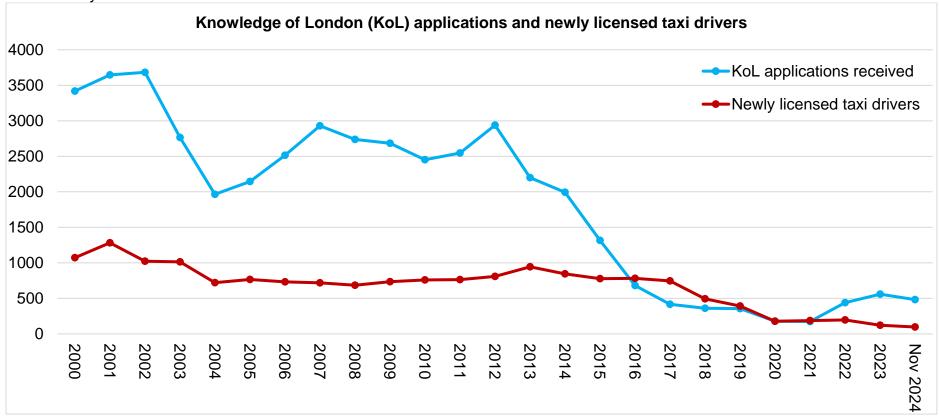
Appendix 4: Taxi driver figures

Knowledge of London applications and newly licensed taxi drivers

The chart below¹ shows the number of:

- Applications received to do the Knowledge of London
- Newly licensed taxi drivers

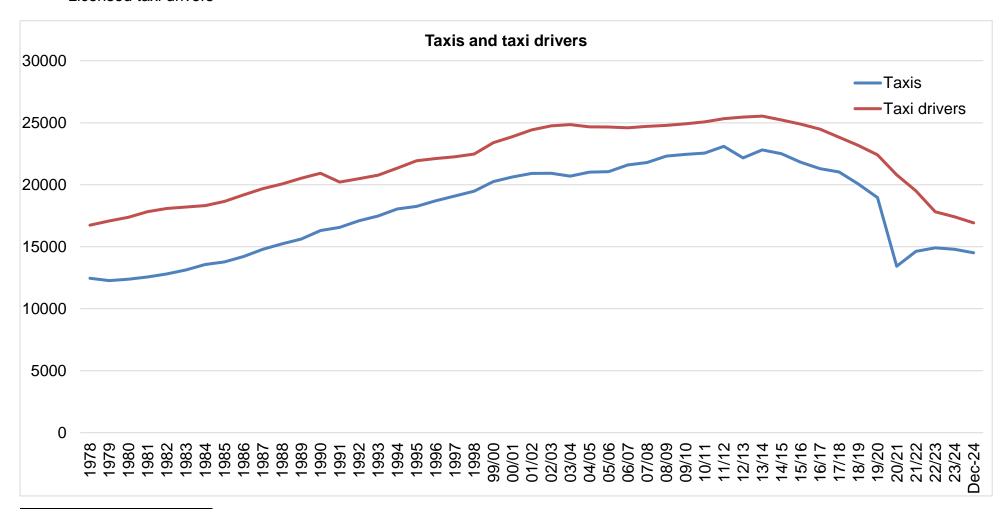


¹ TfL licensing data

Licensed taxis and taxi drivers

The chart below² shows the number of:

- Licensed taxis
- Licensed taxi drivers



² TfL licensing data

Pre- and post-pandemic figures

The table below shows the number of taxi and private hire licensees in March 2020 and in December 2024.3

While the number of licensed private hire drivers declined during the coronavirus pandemic, it has now almost retuned to the prepandemic level.

The number of licensed taxi drivers was declining before the pandemic. The rate of decline accelerated during the pandemic and the number has continued to fall.

	15 March 2020	05 January 2025	Difference	%
Taxis	18961	14525	-4436	-23.40%
Taxi drivers	22409	16919	-5490	-24.50%
Private hire operators	2124	1778	-346	-16.29%
Private hire drivers	111590	107884	-3706	-3.32%
Private hire vehicles	95955	96241	286	0.30%

³ TfL licensing data