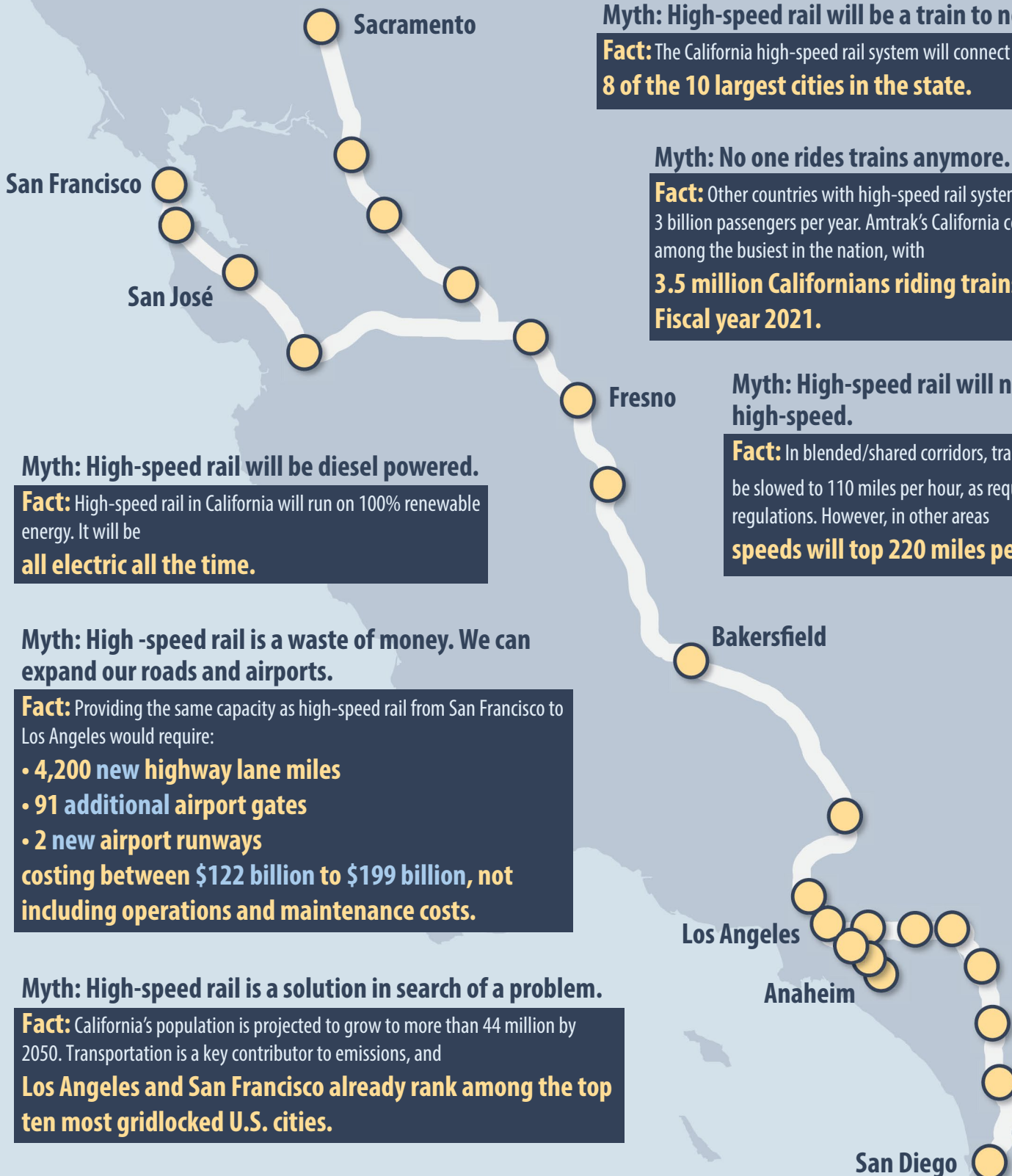


Get the Facts:

California High-Speed Rail



Myth: High-speed rail will be a train to nowhere.

Fact: The California high-speed rail system will connect **8 of the 10 largest cities in the state.**

Myth: No one rides trains anymore.

Fact: Other countries with high-speed rail systems service 3 billion passengers per year. Amtrak's California corridors are among the busiest in the nation, with **3.5 million Californians riding trains in Fiscal year 2021.**

Myth: High-speed rail will be diesel powered.

Fact: High-speed rail in California will run on 100% renewable energy. It will be **all electric all the time.**

Myth: High-speed rail will not be high-speed.

Fact: In blended/shared corridors, trains will be slowed to 110 miles per hour, as required by regulations. However, in other areas **speeds will top 220 miles per hour.**

Myth: High-speed rail is a waste of money. We can expand our roads and airports.

Fact: Providing the same capacity as high-speed rail from San Francisco to Los Angeles would require:

- **4,200 new highway lane miles**
- **91 additional airport gates**
- **2 new airport runways**

costing between \$122 billion to \$199 billion, not including operations and maintenance costs.

Myth: High-speed rail is a solution in search of a problem.

Fact: California's population is projected to grow to more than 44 million by 2050. Transportation is a key contributor to emissions, and

Los Angeles and San Francisco already rank among the top ten most gridlocked U.S. cities.