

Transport and Travel

Reducing your weekly car mileage by **5 miles a week** could save you **£40 and 85kg CO₂** per year. If everyone in the UK did this, we would save **£1.1 billion** and **3 million tonnes of CO₂**.

- Smarter driving, by driving more slowly and using your gears correctly, could save you around **15%** on your petrol spend **each month**.
- Sharp acceleration and heavy breaking uses fuel **unnecessarily**.
- **Half** of all UK car journeys are for fewer than **five miles**. Short hops like this can be **expensive**, because cars can use **twice as much** fuel when engines are warming up.
- The average UK commuter would save around **£220** and **470kg CO₂** by sharing their commute with two other drivers.
- If everyone in England who takes **three** or more flights to Europe per year, reduced the number of flights by **one**, it would be the same as taking **200,000 cars** off the road.
- **Remove** roof racks from cars when not in use and **avoid** driving around with **unnecessary** loads in the boot as this increases fuel consumption.
- Tyres that are **under inflated** are not only **dangerous**, they also use **more fuel** when driving.
- **New cars** do not need to be left to warm up before driving.
- Air conditioning **drains fuel**, but at high speeds it is **better** than having the windows open as this creates drag.



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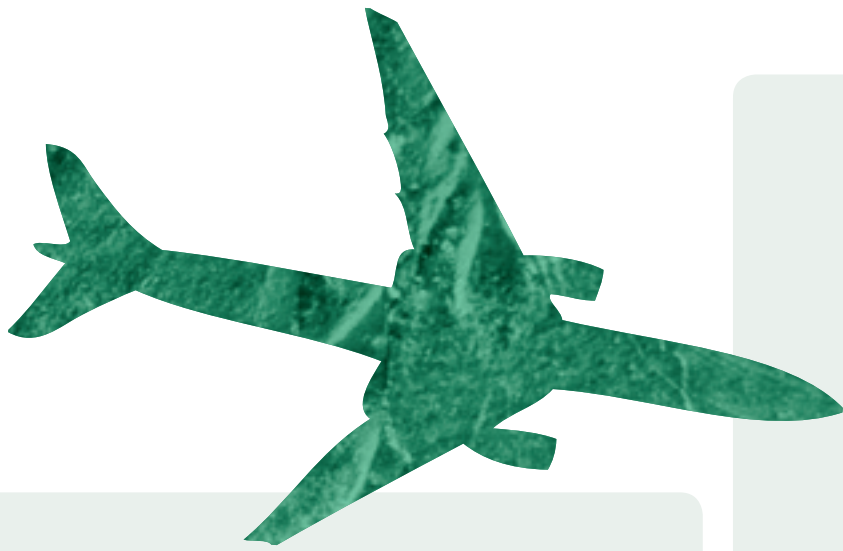
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