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RAC comments on morning commute average speed data from Department for Transport

RAC head of external affairs Pete Williams: "Since early 2012, motorists in all regions have been experiencing a slower and slower start to their working days, with average morning speeds on A-roads falling.

"Our roads are getting busier, meaning the network each morning is under real strain in certain locations. Many improvement schemes are already underway and further investment is just around the corner, but it will certainly be a case of congestion having to get worse before it gets better. Weary motorists are likely to feel more 'rushtration' on their morning commute for a fair while yet.

"It is absolutely critical that the investment into A-roads and the wider Strategic Network is protected and for the Government to push ahead with identifying key pinch points for a second road investment strategy. Motorists will be unforgiving should they not start to see genuine improvements in journey times over the next five years given the eye-watering sums they pay in taxation."

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