

## Key Wales Statistics Data Sheet

### Travel Mode

- 70% of trips are by car as driver/passenger, 21% by foot, 6% by public transport and 3% by other private transport <sup>(1)</sup> ([Personal Travel in Wales – 2012](#))
- In 2012 pedal cycles accounted for 1% of total volume of traffic <sup>(2)</sup> ([Road Traffic, 2013](#))
- Between 2007 and 2012 the traffic volume of pedal cyclists increased by 4% <sup>(2)</sup> ([Road Traffic, 2013](#))
- People were most likely to use their car than any other means for transport to travel to their work (77%), GP (61%), local shops (59%) and local pubs/cafes (48%) <sup>(3)</sup> ([National Survey for Wales 2013-14](#))
- 34% of urban trips under 5 miles were by foot or public transport in Wales in 2012, 7% by public transport, 59% by other modes <sup>(4)</sup> ([National travel survey table NTS9909](#))

### Journey to school

- Around 1 in 5 of all child pedestrian casualties are reported to be school pupils on a journey to or from school <sup>(5)</sup> ([Pedestrian Road Casualties, 2013](#))
- Those who live less than two miles from primary school – 42% went by car, 48% walked with an adult, 20% walked on their own or with other children and 2% cycled <sup>(3)</sup> ([National Survey for Wales 2013-14](#))
- Those who live less than two miles from secondary school – 26% went by car, 3% walked with an adult, 48% walked on their own or with other children and 1% cycled <sup>(3)</sup> ([National Survey for Wales 2013-14](#))

### Travel to work ([Personal Travel in Wales – 2012](#))

- 81% of journeys to work are by car (this has remained broadly unchanged for 10 years), 10% walk, 4% use buses, 2% take the train, 1% cycle and 1% use other means <sup>(1)</sup>

### Reasons to travel ([Personal Travel in Wales – 2012](#))

- Proportion of trips by purpose 2011/12: 19% business and commuting, 6% education, 4% education escort, 22% shopping, 9% personal business, 9% other escort, 16% visiting friends and 16% leisure <sup>(1)</sup>

### Distance travelled ([Personal Travel in Wales – 2012](#))

- In 2011-2012 on average people made almost 1,000 trips a year and travelled around 7,500 miles <sup>(1)</sup>
- The average trip length was 8 miles <sup>(1)</sup>
- 84% of distance covered in a year was by car, 2% on foot and 14% by other means <sup>(1)</sup>

### Safety

- In 2013, the number of child (0-15) KSI was 63, 19% higher than 2012 <sup>(5)</sup> ([Pedestrian Road Casualties, 2013](#))
- In 2012, 260 pedestrians were killed or seriously injured, 23% of all road KSI <sup>(5)</sup> ([Pedestrian Road Casualties, 2013](#))
- 100 pedal cyclists were killed or seriously injured in 2013, 9% of all road KSI <sup>(6)</sup> ([Pedal Cyclist Casualties, 2013](#))
- The number of child pedal cyclist casualties fell by 64% between 2004 and 2013, from 203 to 74 <sup>(6)</sup> ([Pedal Cyclist Casualties, 2013](#))
- In 2013 there were 16 child pedal cyclists killed or seriously injured, this accounted for 16% of all pedal cyclist KSI <sup>(6)</sup> ([Pedal Cyclist Casualties, 2013](#))

### Congestion

- In 2012 cars accounted for 80% of traffic volume <sup>(2)</sup> ([Road Traffic, 2013](#))

- In Wales in 2011/12 on average there were 1.22 cars/vans per household compared to 1.14 in Great Britain <sup>(4)</sup> ([National travel survey table NTS9902](#))
- In 2012 65% of road traffic volume was on major roads and 51% of traffic volume on major roads is cars, taxis and minibuses <sup>(7)</sup> ([Road traffic \(data\), 2013](#))
- 0.14 billion vehicle kilometres of the 0.16 billion vehicle kilometres travelled by pedal cycles in Wales in 2012 were on minor roads <sup>(7)</sup> ([Road traffic \(data\), 2013](#))

## Obesity and Physical activity/inactivity

- 6% of people cycled and 65% walked as a mode of transport in the last 7 days <sup>(3)</sup> ([National Survey for Wales 2013-14](#))
- 29% of adults reported doing at least 30 minutes of at least moderate intensity physical activity on five or more days a week <sup>(8)</sup> ([Welsh Health Survey 2013](#))
- 34% of adults reported not being physically active on any day of the previous week <sup>(8)</sup> ([Welsh Health Survey 2013](#))
- 58% of adults were classified as overweight or obese, with 22% being obese <sup>(8)</sup> ([Welsh Health Survey 2013](#))
- 35% of children were reported as undertaking physical activity for at least an hour on five or more days in the previous week <sup>(8)</sup> ([Welsh Health Survey 2013](#))
- 26.2% of children were classified as overweight or obese, including 11.3% obese <sup>(9)</sup> ([Child Measurement Programme 2012/13](#))

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## References

- <sup>(1)</sup> **Welsh Government, 2013** Personal Travel in Wales – 2012 [Link](#)
- <sup>(2)</sup> **Welsh Government, 2014** Road Traffic, 2013 [Link](#)
- <sup>(3)</sup> **Welsh Government, 2014** National Survey for Wales: Headline results 2013-14 [Link](#)
- <sup>(4)</sup> **Office of National Statistics, 2013** National Travel Survey 2012, data tables [Link](#)
- <sup>(5)</sup> **Welsh Government, 2014** Pedestrian Road Casualties, 2013 [Link](#)
- <sup>(6)</sup> **Welsh Government, 2014** Pedal Cyclist Casualties, 2013 [Link](#)
- <sup>(7)</sup> **Welsh Government, 2013** Road Traffic (tables) [Link](#)
- <sup>(8)</sup> **Welsh Government, 2014** Welsh Health Survey 2013 [Link](#)
- <sup>(9)</sup> **Public Health Wales, 2014** Child Measurement Programme Report 2012/13 [Link](#)