

The Green Bus Fund

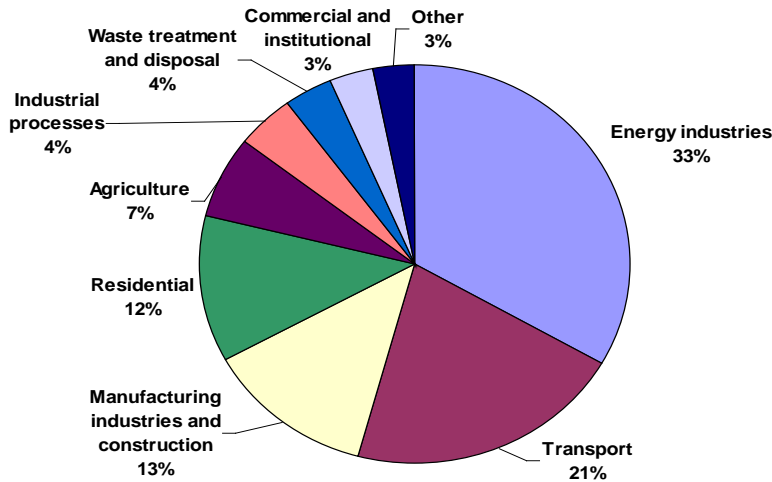
Round Two

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A Global Issue?

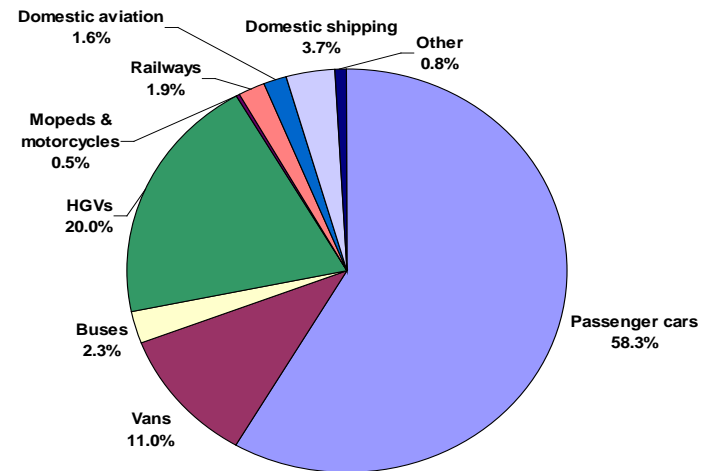


Why are we doing this?



- Transport accounts for 21% of UK domestic greenhouse gas emissions

- 93% of domestic transport emissions come from road transport - 2.3% from buses



What is the Green Bus Fund?

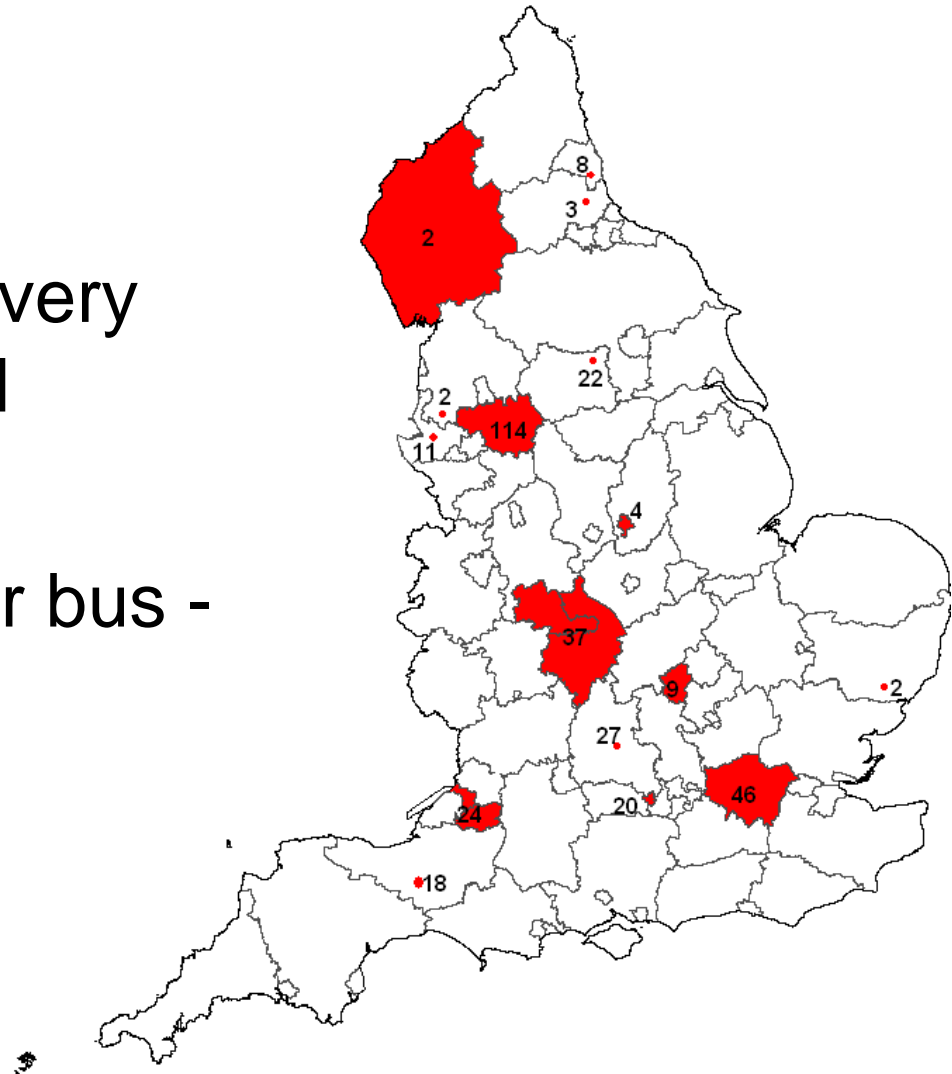
- A fund to support the purchase of new **low carbon buses** in England.
- A low carbon bus is a bus that can achieve at least a **30% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions** compared to the average Euro III diesel bus of the same passenger capacity.
- First round worth **£30 million** in 2009.
- Second round worth **£15 million** in 2010.

Green Bus Fund Round One

- £30 million being shared by 24 winners.
- 350 new low carbon buses in England by March 2012.
- First buses supported by Fund launched by Stagecoach in Oxford today.

Green Bus Fund Round One

- Green buses in every region in England
- Average grant per bus - £86k



Green Bus Fund Round Two

- Launched by Norman Baker on 5th July.
- £15 million in 2010-11.
- Will support purchase of more than 150 buses.
- Closing date **Tuesday 5th October 2010.**



Principles of the Green Bus Fund Round Two

- Terms and conditions largely the same as for round one.

BUT

- The maximum grant will be **90%** of the difference between the cost of the low carbon bus and the cost of its diesel equivalent.

Principles of the Green Bus Fund Round Two

- Bids must be received by 17.00 on **Tuesday 5th October 2010**.
- Aim to announce winners by end October 2010
- Successful bidders must place orders for low carbon buses by March 2011 at the latest.

Scotland

- The Scottish Green Bus Fund has a budget of £3.4 million.
- It will run on very similar terms to England.
- Closing date is 4 October 2010.

State Aid Implications

- Round Two requires State aid notification as with Round One.
- Application will be made as competition is running.
- Expect a decision before the closing date.

Contact Details

Contact Details - England

- Full details of the Green Bus Fund are available on our website at:

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Contact Details - Scotland

- Full details of the Scottish Green Bus Fund are available on their website at:

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