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Supplementary forecast information release

Fuel duty receipts by vehicle type

- 1.1 The OBR is releasing this information following a request for further detail in respect of our March 2024 *Economic and fiscal outlook (EFO)* concerning the OBR's forecast of fuel duty receipts by vehicle type. We will, as far as possible, meet any requests to release supplementary forecast information where this will improve the quality of public debate on the public finances. Our full release policy is available on our website.

Background

- 1.2 Table 1 shows our March 2024 fuel duty forecast broken down to petrol and diesel (subject to the standard duty rate) and rebated oils (subject to lower duty rates). The former category is then further split into vehicle types.
- 1.3 The majority of fuel duty receipts comes from petrol and diesel used by cars, LGVs (vans), HGVs and other road vehicles (e.g. buses and motorcycles). Rebated oils represent a small portion of fuel duty receipts and include the duties levied on gas oil, fuel oil and other rebated oils.
- 1.4 Our cars, LGVs and HGVs forecasts are calculated by applying the relevant duty rates to a forecast for fuel consumption calculated from projections for distance driven and average fuel efficiency. We also adjust for electric vehicles (EVs) which do not pay fuel duty.¹ Our efficiency assumptions are based on the DfT's projected efficiency improvements found in Table A1.3.10 of their Transport Analysis Guidance (TAG) publication. Receipts from other road fuels, such as buses and motorcycles, are projected forward using historical trends in fuel consumption multiplied by the relevant duty rates.
- 1.5 The large year-on-year increase across all categories in 2025-26 is driven by the higher duty rates our forecast assumes for that year.

¹ For more information on our EV assumptions and how they impact fuel duty receipts see our March 2024 supplementary release on [Car engine types in the fuel duty forecast](#) and [Box 4.2](#) in our November 2023 *Economic and fiscal outlook*.

Table 1: Fuel duty receipts by vehicle type

	£ billion						
	Outturn	Forecast					
	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29
Fuel duty forecast	25.1	24.6	24.7	27.3	27.6	28.0	28.2
of which:							
Road fuels	24.8	24.4	24.5	27.0	27.4	27.8	27.9
Other fuels ¹	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3
Road fuels by vehicle type							
Cars	14.4	14.2	14.4	15.9	16.0	16.1	16.0
LGVs	4.3	4.4	4.5	5.1	5.2	5.5	5.7
HGVs	4.3	4.2	4.2	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.8
Other petrol and diesel ²	1.8	1.7	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.4

¹ Includes gas oil, fuel oil and other rebated oils

² Includes buses, motorcycles and non-road white diesel (e.g. construction and quarrying)