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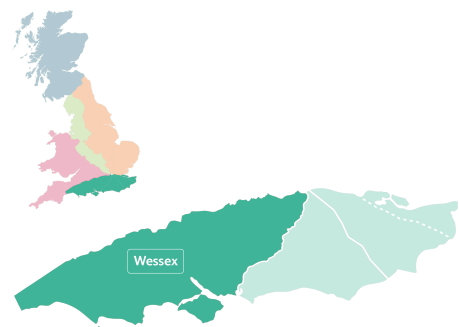
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The Wessex route covers the major commuter area of south-west London as well as from London Waterloo to the south and south-west of England

This route is one of the busiest on the rail network, taking in all or part of the counties of Surrey, Berkshire, Hampshire, Dorset,



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- Peak-time capacity is Wessex's main challenge, specifically with on-train crowding for passengers to and from London. Passenger numbers on the route have more than doubled in the last 20 years, with over half a million people using it every day. There are more than 230 million passenger journeys on Wessex route each year, including nearly 100 million to or from London Waterloo.
- The Wessex route also supports high levels of passenger traffic to and from many other important regional centres, such as Bournemouth, Southampton, Portsmouth, Guildford and Basingstoke.
- Off-peak business and leisure travel has shown continued growth in recent years, and the railway through Wessex route is also important for rail freight,

- Upgrade
- Wessex Access for All schemes
- Improving London Waterloo station
- West of England line improvements
- Barnes to Feltham Upgrade Work
- Island Line Improvements
- Western route

linking Southampton Port and Airport with the Midlands and North of England.

Main railway lines

- the South West Mainline from [London Waterloo](#) to Weymouth

Safety

We work closely with local communities to promote safety by the railway. Find out more on our [community safety page](#).

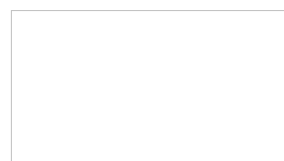
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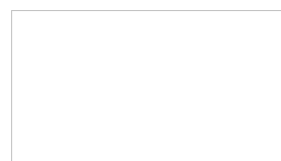
Railway Upgrade Plan

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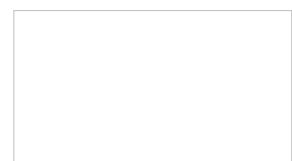
Crossrail 2

The proposed Crossrail 2 project would add capacity and reduce rail journey times between south



Heart of Wessex line upgrades

We continue to make major improvements on the Heart of Wessex line



Wessex railway upgrade plan

We're investing over £2bn to improve the railway infrastructure

west and north east London. London is projected to grow by two million people by 2031. Along with Transport for London, we...

from Castle Cary to Weymouth Upcoming seven-day closure in September Our engineers will be working on the line from Monday 23 September to...

from across the South West and into London Strengthening the cutting near Sand Tunnel in Guildford in May 2020 The investment will help replace ageing equipment...

Latest news

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