

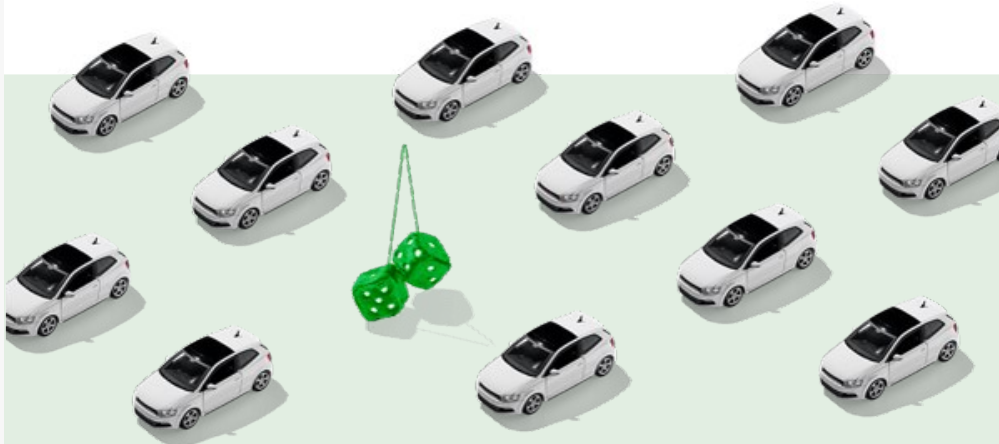
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## Mr Simon, is your car insurance ready for post-lockdown life?

After the latest easing of certain Coronavirus related restrictions, you might find yourself and other car users on the roads more often. So, while we all get used to driving again, now is a great time to review your current car insurance and compare with GoCompare.

If you need to claim on your car insurance, you'll usually have to pay an amount towards it - the excess. But if you buy car insurance through us, we'll refund up to £250 of your excess after your claim has been settled.

Over 1 million people have already taken advantage of our **free £250 excess cover**<sup>^</sup>. And don't worry, it doesn't affect the price of your car insurance - in fact, you could save up to £289\* by comparing with us.

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### Compulsory MOTs to resume

Vehicles with MOT dates before 1 August will still be exempt from testing for six months.  
But if your vehicle is due for an MOT after 1 August, you must

get it tested to be able to drive it.

## Travel restrictions are easing - planning a trip?

The Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) has recently updated the travel restrictions for certain countries. This means there could be a chance for a summer holiday abroad.

Due to this news, we're offering travel insurance comparison again, so you can compare policies to find the right cover for your trip.

Make sure you always check the FCO advice before booking your holiday and buying your travel insurance, as this may change.

[Compare travel insurance](#)

Or find out more about [Coronavirus and travel insurance](#).



## Staying in the UK? Holiday in your garden instead.

Since lockdown began, online searches for hot tubs have increased 460% and above-ground pools by 1,600%, as summer holidays move from the beach to the garden.\*\*

But don't get carried away buying garden equipment - it might not be included in your home insurance. Check your policy for the total sum covered under 'contents in outbuildings including garages' to make sure your garden's contents are covered.

Here are some tips for keeping your garden and outdoor equipment safe if you're planning a garden-cation:



Maintain boundary hedges and fences to help deter opportunistic thieves



Plant prickly shrubs or hedges as a defense



Keep outdoor possessions and tools locked away where possible



Install security lighting



Secure expensive plants with wire pegs dug into the ground



Use a security pen to mark valuable items with your postcode

Find out more about how home insurance applies to your garden below.

[Home insurance & your garden](#)

## Working from home because of lockdown?

If you have been, you can claim tax relief of up to £6 per week that you've had to work from home during lockdown - check the government website for more information.

Now could also be a good time to get on top of household bills, like energy and broadband prices.

Compare gas & electricity

Broadband deals

## How to protect your pet post-lockdown

Lots of people have bought a pet during lockdown, but it's important to buy safely and get the right level of protection for your new pal.

If you're buying or adopting a pet online, check for reviews of the site or person. You should also ask for a video call if you can't see the pet in person.

Don't pay by bank transfer, as it offers little financial protection. Any suspicions? Then don't go ahead.

When you've got your new fur friend, make sure you get the type of pet insurance that offers the right cover.

Compare pet insurance



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\*51% could save up to £289 based on independent research by Consumer Intelligence, conducted between 1 April to 30 April 2020.

\*\*Google Trends data comparing the week 15 -21 March with the week 24 - 30 May 2020. Data correct as of 4 June 2020.

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