



Travel during Covid-19

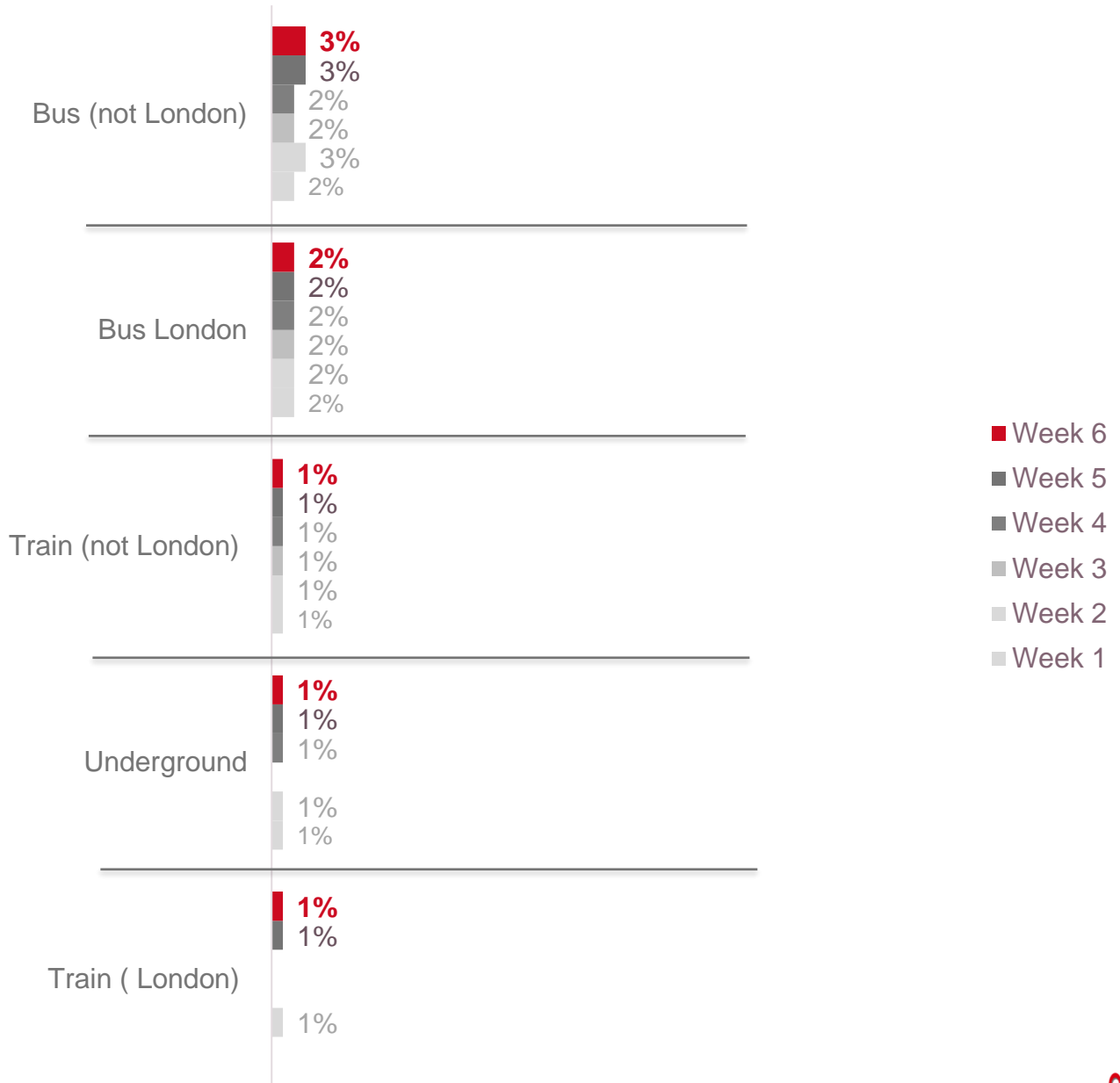
Tracking research - week 6

12 June 2020

Travel during Covid-19: omnibus week 6

Minimal change in transport modes used – use of public transport remains limited

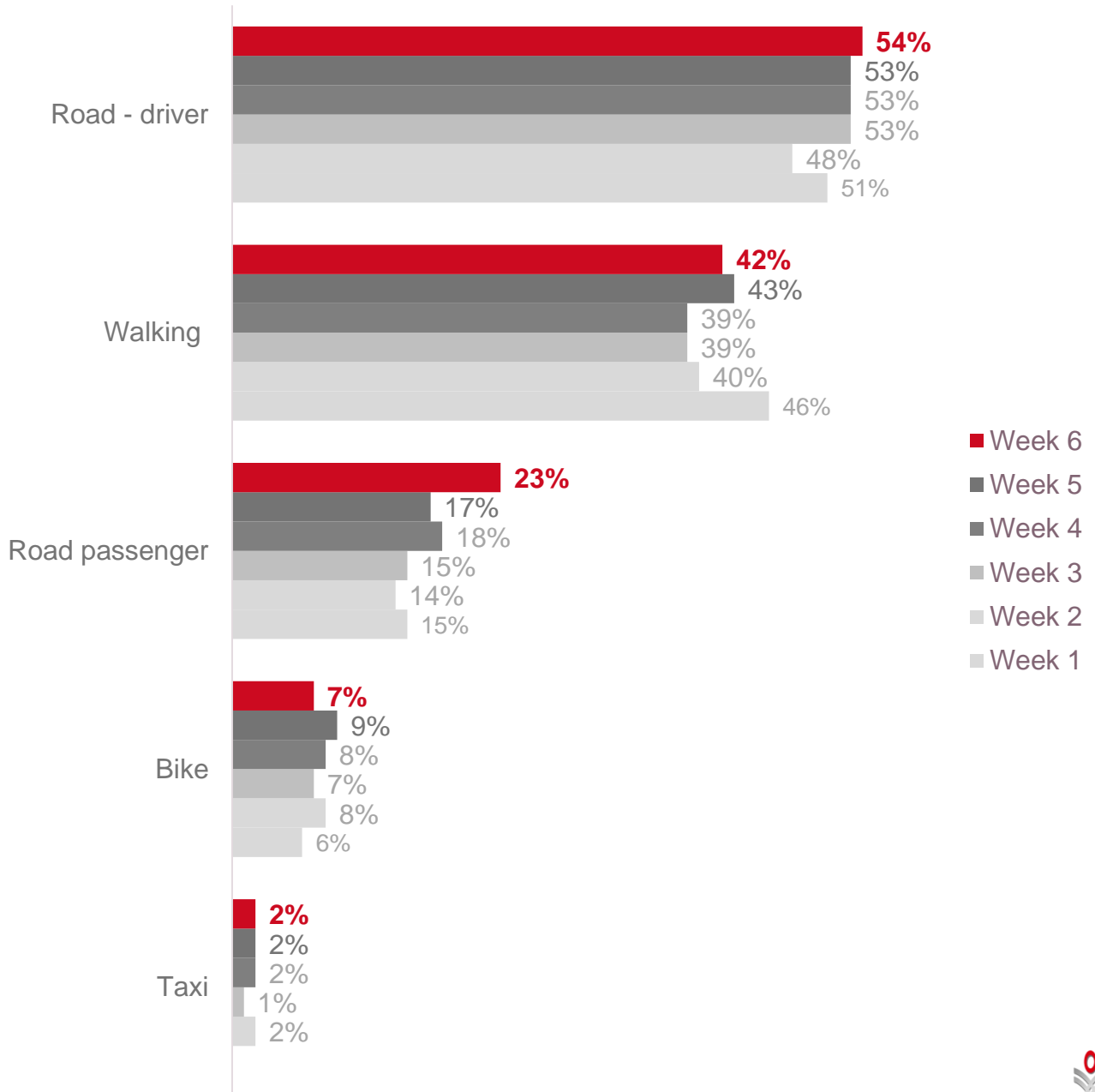
Public transport used in last 7 days



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Minimal change in transport modes used – road use and walking most common

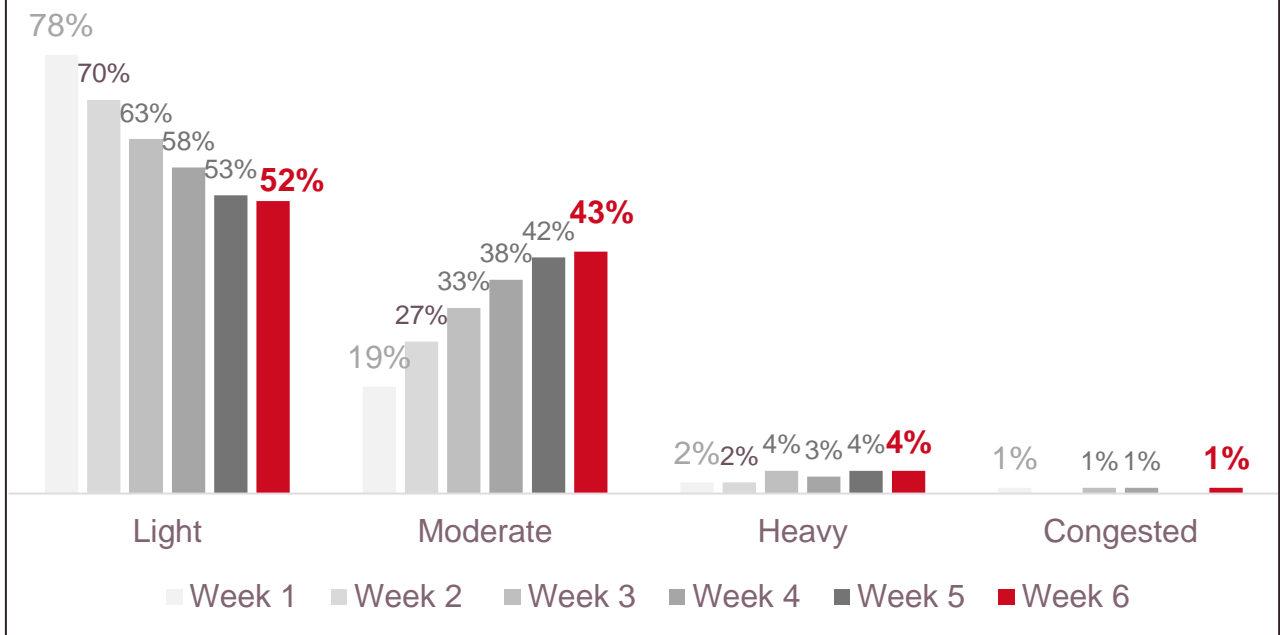
Transport used in last 7 days



Travel during Covid-19: omnibus week 6

Level of perceived traffic volume continues to increase

Reported level of traffic when making car journeys



“ Slightly more traffic than earlier in lockdown but nowhere near the peak outside lockdown thankfully. ”

Travel during Covid-19: omnibus week 6

Shopping is main reason for journeys and most have no need for public transport

Reasons for making any journeys in last 7 days



WORK **26%** (23% W5)



VISITING/CARING FRIENDS/FAMILY **20%** (16%W5)



SHOPPING **74%** (80% W5)

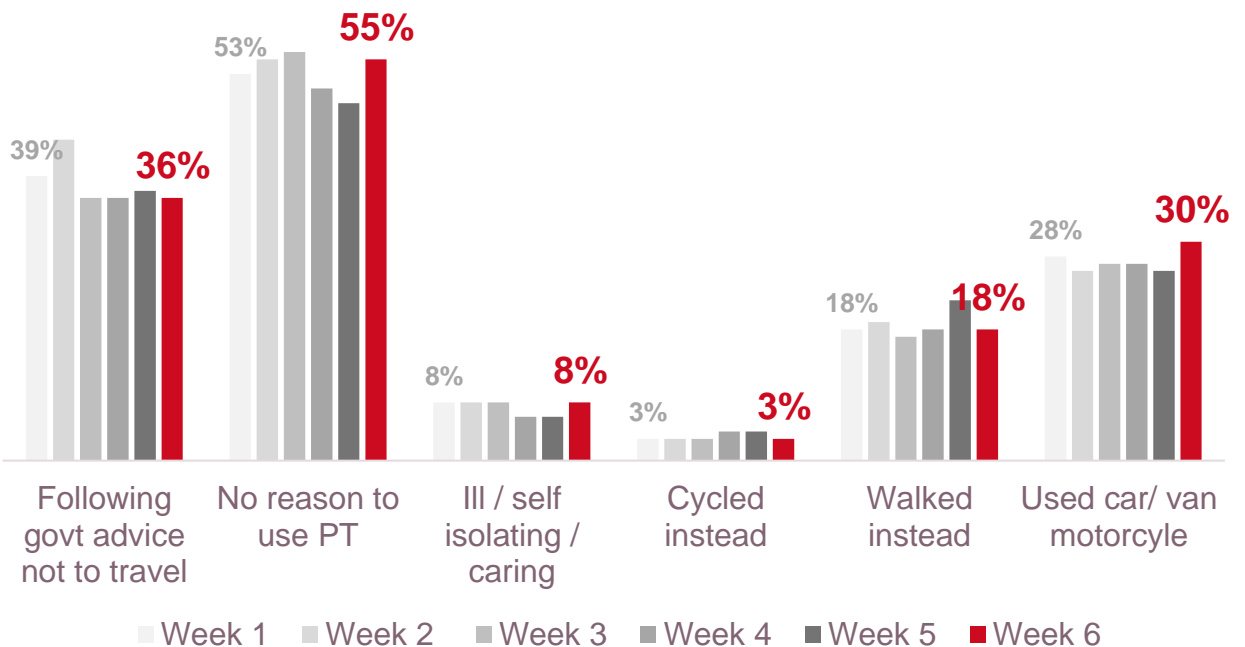


PERSONAL BUSINESS (MEDICAL ETC) **17%** (15% W5)



TRAVEL TO EXERCISE OR FOR LEISURE **35%** (36% W5)

Reasons public transport not used in last 7 days

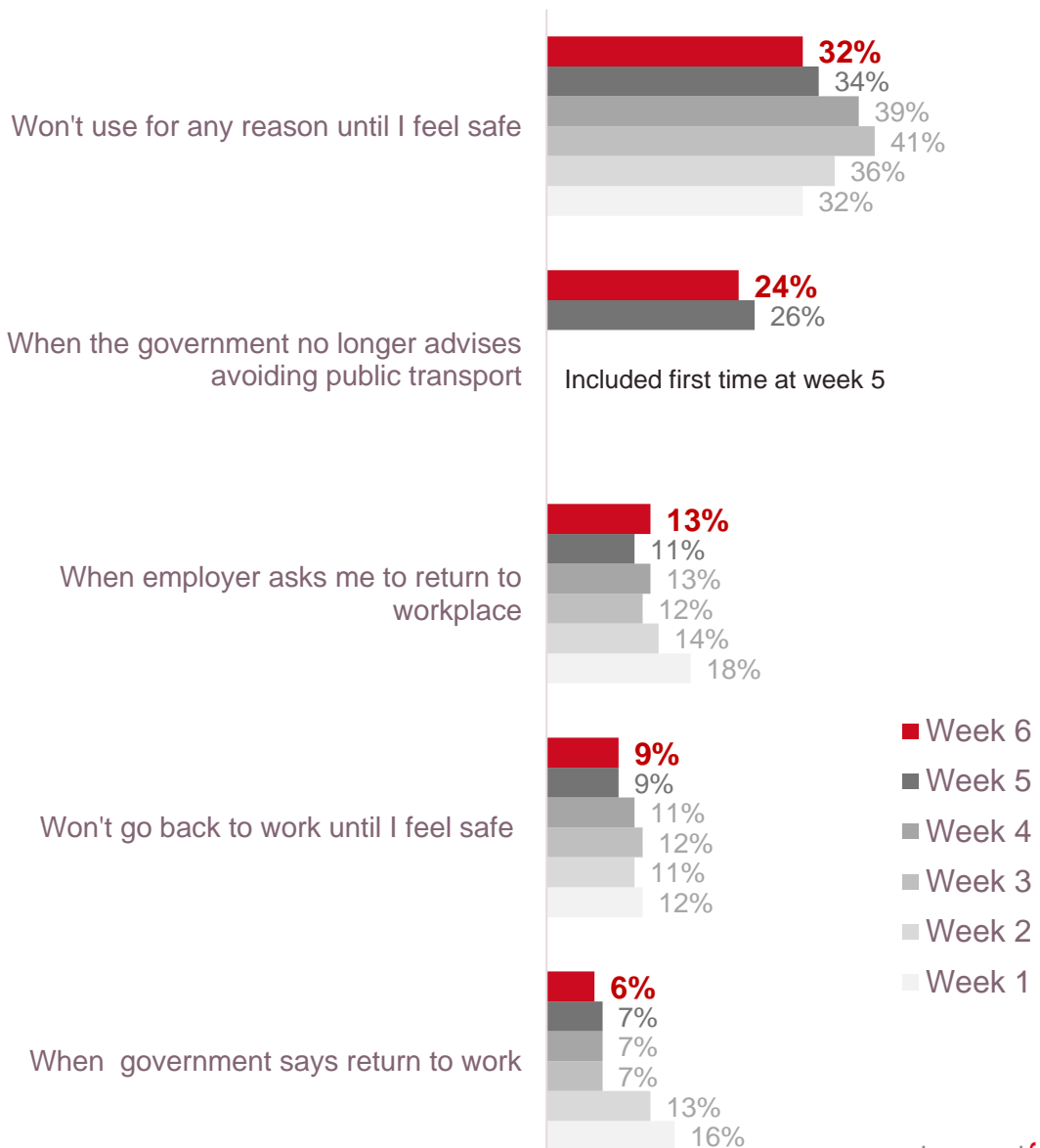


Travel during Covid-19: omnibus week 6

There is still caution around using public transport and a variety of reasons will prompt use

32% say that they won't use public transport again for any reason until they feel safe to do so

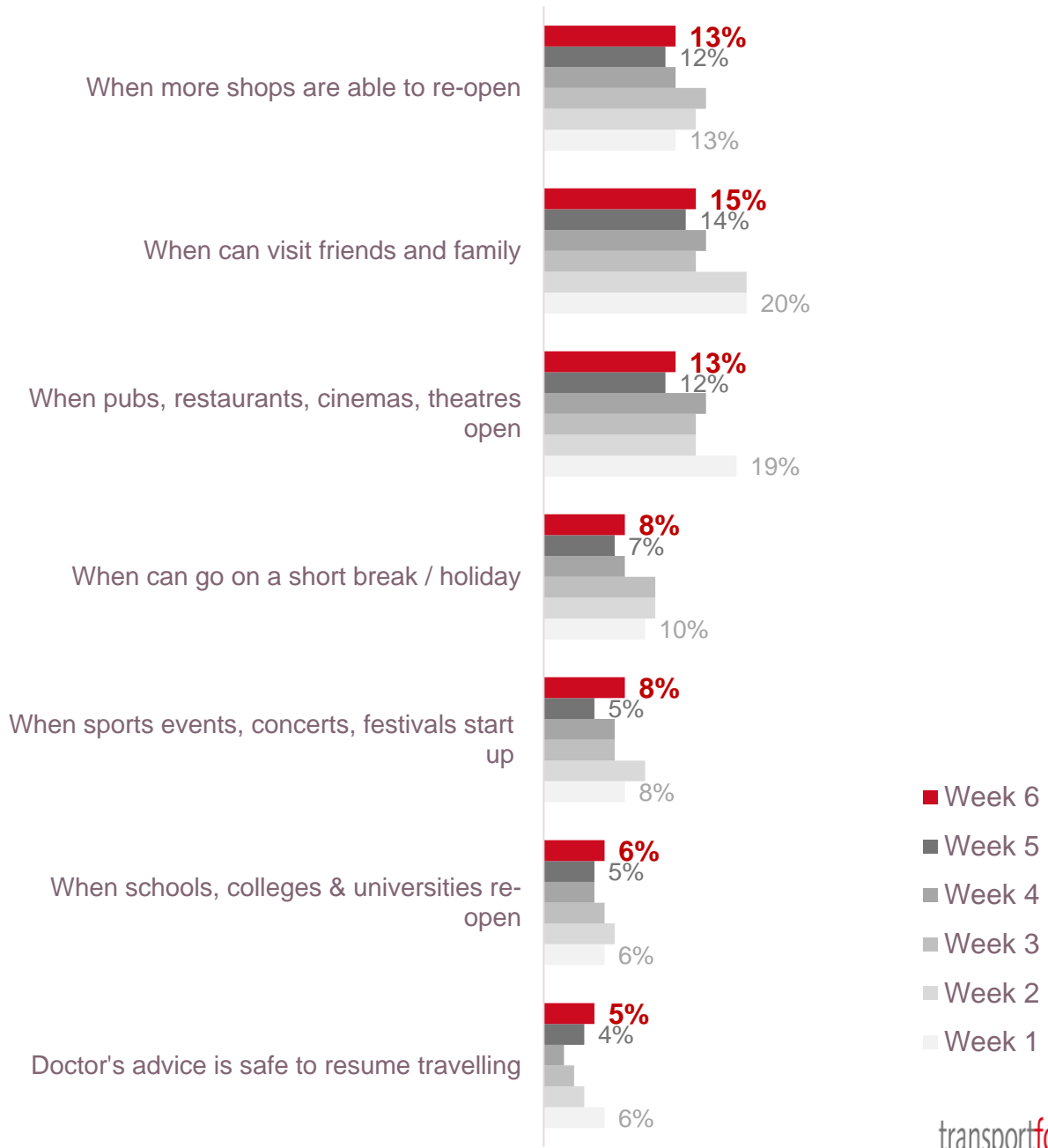
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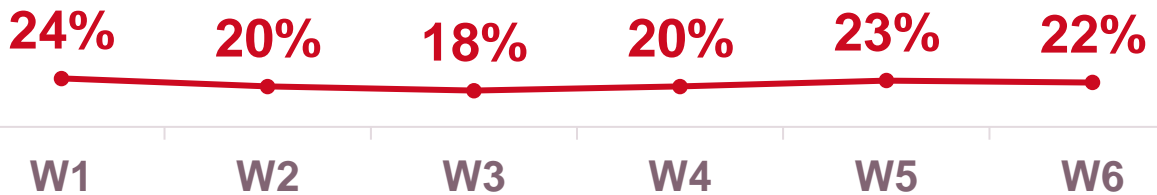
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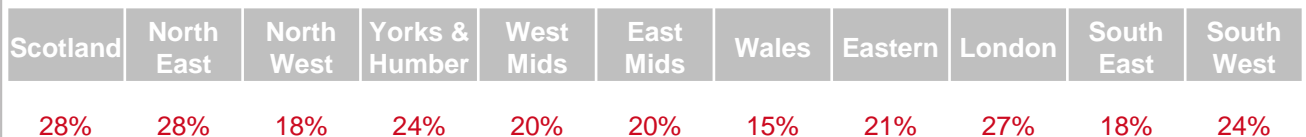
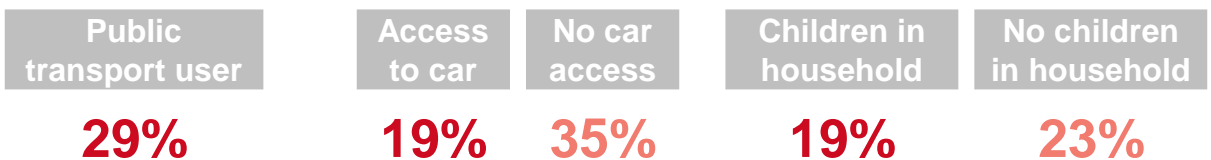
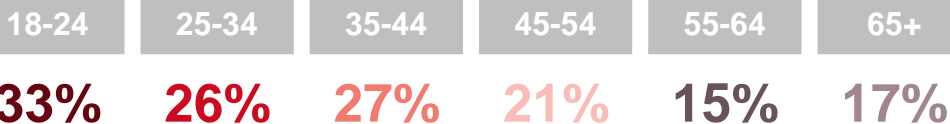
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The proportion who will be happy to use public transport when restrictions are lifted is consistently around one in five

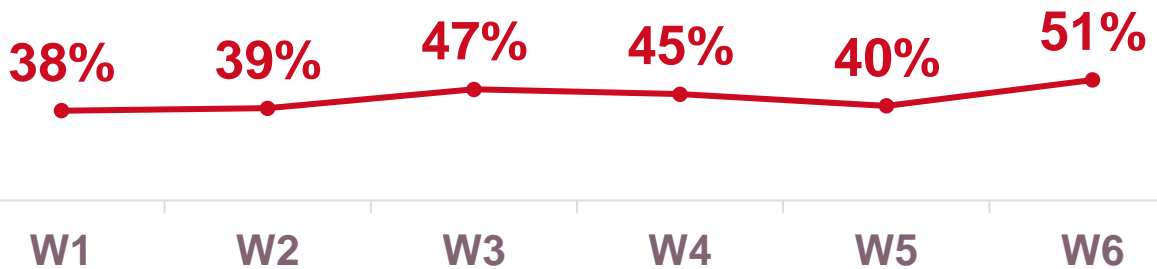


As soon as travel restrictions are relaxed, I'll be happy to travel by public transport again (W6 1611)

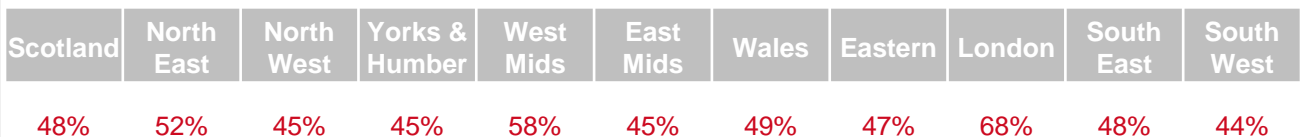
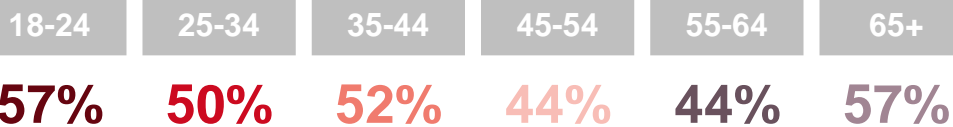


Base excludes don't know/not applicable answers

Increased proportion in those saying they will be wearing a face covering outside the home in Week 6



For my own and others' safety I will be wearing a face covering when I'm outside my home (W6 1773)



Base excludes don't know/not applicable answers

And an increase in the proportion who think that face coverings should be a requirement on public transport to two thirds in week 6



W1 W2 W3 W4 W5 W6

I wouldn't be happy using public transport unless passengers required to wear face coverings (W6 1696)

18-24

25-34

35-44

45-54

55-64

65+

60%

63%

65%

65%

70%

74%

Male

Female

Any disability

No disability

White

BAME

62%

72%

67%

67%

67%

65%

Public transport user

Access to car

No car access

Children in household

No children in household

63%

69%

59%

68%

67%

Scotland

North East

North West

Yorks & Humber

West Mids

East Mids

Wales

Eastern

London

South East

South West

58%

68%

69%

66%

69%

68%

64%

71%

69%

70%

60%

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The proportion of those who won't use public transport unless social distancing is in place is stable at around seven in ten



W1 W2 W3 W4 W5 W6

I won't use public transport unless social distancing is in place (W6 1565)

18-24 25-34 35-44 45-54 55-64 65+

62% 65% 73% 67% 74% 79%

Male Female Any disability No disability White BAME

65% 76% 74% 70% 71% 73%

Public transport user Access to car No car access Children in household No children in household

66% 74% 59% 71% 71%

Scotland North East North West Yorks & Humber West Mids East Mids Wales Eastern London South East South West

64% 73% 72% 70% 79% 70% 78% 78% 64% 71% 70%

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The proportion thinking hand sanitiser should be available on public transport remains high at more than eight in ten



W1 W2 W3 W4 W5 W6

Hand sanitiser should be available on public transport, on vehicles, at stations, and at stops (W6 1893)

18-24

25-34

35-44

45-54

55-64

65+

85%

83%

86%

86%

87%

84%

Male

Female

Any disability

No disability

White

BAME

81%

89%

88%

84%

85%

87%

Public transport user

Access to car

No car access

Children in household

No children in household

85%

86%

80%

84%

85%

Scotland

North East

North West

Yorks & Humber

West Mids

East Mids

Wales

Eastern

London

South East

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86%

91%

86%

82%

85%

79%

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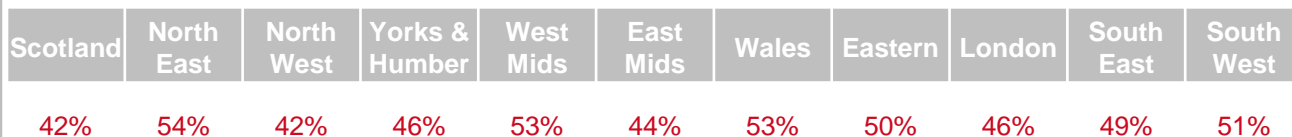
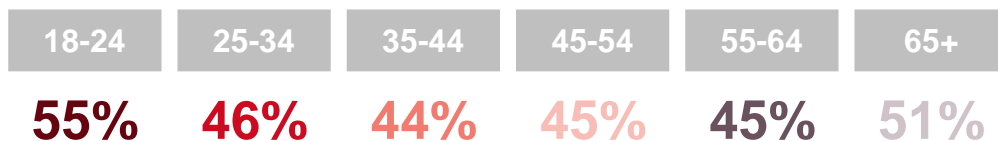
Almost half say that in the future they are more likely to drive for journeys where they previously used public transport

Wording of question changed in week 5



W1 **W2** **W3** **W4** **W5** **W6**
 ●— Once restrictions relaxed, I will drive more rather than public transport

●— Once restrictions relaxed I will drive more for journeys where I would have used public transport before

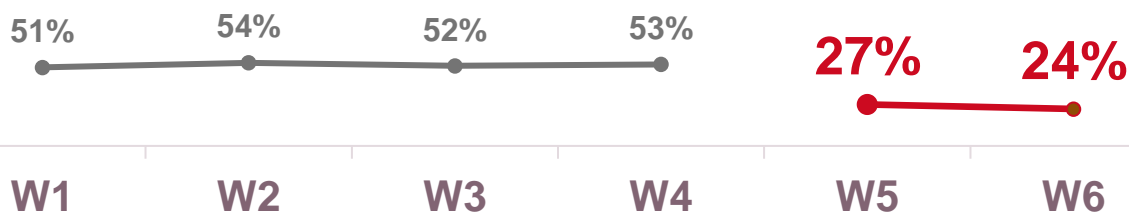


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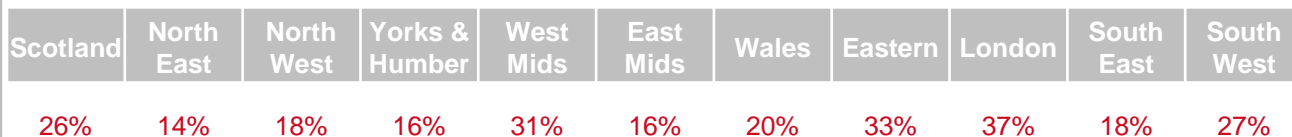
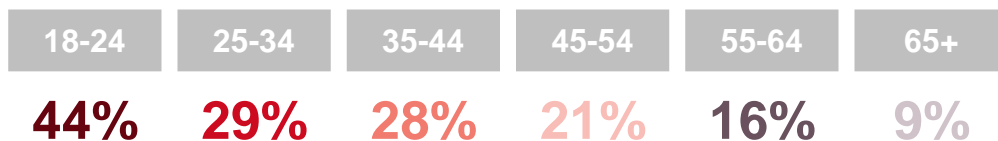
Base (W6 1194)

Around a quarter say that in the future they are more likely to cycle for journeys where they previously used public transport

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● Once restrictions relaxed, I will cycle and walk more rather than public transport
● Once restrictions relaxed I will cycle more for journeys where I would have used public transport before



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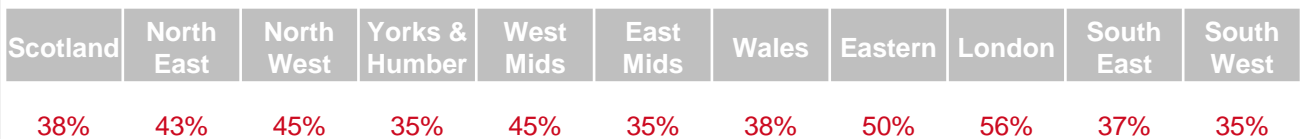
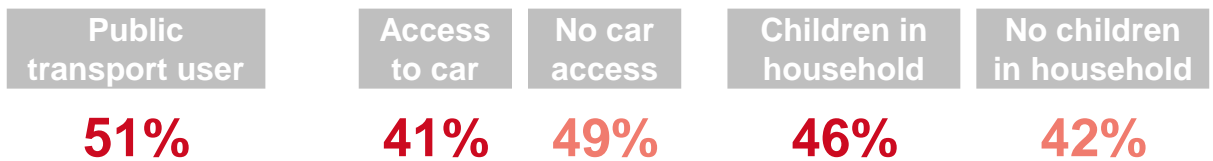
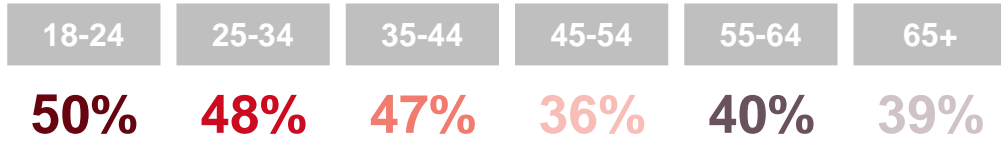
Base (W6 1012)

Around four in ten say that in the future they are more likely to walk for journeys where they previously used public transport

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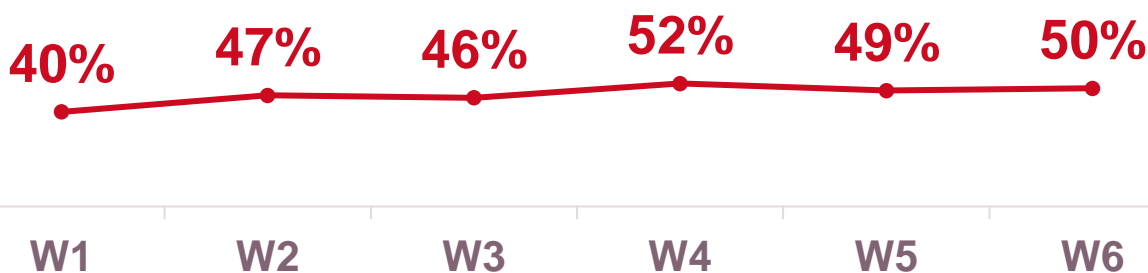
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 ●— Once restrictions relaxed, I will cycle and walk more rather than public transport
 ●— Once restrictions relaxed will walk more for journeys where I would have used public transport before



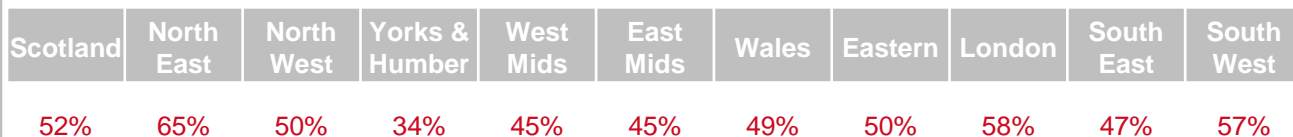
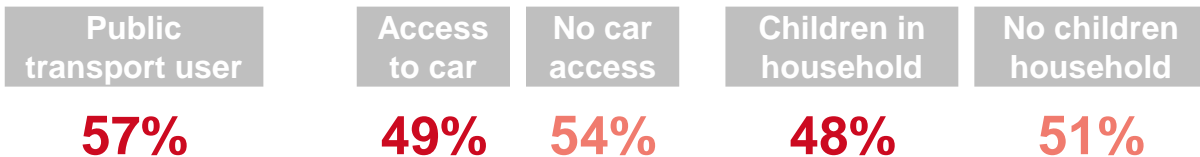
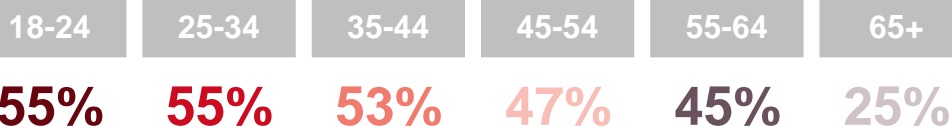
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Base (W6 1433)

Half say they expect to work from home more often in the future – this has increased since week 1



I expect to work from home more often in the future
(W6 966)



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Survey method

- c.2000 online interviews per week, nationally representative of Great British population – not all respondents are passengers on public transport.
- Those who have provided a response are excluded from the subsequent wave of research
- The analysis of attitudinal questions excludes responses from those who don't have an opinion, or from those who say that the question is not applicable to them.
- Fieldwork dates:
 - week 1: 1-3 May 2020
 - week 2: 8-10 May 2020
 - week 3: 15-17 May 2020
 - week 4: 22-24 May 2020
 - Week 5: 29-31 May 2020
 - Week 6: 5-7 June 2020
- Using Populus weekly omnibus.
- To be repeated each week.

Sample breakdown

Sample size by age groups, gender, and region.

	TOTAL	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Week 1	2056	234	310	324	377	314	497	1003	1053
Week 2	2026	242	361	287	332	315	489	1009	1017
Week 3	2013	223	351	332	350	300	457	1004	1009
Week 4	2000	232	327	323	318	294	506	1010	990
Week 5	2016	226	319	324	362	316	469	974	1042
Week 6	2015	184	329	386	399	291	426	968	1047

	Scotland	North East	North West	Yorks & Humber	West Midlands	East Midlands	Wales	Eastern	London	South East	South West
Week 1	185	84	233	164	185	157	110	210	259	287	182
Week 2	165	86	240	177	163	161	110	188	229	306	201
Week 3	173	87	230	179	184	155	110	193	236	274	192
Week 4	194	78	246	148	167	162	101	214	283	237	170
Week 5	176	86	246	162	184	149	96	185	285	276	171
Week 6	181	82	260	155	191	155	105	171	264	263	188