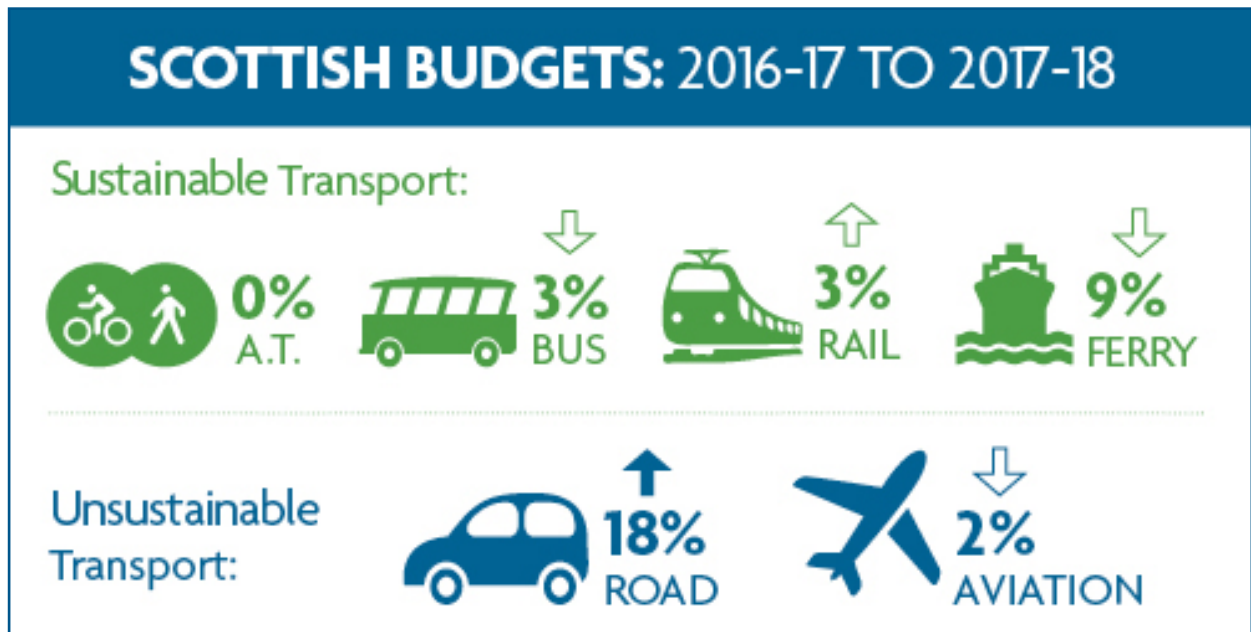


1. Transport expenditure continues to favour unsustainable transport

- 1.1. Recent budgets have prioritised the most unsustainable, carbon-polluting forms of transport. Government spending has failed to reflect the need to increase a modal shift towards sustainable modes of transport:



- 1.2. Successive budgets have prioritised investment in trunk roads and motorways, promoting the use of private vehicles over public transport. Consequently, the Scottish Government has failed to make progress in reducing transport emissions, with only a 2% fall since 1990.
- 1.3. The current trend of investment is directly conflicting with Scottish Government policy on sustainable transport and is stopping the Government meeting its National Indicators on congestion and modal shift.
- 1.4. The focus for private vehicles is of no benefit to the 31% of households who do not have access to a car, many of whom are on lower incomes and are subsequently much more dependent on public transport as a means of commuting and travelling.

2. About Transform Scotland

- 2.1. Transform Scotland is the national sustainable transport alliance. We campaign for a more sensible transport system, one less dependent on unsustainable modes such as the car, the plane and road freight, and more reliant on sustainable modes like walking, cycling, public transport, and freight by rail or sea. We are a membership organisation bringing together rail, bus and shipping operators; local authorities; national environmental organisations; local transport campaign groups; and individual supporters.

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