



# My Melbourne Road

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## Foreword by Phil Turnbull

The *My Melbourne Road* survey was a collaborative effort that invited everyone who uses our transport network – motorists, cyclists, pedestrians and public transport users – to highlight unsafe roads and intersections.

Inside you'll find some of the key findings taken from 5,000 responses.

Intersection safety, driver behaviour, and pedestrian and cyclist safety were the top three concerns that you have raised with us. We will be taking these concerns to governments and advocating for improvements to the roads you have identified.

The results remind us that safety is not just about safer speeds and safer roads, but driver behaviour. We are seeing a direct link between drivers taking increased risks when there are high levels of traffic congestion.

Many of the roads and intersections identified in the survey highlight the need for improved cycling and pedestrian infrastructure. The results also remind us that policymakers need to include pedestrians and cyclists in the development of road safety initiatives.

From here, RACV will engage with governments to address the findings. Thankfully, many of the proposed solutions that you have put forward are not high cost. Upgrades like zebra crossings, improved lighting and traffic lights are all actionable if we have the will.

I'd like to thank everyone who responded to the survey. Your support is a testament to the care we have for one another and our desire to prevent lives being lost on our roads.



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## How we listened to you

RACV's *My Melbourne Road* is how we listen to Victorians about their safety concerns regarding Melbourne's transport network, so that we can act on behalf of the community to help improve safety on our roads.

It follows RACV's *My Country Road* survey which saw 4,000 respondents identify safety concerns on 31 regional roads across Victoria.

We engaged with government advocating for change and as a result, 16 regional roads have already been upgraded or committed to works.

In March 2023, *My Melbourne Road* invited all motorists, cyclists, pedestrians and public transport users via an interactive online map, to have their say about safety concerns on any road or intersection across 31 local council areas.

By highlighting a street, intersection or stretch of road, participants could voice their concerns about unsafe speed limits, poor road conditions, driver or cycling behaviour or any other safety issue.

# What you told us

Below you'll find some of the key findings taken from 5,000 responses.

## Road and intersection safety

Overly complex intersections were the top safety issue that you identified. One-third of participants called for lower speeds on the roads regularly used. Many of the solutions identified included low-cost solutions such as zebra crossings and better-positioned traffic lights.

- *Moonee Valley's Mount Alexander Road* – where it meets with Keilor Road – received the most responses for safety concerns in both the road and intersection categories. You told us that Mount Alexander Road had several confusing roundabouts, was dangerous for pedestrians attempting to cross the road and had a lack of protected cycling infrastructure.

- *Dandenong Road* running through Windsor, Prahran and Caulfield was flagged as the second most dangerous road, followed in third place by Sydney Road in Brunswick and Coburg.

## Pedestrian and cycling safety

The most vulnerable road users – cyclists and pedestrians – were the most highly represented in the feedback. Many of the roads and intersections with the most number of responses had pedestrian or cyclist-related safety issues as their primary concern.

Three of the roads with the most number of responses are Strategic Cycling Corridors. The roads highlighted by cyclists were St Kilda Road in Melbourne and Barkly and Hopkins Streets in Footscray. The intersections respondents believed needed improved pedestrian and cycling infrastructure were Bay Street and Liardet Road in Port Melbourne, Flemington Road and Royal Parade in North Melbourne and Williamstown Road and Beacon Road in Port Melbourne.

## Driver behaviour

The behaviour of drivers – including speeding and dangerous driving – was a key concern, with one-third of all respondents indicating that a lower speed limit on their nominated road would improve safety.

## Key roads with safety concerns

	Road	Suburbs	Issues raised
1	Mount Alexander Rd	Essendon, Moonee Ponds, Ascot Vale	Several confusing roundabouts, dangerous for pedestrians attempting to cross and lack of safe bike riding infrastructure.
2	Dandenong Rd	Windsor, Prahran, Caulfield	Pedestrian crossings inadequate for school children, inappropriate clearway times causing risky merging and sudden drops in speed not well observed.
3	Sydney Rd	Brunswick, Coburg	Unsafe interaction between motorists, cyclists, pedestrians and trams.
4	North Rd	McKinnon, Oakleigh, Clayton	Speed zone inconsistency, unsafe driving and disconnected cycling path.
5	Calder Fwy	Keilor Park, Keilor, Taylors Lakes	Unsafe driving, with heavy congestion inducing risk-taking behaviours.
6	Clyde Rd / Berwick-Cranbourne Rd	Berwick, Clyde	Unsafe driving, with heavy congestion inducing risk-taking behaviours. Insufficient separation of cyclists.
7	Point Cook Rd	Point Cook, Seabrook	Unsafe driving, with heavy congestion inducing risk-taking behaviours. Insufficient separation of cyclists.
8	St Kilda Rd	Melbourne	Motorists and cyclists experiencing confusion since the cycling infrastructure upgrades. Further awareness and education required to mitigate this perception issue.
9	Barkly St / Hopkins St	Footscray	Inadequate or missing bike infrastructure, narrow footpaths and heavy trucks mixing with bike riders.
10	Western Fwy	Melton, Rockbank	Two lanes insufficient to service major growth area (Melton) / absence of adequate merging lanes and overall road quality insufficient for demand.



## Intersections with safety concerns

	Road	Suburbs
1	Mount Alexander Road / Keilor Road	Essendon
2	Princes Freeway / Geelong Road Exit	Werribee
3	Wellington Road / Dorning Road	Narre Warren East
4	Bay Street / Liardet Road	Port Melbourne
5	Twickenham Crescent / Loyola Grove	Richmond
6	Flemington Road / Racecourse Road	North Melbourne
7	Point Cook Road / Sneydes Road	Point Cook
8	Flemington Road/ Royal Parade	North Melbourne
9	Lorimer Street / Wurundjeri Way	Docklands
10	Williamstown Road / Beacon Road	Port Melbourne



### Mount Alexander Road / Keilor Road **Essendon**

"Nightmare intersection. Even locals struggle with all the ins and outs let alone drivers unfamiliar with the area."



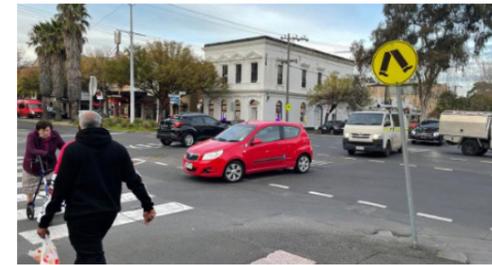
### Princes Freeway / Geelong Road Exit **Werribee**

"Cars exiting the freeway westbound have to queue up for kilometres in the emergency lane to exit here. Very unsafe with trucks hurtling past at 100km per hour."



### Wellington Road / Dorning Road **Narre Warren East**

"Corner of Wellington Road and Dorning Road is unsafe due to the low visibility bend and a 100km/h speed limit and no turning lane into the childcare centre."



### Bay Street / Liardet Road **Port Melbourne**

"This intersection is the most hated intersection in Port Melbourne. Although the data only shows collisions reported, near misses happen every day for pedestrians, cyclists and cars. It really needs a better solution."



### Twickenham Crescent / Loyola Grove **Richmond**

"Roundabout at Twickenham and Loyola. Near misses every time I use the roundabout."



### Flemington Road / Racecourse Road **North Melbourne**

"One right turning lane (towards the Tulla) here is simply not sufficient. It causes lots of banked up traffic and congestion, leading to frustration and people changing lanes etc."



### Point Cook Road / Sneydes Road **Point Cook**

"There is an accident or a near miss on this corner every single week without failure. Why are we waiting for a fatality before any action is taken. Lights are needed ASAP and a red light camera at that."



### Flemington Road / Royal Parade **North Melbourne**

"This roundabout regularly confuses motorists, which is amplified by the fact it also has a tram line through it and it used by people unfamiliar with the area (as it is right by Royal Melbourne Hospital)."



### Lorimer Street / Wurundjeri Way **Docklands**

"Cars in lane 2 travelling on Montague Street towards the city are always moving into lane 1 due to poor lane markings. I travel this intersection daily and I see cars doing this daily."



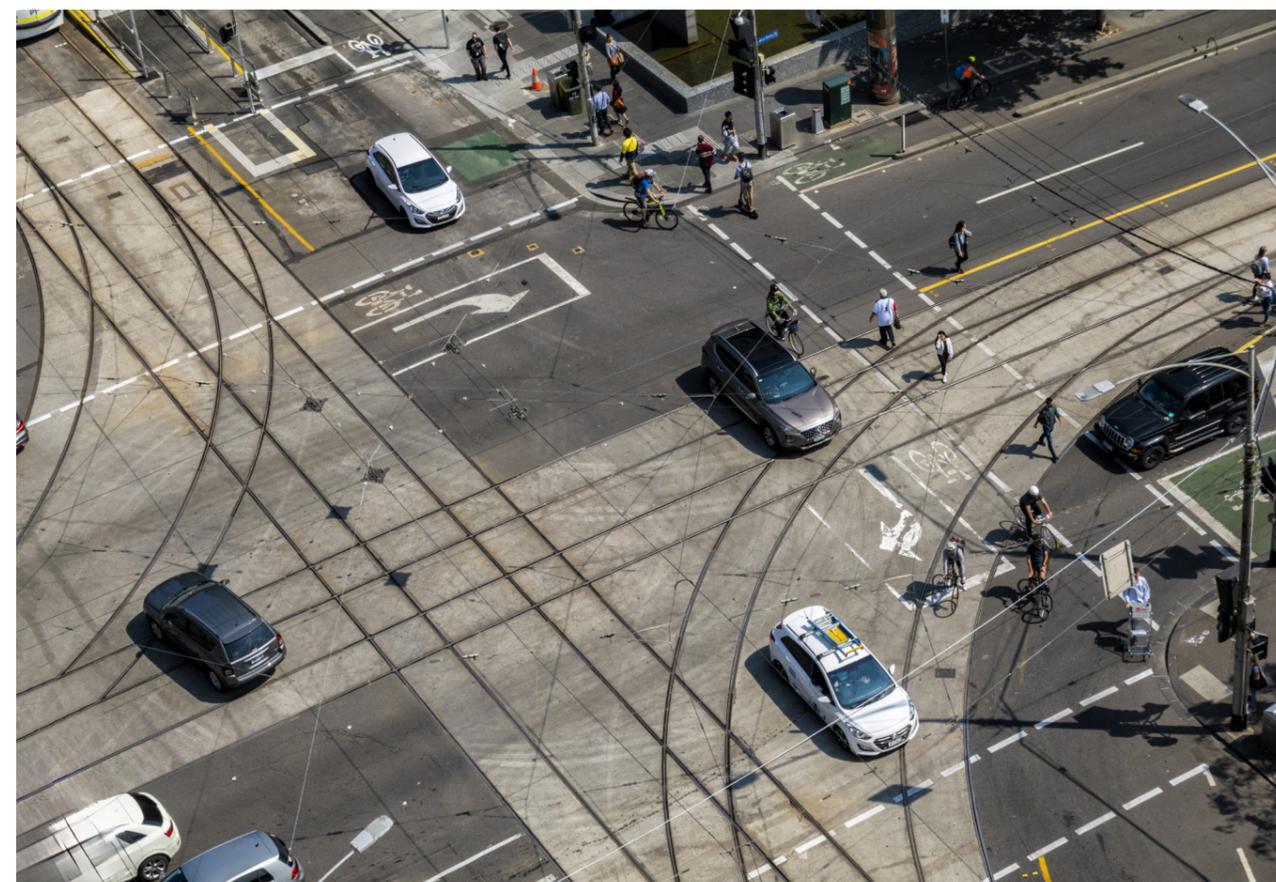
### Williamstown Road / Beacon Road **Port Melbourne**

"Child safety is a serious concern here with 100s of kids crossing to use the sporting grounds. There are no parking facilities inside this area, so everyone crosses this busy road which is 60km. Desperately need a traffic light/pedestrian crossing or an elevated crossing."

## Find roads and intersections in your area

Every Local Government Area (LGA) was represented in the *My Melbourne Road* survey. Below are the roads and intersections with the most number of responses in each LGA.

	LGA	Top Road	Segment Origin	Segment Destination	Intersection
1	Banyule	Banksia Rd / Bell St	Waterdale Rd	Bulleen Rd	Greensborough Bypass / Diamond Creek Rd
2	Bayside	Bay Rd	Beach Rd	Nepean Hwy	Highbett Rd / Bluff Rd
3	Boroondara	Power St / Denmark St / Princess St	Riversdale Rd	Earl St	Toorak Rd / Camberwell Rd
4	Brimbank	Calder Fwy	Calder Park Dr	Keilor Park Dr	Calder Park Dr / Calder Fwy
5	Cardinia	Princes Hwy	Tynong Rd	Tonimbuk Rd	Princes Hwy / Gumbuya World
6	Casey	Clyde Rd / Berwick-Cranbourne Rd	Princes Fwy	Pattersons Rd	Princes Fwy / Clyde Rd
7	Darebin	Cheddar Rd	High St	Settlement Rd	Bell St / St Georges Rd
8	Frankston	Cranbourne Rd	Fletcher Rd	Peninsula Link	Seaford Rd / Frankston Fwy
9	Glen Eira	Dandenong Rd	Chapel St	Chadstone Rd	Dandenong Rd / Grange Rd
10	Greater Dandenong	Princes Hwy	Westall Rd	Heatherton Rd	Springvale Rd / Princes Hwy
11	Hobsons Bay	Westgate Fwy / Princes Fwy	Westgate Bridge	Kororoit Creek Rd	Kororoit Creek Rd / Millers Rd
12	Hume	Sunbury Rd / Bulla Rd	Melbourne Airport	Loemans Rd	Konagaderra Rd / Bardwell Dr
13	Kingston	Balcombe Rd / Lower Dandenong Rd	Charman Rd	Boundary Rd	Nepean Hwy / McLeod Rd
14	Knox	Boronia Rd	Canterbury Rd	Dorset Rd	Wellington Rd / Stud Rd
15	Manningham	Doncaster Rd	Burke Rd	Williamsons Rd	Ringwood-Warrandyte Rd / Croydon Rd
16	Maribyrnong	Barkly St / Hopkins St	Ashley St	Maribyrnong River	Hopkins St / Joseph Rd
17	Maroondah	Maroondah Hwy	Ringwood Bypass	Croydon Rd	Maroondah Hwy / Yarra Rd
18	Melbourne	St Kilda Rd	Princes Bridge	Charnwood Rd	Flemington Rd / Royal Pde
19	Melton	Western Fwy	Melton Hwy	Hopkins Rd	Melton Hwy / The Regency
20	Merri-bek	Sydney Rd	Brunswick Rd	Jukes Rd	Park Street / Royal Pde



	LGA	Top Road	Segment Origin	Segment Destination	Intersection
21	Monash	North Rd	Warrigal Rd	Clayton Rd	Wellington Rd / Princes Hwy
22	Moonee Valley	Mount Alexander Rd	Boundary Rd	Bulla Rd	Mount Alexander Rd / Keilor Rd
23	Mornington Peninsula	Nepean Hwy	Craigie Rd	Mornington Peninsula Fwy	Mornington Peninsula Fwy / Jetty Rd
24	Nillumbik	Yan Yean Rd	Kurrak Rd	Bridge Inn Rd	Main Rd / Fitzsimons Ln
25	Port Phillip	Bay St	Beach St	Montague St	Liardet St / Bay St
26	Stonnington	Toorak Rd	Punt Rd	Monash Fwy	Monash Fwy / Toorak Rd
27	Whitehorse	Canterbury Rd	Warrigal Rd	Mitcham Rd	Canterbury Rd / Boronia Rd
28	Whittlesea	Plenty Rd	Metropolitan Ring Rd	McDonalds Rd	Settlement Rd / Dalton Rd
29	Wyndham	Point Cook Rd	Central Ave	Point Cook Homestead Rd	Princes Fwy / Geelong Rd Exit
30	Yarra	Bridge Rd	Hoddle St	Yarra River	Twickenham Cres / Loyola Gr
31	Yarra Ranges	Clegg Rd / Warburton Hwy	Hereford Rd	Sunnyside Rd	Wellington Rd / Dorning Rd



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