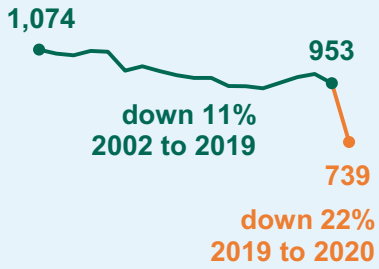




Trips [NTS0101]

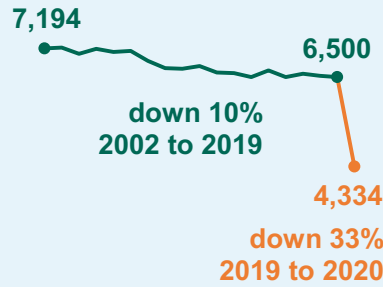
Average trips per person per year



2002 2020

Distance [NTS0101]

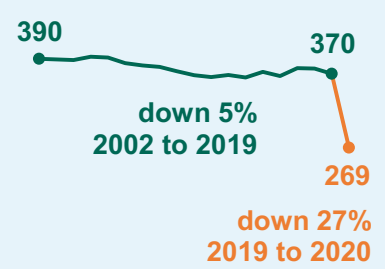
Average distance (miles) per year



2002 2020

Time [NTS0101]

Average time (minutes) per year



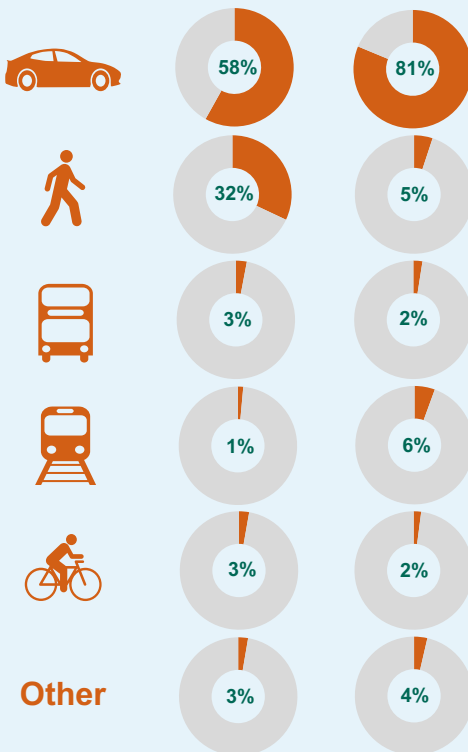
2002 2020

How we travelled [NTS0303]

Modal share

Trips

Distance



People made 739 trips on average in 2020, or 14 trips a week. This was a 22% decrease on the level in 2019 prior to the coronavirus pandemic, where people made an average of 953 trips per year.

People travelled an average of 4,334 miles in 2020, a 33% decrease from the 6,500 miles in 2019.

On average, people spent around 269 hours travelling in 2020 (around 44 minutes per day), down 27% from the 370 hours of travelling in 2019.

Cars remained the most popular mode of travel, making up 58% of all trips in 2020 (a decrease of 3 percentage points from 2019), and 81% of all miles travelled (an increase of 4 percentage points from 2019). Many more trips were walked in 2020 than 2019, with a 6 percentage point increase to 32% of all trips in 2020.

The most common trip purpose in 2020 was for leisure, with 23% of journeys being made for this purpose. Shopping trips took up 19% of the average persons trip number in this year. These two were also the most popular purposes in 2019.

Why we travelled [NTS0409]

The most common trip purposes were:



Leisure **23%**

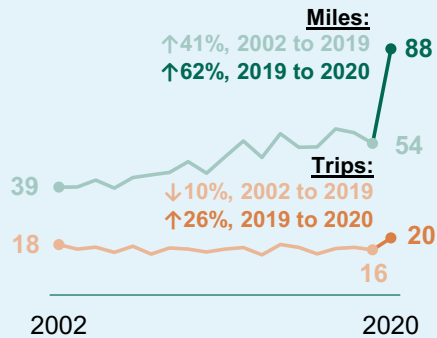


Shopping **19%**

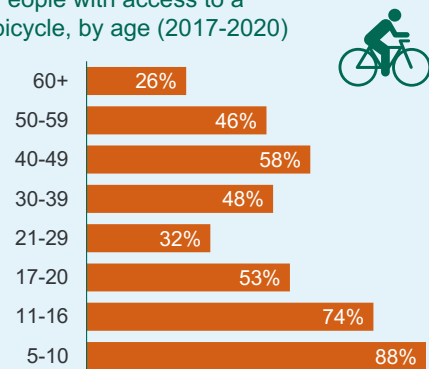


Cycling [NTS0303, NTS0608]

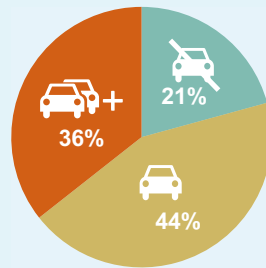
Average cycling trips and distance per year



People with access to a bicycle, by age (2017-2020)



Car ownership [NTS0205]



80% of households owned at least one car

Licence holding [NTS0201]



80% of residents (17+) held a driving licence

35.9 million licence holders



83% of males



77% of females

In 2020, men made 4% fewer trips than women, but travelled 22% further. This is reflected in the number of commuting trips, where men made an average of 105 commuting trips per year (a decrease of 45% on 2019), compared to women who made an average of 77 commuting trips per year (a decrease of 57%).

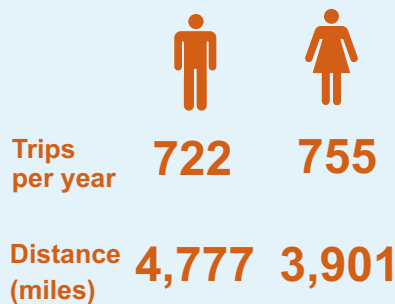
In 2020, 80% of English residents aged 17 and over held a driving licence. Around 83% of men and 77% of women in this group hold a license. While the share of men with a license has been broadly unchanged since the 1990's, the share of women with a license has grown by around 16 percentage points since 2002. Between 2002 and 2020 the number of licence holders increased by 30% to 36 million individuals.

Looking at households in England, 80% own at least one car, an increase of 6 percentage points since 2002. In households which own at least one car or van, 65% of adult men are the main driver of a personal vehicle in their household, a figure which has remained unchanged since the 1990's.

In comparison, 58% of adult women are the main driver of a personal vehicle in their household, an increase of 13 percentage points since 2002, and an increase of 45 percentage points since 1975.

Gender [NTS0601, NTS0611]

Average trips and distance per person per year, by the gender of the respondent



Commuting trips per person per year, by age and gender, 2020

