



The lost generation now in driving seat

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Younger generations of drivers are unable to carry out basic car-related tasks such as reading a physical map and checking tyre pressure.

According to the survey of 2,000 Brits conducted by used car supermarket **CarShop**, over half of millennial drivers (58%) admit to not knowing how to read a paper map compared to just 31% of non-millennials.

The research revealed that when undertaking unknown journeys, almost three quarters of millennials (72%) would need to rely on a digital map or Sat Nav whilst over half (57%) of non-millennials would be able to plan a journey using a paper map.

And it appears that when it comes to other basic car maintenance tasks, millennials also struggle when compared to other generations. Over two-fifths (45%) of millennials wouldn't feel confident checking a tyre's pressure, compared to just 28% of non-millennials. Almost half (47%) wouldn't feel confident in checking a car's oil and 78% wouldn't know how to change a windscreen wiper.

The research revealed the reasons why millennials may not know how to carry out basic car tasks and, shockingly, over a quarter (28%) admitted that they 'couldn't be bothered to learn', but it seems that older generations aren't passing the knowledge down, as it was revealed 40% of millennials were never taught how to carry out basic car maintenance.

It was also found that when any issues occur with a car, two-thirds of non-millennials would automatically call a breakdown service, while 35% of millennials would ring a parent, partner or friend.