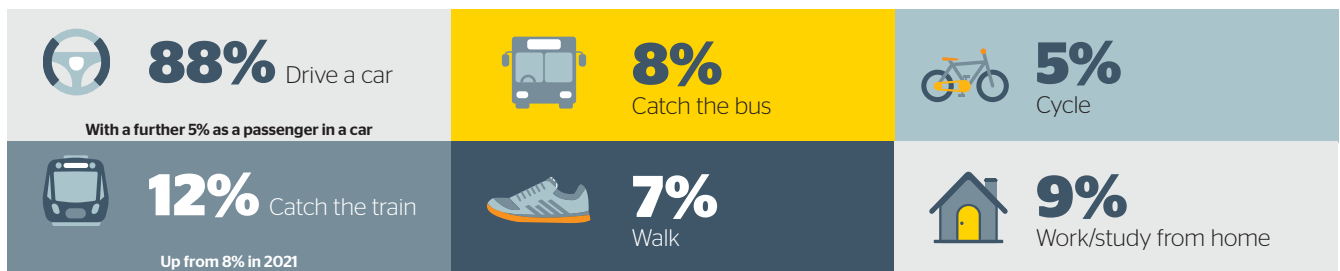# RAC Member Priorities Tracker
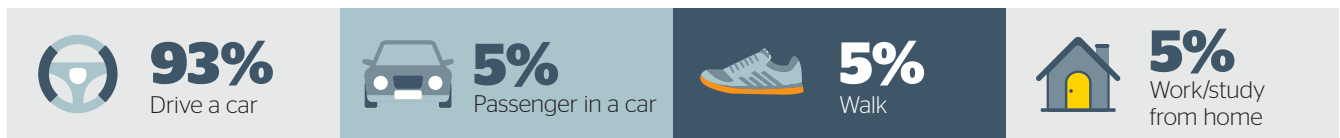
Transport choices and priorities

In February 2022, 256 of our members[1] took part in a survey telling us how they move around and their priorities for government action to deliver transport options that are safer, more sustainable, and better connected for Western Australians and their communities now and in the future.

Getting to Work/Study

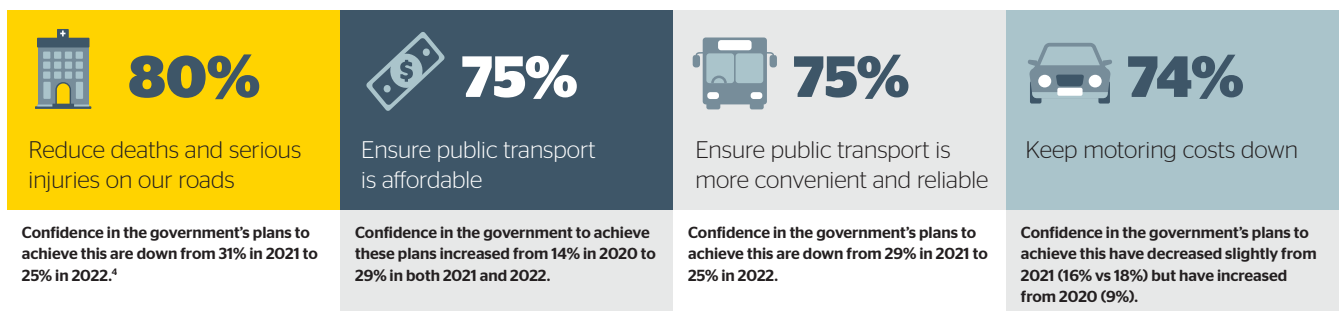Modes of travel members currently use[2]:

88% Drive a car
With a further 5% as a passenger in a car

8% Catch the bus

5% Cycle

12% Catch the train
Up from 8% in 2021

7% Walk

9% Work/study from home

Modes of travel used by regional members:

93% Drive a car

5% Passenger in a car

5% Walk

5% Work/study from home

Top Priorities for Government

Members feel it's most important[3] for government to act to:

80% Reduce deaths and serious injuries on our roads
Confidence in the government's plans to achieve this are down from 31% in 2021 to 25% in 2022.[4]

75% Ensure public transport is affordable
Confidence in the government to achieve these plans increased from 14% in 2020 to 29% in both 2021 and 2022.

75% Ensure public transport is more convenient and reliable
Confidence in the government's plans to achieve this are down from 29% in 2021 to 25% in 2022.

74% Keep motoring costs down
Confidence in the government's plans to achieve this have decreased slightly from 2021 (16% vs 18%) but have increased from 2020 (9%).

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How we prefer to travel to work/study is changing:

66% Say driving is their preferred mode for commuting

Compared to 71% in 2021 and 59% in 2020

11% Say catching a train is preferred

Increased from 10% in 2020 and 7% in 2021

6% Say cycling is preferred

This is the same as 2021 but has decreased from 13% in 2020

6% Say walking is preferred

This is an increase from 2% in 2021 but has decreased from 13% in 2020

Why do we prefer these ways of travelling?

The top three reasons why people prefer the following modes of travel are:

Car

| **74%** Convenient/Easy | **36%** Reliable | **21%** Safety |

Public transport

| **59%** Affordable | **56%** Convenient/Easy | **41%** Environmental consideration |

Cycling

| **60%** Enjoyable | **60%** Convenient/Easy | **60%** Health reasons |

Walking

| **80%** Health reasons | **70%** Affordable | **60%** Enjoyable |

Working from home

In 2022, members say they work from home an average of 1.7 days per fortnight.[5] Those that work from home[6] estimate that it saves them an average of 88 minutes per day.
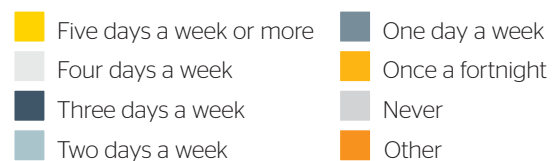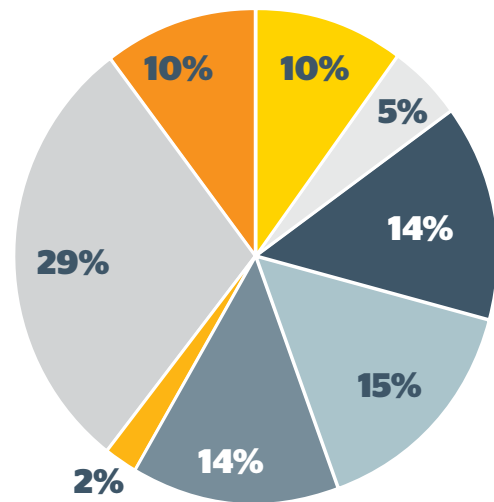
Members[7] estimate that when working from home:

41% were better off financially

$21 was the average estimate saved per day[8]

57% are no better or worse off

2% are financially worse off

Members were asked how often they would ideally like to work from home. The responses were as follows:

Pie chart:
- 10% Five days a week or more
- 5% Four days a week
- 14% Three days a week
- 15% Two days a week
- 14% One day a week
- 2% Once a fortnight
- 29% Never
- 10% Other

Legend:
- Five days a week or more
- Four days a week
- Three days a week
- Two days a week
- One day a week
- Once a fortnight
- Never
- Other

[5] Figures include those that never work from home.
[6] Based on 51 responses to this question.
[7] Based on 54 responses to this question.
[8] Based on 20 responses to this question.

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