

## Happiness and the Consumption of Mobility

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Many of the academic transport fraternity, and the Green campaigners outside academia, are concerned with the impact that transport is having on the present and future of the planet. We are increasingly enjoined to get out of our cars, to forsake the third transatlantic plane trip, to escape the environmental and social consequences of what some have called “hypermobility”.

But what are we asking?

This presentation will consider the extent to which movement, even commuting, has become a significant part of the spectrum of physical human pleasures, essential to individual identity formation, and what the implications for human happiness would be of a reduced consumption of mobility.