

# SAVE OUR SERVICES **.COM.AU** Traffic and Transport in Ellenbrook

A weekly return commute by car from Ellenbrook to Perth city takes over 8 hours each week, which amounts to an unpaid extra working day each week.

Promises for a train line to Ellenbrook have been broken repeatedly. The only real option for public transport to the city is catching a bus to the Midland Line but in a recent survey, the low number of buses was a frequent complaint. While most Midland bus passengers are satisfied with the service the 'net promoter score' (the number of users who would recommend the service minus the number who wouldn't) dropped in the past year from 50 to 19. Source: *'Passenger Satisfaction Monitor 2016'* Public Transport Authority

Save Our Services has calculated travel times during peak morning and evening times based on the most common car and public transport routes and have summarised the information below.

## Car routes from Ellenbrook/Swan Hills\*

|                   | Daily return | Weekly return | Annual return time** |
|-------------------|--------------|---------------|----------------------|
| To/From Perth CBD | 1.7hrs       | 8.3hrs        | 398 hrs              |
| To/From Midland   | 1.4 hrs      | 7.1 hrs       | 341 hrs              |
| To/From Welshpool | 1.5 hrs      | 7.5 hrs       | 360 hrs              |
| To/From Fremantle | 2.5 hrs      | 12.5 hrs      | 600 hrs              |

\*all return times based on estimated median travel times

\*\*based on a 48 week working year



**Bus Route 955 to Midland Line To/From the Perth CBD**  
Daily return journey: 2.28 hrs

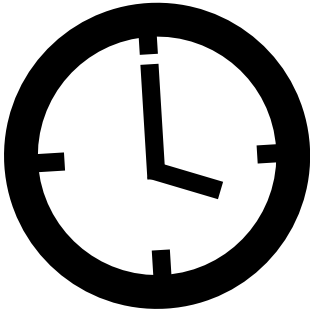
**Public transport costs:**

**Daily cost: \$ 9.36\***

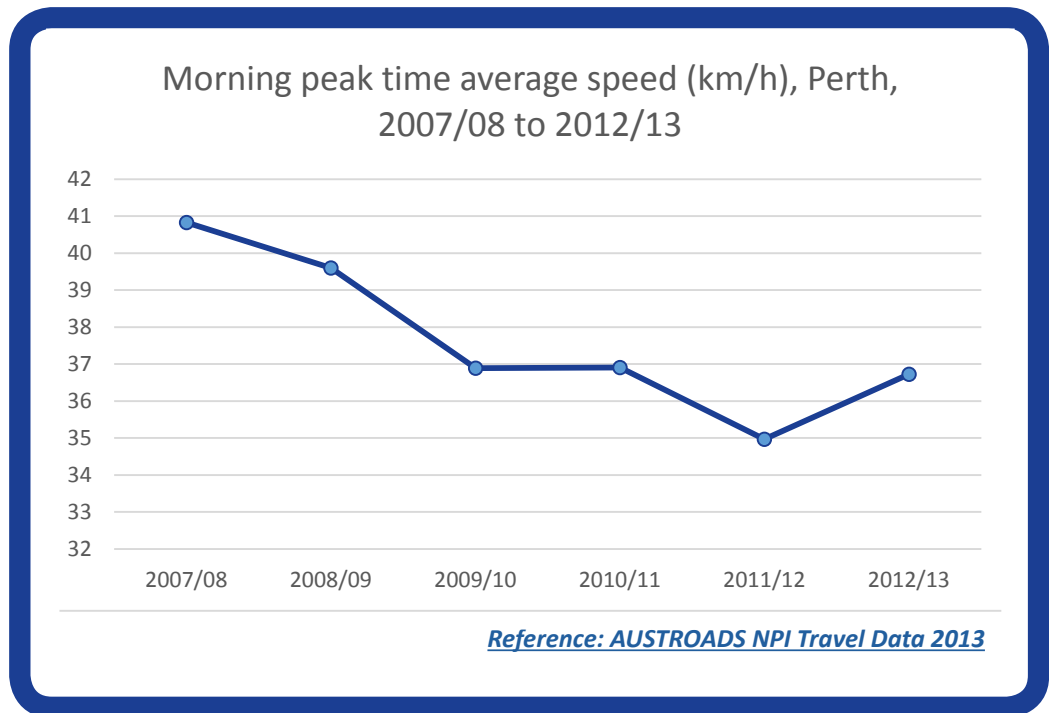
**Weekly return journey: 8.17 hrs**

**Weekly cost: \$ 46.80 \***

\*Applies the 15% add value discount fare.



Unfortunately, from 2013, the WA Government and other governments across Australia stopped collecting good peak road commute travel times for all capital cities. However, as the chart below shows for the years until then, the Perth peak time car commute speed got slower and slower.



These figures may differ from your experience - what's your travel story?  
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## Useful resources and websites

### Travelling by car:

**A2B Smart choices for driving in peak hour traffic:** <http://www.smarttransportwaa2b.wa.gov.au>

**A Mainroads WA tool that shows you the best times to travel on our roads.**

**Australia's worst commute:** <http://australiasworstcommute.com.au>

**A clever tool set up by the Australian Automobile Association which asks for your commute experience and directs contact with political parties to enact change.**

**"Cost of motoring and a fair deal for Western Australians"** RAC Mobility Bulletin #5, 2015

**"Motoring and Mobility Report: How Australians experience their transport options"** Australian Automobile Association, 2016

### Public transport:

**Transperth Plan Your Journey:** <http://www.transperth.wa.gov.au>

**This tool allows you to enter an address to find the best options for travel on public transport. It provides times and fares.**

**"Passenger Satisfaction Monitor 2016"** Public Transport Authority

**This annual survey collates data about popular public transport modes and routes across the Perth metro area.**

Find out more at <http://www.saveourservices.com.au/transport>

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