

# Scotland wide Travel Safe campaign launched

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**A new campaign has been launched in a bid to encourage people to consider active travel options as schools prepare to reopen this week.**

The Travel Safe campaign is urging commuters to walk, wheel or cycle instead of using public transport, and to travel outside peak times or continue to work from home if possible.

Additional pressure is expected to be placed on Scotland's transport network as workplaces reopen along with the return of schools.

Commenting Douglas Cairns, from Transport Scotland, said: "While it's welcome news that schools are reopening, it will put pressure on our road network and our public transport system as physical distancing rules are still in place.

"The Travel Safe campaign is asking commuters to help us keep Scotland moving by only travelling if you need to, and working from home if you can.

"If you do need to travel please walk, wheel or cycle wherever possible. You could also look to make your journey outside of the peak times.

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