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Country Challenge
75% of Colombia's population currently lives in cities and most of these urban residents rely on the public transportation system. Yet, public transportation is the cause of many of these cities’ problems, including serious traffic congestion, high incidences of accidents and crime, unhealthy air, and pollutants responsible for 62% of Colombia's carbon emissions.

Project Goals.
The Colombian government and the World Bank are continuing to work together through the support to the National Urban Transit Program (NUTP). Building on the success of Transmilenio, a rapid bus system in Bogotá, the project is designed to improve transport efficiency and accessibility, reduce fuel use per kilometer, as well as pollutant emissions in five additional cities: Barranquilla, Medellin, Bucaramanga, Cartagena, and Pereira.

For more information: http://www.worldbank.org/projects/P117947/support-national-urban-transport-program-project?lang=en
Video (“National Urban Transport Program”): http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_HzUjAZvviU

Green Bond Criteria: Mitigation
Greater efficiency in urban mass transport

Expected Results include:
- Reduction of average travel time for low income riders.
- Reduction of accidents and pollution (including greenhouse gases) associated with bus transport services
- Increased access to the disabled, and other riders with special needs.

IBRD Loan Amount (in millions):
US$300 – 2nd Add Financing Integrated Mass Transit System
US$350 – Support to the National Urban Transit Program