

Highways Agency Specification 2013-14 – Scoping Document

| Field | Notes |
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| Short Title | Journey Time Reliability by Link Type, Target Setting and Change in Reliability at Upgraded Links. |
| Performance Specification Reference | Output 5 – PS 4.6 |
| Requirement / Output Details | Journey time reliability should be measured and reported on the link types set out in paragraph 4.5 in year two of the specification period with a view to setting a target for performance from 2015-16. Particular reference to the change in reliability should be made where links have been upgraded within the performance specification period. |
| Scope | <p>(1) Journey time reliability (JTR) will be reported for each link type based on the segregation of the network outlined in performance specification 4.5.</p> <p>(2) The agency will consider how a JTR performance target could be set.</p> <p>(3) The change in JTR will be reported for road links that have been upgraded during 2013/14 or 2014/15, where suitable data is available.</p> |
| Rationale | <p>The performance specification states that the network operator should ensure that journey times on the strategic road network are reliable, and that focus should be placed on decreasing the variability of performance on similar road types.</p> <p><u>Behavioural Impact:</u> Targets on journey time reliability may lead to prioritisation of investment away from routes that are congested and require capacity enhancement in the future.</p> |
| Proposed Deliverables (with Associated Completion Dates) | <p>(1) Report of Journey Time Reliability in 2014/15 by link type. This will not be a National Statistics publication.</p> <p>(2) An analytical and descriptive report for the Department for Transport, describing potential options and methods for developing a JTR target (before the end of 2014/15).</p> <p>(3) Report of the change in JTR in 2014/15 at links that have been upgraded after April 2013, where suitable data is available. This will not be a National Statistics publication.</p> |