



Active travel: About 41 per cent of journeys in the capital are now made on foot

London gets fitter

NEW DATA SHOWS CONTINUED INCREASE IN WALKING AND CYCLING WITH TWICE AS MANY NOW LIVING NEAR A CYCLE ROUTE

THE latest Travel in London report, published by TfL, highlights a continued uplift in walking and cycling in London from 2020 and into 2022.

Enabling more people to walk and cycle is key to a sustainable transport network and TfL has worked closely with London's boroughs to invest in infrastructure that makes it easier for people to walk and cycle.

This autumn, TfL's network of cycle counters in central and inner London estimate cycling during the week has typically been about 20 to 25 per cent higher than in 2019, despite less commuting, and 90 per cent higher at weekends.

Since the start of the pandemic and despite funding challenges, TfL has worked closely with the boroughs to expand London's cycleways. It's paid off, with double the amount of people now living within 400metres of a high-quality cycle route.

The Santander Cycles scheme has broken a number of records this year, with 10.9million hires so far.

The scheme is proving much more popular, and as of September, hires are 11 per cent higher than pre-pandemic levels.



Increase: Levels of cycling continue to exceed pre-pandemic levels

STEPPING UP

Walking continues to be central to how many people travel in London, with levels still noticeably higher than before the pandemic.

Around 35 per cent of journeys in London were made on foot before the pandemic and now it's about 41 per cent.

The data also shows the number of walking journeys that were made per person per day between April

and September 2022 was 11 per cent higher than the 2019/20 pre-pandemic average.

The report also highlights the substantial improvements in air quality over recent years, reflecting the extension of the Ultra Low Emission Zone to inner London, with estimated reductions of 20 per cent in NO2 concentrations.

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RoadLab 2.0 innovation challenge

PRIVATE sector innovators are invited to take part in a major new challenge, called RoadLab 2.0, to work with TfL to tackle some of the issues surrounding road and utilities works.

In 2019, TfL launched the first RoadLab, which called on the UK's leading innovators to develop technology that could make roadworks in the capital safer, smarter and more accessible.

This latest challenge will build on the success of the original scheme, this time focusing on improving portable traffic signals to reduce congestion and looking at how TfL can better use data on walking and cycling in London to plan roadworks.

Though data is gathered about the numbers of people walking and cycling, planning for people carrying out these journeys could be further improved through data. Solutions could include

better real-time data about these journeys to help improve roadwork planning.

The programme is being funded by TfL's Lane Rental Scheme, which charges utility companies and TfL contractors for digging up roads at the most traffic-sensitive times and locations.

The innovators chosen to take part in the programme will receive up to £20,000 of funding to enter a 12-week trial phase, with access to TfL expertise to help them develop their products for use on London's roads.

Products that are shown to work effectively may then be provided further funding in future to help make the capital's roads safer and more efficient for everyone. The deadline for applying is midday on Friday December 23.

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