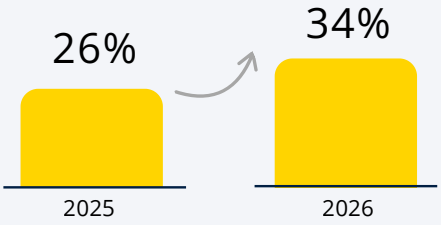
The state of New Zealand's roads

SATISFACTION WITH LOCAL ROAD CONDITIONS IS ON THE RISE

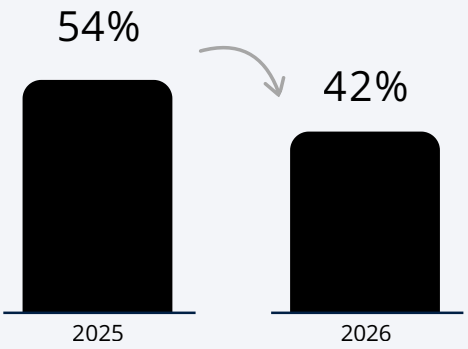
More AA Members are satisfied with the condition of local roads than in 2025

satisfied



But dissatisfaction still outweighs satisfaction

dissatisfied



MORE THAN HALF HAVE HAD A ROAD SAFETY SCARE DUE TO POOR ROAD MAINTENANCE

55%

had a road safety event due to poorly maintained roads in the past 12 months

TOP SAFETY SCARES:

35%
had to brake suddenly or swerve to avoid a hazard

25%
had their vehicle damaged

23%
had a near miss with another road user

SMOOTHER ROADS AND FEWER POTHOLES ARE THE TOP PRIORITY

#1
48%
want smoother roads and fewer potholes to be a top priority

#2
43%
want safer roads and driver behaviour (e.g. speeding)

#3
39%
want less congestion and delays

#4
26%
want more frequent or reliable public transport

RURAL ROADS ARE A PARTICULAR CONCERN

56% dissatisfied with local road condition

42% experienced vehicle damage due to poorly maintained roads

STATE OF LOCAL TRANSPORT SURVEY

Conducted in May 2026
n=8,336 randomly invited AA Members
5.1% response rate
±1.1% margin of error
Results weighted to AA Member age, gender and district

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