



The Road Ahead: Why South Africa Must Rethink Transport Now

Our 10-year projection shows that by **2035**:

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- · A National car volume will exceed 12.4 million
- . Congestion Index will hit **92.5 out of 100**, nearing gridlock
- · O Average travel time per trip will climb to nearly 50 minutes

This crisis is not just about traffic — it's about **opportunity cost**, **safety**, and **inequality**.

Drunk driving remains high, not because people don't care, but because public transport is inconvenient, outdated, and unsafe, especially at night.

We need to make trains **accessible**, **safe**, **and desirable** — stations that run **24/7**, with **local vendors**, vibrant social spaces, and dignity by design. Big franchises must step aside at most stops to make space for small, independent entrepreneurs — creating jobs while restoring trust.

Relying on Uber and remote work was never a plan — it was a fluke.

If we don't act now even the wealthy will be stuck in the very traffic they thought they could avoid