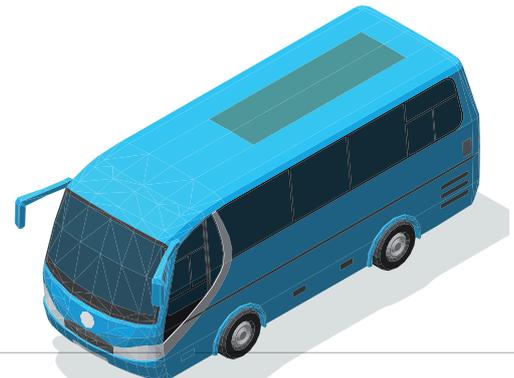


WHAT ARE BUSES?



- The European classification system defines buses and coaches as "vehicles having at least four wheels, designed and constructed for the carriage of passengers, comprising more than eight seats in addition to the driver's seat".
- Buses and coaches are classified as the 'M2' category (for those under 5 tonnes) or 'M3' (for those exceeding 5 tonnes) by the system.

WHY ARE BUSES IMPORTANT?



- Buses are the most widely-used form of public transport in the EU, serving cities as well as suburban and rural areas.
- Buses are the most cost-efficient and flexible form of public transport, requiring minimal investments to launch new lines or routes.
- Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) systems have gained popularity worldwide as a cost-effective alternative to far more expensive urban rail investments.
- Coaches move people comfortably and affordably across long distances.
- Buses and coaches are vital contributors to tourism.
- With one bus capable of replacing 30 cars on the road, buses help ease traffic congestion.
- Buses and coaches have the lowest carbon footprint per passenger of any form of motorised transport.
- Buses are a safe transport mode, responsible for just 0.6% of road fatalities in the EU.
- Buses and coaches improve social inclusion, providing access to education, employment and healthcare to all – including those on low incomes, those who do not drive, the older generation, people with disabilities and people living in remote areas.
- Buses are an important link in the multi-modal mobility chain.

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There are 50 bus assembly plants in Europe.



18,915

In 2016, 18,915 European buses were exported, worth €1.05 billion.



2%

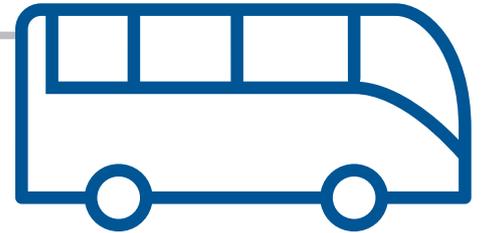
Alternative fuel vehicles make up 2% of the total bus fleet.

9.4 years

The average age of the EU bus fleet is over 9.4 years.

892,861

There are 892,861 buses in circulation on Europe's roads today.



In 2016, 40,380 new buses and coaches were registered throughout the EU.

40,380



55.7%

In the EU, 55.7% of all public transport journeys – or 32.1 billion passenger journeys per year – are made by urban and sub-urban buses.

525.5 billion

8.0% of passenger transport on land in the EU is made by buses and coaches. This represents 525.5 billion passenger-kilometres per year.