

# **Electric Vehicle (EV) Myths**



#### MYTH: EVs don't have enough range, and there are not enough chargers.

Many EVs have a range of 200+ miles per charge, far beyond what a driver travels in a daily commute, and most EV owners charge at home. Apps like Plugshare can help you find one of thousands of chargers on the road.

### **MYTH:** EVs aren't environmentally friendly, and batteries can't be recycled.

EVs are more energy efficient than gas powered vehicles, and recycling programs are already in place to handle discarded and old batteries.

#### **MYTH:** More EVs will impact the grid and cause more outages.

EVs don't lower demand during peak hours. Most EV charging happens at night, during off-peak hours, putting energy to use during a time when there are relatively few other uses for it.

#### **MYTH:** EVs take too long to charge.

A DC fast charger station can bring a battery with a very low charge to 80% in as little as 20-30 minutes. If you deplete your battery on a road trip, these chargers give you time to take a break without cutting into your travel time.

# MYTH: EVs are unsafe. Batteries are unstable and will catch on fire.

According to the National Transportation Safety Board and the Bureau of Transportation Statistics, EVs have far fewer vehicles fires (25 per 100,000) than gas cars (1,530 per 100,000).

# MYTH: EVs are slow like golf carts and run out of juice quickly.

EVs of all types offer instant torque and fast acceleration. Many today have over 200 miles of range - more than ample to handle most daily driving needs.

### **MYTH:** EVs are too expensive and really won't save you any money.

AAA has found that EVs offer some of the lowest operating costs per mile of any vehicles. Taking advantage of incentives can lower purchase costs.



# **MYTH:** EVs are only good for ideal climates.

EVs work across all climates and drivers easily learn to manage their vehicles in extreme heat and cold, just like traditional cars.

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