88.1	2.2	120km over



• Willingness to purchase an electric vehicle when its range is below the expectation



06 Users Complain Charging Inconvenience

• 1.39 vehicles per charger in Jeju island (6.6 chargers/km²) but...

EV users still complain about charging (83% of total complaints)



Q7 User Satisfaction Shows...

- Charging Time
 - is the greatest negative factor when people purchase EVs.
 - EV customers are willing to pay about 400 USD for every 1 minute saving during

their ownership.

• Source: Kwon, Y., Son, S., & Jang, K. (2018). Evaluation of incentive policies for electric vehicles: An experimental study on Jeju Island. Transportation Research Part A: Policy and Practice, 116, 404–412

Charging Satisfaction

- is a key factor to re-purchase or recommendation
- If EV owners satisfy their charging experiences, their overall satisfaction about
 - EVs also enhances.
 - Source: Kwon, Y., Son, S., & Jang, K. (2020). User satisfaction with battery electric vehicles in South Korea. Transportation Research Part D: Transport and Environment, 82



Why are EV users dissatisfied with charging?

Q8 What We Have Learned...

Concentrated Charging Demand

- 20% of public charging stations supply 63% of charging demand.
- Queues for charging often form.

- Installing private chargers is more difficult in city areas.
 - Fewer single-family housing in urban areas.







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Q9 What We Have Learned...

• Need for Better Use of (Slow) Private Chargers

- Many private chargers were distributed but a single vehicle can use

 \rightarrow Policy to share the use of private EV chargers.

Better Information on Charging Availability is Essential

- A large portion of complaints are about the location and availability of chargers.





10 What We Have Learned...

Diversify Electrification Strategy

- Substitute 20% of ICEVs for EVs = Hybridize 20% of Powertrain
- Hybrid EVs may be a realistic solution for now.



Source: https://www.consumer.org.nz/articles/a-guide-to-electric-vehicles

• Transition to Clean(er) Cars is Sluggish \rightarrow Need Diversification.



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