

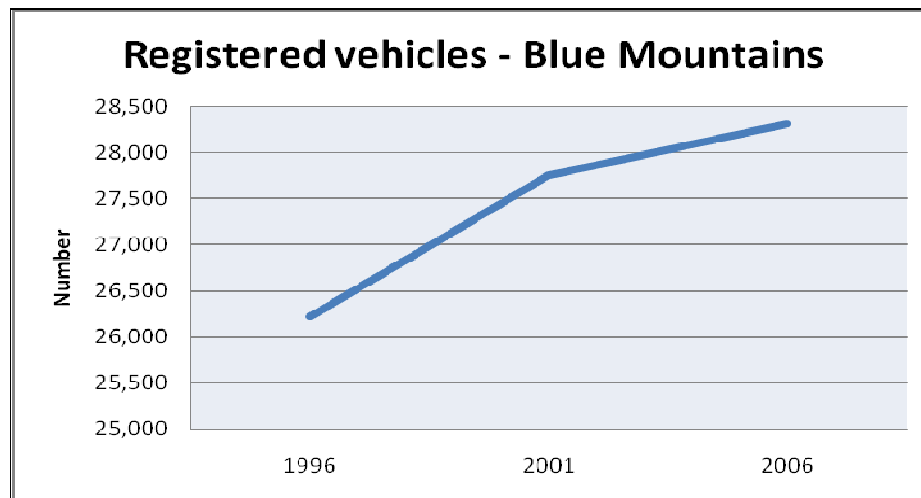
Motor vehicles

What are we monitoring?

The number of registered vehicles

What is the trend?

The total number of registered vehicles in the Blue Mountains has increased.



REGISTERED VEHICLES - BLUE MOUNTAINS			
YEAR	1996	2001	2006
NUMBER	26,218	27,748	28,311

This data-records the number of registered motor vehicles, which are owned or used by members of a household, and which are garaged or parked near the occupied private dwelling on Census Night. It includes vans and company vehicles kept at home, but excludes motorbikes, scooters and tractors.

Why is monitoring this trend important?

The number of vehicles provides insights into the usage and perception of public transport in addition to the transport options available and the transport choices that residents are making. Environmental impacts such as air pollution, greenhouse gas emissions are results of the community's increased reliance on cars. This data may also provide some indication of how successful our urban design policies are achieving their aim of reducing car usage.

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing, 2006, 2001, 1996