



Travel during Covid-19

Tracking research - wave 72

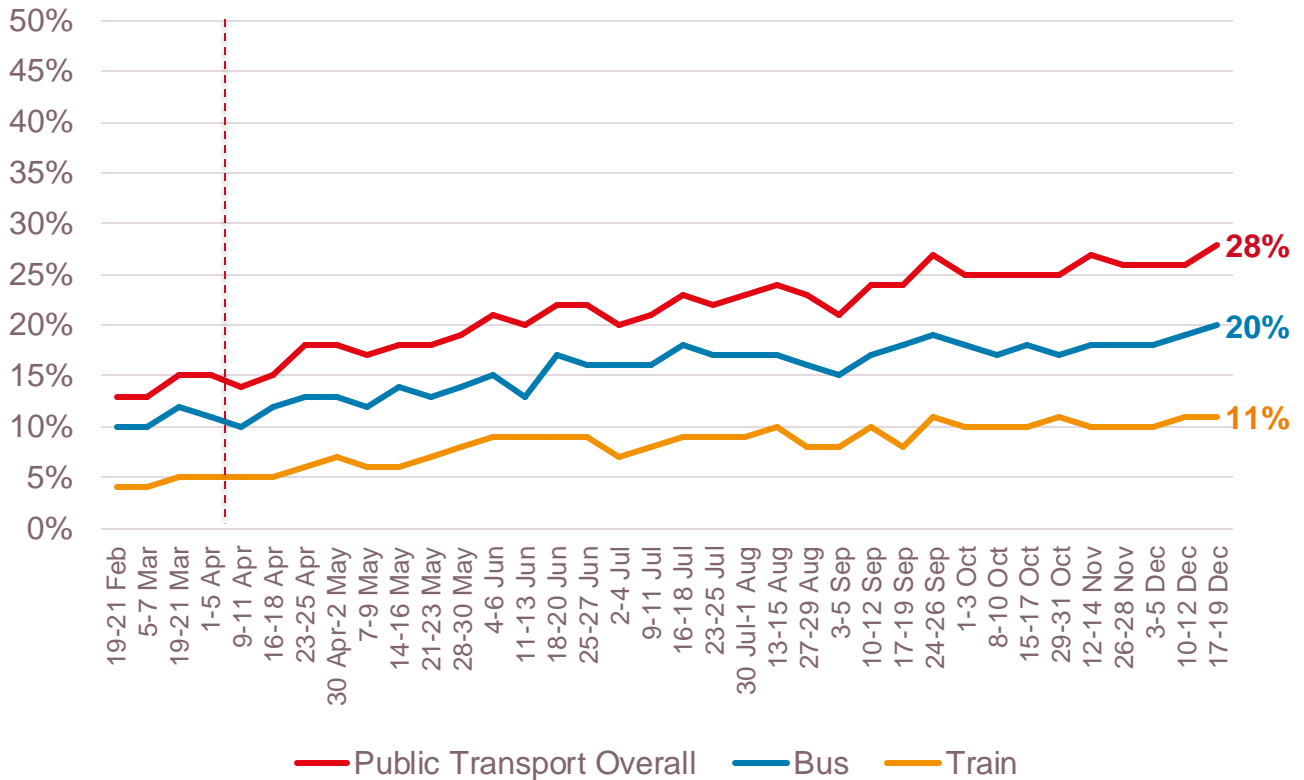
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Travel during Covid-19: omnibus wave 72

Almost three in ten have used public transport in the last seven days

Use of public transport in last seven days – Great Britain

Trend - last 36 waves

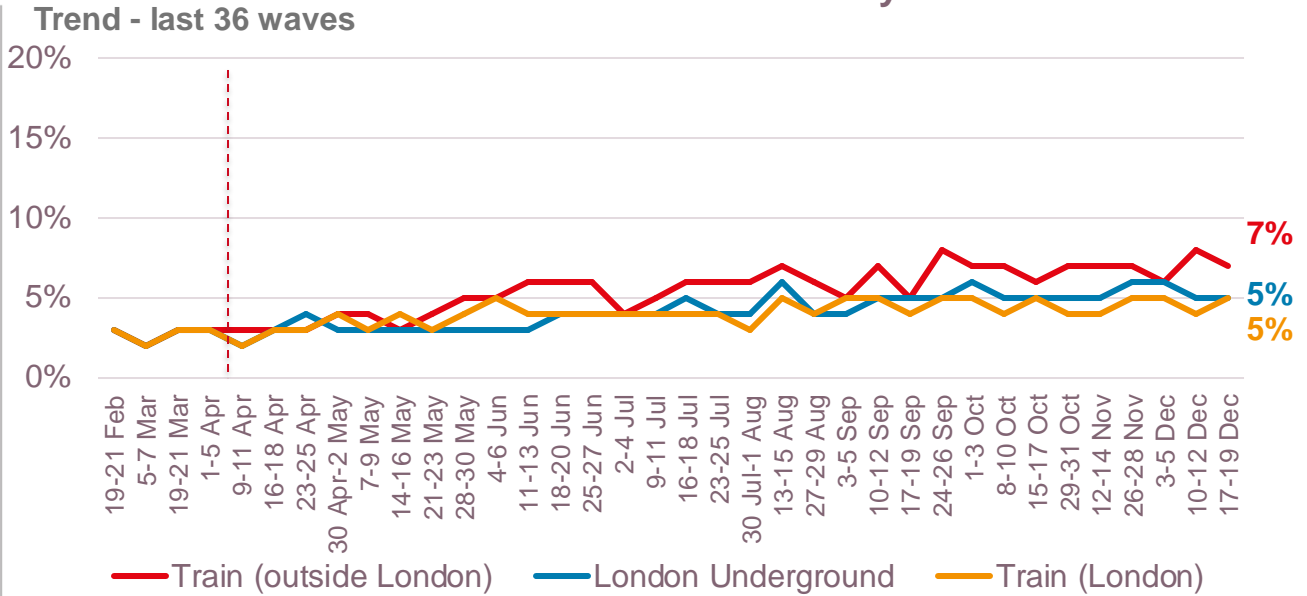


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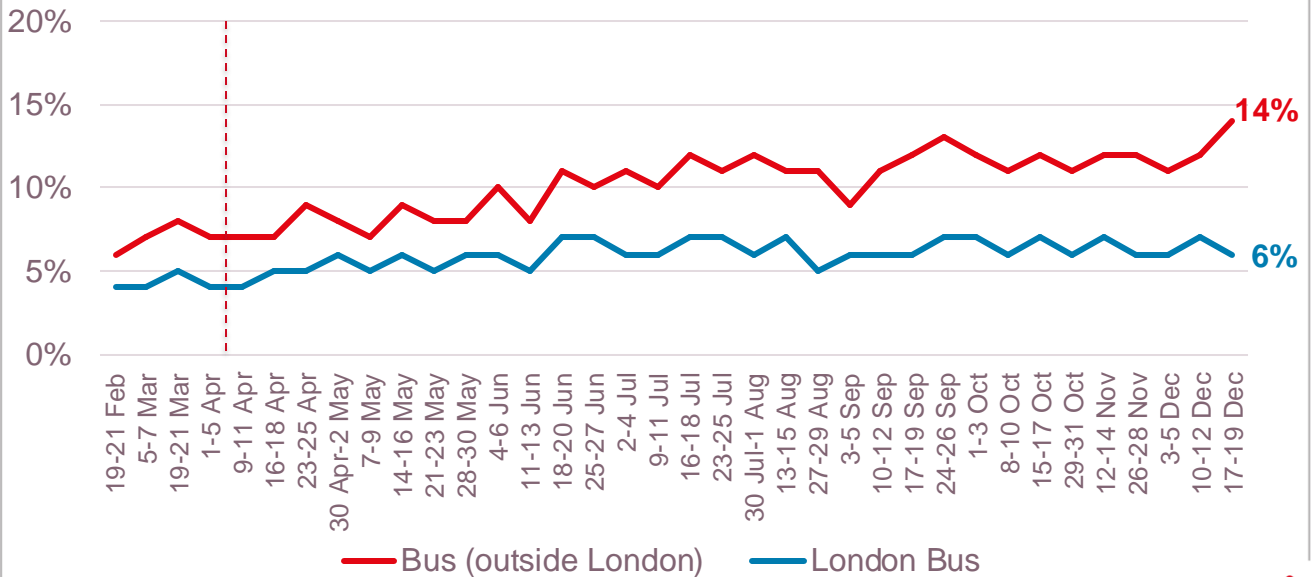
Travel during Covid-19: omnibus wave 72

Slightly increased proportions have used buses outside London

Use of train in last seven days



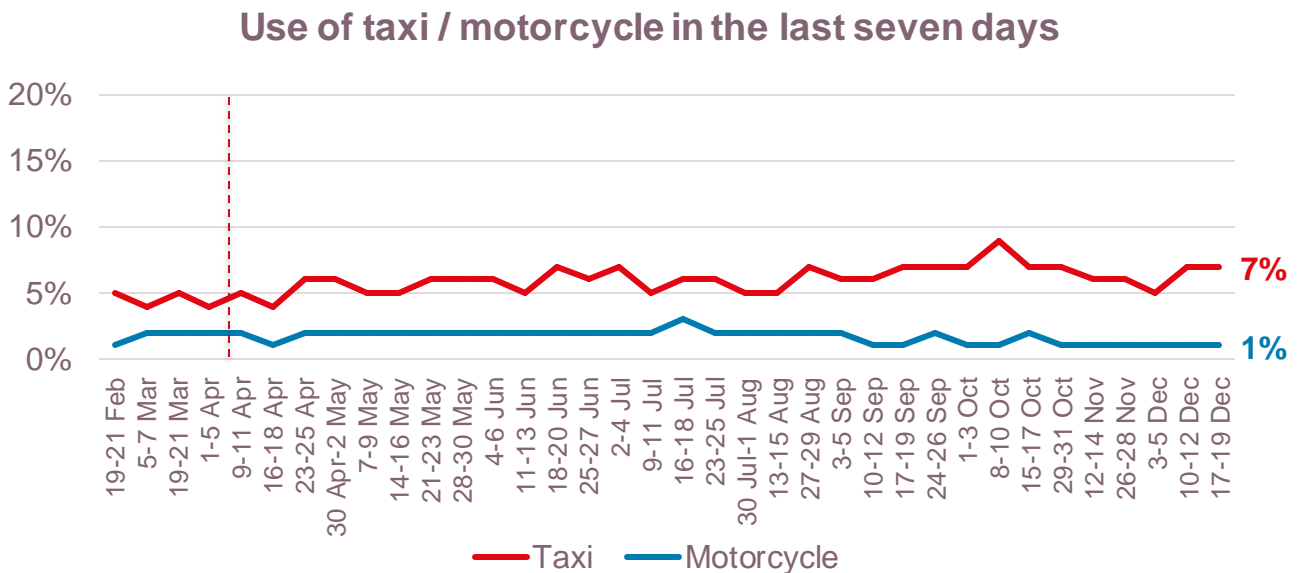
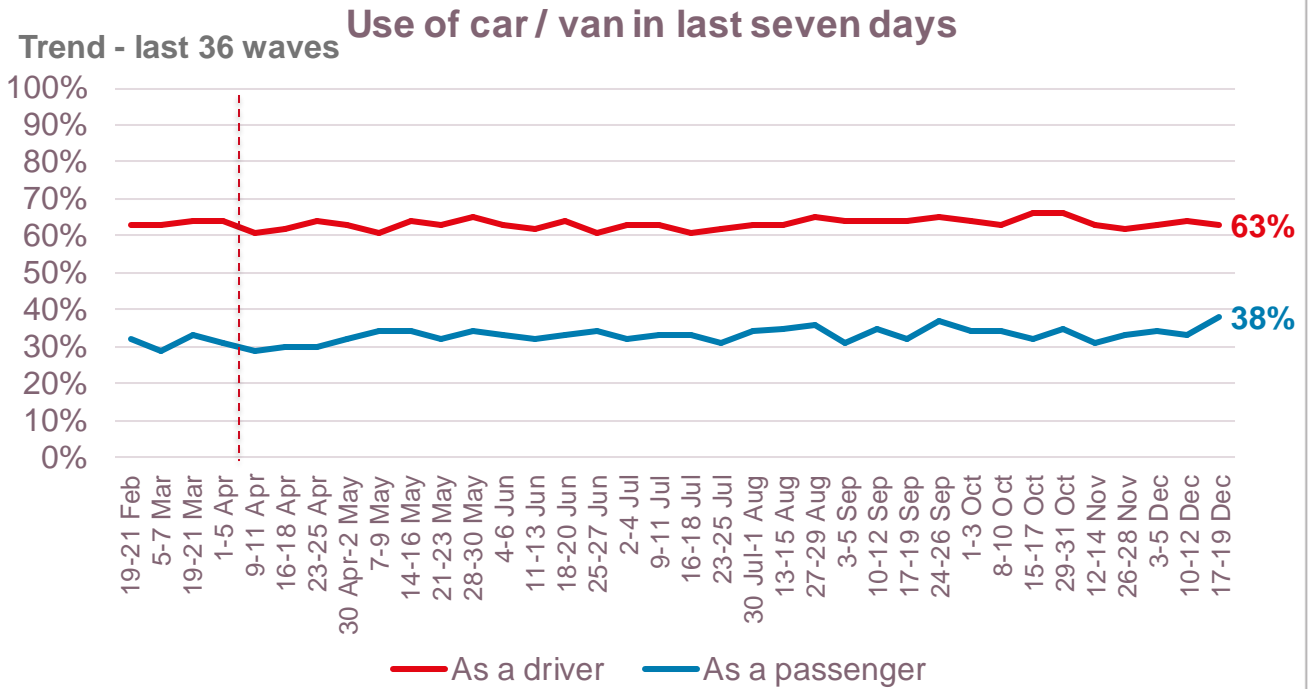
Use of bus in last seven days



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Travel during Covid-19: omnibus wave 72

Road use is relatively consistent



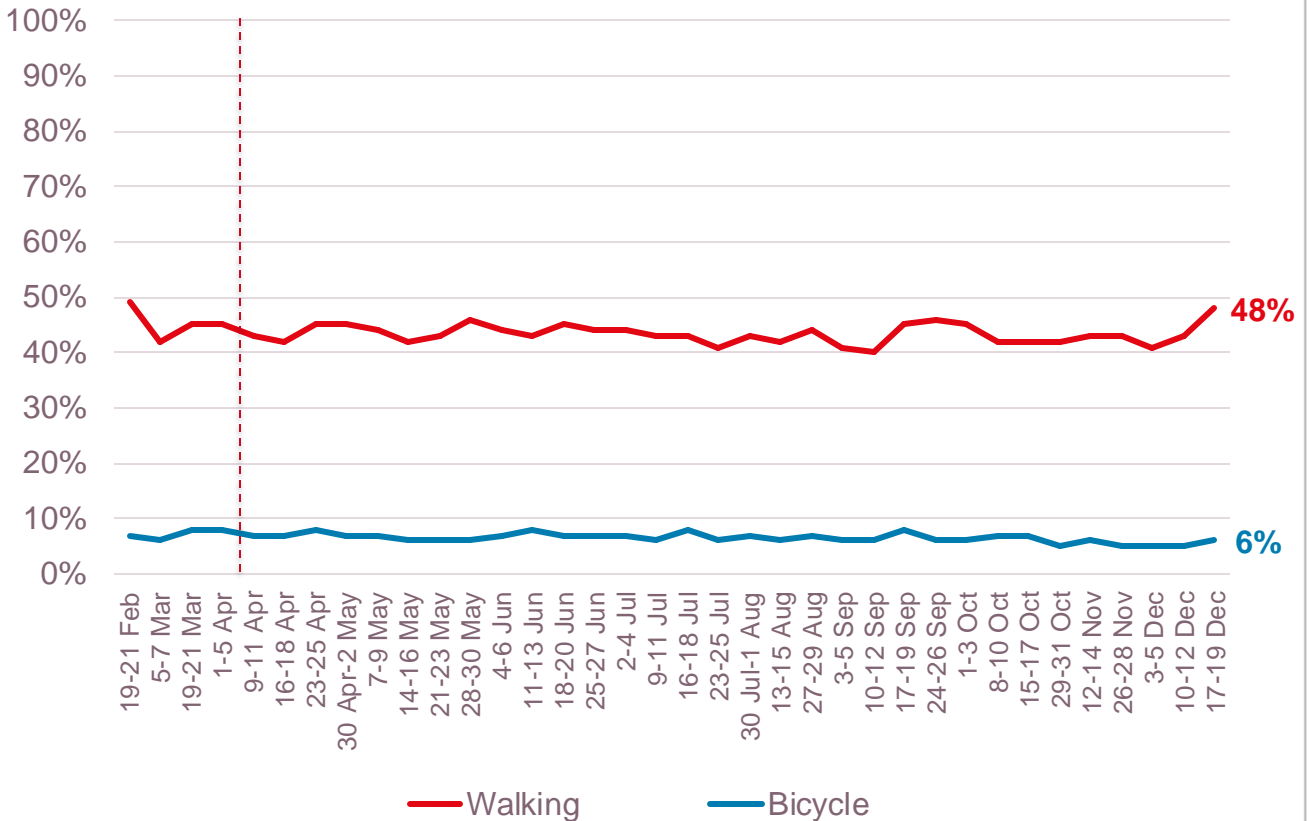
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Almost half made journeys on foot, while fewer have cycled

Use of other modes of transport in the last seven days

Trend - last 36 waves

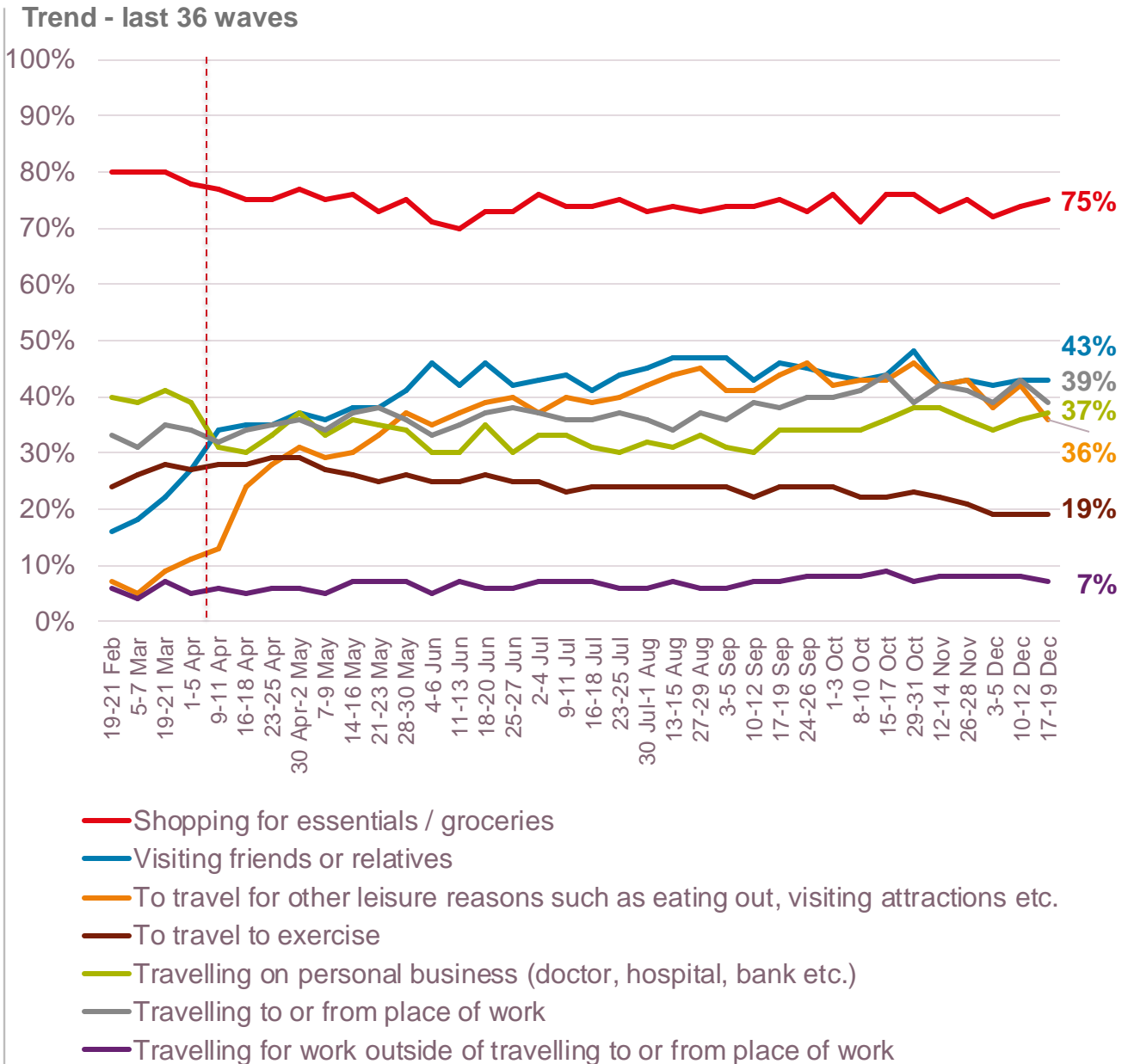


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Falling proportions are making journeys for leisure reasons, or to travel to or from work

Reasons for making journeys in the last seven days

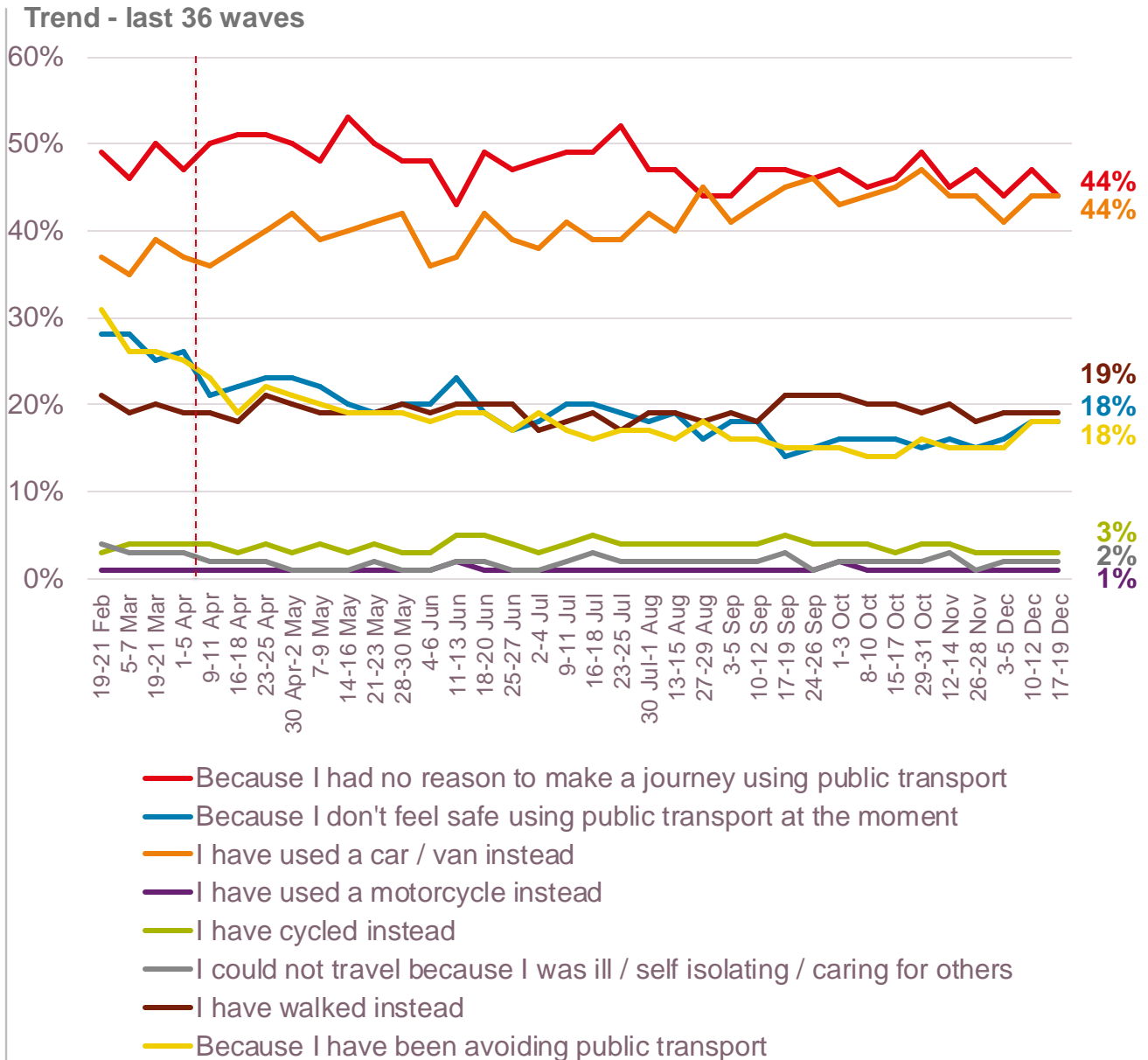


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Almost one in five of those who have not used public transport say that they are avoiding doing so or they don't feel safe to do so

Reasons public transport not used in the last seven days

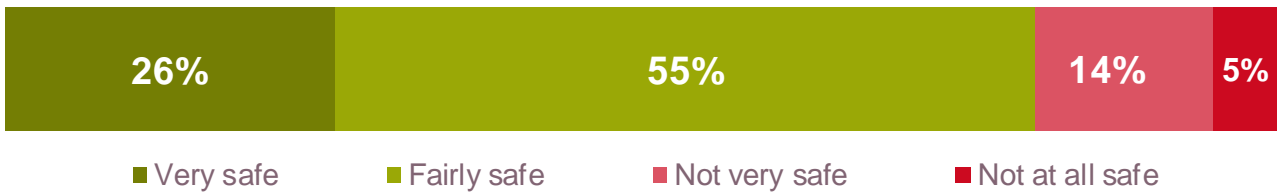


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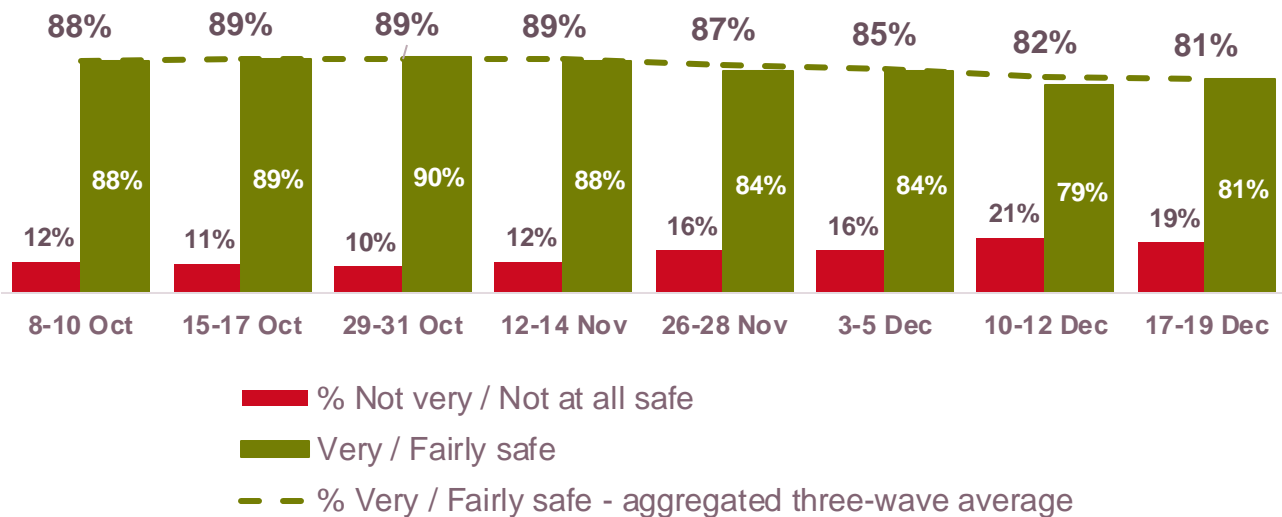
Falling proportions of those making train journeys in the last seven days say that they felt safe doing so

Specifically in relation to coronavirus, how safe do you feel at the moment when using trains?

Base: All making journeys by train, W72 – 218



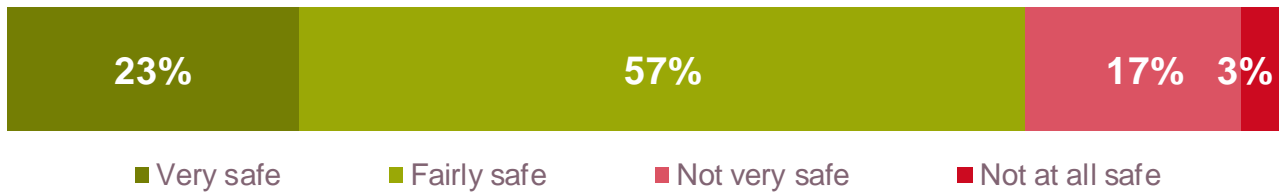
Trend - last eight waves



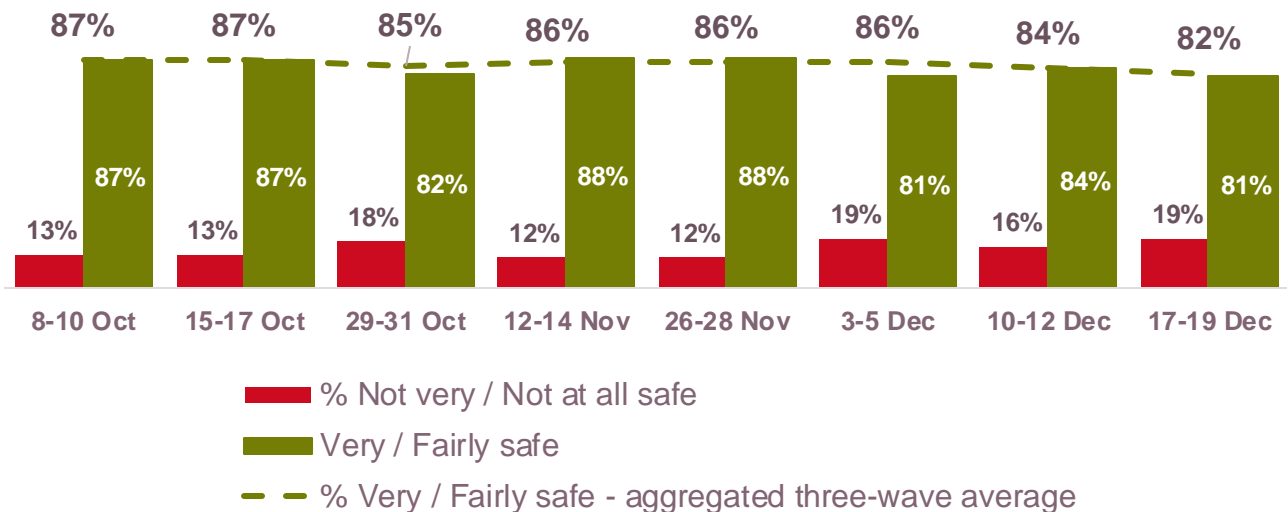
Falling proportions of those making journeys by bus outside London in the last seven days say that they felt safe doing so

Specifically in relation to coronavirus, how safe do you feel at the moment when using buses?

Base: All making journeys by bus outside London, W72 – 257



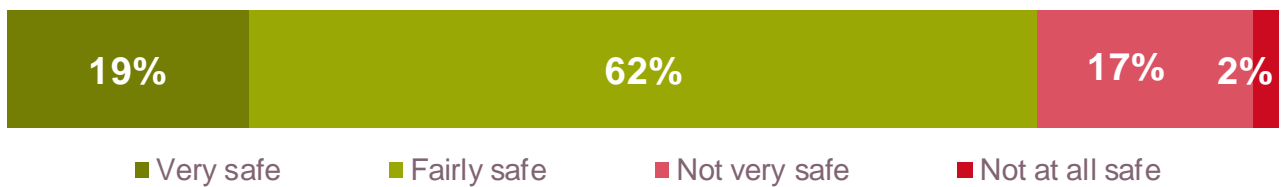
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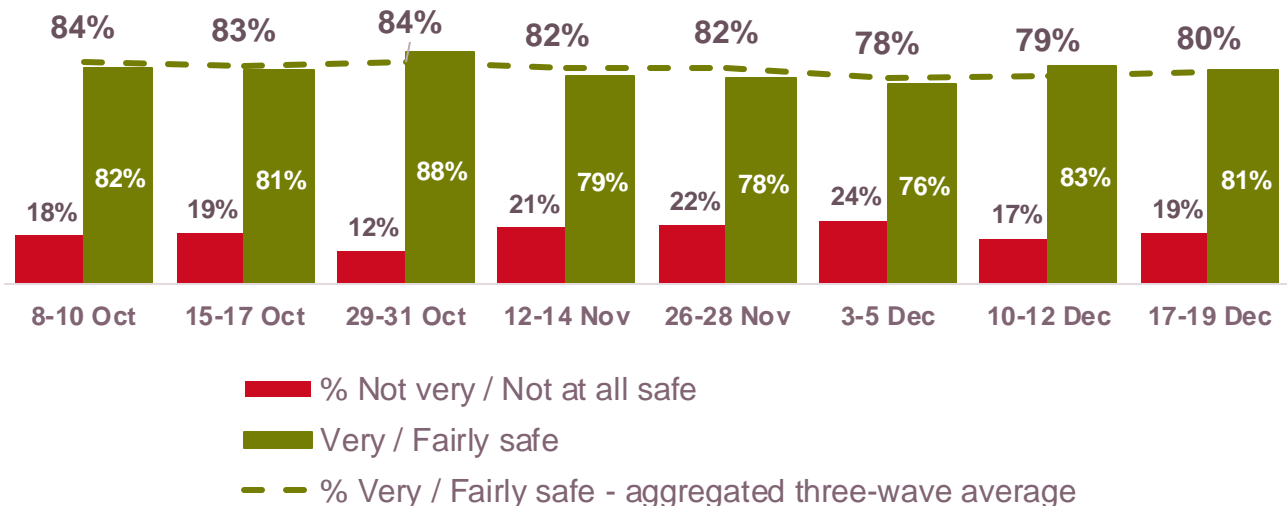
Four in five of those making journeys by bus in London in the last seven days say that they felt safe doing so

Specifically in relation to coronavirus, how safe do you feel at the moment when using buses

Base: All making journeys by London Bus, W72 – 128



Trend - last eight waves



The majority of those in England (excluding London) who used a train or a bus in the last seven days say that they wore a face covering all the time on their journey

On your most recent train journey did you wear a face covering?

Base: All making journeys by train



Base: Those making journeys by train between 3 – 12 December.

England (ex London) 109. Regional breakdown not shown due to low base size

On your most recent bus journey did you wear a face covering?

Base: All making journeys by bus



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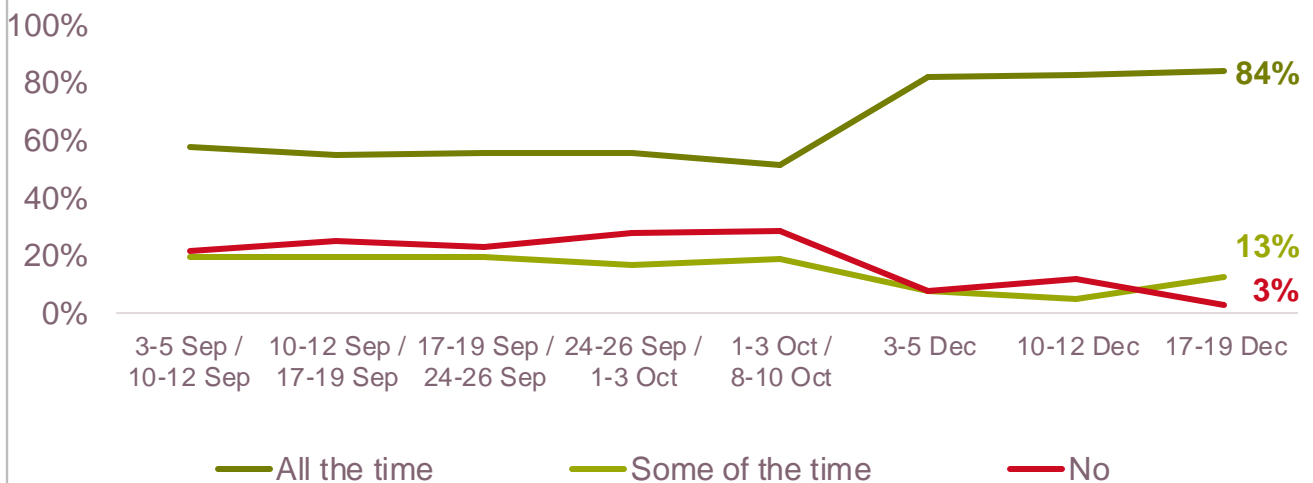
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There has been a large uplift in the proportion of those in England (excluding London) who wore a face covering on their last train or bus journey compared with earlier this year

On your most recent train journey did you wear a face covering?

Base: All making journeys by train in England (excluding London) - 109

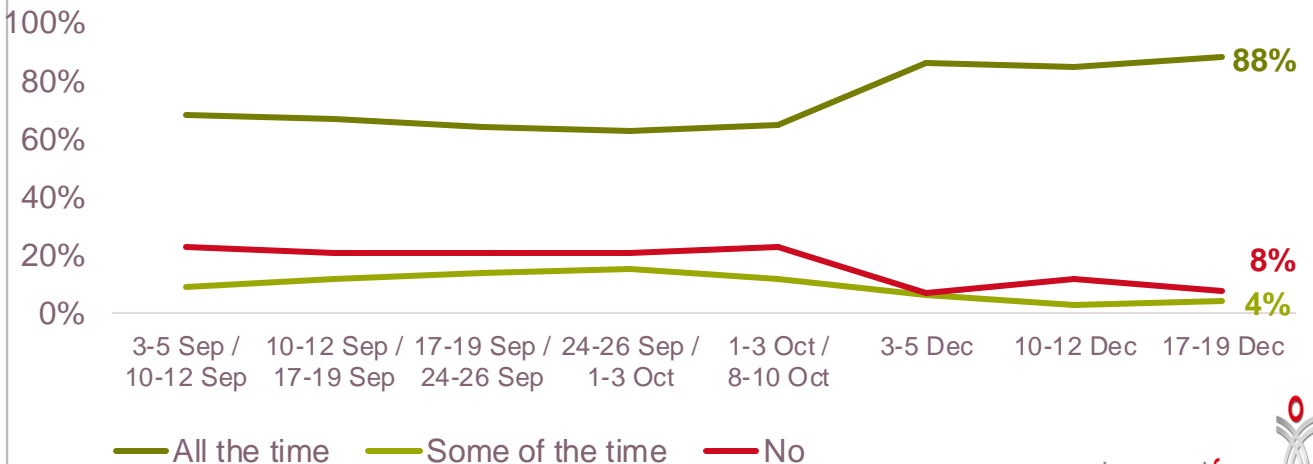
Trend - last eight waves



On your most recent bus journey did you wear a face covering?

Base: All making journeys by bus in England (excluding London) - 211

Trend - last eight waves



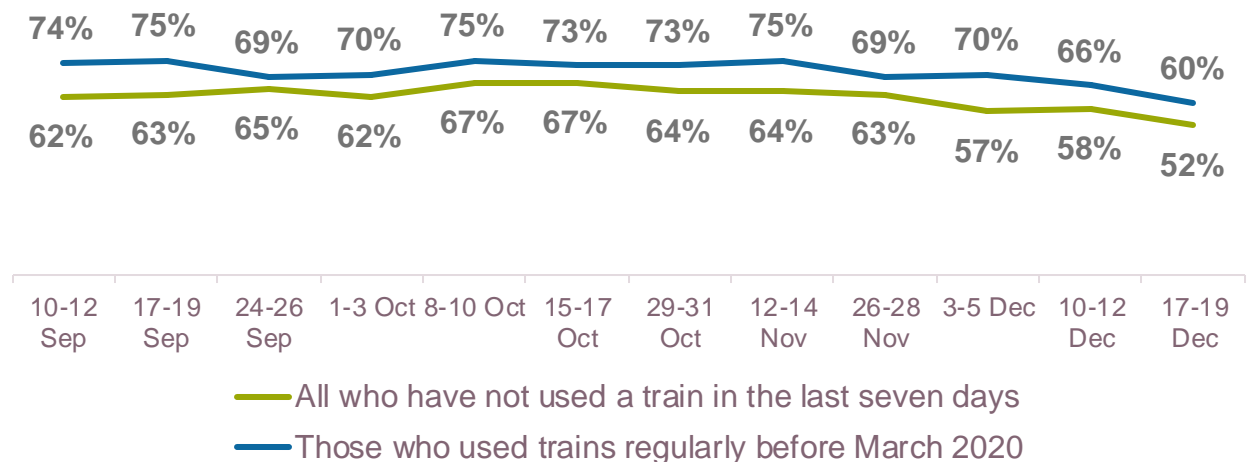
Half of those who have not used a train in the last seven days say that they would feel safe doing so

Specifically in relation to coronavirus, if you had to make a journey at the moment, how safe would you feel making a journey by train?

Base: All *excluding* those making journeys by train (1,798)



Trend - last twelve waves



Base: All who used trains regularly before March 2020, but have not done so in the last seven days (354)

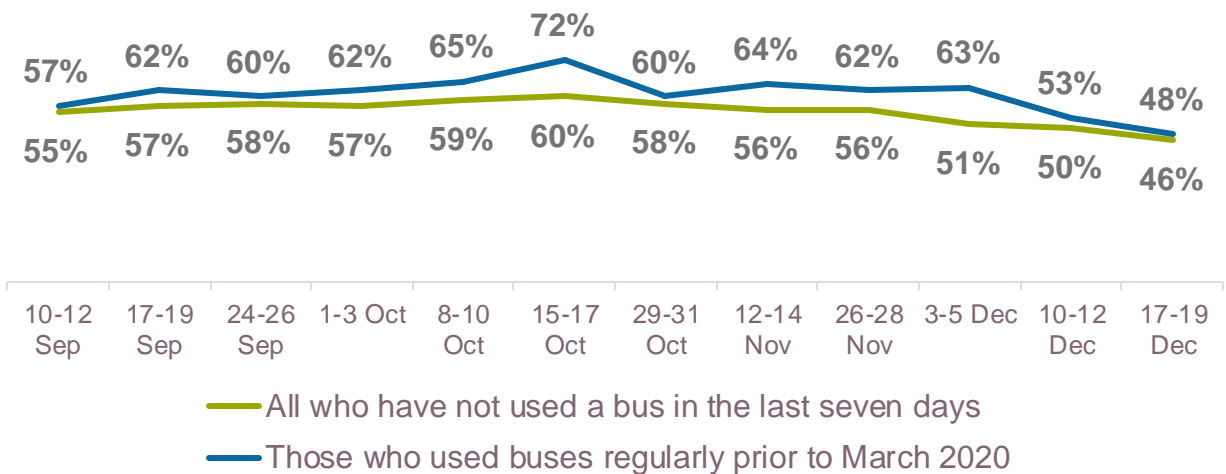
Less than half of those who have not used a bus in the last seven days say they would feel safe doing so

Specifically in relation to coronavirus, if you had to make a journey at the moment, how safe would you feel making a journey by bus?

Base: All *excluding* those making journeys by bus (1,640)



Trend - last twelve waves



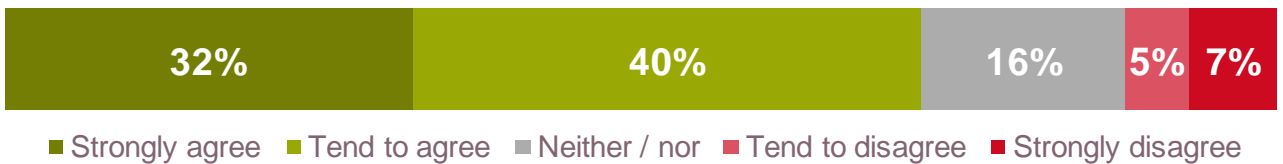
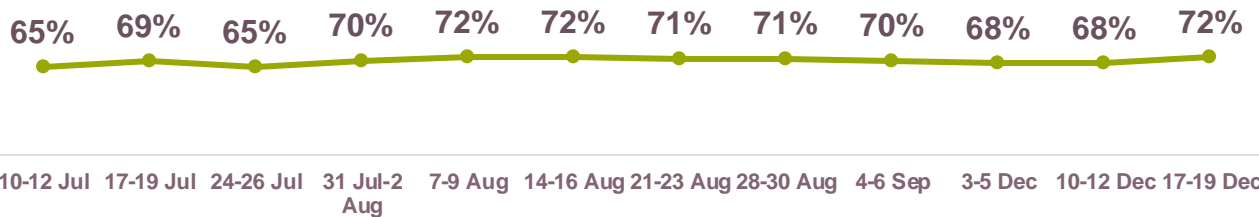
Base: All who used buses regularly before March 2020, but have not done so in the last seven days (379)

Around seven in ten say that they feel safer using public transport with people wearing face coverings

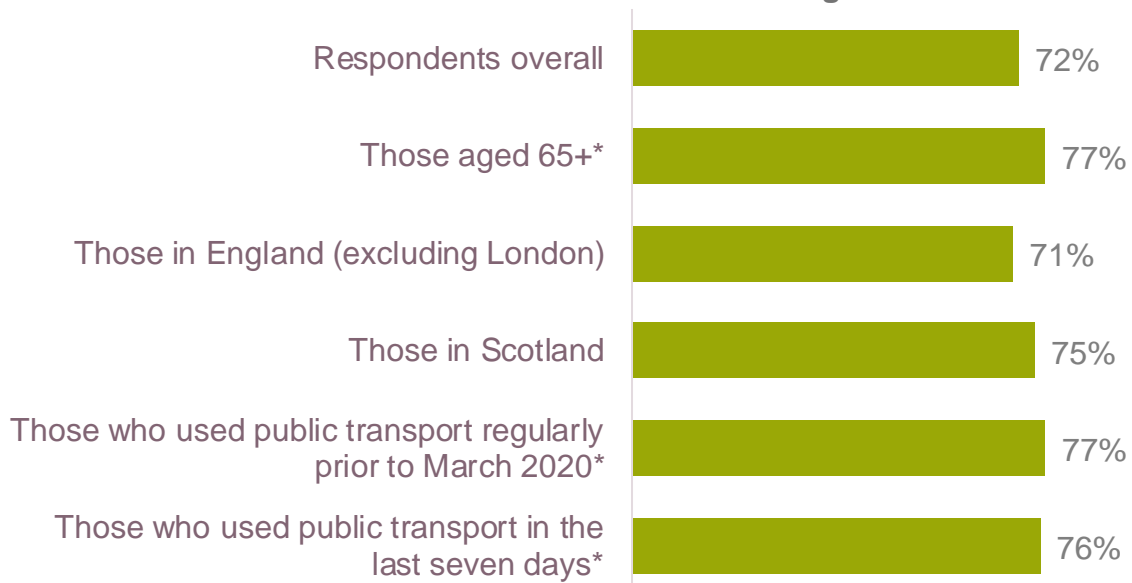
I feel safer using public transport with people wearing face coverings

Base: W72 1,871

% Agree



% Agree



Base excludes don't know/not applicable answers

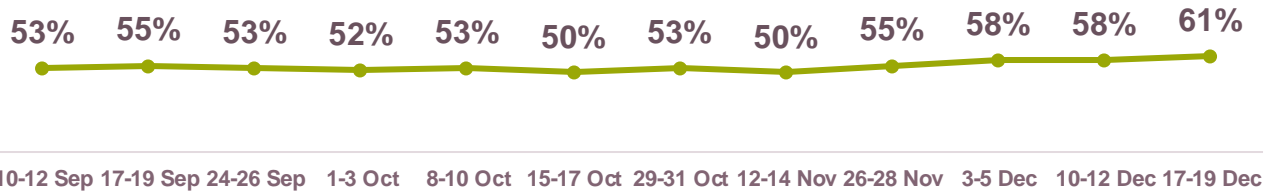
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For a growing proportion Coronavirus is a major concern. Those who have a disability are more likely than others to agree

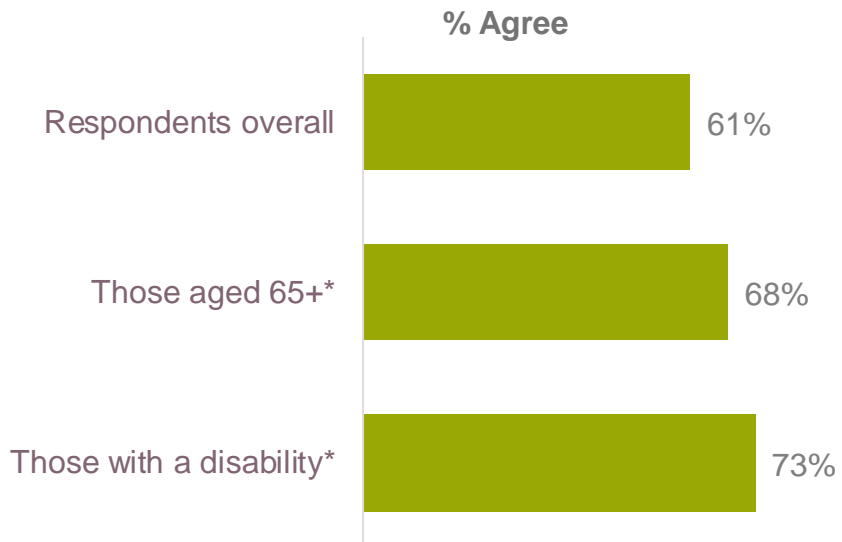
Coronavirus is a major concern for me

Base: W72 1,977

% Agree



■ Strongly agree
 ■ Tend to agree
 ■ Neither / nor
 ■ Tend to disagree
 ■ Strongly disagree



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Almost two in five do not feel that enough is being done to ensure coronavirus safety on public transport

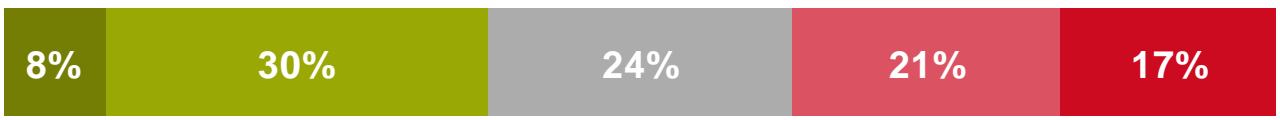
Enough is being done to ensure coronavirus safety on public transport

Base: W72 1,677

% Disagree

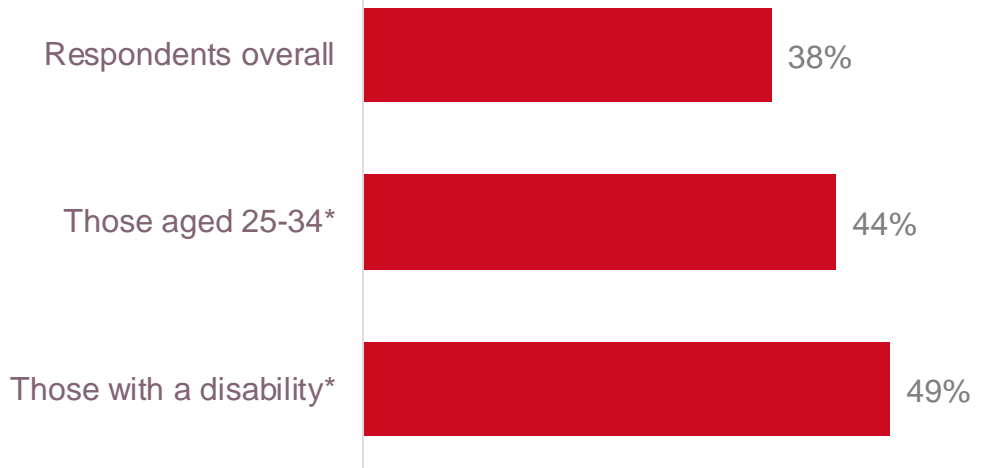


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■ Strongly agree ■ Tend to agree ■ Neither / nor ■ Tend to disagree ■ Strongly disagree

% Disagree



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Three in ten say that they will never again feel completely comfortable on public transport

I will never again feel completely comfortable on public transport

Base: W72 1,814

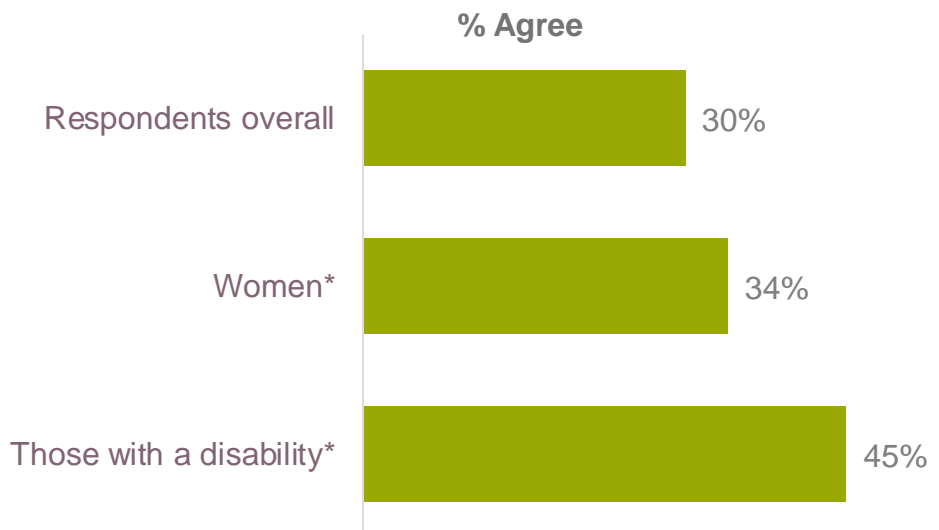
% Agree



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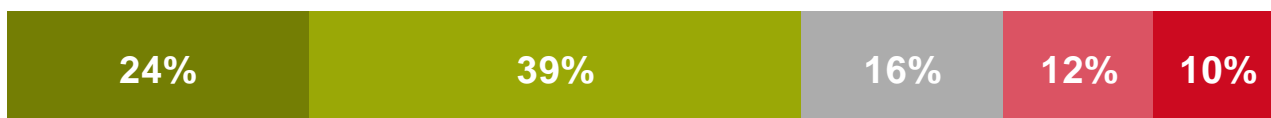
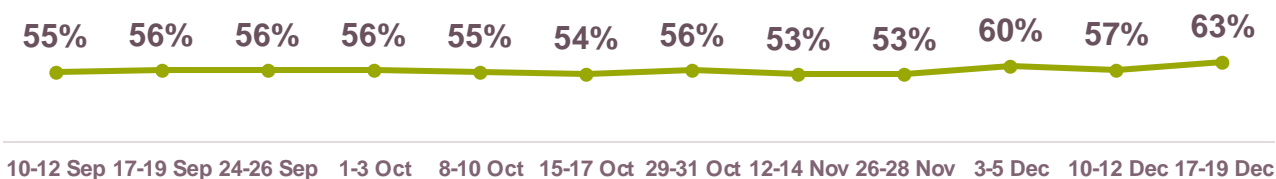
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More than three in five have been avoiding unnecessary activities due to the coronavirus

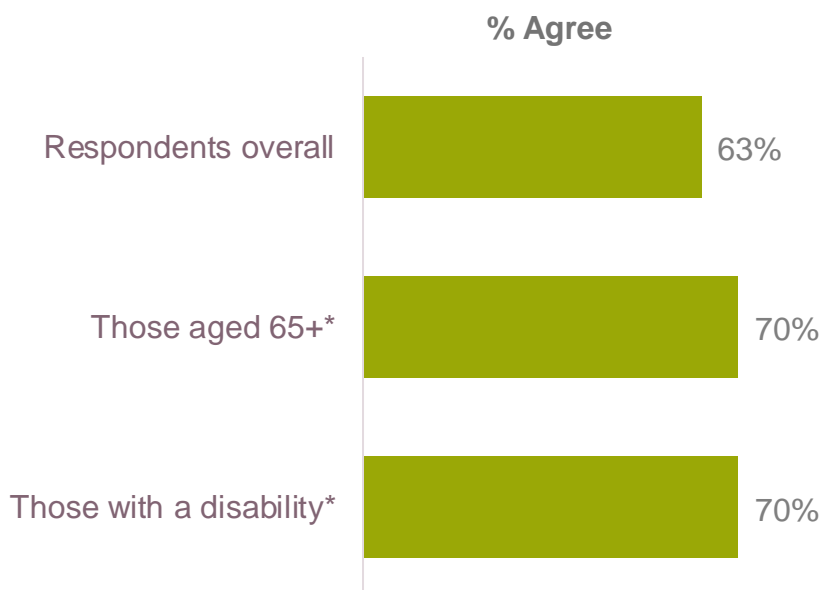
I have been avoiding unnecessary activities due to the coronavirus

Base: W72 1,971

% Agree



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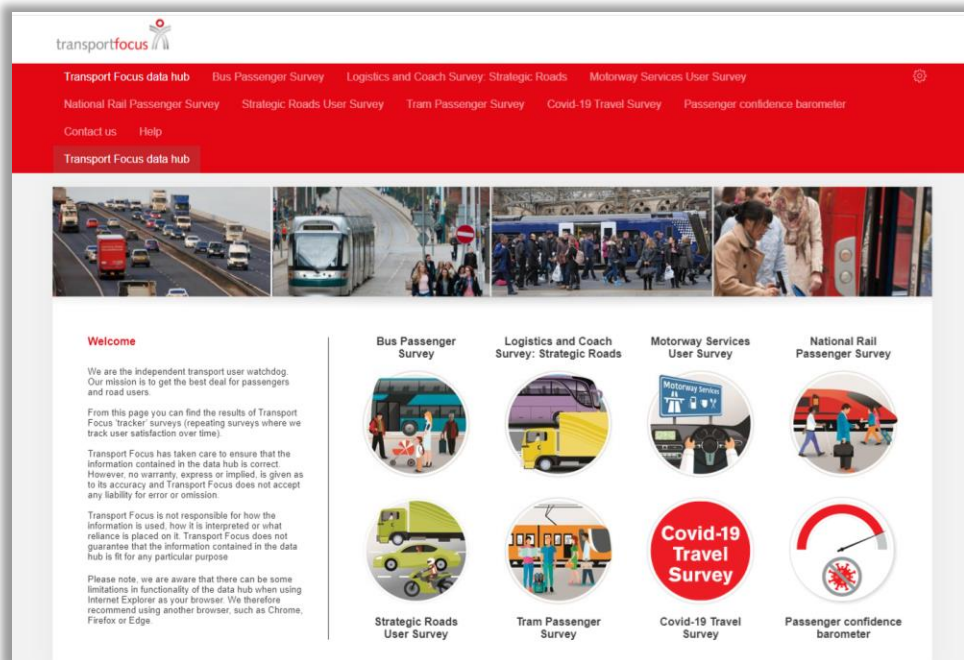
Transport Focus Data Hub

All the results from this wave and previous waves of this research are available for your own analysis on the Transport Focus Data Hub.

The data is available for anyone to view at:

www.transportfocus.org.uk/data-hub

You can access the survey by clicking on 'Covid-19 Travel Survey'



Please note:

Data from new waves of the survey is uploaded and made available on each Friday morning. The survey may be unavailable on the hub on Thursday afternoon while the upload of new data takes place.

Survey method and sample breakdown – week 72

- c.2000 online interviews per wave. Using Yonder Consulting omnibus.
- 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.
- Fieldwork repeated every weekend. Wave 72 fieldwork: 17-19 December
- The analysis of attitudinal questions excludes responses from those who don't have an opinion or who say that the question is not applicable to them.

Sample size by age groups and gender

	TOTAL	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	Male	Female
Wave 72	2,038	183	356	321	366	336	476	987	1,044

Sample size by region

	Scotland	North East	North West	Yorks & Humber	West Midlands	East Midlands	Wales	Eastern	London	South East	South West
Wave 72	179	97	224	172	167	145	104	204	267	299	180