

Key Scotland Statistics Data Sheet

Travel Mode in 2013 [\(Transport and Travel in Scotland 2013\)](#)

- 50% car/van driver, 23.3% walking, 13.6% car/van passenger, 8.5% bus, 1.7% rail, 1.6% taxi, 1% bicycle, 0.3% other ⁽¹⁾
- For journeys under 1km – 63.8% walked and 32.3% used the car ⁽¹⁾
- Between 2008 and 2013 there has been a 21% increase in the number of pedal cycle vehicle km on all roads ⁽¹⁾

Reason for travel in 2013 [\(Transport and Travel in Scotland 2013\)](#)

- 22.1% commuting, 21.5% shopping, 13.7% go home, 11% visiting friends or relatives, 5.9% education, 5% go for a walk, 4.6% sport/entertainment, 4% other personal business, 2.8% other journey, 2.8% eating/drinking, 2.4% business, 1.8% visit hospital or other health, 1.4% escort and 1% holiday/trip ⁽¹⁾

Time and Distance travelled in 2012 [\(Transport and Travel in Scotland 2013\)](#)

- Peak travel times - 19% of weekdays journeys start between 7 and 9:30am, 25% of weekend journeys starting between 12 and 2pm ⁽¹⁾
- 78% of journeys were less than 10km, with 50% less than 3km and 2% less than 1km ⁽¹⁾
- 70% of journeys lasted 20 minutes or less, only 5% were over an hour ⁽¹⁾
- Average (mean) journey distance was 8.5km, the average cycling journey was 4.4km ⁽¹⁾

School Journey in 2013 [\(Hands up Scotland Survey: Results for 2013\)](#)

- 44.1% of pupils normally walked to school, 21.4% were driven, 18.8% took the bus, 7.5% park and stride, 3.5% cycled, 2.8% used a skateboard or scooter and 1.6% take a taxi ⁽²⁾
- Between 2009-2013 there has been a small decrease in motorised travel to school from 43% to 41.8% respectively ⁽²⁾
- **Primary school journey** – 46% normally walk, 25.5% are drive, 9.6% park and stride, 7.7% take the bus, 5% cycle, 4.3% scoot or skate, 1.7% take a taxi and 0.2% other ⁽²⁾
- **Secondary school journey** – 42% normally walk, 36.9% take the bus, 13.9% are driven, 4.1% park and stride, 1.2% take a taxi, 0.9% cycle, 0.8% other and 0.2% skate or scoot ⁽²⁾

Travel to work

- 13.3% of employed adults worked from home in 2013 ⁽¹⁾ [\(Transport and Travel in Scotland 2013\)](#)
- Employees who travelled to work in 2013 – 67% car/van, 13% walk, 11% bus, 4% train and 2.5% cycle ⁽¹⁾ [\(Transport and Travel in Scotland 2013\)](#)
- In 2012 the average length of commute was 9 miles (14.5km) ⁽³⁾ [\(Scottish transport statistics: No. 32\)](#)
- in 2013 31% of journeys to work are by public or active travel ⁽¹⁾ [\(Transport and Travel in Scotland 2013\)](#)

Safety in 2012 [\(Scottish transport statistics: No. 32\)](#)

- Of 12,676 reported road casualties 16% were pedestrians and 7% pedal cyclists ⁽³⁾
- 26% of pedestrian casualties and 13% of pedal cyclist casualties were aged 0-15 ⁽³⁾

Air pollution ([Scottish transport statistics: No. 32](#))

- Transport accounts for a quarter of Scotland’s greenhouse gas emissions, passenger cars contribute 40% ⁽³⁾

Transport Costs 2010-2012 ([Scottish transport statistics: No. 32](#))

- Average weekly household expenditure on transport and vehicles in 2012-12 was £61.80, 14.1% of total household expenditure ⁽³⁾
- £13.60 was average weekly household expenditure on transport services (e.g. bus and train fares) ⁽³⁾

Congestion in 2013 ([Transport and Travel in Scotland 2013](#))

- 80% of reported delays were stated as a result of volume of traffic ⁽¹⁾
- 9.7% of journeys were delayed due to congestion ⁽¹⁾

Obesity and Physical inactivity

- In 2013 27.1% of adults (16 or above) were obese, 64.6% were overweight or obese ⁽⁴⁾ (Scottish Health Survey 2013)
- In 2013 64% of adults were active at the recommended level ⁽⁴⁾ (Scottish Health Survey 2013)
- In 2012 24-54 year olds were sedentary for 4.6-4.9 hours on weekdays and 5.5-5.7 on weekends ⁽⁵⁾ (Scottish Health Survey 2012)
- In 2013 69.6% of children aged 2-15 had a healthy weight ⁽⁴⁾ (Scottish Health Survey 2013)
- In 2013 75% of children (2-15) were active for at least 60 minutes a day (including school-based activity) (Scottish Health Survey 2013)

References

- (1) **Transport Scotland, 2014** Statistical Bulletin Transport Series: Transport and Travel in Scotland 2013 [Link](#)
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- (4) **The Scottish Government, 2014** Scottish Health Survey 2013 [Link](#)
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