## **West London**

Sub-regional Transport Plan 2016 update

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## Introduction

#### Sub-regional Transport Plans (SRTP) for west London

The sub-regional process is an ongoing programme, enabling TfL to work closely with boroughs to address strategic issues, progress medium-longer term priorities and also respond to changing circumstances.

When the West Sub-Regional Transport Plan was first developed in 2010 it helped to translate the Mayor's Transport Strategy (MTS) goals, challenges and outcomes at a subregional level.

It was agreed with boroughs that while all MTS challenges must be considered across London, and addressed locally through Local Implementation Plans (LIPs), there were some which would benefit from having a concerted effort at a sub-regional level.

Consequently, the challenges of improving air quality, reducing CO, emissions and achieving the targets for - and desired results from - an increase in the mode share of cycling and walking were all identified as challenges for all sub-regions. In addition, four other challenges were identified and agreed specifically for the west sub-region.

#### Challenges in every sub-region



Improve air quality to meet and exceed legal requirements and ensure health benefits for Londoners



Transform the role of cycling and walking in the sub-region



Meet CO, targets

#### West London-specific challenges



Enhance east-west capacity and manage congestion



Improve access to, from and within key locations



Enhance the efficiency of freight movement



Improve north-south public transport connectivity



Improve land-based air quality





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#### The focus of this year's plans

Since 2010, the West sub-region has seen significant change. Population growth has been faster than expected, placing greater demand on the transport network. The sub-region needs to increase its rate of housing delivery to cope with a growing population, with effective transport links critical to achieve this. The way that people travel has changed too, with growing demand for rail and cycling in particular.

As we now have a new Mayor, it is likely that we will see the preparation of a new London Plan and a new Mayor's Transport Strategy, with a new set of objectives and priorities for London. To inform this process, we will need to update our understanding of the medium to longer-term challenges for London and the sub-regions.

This is the key purpose of this year's Sub-Regional Transport Plans – to provide a comprehensive update on the 'Story of Growth' for each sub-region.

This 'story' includes a comprehensive analysis of recent population and employment growth, changes in travel behaviour and areas where the transport network will have to change to cope with the challenge of future growth.

This updated Story of Growth for each sub-region has the following purpose:

- As a tool to help engage Boroughs in the preparation of the new Mayors Transport Strategy, particularly in the development of new priorities and projects;
- To help Boroughs to develop their own priorities for transport investment, including the development of their LIPS;
- To inform Borough's spatial planning activities, including updates to Local Plans;
- To assist TfL in developing priorities for business planning.

#### **Projects and schemes**

Previous updates to the Sub-Regional Transport Plan included a look forward to identify the potential projects and schemes that could be delivered to address the sub-region's transport challenges.

However, unlike previous years, we are now in a unique environment where TfL has a new funding settlement, as well as the recent arrival of a new Mayor, who will have his own priorities about how to allocate the available funding. It is therefore not appropriate to assume that the current list transport schemes being considered will be exactly the same as that by a new Mayor. For this reason, there is no map or list of projects in this year's plans.

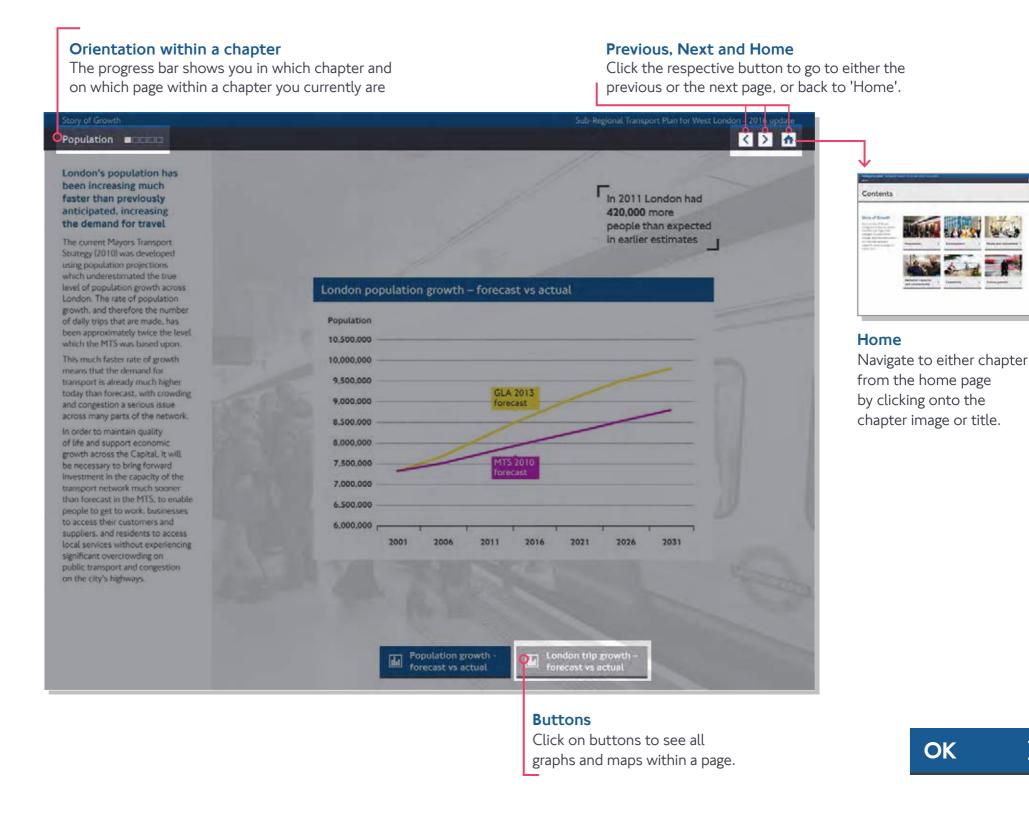
There has, of course, been significant engagement with Boroughs and subregions during the past year to identify key priorities for investment, and to inform the development of major schemes. This process will continue, particularly as part of the preparation of the new MTS, informed by the information set out in this document.



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### How to use this document

This document contains a series of figures and supporting text in order to convey the Story of Growth within the sub-region, which is the key focus of this year's Sub-Regional Transport Plans. The document has been designed to enable the reader to navigate between this content using the interactive buttons on each page.





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#### **Story of Growth**

Click on any of the six categories below to explore how the sub-region has changed, is expected to change, and the implications for how the transport network needs to adapt to reflect this.



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Mode and movement >



Network capacity and connectivity



Liveability



Future growth







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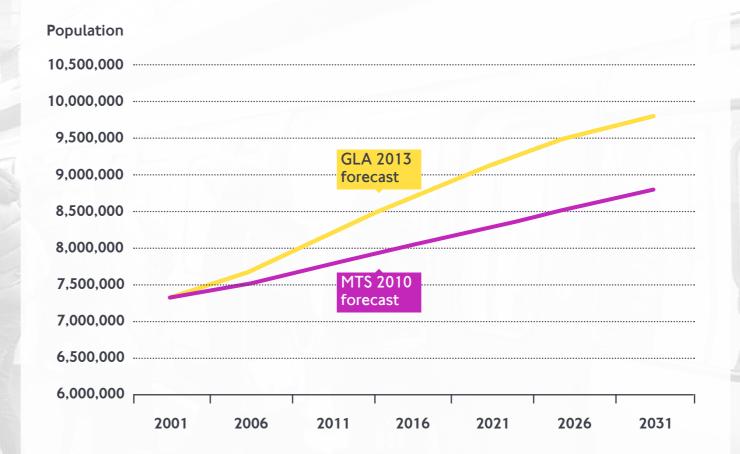
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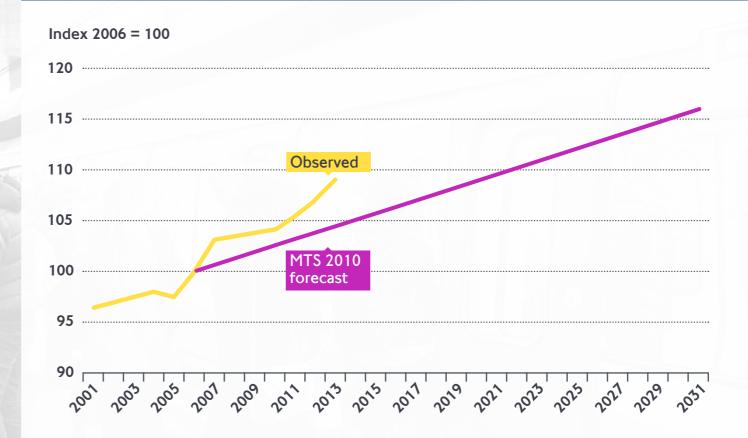
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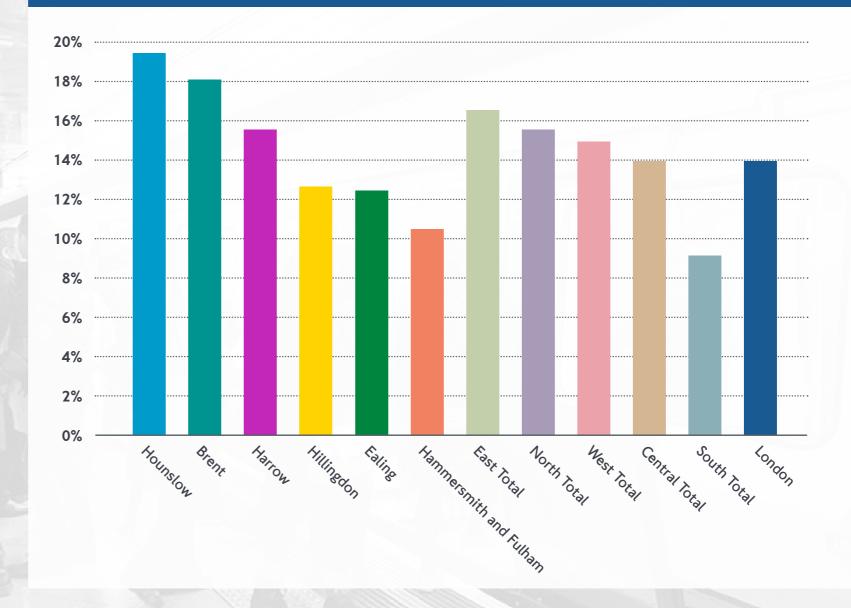
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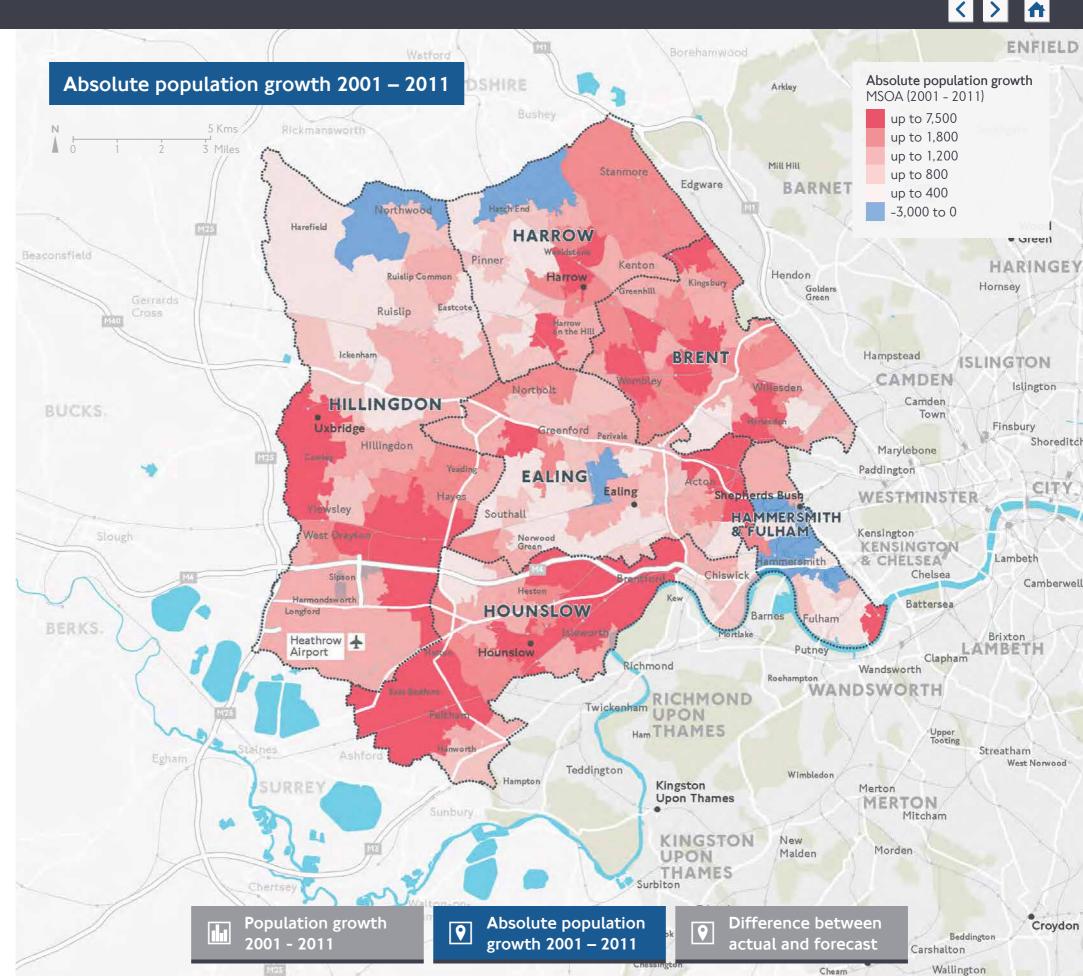


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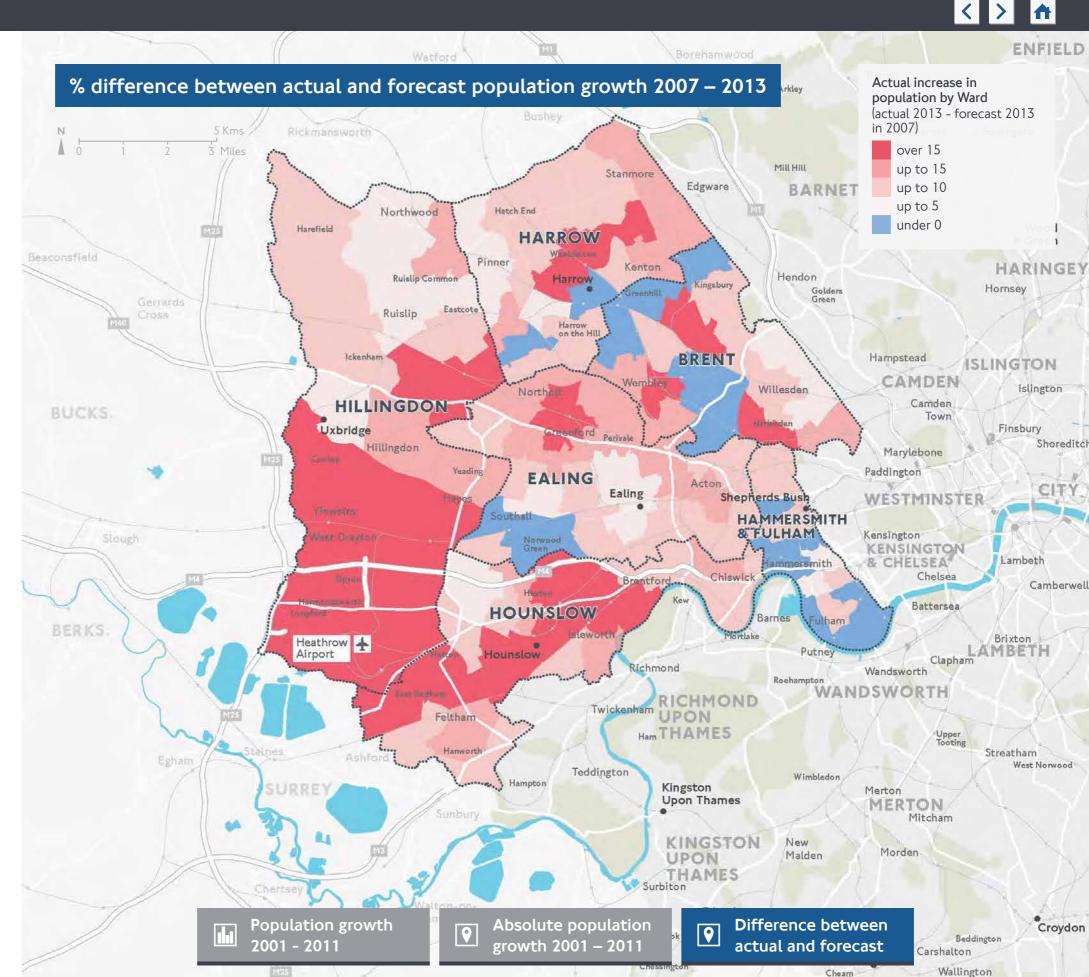


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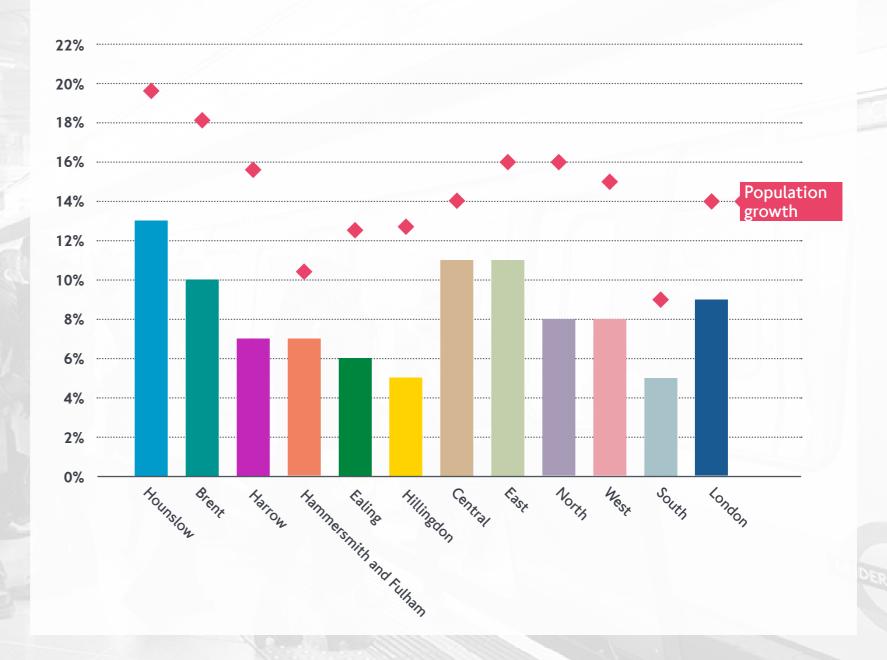
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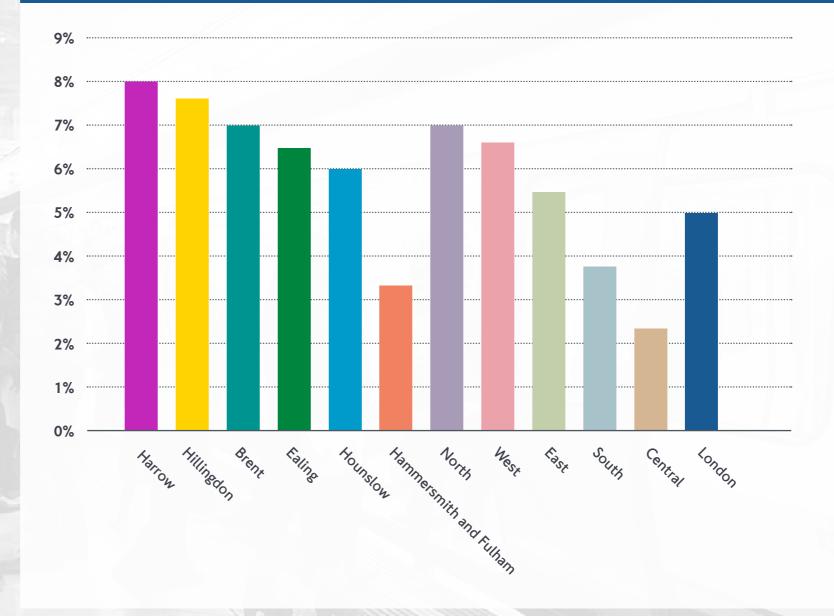
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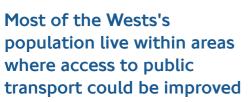
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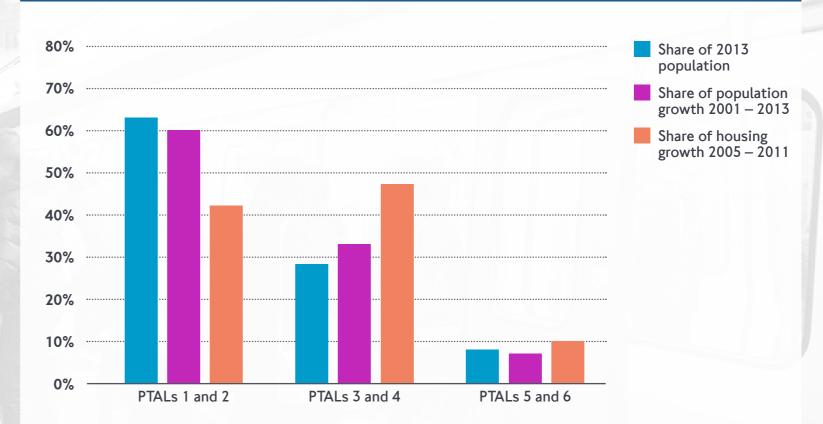
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Housing delivery in the sub-region has been slightly more focused on more accessible locations by public transport, although just 10% of all new development has come forward in the most accessible places. As the rate of housing delivery has been slower than the rate of population growth, it has not been possible to contain population growth solely within new development, so it has instead occured across all parts of the sub-region, with the majority of growth occuring in PTALs 1 and 2.

By expanding the rate of housing delivery in more accessible public transport nodes, it will be easier to shape more sustainable travel behaviour, reduce highway congestion and support London's future economic growth.

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#### Share of population and growth by Public Transport Accessibility Level



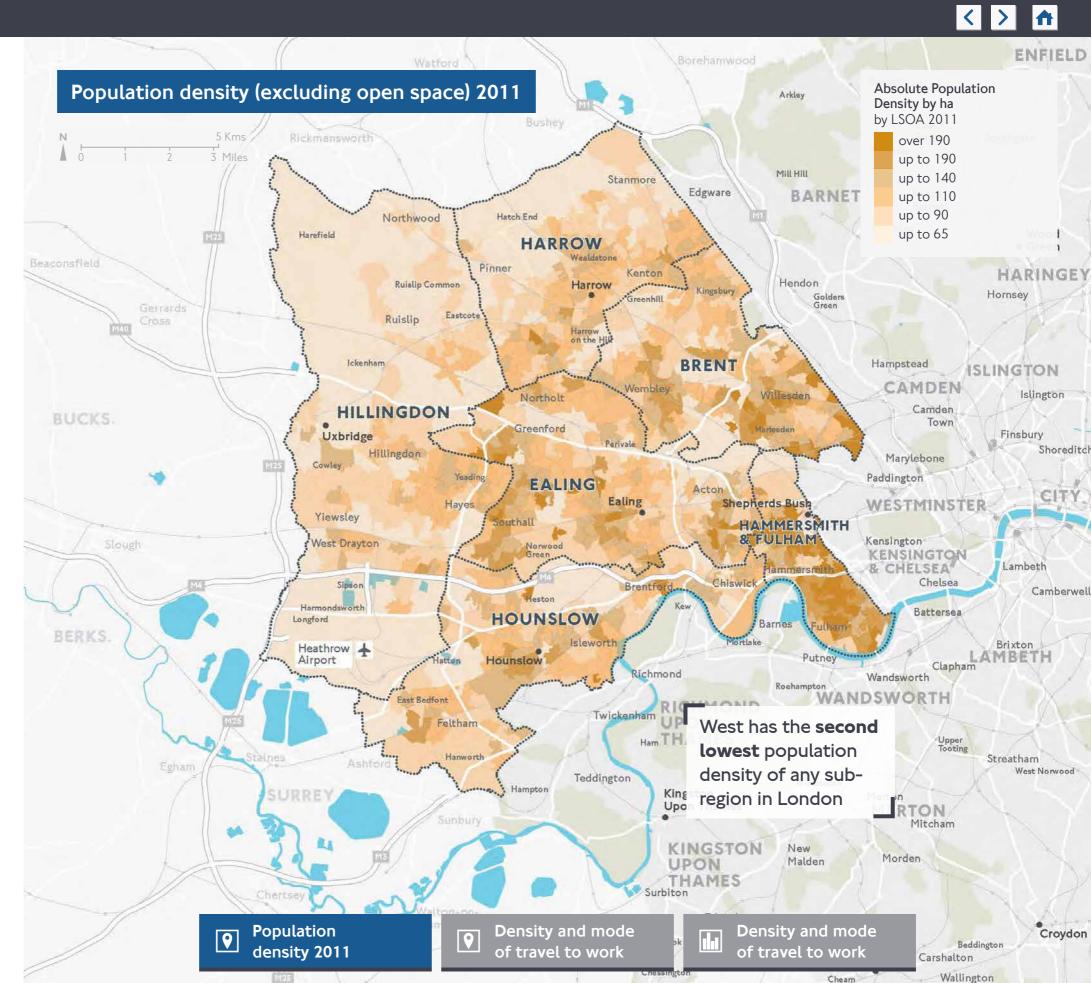


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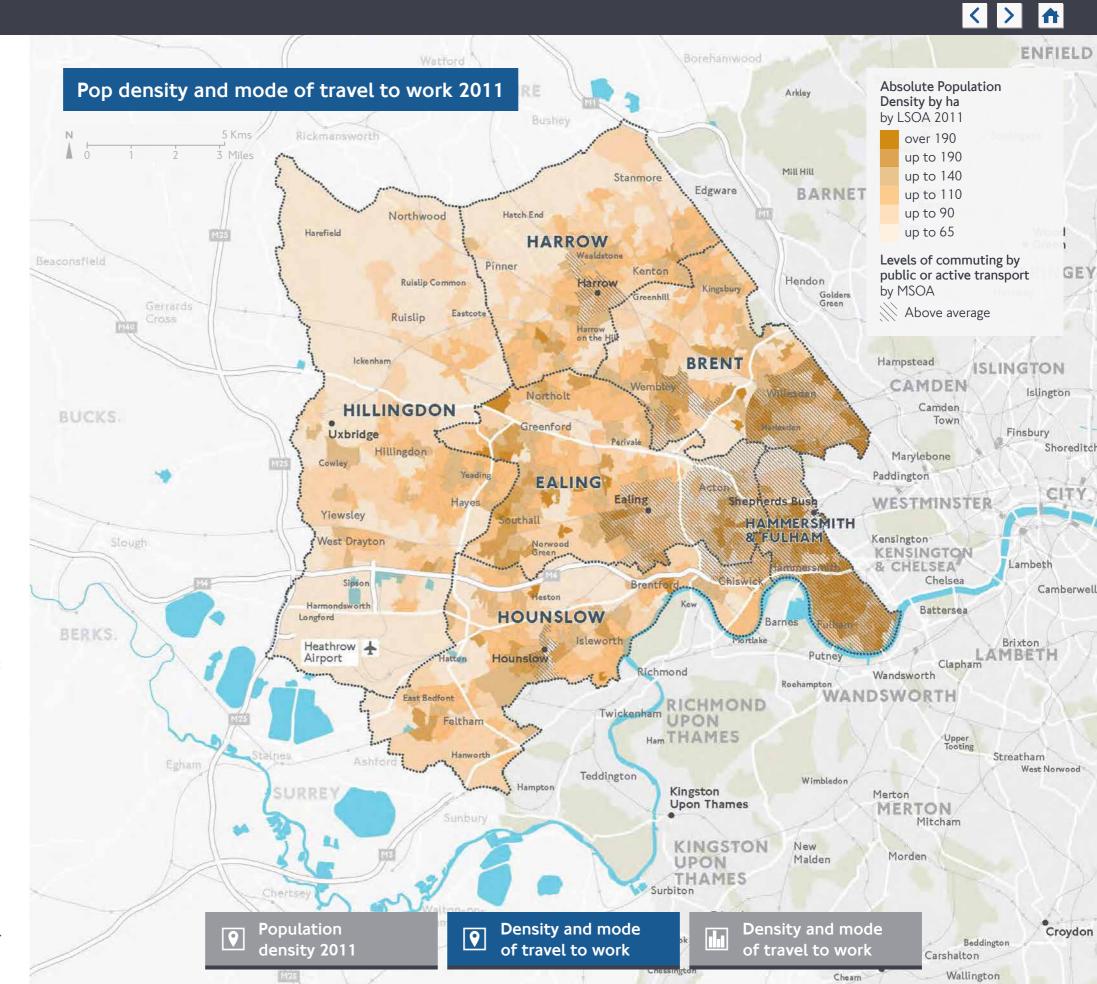


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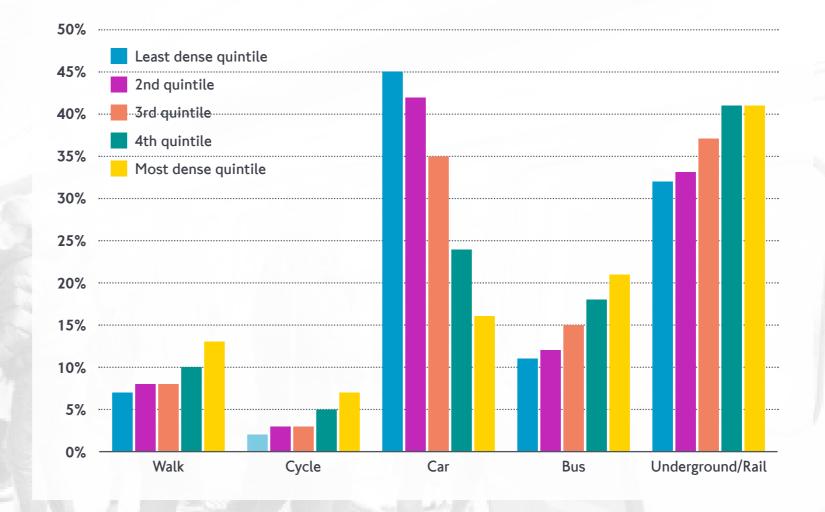
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#### Population density and mode of travel to work 2011



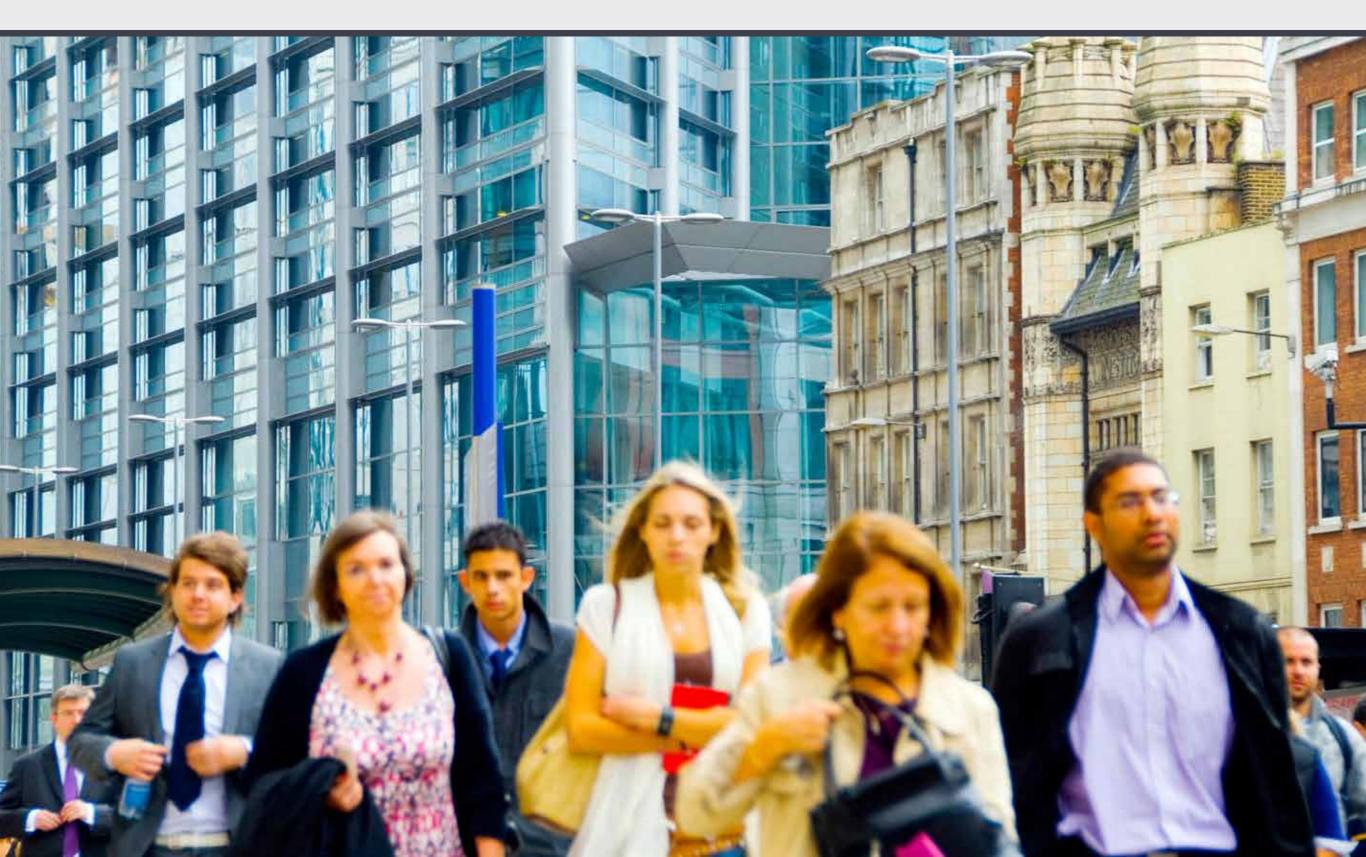


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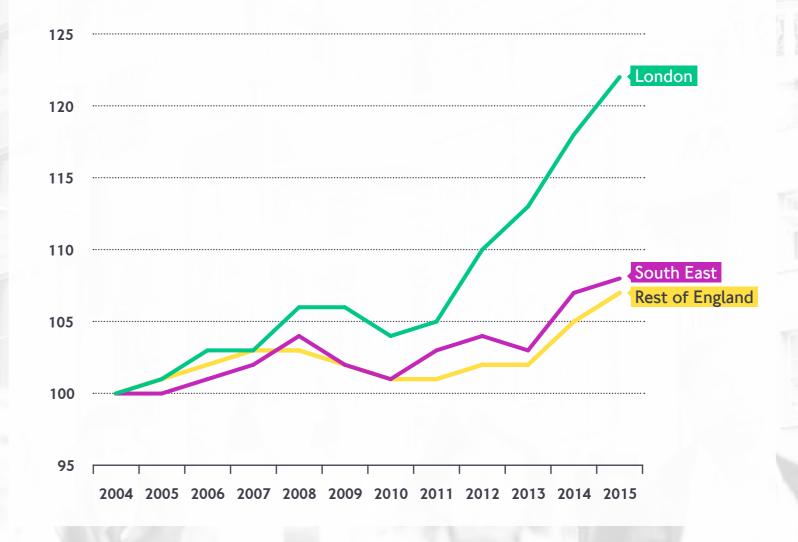
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#### Growth in workplace jobs 2004 – 2015













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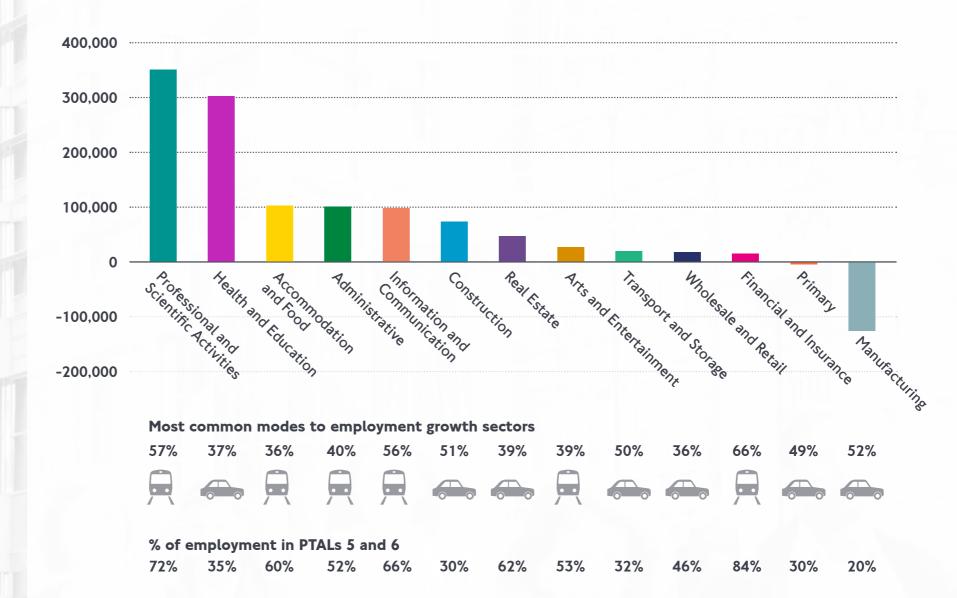
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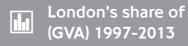
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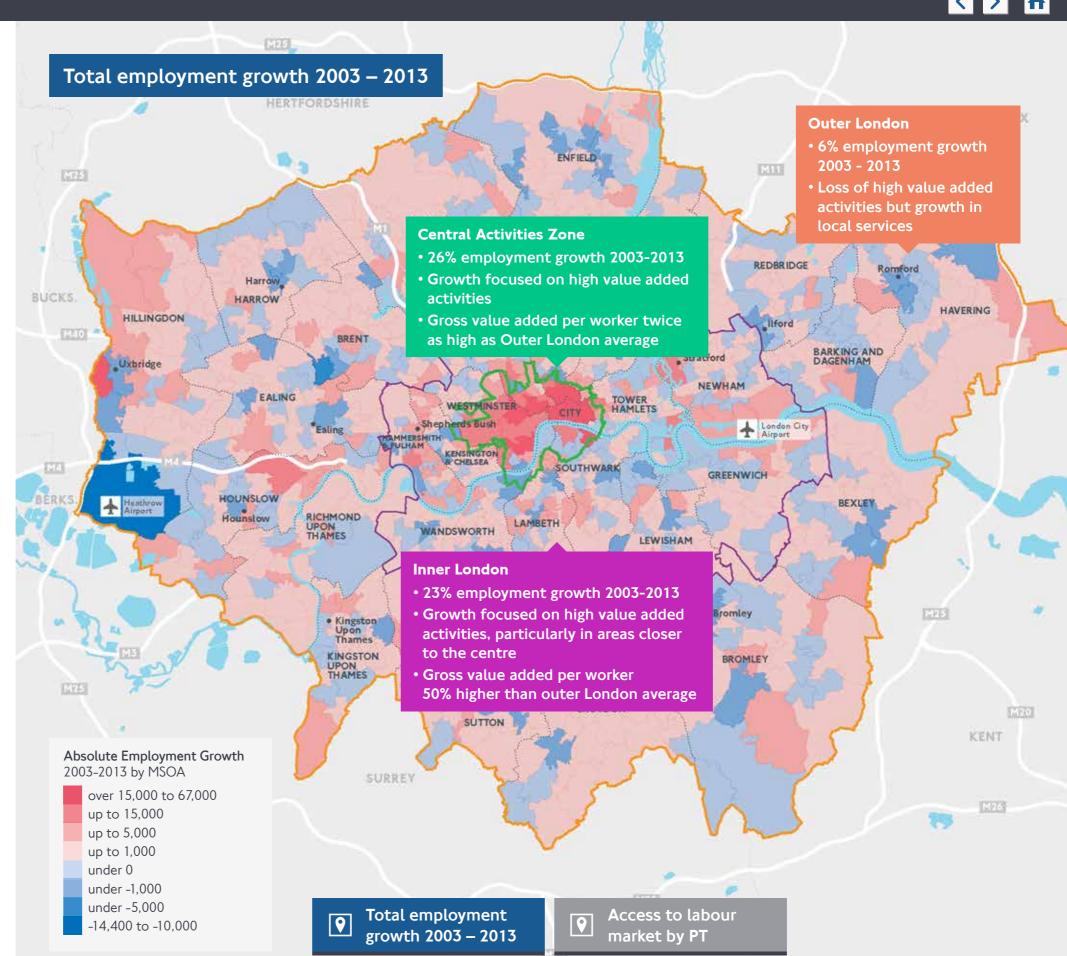


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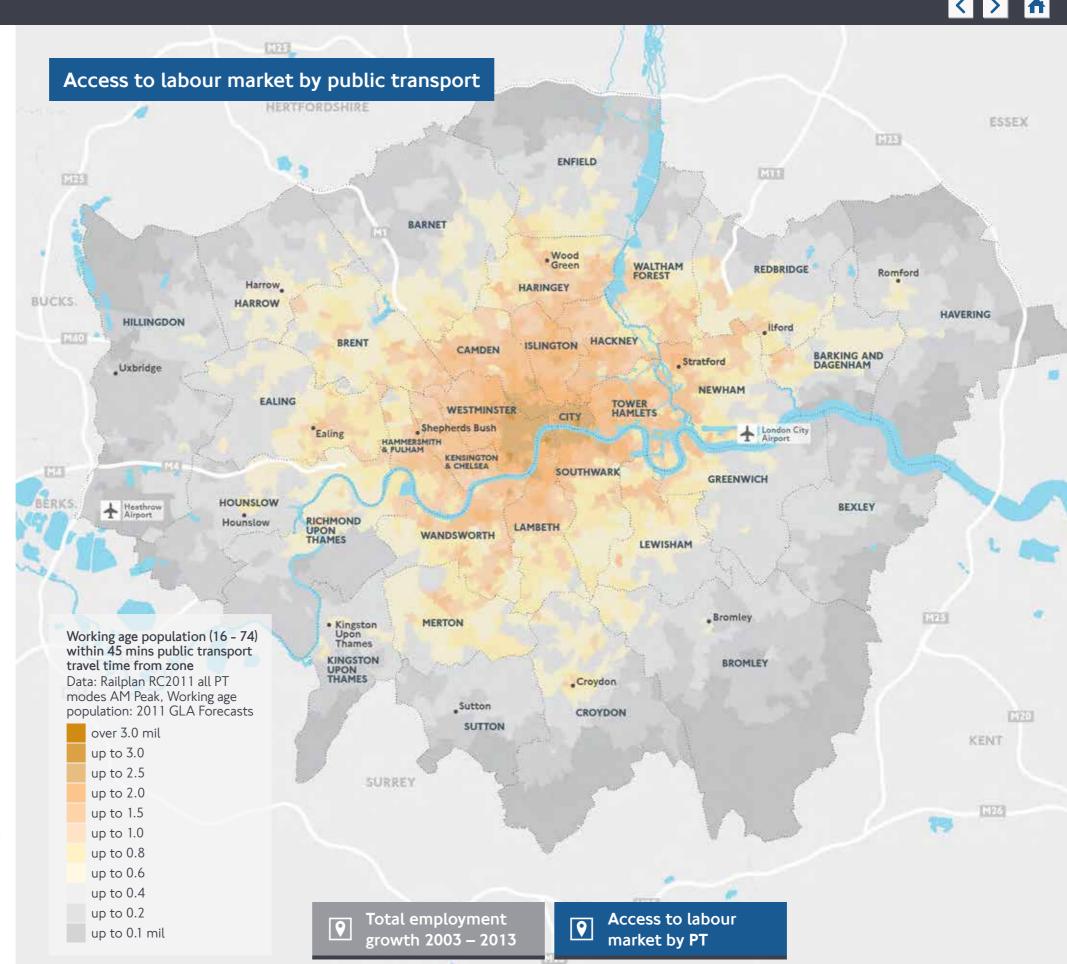


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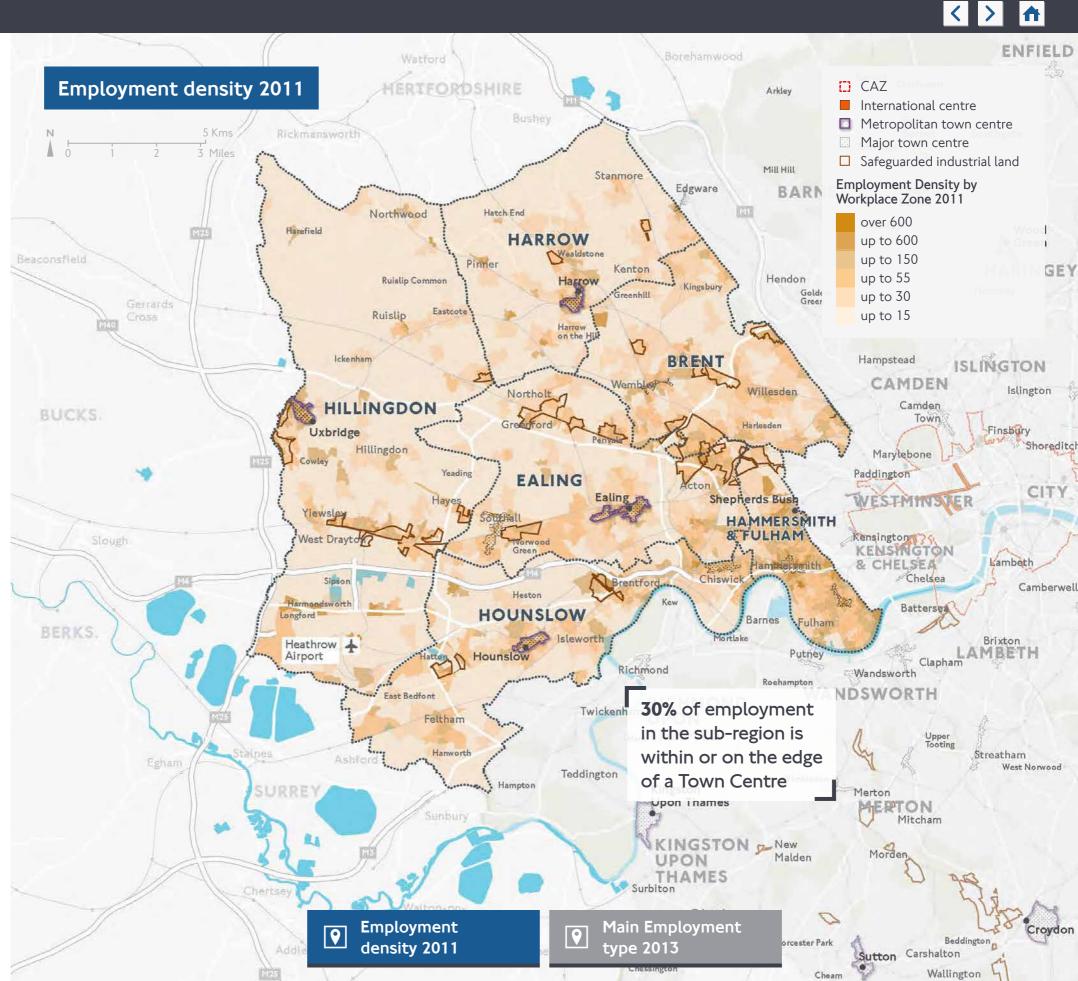


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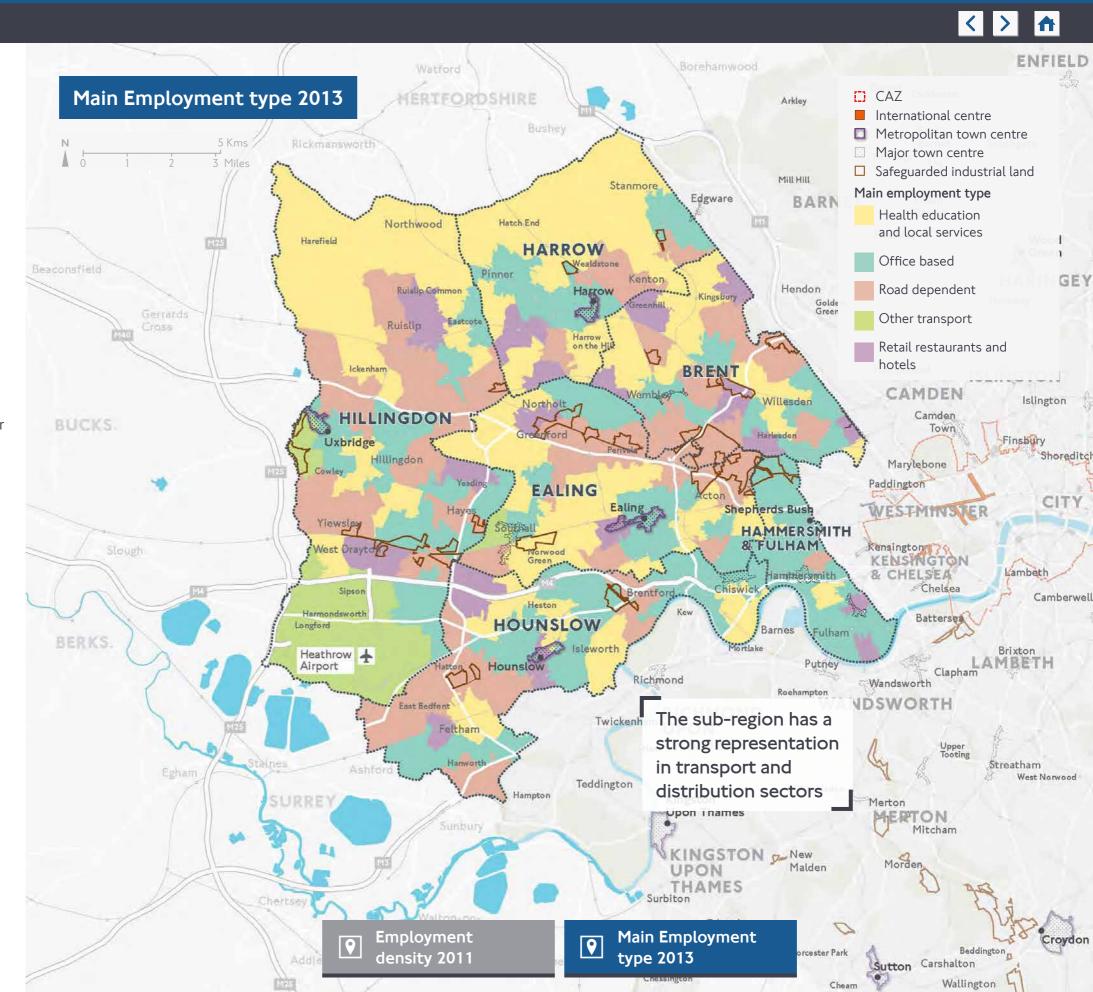
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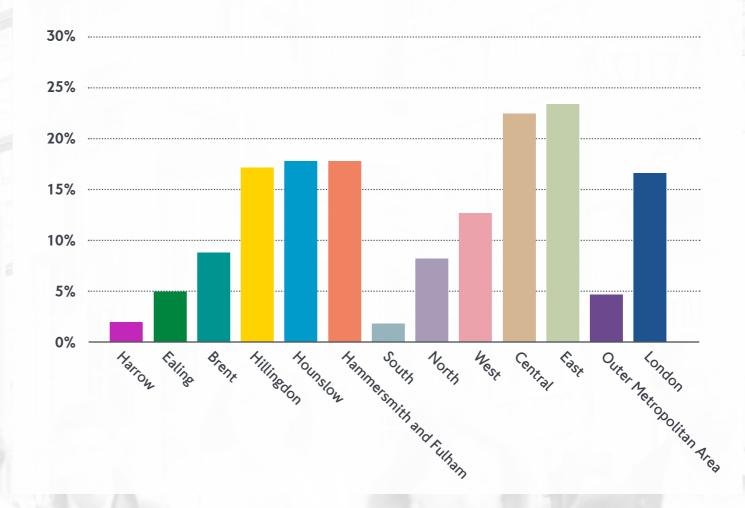
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#### Employment growth 2003 - 2013













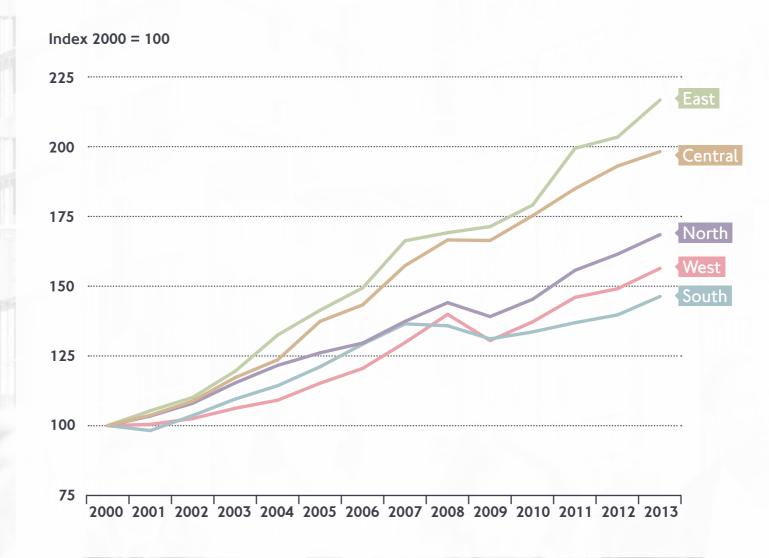
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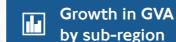
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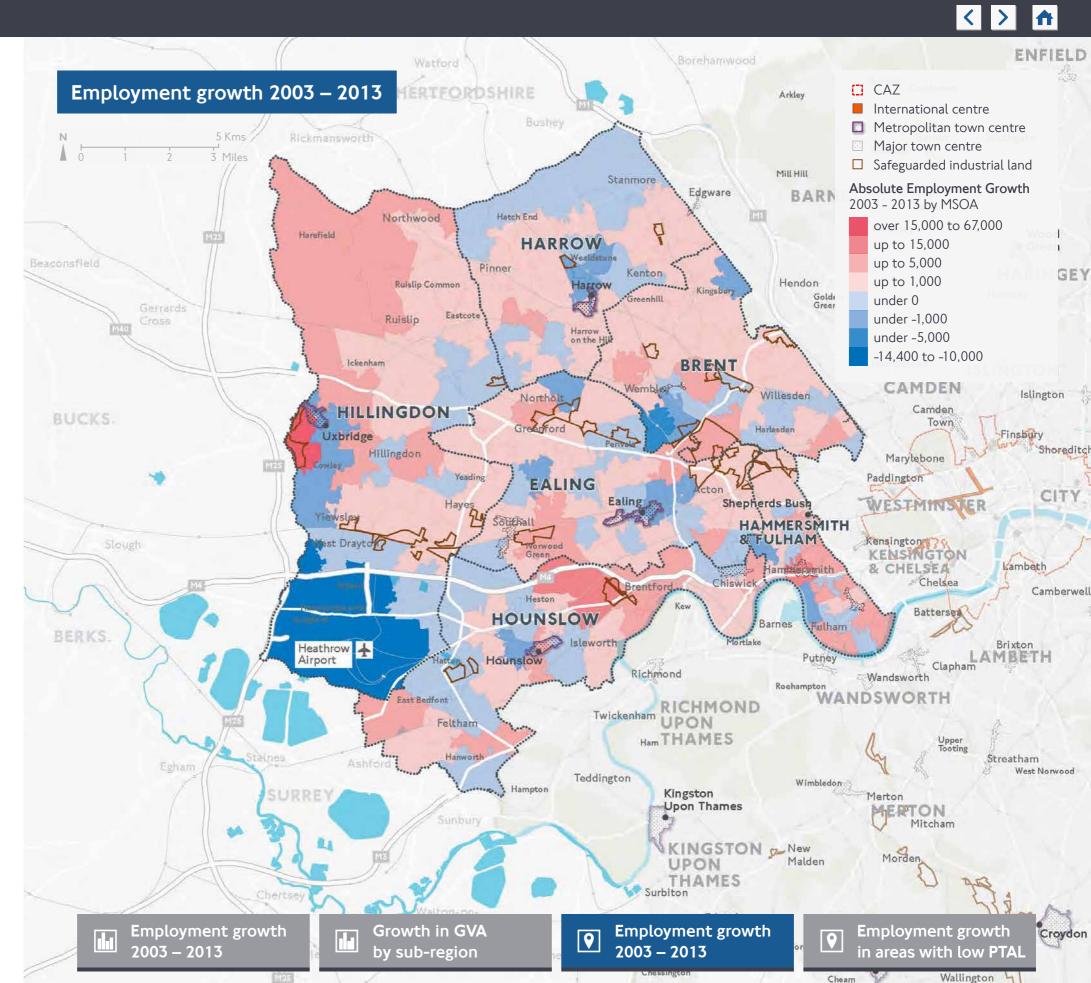


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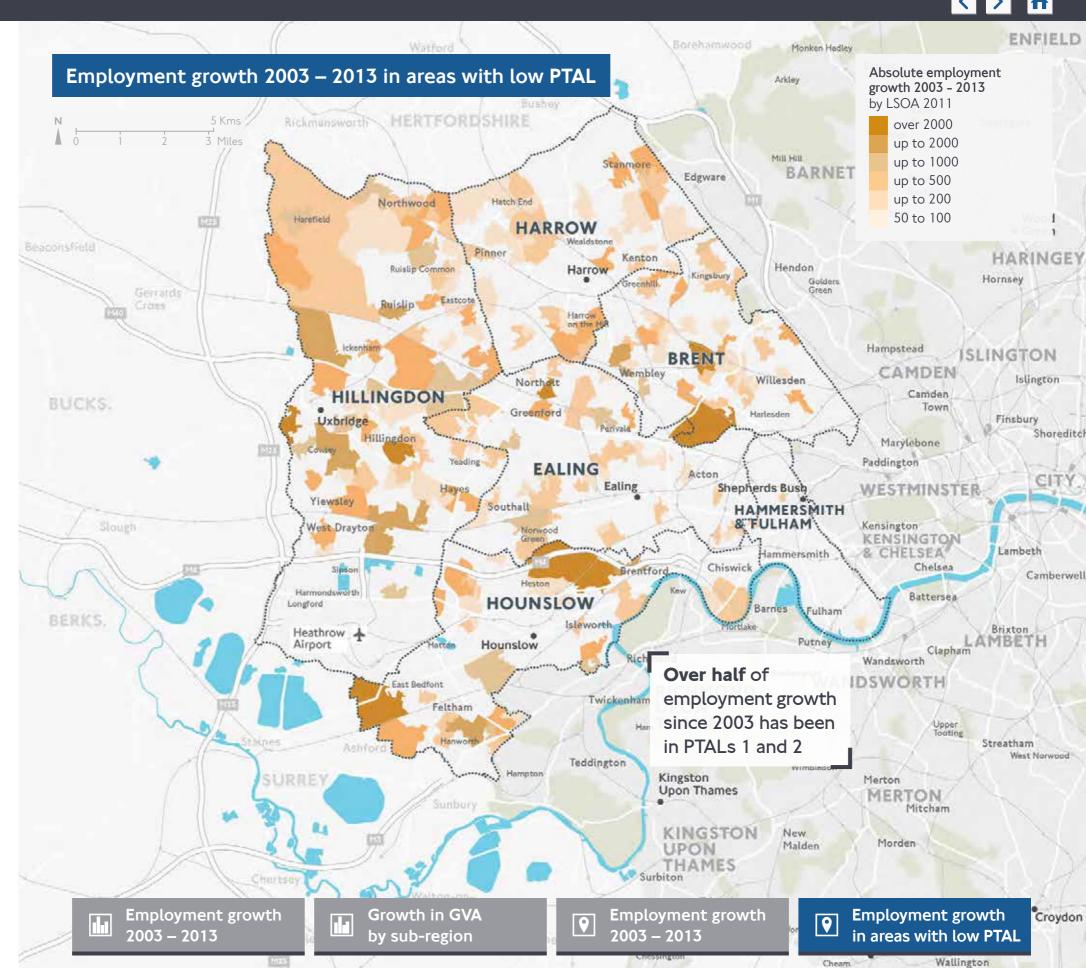


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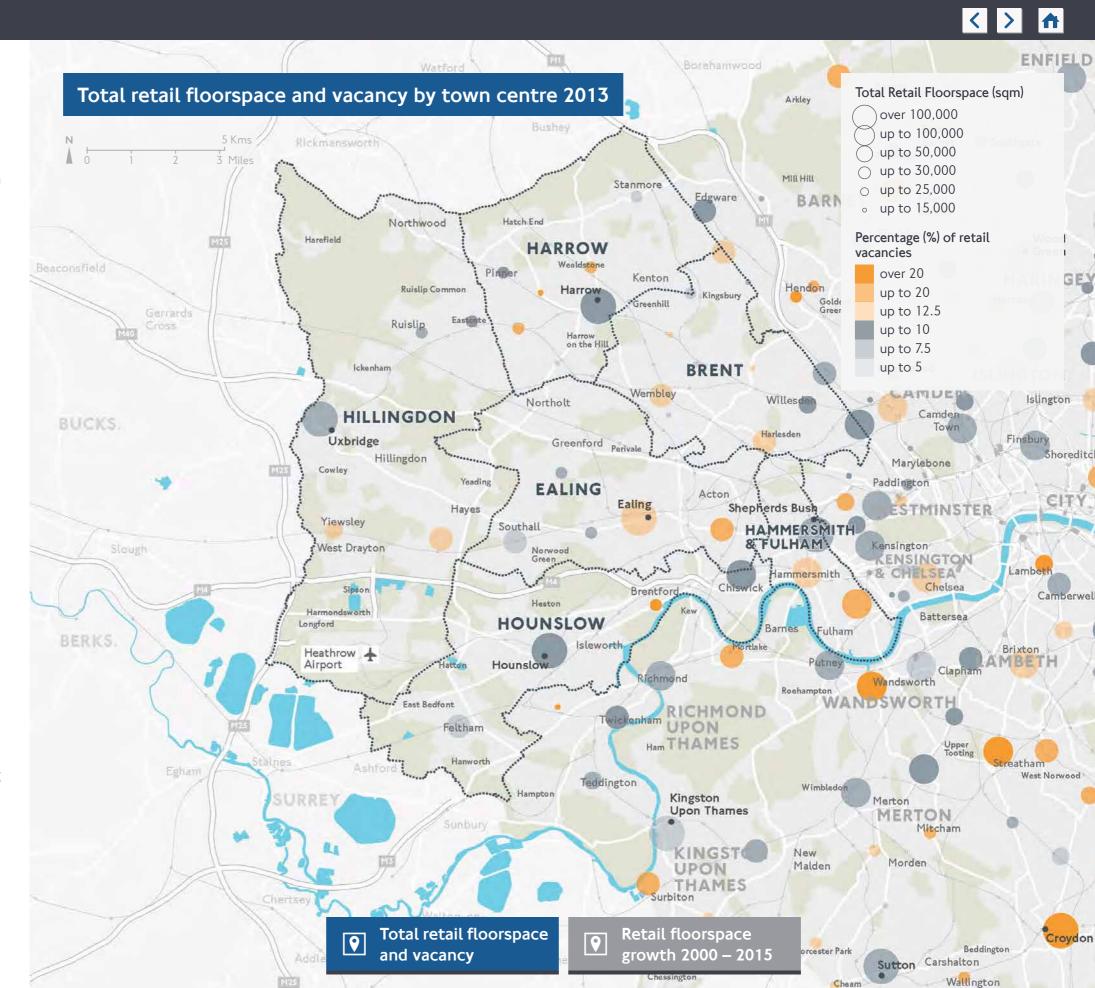


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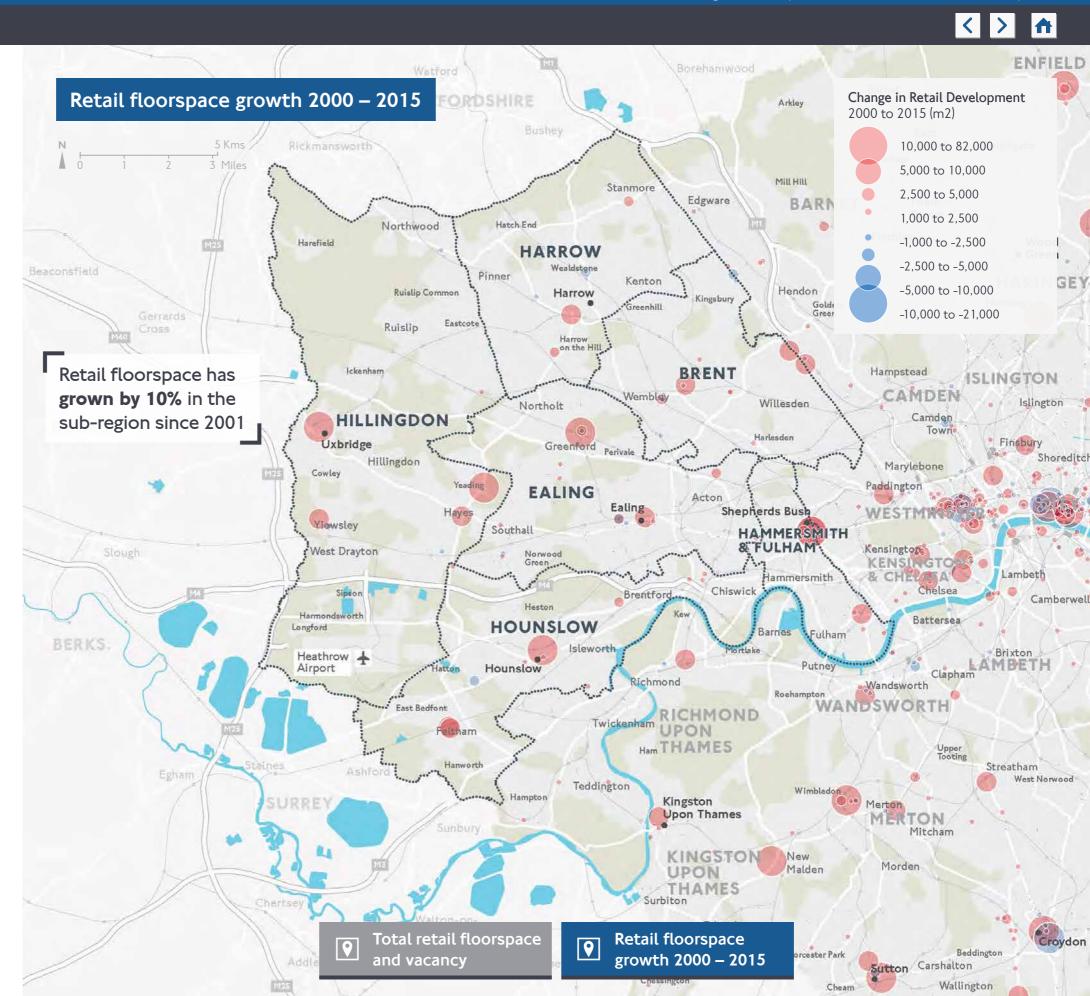


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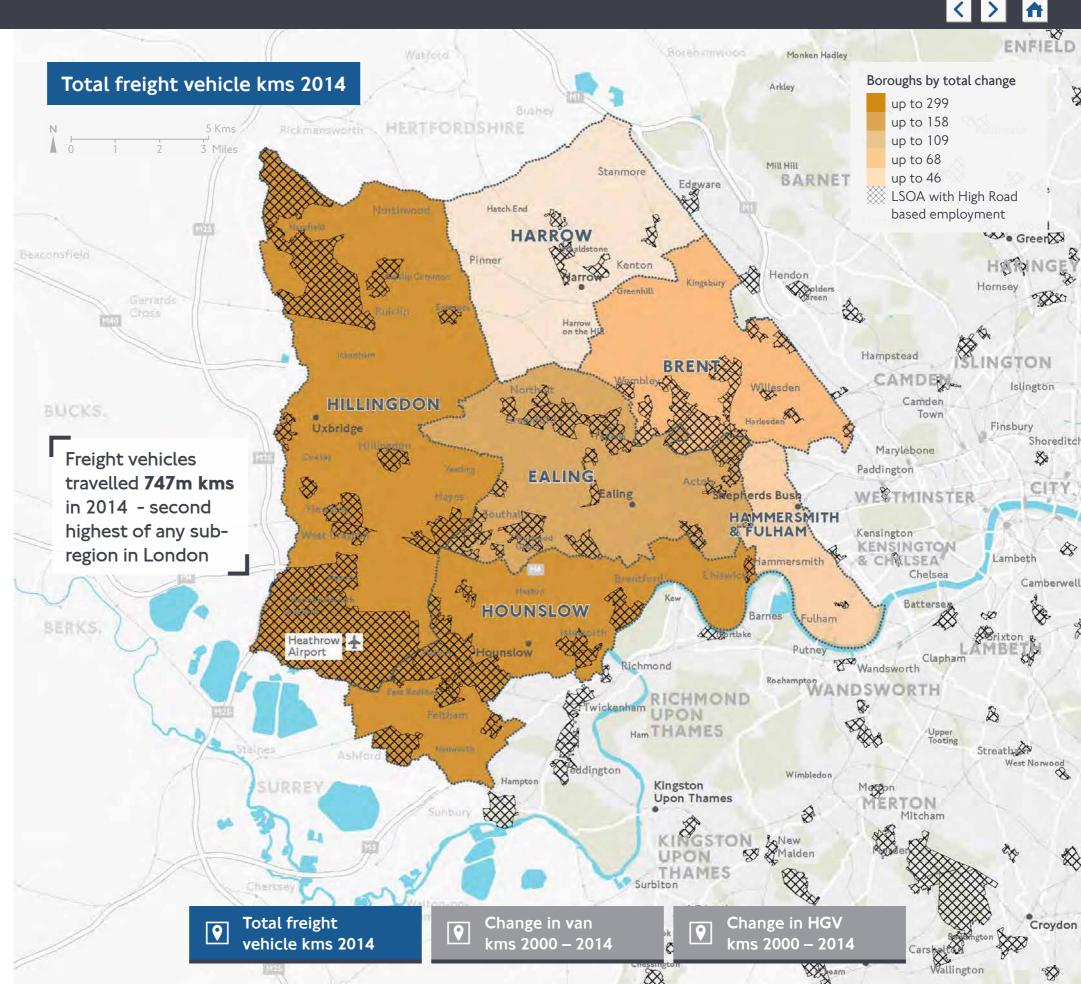




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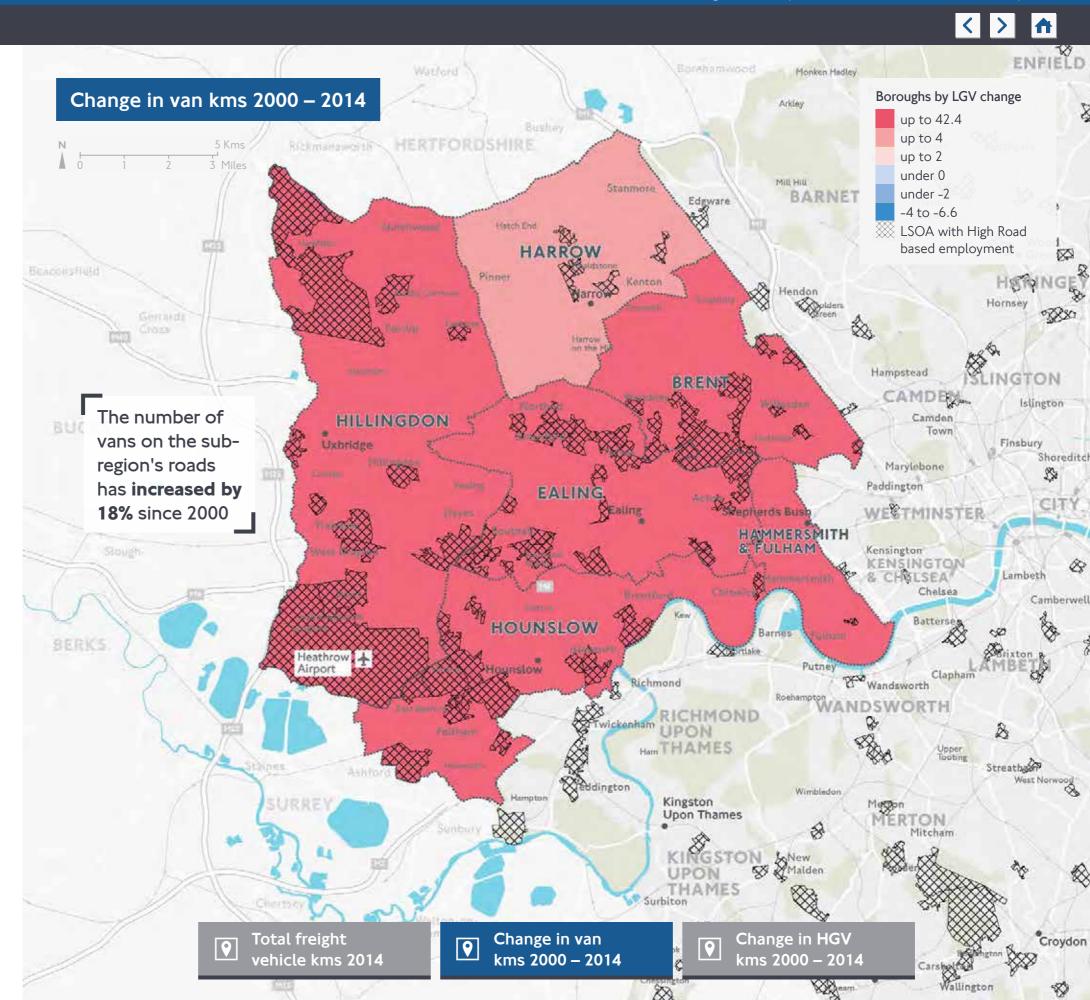
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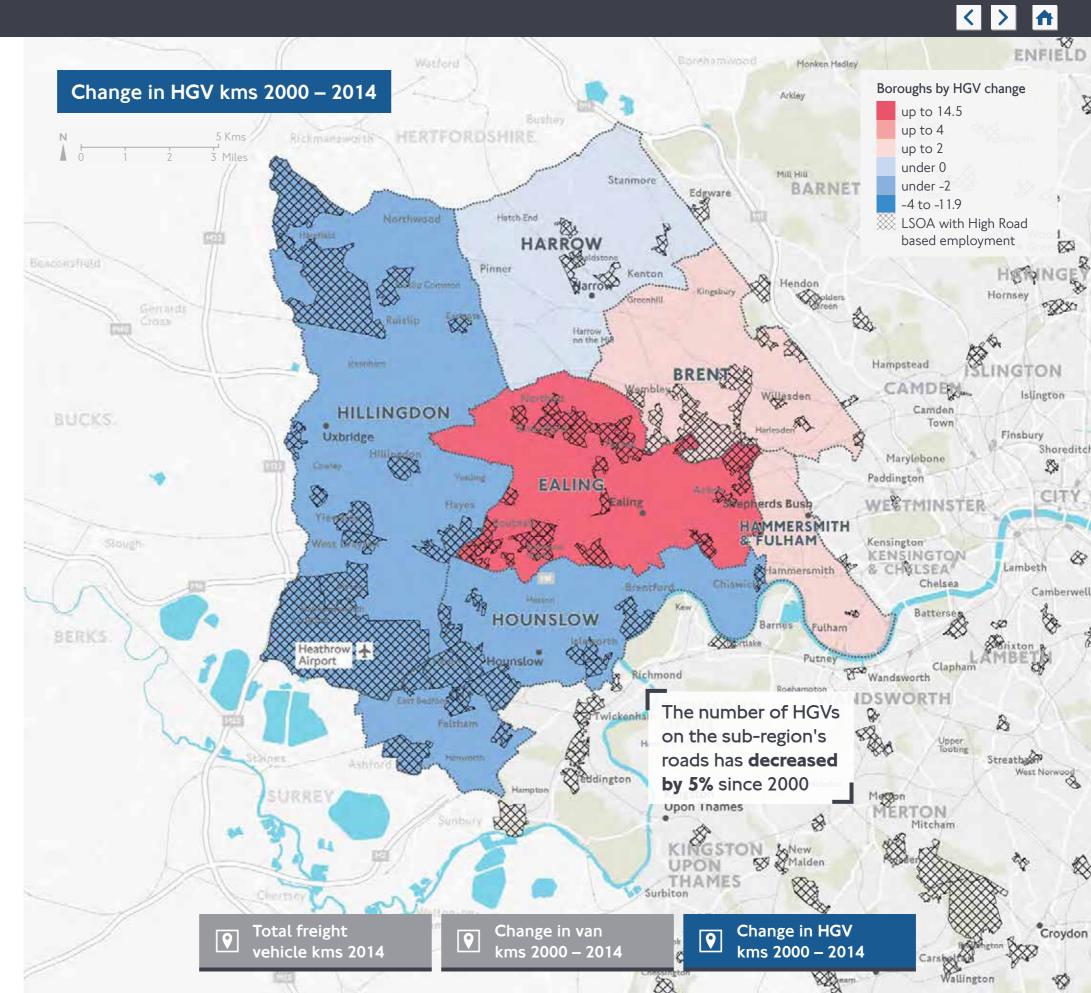




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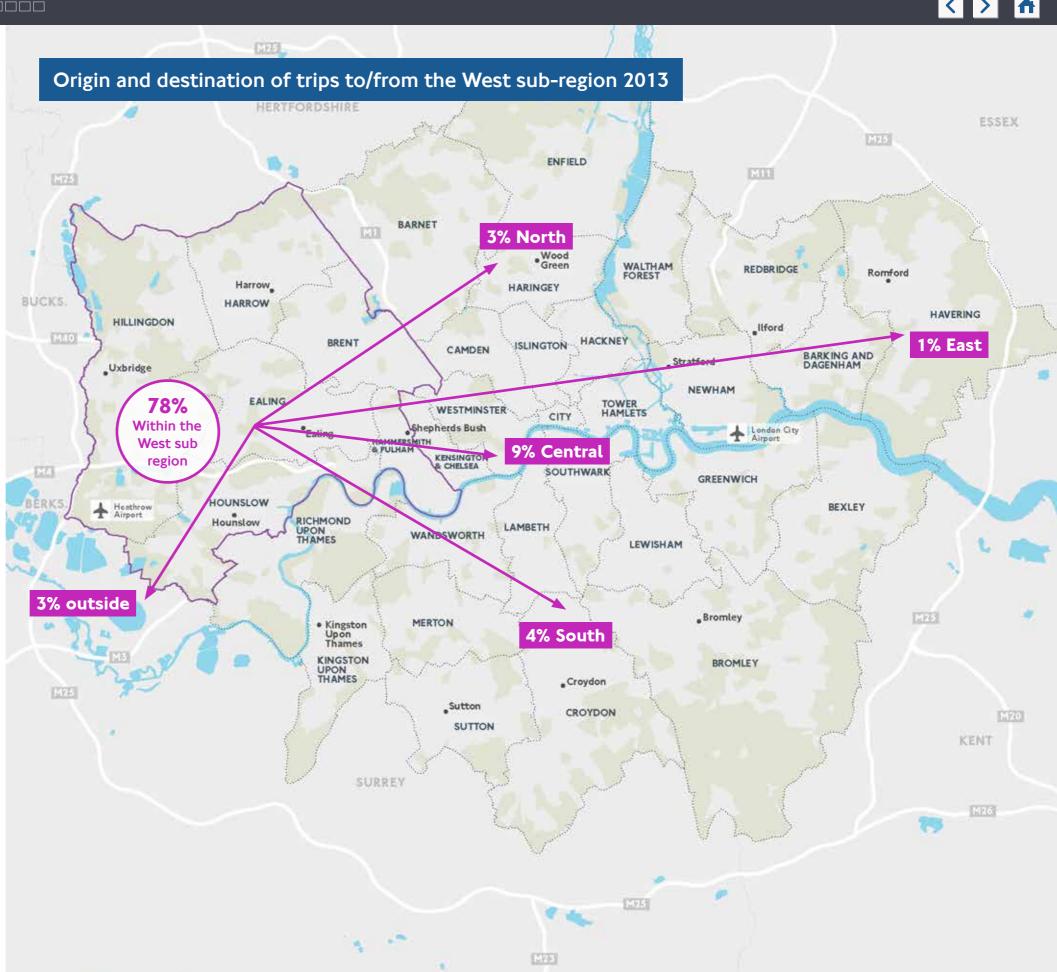




#### Most trips in the West start and finish within the sub-region

Although residents of West London make trips to many areas within and outside London, the majority of trips have both their origin and destination within the sub-region. Commuting trips are themost likely to be made outside West London, particularly to central London, whilst education, shopping and leisure trips are all much more likely to be internal to the subregion. This reinforces the need to ensure a well functioning transport network that can support the huge range of local movements, particularly by bus, walking and cycling, as well as the need for a network that can support both orbital and radial movements.

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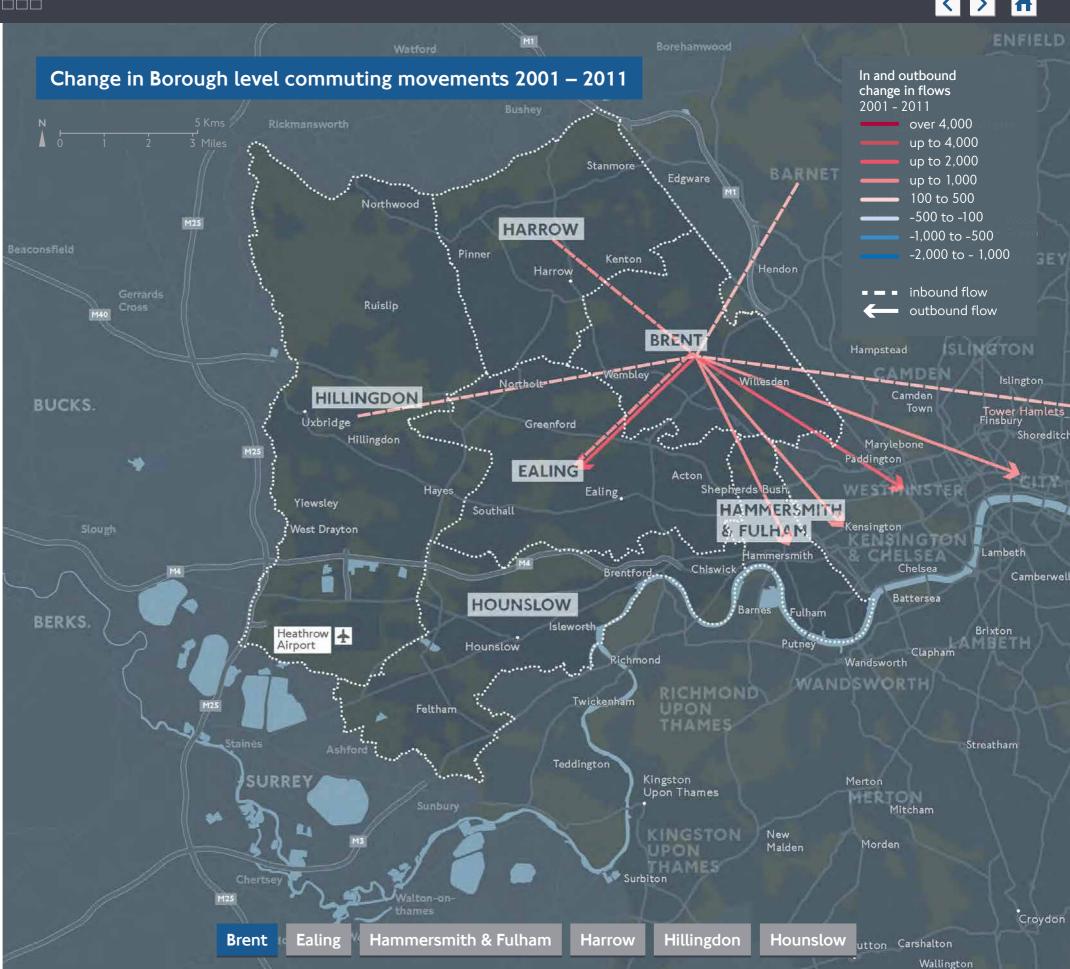






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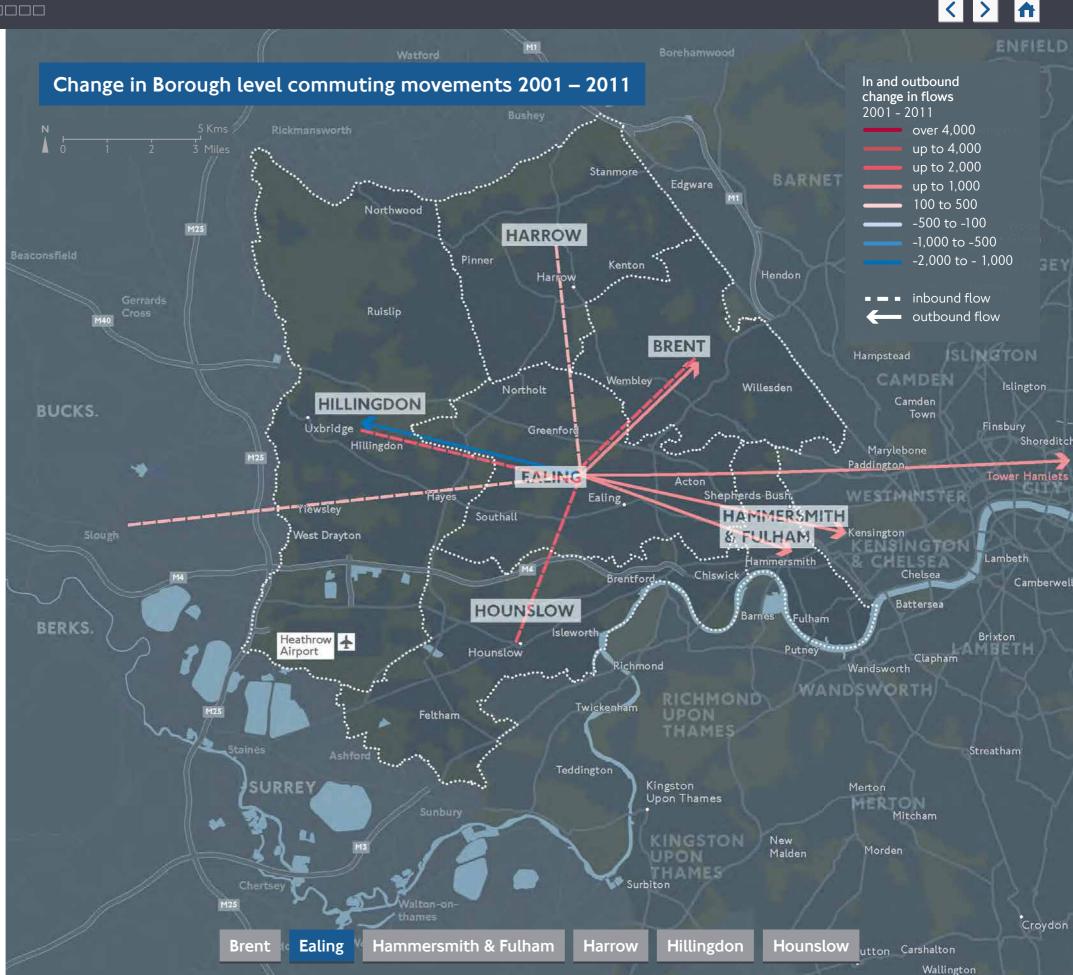






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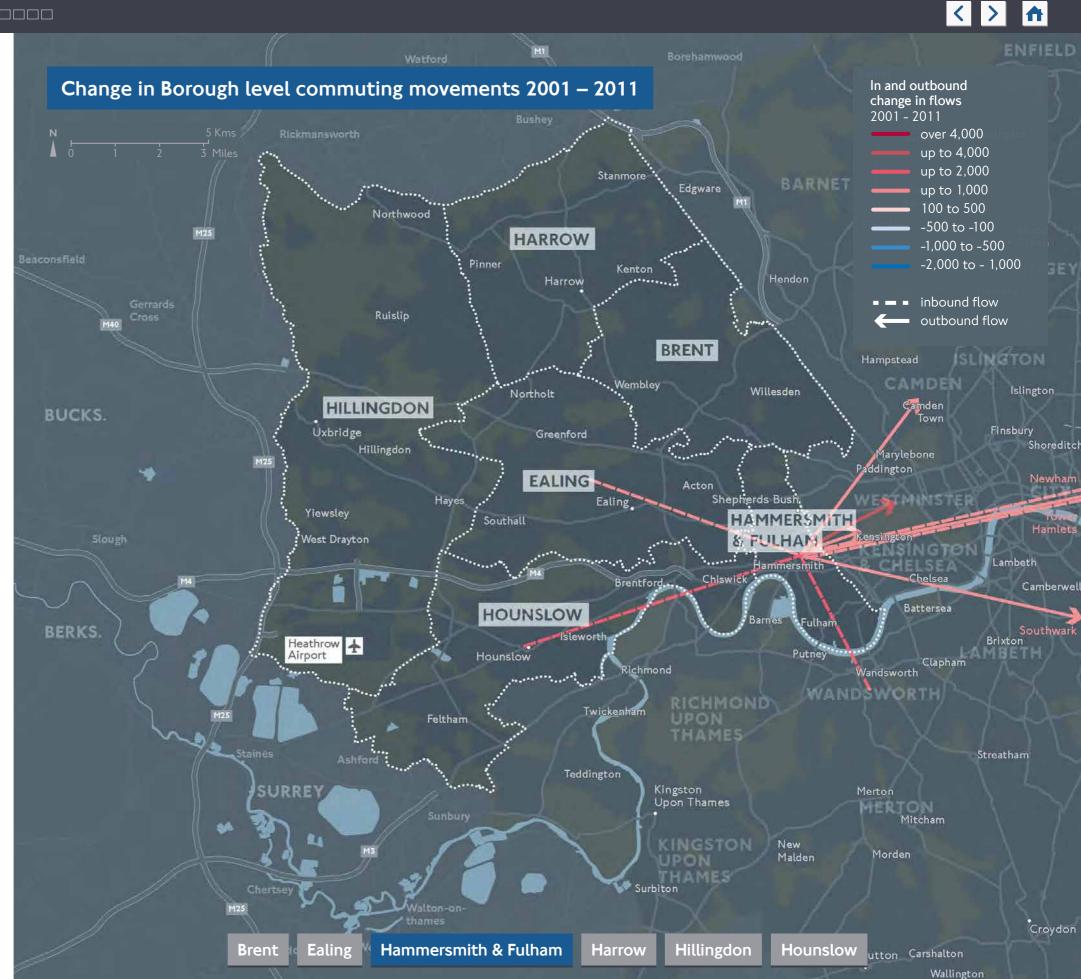






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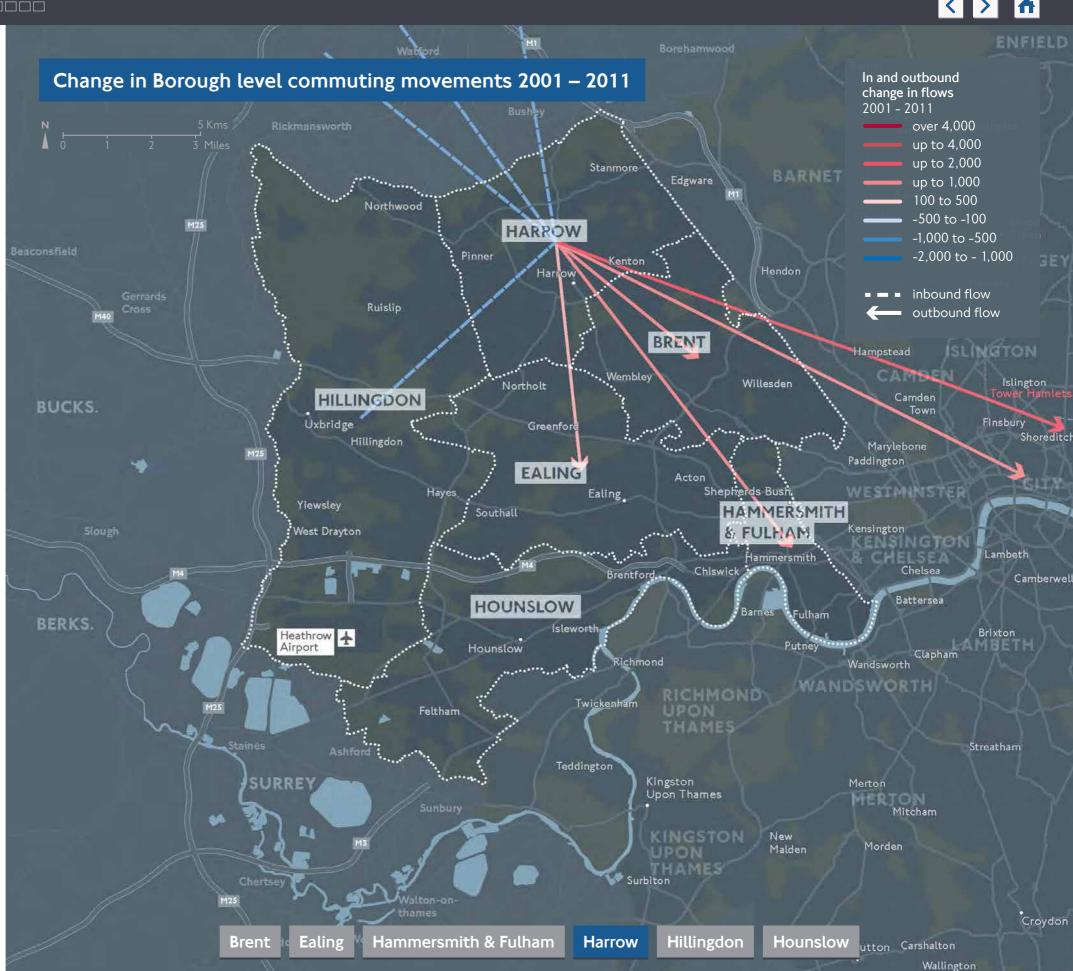






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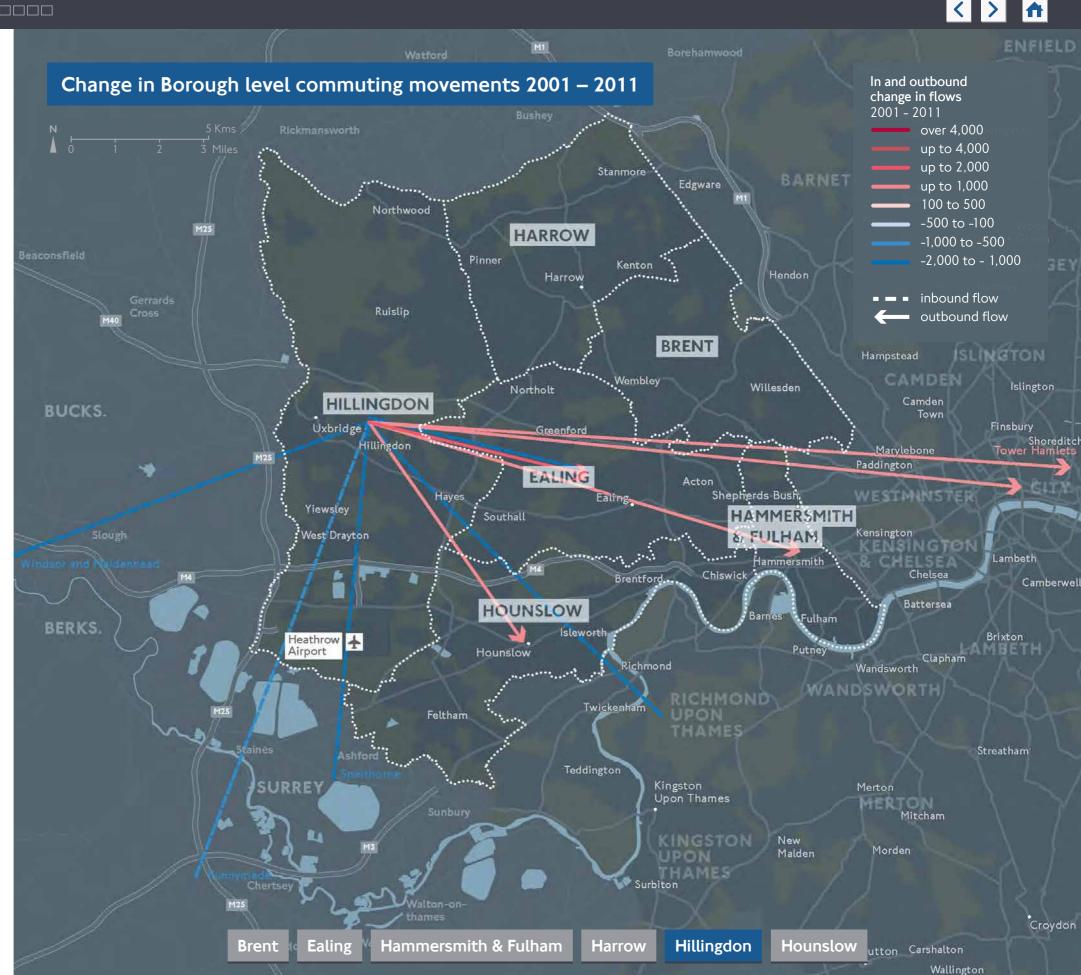






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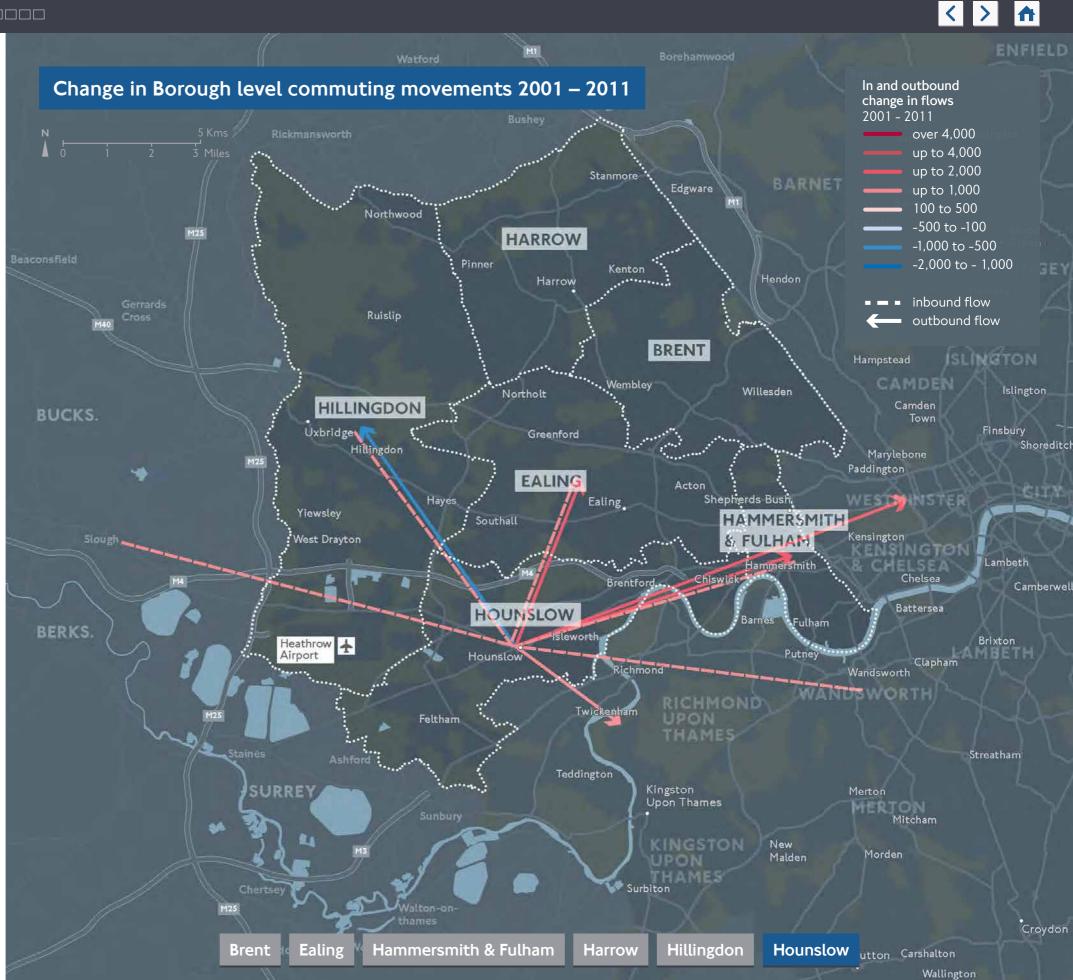






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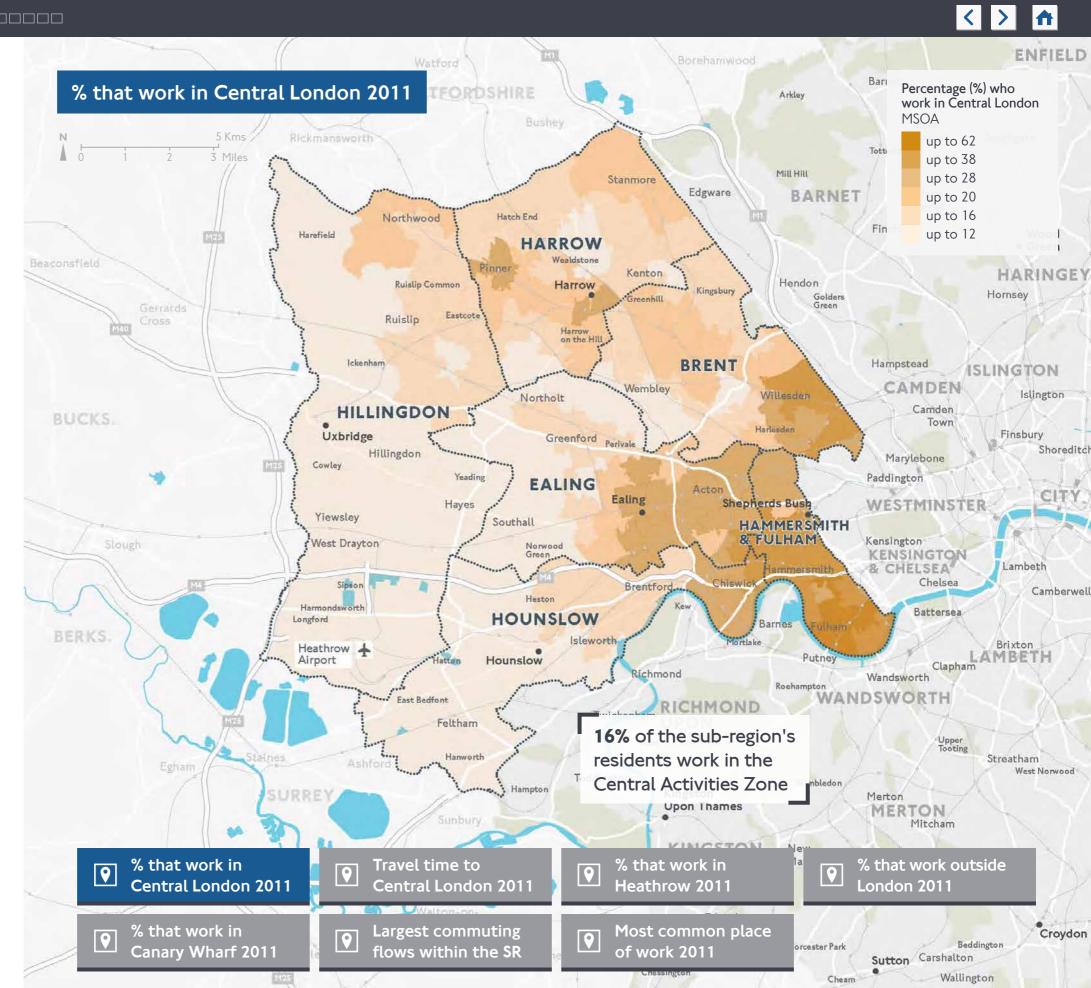
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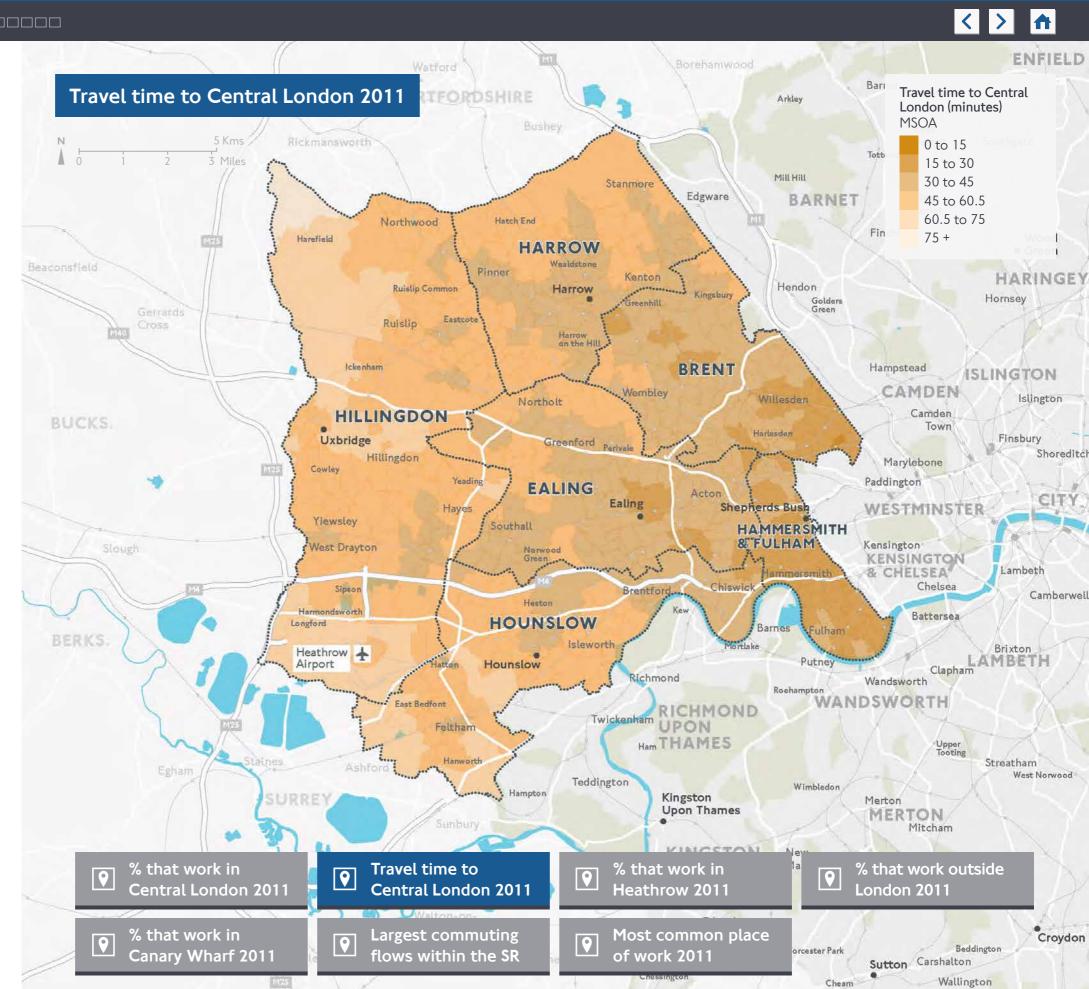
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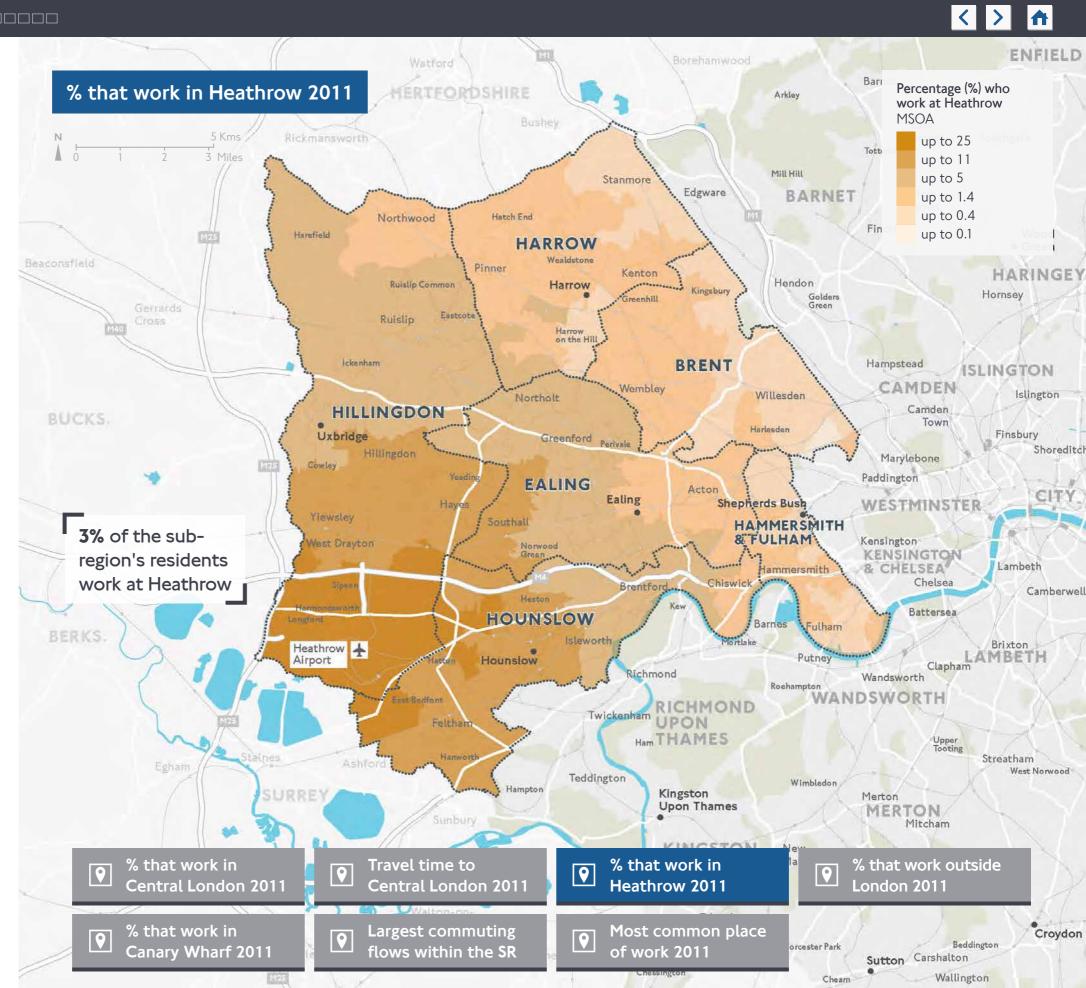
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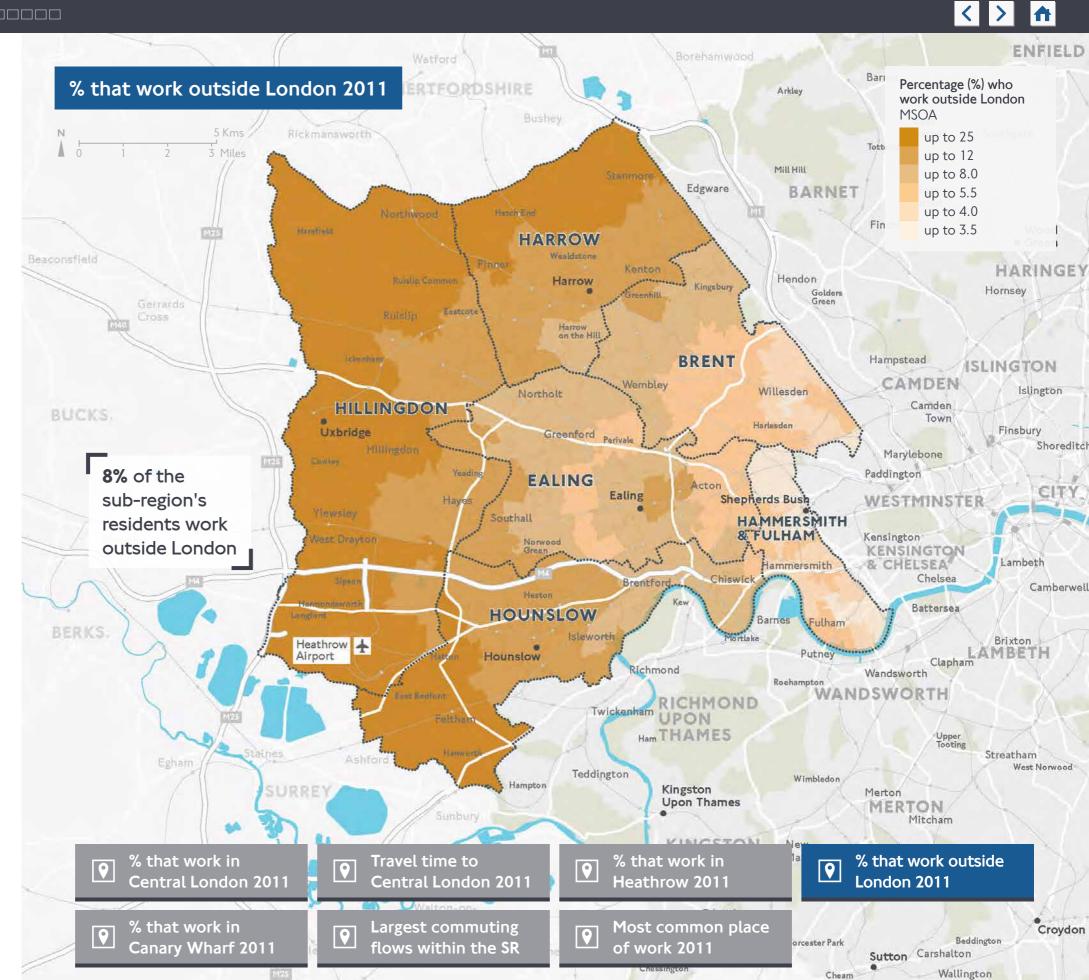
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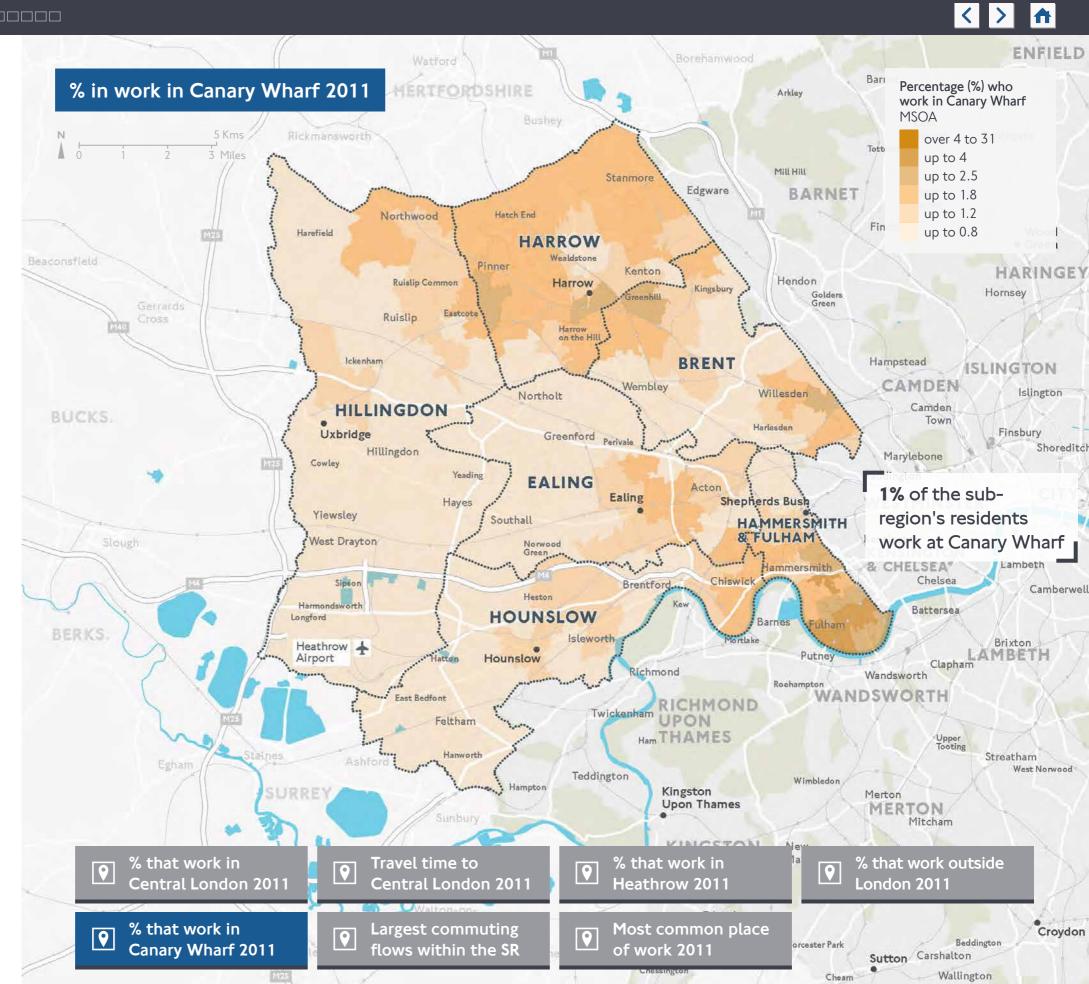
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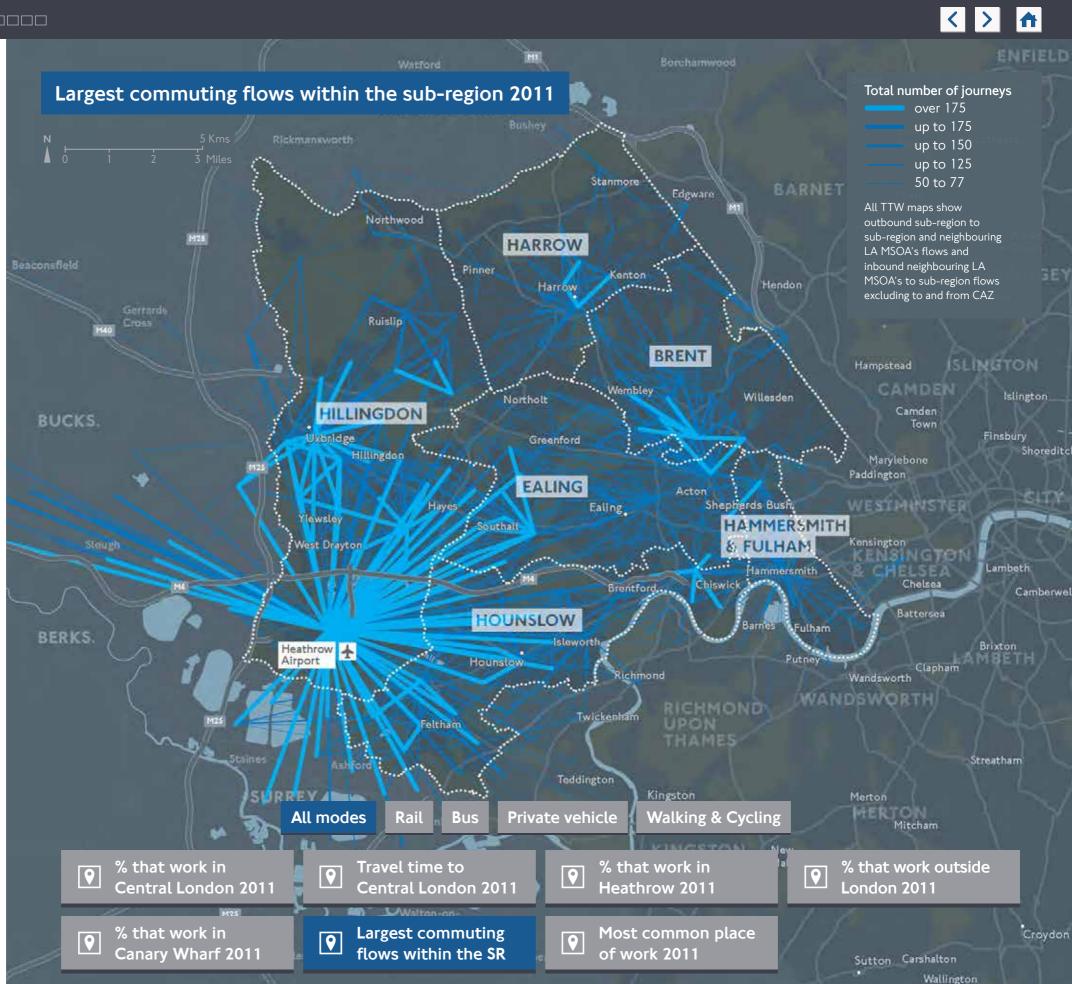
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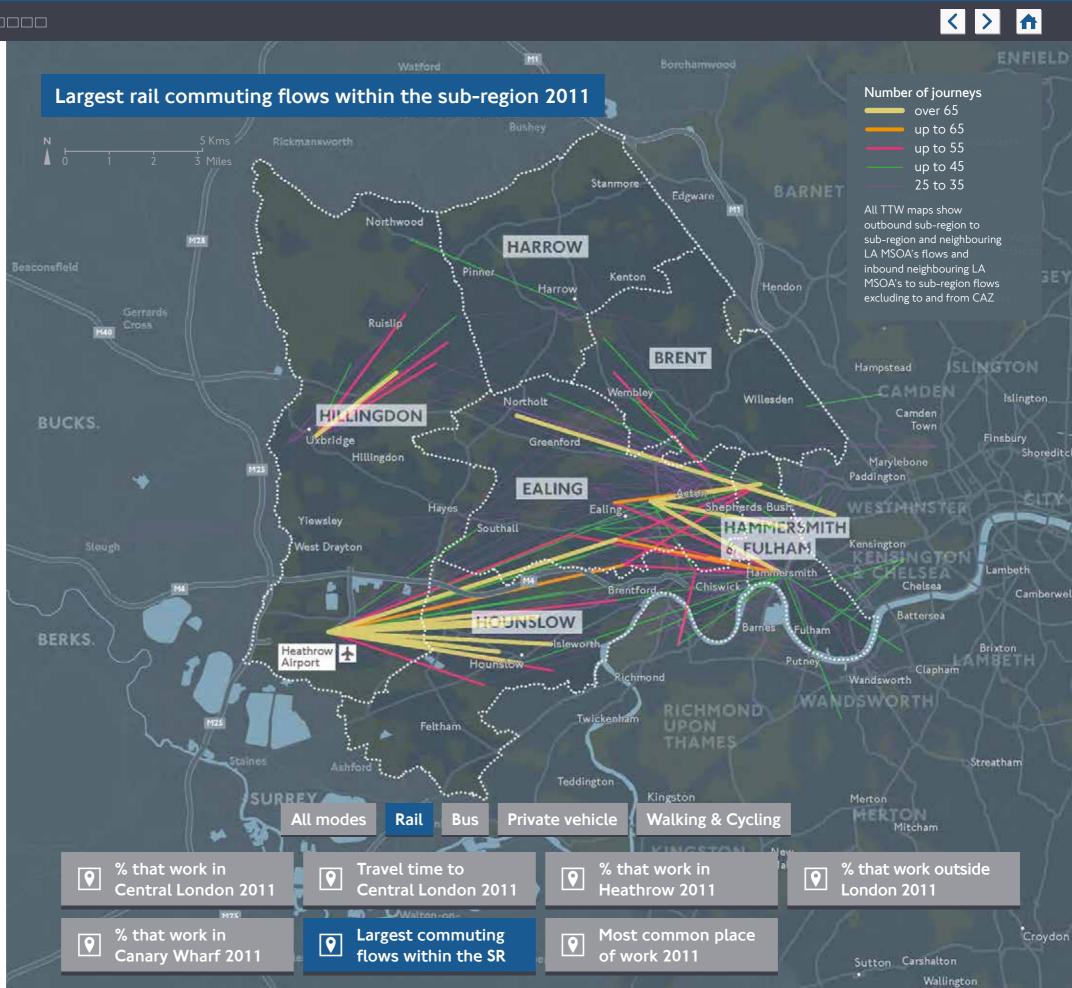
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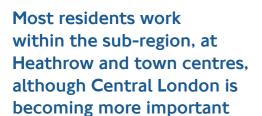
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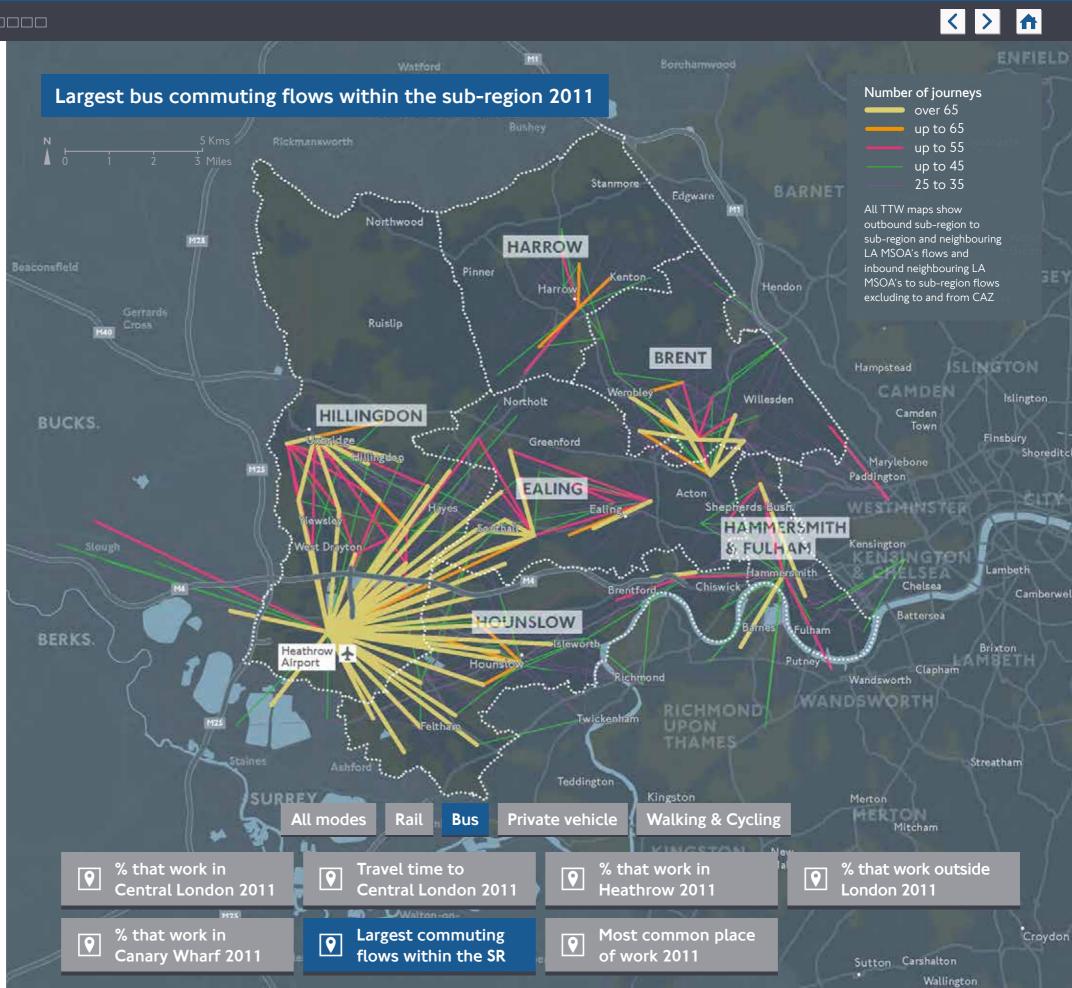
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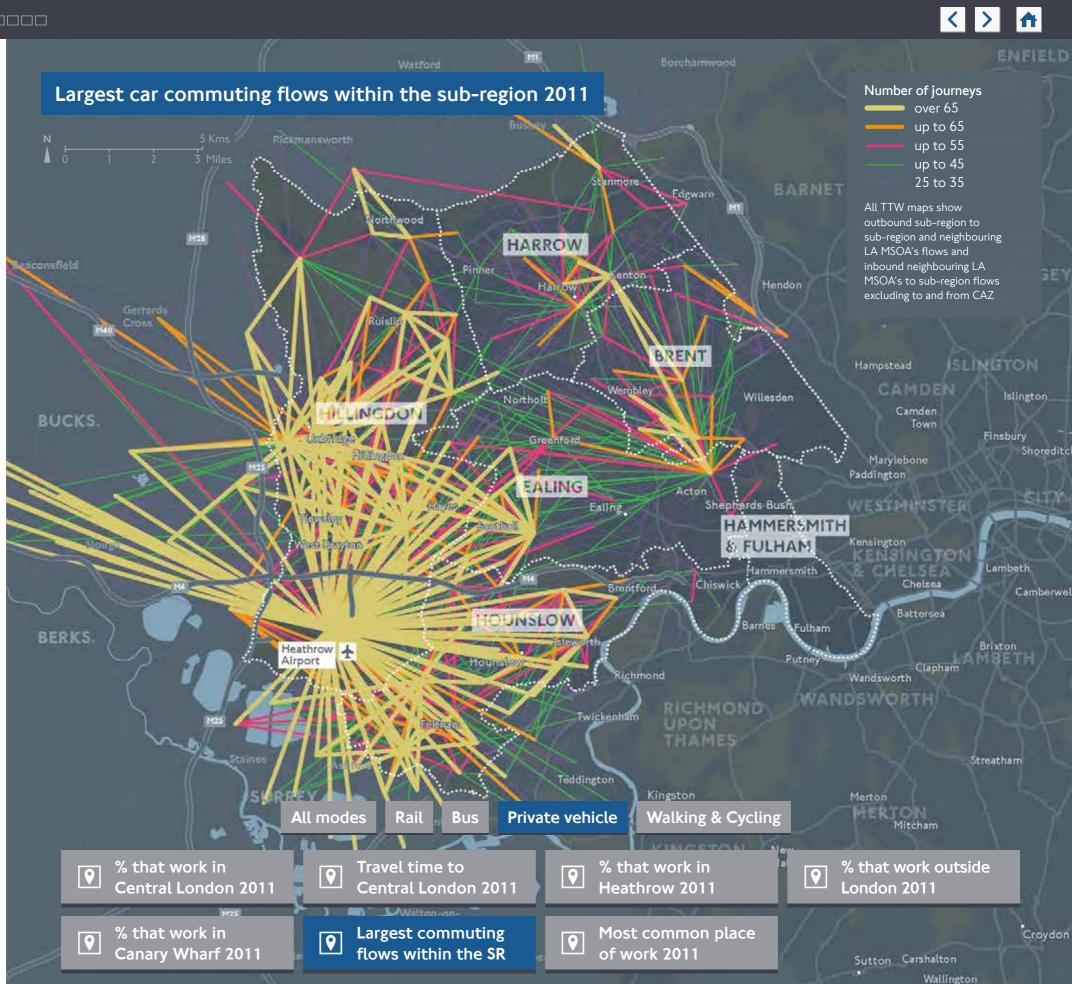


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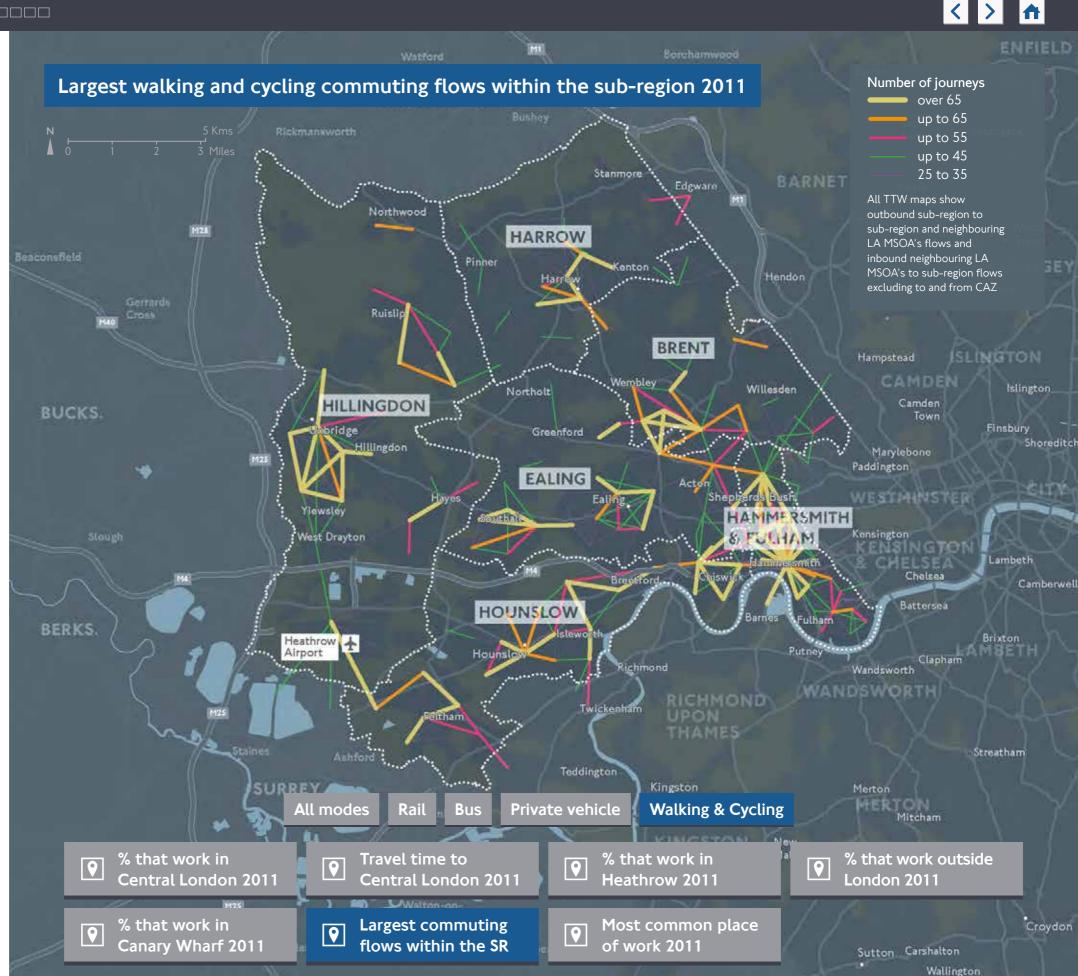






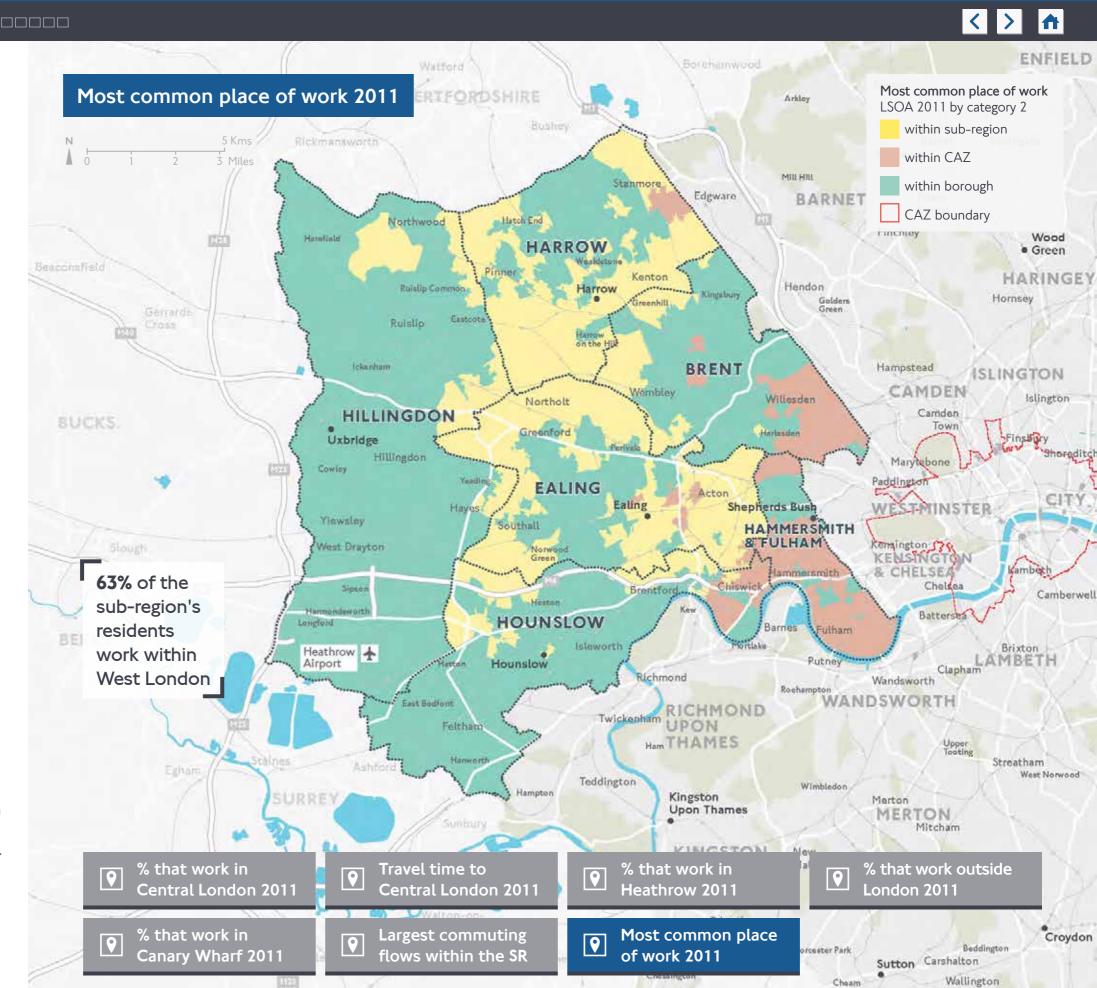
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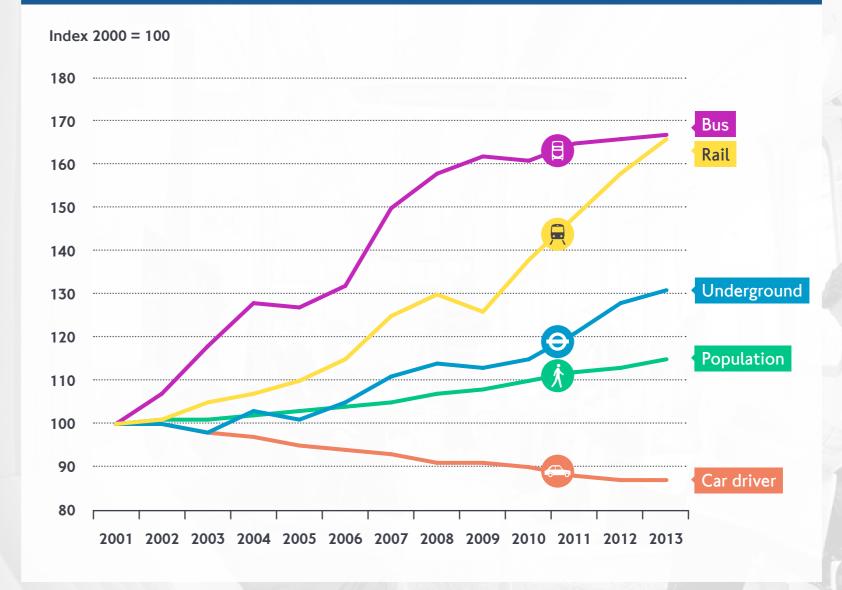
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The number of journeys made by bus has also grown rapidly, particularly up to 2010 as significant investment in the network was made during the previous decade to increase frequency, reliability and service quality, although the number of trips by bus has now remained stable in recent years

Conversely, the number of trips made using the private car has fallen during the same period, as people have switched to public transport and active travel modes. The largest shift has been within Central and Inner London, although Outer London has also seen a decline in car use too. Further analysis of the reasons behind this is available in TfL's Drivers of Demand study: https://tfl.gov.uk/cdn/static/cms/documents/drivers-of-demand-for-travel-in-london.pdf.





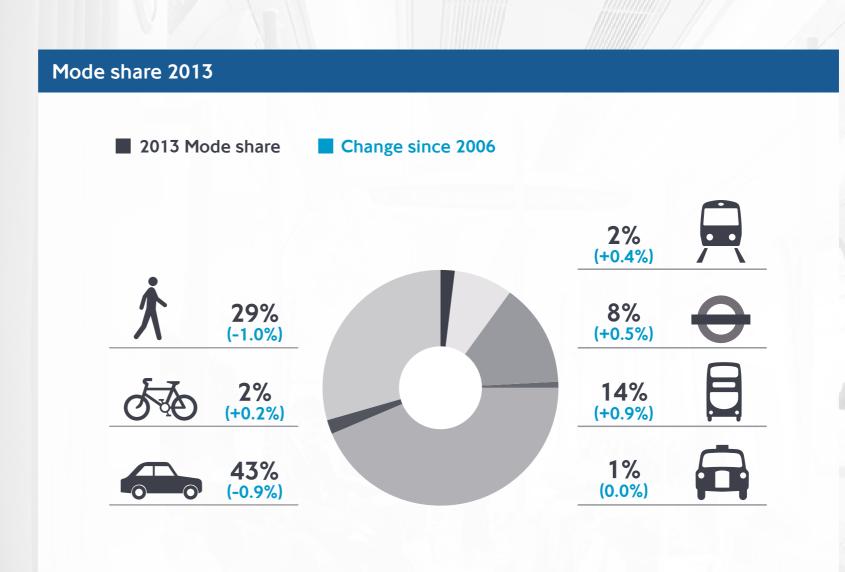




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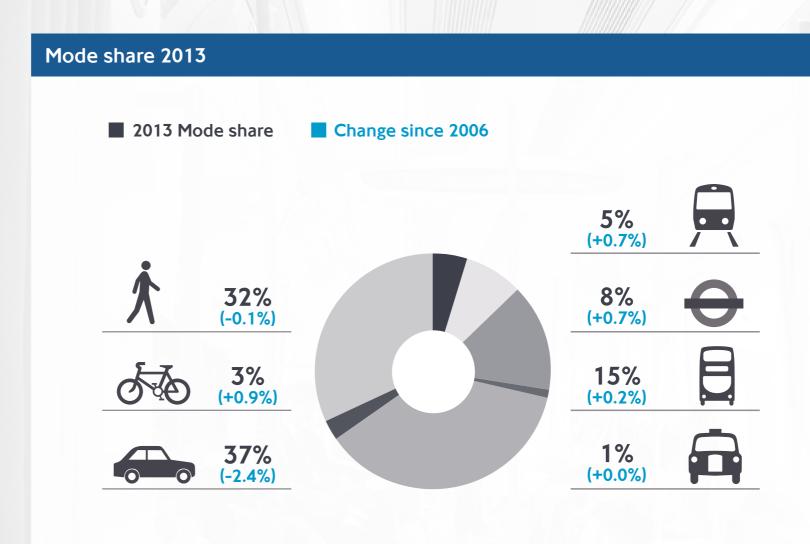




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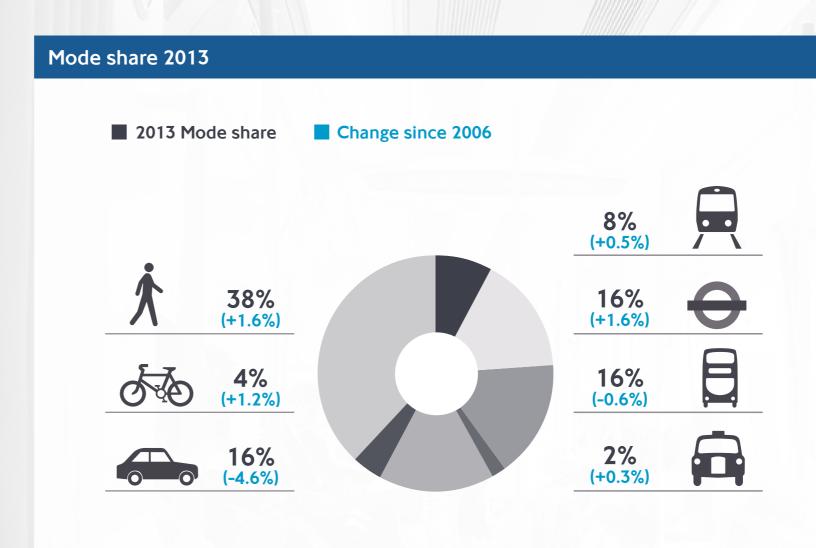




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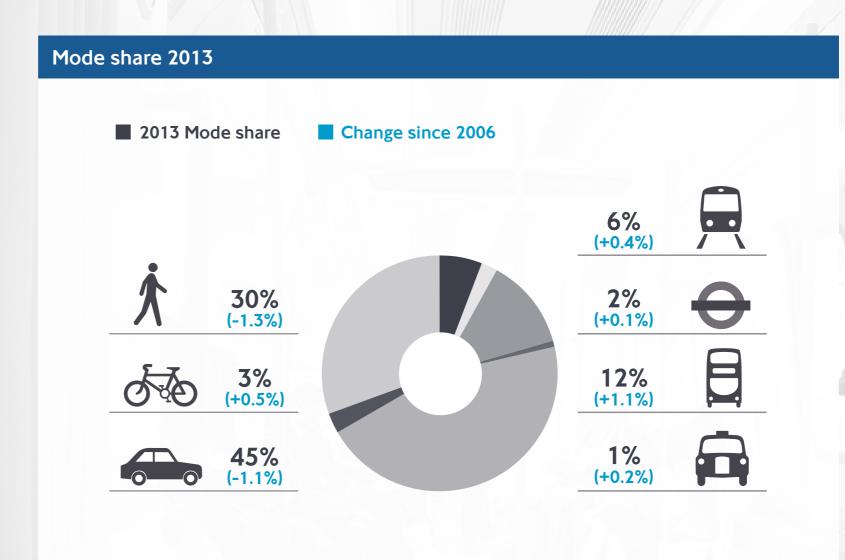




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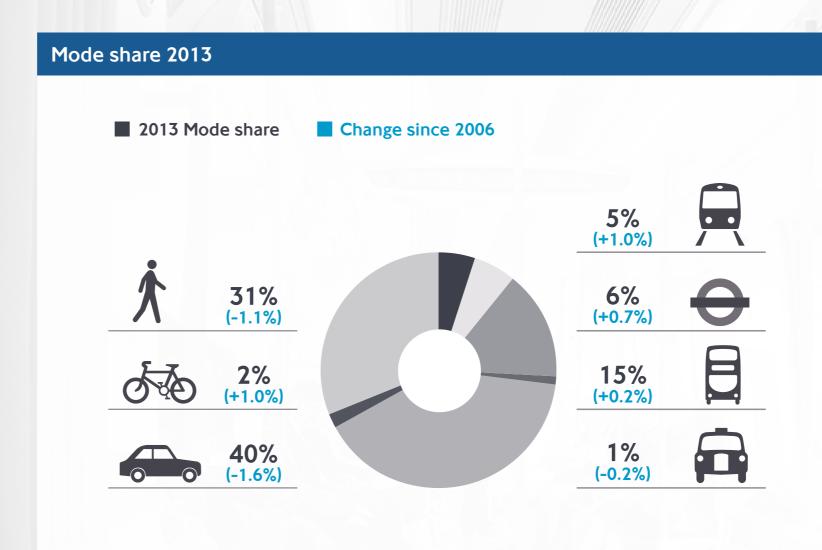




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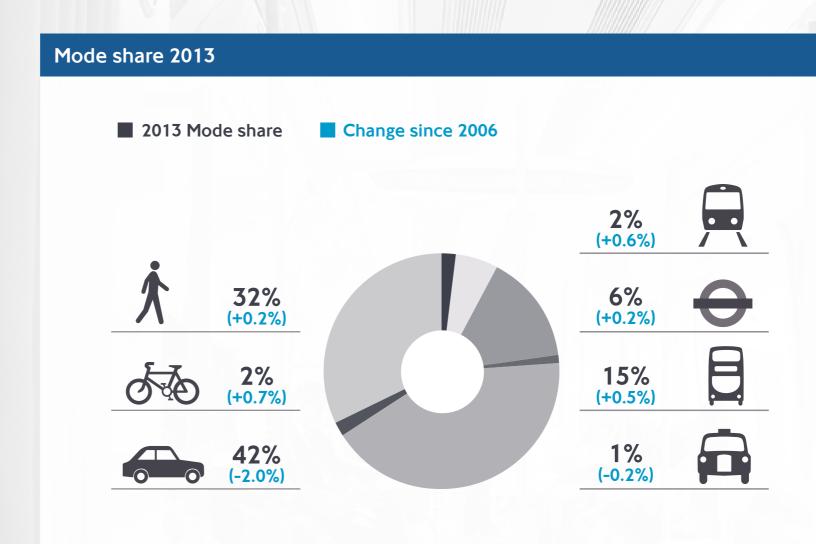




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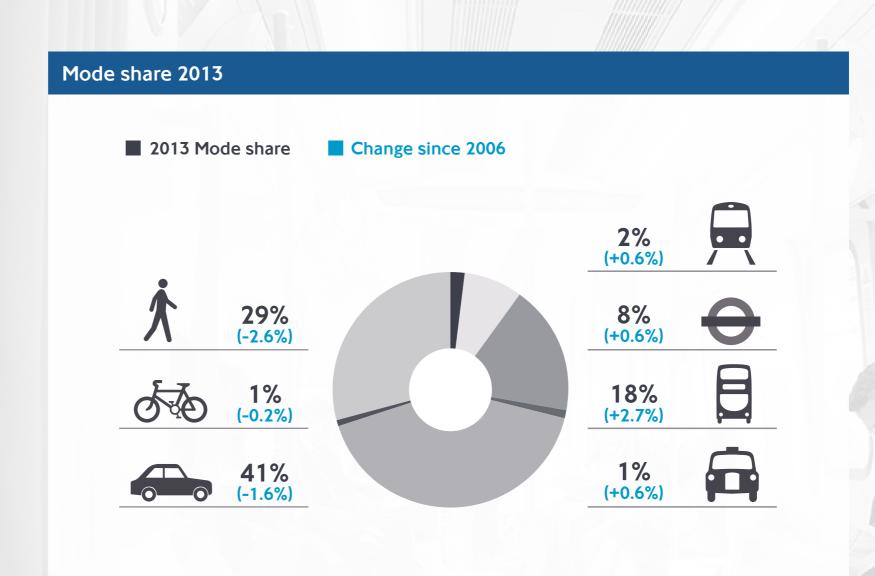




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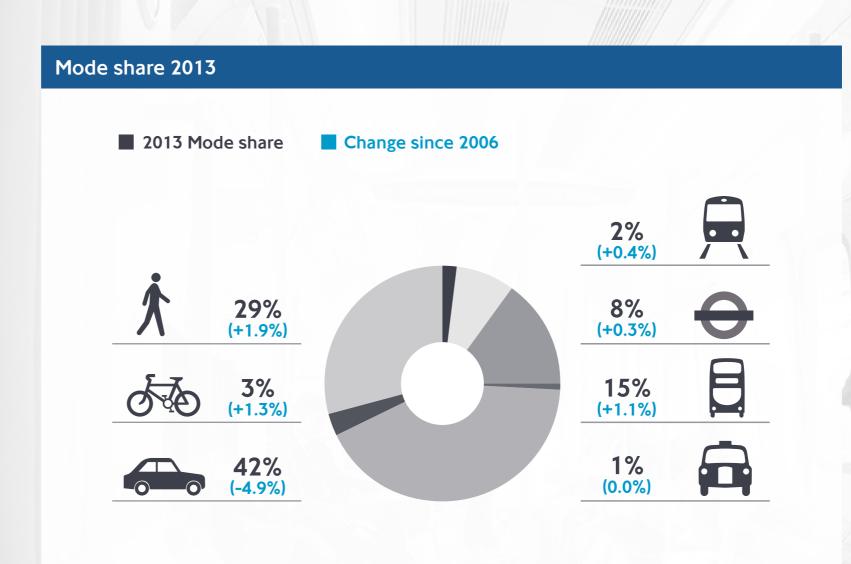




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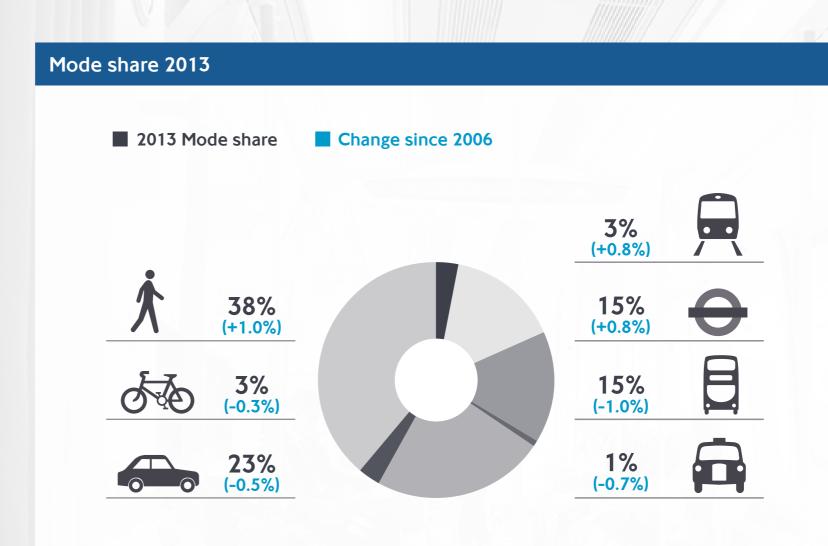




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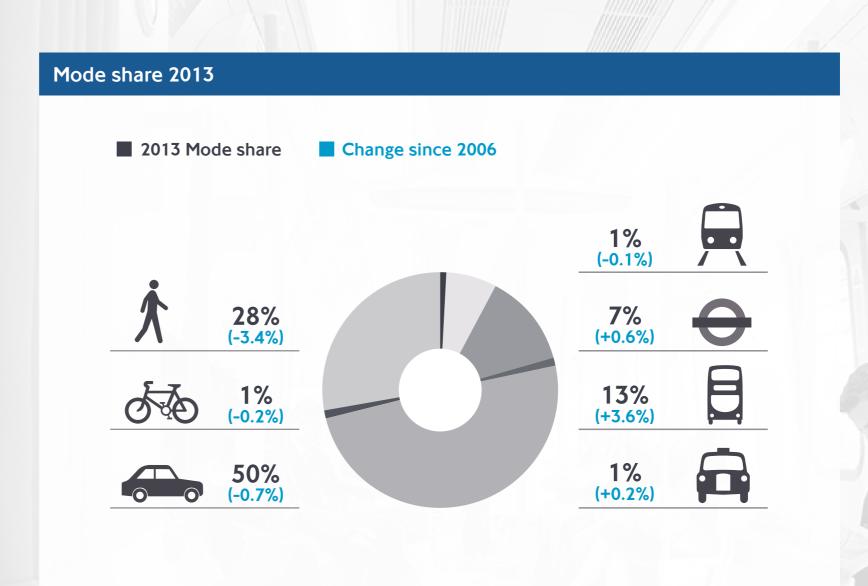




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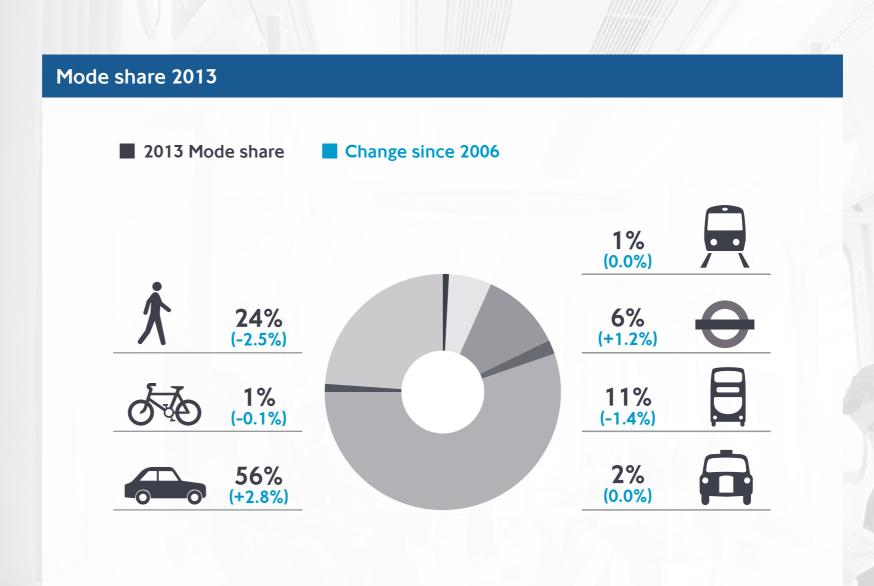




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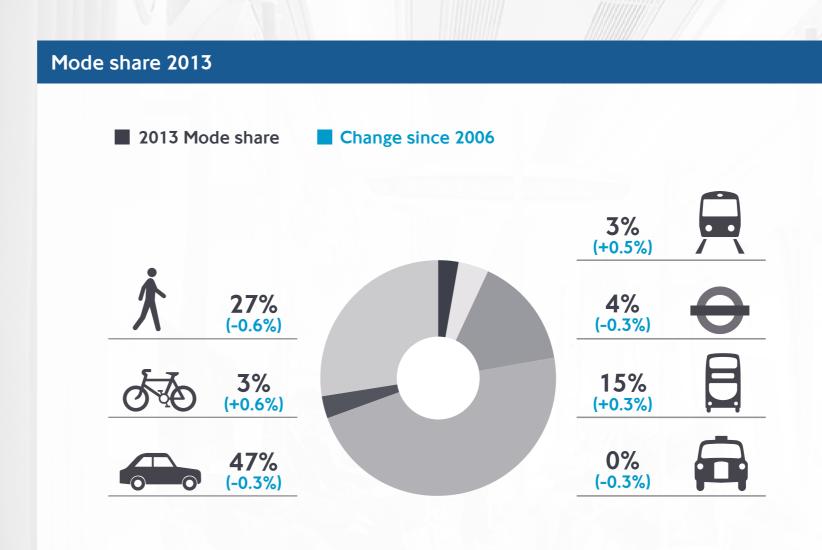




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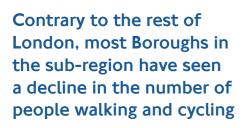
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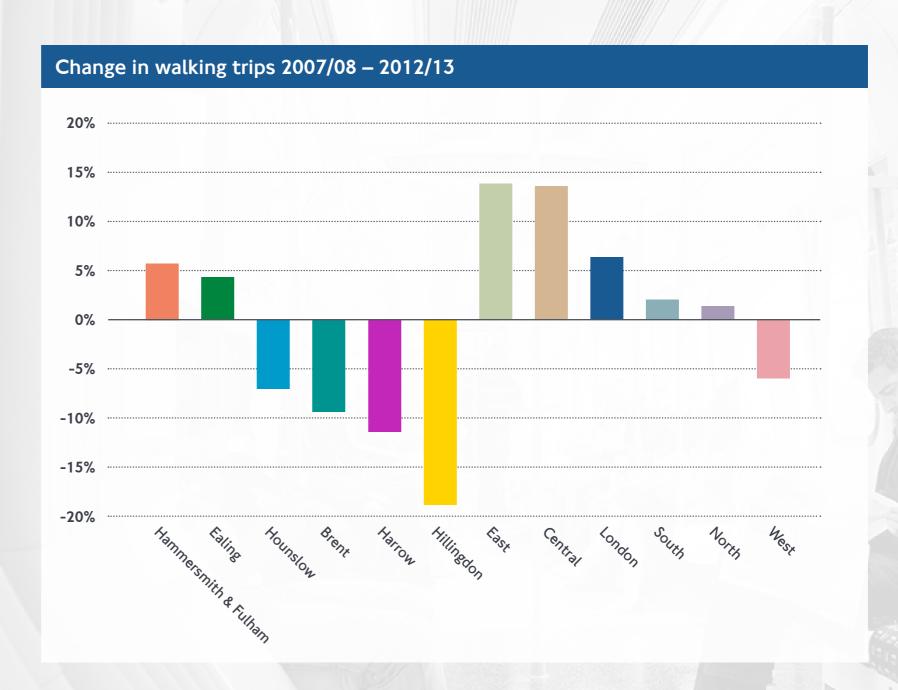




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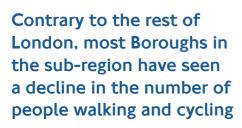
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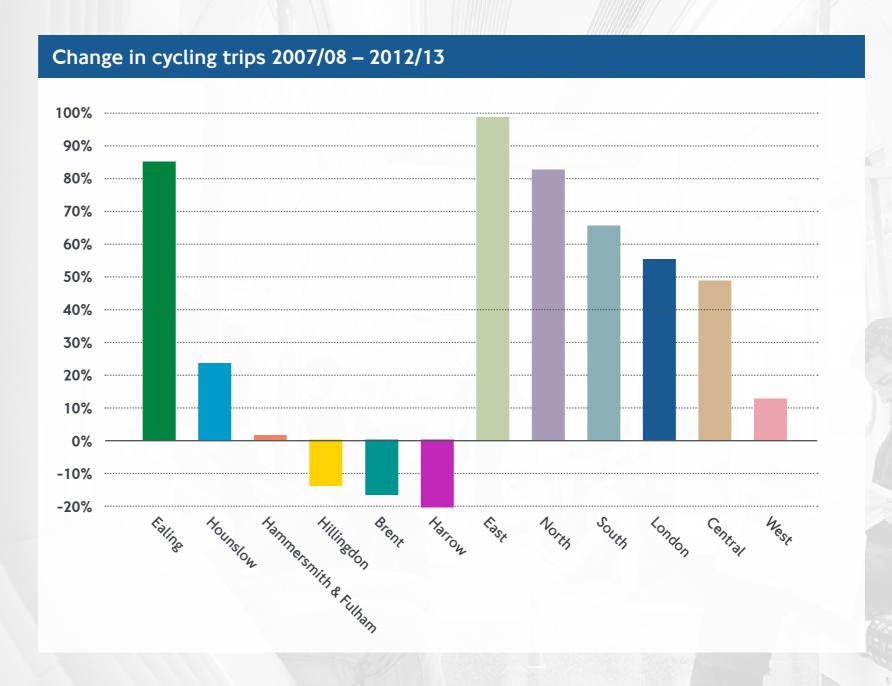




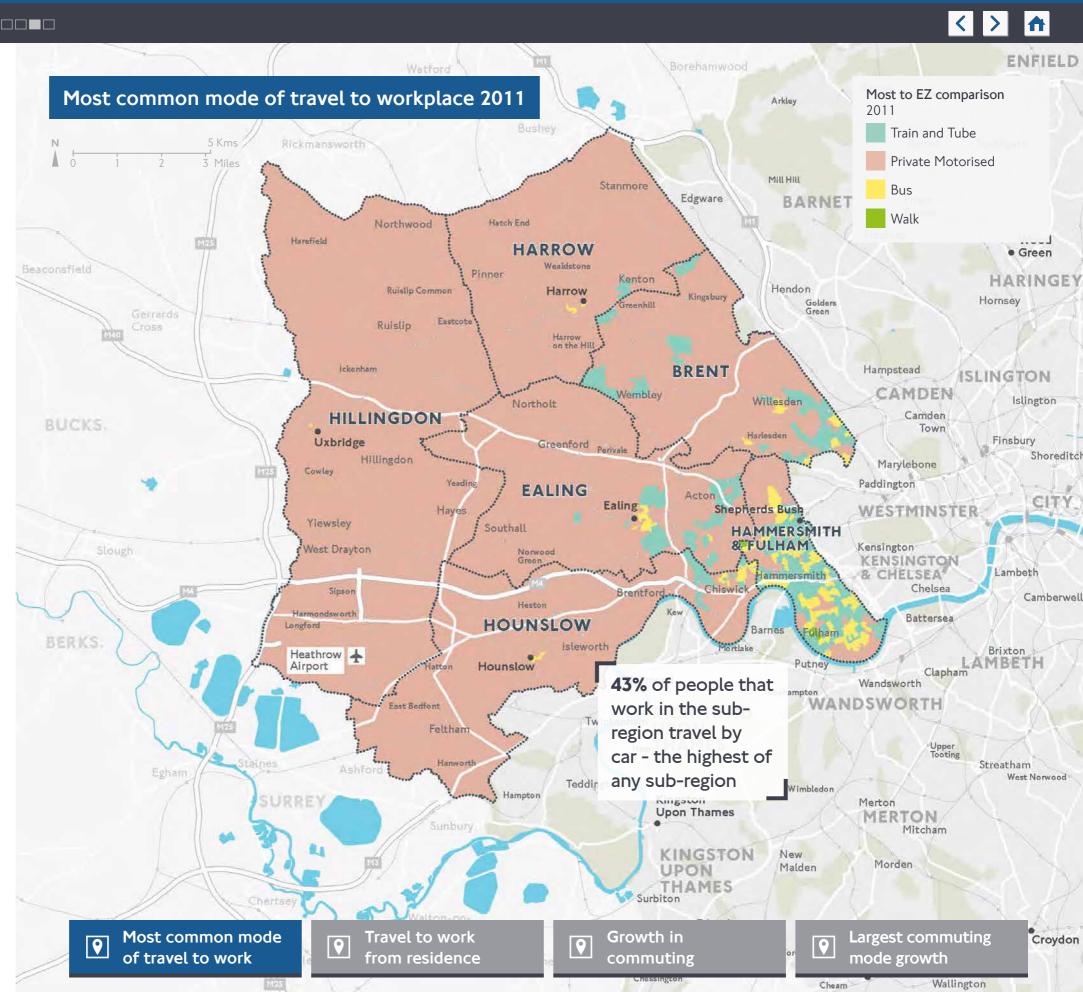
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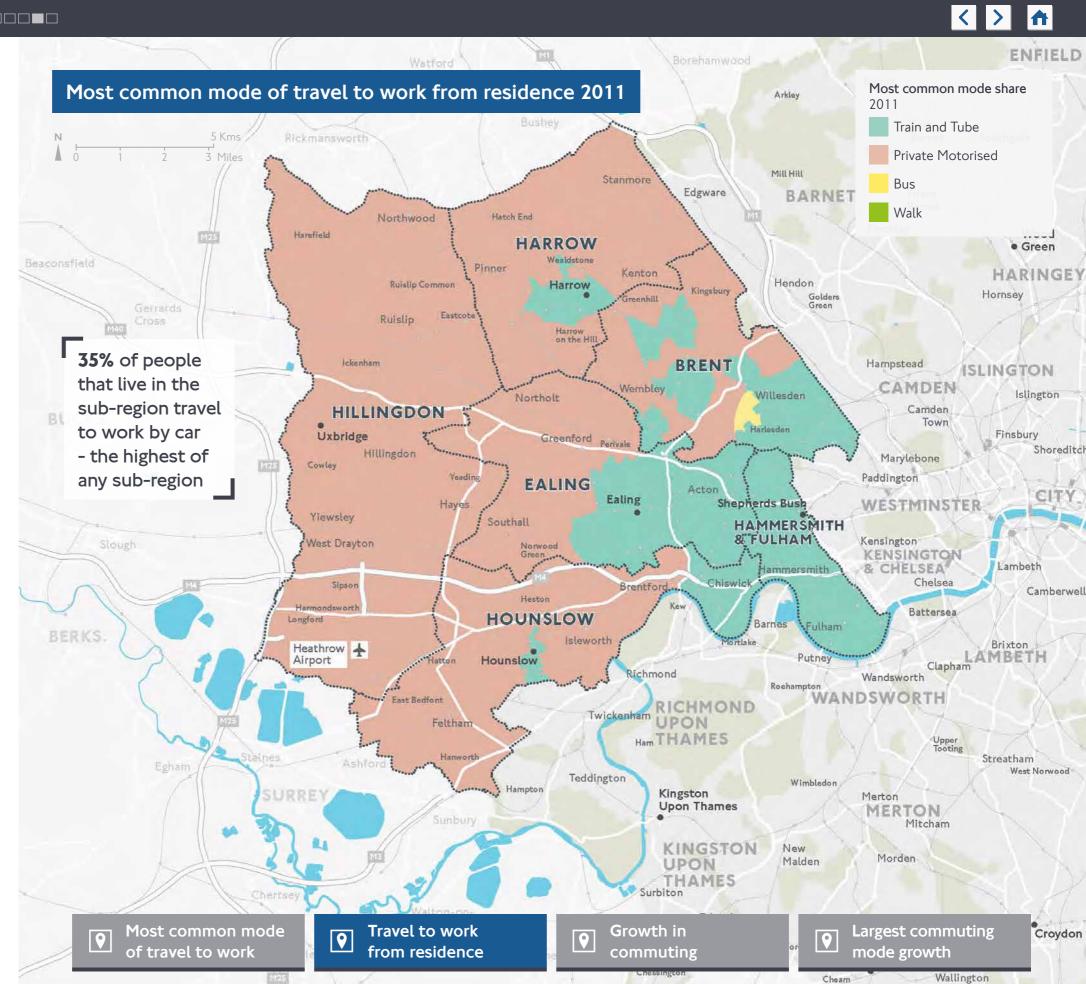
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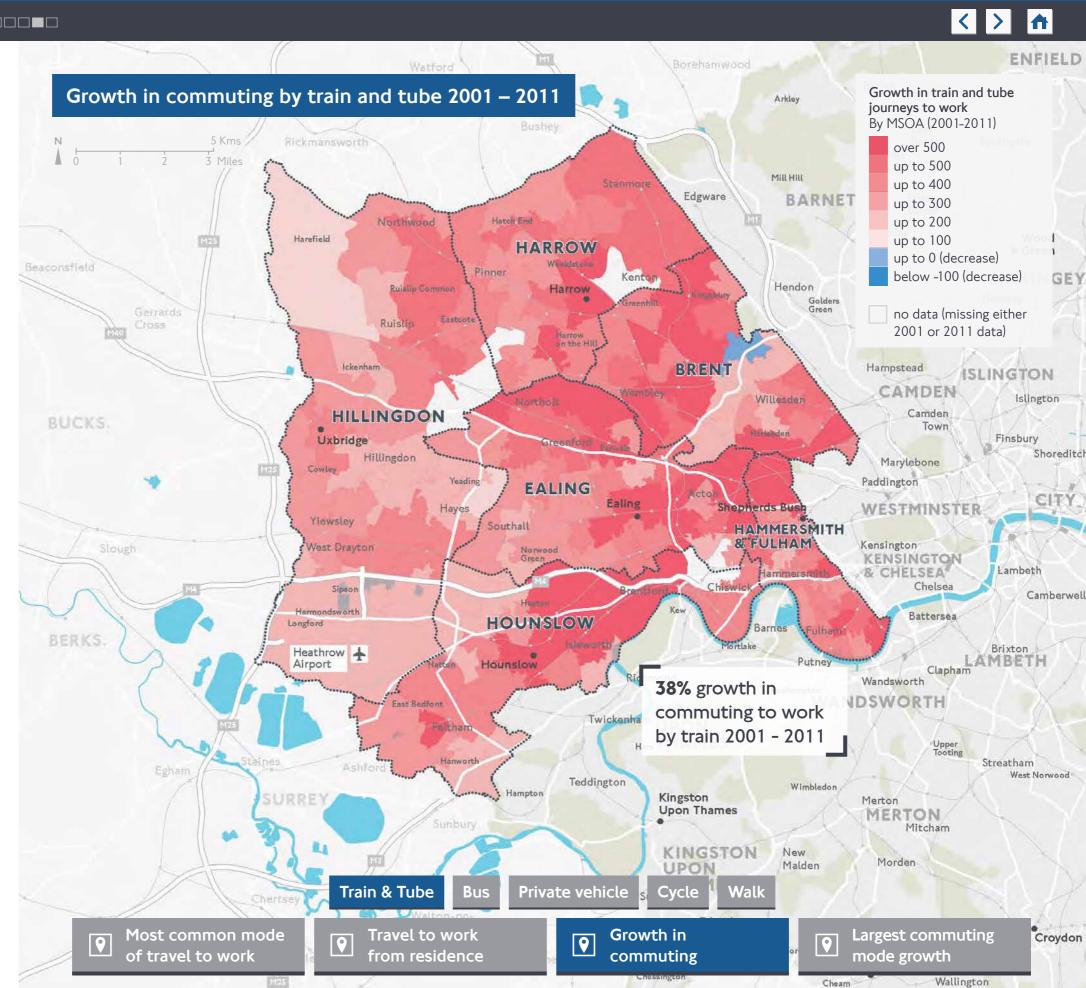




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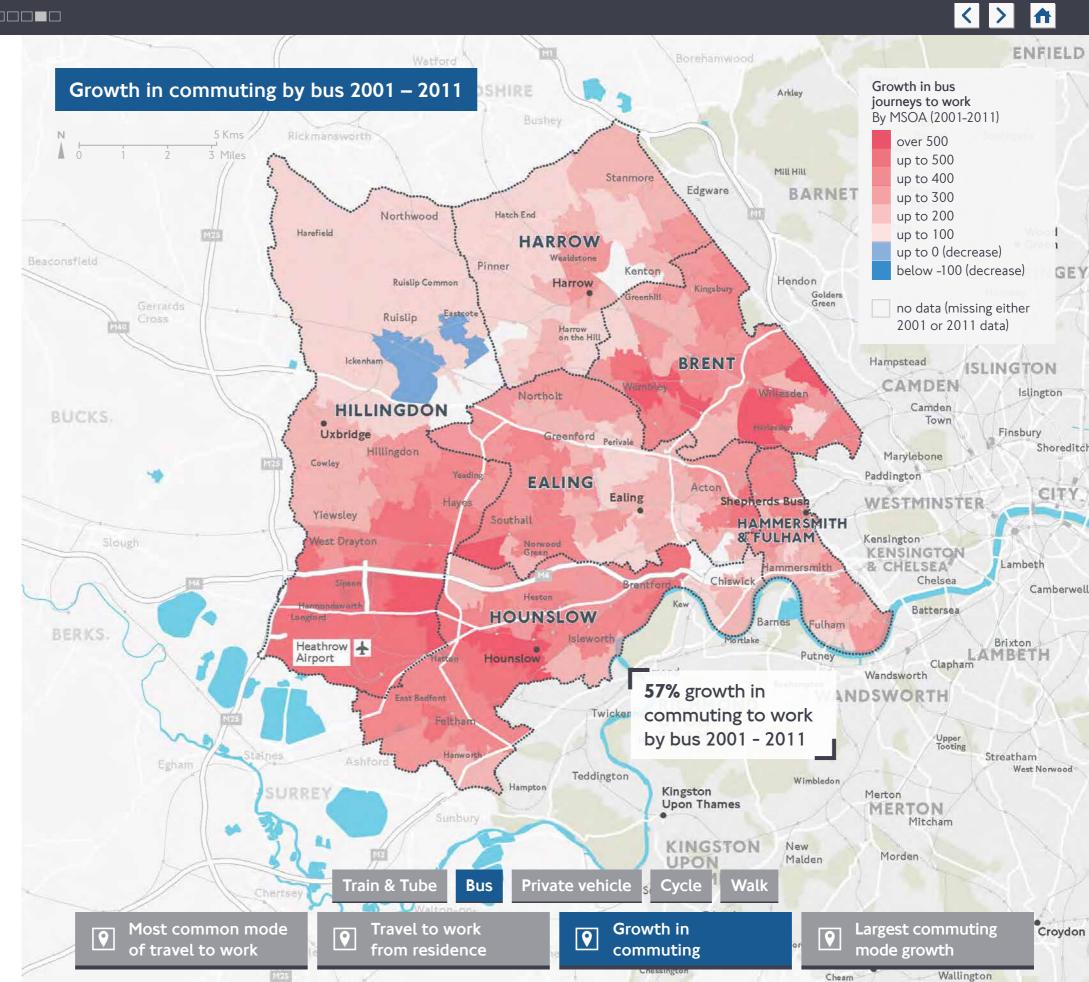
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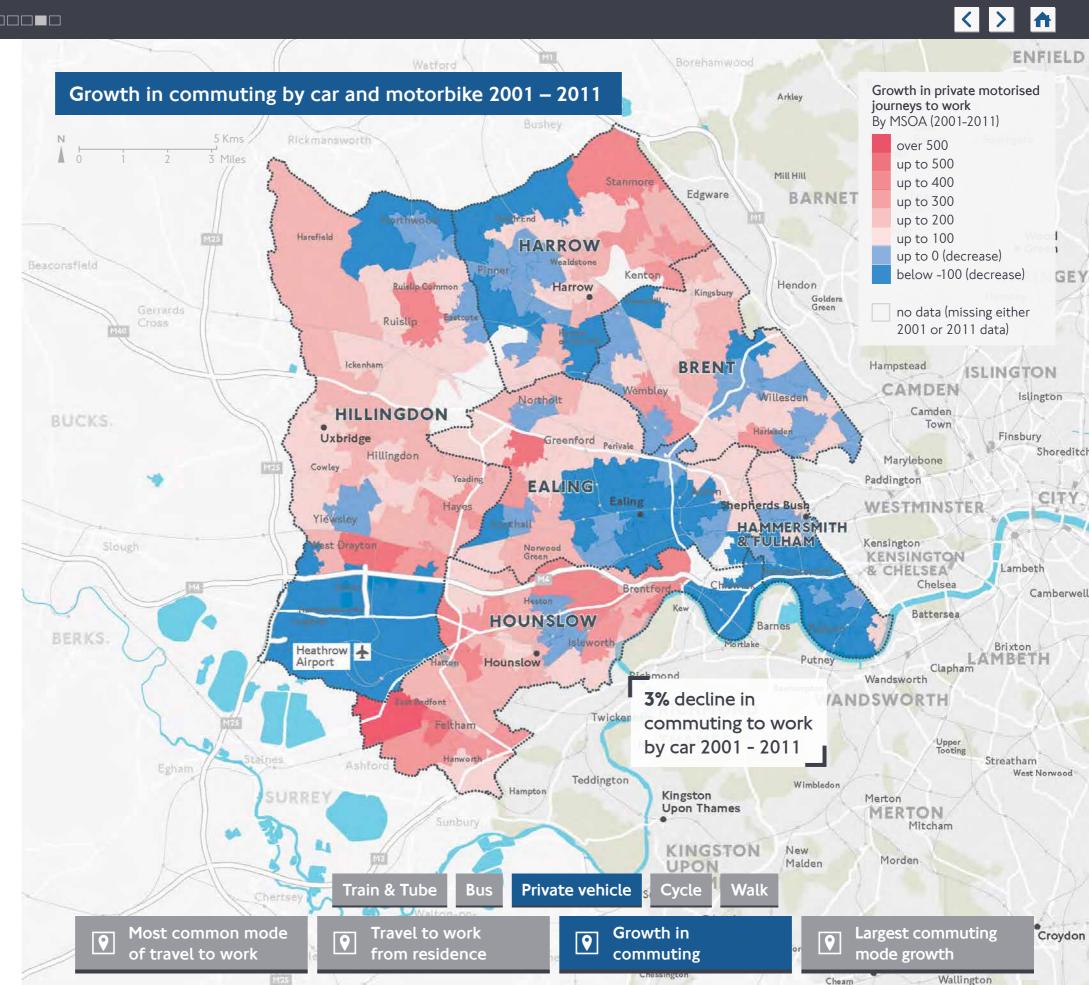




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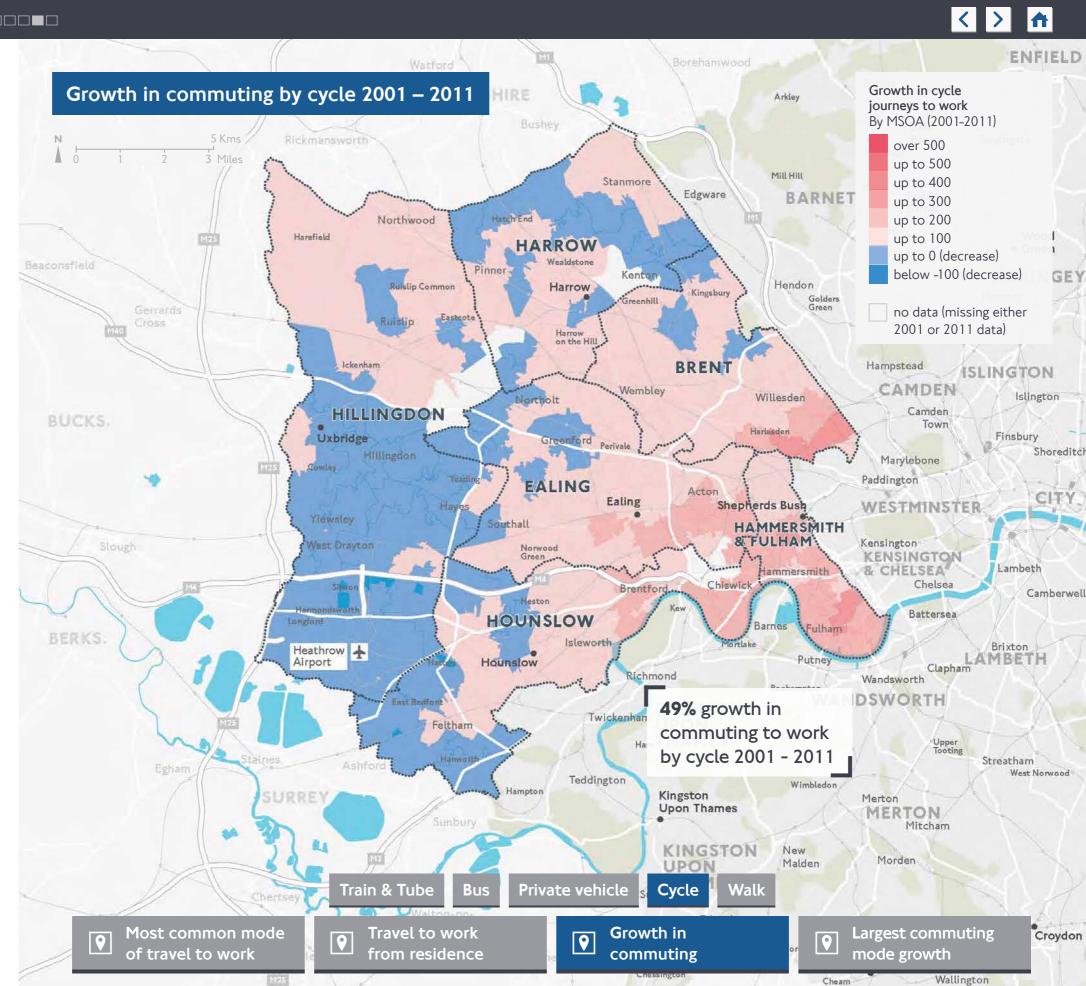


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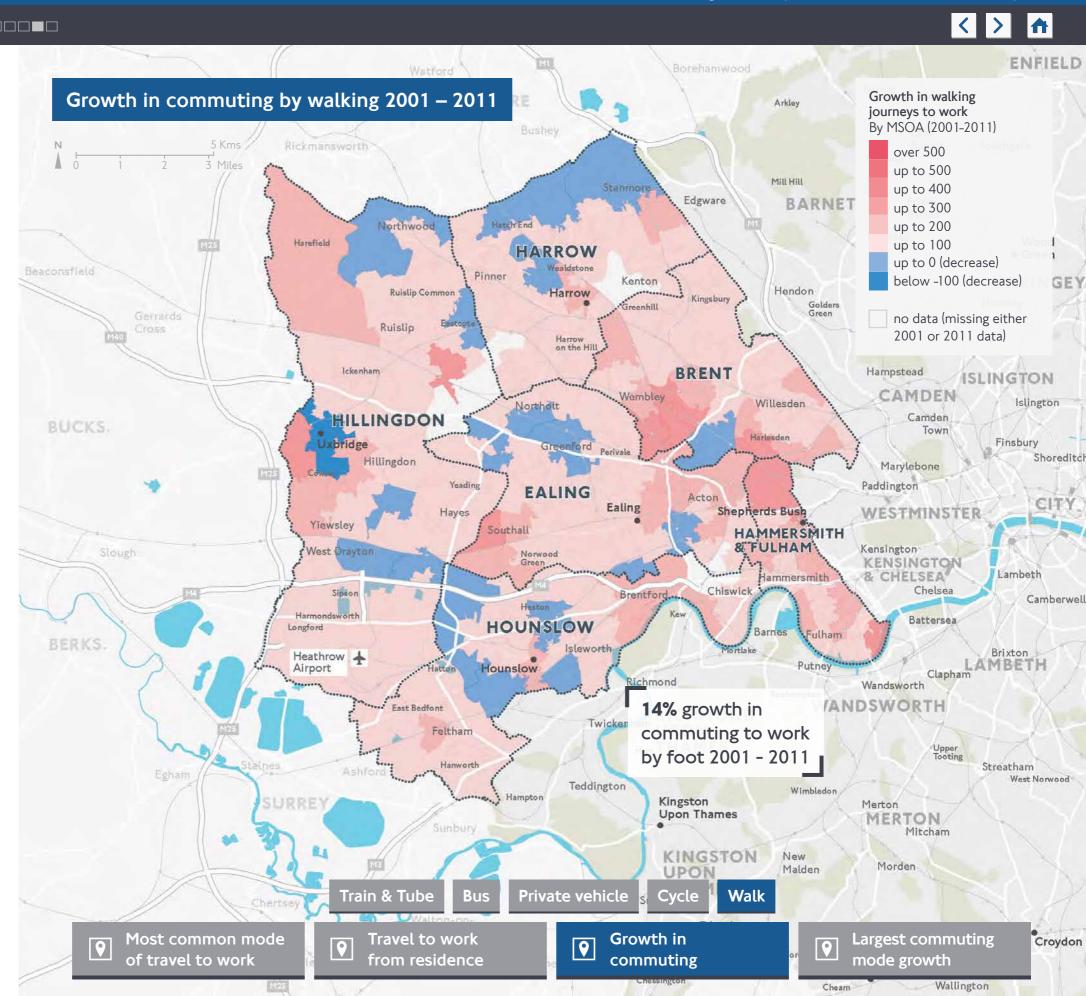




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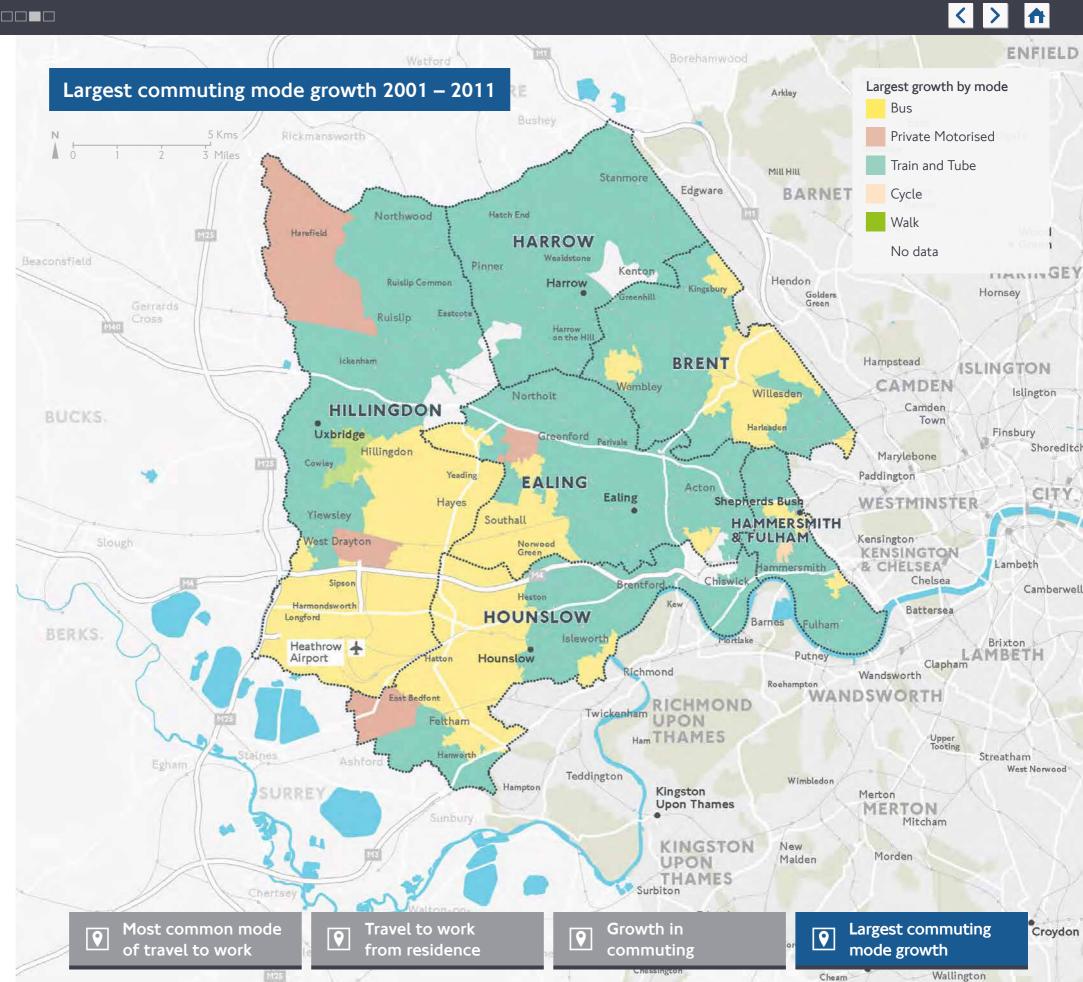
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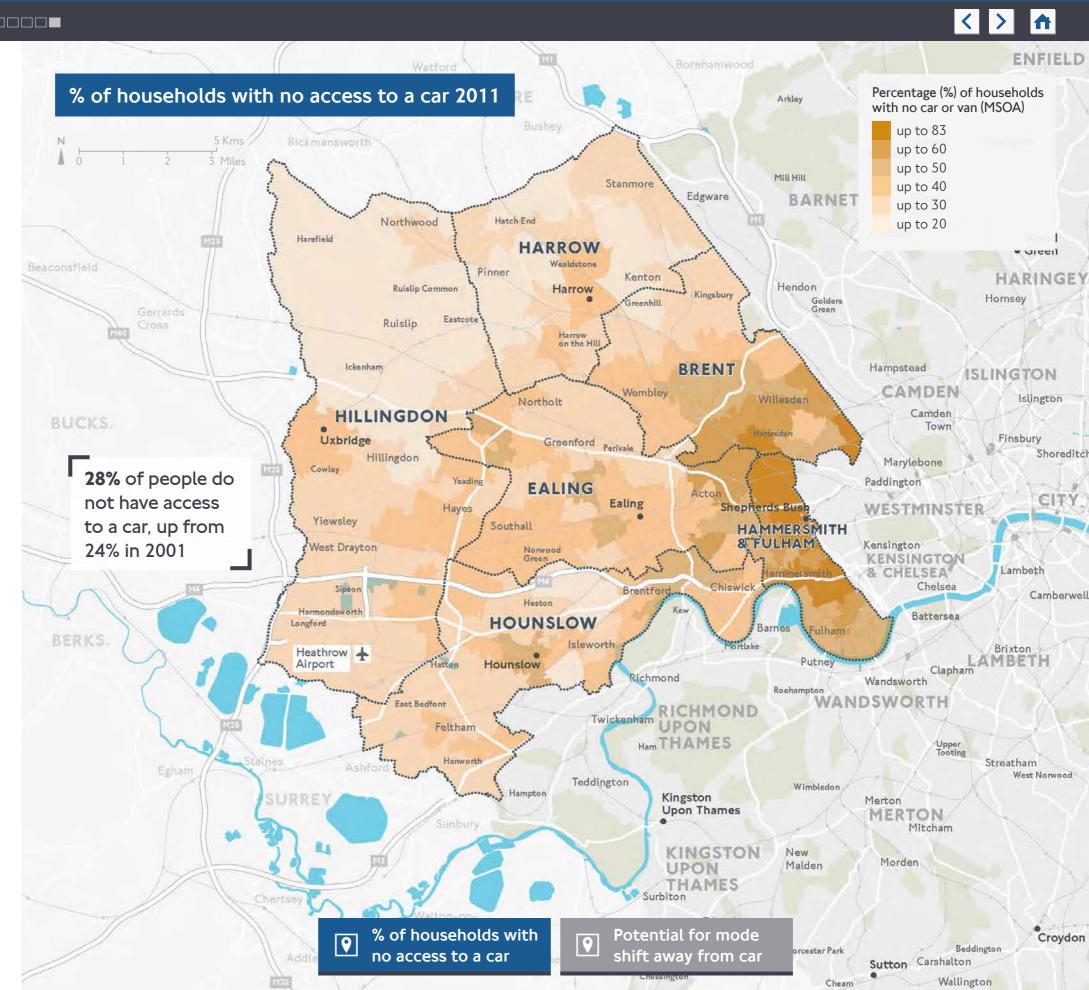
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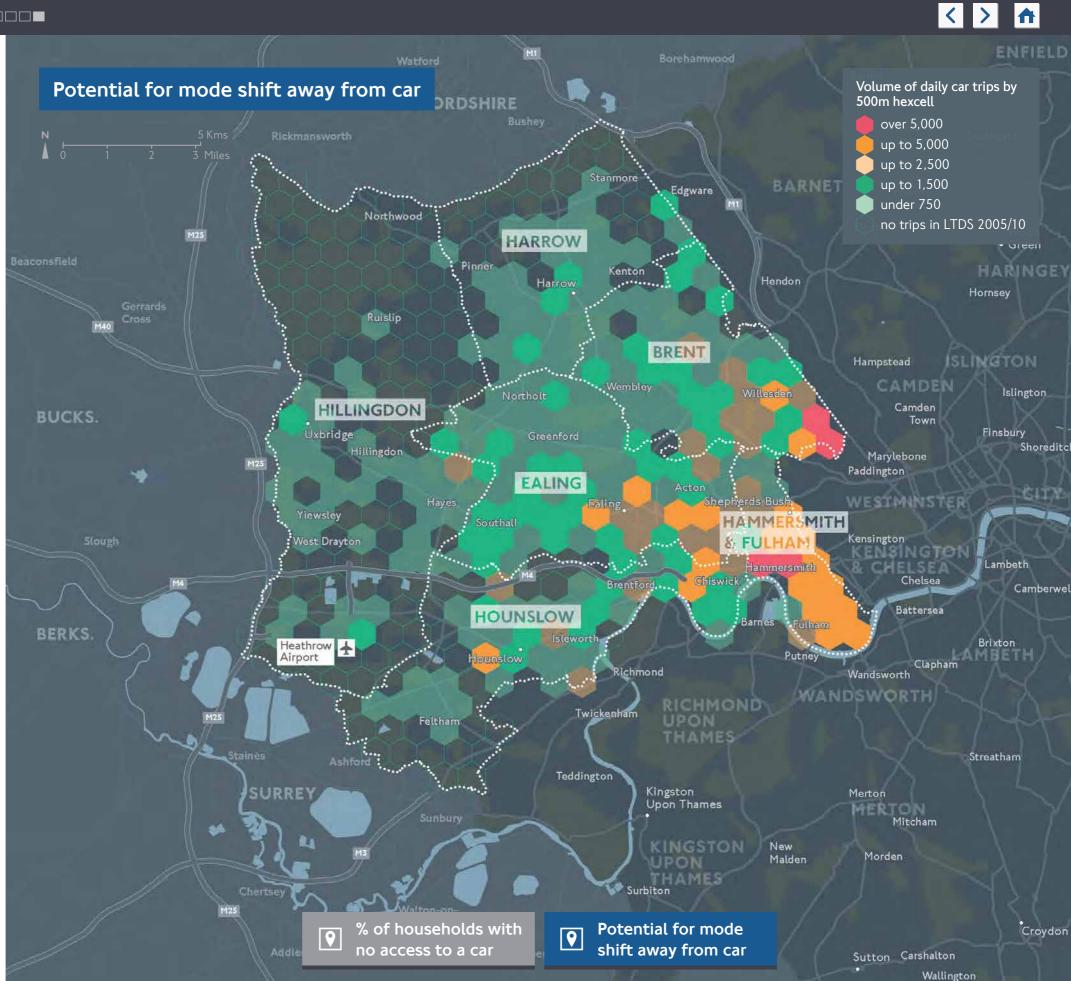
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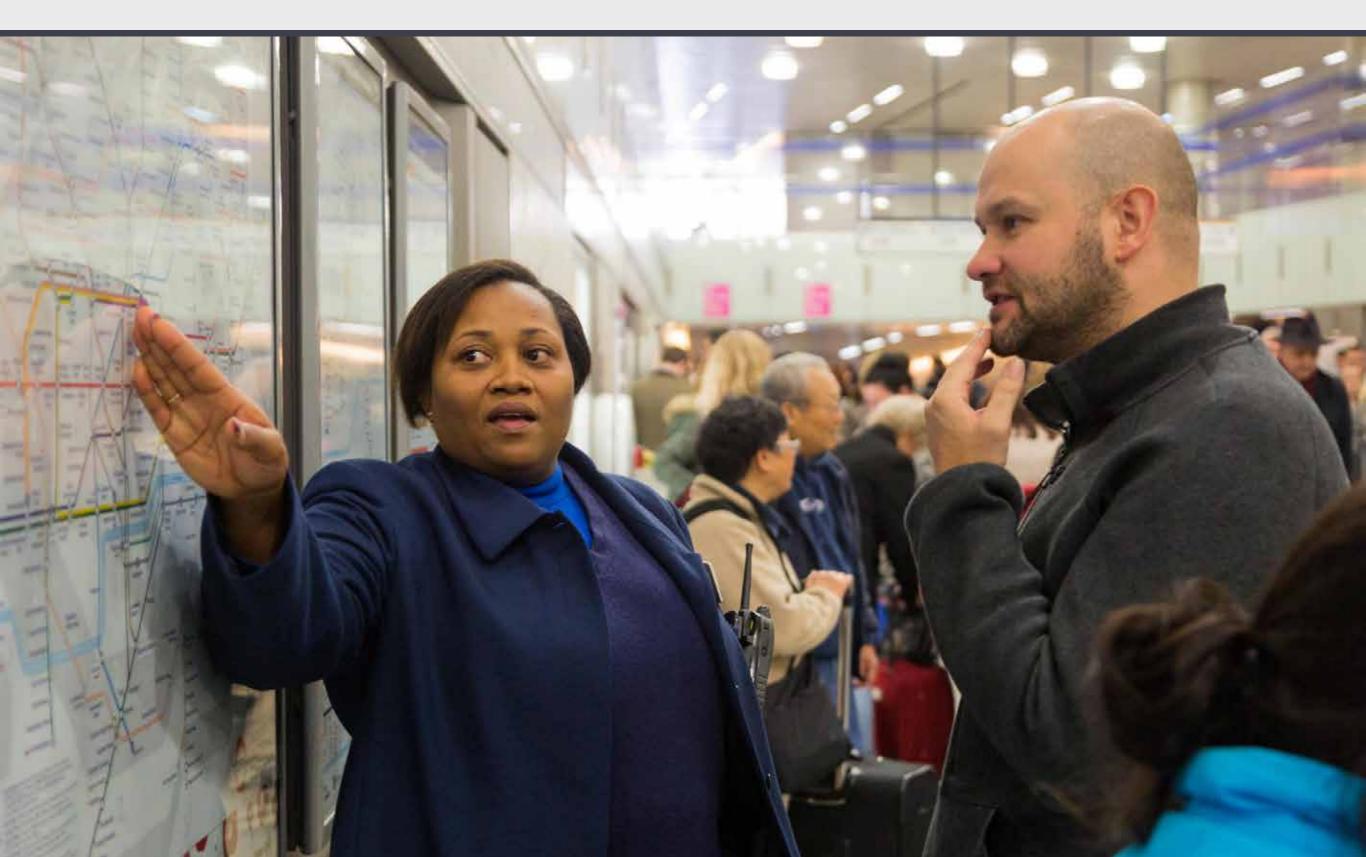


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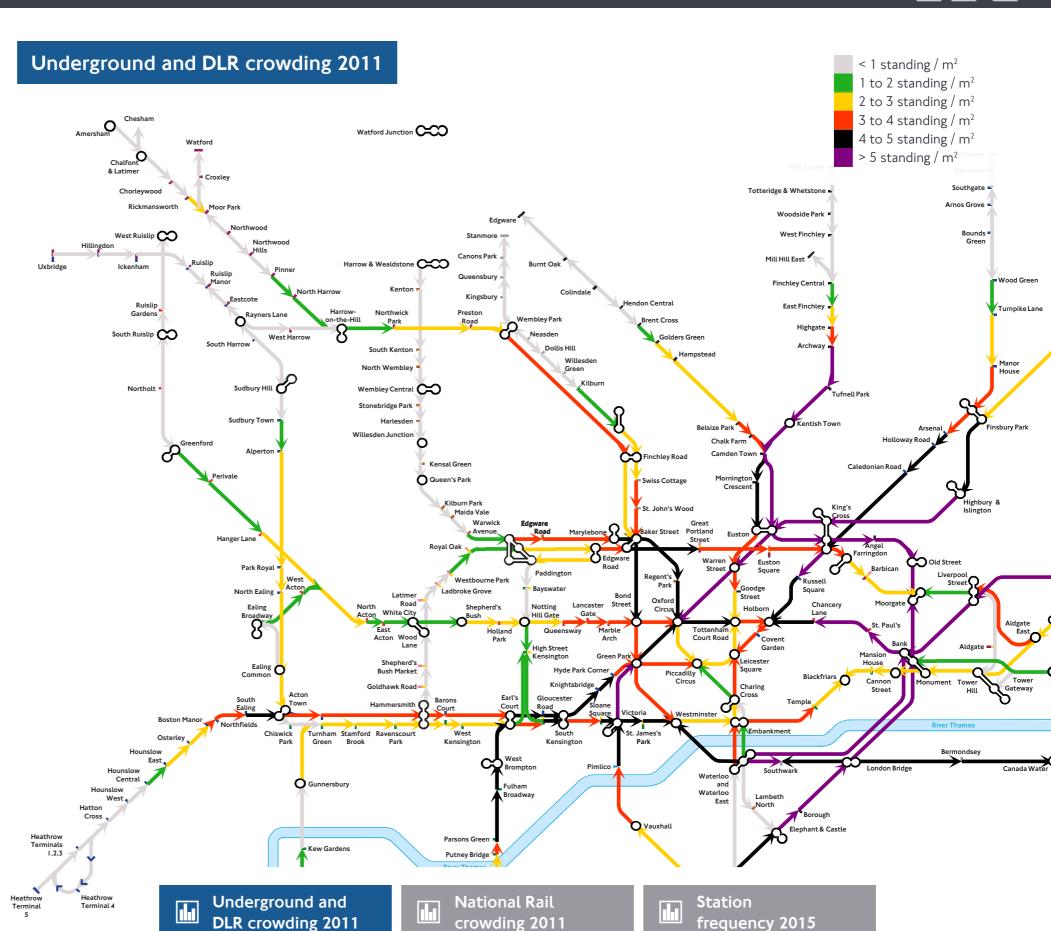


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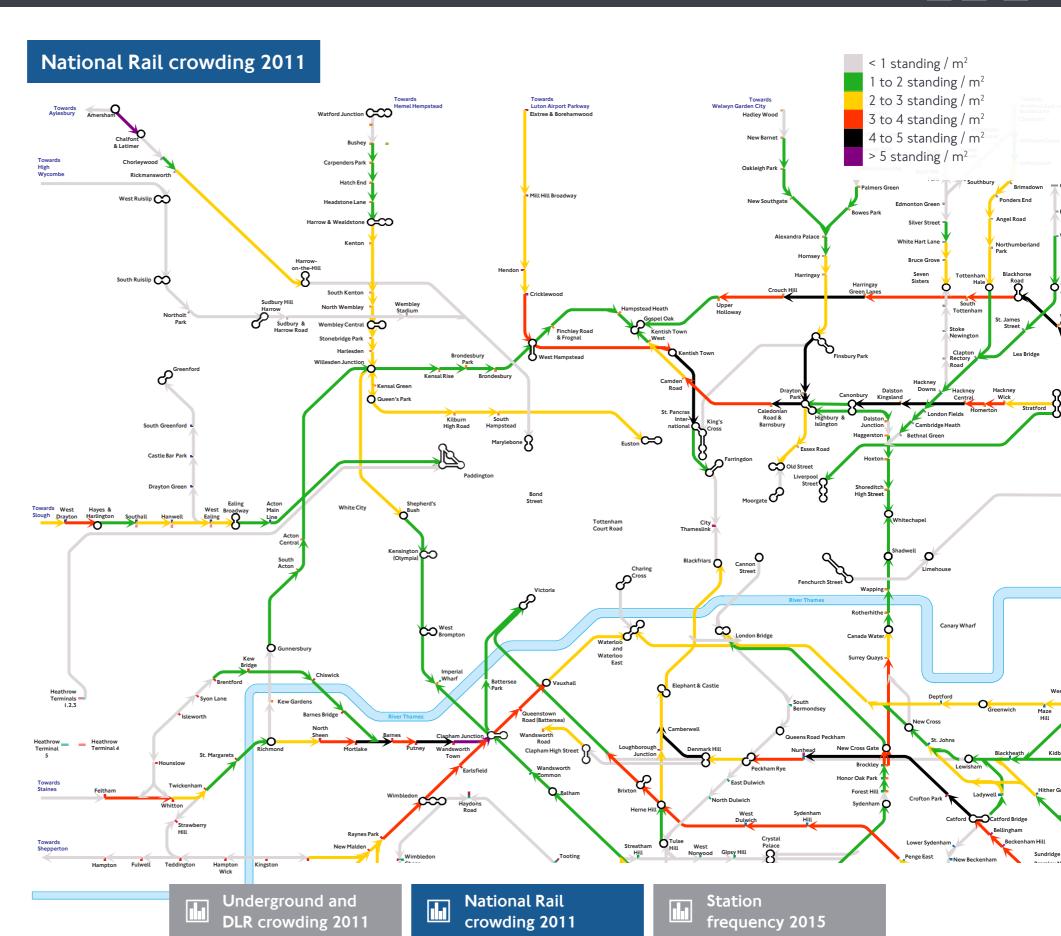


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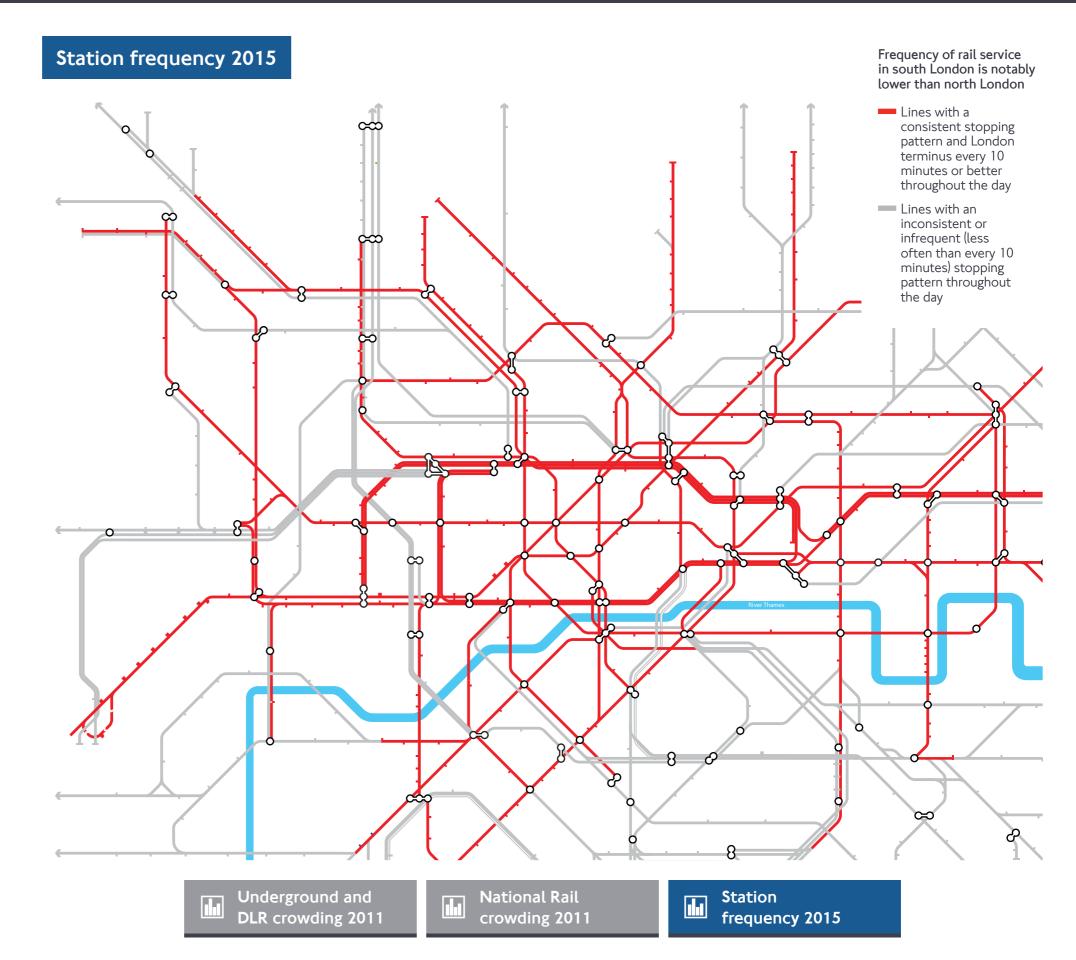


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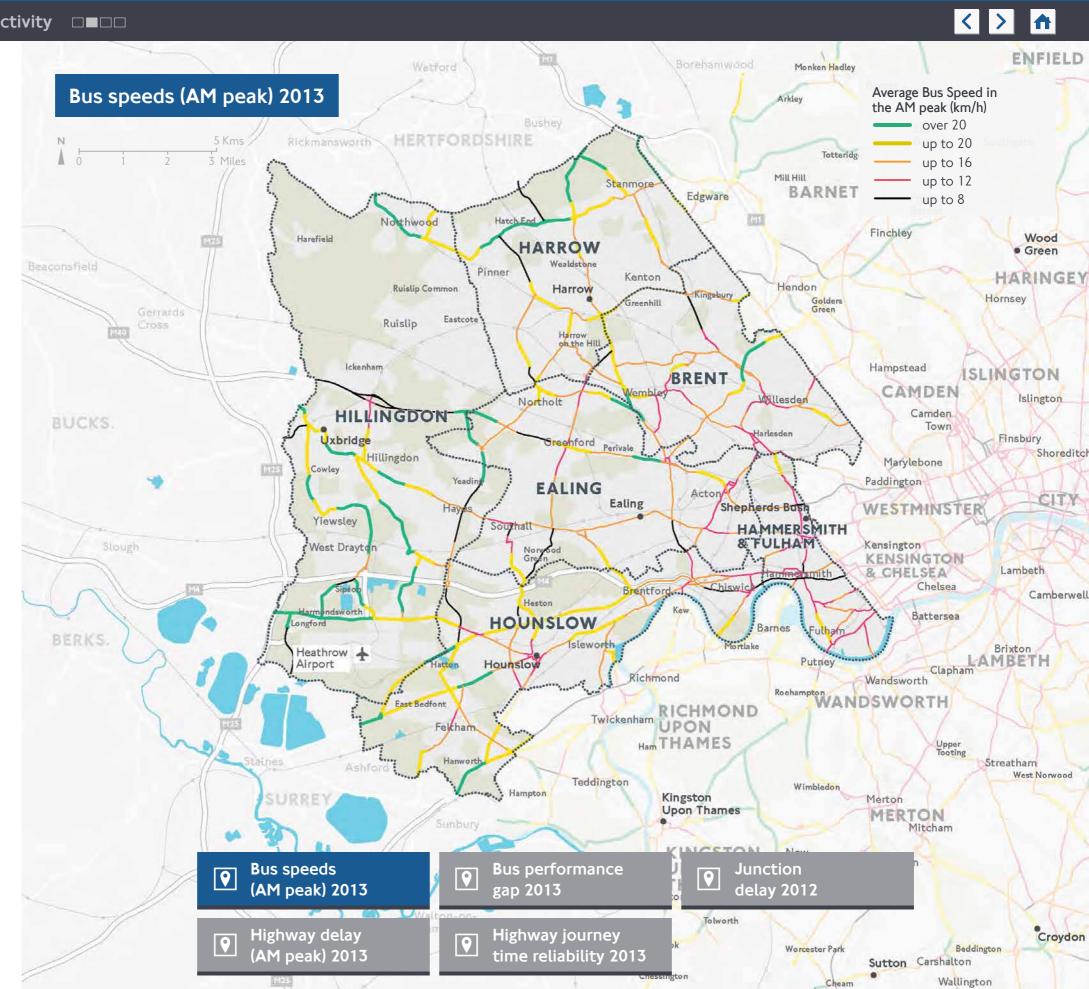


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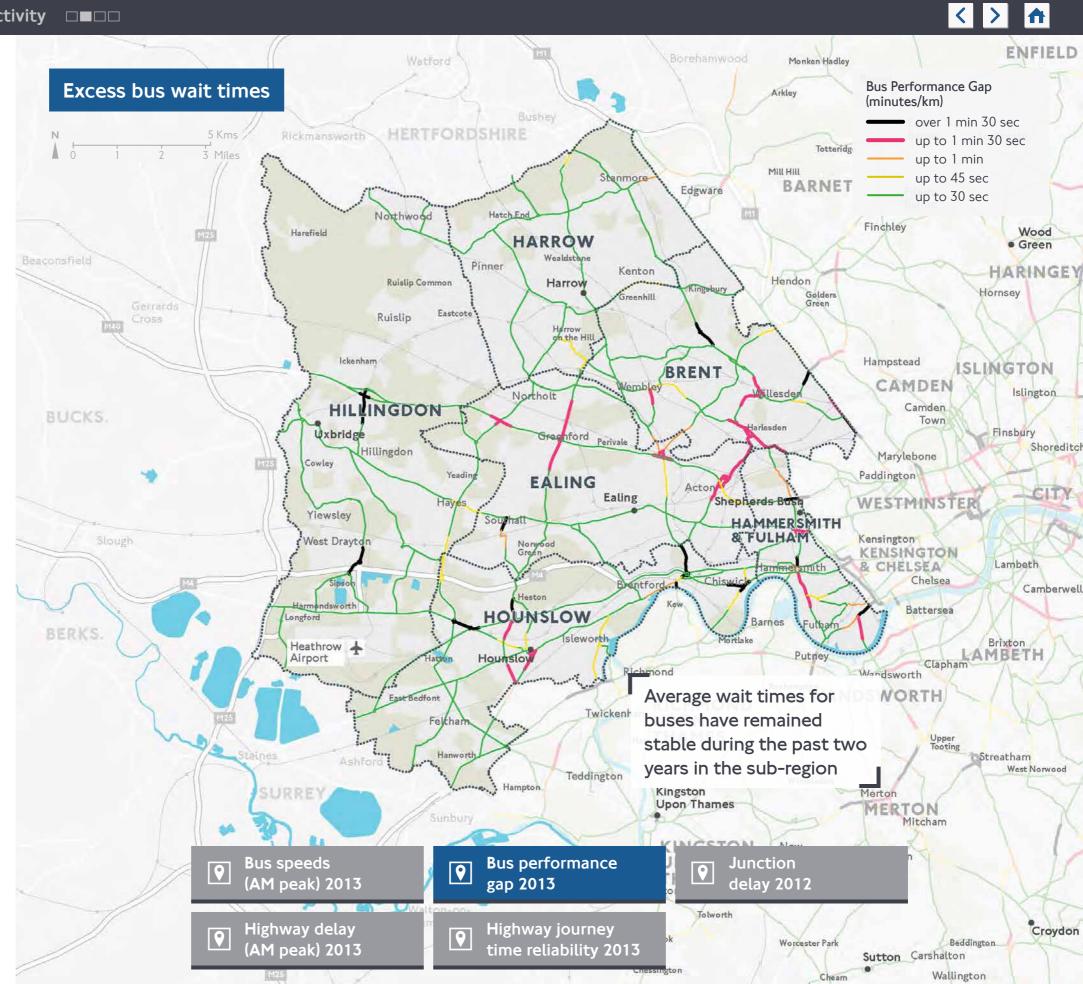


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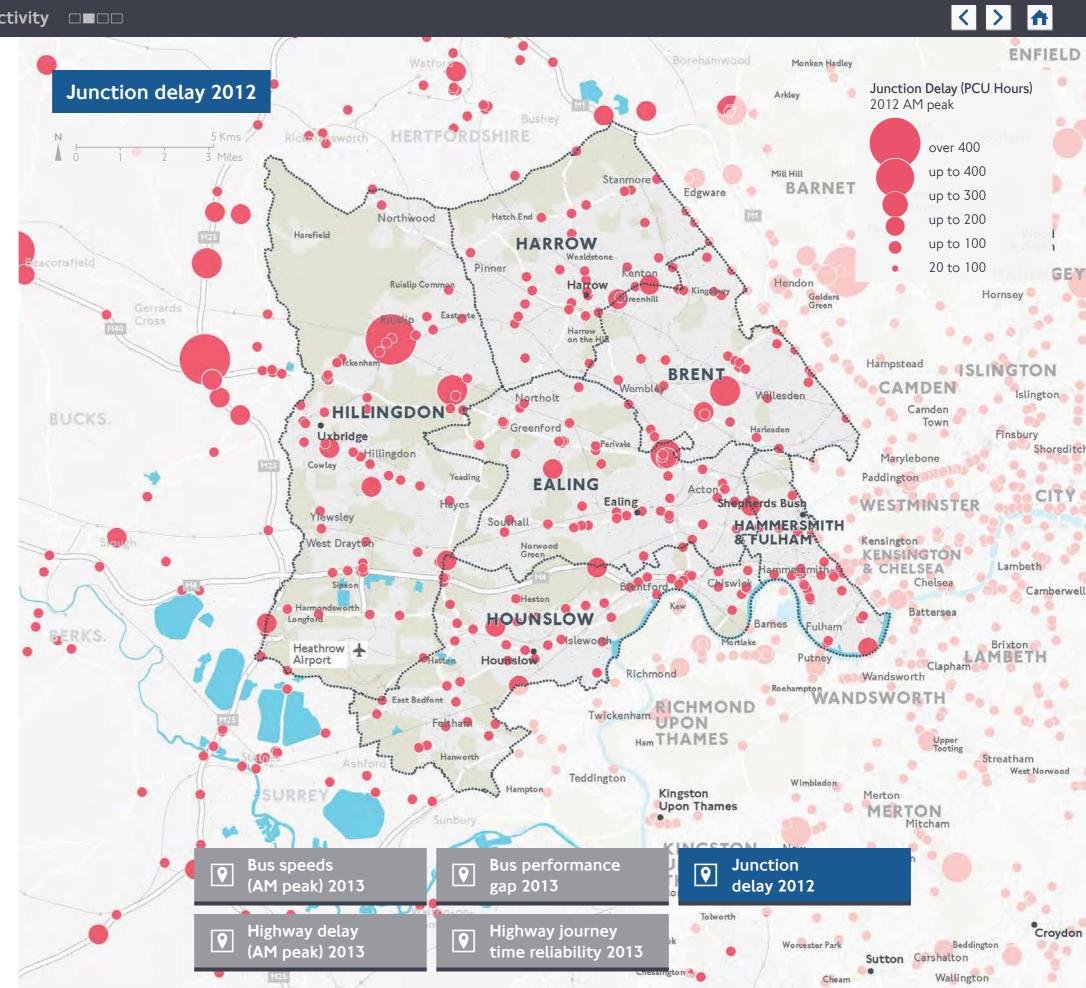


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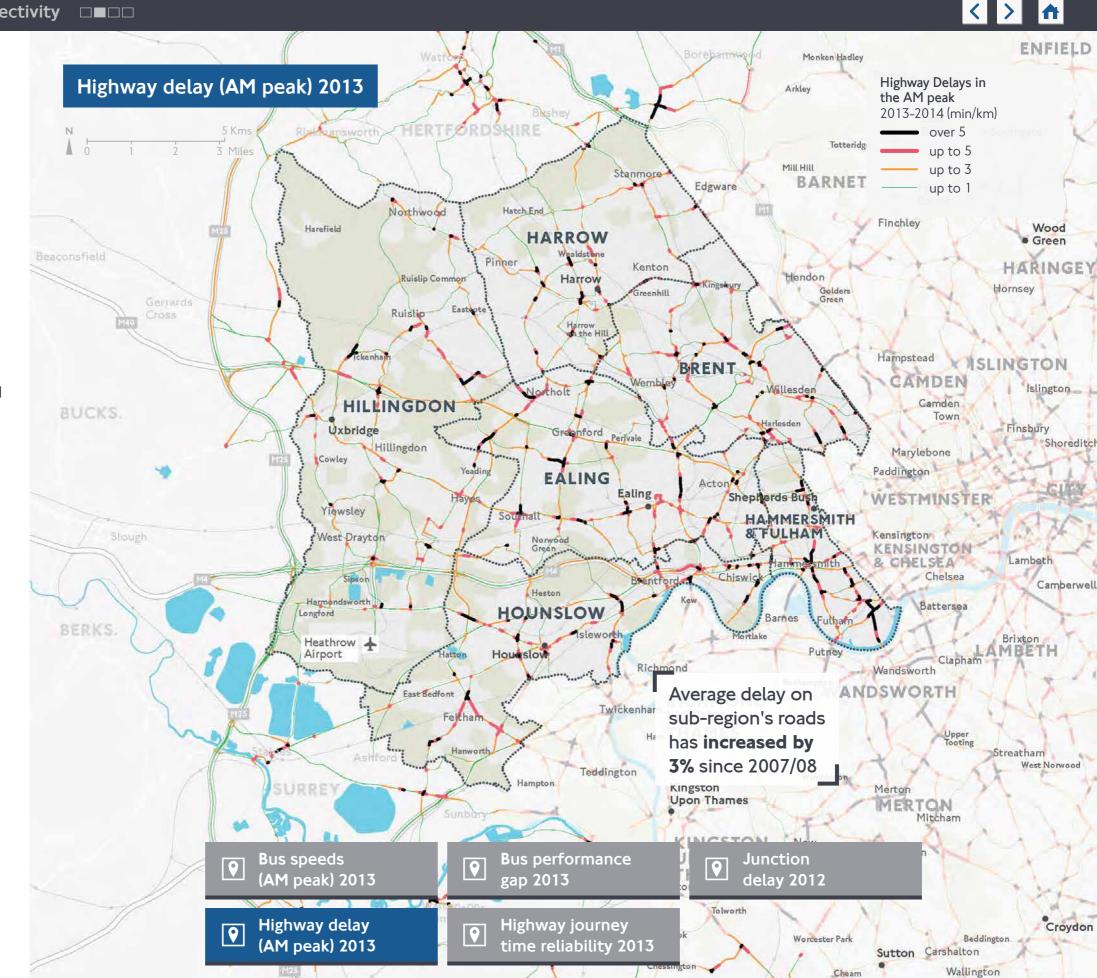


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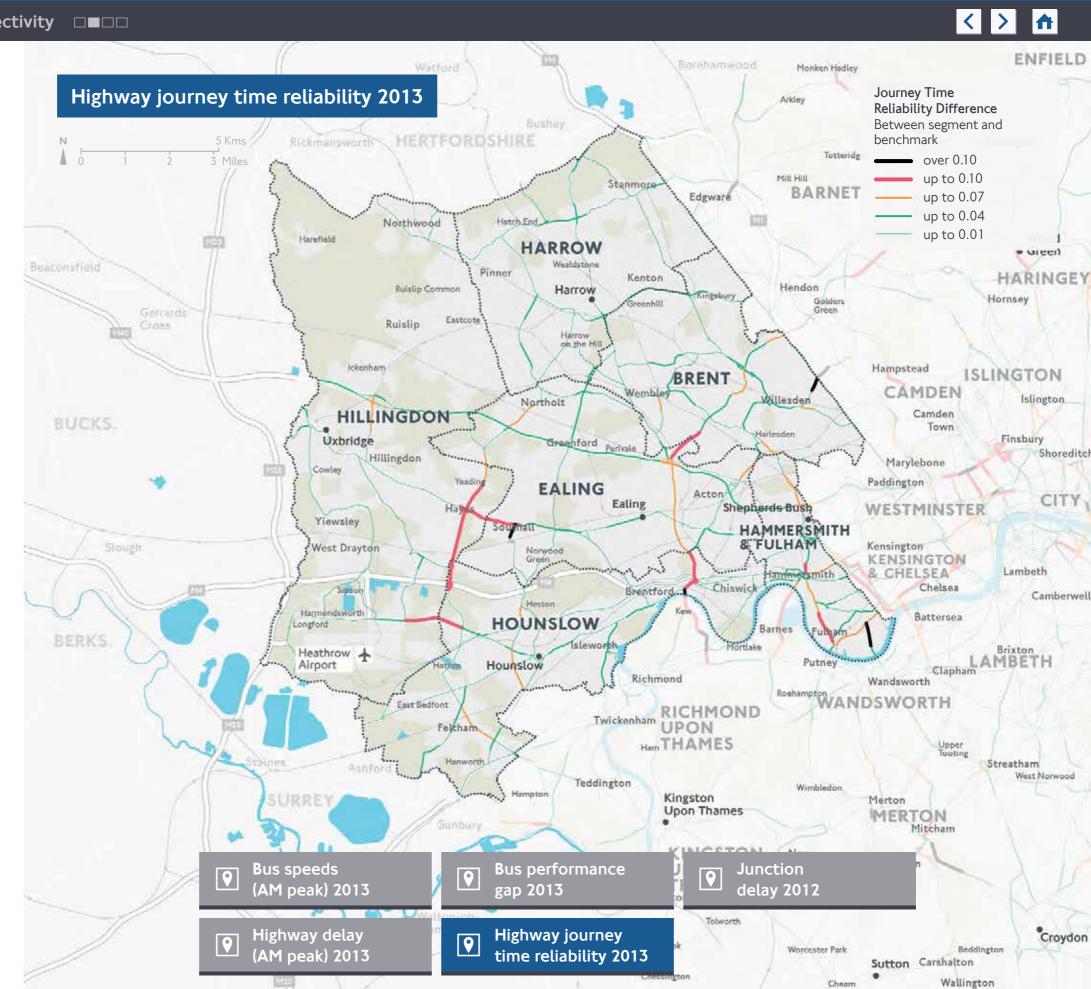


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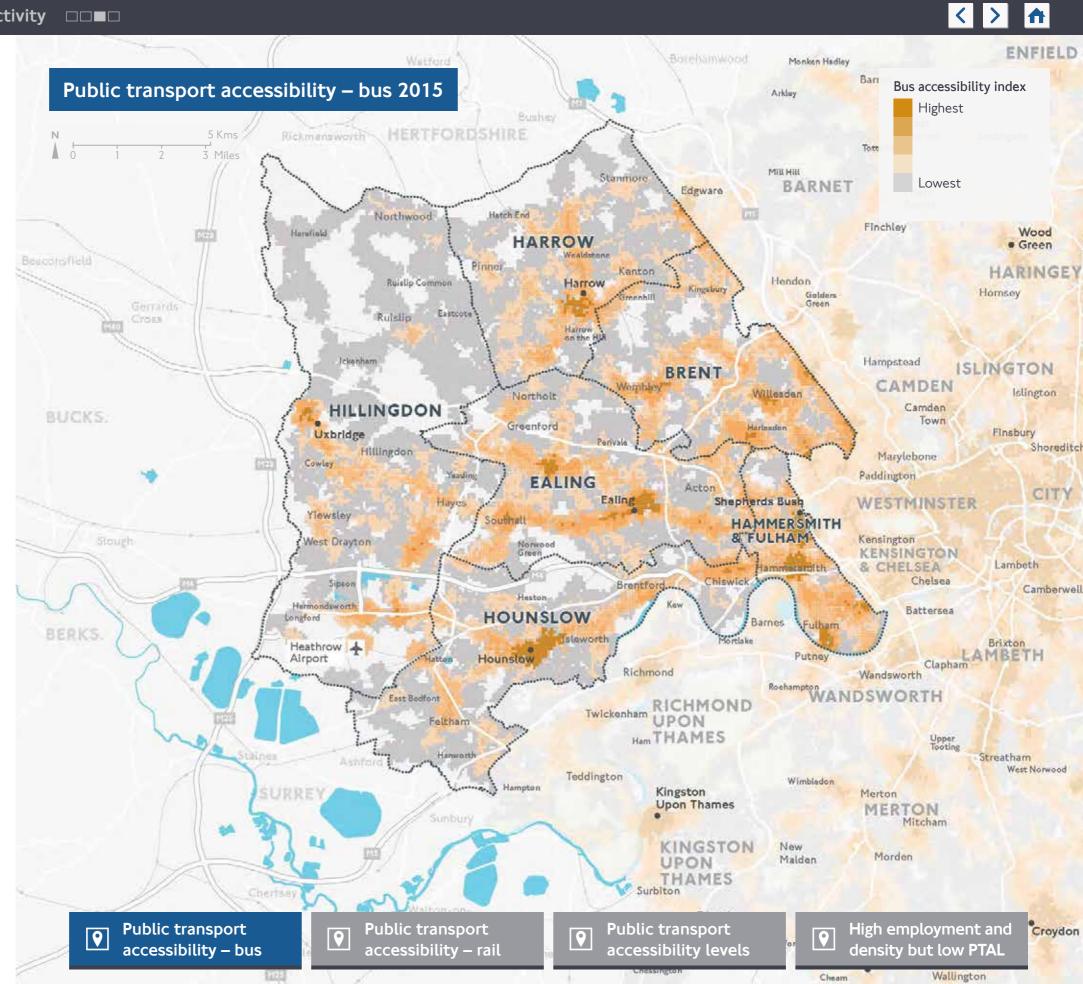






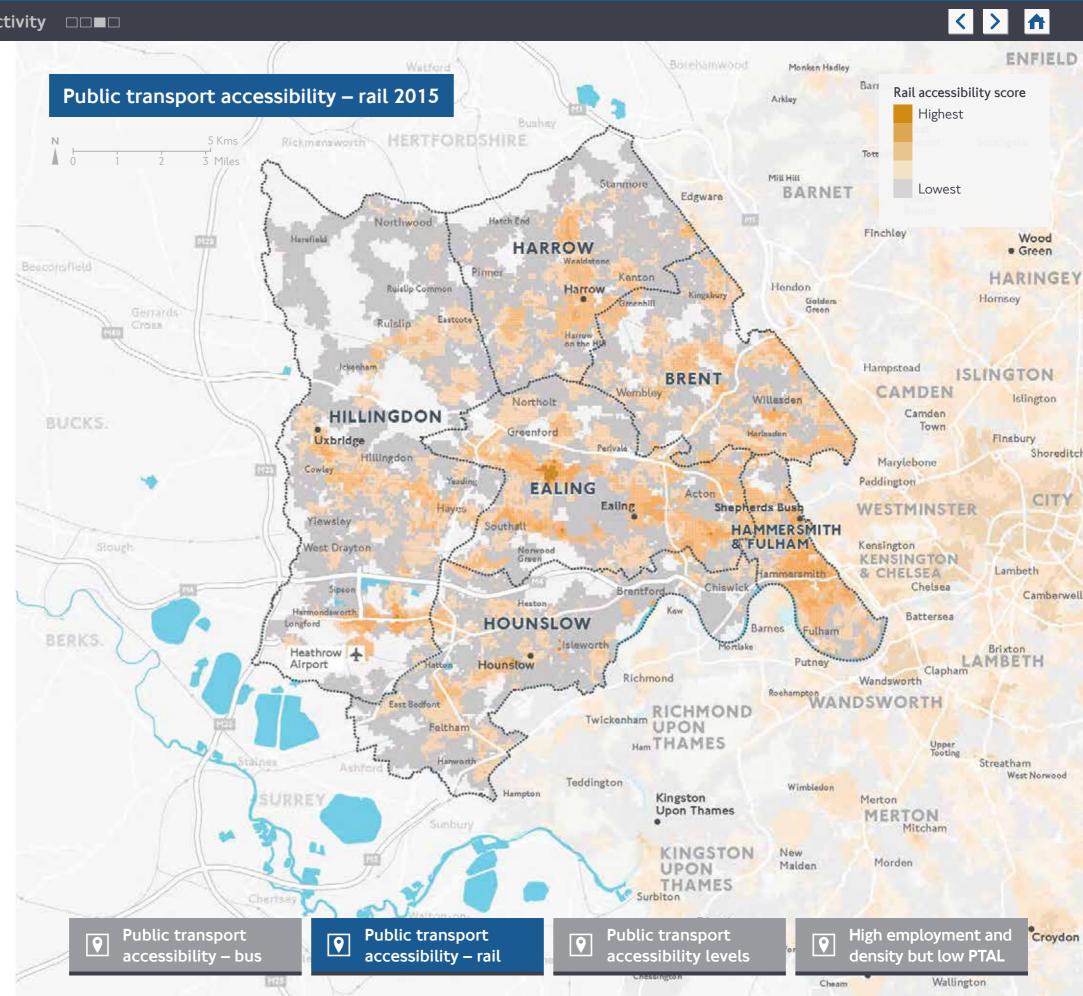
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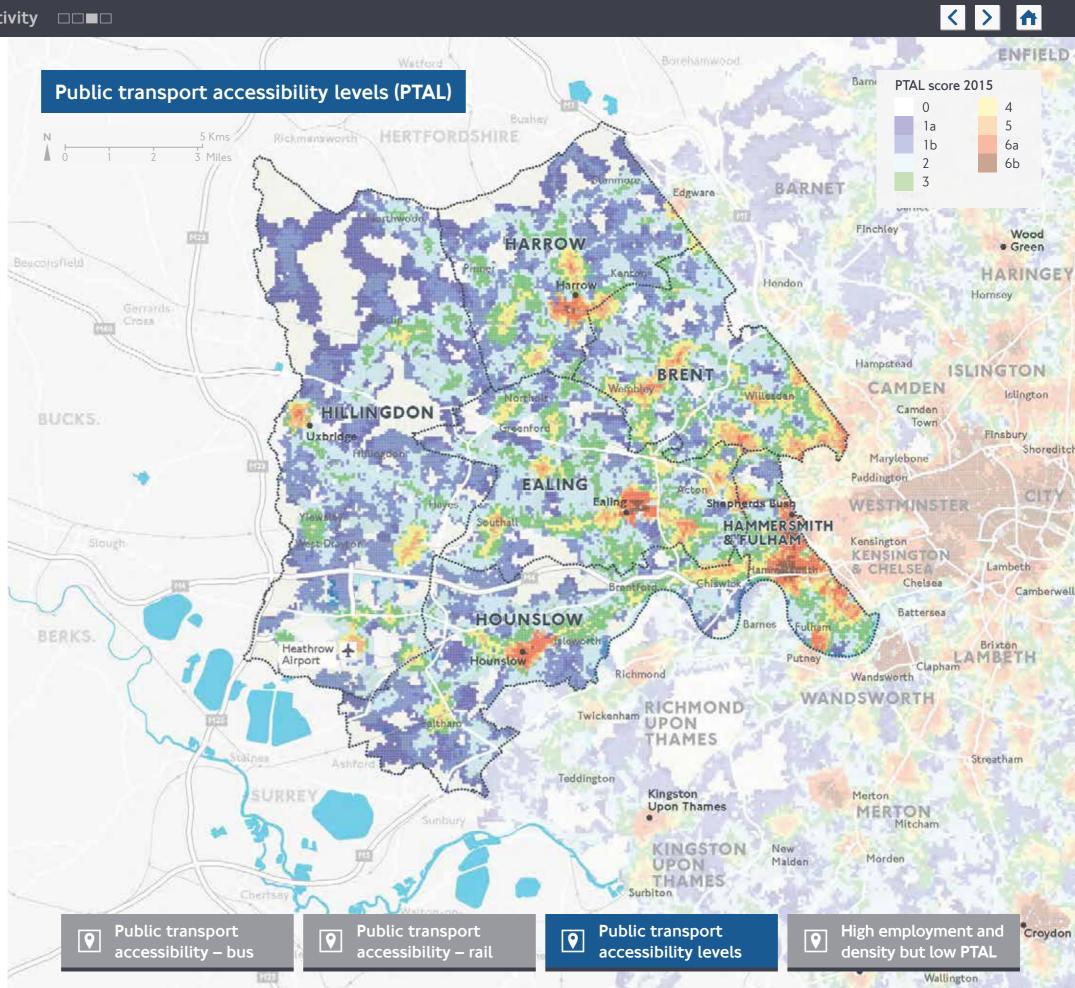
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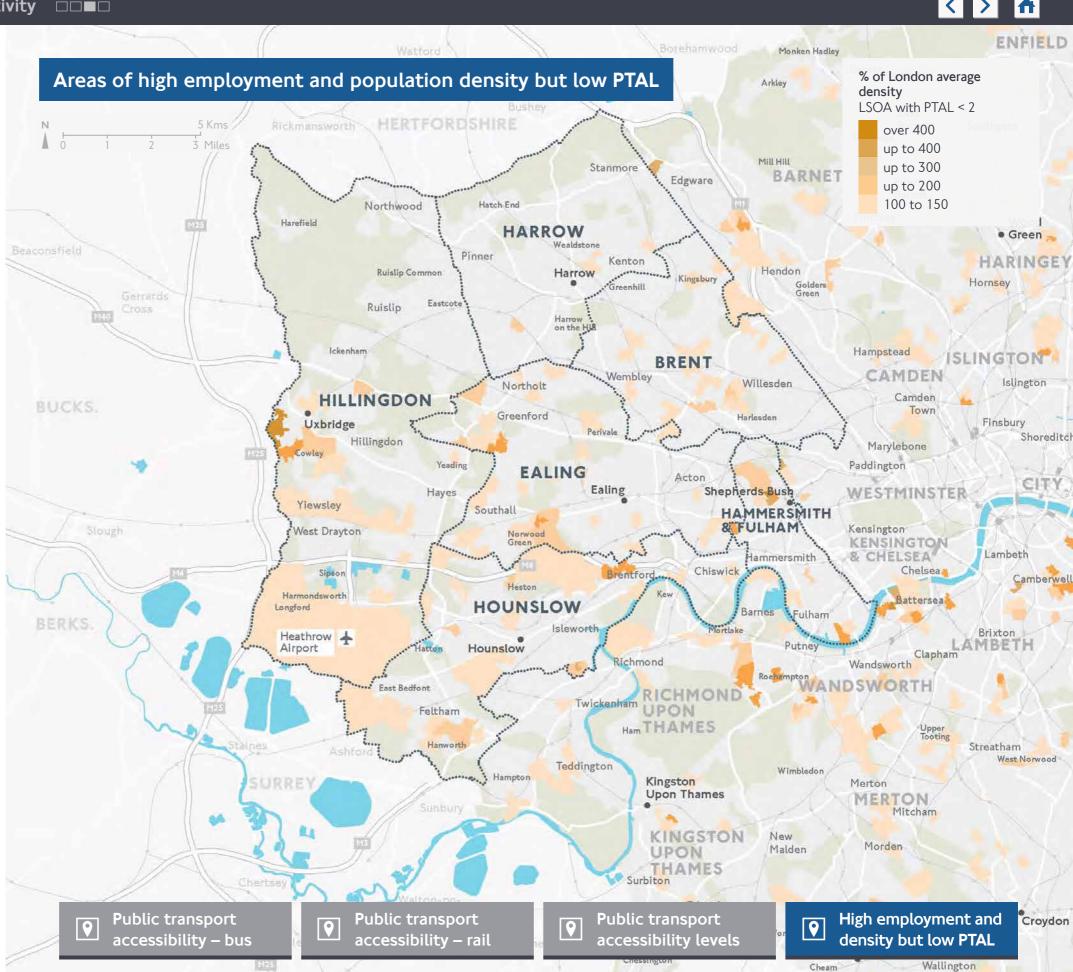






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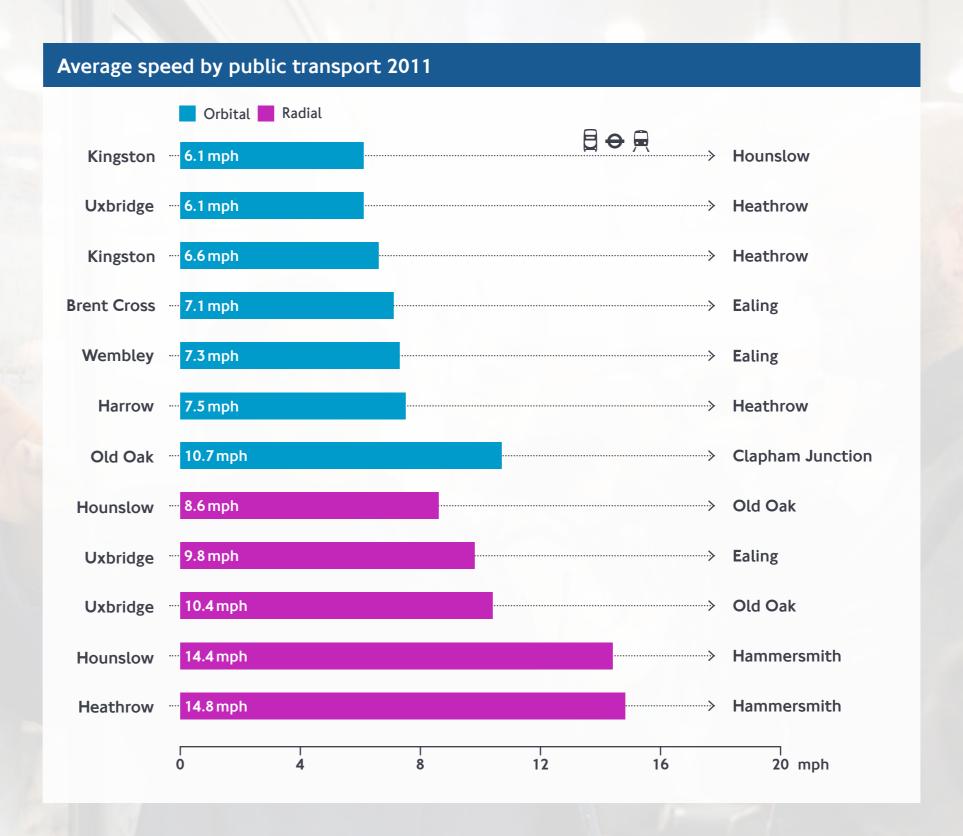


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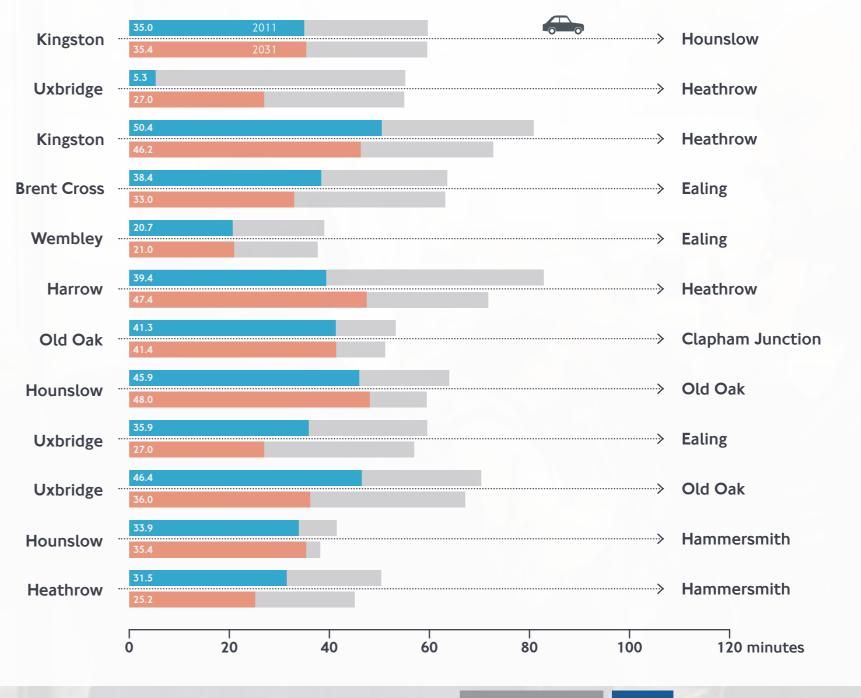
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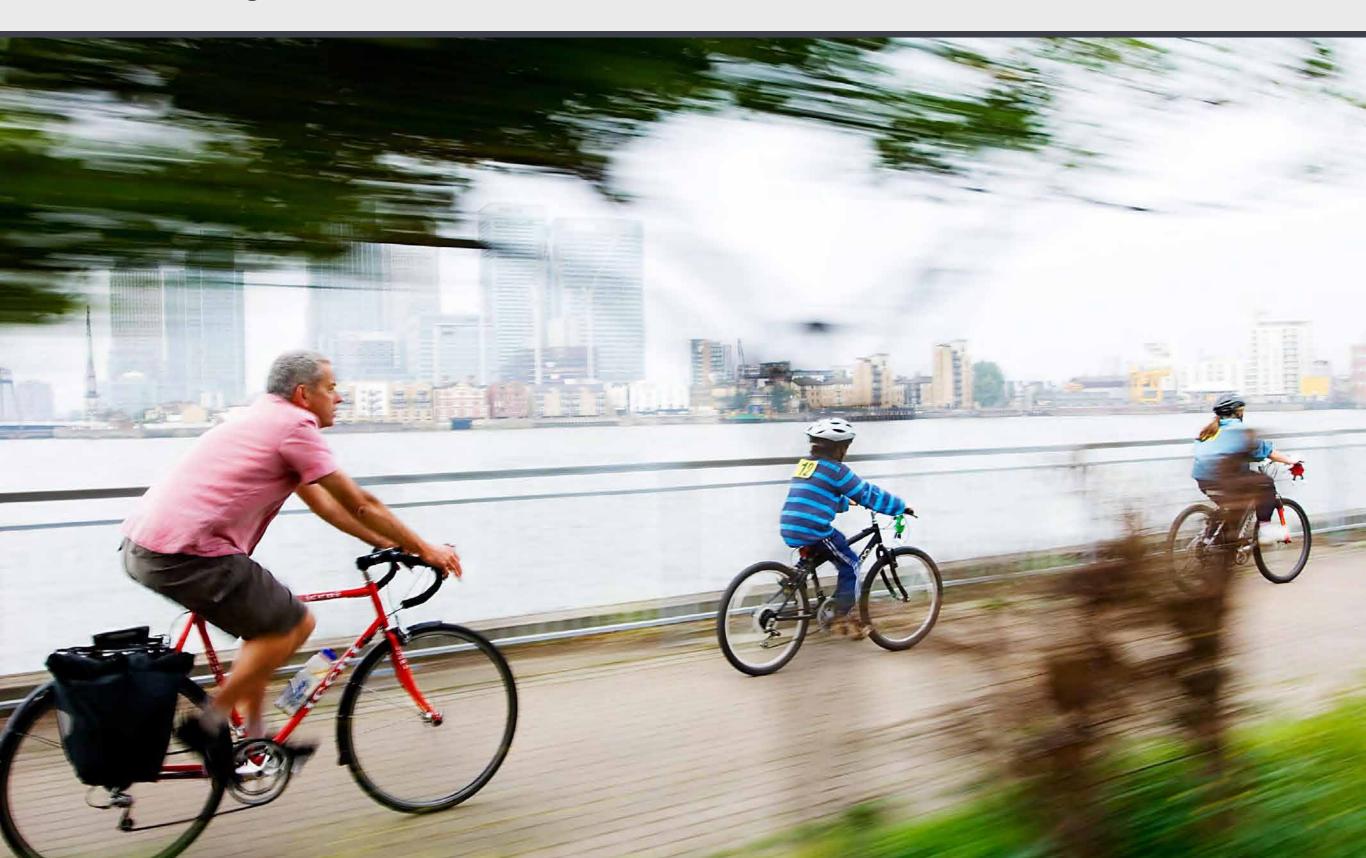


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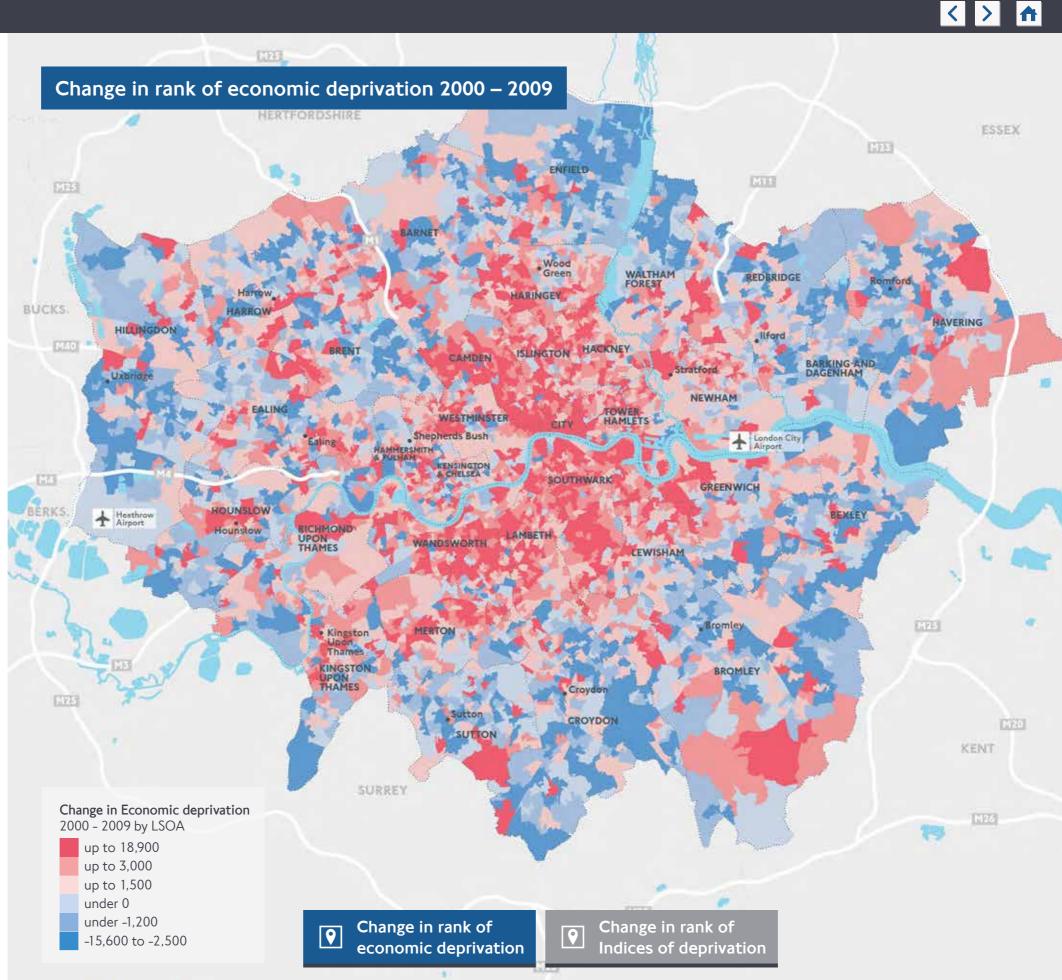


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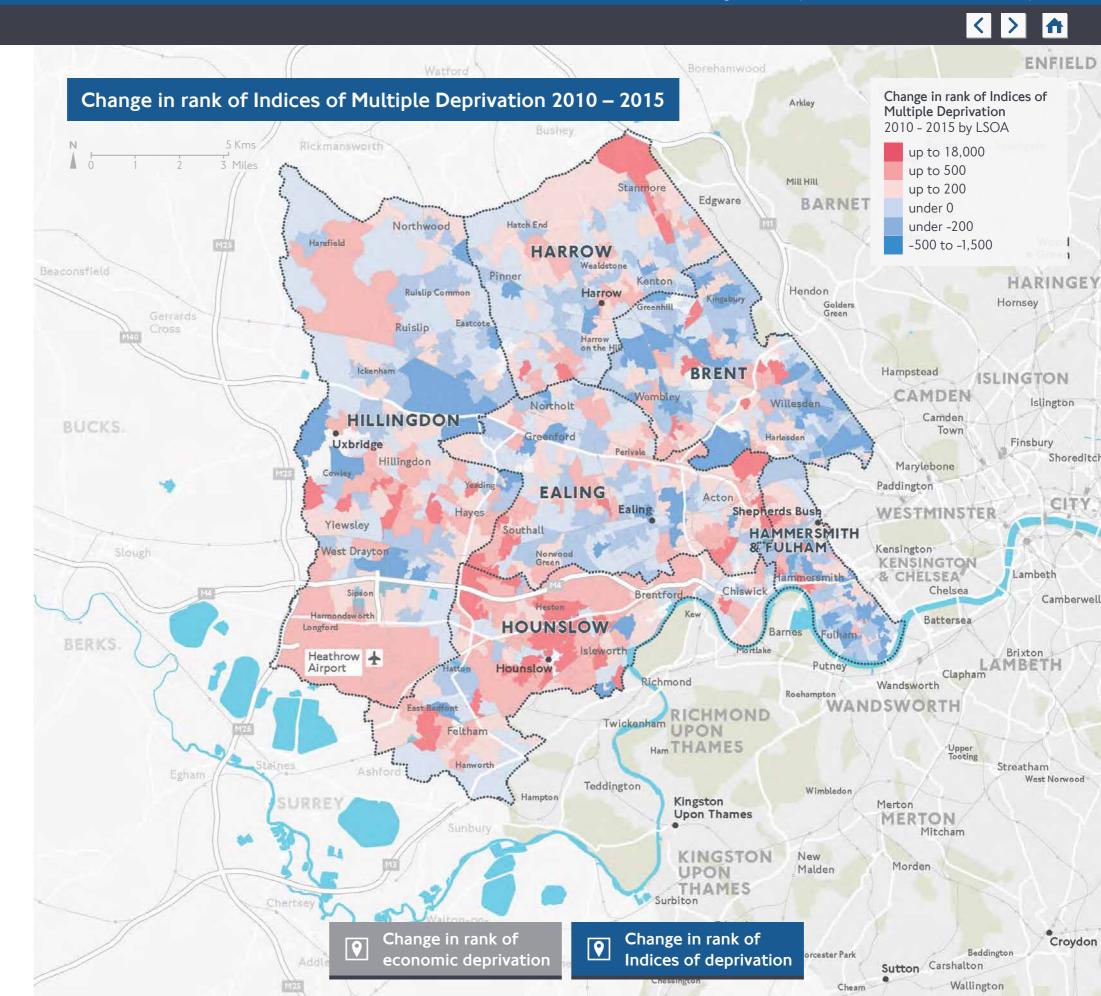


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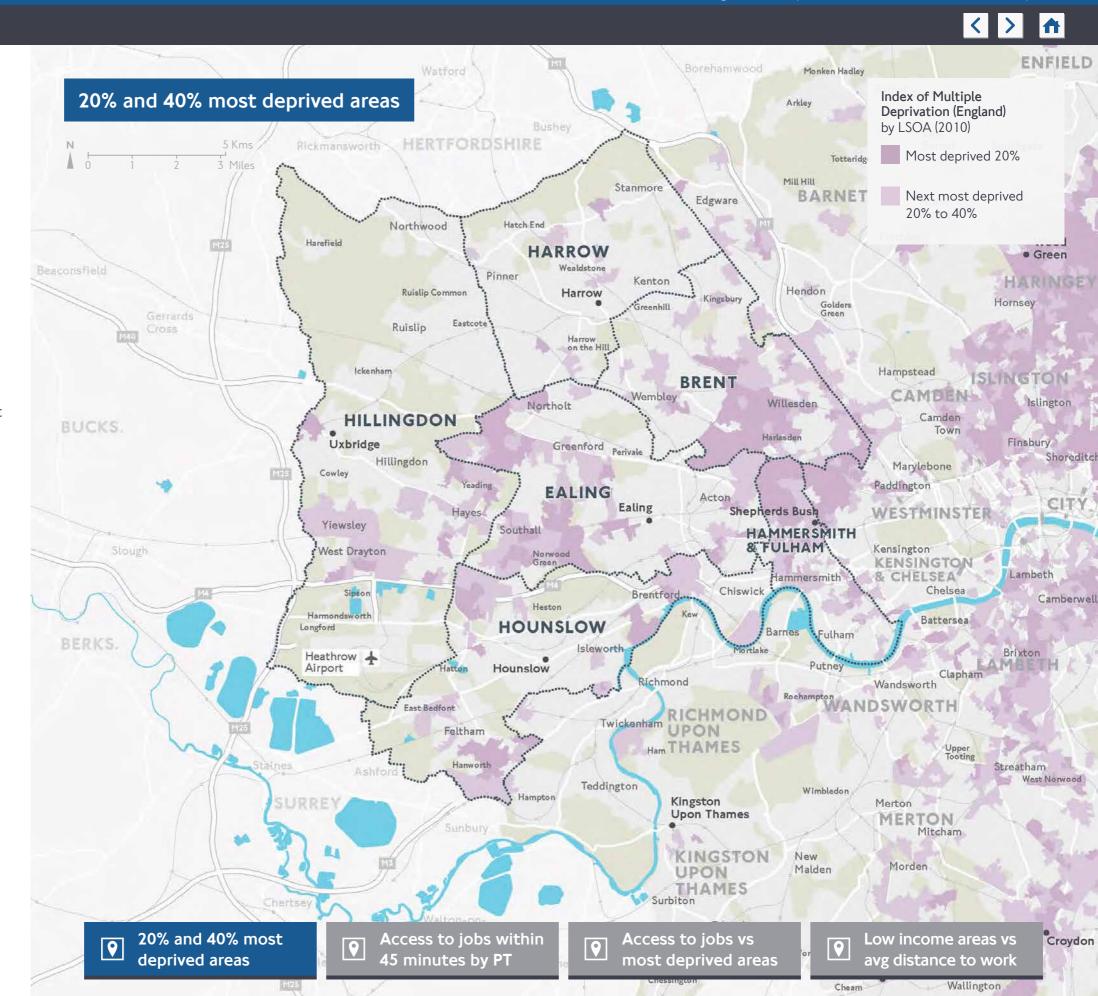


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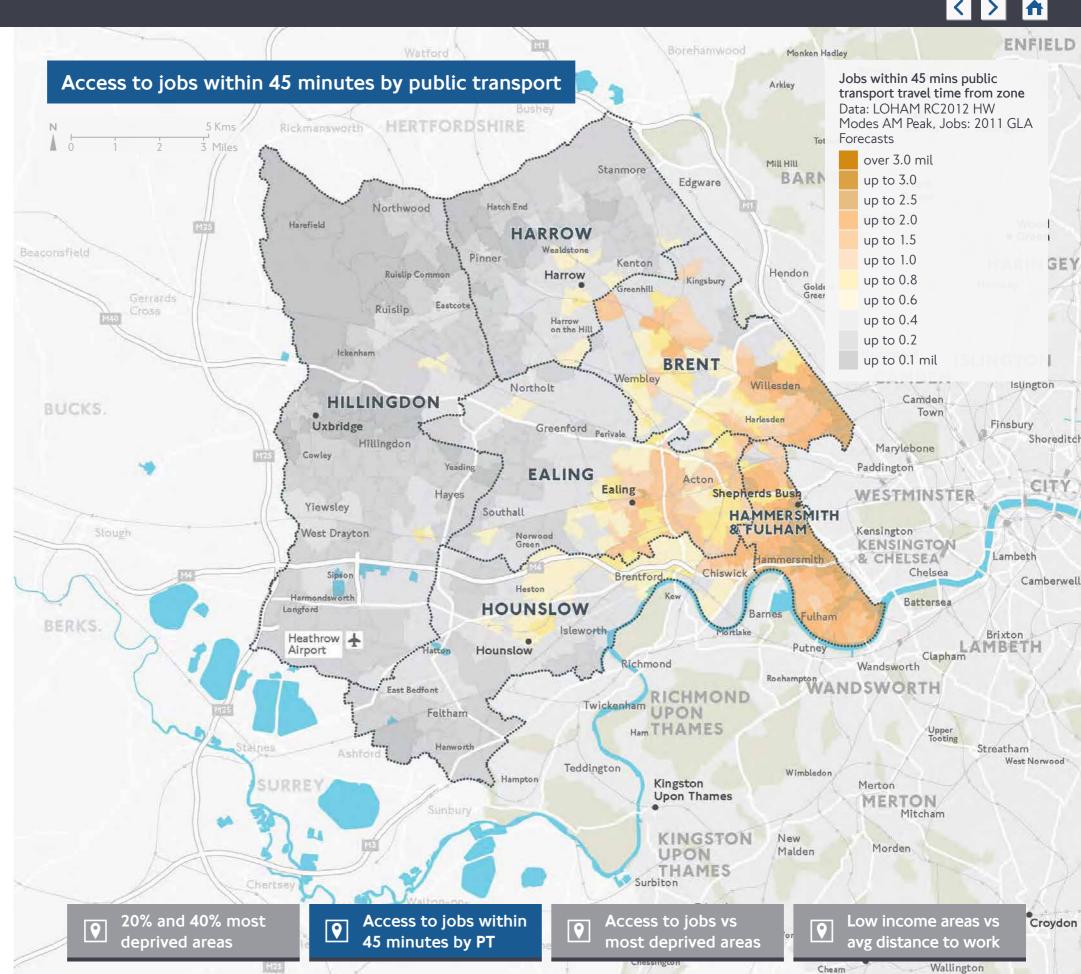


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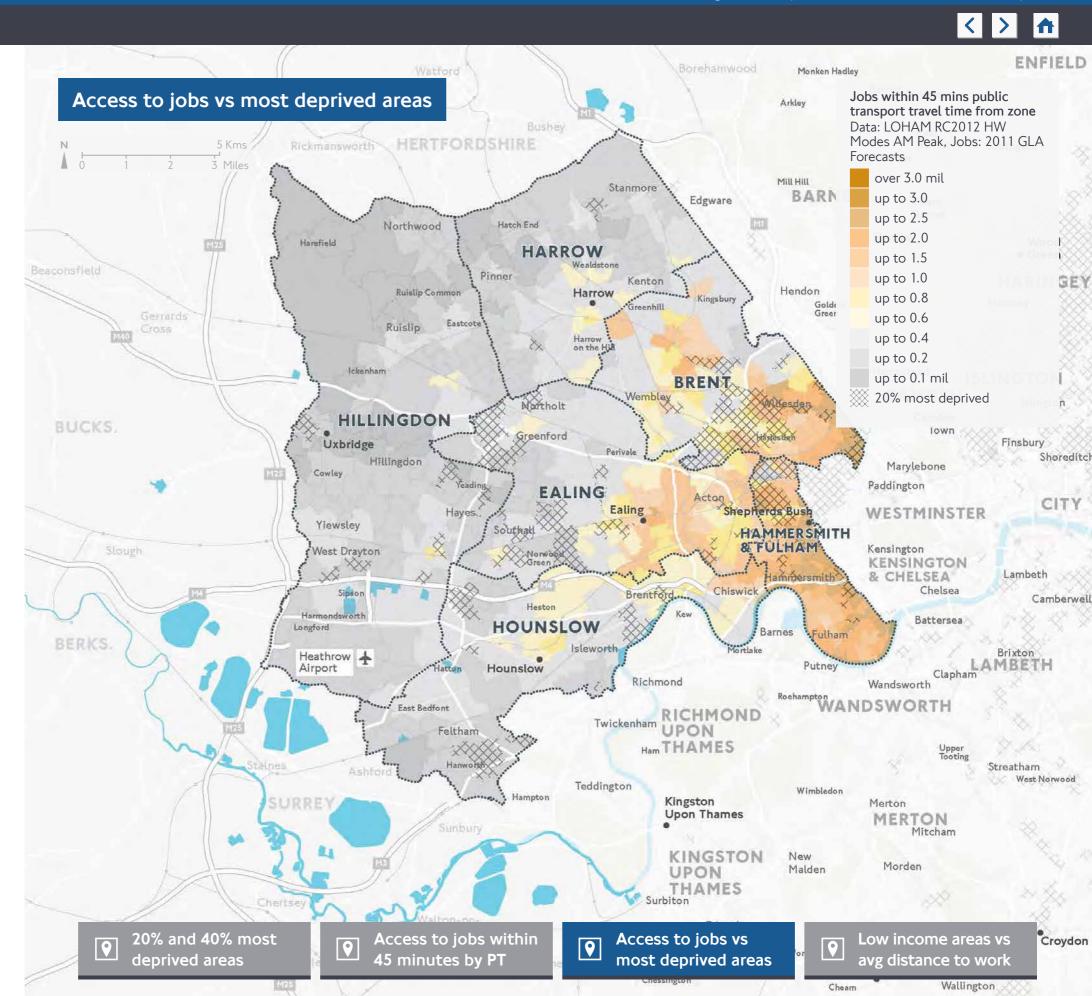


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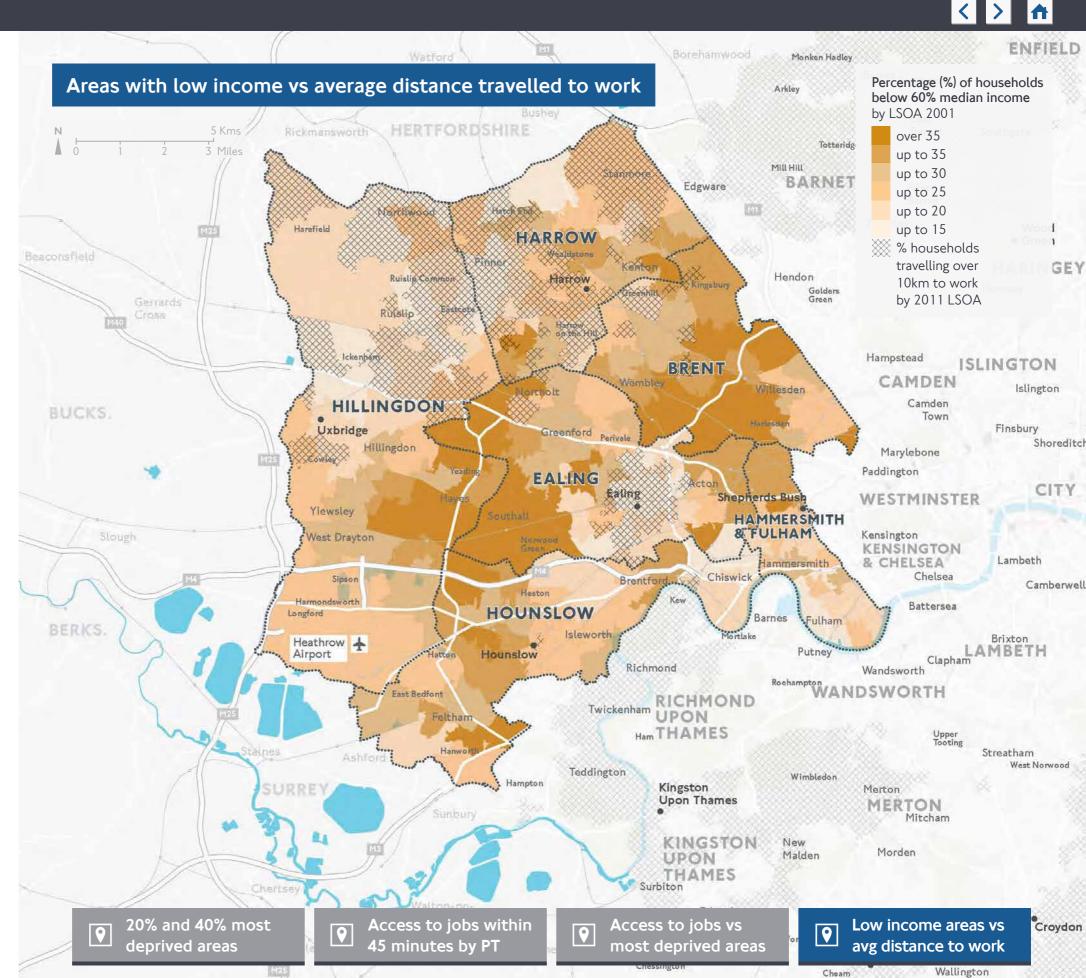


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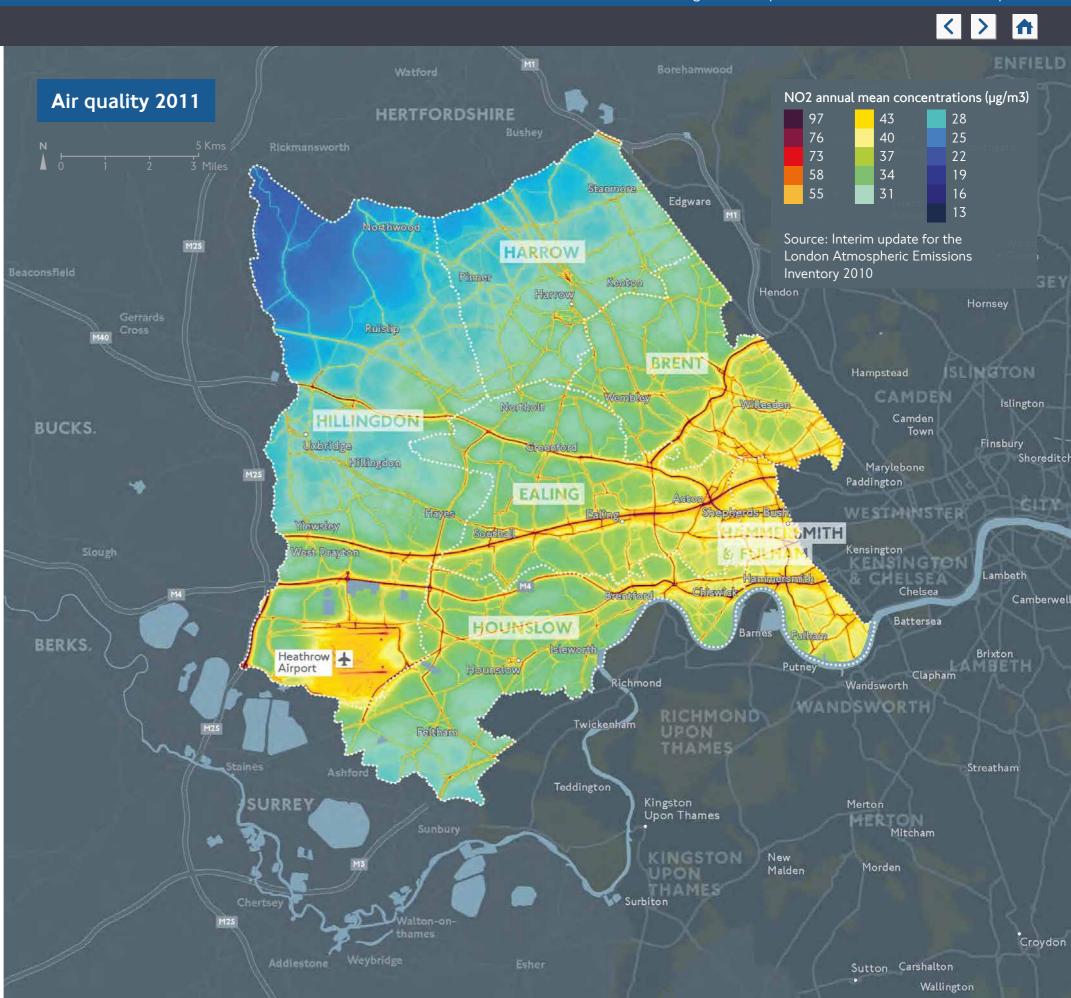
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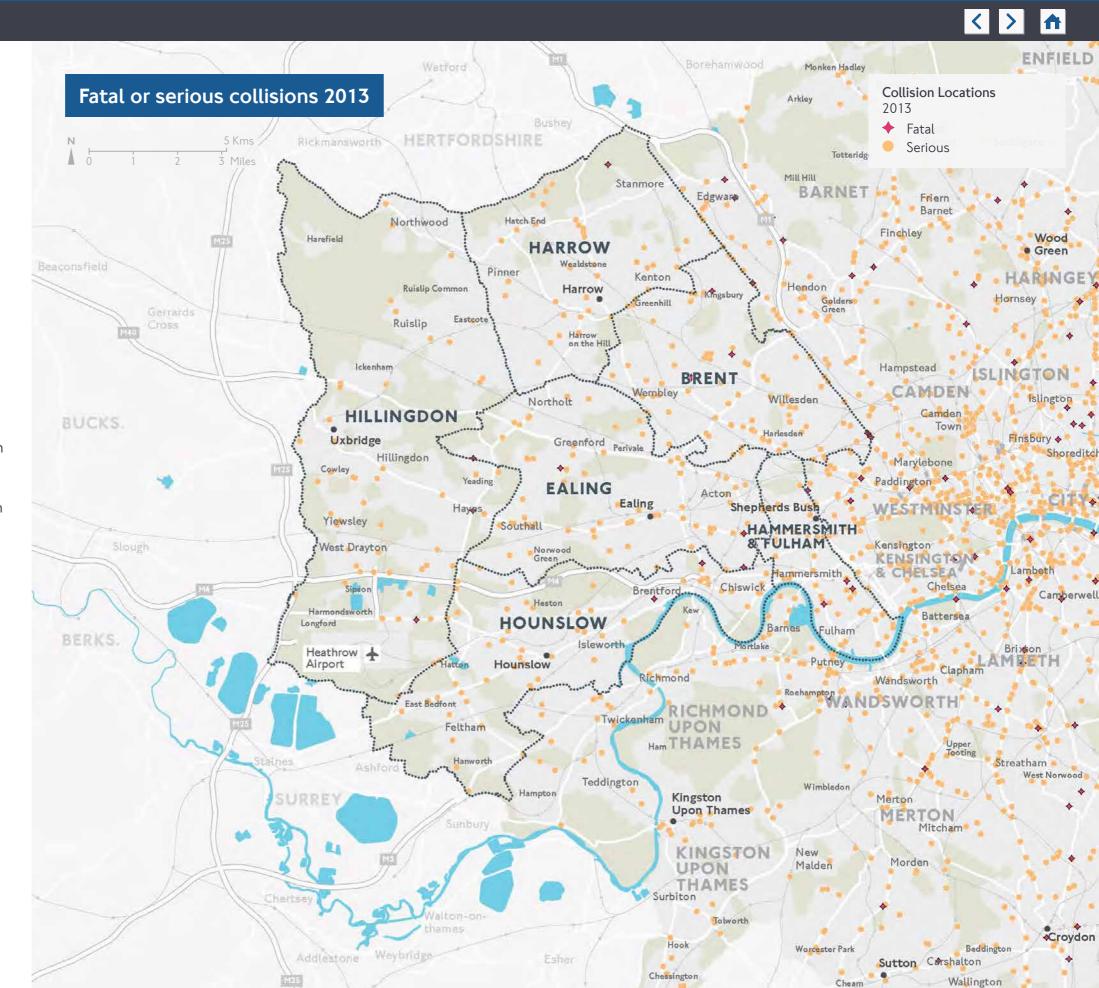
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Where there is evidence of clusters of accidents occurring consideration should be given to implementing local road safety schemes. The majority of KSIs occurred on 30mph 'A' roads in the west sub-region, although there were also some on the local highway network. While reductions in speed limits are generally not appropriate for these roads, there could be scope for targeted enforcement and public information campaigns to improve awareness and behaviour across all road users.



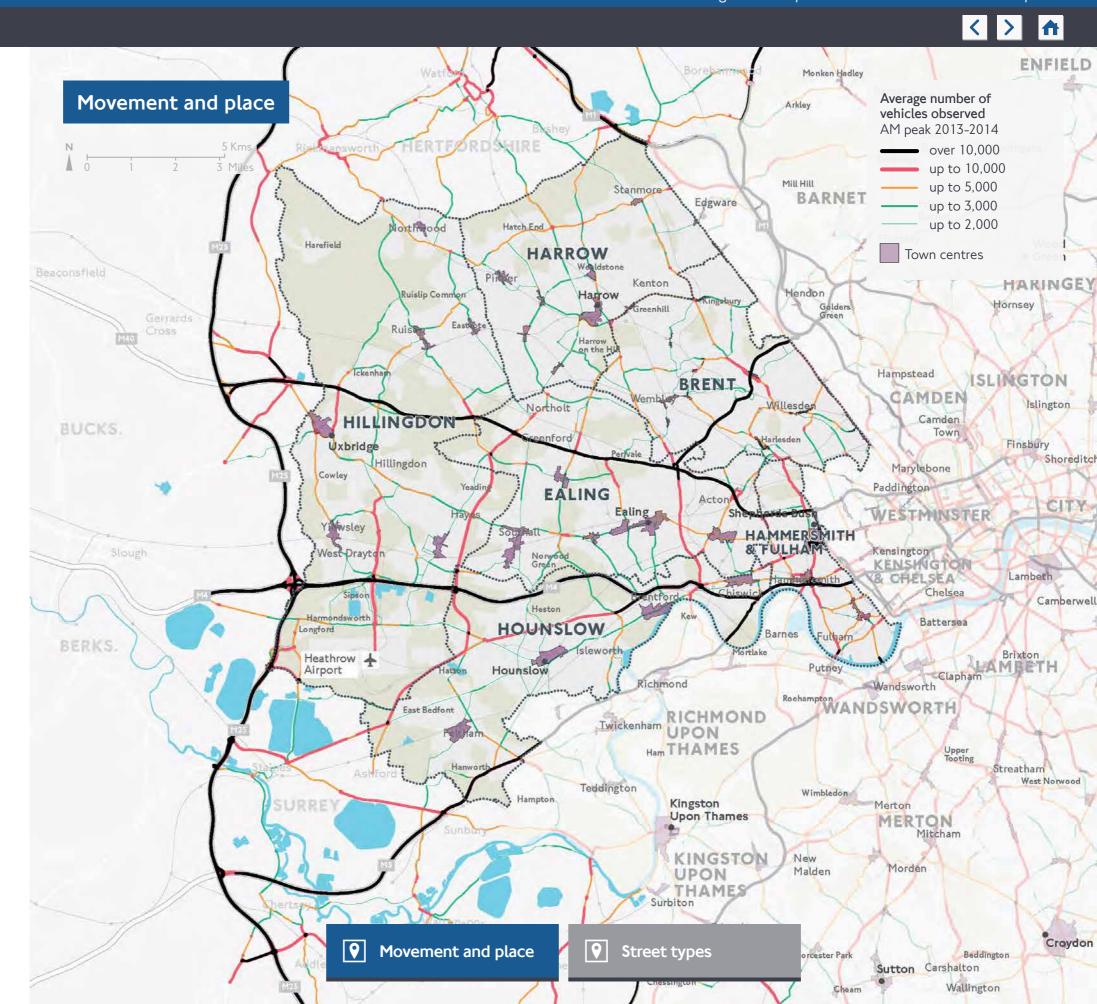
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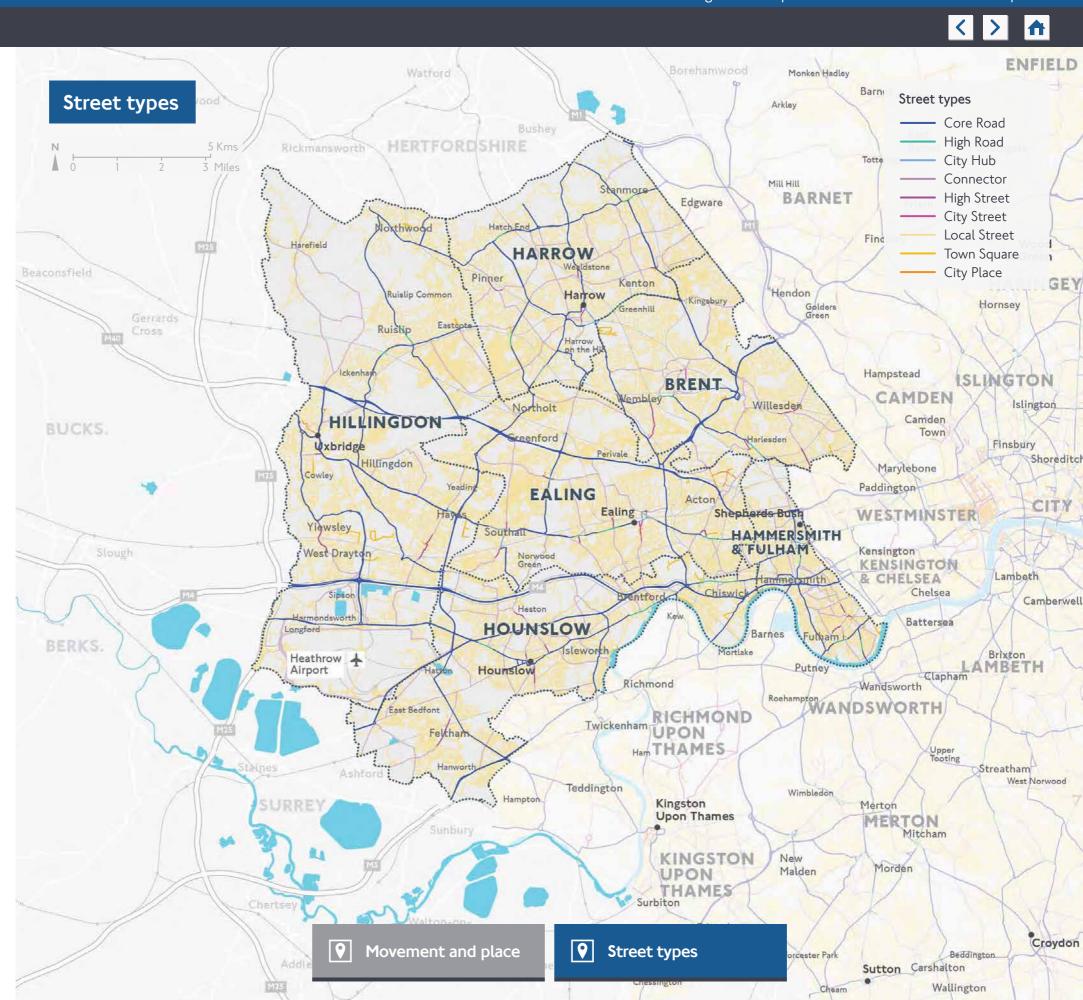
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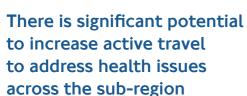
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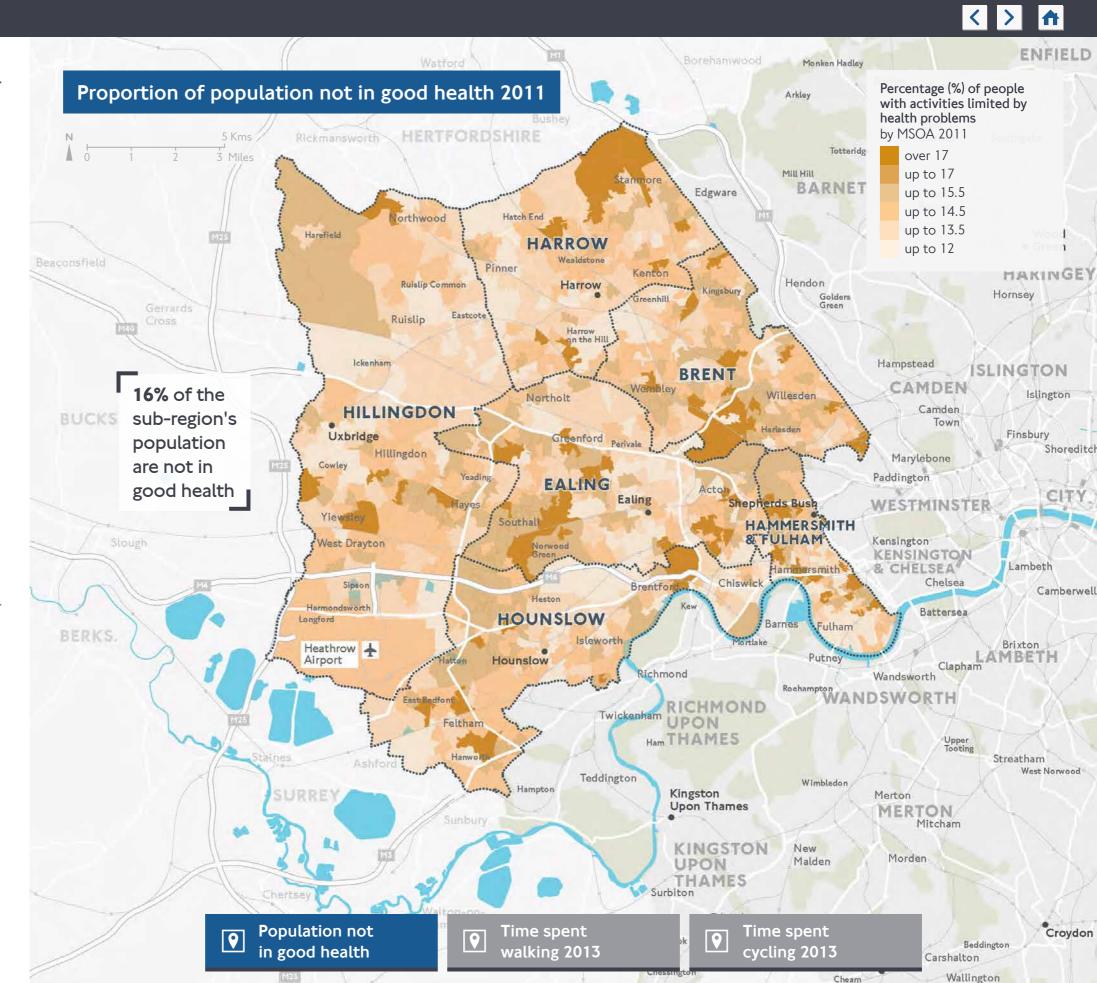




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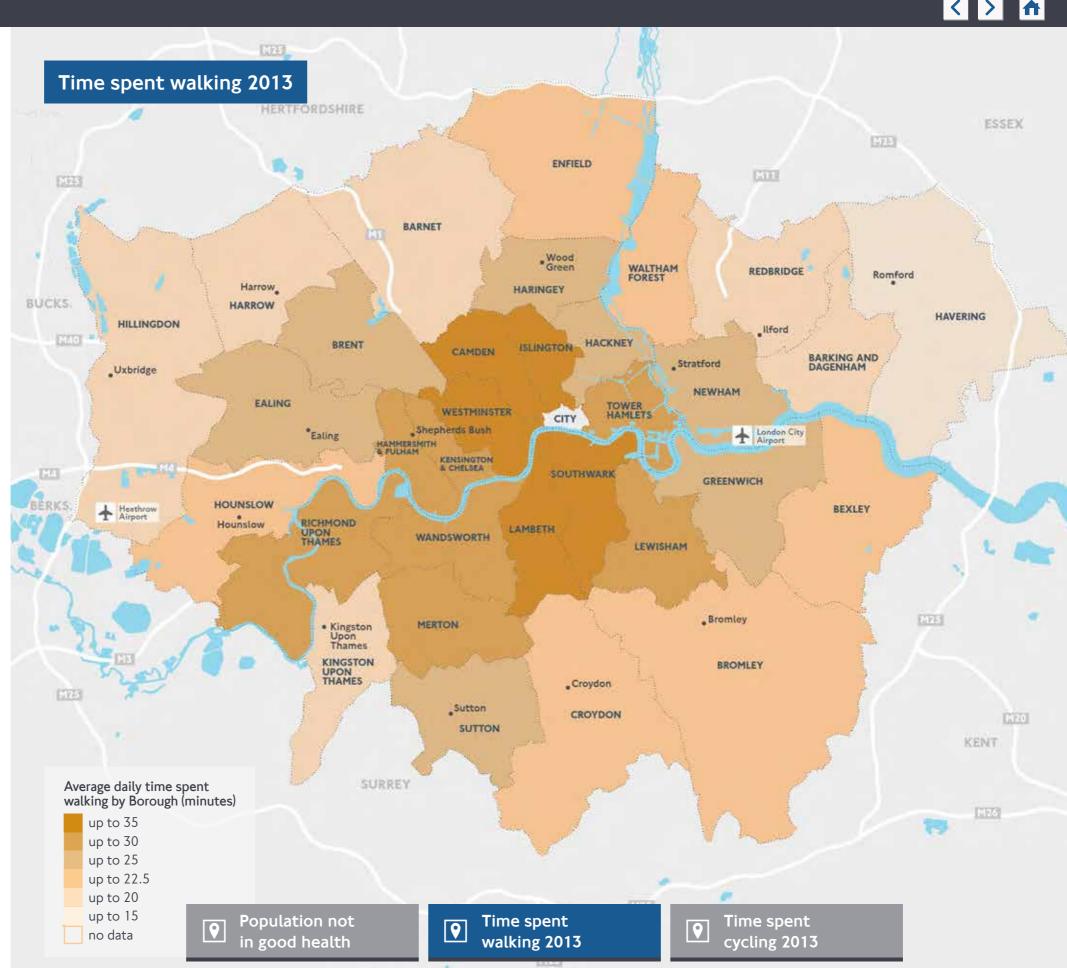


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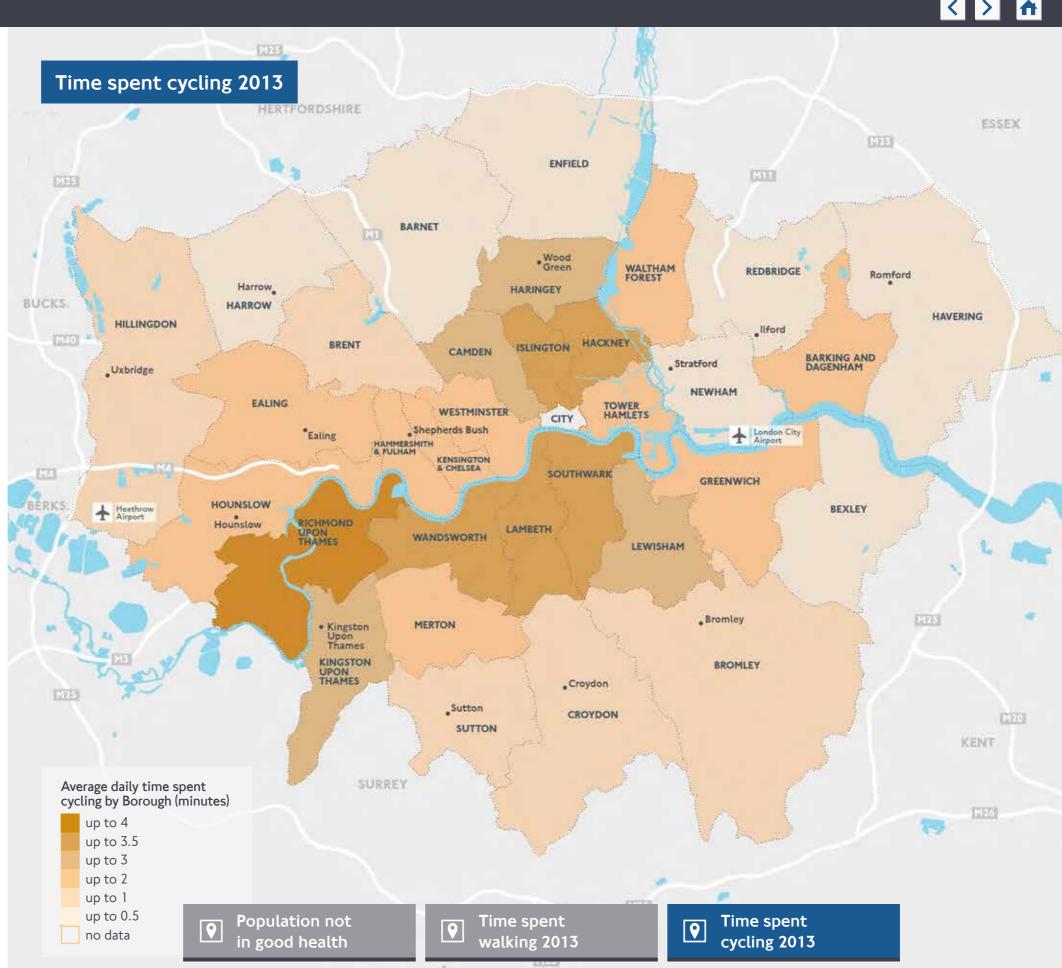


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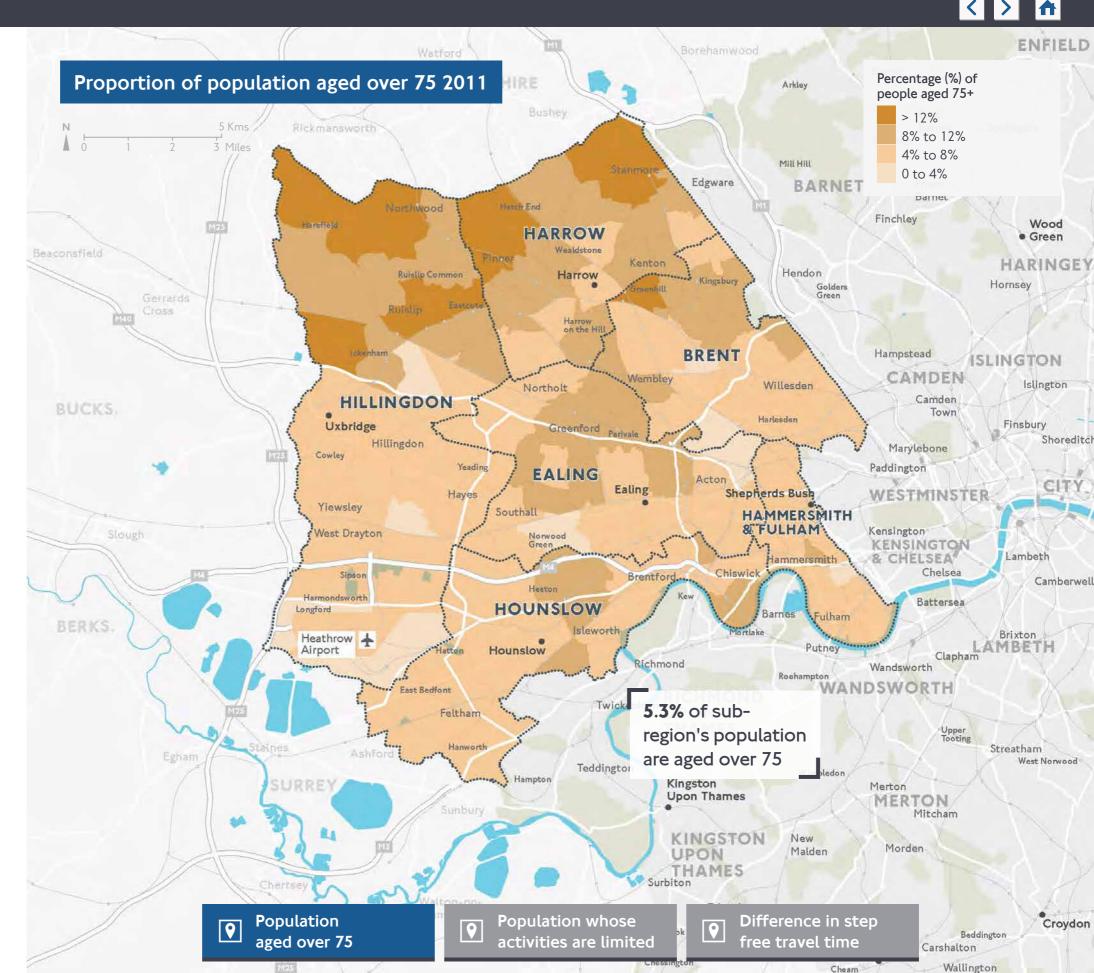


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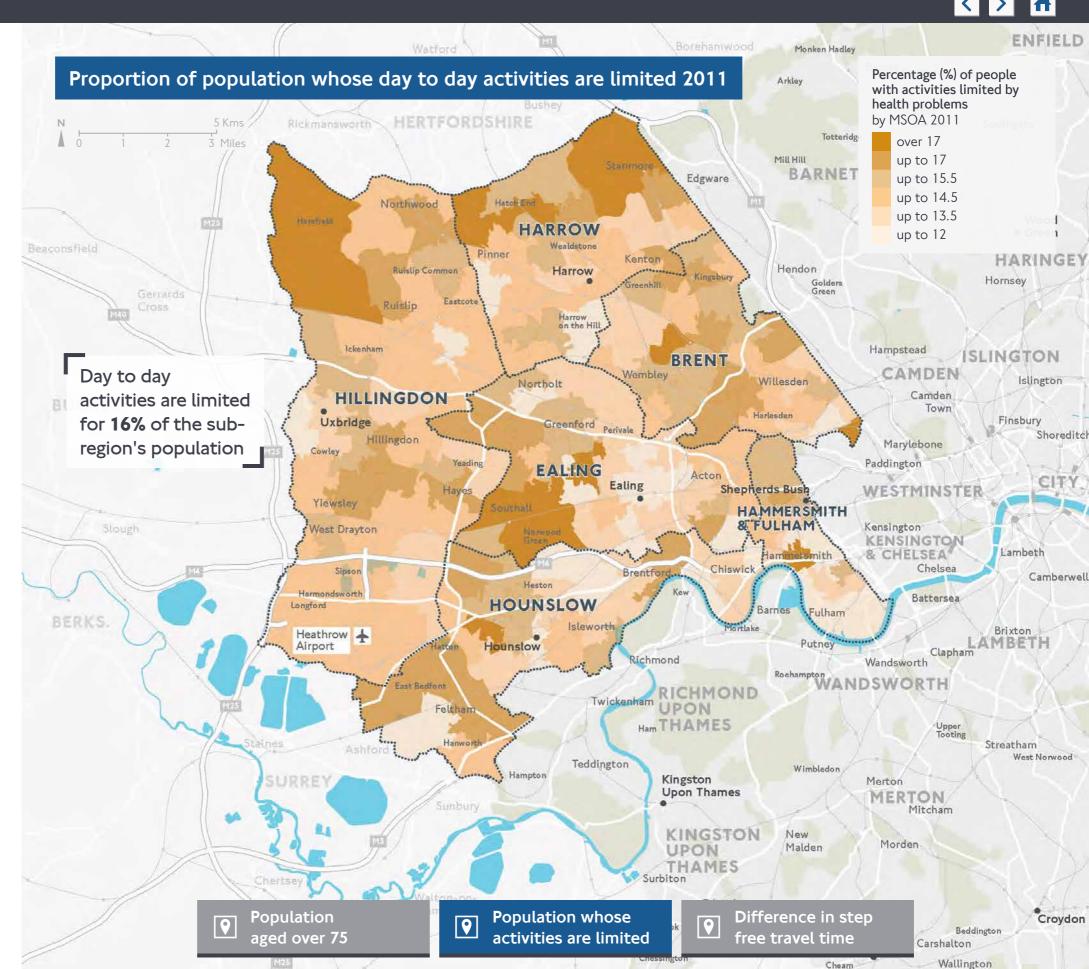


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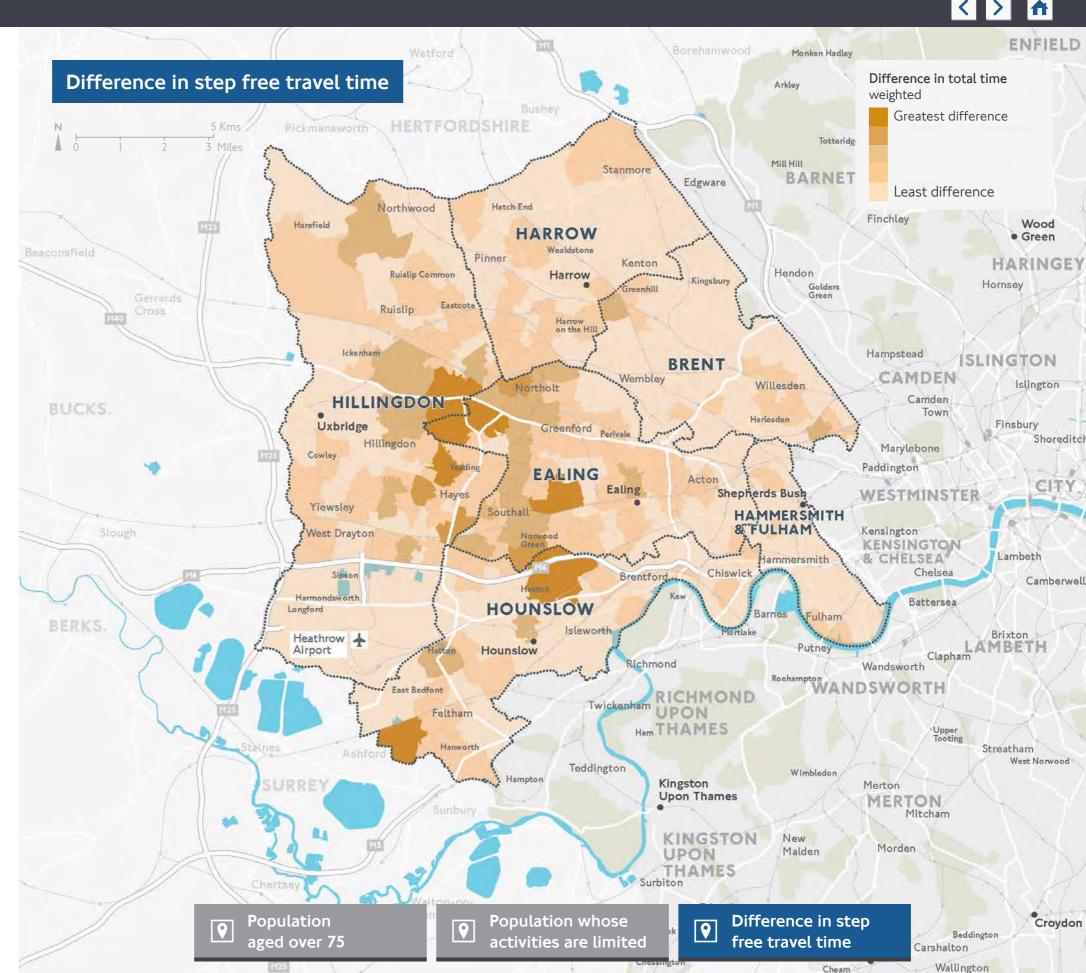


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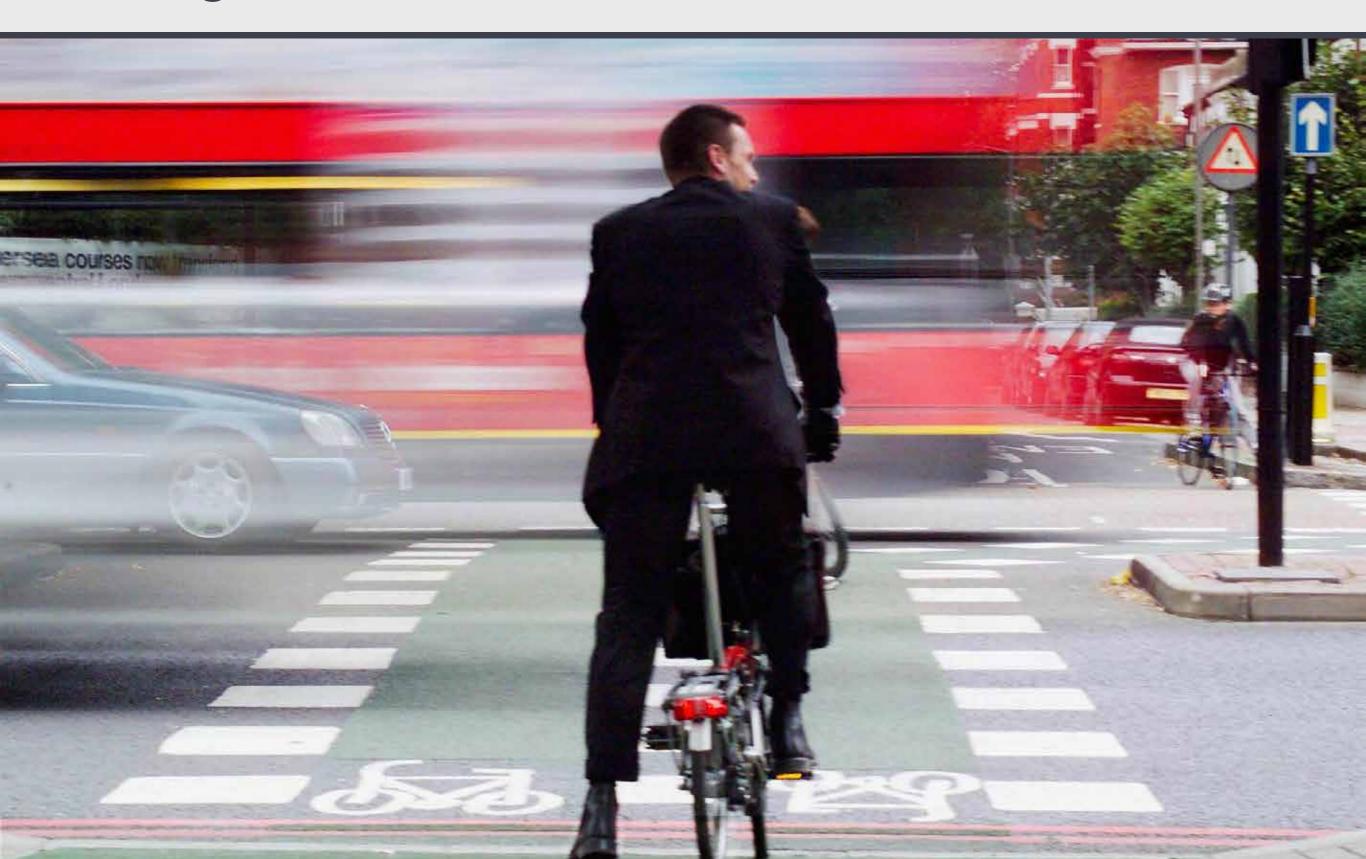


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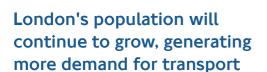






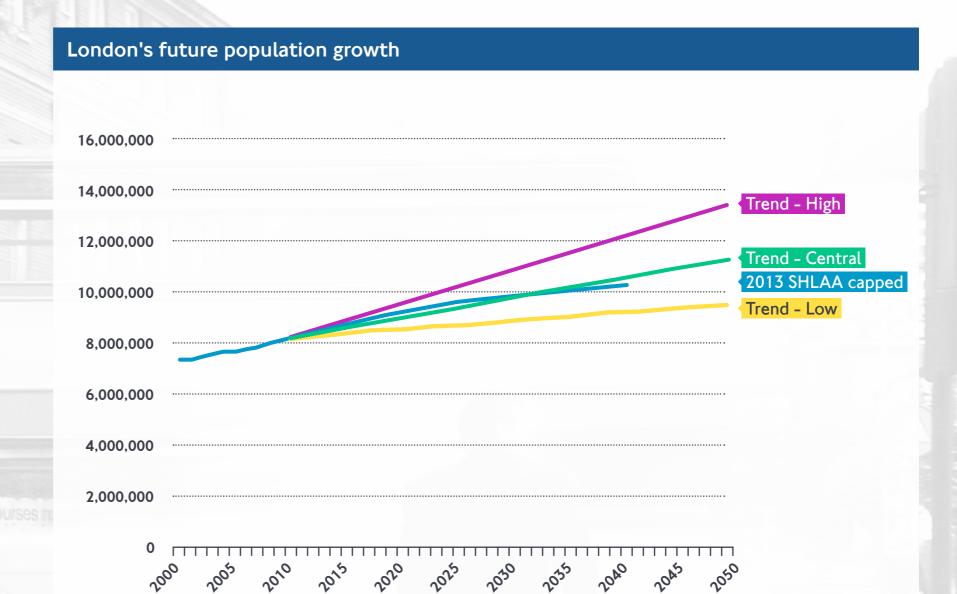






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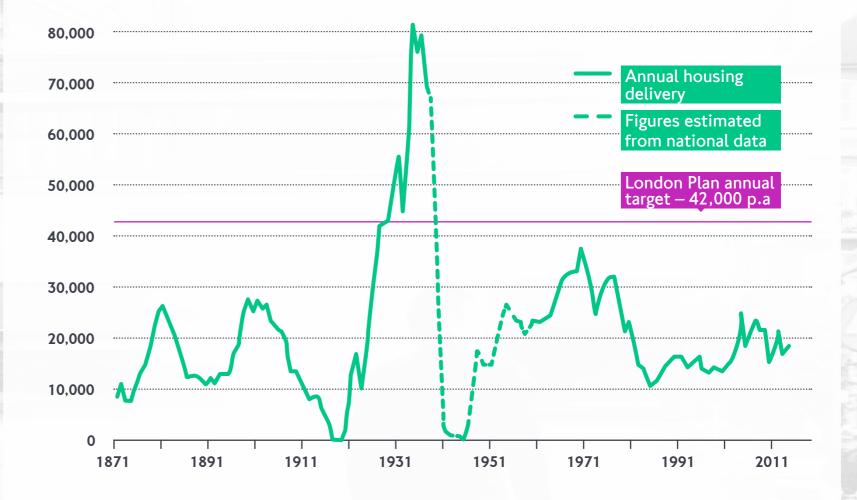


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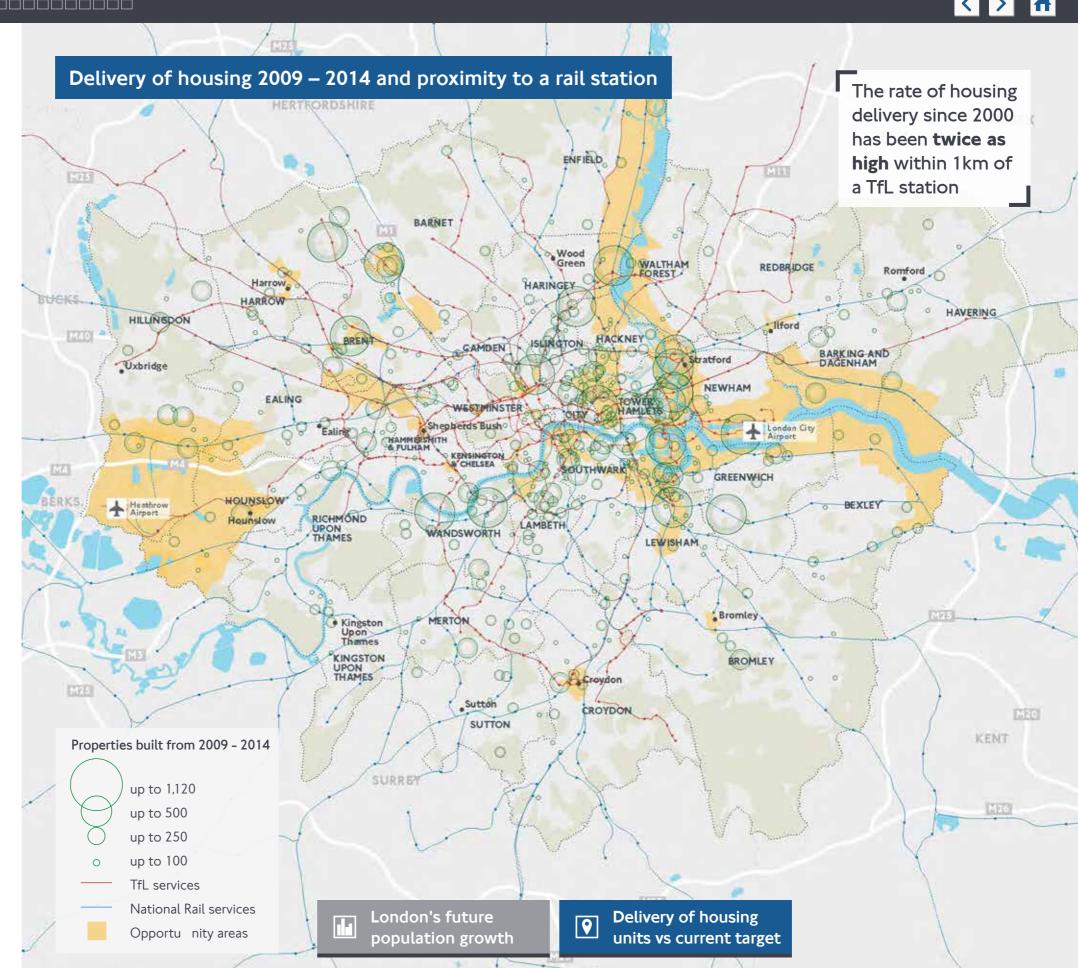


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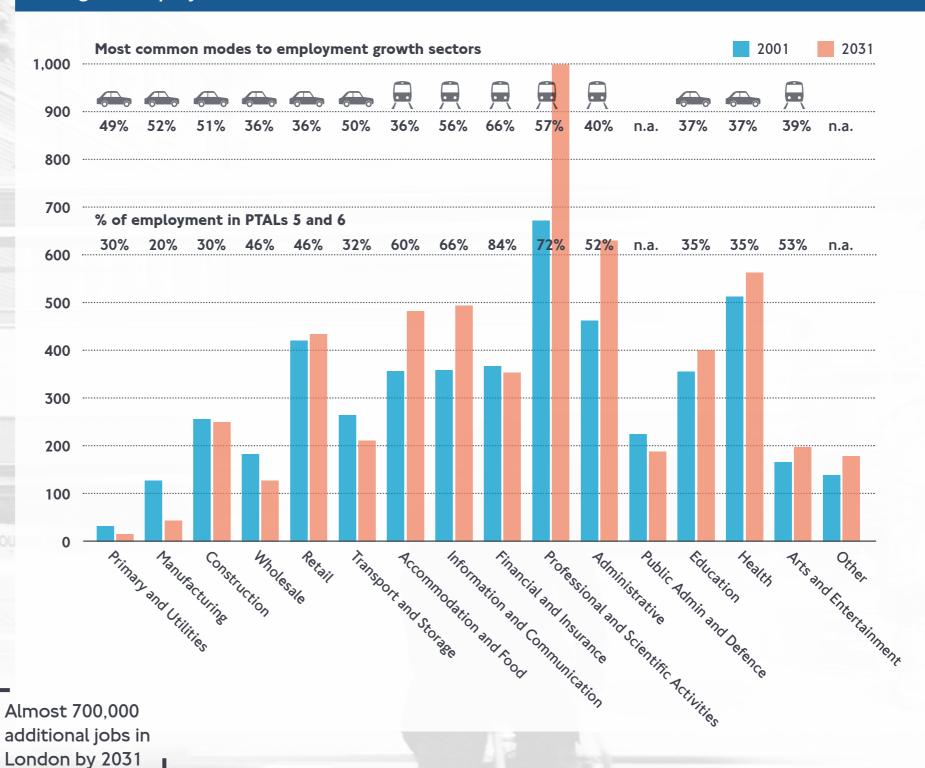
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Most of the sectors which are expected to contract are typically access by car, which could continue to push down commuting to work by car. The decline of these sectors also has the potential to free up land for housing or other land uses for more intensive development.

### Change in employment sectors in London 2011 - 2031









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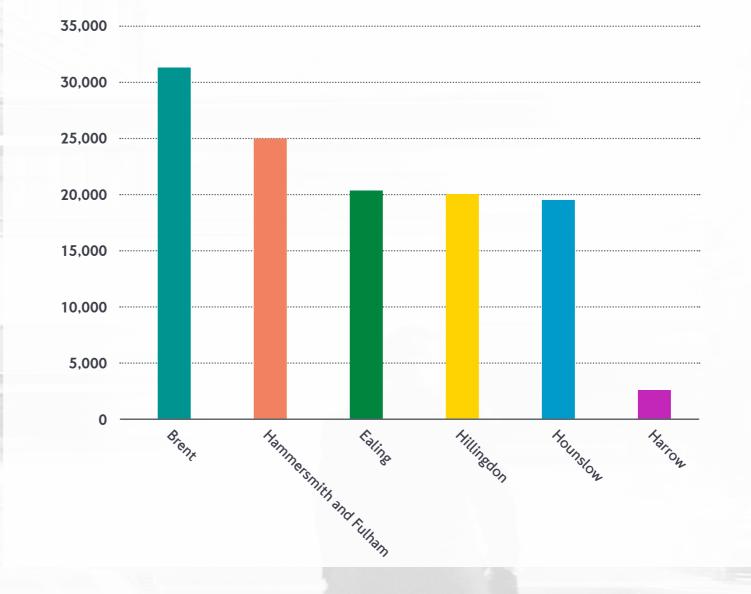
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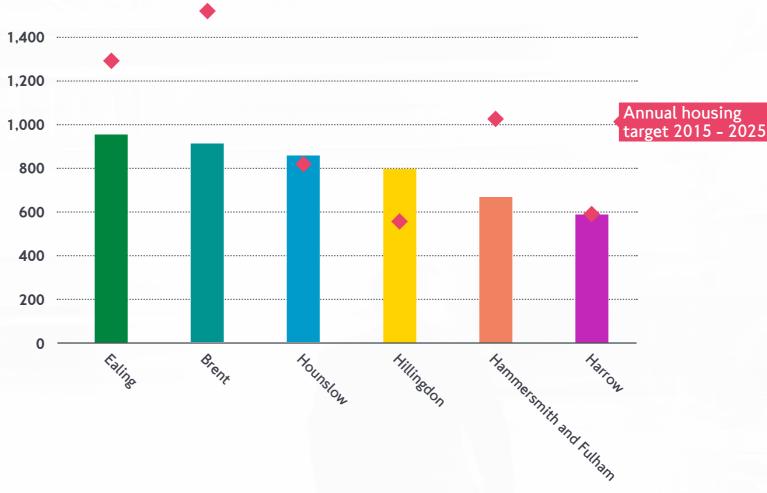
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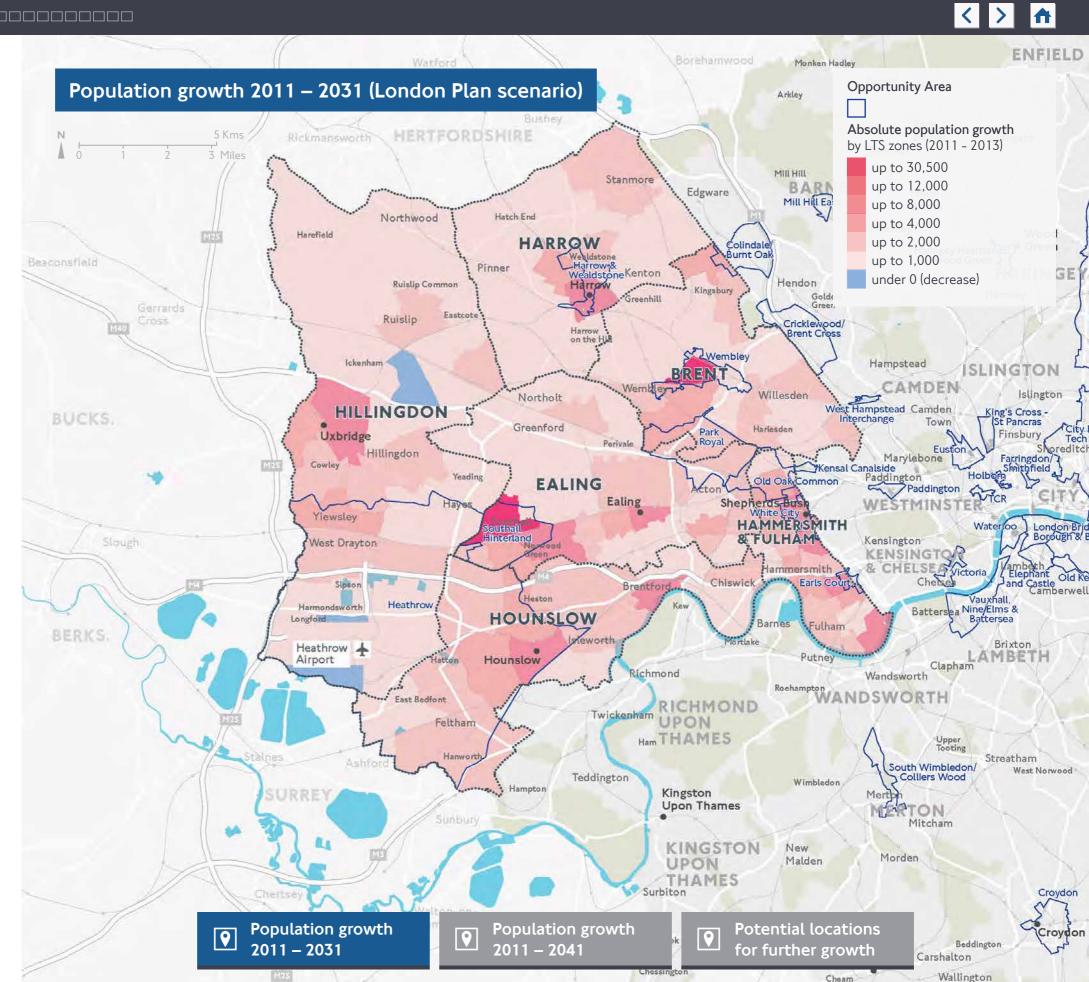


### There is potential to support higher levels of population growth than currently being planned for

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There is also significant potential for higher levels of growth than those set out in the Further Alterations to the London Plan, particularly at locations already well served by transport infrastructure and at places where significant improvements are planned. In particular there is potential for significant growth at Old Oak Common, which will become a major hub connecting the proposed high speed rail network with London wide and local services. Over x units could be accommodated here.

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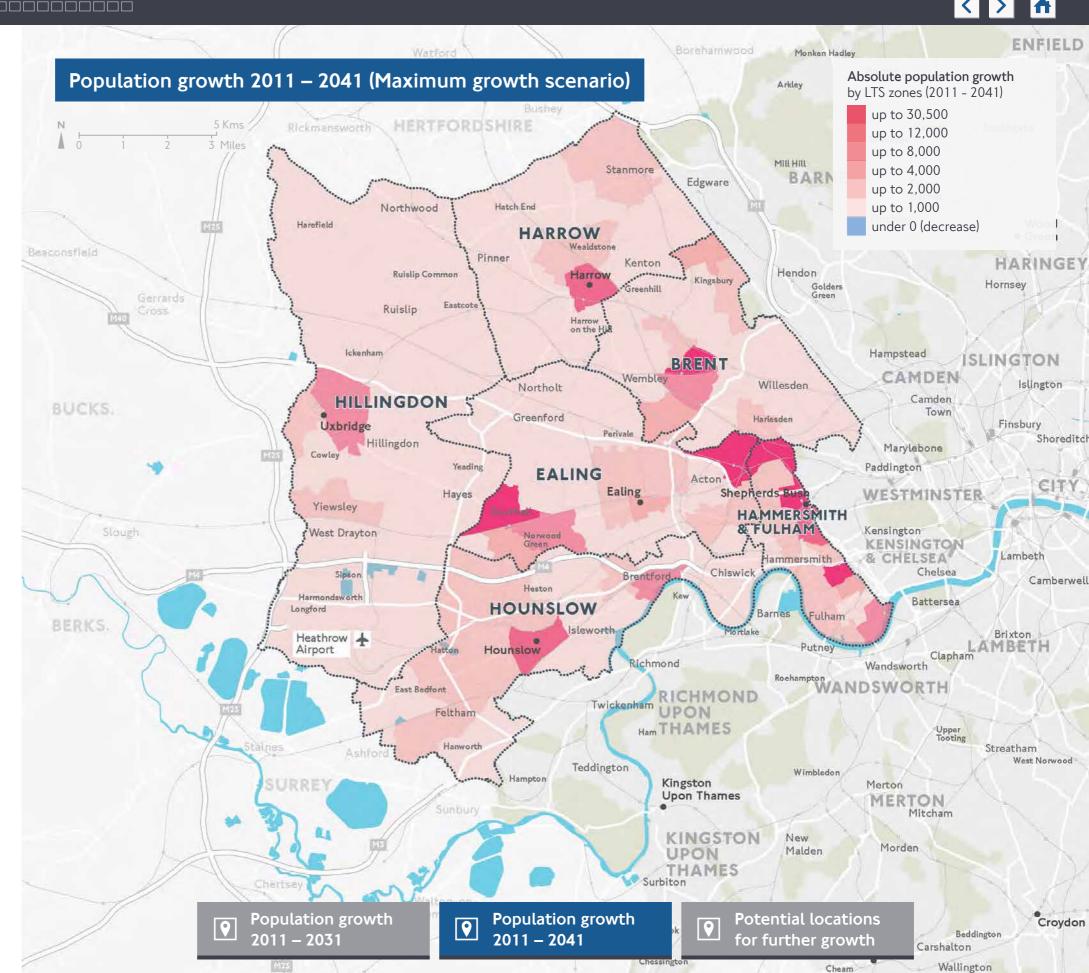


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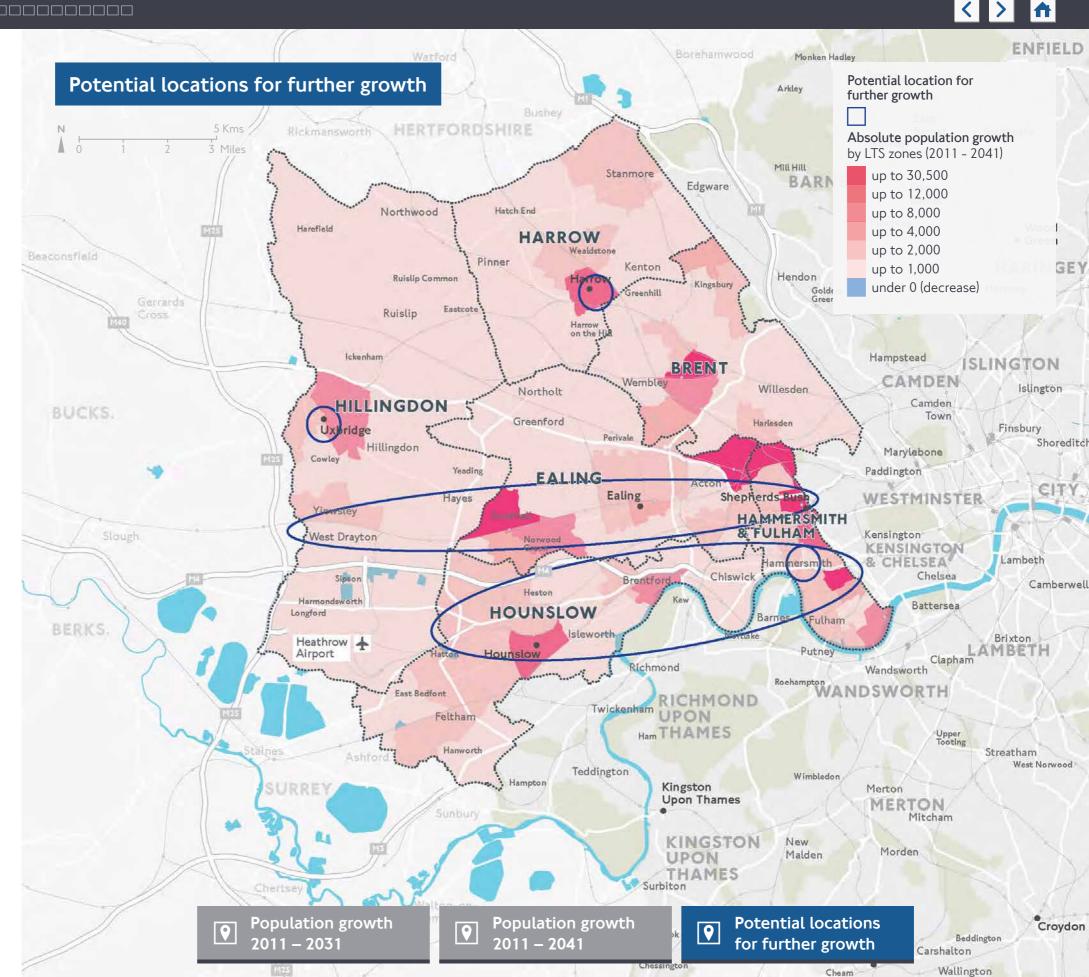


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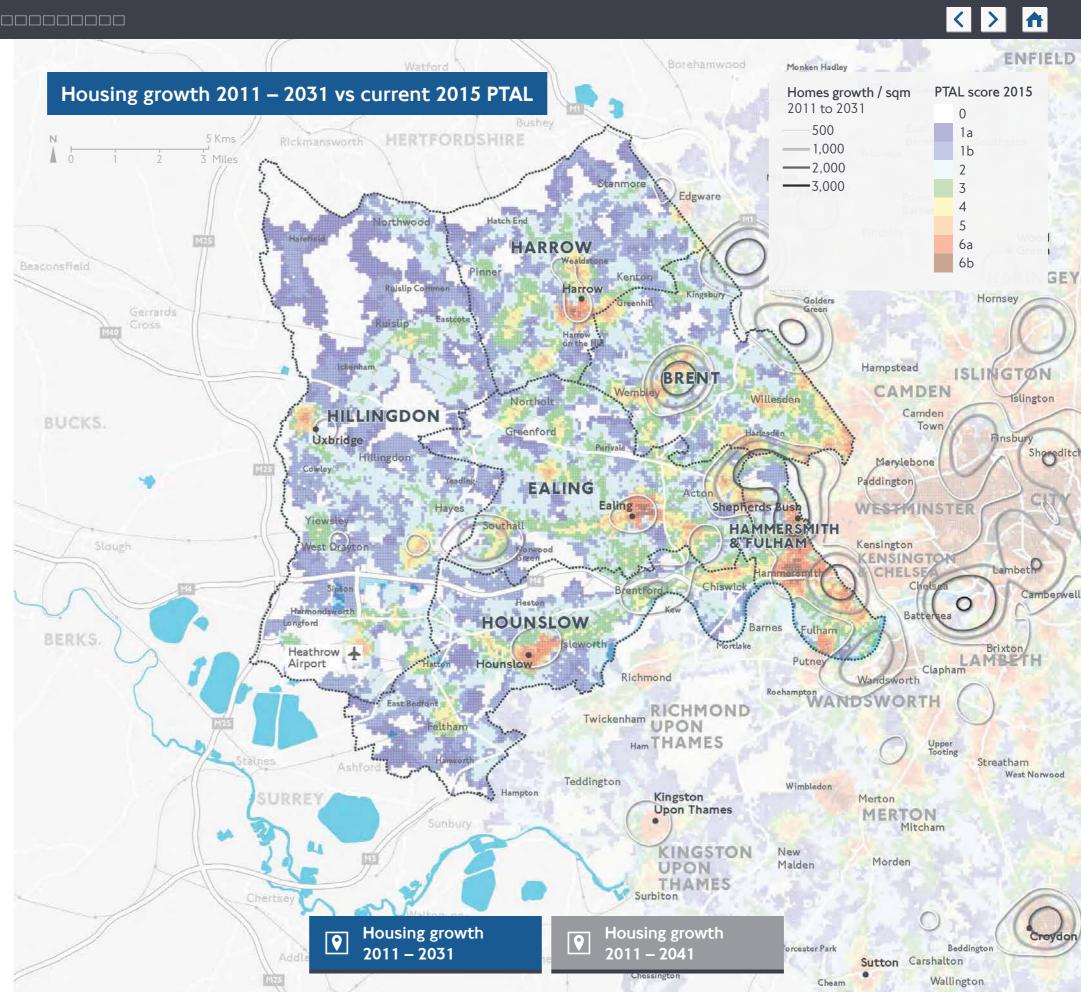
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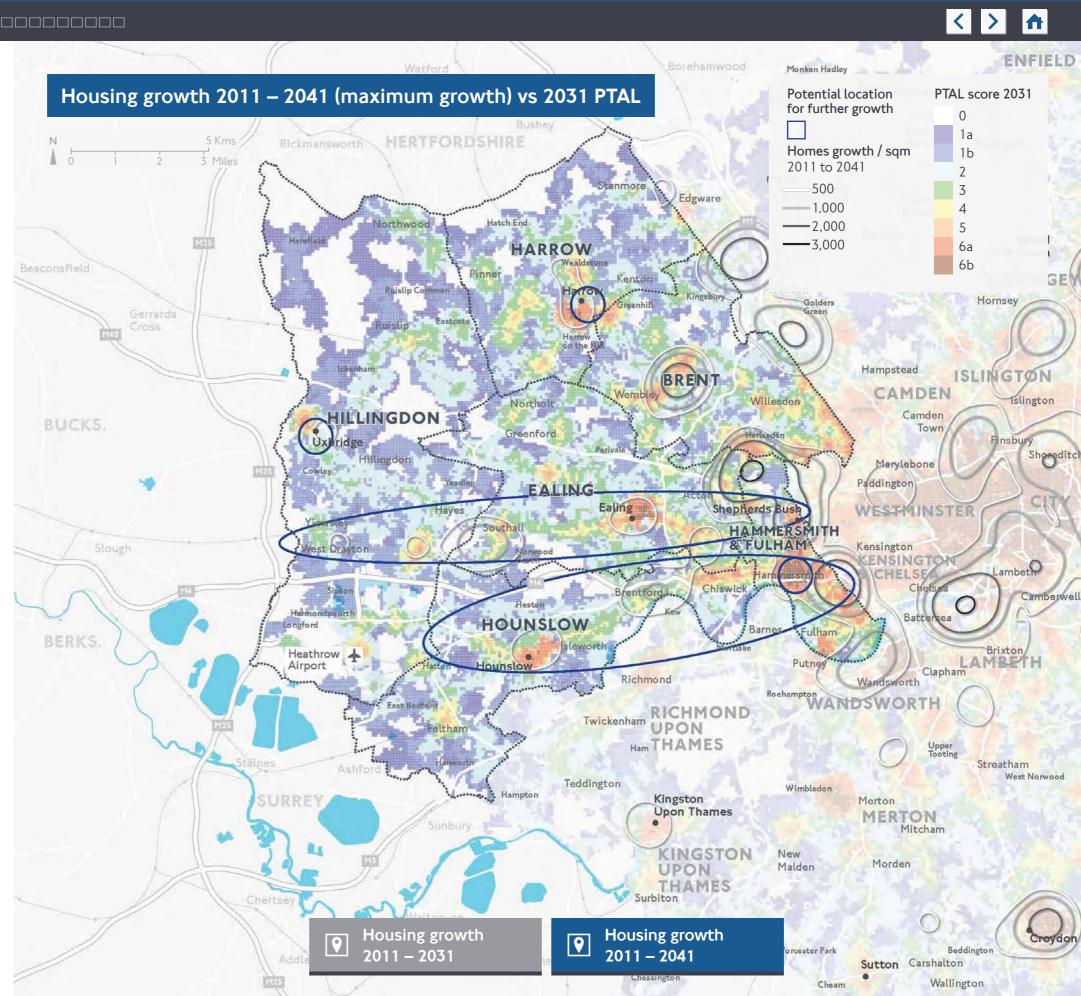
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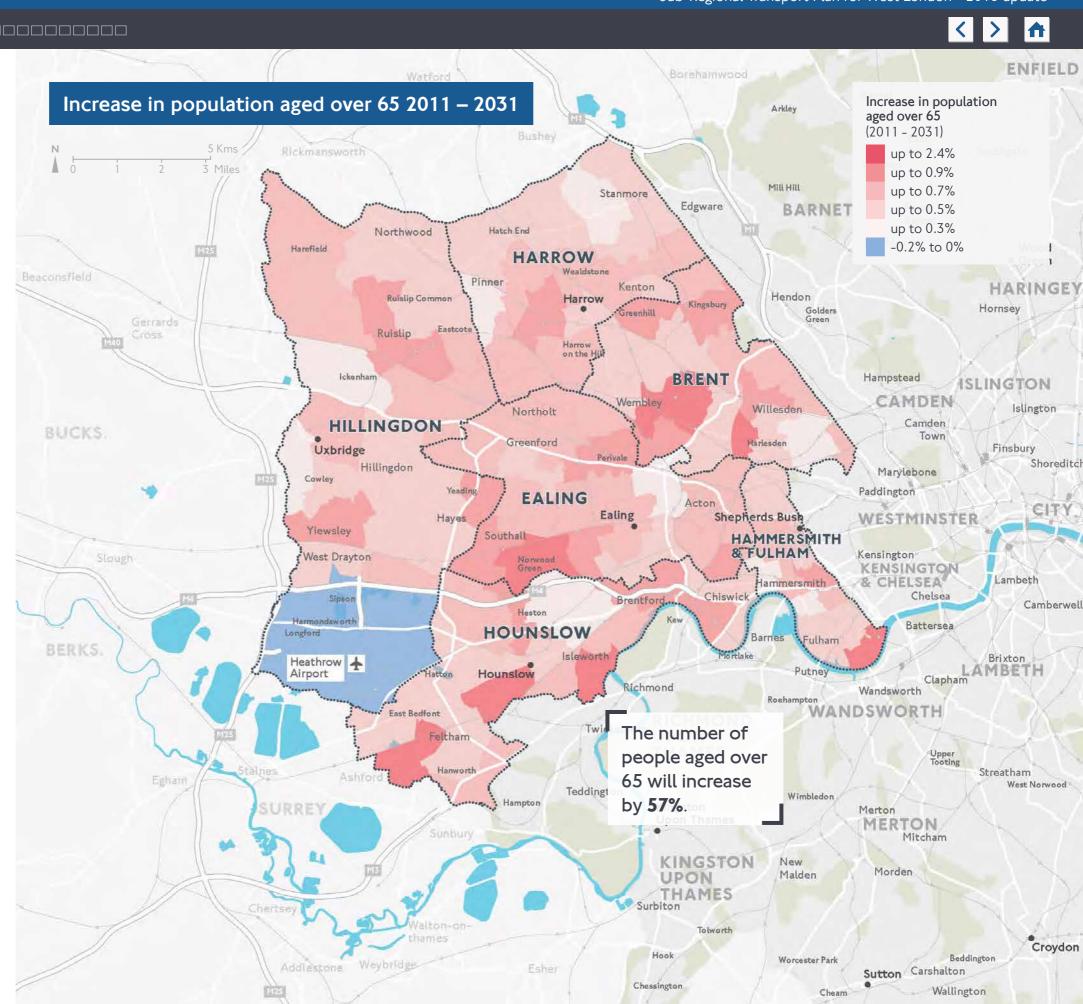
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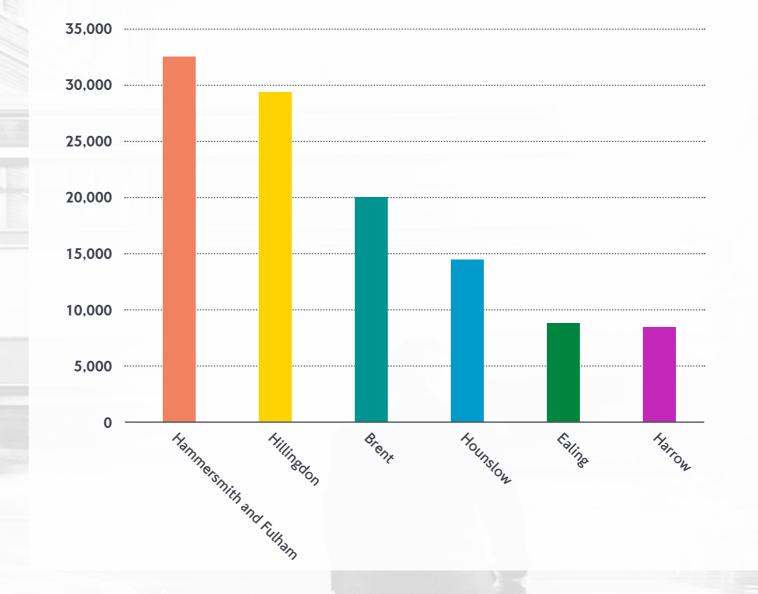
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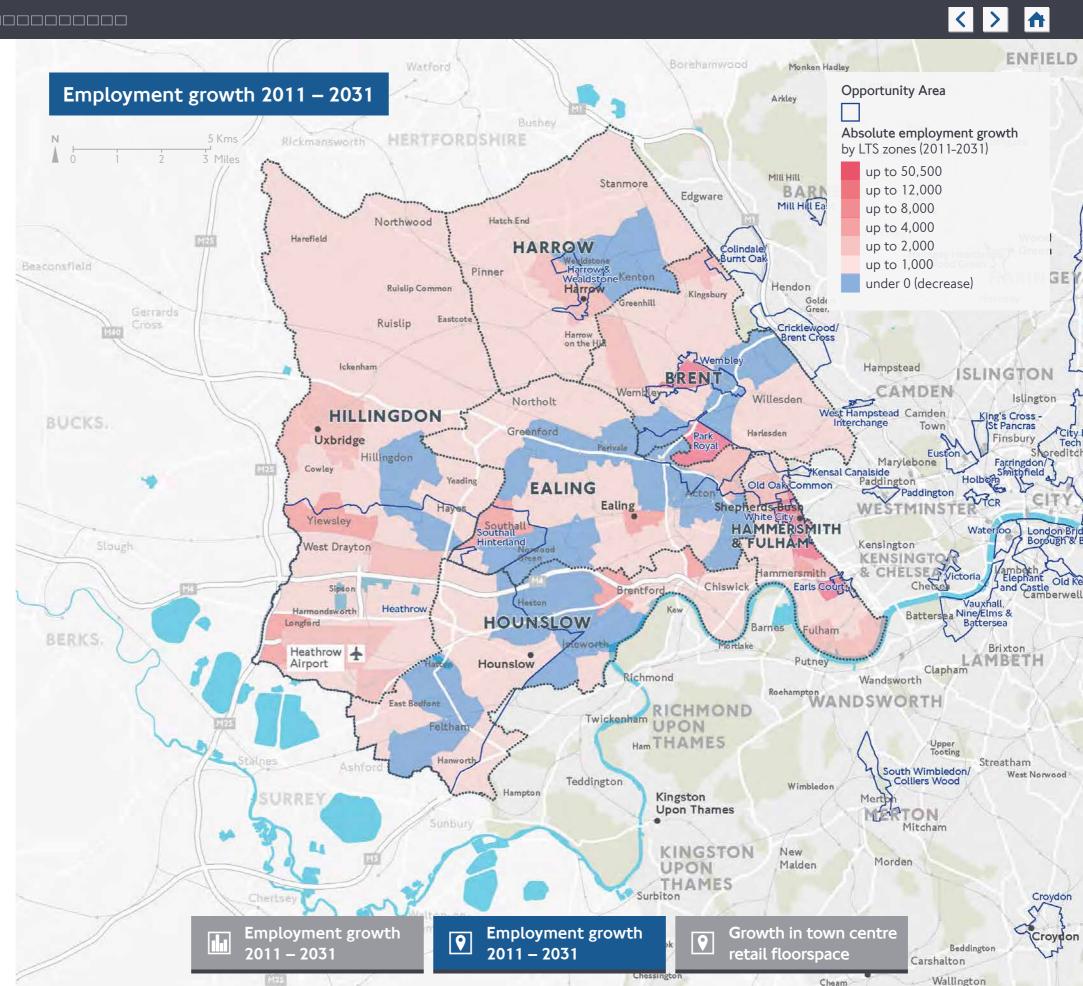


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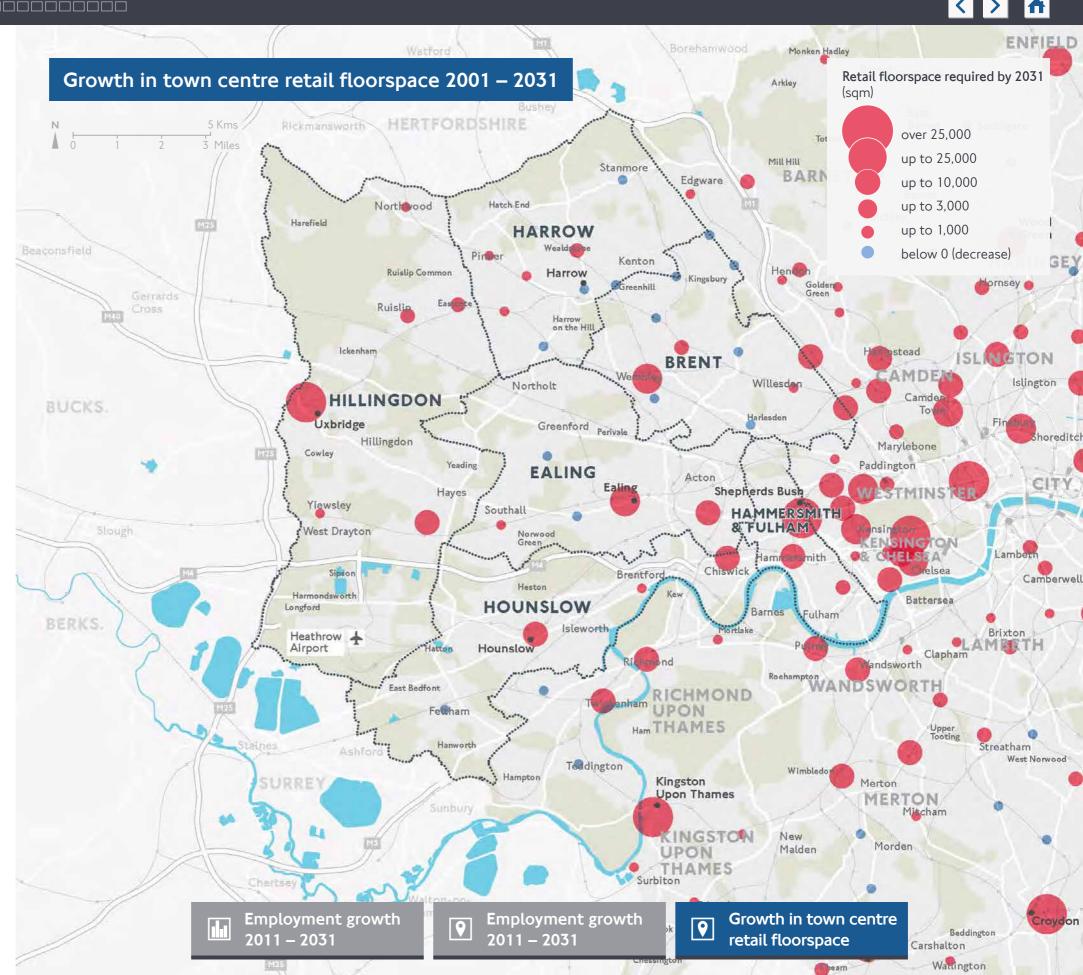


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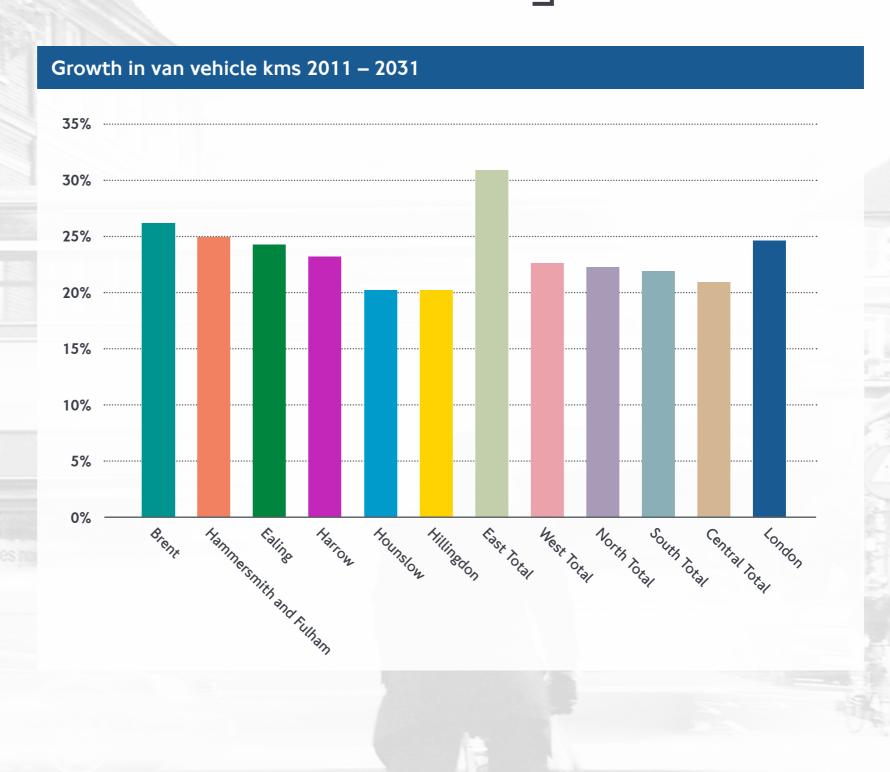




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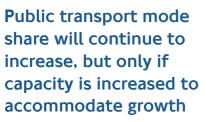
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Vehicle kms by van expected to increase by **23%** by 2031



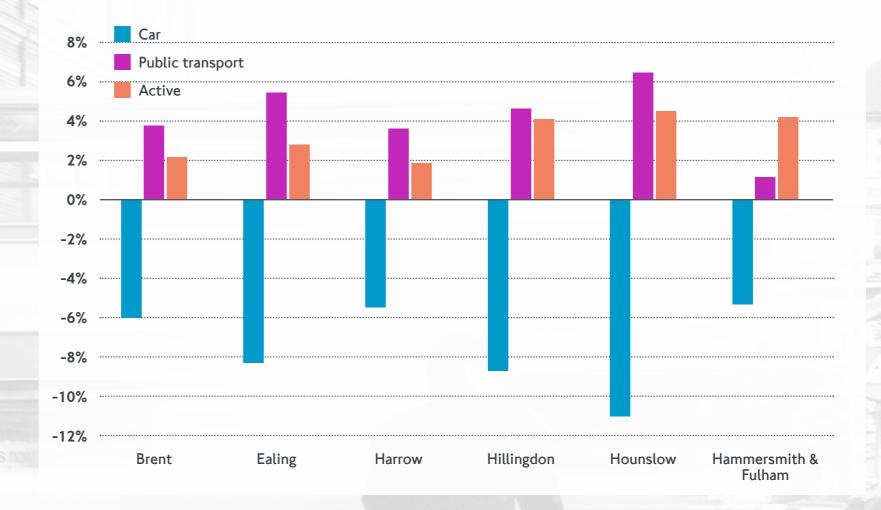






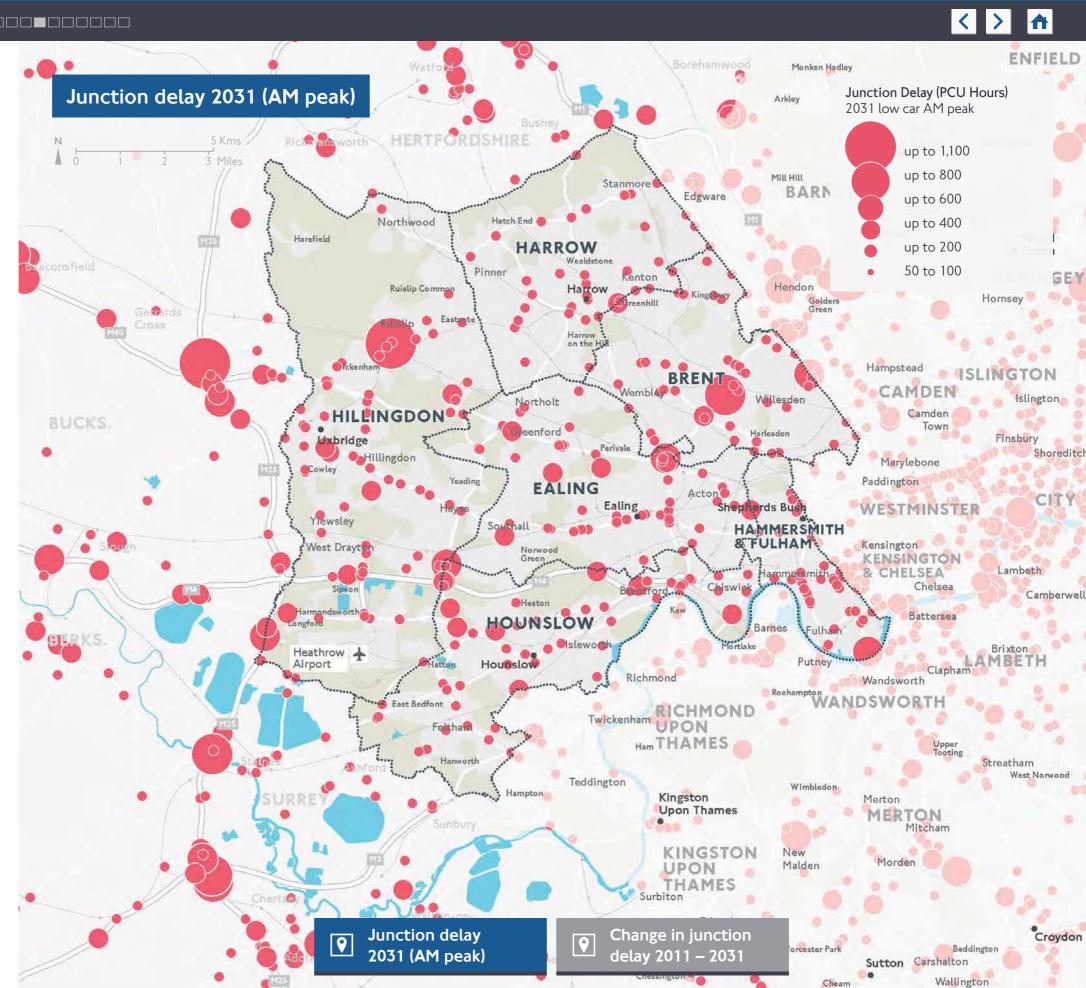
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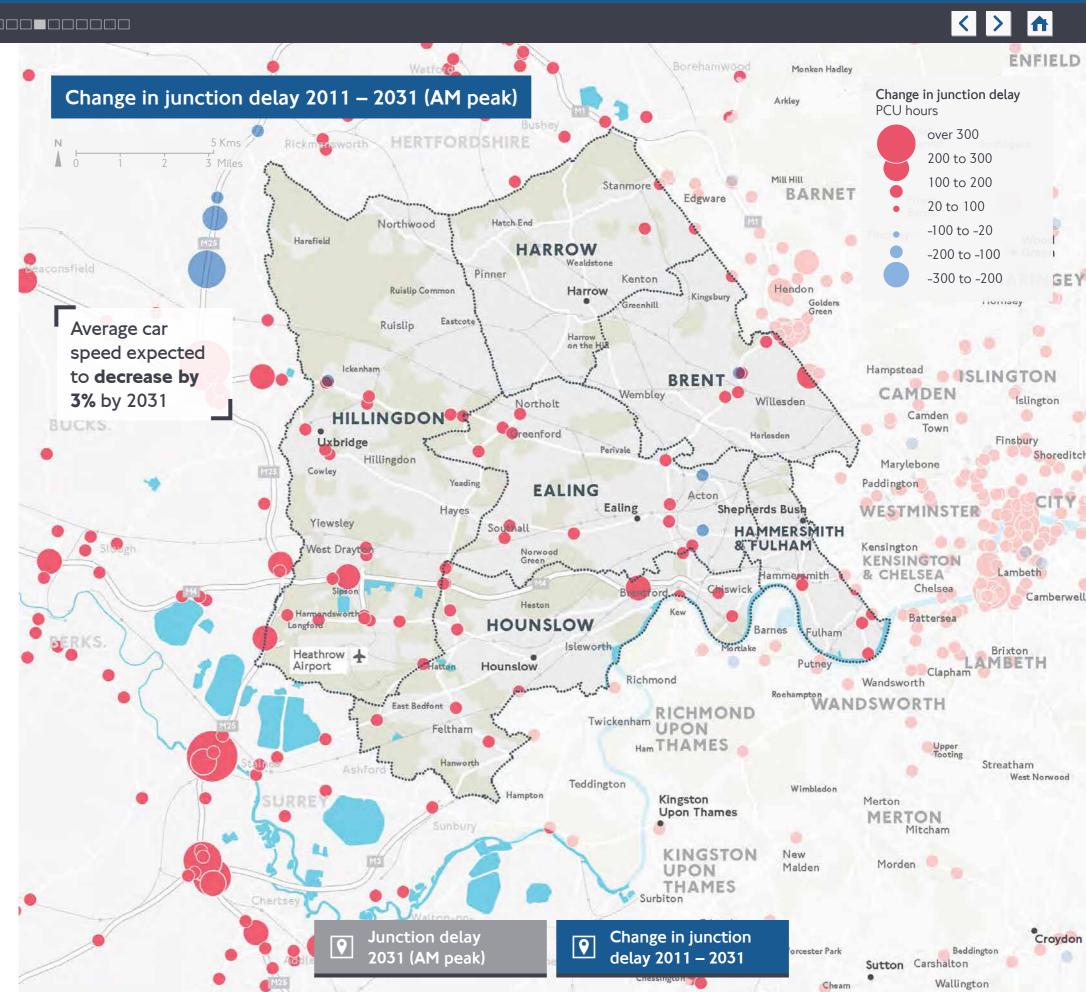
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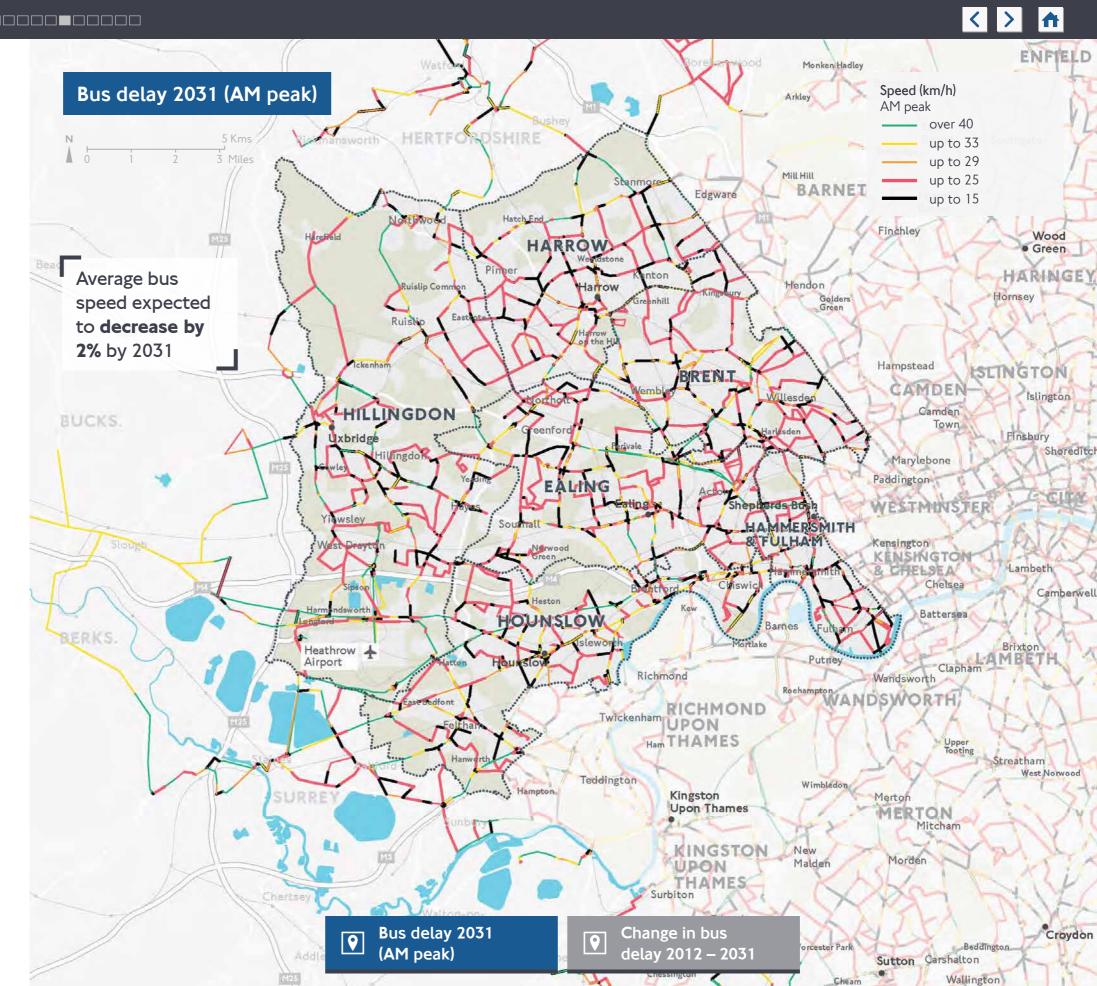




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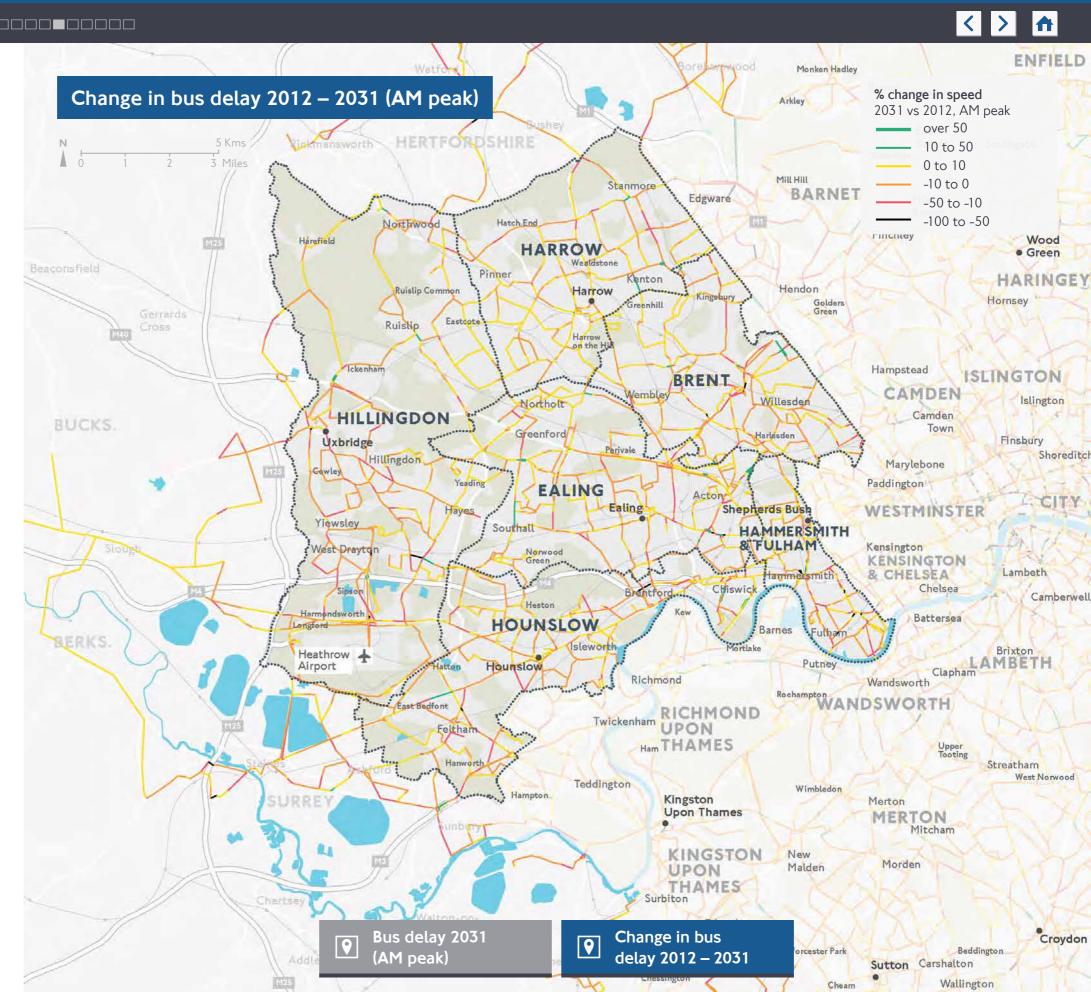


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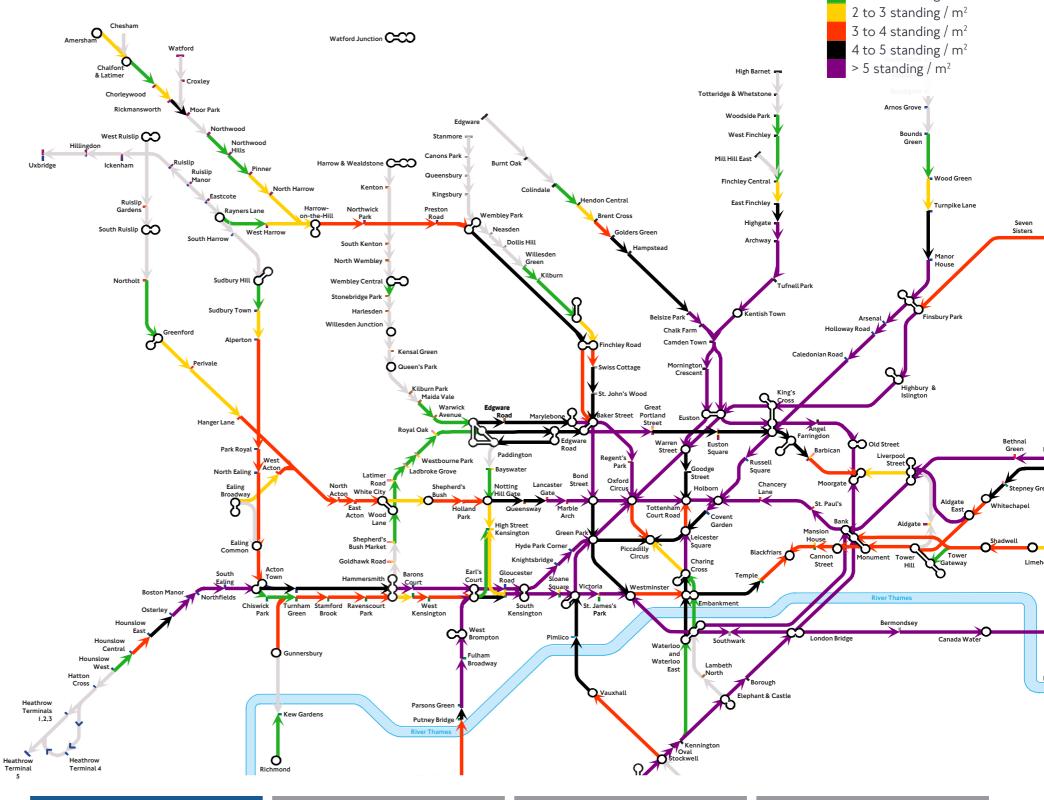
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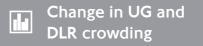
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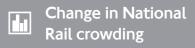






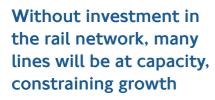




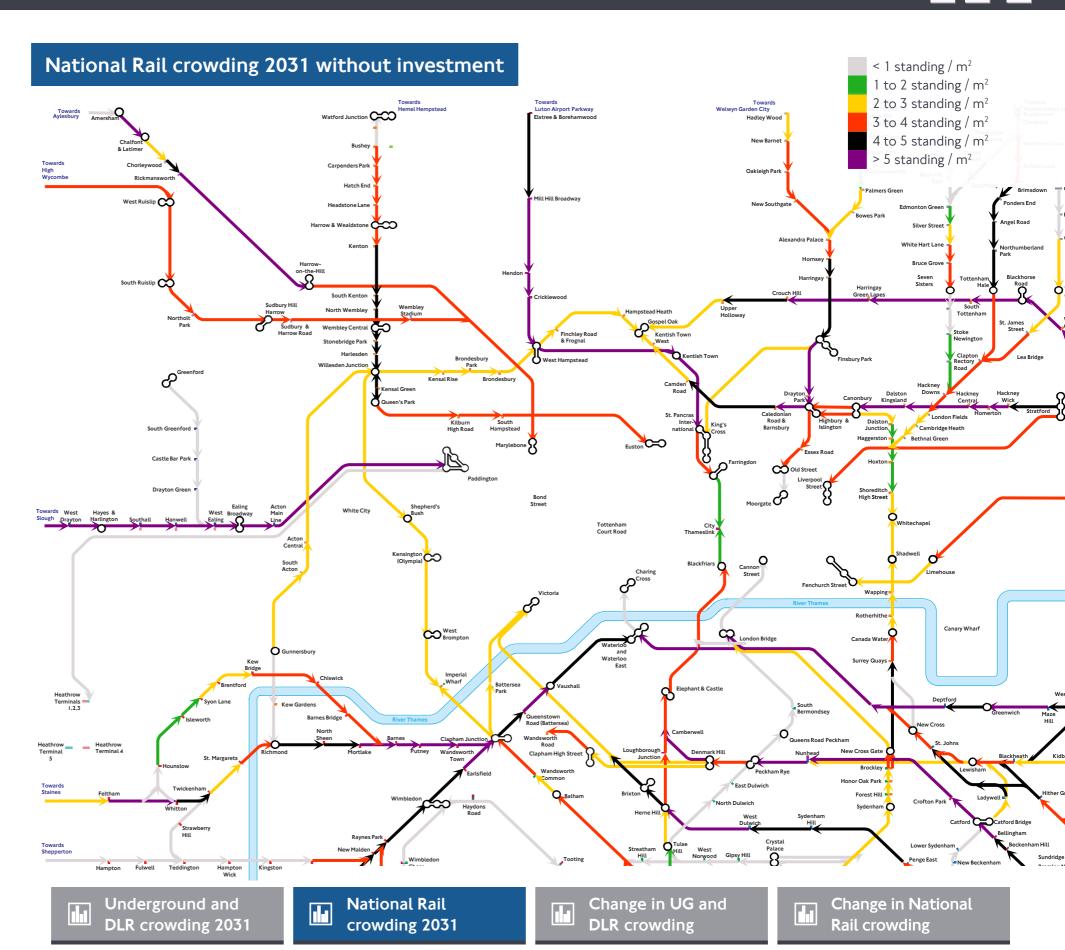








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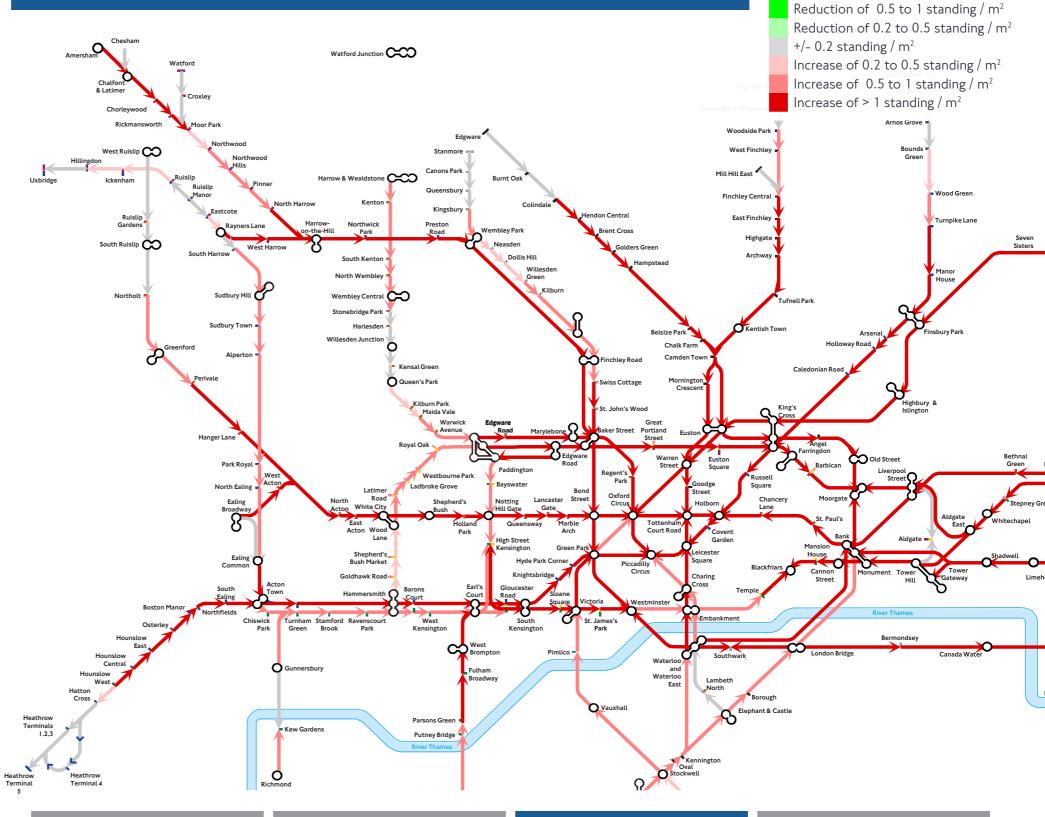




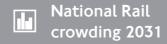
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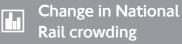








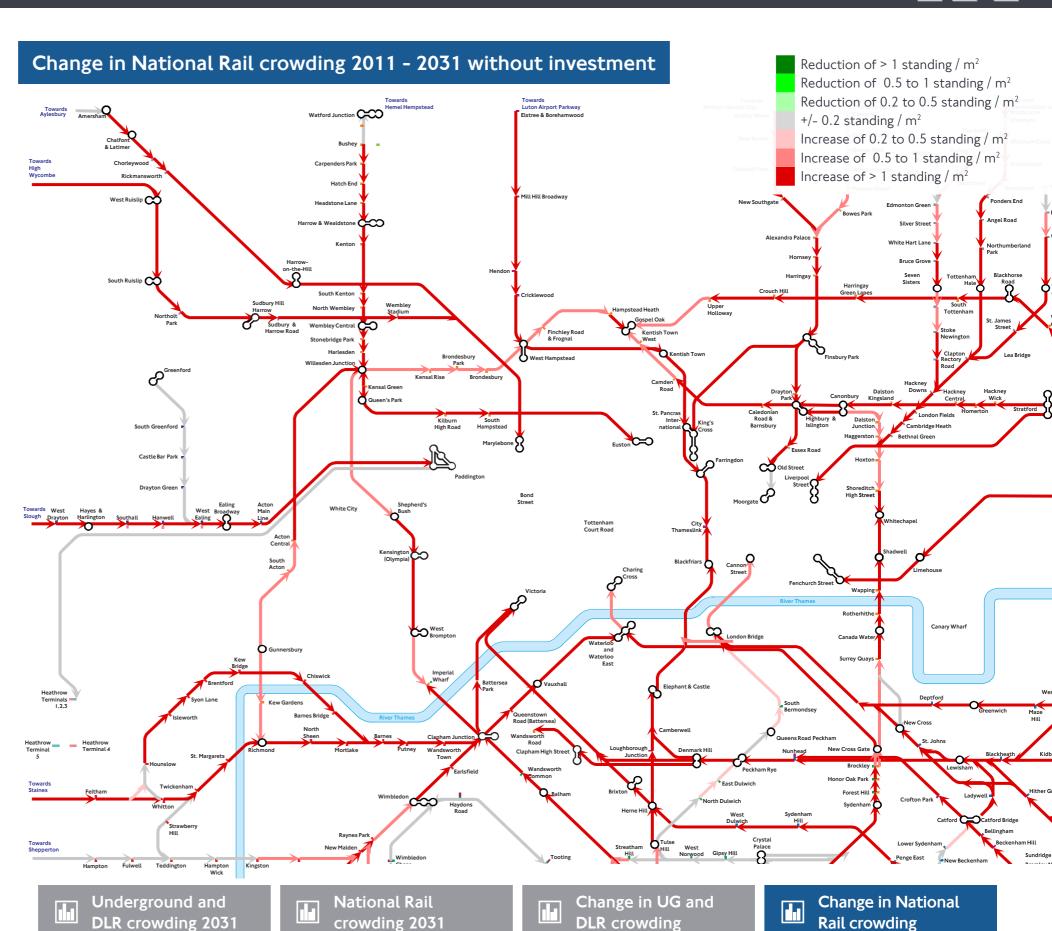






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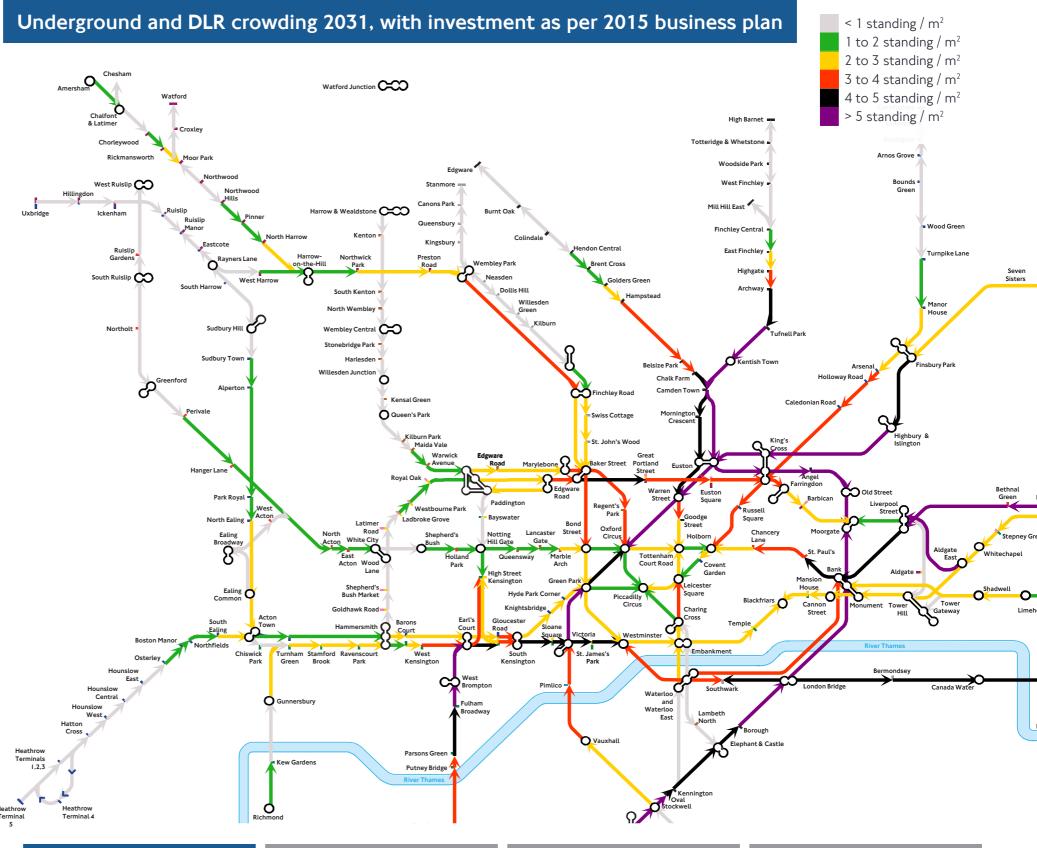
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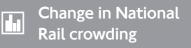


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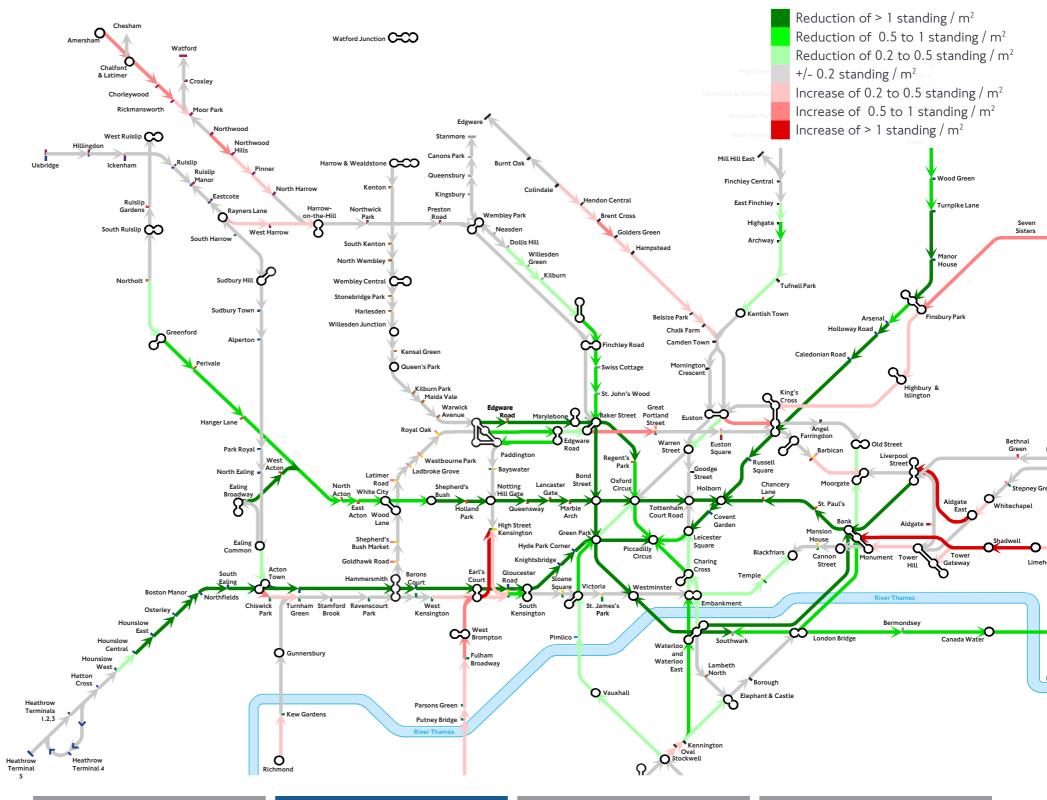






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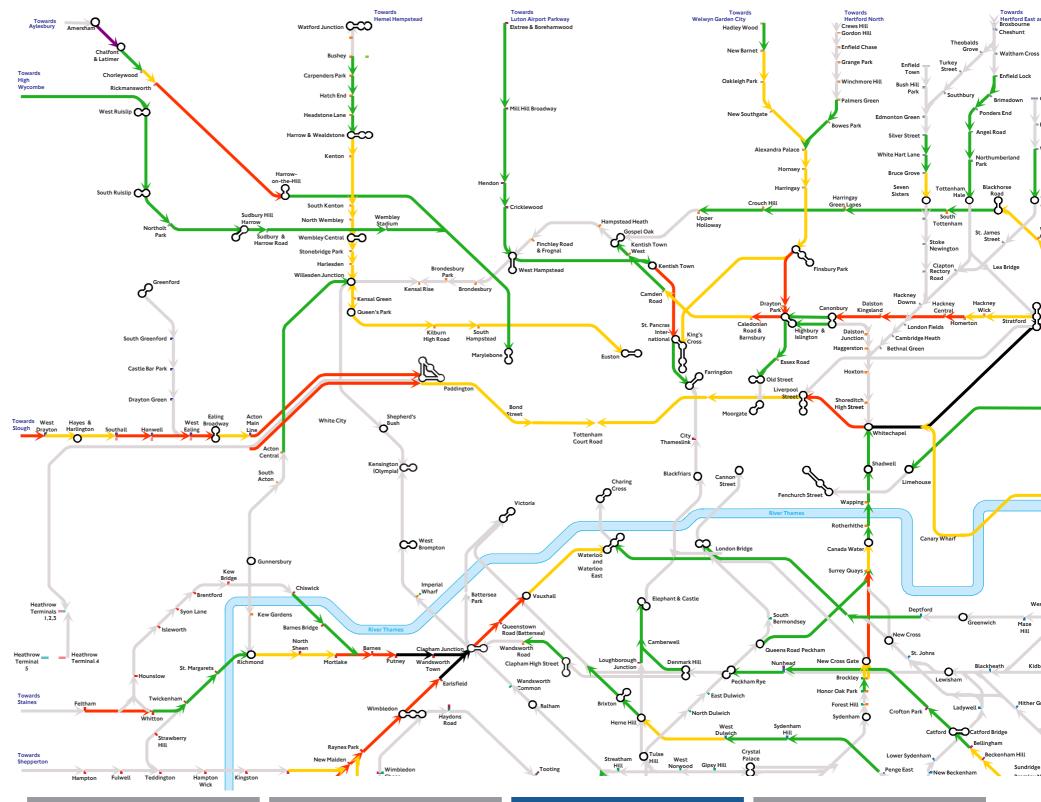






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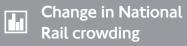
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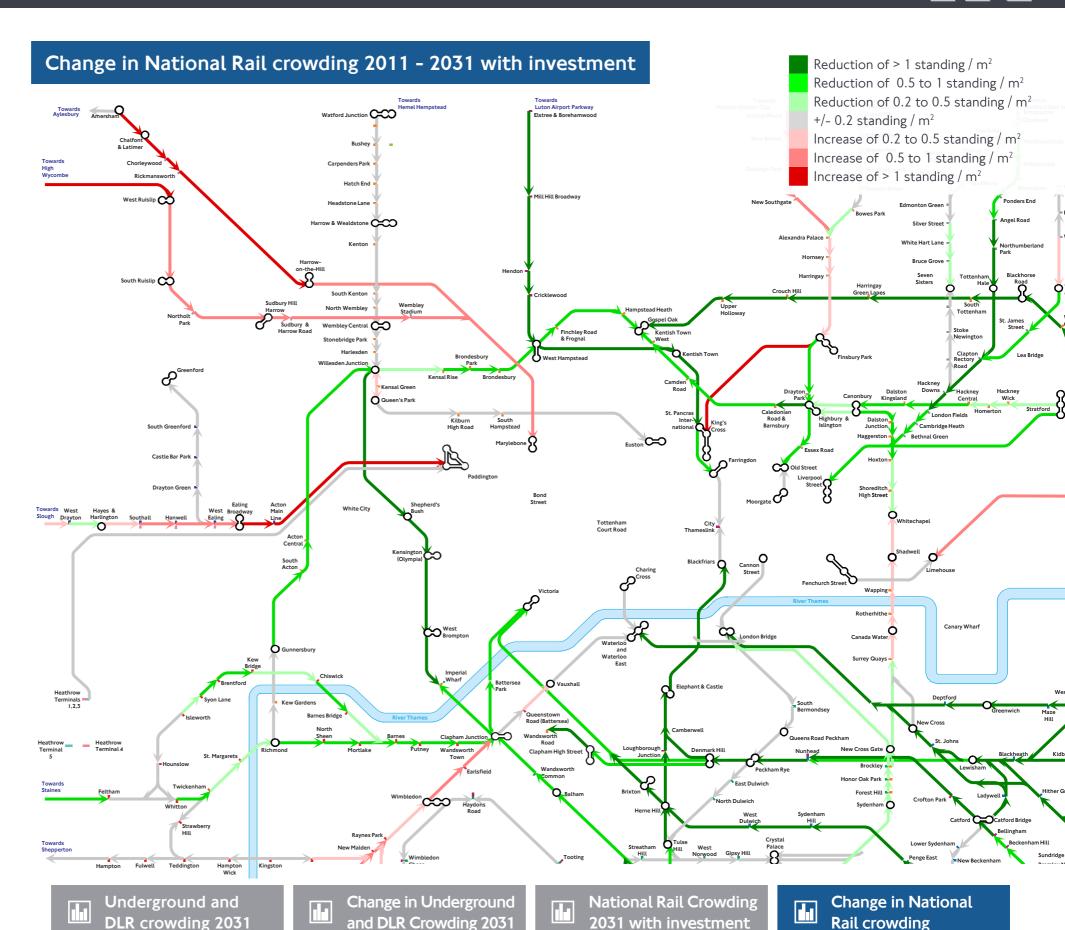






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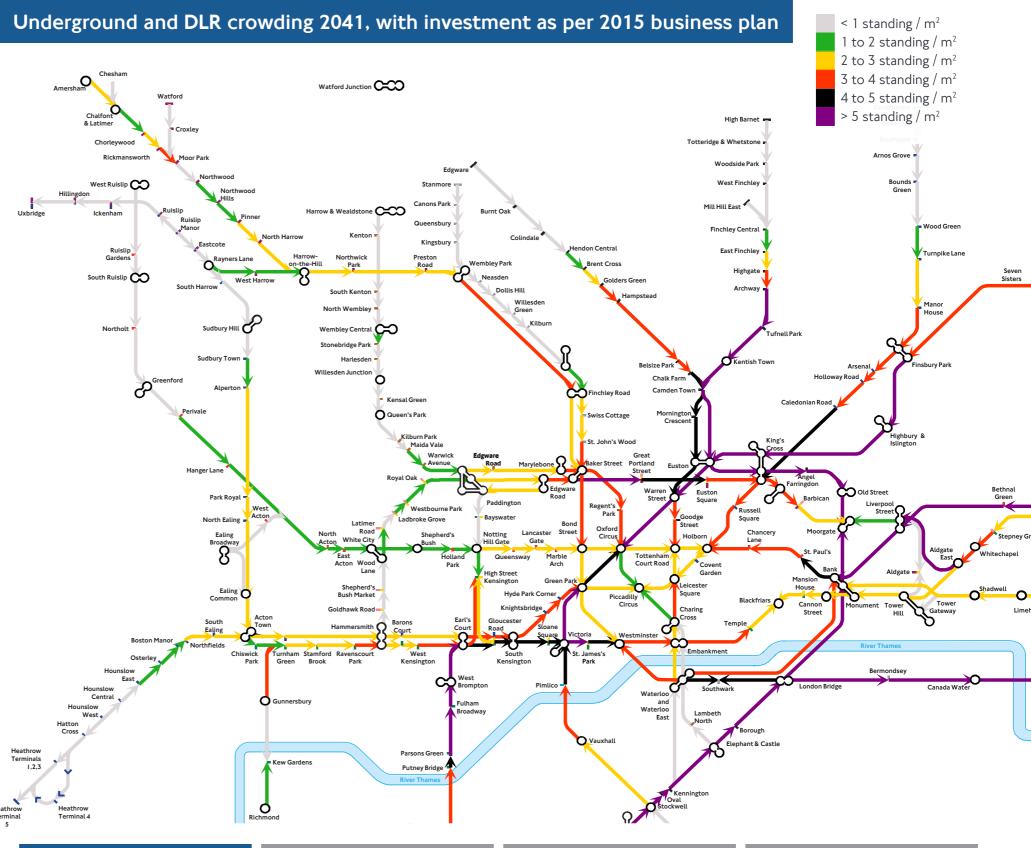




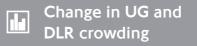


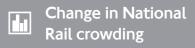
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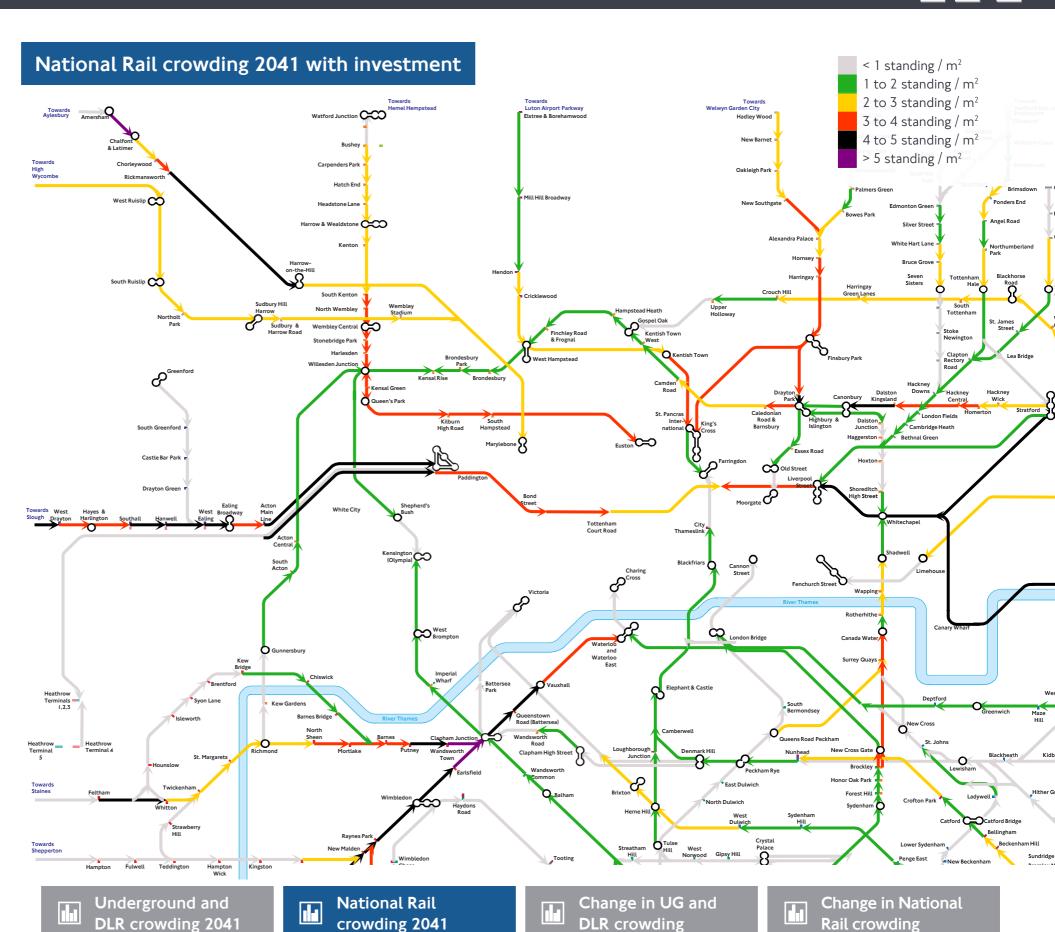






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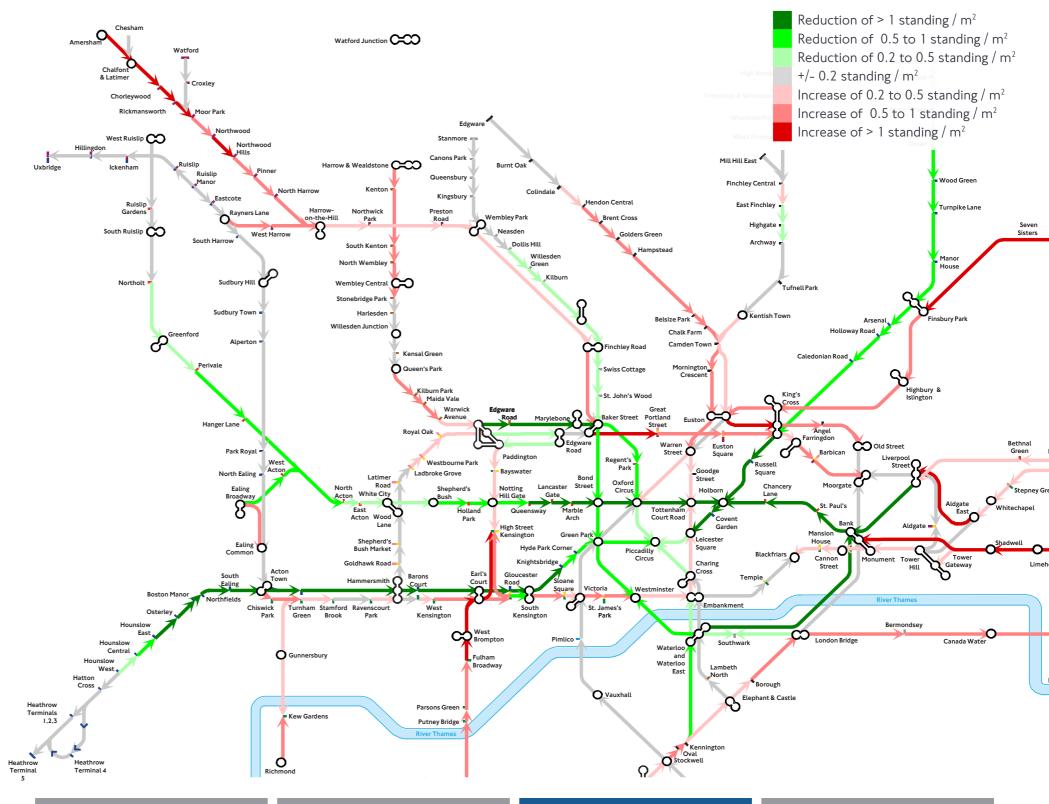


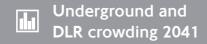


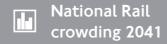
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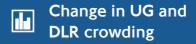
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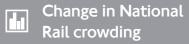
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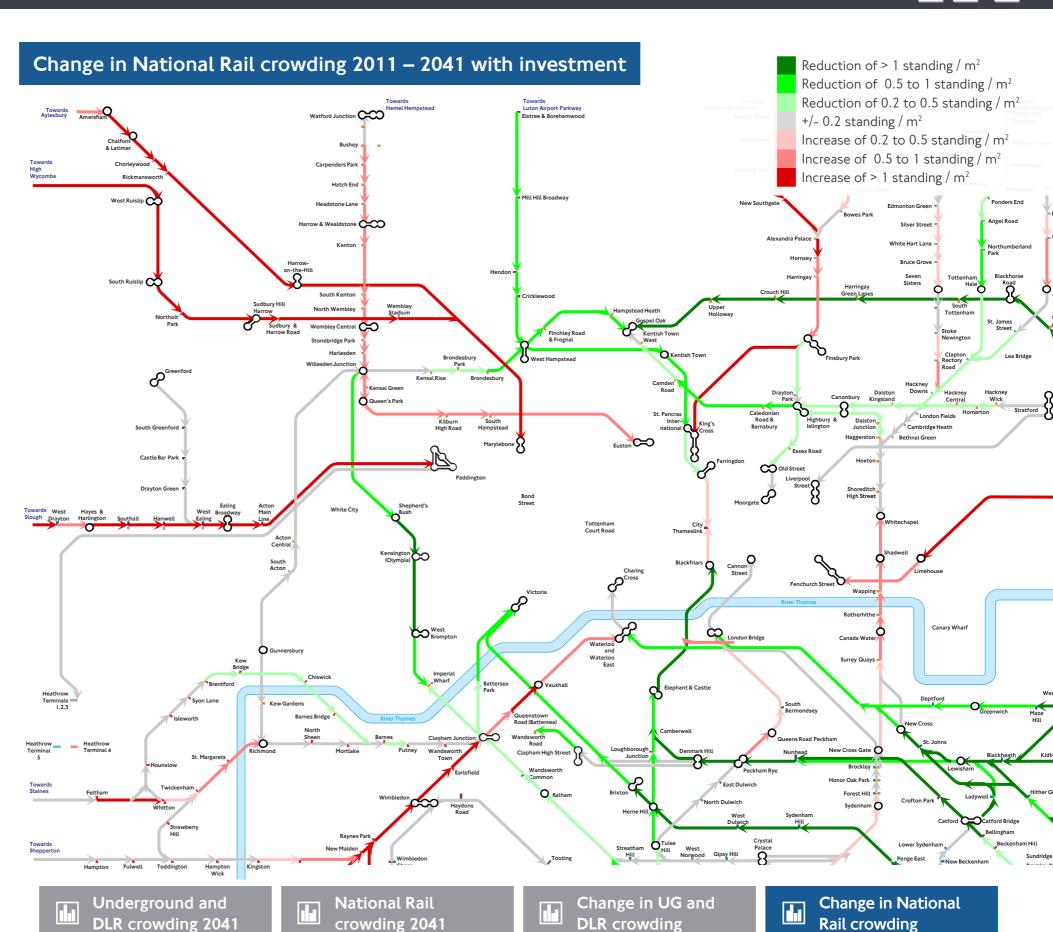






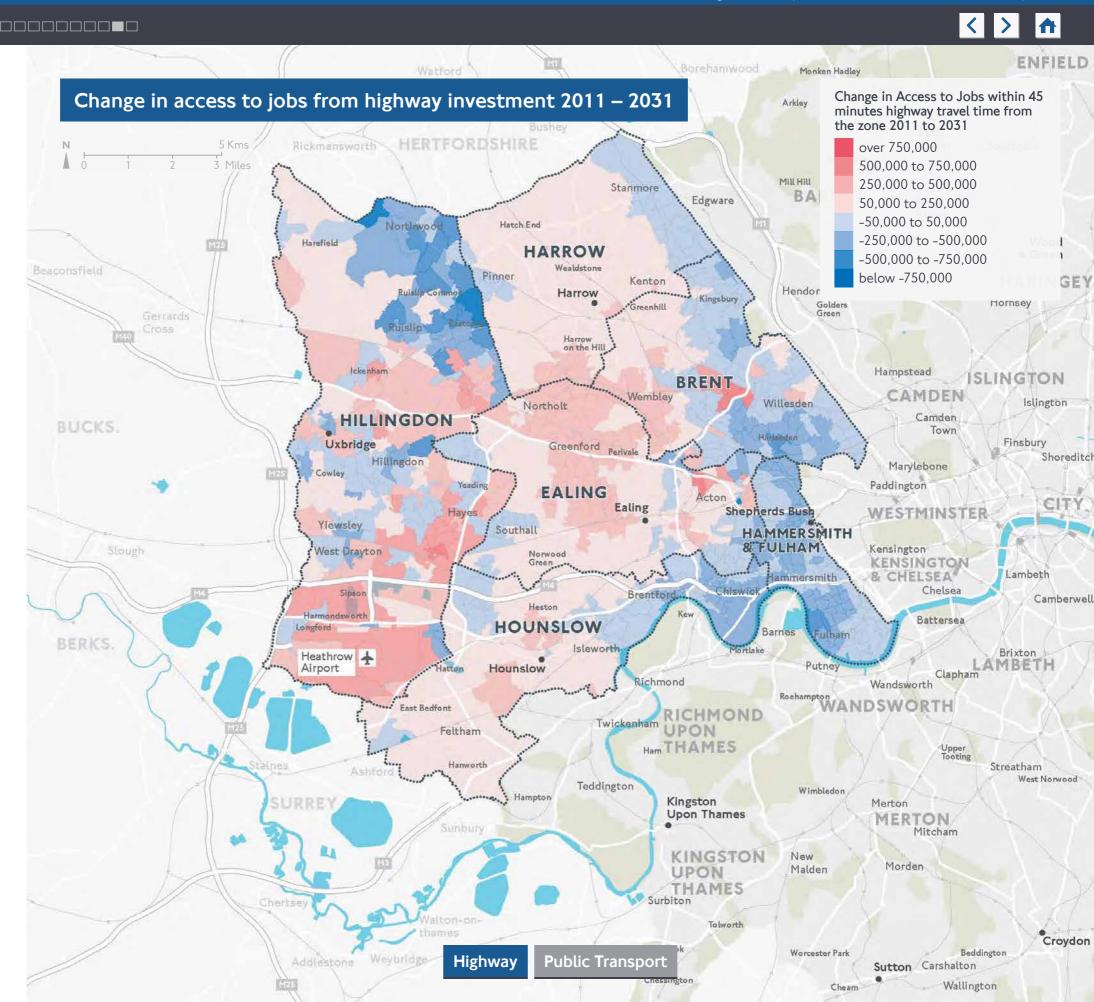


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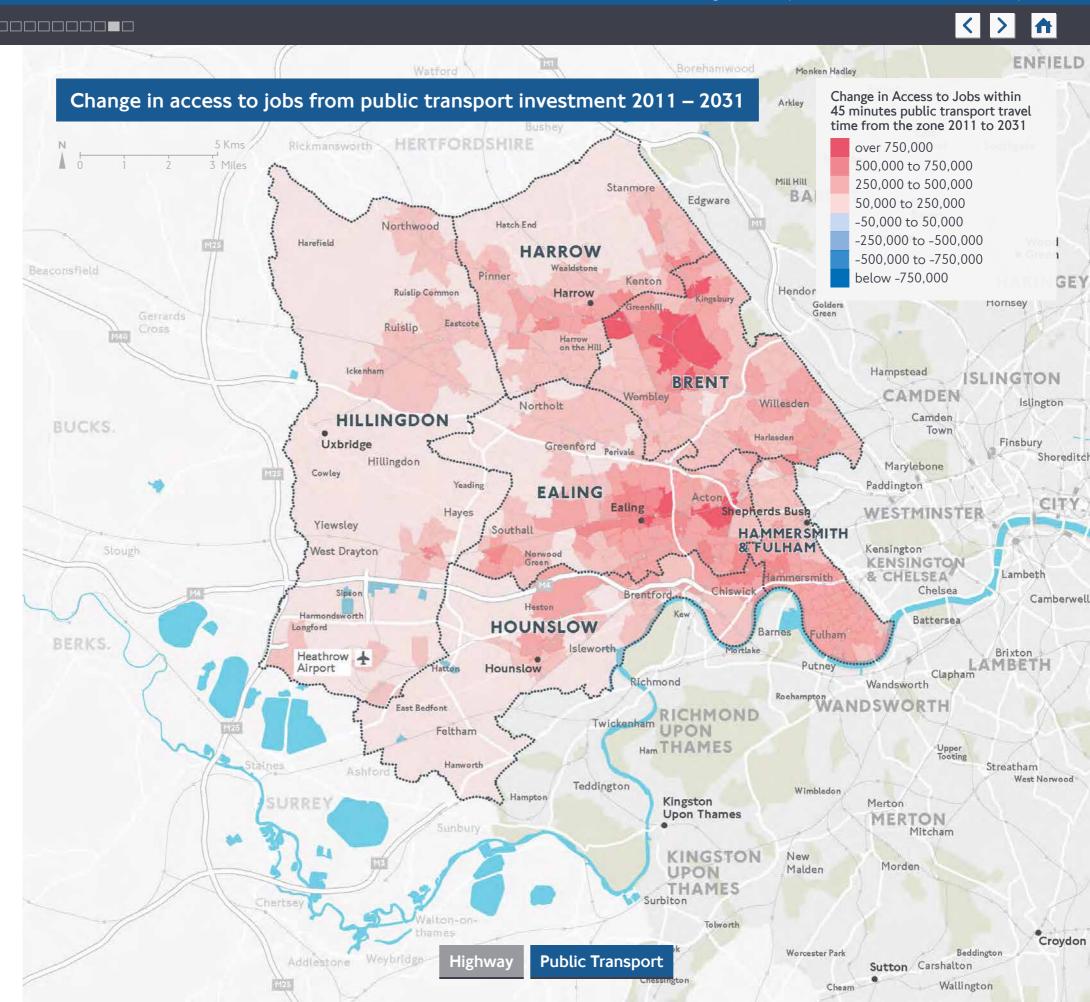
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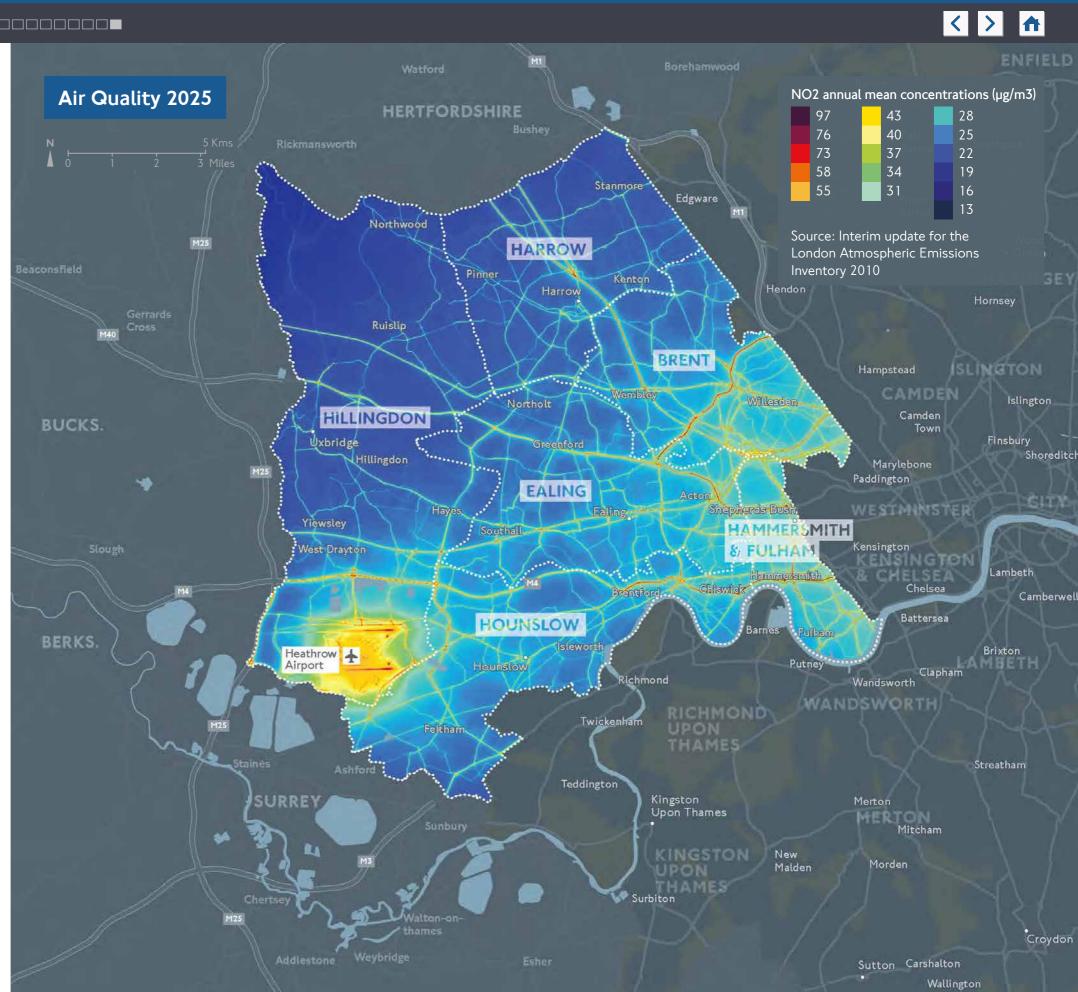
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### Future Growth

### Air quality is expected to improve with technology, but more will need to be done

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