



Sustainable travel

This section describes the Department's work to promote initiatives that can reduce congestion, improve local environments and encourage healthier and safer lifestyles. Many of these initiatives are part of the broader cross government agenda for Creating Safer Greener Communities. Visit www.cleanersafergreener.gov.uk for more information on this topic.

Information is also available regarding [climate change and transport](#).

How to reduce costs and carbon emissions from business related transport

The mobility of people and goods is a key element of successful business, but transport can also offer opportunities for reducing carbon emissions and costs. This page identifies the free guidance, training, information services and funding available to help organisations identify where costs and CO2 emissions can be reduced from business travel, fleet and freight operations.

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Carbon Pathways â Informing development of a carbon reduction strategy for transport (922 kb)

This report updates projections of transport CO2 emissions and sets out the climate change challenges faced by the transport sector. To assist in the development of policy options to further reduce CO2 emissions, the paper also analyses transport emissions by mode and reports our new analysis which relates CO2 emissions from transport to journey purpose and journey length.

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ACT ON CO2

All cars on the road today contribute to climate change because their engines burn fuel and therefore produce carbon dioxide (CO2) every time we drive. Yet you can easily reduce these emissions and save money too. By following a few simple tips and suggestions on the Act On CO2 website you can reduce your engine's workload, which means it will burn less fuel and produce less CO2.

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Car Clubs and Car Sharing

Background note to Car Sharing and Car Clubs

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Building sustainable transport into new development: Options for growth points and eco towns (561 kb)

Guidance on planning, designing and implementing an effective sustainable transport system in new developments.

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Smarter choices

Smarter choices are techniques for influencing people's travel behaviour towards more sustainable options such as encouraging school, workplace and individualised travel planning.

Travel plans

A travel plan is a package of measures produced by employers to encourage staff to use alternatives to single-occupancy car-use.

School travel

Promoting safe and healthy journeys to school which in turn, can also help to reduce the use of the car and impact of the 'school run'.

Travel awareness campaigns

Travel awareness campaigns aim to improve general public understanding of the problems caused by traffic growth and to encourage people to think about their own travel behaviour. These include annual events such as the In Town Without My Car! campaign.

Walking

Promoting walking as a healthy and more preferable option to the motor car for short journeys.

Cycling

Strategies for promoting cycling as an alternative form of transport for local journeys.

Home Zones

Home Zones are residential streets in which the road space is shared between drivers and other road users with the wider needs of residents (including people who walk and cycle, and children) in mind.

Climate change and transport

Information on climate change as well as links to sites with information on how people individually can reduce the environmental impacts of their transport choices.

Manual for Streets

Manual for Streets provides guidance for practitioners involved in the planning, design, provision and approval of new residential streets, and modifications to existing ones. It aims to increase the quality of life through good design which creates more people-orientated streets.

Teleworking

Brief explanation of teleworking.

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Sustainable travel demonstration towns

Information about the sustainable travel schemes.

Office of Climate Change

The Office of Climate Change (OCC) works across Government to support the development of climate change policy and strategy.

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Email contacts

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For related documents, pages and internet links, see the column on the right.