

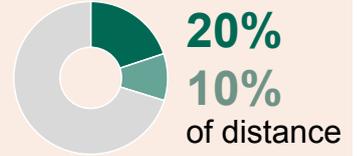
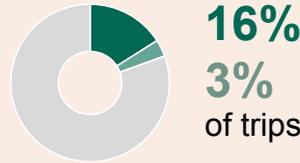
# Why people travel - commuting and business



**147 commuting** trips per person per year on average in 2014  
**32 business**

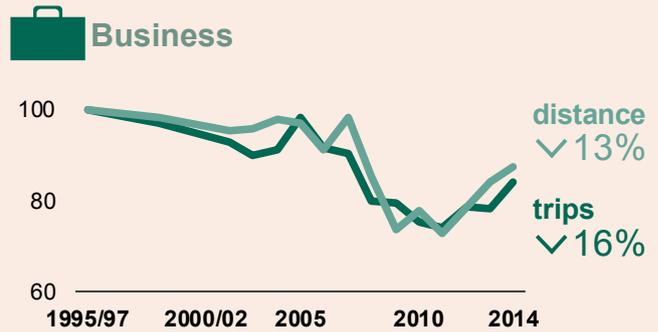
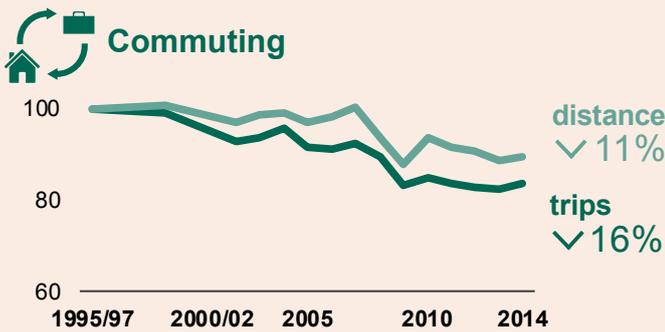
**Commuting** and **business** trips tend to be relatively long so account for a larger share of distance travelled than trips made.

**1,290 commuting** average miles per person per year  
**644 business**

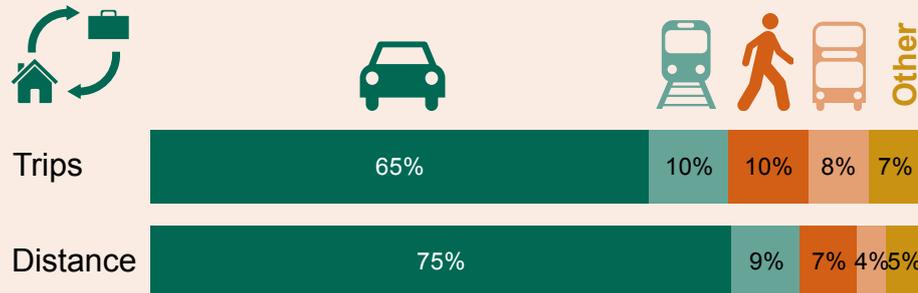


**29** minutes per commuting trip on average

## Trends Trends in trips and distance from 1995/97 to 2014 (index: 1995/97=100)



## Mode of commuting



## Commuting and business trips

In the NTS a **commuting** trip is defined as a trip from home to work, or from work to home.

**Business** trips are defined as those made in the course of work, provided that the purpose is to reach a destination - commercial travel (e.g. to deliver goods or convey a vehicle or passenger) is not included.

## Related data sources

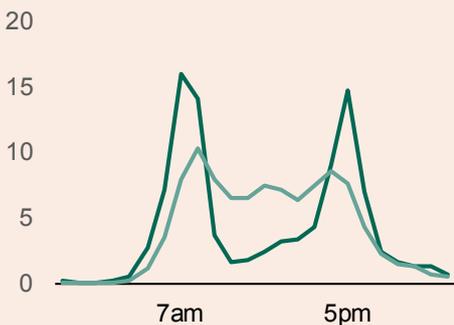
The Labour Force Survey and the Census both have information on commuting:

- LFS: <https://www.gov.uk/government/statistical-data-sets/tsgb01-modal-comparisons>
- Census: <http://www.ons.gov.uk/ons/guide-method/census/2011/census-data/index.html>

## Time of day

68% of commuting trips start between 6am and 9am and 4pm to 7pm. Business trips are more evenly spread over the day.

Percentage of commuting and business trips by start hour, Monday-Friday: 2010/14



## Gender

On average in 2014

