56728 Busiest Roads and Cycle Routes in Edinburgh

Can I please have a breakdown of the busiest roads and busiest cycle routes in Edinburgh please?

Can I have it split by year, then by road/cycle path, then by vehicle type.

We are unable to provide the specific information requested as it is not held by the Council.

The City of Edinburgh Council's Active Travel team have a network of pedestrian and cyclist counters, and they can provide where information collected by them, which is publicly accessible, can be viewed. However, they do not monitor the numbers of cyclists using every route in the city, so cannot answer the question as asked.

Data on cycling levels across the city can be accessed by the public from our Drakewell website at:

https://edintraveldata.drakewell.com/publicmultinodemap.asp

Other data can also be found on the Cycling Scotland open data portal at:

https://usmart.io/org/cyclingscotland/

In terms of vehicular traffic numbers, we are in the process of adding our network of Vivacity sensors onto our Drakewell site. This would allow the public to see vehicular count data for those (limited) locations.

Our most recently published data on traffic, including busiest roads within and in/out of the city is part of the City Mobility Plan, available on our website at:

https://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/downloads/file/29320/city-mobility-plan-2021-2030-updated-february-2024

Please refer to 'Traffic and associated Issues' mapping on Pages 12 and 13. The sources of the information are noted in the key.

Of the Travelling Safely Scheme data which was collected about bike users for 3 days in 2023 and 2 days in 2025, the results are provided in the tables below. Whether or not these are the busiest routes of the city, that could only be answered if we had data for every Active Travel corridor and monitored during a reasonable period. This comparative data is not held.

2025

Travelling Safely Scheme	Average Weekday Cycle Count	Maximum Peak Hour Cycle Count
Mayfield Road	1066	205
Craigmillar Park Corridor	687	135
Broughton Street and Bellevue to Canonmills	621	112
Old Dalkeith Road	603	135

Travelling Safely Scheme	Average Weekday Cycle Count	Maximum Peak Hour Cycle Count
Buccleuch Street and Causewayside /		
Potterrow	603	108
Fountainbridge and Dundee Street	566	91
Greenbank to Meadows (Quiet Corridor)	555	134
A1 Corridor (London Road)	344	63
Gilmerton Road	301	69
Crewe Road South	257	49
Comiston Road	255	50
Slateford Road	241	36
Duddingston Road West	218	36
A1 Corridor (Milton Road West)	193	36
Duddingston Road	154	31
A90 Queensferry Road	140	33
Meadow Place Road	121	28
Lanark Road	117	27
Silverknowes Road (South Section)	93	20
Ferry Road	85	16
Pennywell Road	74	13
Silverknowes Road (Bus Gate)	70	18
Longstone Road and Inglis Green Road	68	13
Drum Brae North	49	10
Ladywell Road	24	6

Travelling Safely Scheme	Average Weekday Cycle Count	(Saturday)	Maximum Peak Hour Cycle Count
Mayfield Road	796	365	153

Travelling Safely Scheme	Average Weekday Cycle Count	Weekend (Saturday) Cycle Count	Maximum Peak Hour Cycle Count
Craigmillar Park Corridor	778	447	131
Old Dalkeith Road	684	177	161
Greenbank to Meadows (Quiet Corridor)	672	304	195
Broughton Street and Bellevue to Canonmills	580	384	91
Fountainbridge and Dundee Street	562	396	105
Buccleuch Street and Causewayside / Potterrow	518	311	104
Gilmerton Road	371	277	70
A1 Corridor	350	319	61
Duddingston Road West	319	311	47
Crewe Road South	309	206	51
Slateford Road	306	242	57
Comiston Road	290	215	65
A1 Corridor	262	226	45
A90 Queensferry Road	218	146	48
Duddingston Road	215	163	60
Silverknowes Road (South Section)	203	215	34
Silverknowes Road (Bus Gate)	192	237	34
Lanark Road	168	96	53
Meadow Place Road	155	102	32
Ferry Road	131	97	21
Pennywell Road	122	69	24
West Shore Road	119	198	24
Cammo Walk	101	70	15
Longstone Road and Inglis Green Road	89	85	17
Muirhouse Parkway and Silverknowes Parkway	74	79	20
Drum Brae North	66	70	14

Travelling Safely Scheme	Average Weekday Cycle Count	Weekend (Saturday) Cycle Count	Maximum Peak Hour Cycle Count
Ladywell Road	53	31	12
Silverknowes Road (Quiet Corridor)	23	23	5
Murrayburn Road (Quiet Corridor)	19	24	7

In addition, there are datasets available in relation to the Low Emission Zone but these do not provide the specific information requested regarding the busiest routes across the city. These are published at:

https://data.spatialhub.scot/dataset/traffic count data-ce