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## What prohibits people from being multi-modal, particularly walking?

Sidewalk funding shortages in 3 case studies:

- Portland needs \$2B, has \$60M over 10 years
- Denver needs \$1B+ for 100 miles; new bond will fund 30 miles over 10 years\*
- Chicago costs are unknown for 100 miles of ADA improvements (curb ramps, repairs, crossings)

## Why?

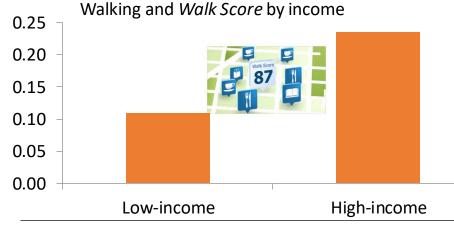
80+ years of roads, highways, bridges → \$Trillions needed in operations and maintenance for autos; **little left for sidewalks.** 



1 mile of sidewalk can cost \$200,000 to \$20,000,000\*

## Why do people with low-incomes walk more or less than Walk Score predicts?





Based on time use diaries from 70 families in Oakland, CA

## Planners need to be aware of hard and soft reasons

- Traffic enforcement
- Culture
- Transporting small children
- Dirty and cracked sidewalks
- Poor transit service in low-job density areas
- Traffic pollution/air quality

- Safety, real and perceived
- Racism
- Unfamiliar with neighborhood due to high mobility
- Hard labor / standing all day
- Late shifts
- · Mental and physical health
- Other disabilities

<sup>\*</sup>Right-of-way acquisition, soil clean-up (from carrunoff), grading, labor, materials

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