

For those driving into and out of central London every day, the Ultra Low Emission Zone (ULEZ) and Congestion Charge can really build up. The good news is that zero-emission vehicles are exempt from both the ULEZ charge and Congestion Charge in London.

Over three years, a business switching to five electric vehicles could make savings of up to £144,850, due to its considerably lower fuel costs and no need to pay the ULEZ and Congestion Charge in London.

Beyond the capital, the rest of the UK is changing fast in an effort to improve air quality across the country. Bath and Birmingham are the next cities to implement their own Clean Air Zones in early 2021, with others expected to follow suit.

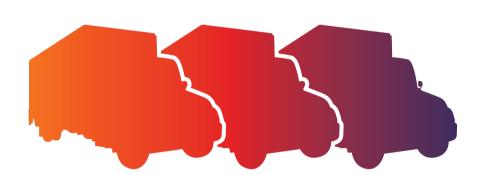


How your EV savings could add up

Business with five diesel vehicles

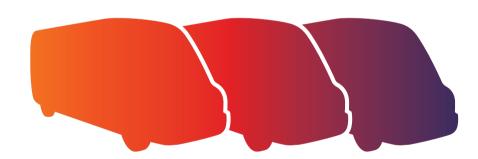
Monthly costs: £3,421.89
Annual costs: £41,062.67

Over three years: £123,188.00



Business with five electric vehicles

Monthly costs: £231.61
Annual costs: £2,779.35
Over three years: £8,338.06



Assumptions

Example compares 5 Nissan NV200 diesel vehicles with 5 Nissan e-NV200 electric vehicles, driving 1,000 miles/month for 36 months Vans entering central London 5 days a week Daily ULEZ charge: £12.50 Daily Congestion Charge: £15.00 Cost of diesel fuel: £1.182/L

Charging overnight at depot; 40kWh battery charged at 14p/kWh

Monthly ULEZ charge	£1,343.75	£0.00
Monthly CC	£1,612.50	£0.00
Monthly fuel cost	£465.64	£231.61
Monthly total	£3,421.89	£231.61
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Annual ULEZ charge	£16,125.00	£0.00
Annual CC	£19,350.00	£0.00
Annual fuel cost	£5,587.67	£2,779.35
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£41,062.67

Annual total

Five diesel vans Five electric vans

£2,779.35

More information on London's ULEZ and Congestion Charge emission standards:

Currently, to be exempt from the daily ULEZ charge of £12.50, petrol cars and vans must meet Euro 4 standards and diesel cars and vans must meet Euro 6 standards. This typically means that petrol vehicles registered before January 2006, and diesel vehicles registered before September 2016, are not compliant. The ULEZ zone is set to expand from October 2021 to create a single larger zone up to the North and South Circular Roads. As for the £15 Congestion Charge, only vehicles that meet Euro 6 standards, emit no more than 75g/km of CO2 and have a minimum 20 mile zero emission capable range are exempt. From October 2021, this is set to change so that only battery electric vehicles are elgible.

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