

TRANSPORT PRICING POLICY IN HONG KONG

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Abstract

Over the last decades, many cities have experienced a rapid increase in automobile as a result of continuous population growth and pursuing better quality of living. Vehicle growth and limited space of cities bring a problem of traffic congestion. In coping with this problem, various traffic management measures are being applied worldwide. Transport pricing policies are demand management measures of transportation system to reduce traffic congestion. Like many other cities, Hong Kong is also applying various transport pricing policies for relieving congestion resulted from a steady vehicle growth. Present paper aims to explain different forms and the impacts of transport pricing techniques in Hong Kong. So, the main aim of this paper is to explore the impacts of transport pricing techniques in Hong Kong. Literature review and case study are the main source of information of this study. In this paper, after introductory section, some international experiences of transport pricing policy are described and after that various transport pricing policies in Hong Kong presented. After describing various transport pricing policies in Hong Kong their impacts are asserted. This paper ends with a concluding remarks of Electronic Road Pricing (ERP) can be an effective solution for long term success but the government need to do adequate campaigns to gain the public support in favor of ERP.

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