# **Environmentally Friendly Vehicles Conference**

National Motorcycle Museum

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# Progress Through Partnership Transport

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## Low Carbon Vehicle Partnership

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

Stimulating opportunities for UK businesses





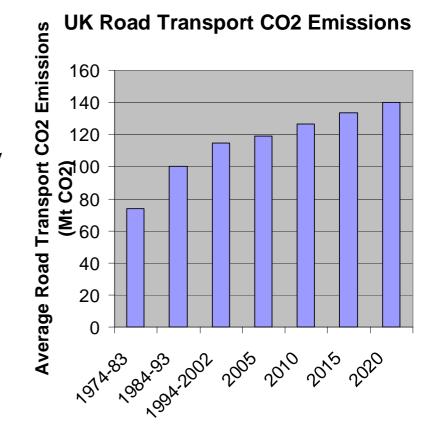






## Scope

- The role of partnership
- Policies and progress
  - Vehicle Excise Duty
  - Company Car Tax
  - Powering Future Vehicles Strategy
  - Congestion Charging
- Changing consumer attitudes
  - Car labelling
  - The role of the industry
  - Improving vehicle utility







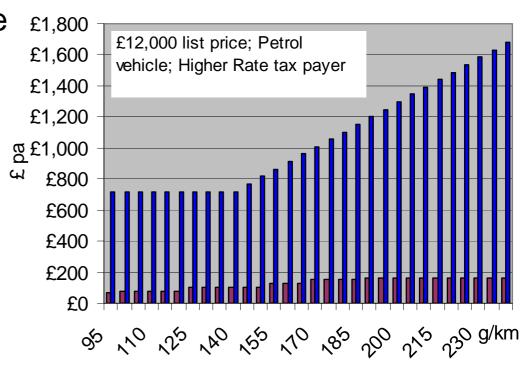




## UK vehicle taxes are linked to CO<sub>2</sub>

- Company Car Tax strongly linked to tail-pipe CO<sub>2</sub>
- Vehicle Excise Duty graduated in CO<sub>2</sub> bands
- Fuel Duty reduced for alternative fuels
- Purchase Grants for low carbon vehicles awaiting EU approval

#### **Annual UK Vehicle Taxes**

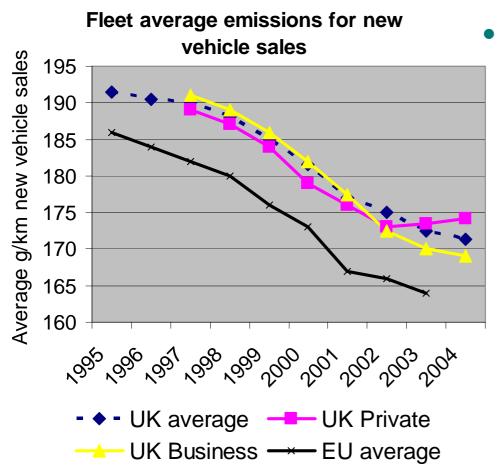








### New cars are more efficient



- New car CO<sub>2</sub> improved by 11% in 10 years
  - Fleet and business car efficiency is continuing to improve
  - Private consumers have started to purchase less efficient vehicles
  - UK target for 10% low carbon vehicles by 2012 unlikely to be met









# Environmental concerns are a low priority for most private car buyers

#### **Top priorities**

Price
Fuel consumption
Size/Practicality
Reliability
Comfort
Safety
Running costs

Style/Appearance

Car-buyer reported concerns

#### Some influence

Performance
Image
Brand
Insurance
Engine size
Equipment levels

#### **Low priorities**

**Depreciation** 

Experience Sales Package

Dealership

Environment

Vehicle Emissions
Road tax

**Alternative fuel** 

- mpg is <u>reported</u> as a key decision-making factor – but little evidence
- Poor understanding and high tolerance of running costs
- Little knowledge of emissions and new technology
- Public concern about climate change – but few understand the causes and less take personal responsibility

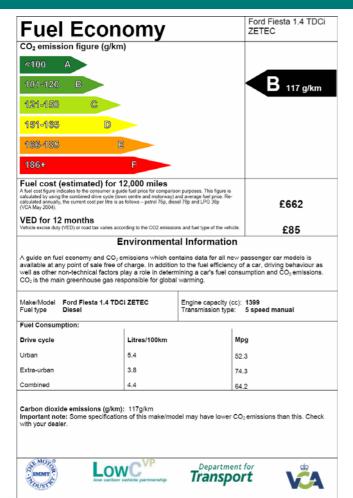








## Consumer information improved



- Voluntary car industry initiative
  - brokered by LowCVP
- Combination of simple and statutory information:
  - Label shows CO2 emissions, estimated fuel costs and test cycle data
- Bands linked to UK Vehicle Excise Duty
- Labels presently in 75% of showrooms









# Some vehicle manufacturers and fuel companies are actively promoting low carbon options

It's time to turn up the heat on global climate change.

In 1997 we became the first major energy company to publicly acknowledge the need to take steps against climate change. Since 2001, the reduction in emissions from our energy efficiency projects has now reached over 4 million tonnes – equivalent to the annual emissions of a city the size of Bristol. Over the next 4 years, we plan to implement new projects to reduce emissions by another 4 million tonnes.



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# Congestion Charge discounts stimulated the market for cleaner vehicles

- London Congestion
   Charge achieved a 20%
   CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reduction
- Registrations of alternative fuel vehicles with C-Charge discounts in London doubled hybrids & LPG
- Proposed national road pricing may also influence CO<sub>2</sub>
  - +5% to -8%











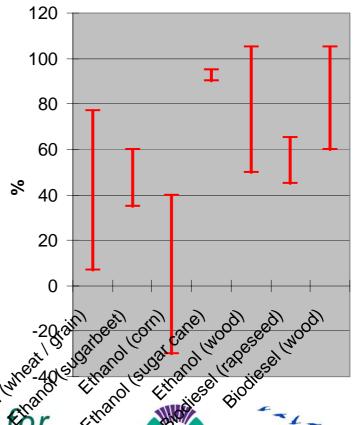
## Renewable Transport Fuels

- Government proposal for a Renewable Transport Fuels Obligation
- Incentives needed to encourage supply of fuels with larger greenhouse gas saving
- Voluntary assurance scheme being developed to address wider environmental and social criteria





# % WTW GHG emissions compared to petrol or diesel



# Cenex - Centre of Excellence for Low Carbon and Fuel Cell Technologies



- Established April 2005, by 10 leading companies
- £6.5M Government funding matched by industry
- Show-case UK expertise and encourage inward investment
- Knowledge Transfer Network
- Leverage public procurement to create new markets



Holywell Campus, University of Loughborough









## Summary

- Partnership between all levels of Government, Industry and Civil Society is needed to effectively tackle road transport greenhouse gas emissions and:
  - Identify and deliver effective policies and incentives
  - Educate and inform consumers
  - Create markets for new technology through public procurement







