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9.1 Motor vehicles licensed at end of year: 1950-2006

										Thousands
Year	Private and light goods			Motor cycles etc	Public transport vehicles	Special machines/ Special concessionary ¹	Other vehicles	Special Vehicles group	Crown and exempt vehicles ¹	All vehicles
	Private cars	Other vehicles	Goods vehicles							
1950	1,979	439	439	643	123	262	24	.	61	3,970
1951	2,095	457	451	725	123	250	26	.	63	4,190
1952	2,221	477	450	812	119	270	29	.	86	4,464
1953	2,446	516	446	889	105	289	30	.	88	4,809
1954	2,733	566	450	977	97	307	32	.	88	5,250
1955	3,109	633	462	1,076	92	326	35	.	89	5,822
1956	3,437	685	471	1,137	89	336	37	.	95	6,287
1957	3,707	723	473	1,261	87	355	41	.	96	6,743
1958	4,047	772	461	1,300	86	367	46	.	96	7,175
1959	4,416	824	473	1,479	83	383	55	.	96	7,809
1960	4,900	894	493	1,583	84	392	65	.	101	8,512
1961	5,296	944	508	1,577	82	400	76	.	106	8,989
1962	5,776	1,002	512	1,567	84	401	83	.	107	9,532
1963	6,462	1,092	535	1,546	86	412	88	.	115	10,336
1964	7,190	1,184	551	1,534	86	421	90	.	120	11,176
1965	7,732	1,240	584	1,420	86	417	91	.	127	11,697
1966	8,210	1,283	577	1,239	85	399	87	.	142	12,022
1967	8,882	1,358	593	1,190	85	416	89	.	147	12,760
1968	9,285	1,388	580	1,082	89	409	92	.	157	13,082
1969	9,672	1,408	547	993	92	398	90	.	162	13,362
1970	9,971	1,421	545	923	93	385	89	.	121	13,548
1971	10,443	1,452	542	899	96	380	92	.	126	14,030
1972	11,006	1,498	525	866	95	371	95	.	128	14,584
1973	11,738	1,559	540	887	96	373	97	.	137	15,427
1974	11,917	1,547	539	918	96	380	96	.	149	15,642
1975	12,526	1,592	553	1,077	105	384	108	.	166	16,511
1976	13,184	1,626	563	1,175	110	387	117	.	156	17,318
1977	13,220	1,591	559	1,190	110	393	115	.	167	17,345
1978	13,626	1,597	549	1,194	110	394	111	.	177	17,758
1979	14,162	1,623	561	1,292	111	402	106	.	359	18,616
1980	14,660	1,641	507	1,372	110	397	100	.	412	19,199
1981	14,867	1,623	489	1,371	110	365	95	.	427	19,347
1982	15,264	1,624	477	1,370	111	371	91	.	454	19,762
1983	15,543	1,692	488	1,290	113	376	86	.	621	20,209
1984	16,055	1,752	490	1,225	116	375	82	.	670	20,765
1985	16,454	1,805	485	1,148	120	374	78	.	695	21,159
1986	16,981	1,880	484	1,065	125	371	73	.	720	21,699
1987	17,421	1,952	485	978	129	374	68	.	744	22,152
1988	18,432	2,096	502	912	132	383	83	.	761	23,302
1989	19,248	2,199	505	875	122	384	77	.	785	24,196
1990	19,742	2,247	482	833	115	375	71	.	807	24,673
1991	19,737	2,215	449	750	109	346	65	.	840	24,511
1992	20,116	2,230	437	688	108	324	59	.	891	24,853
1992 ²	19,870	2,198	432	684	107	324	59	.	903	24,577
1993	20,102	2,187	428	650	107	318	55	.	979	24,826
1994	20,479	2,192	434	630	107	309	50	.	1,030	25,231
1995 ²	20,505	2,217	421	594	74	274	44	28	1,169	25,369
1996	21,172	2,267	413	609	77	254	40	48	1,424	26,302
1997	21,681	2,317	414	626	79	249	38	48	1,522	26,974
1998	22,115	2,362	412	684	80	243	37	47	1,558	27,538
1999	22,785	2,427	415	760	84	241	36	47	1,573	28,368
2000	23,196	2,469	418	825	86	233	34	46	1,590	28,898
2001	23,899	2,544	422	882	89	233	33	45	1,602	29,747
2002	24,543	2,622	425	941	92	.	32	46	1,855	30,557
2003	24,985	2,730	426	1,005	96	.	32	47	1,887	31,207
2004	25,754	2,900	434	1,060	100	.	32	50	1,929	32,259
2005	26,208	3,019	433	1,075	103	.	31	51	1,978	32,897
2006	26,508	3,137	446	1,094	107	.	31	54	1,991	33,369

1 The "Special concession" vehicles form part of the "Crown and exempt" taxation class from 2002.

2 Changes to the taxation system have meant that there are some discontinuities in the series.

9.2 Motor vehicles registered for the first time: 1951-2006

							Thousands
Year	Private and light goods	Goods vehicles	Motor cycles etc	Public transport vehicles	Special machines and special concessionary ¹	Exempt and Other vehicles ¹	All vehicles
1951	136	85	133	8	34	18	414
1952	188	82	133	5	35	16	459
1953	295	97	139	5	34	14	584
1954	386	110	165	6	35	17	718
1955	501	154	185	6	39	22	907
1956	400	148	143	5	32	23	751
1957	425	141	206	5	40	20	837
1958	555	173	183	5	47	19	982
1959	646	192	332	5	49	30	1,253
1960	805	226	257	6	43	33	1,369
1961	743	220	212	6	46	31	1,259
1962	785	192	140	6	43	27	1,192
1963	1,009	206	166	6	48	31	1,466
1964	1,191	229	205	7	46	34	1,711
1965	1,123	229	151	7	45	46	1,601
1966	1,065	227	109	7	48	36	1,494
1967	1,117	222	138	7	54	39	1,575
1968	1,117	232	112	7	57	37	1,562
1969	987	240	85	7	49	33	1,402
1969 ²	1,133	94	85	7	49	33	1,402
1970	1,248	85	105	8	49	30	1,525
1971	1,462	74	128	10	38	30	1,742
1972	1,855	75	153	10	48	44	2,184
1973	1,851	83	194	10	50	43	2,230
1974	1,400	68	190	8	46	40	1,750
1975	1,317	67	265	8	49	45	1,750
1976	1,402	64	271	9	52	41	1,838
1977	1,445	69	251	9	48	40	1,862
1978	1,746	80	225	9	50	41	2,151
1979	1,892	91	286	9	48	44	2,370
1980	1,679	75	313	9	37	44	2,156
1980 ²	1,699	55	313	9	37	44	2,156
1981	1,644	40	272	8	33	35	2,030
1982	1,746	41	232	7	39	40	2,104
1983	1,989	47	175	7	42	48	2,308
1984	1,933	50	145	7	40	64	2,239
1985	2,030	52	126	7	40	55	2,309
1986	2,071	51	106	9	35	62	2,334
1987	2,213	54	91	9	38	70	2,474
1988	2,437	63	90	9	45	79	2,724
1989	2,535	65	97	8	43	81	2,829
1990	2,180	44	94	7	34	78	2,439
1991	1,709	29	77	5	26	77	1,922
1992	1,694	29	66	5	24	84	1,902
1993	1,853	33	58	5	30	94	2,074
1994	1,992	41	65	7	35	110	2,249
1995 ²	2,024	48	69	5	33	127	2,307
1996	2,093	46	90	7	26	150	2,410
1997	2,244	42	122	7	22	162	2,598
1998	2,368	49	144	7	15	157	2,740
1999	2,342	48	168	8	25	174	2,766
2000	2,430	50	183	8	24	176	2,871
2001	2,709	49	177	7	27	169	3,138
2002	2,815	45	162	8	-	199	3,229
2003	2,821	48	157	8	-	197	3,232
2004	2,785	48	134	8	-	211	3,185
2005	2,604	51	132	9	-	226	3,021
2006	2,499	48	132	8	-	227	2,914

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² Changes to the taxation system have meant that there are some discontinuities in the series.

9.3 Motor vehicles licensed at end of year: by tax class, body type and engine size: 1996-2006

(a) Private and light goods tax class												Thousands
Year	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	
Body type cars classified by cylinder capacity												
Over	Not over											
	700cc	42	37	29	18	19	23	29	37	47	52	57
700cc	1,000cc	1,678	1,564	1,459	1,435	1,415	1,368	1,314	1,237	1,199	1,153	1,135
1,000cc	1,200cc	2,327	2,336	2,293	2,275	2,228	2,244	2,252	2,221	2,210	2,139	2,036
1,200cc	1,500cc	5,321	5,418	5,497	5,600	5,677	5,819	5,894	5,939	6,089	6,181	6,284
1,500cc	1,800cc	6,540	6,655	6,766	6,922	6,992	7,124	7,241	7,284	7,405	7,439	7,408
1,800cc	2,000cc	3,550	3,828	4,090	4,389	4,604	4,869	5,166	5,398	5,686	5,929	6,076
2,000cc	2,500cc	851	925	1,003	1,094	1,159	1,275	1,400	1,520	1,639	1,725	1,805
2,500cc	3,000cc	524	548	574	608	630	666	704	762	841	918	1,007
3,000cc		340	371	403	443	473	510	543	587	638	671	700
All capacities		21,172	21,681	22,115	22,785	23,196	23,899	24,543	24,985	25,754	26,208	26,508
Other vehicles		2,267	2,317	2,362	2,427	2,469	2,544	2,622	2,730	2,900	3,019	3,137
All private and light goods		23,439	23,998	24,477	25,212	25,666	26,443	27,165	27,715	28,654	29,226	29,645
(b) Motor cycles, scooters and mopeds tax class: by engine size												
Over	Not over											
	50cc	105	96	102	117	141	154	155	159	161	153	144
50cc	125cc	162	143	143	148	160	172	177	182	189	192	199
125cc	150cc	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
150cc	200cc	13	12	12	12	13	13	14	16	16	16	15
200cc	250cc	46	44	42	41	38	35	33	33	33	32	32
250cc	350cc	11	10	10	9	9	8	8	9	9	8	8
350cc	500cc	48	54	57	61	62	62	70	74	75	74	72
500cc		223	265	317	371	403	437	482	531	576	599	623
All over 50cc		504	530	582	642	685	727	786	845	899	922	950
All engine sizes		609	626	684	760	825	882	941	1,005	1,060	1,075	1,094

9.4 Motor vehicles licensed by tax class in 2006: by method of propulsion

							Thousands
Taxation class	Petrol	Diesel	Petrol/Gas	Gas/GasBi Fuel/Gas- Diesel	Hybrid- Electric	Steam	All
Private and light goods	20,755	8,820	28	24	17	2	29,645
<i>ow:</i> body type cars	20,531	5,920	26	14	17	1	26,509
Motor cycles, scooters and mopeds	1,093	1	-	0	0	-	1,094
Bus	1	106	-	0	0	-	107
Goods	2	444	-	0	0	-	446
Special vehicles group	-	52	-	0	-	1	54
Other non-exempt vehicles	13	17	-	0	0	0	31
Exempt vehicles	1,321	655	1	1	-	13	1,991
<i>ow:</i>							
former Special concessionary group	14	267	-	-	0	8	289
Total All Vehicles	23,185	10,095	30	25	17	17	33,369

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9.5 Body type cars licensed: by government office region: 2006

	2006						
	Body type cars in all taxation classes						Percentage first registered in 2006
	1996 (thousand)	2005 (thousand)	(thousand)	Per 1000 population	Average vehicle age		
North East	782	1,006	1,015	397	5.9	7.9	
North West	2,495	3,140	3,196	467	6.0	9.9	
Yorkshire and The Humber	1,704	2,161	2,176	430	6.1	8.2	
East Midlands	1,606	2,064	2,086	484	6.6	9.7	
West Midlands	2,178	2,723	2,693	502	6.3	10.7	
East of England	2,294	2,812	2,834	511	7.0	7.7	
London	2,335	2,562	2,569	342	7.3	7.5	
South East	3,466	4,344	4,403	539	6.8	8.9	
South West	2,106	2,612	2,640	521	7.4	6.7	
Total England	18,965	23,425	23,612	468	6.7	8.7	
Wales	1,067	1,392	1,413	478	6.8	6.4	
Scotland	1,674	2,139	2,173	427	5.8	9.0	
Great Britain ¹	22,238	27,520	27,830	476	6.6	8.4	

¹ Totals for Great Britain include vehicles for which the region is unknown.

9.6 Goods vehicles over 3.5 tonnes licensed by tax class: 2006^{1,2}

Body type	Thousands												All weights
	Over Not over	3.5 t 7.5 t	7.5 t 12 t	12 t 16 t	16 t 20 t	20 t 24 t	24 t 28 t	28 t 32 t	32 t 33 t	33 t 37 t	37 t 38 t	38 t	
Rigid vehicles													
Box Van		63.0	3.9	6.2	18.9	1.1	2.9	0.1	-	-	-	0.1	96.1
Tipper		21.2	0.8	0.9	5.4	0.2	6.4	16.4	-	0.1	-	0.1	51.3
Dropside Lorry		12.3	0.9	1.2	5.3	0.3	2.4	0.2	-	-	-	-	22.6
Flat Lorry		7.9	0.8	1.1	4.2	0.7	4.5	1.0	-	-	-	0.1	20.2
Curtain Sided		8.8	0.7	0.7	7.1	0.5	3.0	0.1	0.0	-	-	0.1	21.1
Goods		5.6	0.5	1.0	2.6	0.5	2.1	1.1	-	-	-	0.5	13.8
Insulated Van		7.0	0.7	2.0	3.9	0.5	1.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	-	15.6
Refuse Disposal		0.8	0.3	0.3	1.8	2.1	7.5	1.8	0.0	0.0	-	-	14.6
Skip Loader		1.2	0.2	0.3	6.1	0.2	0.9	2.7	-	-	-	-	11.7
Panel Van		7.2	0.1	-	0.2	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.4
Tanker		0.4	0.2	0.3	2.5	0.1	2.9	1.0	-	-	-	-	7.4
Concrete Mixer		0.0	0.0	0.2	0.5	-	2.9	1.0	-	-	-	-	4.7
Street Cleansing		2.0	0.1	2.2	0.3	-	0.1	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.7
Tractor		0.3	-	0.1	0.5	0.2	1.0	0.3	-	-	0.4	1.5	4.4
Car Transporter		1.1	0.2	0.1	1.4	0.9	0.1	-	0.0	-	0.0	0.1	4.0
Livestock Carrier		3.0	0.2	0.2	0.2	-	0.2	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	3.7
Van		1.8	0.0	0.1	0.1	-	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	-	-	2.0
Luton Van		1.8	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0	0.0	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2
Special Purpose		0.6	0.1	0.3	0.5	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0	-	-	-	1.9
Skeletal Vehicle		0.7	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.1	0.2	0.2	-	0.0	0.0	-	2.0
Truck		0.8	0.1	0.1	0.2	-	0.1	0.1	0.0	-	-	-	1.3
Specially Fitted Van		0.6	0.2	0.1	0.2	-	0.1	-	-	0.0	0.0	-	1.2
Tower Wagon		1.3	0.1	-	-	0.0	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.3
Pantehnicon		0.2	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.1	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7
Motor Home/Caravan		0.4	0.0	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-	0.0	-	0.4
Special Mobile Unit		0.3	0.1	-	0.1	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5
Glass Carrier		0.2	-	-	0.2	-	-	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4
Mobile Plant		0.2	-	-	0.1	-	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	-	0.0	0.4
Others/Unknown		2.3	0.3	0.6	1.3	0.1	0.6	0.6	-	-	-	-	5.8
Total		153.1	10.8	18.6	64.4	7.8	39.7	26.9	-	0.1	0.6	2.6	323.5
Articulated vehicles³													
Total		0.2	0.1	0.0	0.4	1.2	8.4	3.9	0.9	3.2	20.0	83.4	121.6
Rigid and articulated vehicles													
Total		153.3	10.9	18.6	64.8	9.0	48.0	30.7	0.9	3.3	20.6	86.0	445.1

1 Goods Vehicles identified by tax class.

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2 Figures may not sum due to rounding.

3 There is insufficient reliable data to separate articulated vehicles by body type.

9.7 Goods vehicles over 3.5 tonnes gross weight licensed by tax class at end of year: 1996-2006¹

Thousands					
Year	Rigid vehicles	Articulated vehicles			All vehicles
		Not over 28 tonnes	Over 28 tonnes	All	
1996	311	13	96	110	421
1997	310	13	99	112	422
1998	310	13	98	111	421
1999	311	14	98	112	423
2000	311	14	100	114	425
2001	314	13	102	115	430
2002	316	12	104	117	433
2003	310	12	105	116	426
2004	316	11	107	118	434
2005	324	10	107	117	433
2006	325	10	111	122	446

1 Goods vehicles identified by tax class, excluding exempt vehicles unlike previous versions of this table.

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9.8 Goods vehicles over 3.5 tonnes gross weight by axle configuration: 2006¹

		Thousands						
		Rigid				Articulated		
(tonnes)		2 axles	3 axles	4 axles	All rigid vehicles	2 axle tractive unit	3 axle tractive unit	All articulated vehicles
Over	Not over							
3.5	16	182.2	0.3	0.1	182.5	0.2	0.1	0.3
16	24	64.3	7.9	0.1	72.2	1.5	0.1	1.5
24	28	0.6	38.6	0.4	39.7	8.0	0.4	8.4
28	32	0.2	0.1	26.5	26.9	3.6	0.3	3.9
32	33	-	-	-	-	0.8	0.1	0.9
33	37	-	-	0.1	0.1	2.6	0.6	3.2
37	38	0.1	0.1	0.4	0.6	14.6	5.3	20.0
38		0.2	0.3	2.1	2.6	7.7	75.7	83.4
All weights		247.5	47.3	29.8	324.6	39.0	82.6	121.6

1 Goods vehicles identified by tax class.

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