

# WALK TO SCHOOL

## 1996: THE FIRST WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK

The first Walk to School Week starts nationally. Today we have over 1 million children and their families taking part.



**THE  
BRITISH  
NATURE  
WALK**  
  
**2023-24  
WOW BADGES**

**SEPTEMBER  
2023**



**OCTOBER  
2023**



**NOVEMBER  
2023**



**DECEMBER  
2023**



**JANUARY  
2024**



**FEBRUARY  
2024**



**MARCH  
2024**



**APRIL  
2024**



**MAY  
2024**



**JUNE  
2024**



**JULY  
2024**



# School Run to School Walk

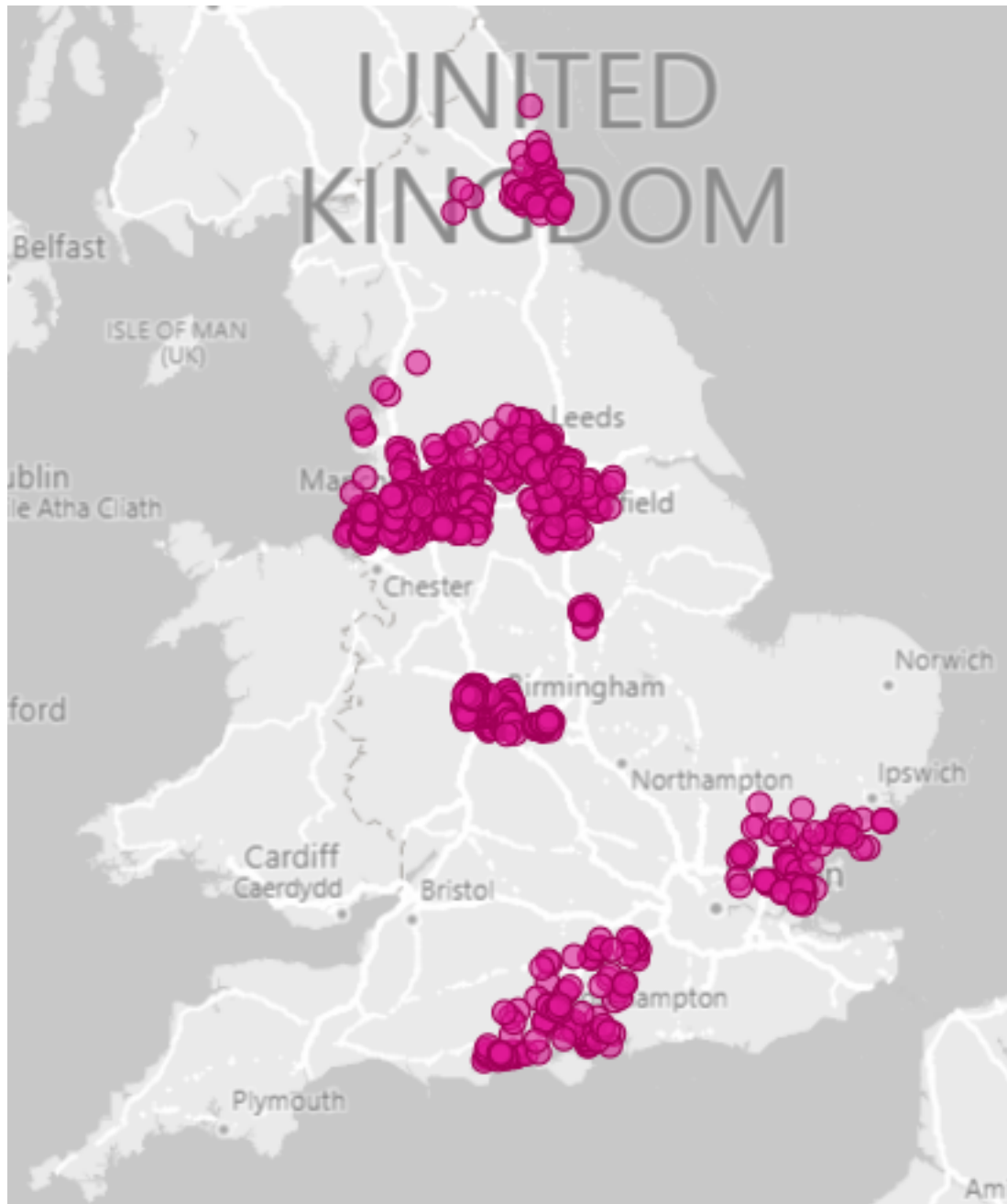
- In 2019, just 47% of children in England walked to primary school (-4% on 2018)
- 49% of primary school age children in England did not meet physical activity guidelines in 2019
- 34% of primary school leavers are overweight or obese
- 6,500 schools are in areas where fine particles exceed the WHO recommended limit for air pollution
- Toxic air pollution is responsible for up to 15% of new childhood asthma cases
- 1 in 4 cars at the morning peak are on the school run



# WHY DO YOUNG PEOPLE WANT ACTION?

- We face an unprecedented challenge – and our young people are paying the price
- Climate change: UK committed to net zero emissions by 2050.
- 22% of carbon emissions from surface transport – primarily from road vehicles (CCC Sixth Carbon Budget)
- Air pollution – 36,000 deaths annually.
- Road safety – children disproportionately killed and seriously injured on our streets





# WTSO

- Blackburn with Darwin Council
- Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole
- Essex County Council
- Hampshire County Council
- Lancashire County Council
- Liverpool City Region
- Nottingham City Council
- South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority
- Tees Valley Combined Authority
- Transport for Greater Manchester
- Transport North East
- West Midlands Combined Authority
- West Yorkshire Combined Authority



# WALKING TO SCHOOL

Enabling and encouraging children to walk to school



# Impact

↑	<b>7 percentage point</b> modal shift	Walking and wheeling all the way
↑	<b>22 percentage point</b> modal shift	Active travel: including scooting, skating, cycling and park-and-stride
↑	<b>14.3 million</b> new walking journeys	At a cost of <b>£0.14</b> per active travel stage
↓	<b>2.6 million</b> car km	Removed from the roads at peak times



# SCHOOL STREETS



**PROGRESS STARTS HERE:  
ONE STREET, ONE SCHOOL,  
ONE STEP AT A TIME** \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

