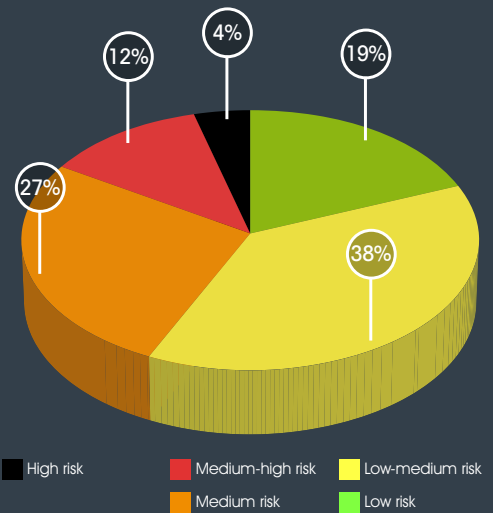


Risk Rating of Britain's Motorways and A Roads in the North-west

The **North-west** accounts for 7% of the total network length surveyed. The region overall is 4th safest for average risk rating of the 10 British regions and accounts for 7% of all fatal collisions. Single carriageways make up the greatest proportion (69%) of network length but, by British standards, the region has a substantial network of motorway and purpose built roads. The average risk on single carriageway sections in the North-west is the highest in Britain, and is only partly explained by the death and serious injury rate of motorcyclists in National Parks. Overall, 1 in 6 sections in the North-west are in the higher risk categories.

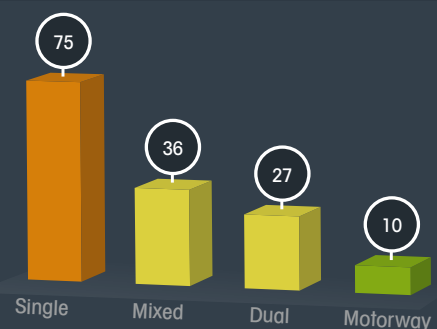


Distribution of risk on motorways and A roads



Average EuroRAP risk rating	31
Number of fatal and serious collisions	2233
% total fatal & serious collisions on network	9
Length (km)	2798
% of total on network	7
% single carriageway	69
% mixed carriageway	9
% dual carriageway	3
% motorway	18

Average risk rating (F&S/bvkm) by carriageway type



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