

TRAVELSmart TO SCHOOL

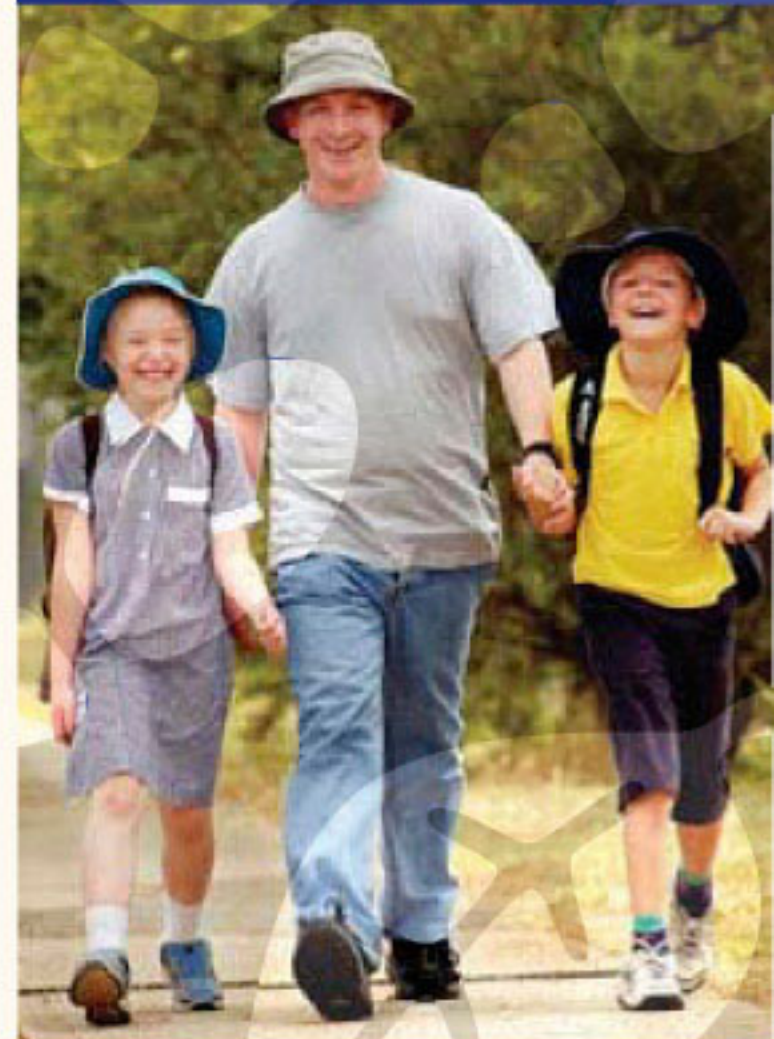
How can I make smarter travel choices for the trip to school?

There are a number of ways that you can help make smarter travel choices to get your children to school.

You can:

- > Arrange for older children to walk together and with younger children*
- > Encourage bike riding
- > Use public transport
- > Participate in a Walking School Bus
- > Organise car pools
- > Consider a combination of travel choices

* Transport SA recommends that children under the age of 10 who are walking to school be accompanied by an adult.



A Walking School Bus in action.

Who do I contact for more information?

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TravelSmart SA is an initiative of the Government of South Australia in partnership with Local Councils and schools



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What is TravelSmart SA about?

To encourage us to make smarter transport choices, reduce our reliance on the car and increase physical activity by using active transport, Transport SA has initiated the TravelSmart SA program. A key component of the TravelSmart SA program involves Transport SA working closely with councils and schools.



Did you know?

- > Over 19% of all greenhouse gas emissions generated in South Australia come from private motor vehicles
- > One of the major "trip generators" is the journey to and from school
- > Over 70% of all children aged 5-12 years of age travel to school by car
- > The number of children walking to school has decreased by 46.5% since 1986

(Source: Travel Statistics - Adelaide Metropolitan Household Travel Survey, 1986 & 1999)



What are the benefits of the TravelSmart SA education program?

When your school takes part in the program, your school community will be:

- > Reducing transport-related greenhouse gas emissions
- > Easing traffic congestion around the school
- > Helping to protect the environment
- > Engaging in a healthier lifestyle
- > Promoting more active, integrated communities
- > Increasing the focus on environmental issues
- > Helping to develop children's knowledge of road safety, particularly if the program is run in tandem with Road Safety Education programs

How does TravelSmart SA work in your school?

The TravelSmart SA Education program includes a curriculum resource that has been developed specifically for use in South Australian primary schools and is linked to the SACSA framework.

The program:

- > Encourages small changes to travel habits through the use of an optional Travel Diary
- > Raises awareness of how the car impacts on the environment, community, lifestyle and health
- > Highlights the benefits of walking, cycling and using public transport
- > Offers a variety of Travel Behaviour Change tools including a Walking School Bus and Green Travel Challenge Day
- > Includes access to on-line teacher resources and classroom activities
- > Provides In-service training for teachers
- > Offers ongoing support through Transport SA's education consultants

