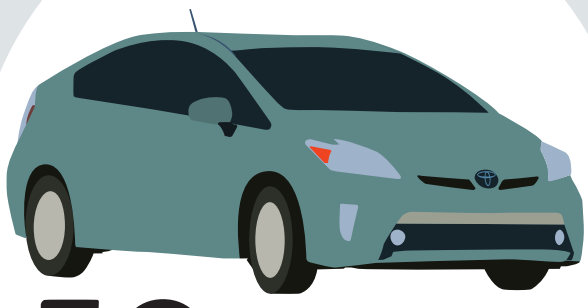
How does the road usage charge compare with paying the fuel tax?

Let's take a look!

We compared these two models:

2014 Toyota Prius



50 mpg
combined fuel economy

2014 Ford F-150

18 mpg
combined fuel economy

The average Oregonian drives **12,962** miles each year.
The average price of gas in Oregon (including tax) is **$2.131***

*as of Jan. 27, 2015, based on www.oregongasprices.com

Amount of fuel used annually:

259.24 gallons

720.11 gallons

Total costs with fuel tax:

$552.44
Includes $77.77 state fuel tax

$1,534.55
Includes $216.03 state fuel tax

Total costs with road usage charge:

$669.10
Includes $194.43 road usage charge

$1,512.95
Includes $194.43 road usage charge

Difference: +$116.66

The owner of the Prius pays a little more in road usage charge — $9.72 per month — which is offset by significant savings in fuel, using 460.87 gallons less per year.

Difference: -$21.60

If enrolled in the Road Usage Charge Program, the owner of the F-150 would earn a rebate of $1.80 per month because fuels tax paid at the pump exceeds the road usage charge.

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Sources: Oregon Department of Transportation, DHM Research, www.toyota.com, www.fueleconomy.com

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