Information topic	Details
Indicator name	Average age of vehicle fleet
Domain and topic	Air Quality: Motor vehicles Transport: Motor vehicles
Indicator definition and units	 Average age (years) of the motor vehicle fleet in New Zealand, by vehicle type. Vehicle types include: Light passenger (passenger cars and vans) Light commercial (if under 3500kg) (includes goods vans, trucks, utility vehicles, buses, motor caravans) Trucks (if over 3500kg) (includes trucks and motor caravans) Buses (if over 3500kg) Motorcycles (includes motorcycles and mopeds)
Data source	Ministry of Transport: Annual Vehicle Fleet Statistics
Time period and time scale	Annual; from 2000 onwards
Population coverage	All vehicles on the Motor Vehicle Register, excluding those that are exempt from having a license (not used on roads) and those that have an expired license (if the license has not been renewed within 6 months).
Measures of frequency	 Average age (years), by vehicle type Average age (years) of light vehicle fleet, international comparison Year of manufacture, for light passenger vehicles
Limitations of indicator	Factsheets based on 2014 data onwards should not be compared with earlier published factsheets (see 'Limitations of data source' below).
Limitations of data source	 The data come from the Motor Vehicle Register. Since the Warrant of Fitness update in 2014, the statistics have excluded vehicles when their license expired (if it has not been renewed within 6 months) (Ministry of Transport 2016). This approach gives a larger live fleet size than previously published. The 2014 published statistics have reworked all the time trend comparisons; this approach means data should not be compared with earlier published statistics and factsheets. International comparison data is not available annually.
Created by	Ministry of Transport New Zealand
Related indicators	 Number of motor vehicles in New Zealand, by type (including diesel) Number of light vehicles per 1000 population

For more information	Ministry of Transport: Vehicle Fleet Statistics (http://www.transport.govt.nz/research/newzealandvehiclefleet statistics/)
References	Ministry of Transport. 2019. <i>Annual fleet statistics 2019</i> . Wellington: Ministry of Transport