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RAC comments on data indicating 2016 traffic levels were at an all-time high

Following the release of [figures that indicate traffic volumes hit an all-time high in 2016](#), RAC public affairs spokesman Nick Lyes said:

“Today’s statistics lay bare just how increasingly congested our roads are becoming. Motorists, who are paying in excess of £40bn a year in overall motoring taxation, will find it incredibly frustrating that they are having to deal with clogged up roads with these provisional figures showing that traffic levels hit an all-time high in 2016.

“Concerns about congestion and longer journey times is now [ranked 4th in the list of overall motoring concerns according to the latest RAC Report on Motoring](#), up from 9th in 2015.

“While the Government has made progress in investing in the strategic road network, motorists will be unforgiving if the same attention isn’t given to local roads. These record figures show there is a lot of catching up to be done if we are going to keep motorists, and the economy moving.”

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At the forefront of new solutions for business fleets and consumers, the RAC's breakdown service is electric-ready with mobile EV charging technology and can be called on using [myRAC](#) – the all-in-one route planner, fuel finder and breakdown reporting app.

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