Electric Cars: Easier and Cheaper Than You Think

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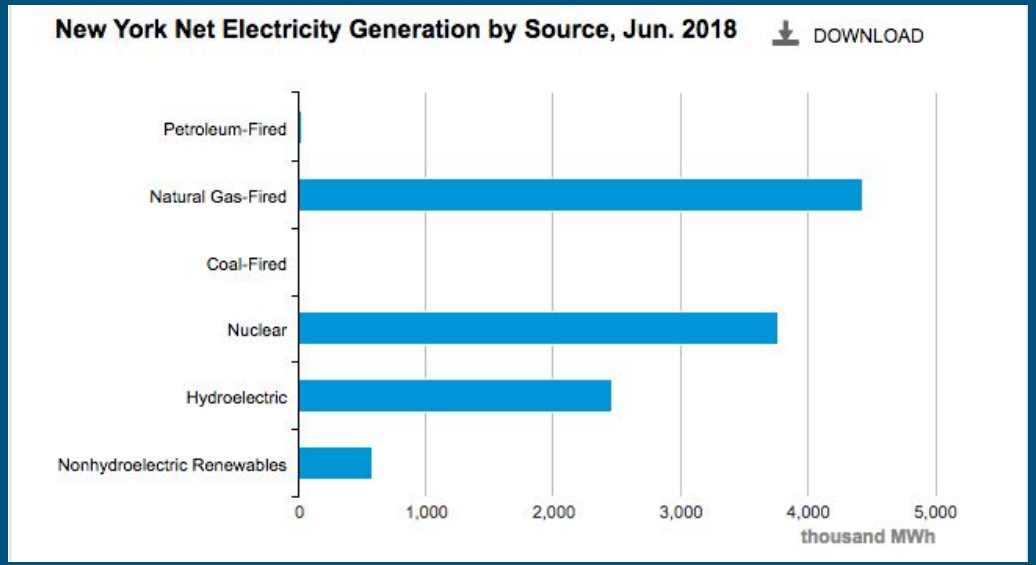
Egallon

- the cost of fueling a vehicle with electricity compared to a similar vehicle that runs on gasoline.
- On average, it costs about half as much to drive an electric vehicle.
- https://www.energy.gov/maps/egallon

Carbon Footprint

- https://www.ucsusa.org/clean-vehicles/electric-vehicles/ev-emissions-tool#.W6a06-hKg2w
- A life cycle analysis of EVs
  - manufacturing
  - operation
  - disposal/recycling



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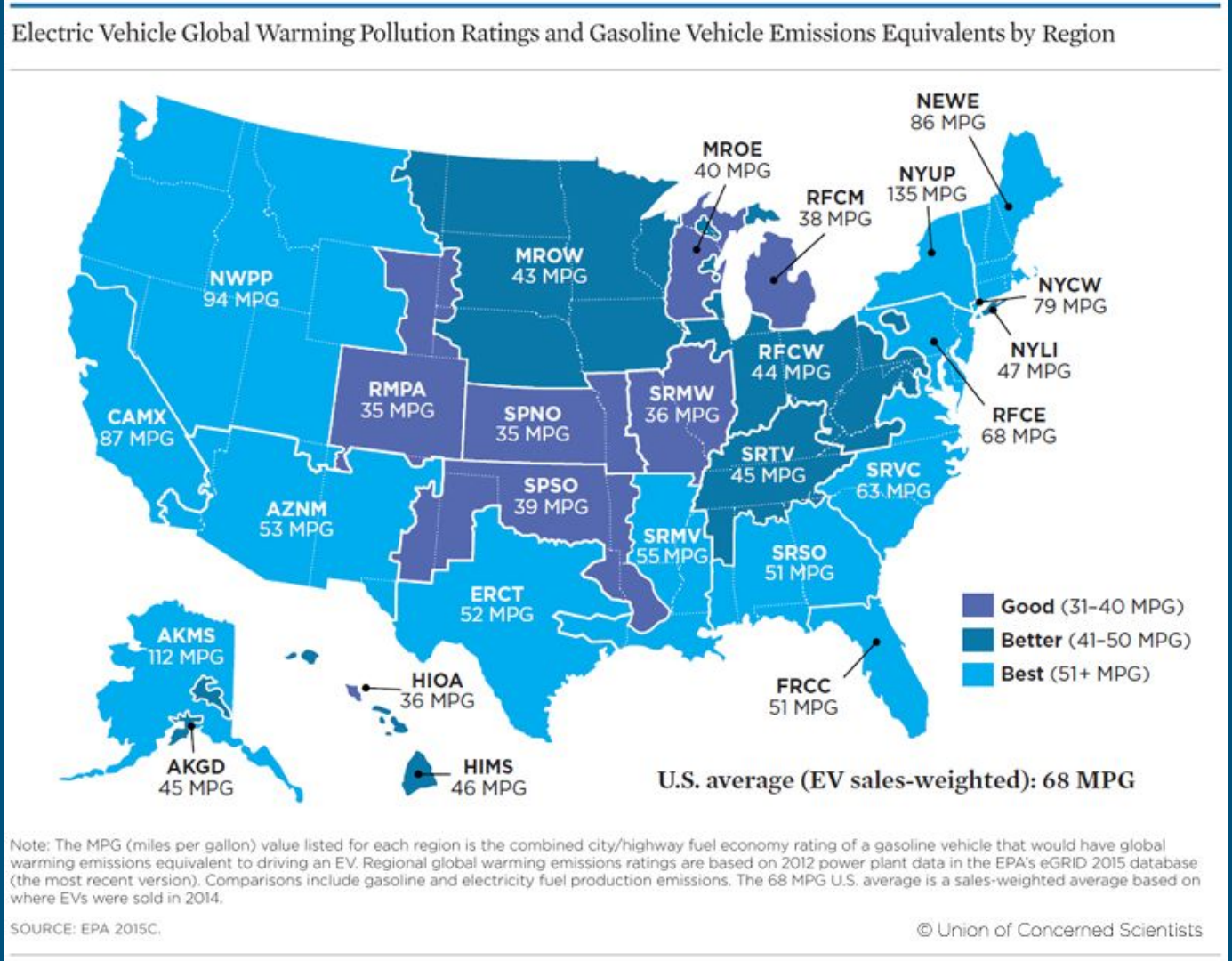
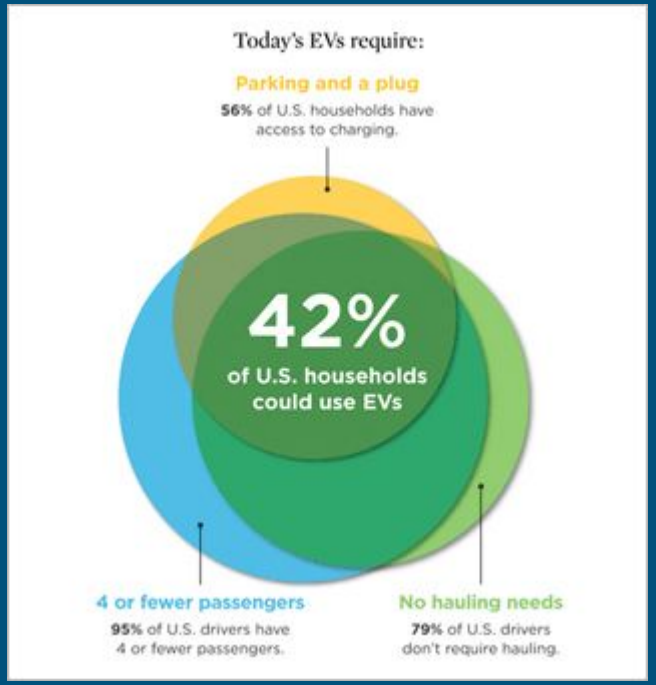
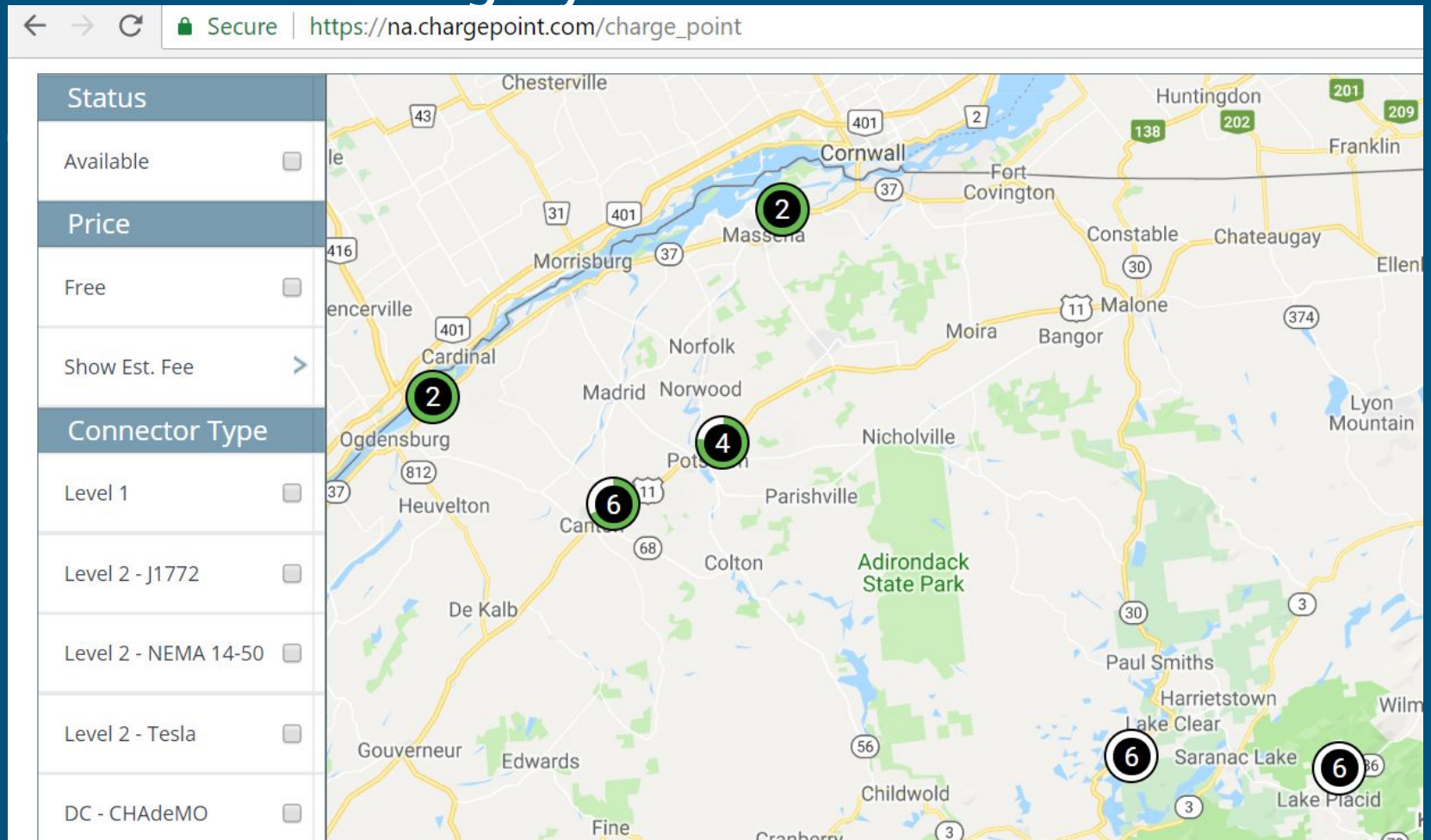
- as electricity becomes cleaner (which it is), the difference between electric cars and gasoline cars will only grow



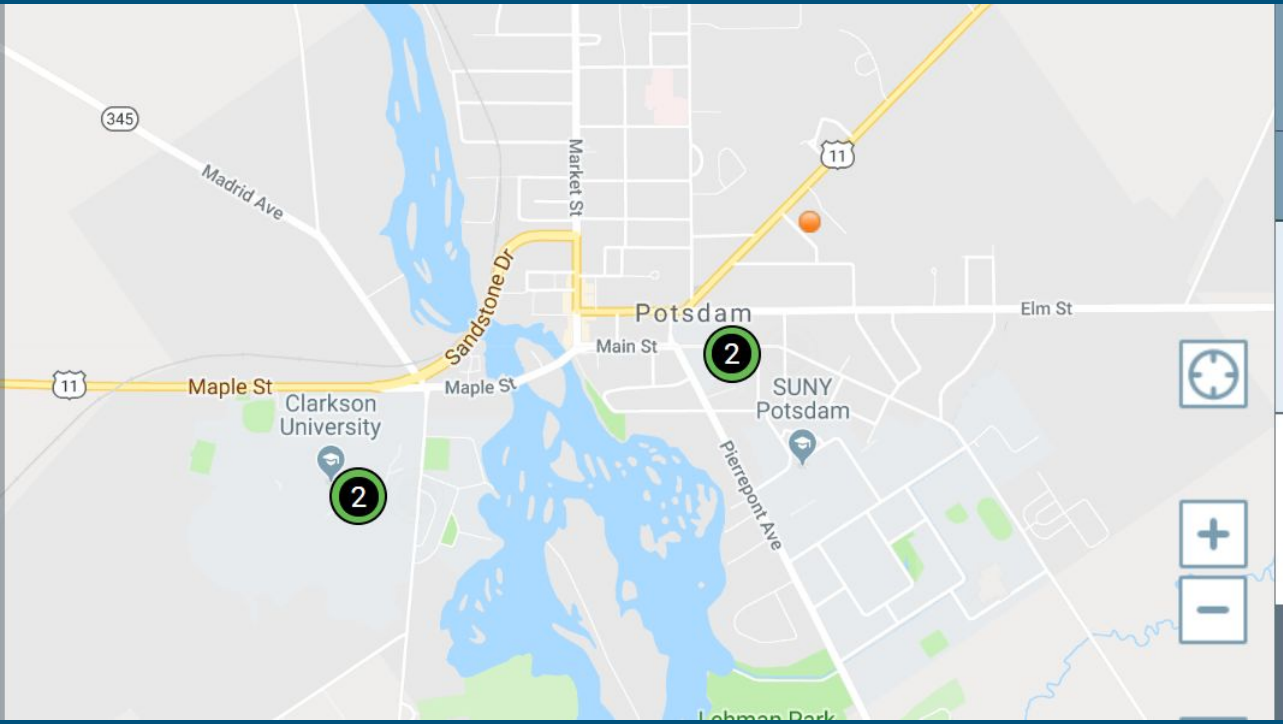
Is it for you? (as of 2015)

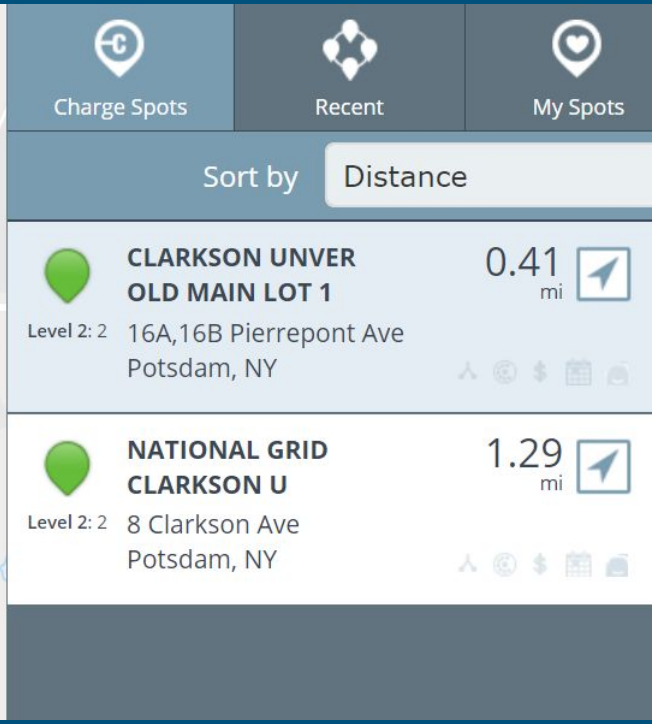


Where to charge your car in the North Country

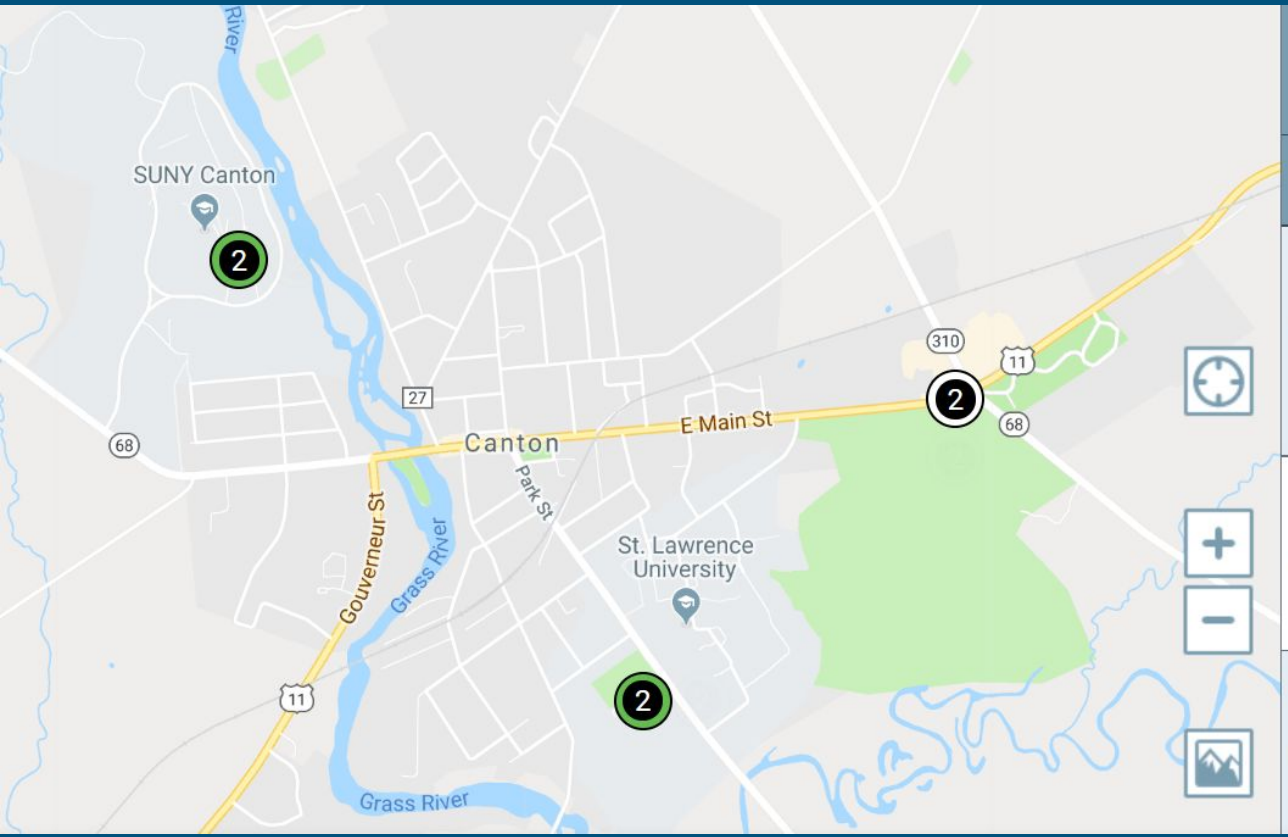


Where to charge your car in Potsdam





Where to charge your car in Canton



Charge Spots | Recent | My Spots

Sort by: Distance

Best Western University Inn - Tesla — 10.02 mi
Level 2: 2
90 E Main St
Canton, NY

NATIONAL GRID ST LAWRENCE — 11.01 mi
Level 2: 2
40 Leigh St
Canton, NY

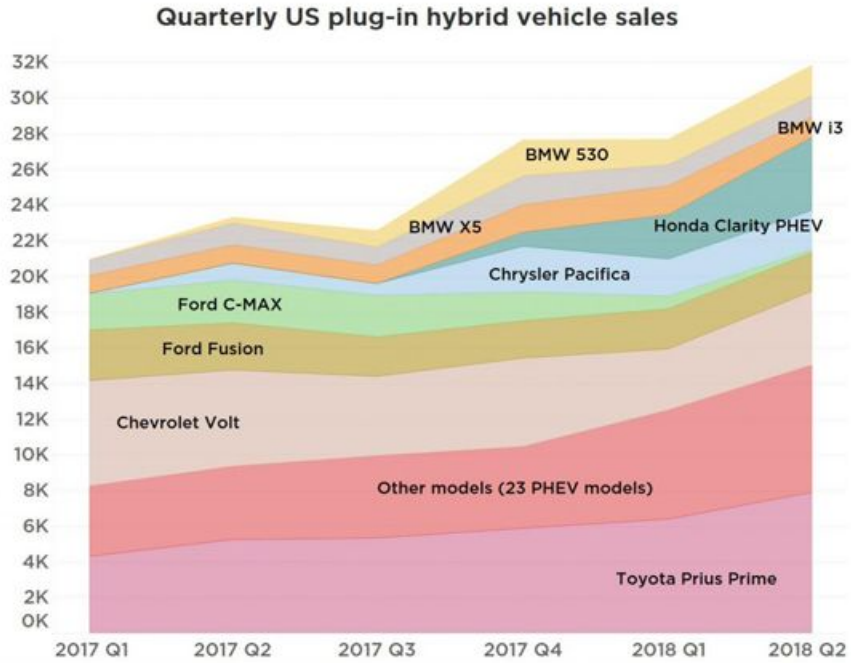
NATIONAL GRID SUNY NAVELDEAN — 11.32 mi
Level 2: 2
34 Cornell Dr
Canton, NY

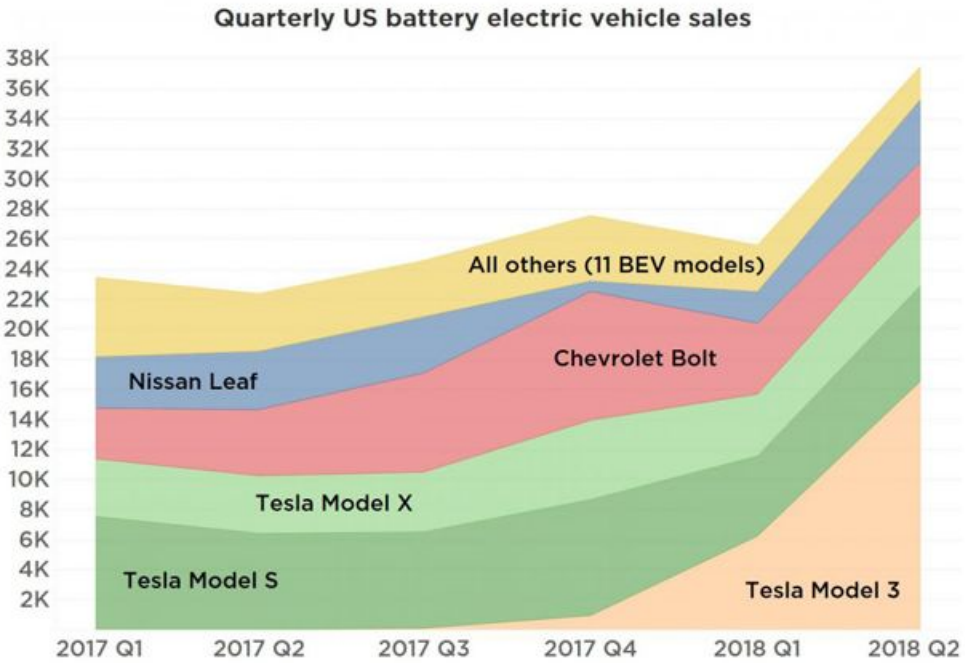
Charging your car

- At home
- Destination charging stations
- On the go charging stations
- https://www.nyserda.ny.gov/All-Programs/Programs/ChargeNY/Charge-Electric

- Solar EV chargers

Sales in 2018



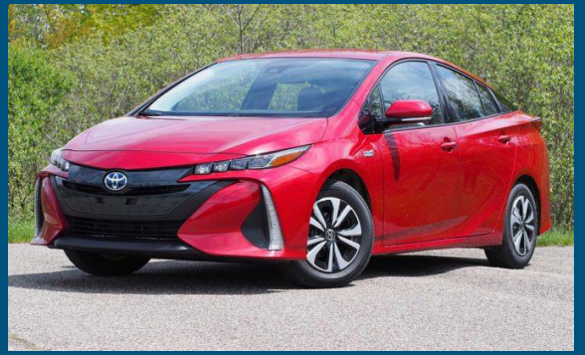


Used EV cars

- used EVs cost 43 to 72 percent less than new ones.
  - Faster depreciation
  - Incentives factored in

"If you search the classified listings for EV models that have been out for at least three years, such as the Fiat 500e or the Nissan Leaf, you'll find a number of them for less than $10,000. You would be hard-pressed to find a 3-year-old gas-powered vehicle for the same price. And if you did find one, it is sure to have *double or triple the miles on the odometer.*"
https://www.edmunds.com/car-buying/the-pros-and-cons-of-buying-a-used-ev.html

Summing up pros and cons



- Pros
  - Used EVs are a bargain
  - You'll get a smoother driving experience: and much more torque
  - The cars are in better condition and require less maintenance:
    - Nissan Leaf, for example, which requires only a tire rotation, brake fluid and cabin filter replacement in its third year.
  - Parking/ carpool access

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- Cons
  - The possibility of diminished battery performance
    - Because EVs have a much bigger battery, this performance drop happens much more slowly than it does with a smartphone or a laptop. T
      Battery fade was a vexing issue for some owners of early Nissan Leafs (2011-2012), with 80 percent of capacity after five years.
  - The charging factor: “Range Anxiety”
  - Missing out on improvements from improved technology
    - 2015 Nissan Leaf, has an EPA-estimated 87 miles of range. By contrast, the 2018 Leaf has a range of 151 miles. The 2018 Chevrolet Bolt's range is 238 miles.
  - Battery life uncertainties: Modern electric vehicles (dating from around 2011) haven't been out long enough to accurately judge how long their batteries will last
    - If the EV's battery flat-out fails, however, you may have recourse.
    - New EV battery, can be installed no matter what the reason,
  - Diminished resale value