

| Information topic | Details |
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| Indicator name | Number of motor vehicles in New Zealand, by vehicle type and fuel type |
| Domain and topic | Air Quality: Motor vehicles Transport: Motor vehicles |
| Indicator definition and units | <p>Number of motor vehicles in New Zealand, by type. Vehicle types include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Light passenger (passenger cars and vans) - Light commercial (if under 3500kg) (includes goods vans, trucks, utility vehicles, buses, motor caravans) - Trucks (if over 3500kg) (includes trucks and motor caravans) - Buses (if over 3500kg) - Motorcycles (includes motorcycles and mopeds) <p>Statistics are also reported for diesel vehicles and electric vehicles (includes pure electric and plug-in hybrid vehicles).</p> |
| Data source | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ministry of Transport: Annual Vehicle Fleet Statistics - Ministry of Transport: Monthly electric vehicle registrations |
| Time period and time scale | Annual; from 2000 onwards |
| Population coverage | All vehicles on the Motor Vehicle Register, excluding those that are exempt from having a license (not used on roads) and those that have an expired license (if the license has not been renewed within 6 months). |
| Measures of frequency | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of motor vehicles, by type - Number of diesel motor vehicles, by type - Number of electric vehicles, by type |
| Limitations of indicator | Factsheets based on 2014 data onwards should not be compared with earlier published factsheets (see 'Limitations of data source' below). |
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| Created by | Ministry of Transport New Zealand |
| Related indicators | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of light vehicles per 1000 population - Average age of vehicle fleet |

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| For more information | Ministry of Transport: Vehicle Fleet Statistics (http://www.transport.govt.nz/research/newzealandvehiclefleetstatistics/) |
| References | Ministry of Transport. 2019. <i>Annual fleet statistics 2019</i> . Wellington: Ministry of Transport |