## The Low Carbon Vehicle Partnership

## Progress, Achievements & Plans

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## Low Carbon Vehicle Partnership

Accelerating a sustainable shift to low carbon vehicles and fuels in the UK

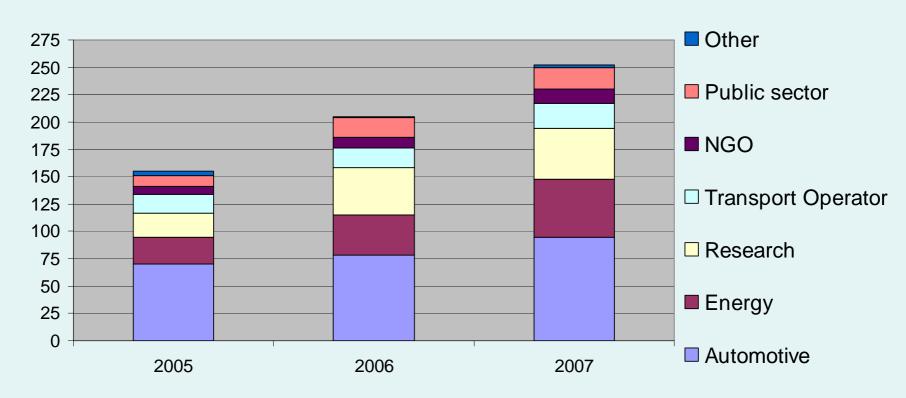
Stimulating opportunities for UK businesses





### Membership now exceeds 250

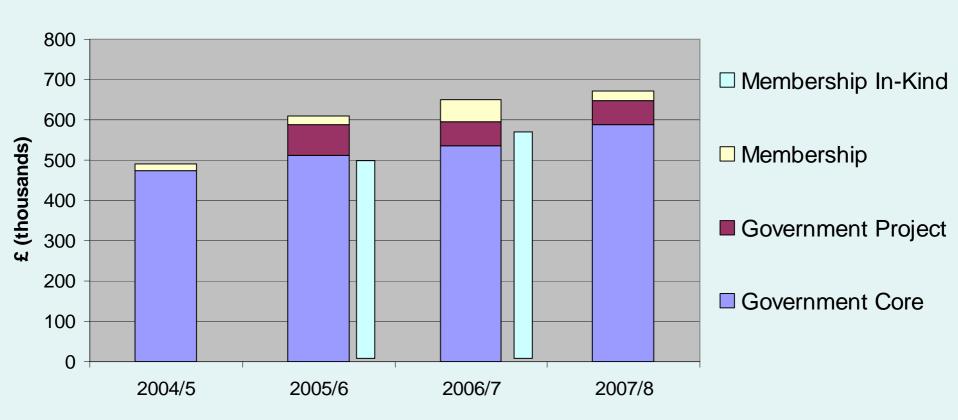
#### **Growth in Membership**





# Member contributions exceed £600k pa & match Government funding

#### **Income and In-Kind Contributions**





## Extensive engagement with Government

- LowCVP has provided extensive input to the:
  - Review of the Powering Future Vehicles Strategy
  - Low Carbon TransportInnovation Strategy
  - EU Biofuels Consultation
  - Putting Passengers First
  - Development of the Renewable
     Transport Fuels Obligation





## Successful engagement with Government is illustrated by uptake of numerous LowCVP recommendations ....

#### **LowCVP Recommendation**

#### **Government Announcement**

☐ Support for small fleet trials & greater use of forward commitment procurement	■ £20M public sector demonstration fund	
☐ Increased Government procurement of low carbon vehicles	■ New target of 130g/km (non- operational vehicles)	
■ Low Carbon Transport Innovation Platform	£30M for funding Platform	
□ Public communications campaign to encourage low carbon car purchase	■ £5M Act on CO2 campaign launched	
☐ Funding of research on carbon emissions from vans and trucks	■ Work to commence shortly with LowCVP	
☐ Reform of bus subsidy to support low carbon models & greater local authority influence	Putting Passengers First proposals	
☐ Future linkage of RTFO certificates to biofuel GHG savings	☐ To commence in 2010 subject to caveats	
☐ Increase incentives for low carbon vehicles	☐ Widening of VED bands	
	□ Reduced company car tax rates for vehicles <120g/km	



## Development of biofuel carbon and sustainability assurance



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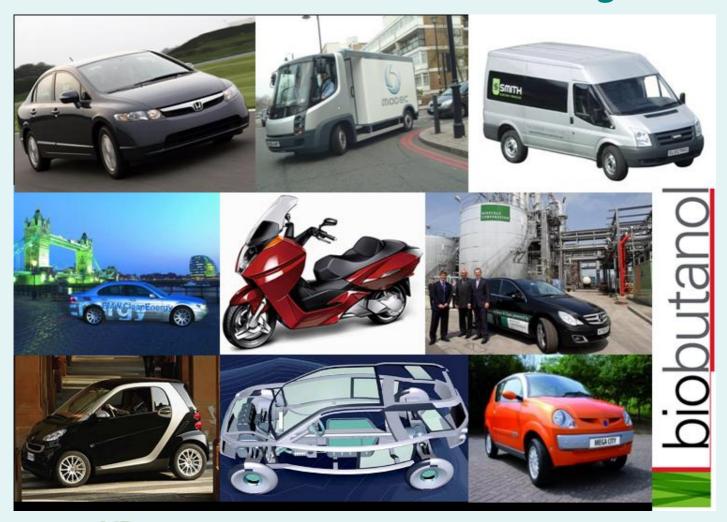
- Management of RTFO carbon & sustainability reporting
  - Guidance issued for consultation
  - Piloting underway
  - Advice to Government on "policy package"
- International consensus building
  - EU Biofuels Directive
  - UK / Netherlands / Germany
  - EU/South America international workshop
  - California Fuel Quality Standard
- Awareness raising in UK and EU
  - World Biofuels Congress
  - Waterfront Conference

### Extensive knowledge transfer activities





# LowCVP members continue to innovate and introduce new low carbon technologies



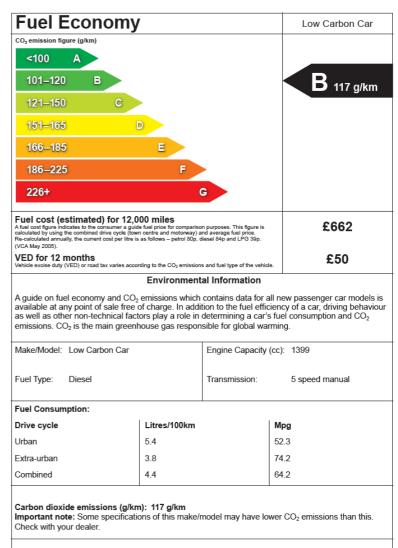


# Voluntary car labelling scheme

- Voluntary automotive industry initiative
  - Brokered by LowCVP
  - Launched in July 2005

	2006	2007
Dealers displaying labels	74%	86%
Dealers meeting 75% target	-	61%
Cars labelled	55%	65%





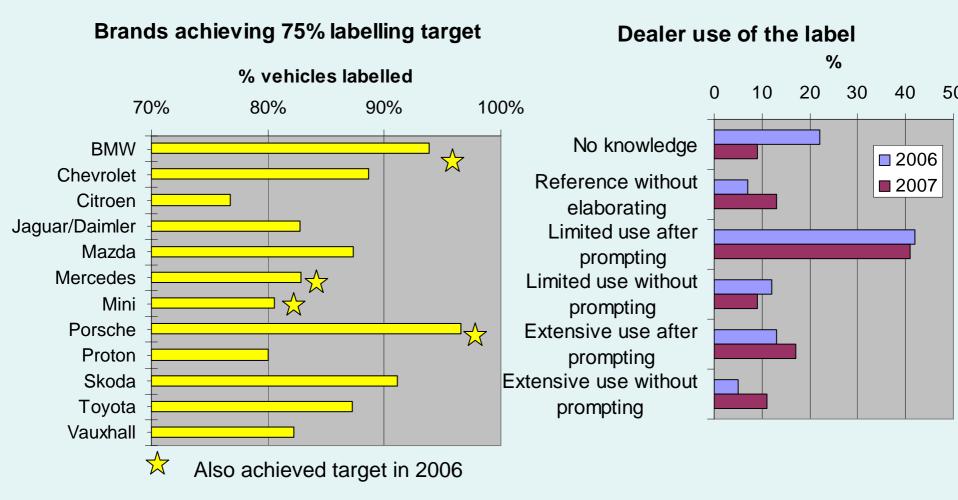






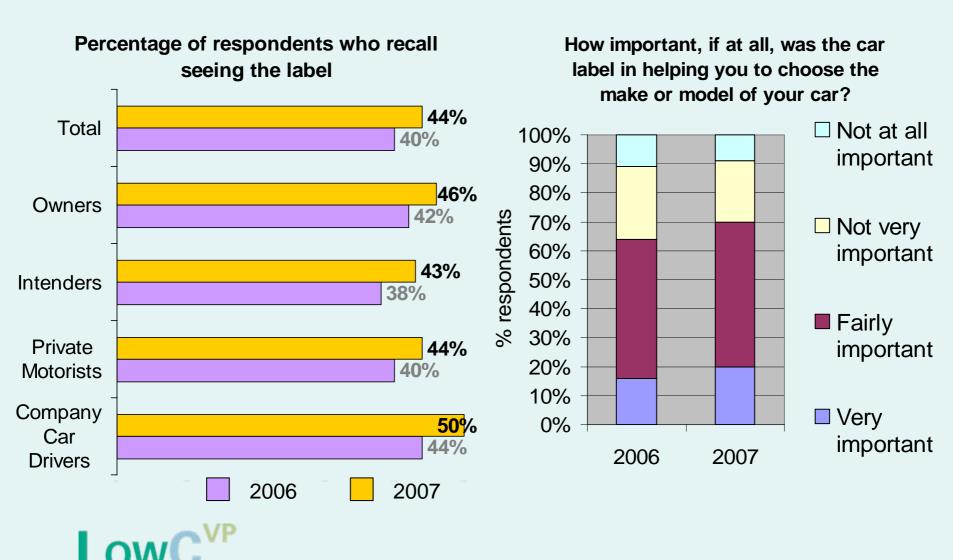


## 12 brands have achieved the target level for displaying the label which 28 per cent of dealers now use extensively





### 44% of consumers are aware of the label and 70% believe the information is important in their purchase decision



## Looking forward to 2010 priorities include:

- Increasing influence in Europe
- Extending partnership with Government
  - Supporting Act on CO2
  - Innovation Platform
  - King Review
- Diversifying activities to cover vehicle use
  - Smarter driving
  - Vehicle maintenance
- Integrate activities with the Low Carbon KTN
- Increase and diversify funding





#### In conclusion

- Growing influence and effectiveness
  - 250 members contributing > £600k inkind
  - Numerous policy recommendations adopted
  - Biofuels sustainability
- Label roll-out improves, consumer awareness and impact grows
  - Follow up with underachieving brands
- ☐ Strategy to 2010 focused on:
  - Extending influence in EU
  - Reducing emissions in-use
  - Aligning communications activities with KTN





## And finally ..... LowCVP is moving!

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