

# Get the most out of a tank of fuel this Summer As new research reveals petrol prices rose more steeply in May than for the last 18 years, Europear UK offers tips on driving economically

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Fuel prices in Britain continue to soar, with the RAC declaring that in May petrol prices rose more steeply than they had in the last 18 years<sup>1</sup>. With many families starting to make plans for the great summer get-away, Europear UK, a subsidiary of Europear Mobility Group, a major player in mobility markets, is offering motorists tips on how to drive for less

"Fuel prices are currently almost as high as they've ever been" said Gary Smith, Managing Director of Europear UK Group. "But savvy drivers can take a few steps to tackle the costs."

## 1. Maintain a steady speed <sup>2</sup>

 Sudden variations in speed have a disruptive impact on a car's momentum and that means more fuel is used getting back up to speed. So avoid harsh acceleration or sharp braking.

### 2. Drive in as high a gear as possible 3

 Whilst complying with the road conditions, driving in as low a speed as possible in the highest gear means that less fuel will be consumed.

### 3. Trim the fat 4

 Losing as much weight as possible from a vehicle helps economise on fuel. Removing unnecessary items items from the boot may have an impact on fuel consumption.

#### 4. Get rid of the roof rack

 This is another way to reduce the weight of the vehicle. It will also help with the car's aerodynamics. The RAC have found that an empty roof rack affects fuel consumption by about 10%<sup>5</sup>.

### 5. Check vehicle condition before hitting the road

• Getting the car checked before embarking on a long journey makes good sense – not just to ensure its running as efficiently as possible to also to avoid any unwanted delays if the car breaks down.

"The newest vehicles offer the best possible fuel economy", added Gary Smith. "Families heading off for a long trip this Summer may, therefore, want to consider hiring a car. All the vehicles in the Europear UK fleet are less than 6 months old and serviced regularly. Customers can be safe in the knowledge that the vehicle they've hired is using fuel as efficiently as possible."

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://www.rac.co.uk/drive/advice/fuel-watch/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> http://www.theaa.com/driving-advice/fuels-environment/drive-smart

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://www.rac.co.uk/drive/advice/how-to/fuel-saving-tips/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> http://www.theaa.com/driving-advice/fuels-environment/drive-smart

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Customers' satisfaction is at the heart of the Group's mission and all of its employees and this commitment fuels the continuous development of new services.

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