

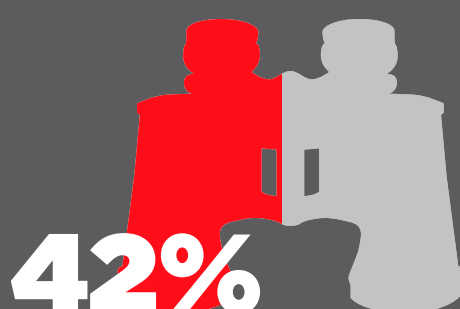
Consequences of non-compliance



Risk of prosecution:

46% say it is a growing fear.

Two in five have been penalised for an infringement in the last three years.



A watchful eye:

42% believe VOSA roadside inspections are increasing.



Punctuality problems?

15% have missed tachograph download deadlines.

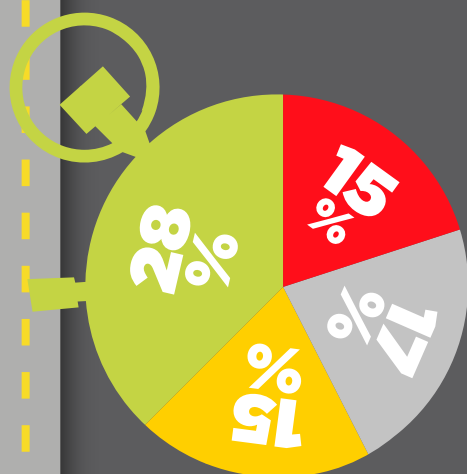
Time is ticking

13% spend more than three hours a month per vehicle downloading data.

19% one to three hours

25% 30 to 60 minutes

43% less than 30 minutes



1/4 spend more than two hours a month per vehicle analysing data for legislative compliance.

15% one to three hours

17% 30 to 60 minutes

15% less than 30 minutes

28% never do it

The digital age?



Four in five prefer digital to analogue tachographs

Download dilemma:

74% do it manually

15% Manually and remotely

11% Remotely



Source: Research conducted by TomTom Business Solutions among transport operators in the United Kingdom. In order to qualify for the research, respondents had to be a decision-maker for a UK business operating a fleet of heavy goods or large transport vehicles.

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Tachographs & drivers' hours

A study into business perceptions and usage

The regulatory requirements for companies and drivers concerning tachographs, and the data they impart, are a time consuming but necessary part of the transport industry.

The rules on drivers' hours and the use of tachographs are essential to ensuring road safety but, to date, research into their usage, infringements and prevailing UK industry perceptions has been limited.

As a consequence TomTom commissioned research among companies operating vehicles, with permissible maximum weights in excess of 3.5 tonnes, to ascertain the impact of tachograph regulations and administrative procedures. The findings of the research are detailed below.

Do you prefer digital or analogue tachographs?

The majority of respondents (79 per cent) prefer digital to analogue tachographs.

Best practice: The introduction of the digital tachographs for all newly-registered commercial vehicles from May 2006 simplified record keeping. The move made the storage and filing of records easier and more secure, increasing the scope for quicker, more detailed, analysis.

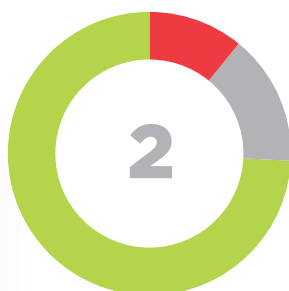


79% Digital
21% Analogue

How do you download your digital tachograph data?

Almost three-quarters (74 per cent) said they download digital tachograph data manually; 11 per cent of whom download data both manually and remotely. For some companies this result may reflect their tachographs' lack of remote download functionality.

Best practice: For some companies this may reflect the lack of remote download functionality with the tachographs they operate. Others may not be aware of the possibilities for remote download – which offers the potential for more efficient and flexible processes.



74% Manually
11% Remotely
15% Manually & Remotely

How many man hours are spent manually downloading digital tachograph data for each vehicle in your fleet?

While 43 per cent of firms spend between 15 and 30 minutes per vehicle manually downloading digital tachograph data, almost a third (32 per cent) spend more than an hour per vehicle doing so. Furthermore, for 13 per cent the process takes more than three hours per vehicle.

Best practice: The manual download of digital tachograph data can be time consuming but remote download solutions offer faster and more efficient procedures.

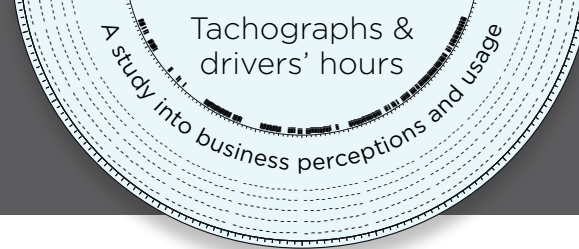


43% 15-30 Minutes a month
25% 30-60 Minutes
12% 1-2 Hours a month
7% 2-3 Hours a month
13% More than 3 hours a month

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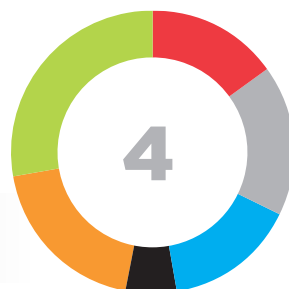
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How much time do you spend analysing tachograph data to help ensure legislative compliance?

Twenty-eight per cent of transport managers never analyse tachograph data to help ensure drivers stay within the law. This may reflect shortcomings in how their data is recorded and the capabilities of their management software tools. For those that analyse their data, 25 per cent spend more than two hours a month doing so.

Best practice: Software solutions that incorporate reporting analytics will improve efficiencies and save time by detailing driver infringements at the touch of a button.



28% Never
15% 15-30 Minutes a month
17% 30-60 Minutes a month
15% 1-2 Hours a month
6% 2-3 Hours a month
19% More than 3 hours a month

Have you ever missed a deadline for downloading driver or company fleet data?

Although the majority of those surveyed (85 per cent) have ensured tachograph data is not overwritten by never missing a download deadline, a significant 15 per cent have missed deadlines – this can result in financial penalties from VOSA.

Best practice: Advanced technology solutions can automatically schedule remote downloads to ensure deadlines are never missed.



85% No
15% Yes

Have you or your drivers had a tachograph infringement recorded against you in the last 36mths?

A fifth (20 per cent) of survey respondents said they'd had infringements recorded against them over the last three years.

Best practice: Tachograph offences can lead to fines of up to £5,000 and custodial sentences of up to two years. The risks of prosecution however could be reduced by employing appropriate technology solutions to aid compliance.



80% No
20% Yes

Have you noticed an increase in roadside inspections by VOSA?

Close on half of transport managers believe the number of roadside inspections carried out by VOSA is on the rise, with 42 per cent saying they've noticed an increase.

Best practice: Increased efforts to ensure compliance reflect the need to maximise road safety, with a third of all road traffic accidents believed to be work related. Companies have a responsibility to ensure they can manage their road risk.



58% No
42% Yes

Is the risk of prosecution through infringements a growing concern for your company?

Transport companies across the UK are clearly worried about the risk of prosecution, with almost half (46 per cent) saying that it is a growing concern for them.

Best practice: The severity of the penalties and potential damage to a business's reputation makes compliance crucial and systems should be in place to ensure the process is handled effectively.



54% No
46% Yes

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